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Jamie stands true to his culture and people



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He said other Aboriginal people he spoke to who have been nominated over the years grappled with the same dilemma.

Having national awards being celebrated on Invasion Day made the decision easier. Jamie does not identify as Australian, and does not want to be celebrated as such.

“This is an inappropriate day to celebrate individuals no matter how remarkable and magnanimous, let alone a nation.

“It is the day that each year marks the beginning of invasion, subsequent genocides, dispossession and intergenerational trauma.

“It is a day of mourning. It is a day of remembrance.

“As a proud sovereign pakana I will not celebrate anything but our communities’ strength and ability to survive apocalypse on that day.”

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System failed Charlie



A SIX-year-old boy was told his Black life didn’t matter six times in a row, then he died.

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a remote far north Queensland hospital are considering taking legal action following the release of a damning report into his death.

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MY FAMILY Krishna Bulsey (nee Hughes), Palm Island

LIFE revolves around family and we spend lots of time together both here on Palm Island and other islands in the group, and also when we get the chance to travel to the mainland.

We have eight children including sons Fred Jnr, aged 22, Isaac, 20, Germaine, 17, Zaquan, 11, and daughters Mirinda, 21, Vinneveia, 15, Aiyana, 6, and Krishna Jnr, the youngest, aged 4.

We love going fishing and camping together and have a 6m fibreglass boat with a 150hp outboard motor.

Only last week we took it over to nearby Punishment Island for fishing and swimming off the beach.

We also get over to the former leper colony of Fantome Island, which is great.

I have been with my husband Fred since we were young and I married him on Easter Sunday back in 2010.

Around 250 people attended St Anthony's Catholic Church here on Palm to witness it and many were extended family and friends.

After the church more than 800 men, women and children packed into the Palm Island PCYC for the reception.

We all enjoy a love of rugby league and support the local club Skipjacks and the Palm Island Barracudas at Allblacks carnivals around North Queensland.

Fred has played for both teams for many years and we especially like being part of the Skipjacks side which takes on Army annually for the Bill Coolburra Shield.

Since 2008, that has been named in honour of the late Elder Bill Coolburra, who was much loved.

Recently we travelled as a family to Cherbourg to attend the funeral of Alex Morgan, who had been Skipjacks coach for many years.

A lot of people from Palm went down to Cherbourg in a 50 seater bus.

We have also travelled together as a family to many places like Cairns, Ayr, Cardwell, Mackay and Yarrabah for football carnivals.

Isaac, Germaine and Fred Jnr play football and often they have lined up beside their dad in the same team and now he coaches them.



From left are my son Germaine, husband Fred Bulsey, daughter Mirinda, me Krishna, sons Isaac and Fred Jnr.

My father Franklyn Hughes is well known on Palm Island and my mother was the late Eunice Friday.

My husband Fred is the son of Fred Bulsey Snr and Tessa Tamwoy, who is of Torres Strait Islander descent.

For some time due to the coronavirus pandemic, Palm Island was in lockdown and nobody could leave or even go fishing.

So we got to spend even more time with each other.

We love just having a meal together during quality family time.

Life is great living on such a beautiful island and having so many loved family members and close relatives here.

As told to Alf Wilson

OUR CHILDREN



Kids from Manyalluluk school in the Northern Territory with Indigenous Literacy Foundation lifetime ambassador and popular children's author Andy Griffiths.

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Tarneen Onus-Williams at the 2018 Invasion Day march in Naarm (Melbourne).
Picture: Rudi Maxwell

All power to you, Tarneen Onus-Williams

By DANNY TEECE-JOHNSON



BURN it down!

The year was 2018. Naarm (Melbourne) was bubbling with solidarity and we were all watching.

It was the biggest Invasion Day rally I had ever seen and the feeling of pride and empowerment that gave me is a feeling I will never forget. The tide was slowly turning. Some Australians were finally waking up, were finally listening.

Enter a young, strong, Black and unapologetic Tarneen Onus-Williams.

"Shame on you people for supporting and celebrating genocide," she said.

"Next year, why don't you come and join us?"

"Australia doesn't deserve to exist when people celebrate the murder of our people. I hope it burns to the ground."

These were her exact words; these were printed in the *Koori Mail*, who had a reporter at the rally. These are the words that exposed Australia's soft racist

underbelly, exposed White fragility nationwide and the white tears flowed from mainstream media, quickly filling up the shallow halls of Parliament House.

I was like, "F*** yeah sis, tell em!"

Uncle Gary Foley and Auntie Jenny Munro were there with their Black Fists raised in support and so was I.

But even this Gomeri journalist couldn't believe the reaction and the attack on Tarneen from White Australia and even some of our own conservative commentators. She was totally taken out of

context. She was vilified. She was harassed.

It was a cutting reminder of what happens to our people when they put themselves out there and get up and tell the truth.

Australia's social fabric is a tinder box of insecurities and Tarneen lit a match and chucked it right on top of the pile and they didn't like it.

Tarneen talks about the impact of this in this series, so please keep reading, on pages 28-29.

NT court told Kumanjayi shooting was 'excessive'



A NORTHERN

Territory police officer charged with murdering Warlpiri man Kumanjayi Walker was justified in firing one shot, but the second and third were "excessive, unreasonable and unnecessary", a court has been told.

In a committal hearing for Constable Zachary Rolfe, US criminologist Geoffrey Alpert told Alice Springs Local Court that after the first shot, the officer had time to reassess and use other options to subdue Mr Walker.

"He had time, and the ability to go hands-on or use less lethal force, such as a Taser ... far more reasonable responses than going and shooting at very close range – two shots in the chest," Dr Alpert said.

In his report, read in part to the court, the University of South Carolina professor said the second and third shots were not "reasonable, necessary, proportionate and appropriate to the circumstances".

"The second round of shots in close range to Mr Walker was excessive, unreasonable, and unnecessary," he said.

Dr Alpert told the court that he believed the first shot was reasonable because at that time Rolfe, Mr Walker and another officer were basically fighting and Rolfe had been stabbed with a pair of scissors.

"Once that event ended, and Const Rolfe was able to disengage, my opinion is that he should have," Dr Alpert said.

"He had the time and he had the ability and he had the space to reassess, and in my opinion reassessed improperly."

But he agreed with defence arguments that he could not know Rolfe's state of mind at the time in what was a tense, uncertain and rapidly-evolving situation that played out over just a few seconds.

In other evidence, Detective Senior Sergeant Andrew Barram, from police professional standards told the court he also believed the first shot fired by Rolfe could be defended.

"There is some scenario open where the discharge of the first shot may have been justifiable," he said.

In his report presented to the court Sgt Barram said it appeared Rolfe fired the first shot in defence of his partner Adam Eberl, who was

grappling with Mr Walker at the time.

"Rolfe must have formed the belief that death or serious harm would result to Eberl, and that he had no other option than to shoot to protect Eberl from being stabbed," he said in the report.

"That would be a reasonable belief at that moment in time."

The court was played video from cameras worn by some of the officers involved in the arrest, which showed struggles.

It was alleged that Mr Walker had threatened to kill the officers as they tried to arrest him. Evidence was tendered about police training, which dictated that officers draw guns if an offender produced a weapon such as a knife or scissors.

Mr Walker died after being shot as police tried to detain him at a home in Yuendumu, 300km north-west of Alice Springs in November last year.

An urgent police response had been called from Alice Springs to make the arrest after the 19-year-old had rushed at other officers with an axe three days earlier.

It was considered he posed a significant danger to police and had the capacity for extreme violence.

Rolfe has not entered a plea to



Ned Jampijinpa Hargraves

the murder charge, but previously indicated he would contest the allegation.

The committal hearing will determine if the matter proceeds to the Supreme Court for trial.

Rolfe was not required to attend the hearing in person, but appeared by video link from Canberra.

The committal hearing finished last Thursday after Rolfe's barrister, requested judge John Birch adjourn the case until September 25 when he will argue his client has no case to answer and the charge

should be dismissed.

Members of Mr Walker's family travelled to Mpartwe for the hearing, with some allowed inside the courtroom, while others waited outside on the lawns.

Warlpiri Parumpurru Committee chair Ned Jampijinpa Hargraves told CAAMA (Central Australian Aboriginal Media Association) Radio that it was important that people didn't lose sight of one central fact.

"Look, Kumanjayi is not on trial, Rolfe from the NT Police is on trial," he said.

Warlpiri woman Samara Fernandez-Brown told CAAMA that Mr Walker's family was grateful to Arrente mob for their support during such a difficult time.

"It's been really long days and very exhausting for family but now we've got to regroup and regroup so we can prepare," she said.

"Thank you to everybody for standing with us for justice and not allowing such an important issue to be swept under the rug, as often can happen in Australia."

Members of Mr Walker's family told CAAMA that they still felt sad about the death of the loved one.

"We need justice for him."

– with AAP

Women's work on show in *Open Hands*



BARKINDJI artist Nici Cumpston is curating an exhibition at the Art Gallery of South Australia that highlights how the creativity of First Nations women artists forms a vital cultural link in sharing knowledge across generations.

Open Hands, part of Tarnanthi, the annual celebration of contemporary Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander art, will be held from October 16 until January 31.

"*Open Hands* celebrates the ongoing and often unseen work that women in communities do to maintain culture," Cumpston said.

"Keeping these stories alive and sharing knowledge is deeply embedded within everyday life across Australia."

The festival features a broad range of First Nations artists.

The next wave of work from artists in the Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara Lands of SA focuses on bold new ways forward with drawing.

Also from the heart of central Australia are the vibrant paintings of life in Mparntwe (Alice Springs) that have been transformed into animations by artists from Tangentyere Art Centre.



Naomi Kanytjuri, from Amata, South Australia. Picture: Meg Hansen, courtesy the artist and Tjala Arts

Meanwhile, Lena Yarinkura and her daughter Yolanda Rostron, from central Arnhem Land, have made an

installation of expertly woven sculptures from natural materials found on their homelands.

Their work shares the stories associated with Ngalbenbe, the Sun Story, and relies on the ingenuity of

the human hand to bring stories to life.

From the hands of Naomi Hobson in far north Queensland comes *Adolescent Wonderland*, a series of evocative photographic portraits of young people in her community of Coen, which tells the stories of life in this small town.

Also, among the artists in Tarnanthi 2020 are mother-daughter duo Sonja and Elisa-Jane Carmichael, from Minjerribah (North Stradbroke Island). Together, they have created delicate woven objects deeply embedded in culture.

These objects reappear as ghostly images within large scale textiles using the cyanotype alternative photographic technique.

The annual Tarnanthi Art Fair, designed as a COVID-safe event for 2020, will be held in early December.

This year's Art Fair will feature a curated display of works for sale, carefully selected by art centres.

Tarnanthi will also have its first international offering in 2020, in a collaboration with the APY Art Centre Collective.

Presenting new works by thirty-four artists from the APY Lands, the exhibition will occupy an entire floor of the Musée des Beaux-Arts in Rennes, Brittany, France.

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Muir: reaction overwhelming



FORMER St Kilda footballer Robert Muir says he has been "overwhelmed" by the reaction to a story detailing his experience of racism in football.

Muir opened up in an interview with the ABC, which published a feature article revealing his story of persecution throughout his 68-game career in the 1970s and 80s and the hardships he had suffered since.

It led to St Kilda apologising "unreservedly" to Muir and his family and committing to supporting the 66-year-old, while also drawing responses from the AFL and other clubs.

"In the last two days, I have been overwhelmed by the reaction to my story and want to thank everyone who has sent me kind wishes," Muir said in a statement.

"I appreciate it greatly, because for most of my life people have not understood the difficulties I've faced because of racism and trauma.

"Although the recognition of the St Kilda Football Club and the AFL community has made me feel more valued, and I look forward to forming an ongoing relationship with them, for the time being I would appreciate some space."

Muir said he now wanted to process his feelings and prioritise his family and his mental health.

In the story, Muir detailed examples of racist abuse he had received from opposition players and fans and the lack of support he had received from St Kilda and the league.

He also recalled when one of St Kilda's star players urinated on him after walking into the showers following his first training session with the club in 1974.

In his statement, Muir made note of the former teammates and opponents who had attempted to get in touch and said a time would



Robert Muir

come when they could reconnect.

St Kilda has also set up an email address to allow those with a personal connection to Muir to contact him and will pass messages onto Muir when he is ready to read them.

"Although I have suffered greatly because of my involvement in the game, my love for football and for St Kilda remains," Muir said.

"I missed out on the support I needed when I played, but I am glad it is being offered now.

"I'm also pleased that the many brilliant Indigenous footballers currently playing the game are finally getting the support they require.

"Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people have made a huge contribution to AFL football. All we ask for in return is respect." – AAP

‘Systemic failure’ cost the life of little Charlie

By **DANNY
TEECE-JOHNSON**



A SIX-year-old boy was told his Black life didn't matter six times in a row, then he died.

The shattered parents of six-year-old Charlie Gowa, who died after repeatedly being turned away from a remote far north Queensland hospital, are considering taking legal action following the release of a damning report into his death.

The Queensland Office of the Health Ombudsman last week released the findings of an investigation that concluded there were “systemic failures” at the hospital.

It found that Charlie's initial treatment had been inadequate and hospital staff had failed to recognise the boy's condition was deteriorating, despite his parents' pleas.

The investigation also identified issues at the hospital that “were likely not isolated to this incident”.

Charlie contracted melioidosis, a bacterial infection that is endemic in northern Australia and usually contracted from the soil.

The ombudsman's report described the condition as “rare” and particularly uncommon in children. However, the condition is a known risk in the tropics and has a high mortality rate, particularly in patients who go on to develop sepsis.

Charlie Izaak Wilfred Gowa, aged 6, died from sepsis at a Brisbane hospital in January 2017.

The Queensland Office of the Health Ombudsman (OHO) has released a report detailing the “systemic failures” that led to his death.

The report details how Charlie's mother, Xernona Poi Poi, took him to the emergency department at Bamaga Hospital in Cape York after he woke up not feeling well.

He had a fever, diarrhoea, and vomited up his breakfast.

He was sent home with Panadol and an ice-block.

Later that evening Charlie told his mother he was having trouble breathing.

The Ombudsman heard the family went back to the hospital every day for six days but each time were turned away with only Panadol offered as treatment.

The boy had become so weak he had to be carried to the toilet by his mother.

Charlie was finally admitted to Bamaga Hospital on January 10 — on the seventh attempt — and was then flown to Cairns, where he was put in an induced coma and flown to Brisbane.

His condition did not improve and his parents made the decision to turn off his life support nine days after he was first taken to Bamaga Hospital.

The OHO report found he died of “overwhelming sepsis” caused by melioidosis.

Ms Poi Poi said her son was normally a strong and happy child.

“I tried so hard to get my son the help that he needed,” Ms Poi Poi said.

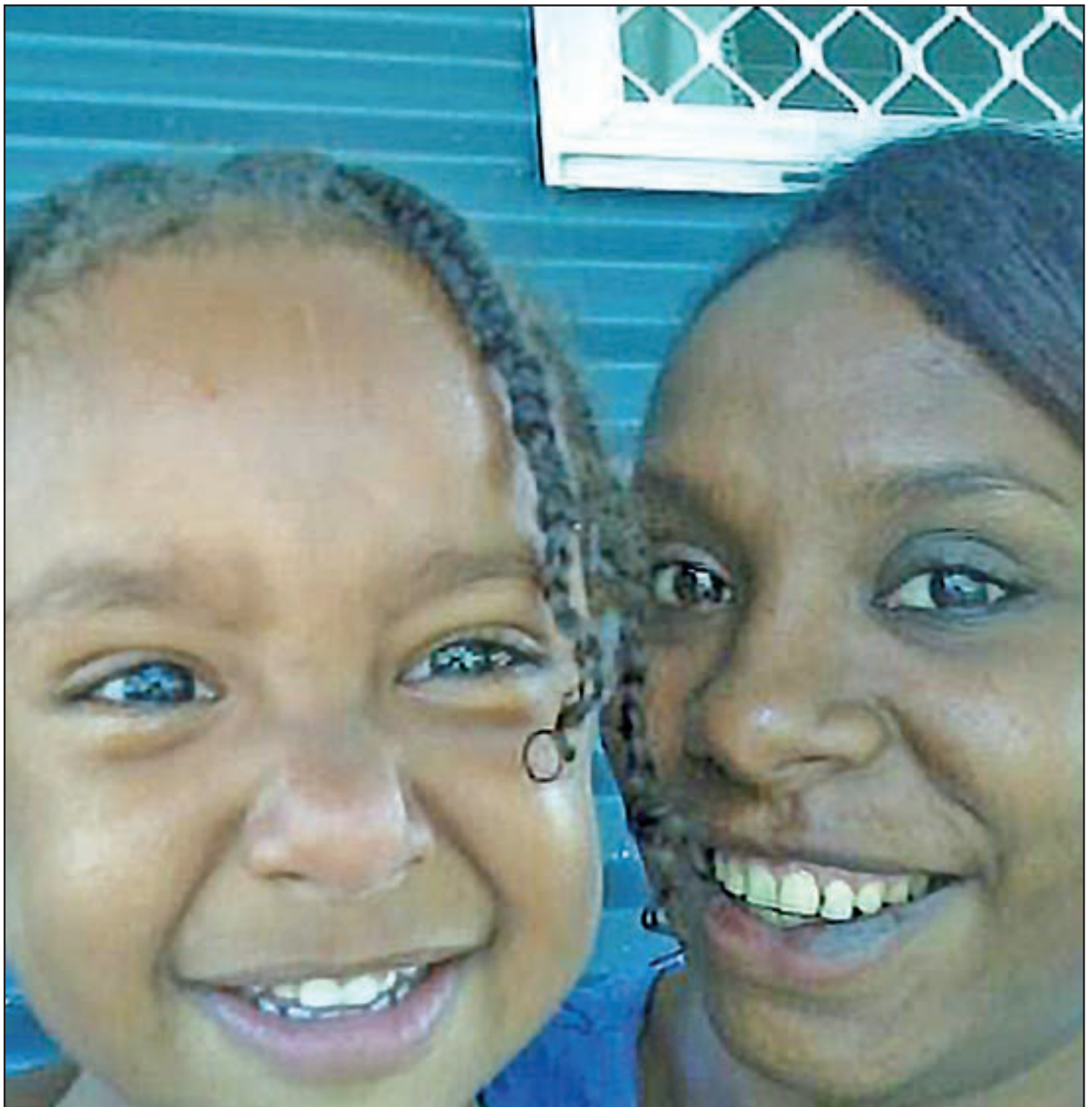
“The hospital would not help him and there was nowhere else we could go.

“These problems have existed for so long and they are still there today.

“I want better for my family and my community.”

The family's lawyer, Anna Talbot from the National Justice Project, said Charlie's death was part of a “broader systemic issue”.

“The OHO report makes it clear that what happened to Charlie was the tragic



Charlie and his mum Xernona Poi Poi. “I tried so hard to get my son the help that he needed,” Ms Poi Poi said. Pictures: supplied by Anna Talbot from the National Justice Project, published with the family's permission.

culmination of widespread systemic issues affecting Bamaga Hospital and the Torres and Cape Hospital and Health Service,” Ms Talbot said.

“Despite most people in the region identifying as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander, the services there were not culturally appropriate to serve the community.”

She said the family were “examining their legal options”, but it would not be appropriate to comment further.

“Ultimately, we want people to know what happened to this family, what happened to Charlie, his mum and dad, his little brother and sister, and to make sure this doesn't happen again,” Ms Talbot said.

In a response to the Health Ombudsman, Torres and Cape Hospital and Health Service said it acknowledged the “loss of Charles Gowa and the distress and anguish of his parents and extended family”.

The service said it had conducted two of its own reviews into his treatment.

It said Bamaga Hospital services had developed significantly since 2017, including the improvement of clinical



Charlie Gowa died of sepsis, aged 6, at a Brisbane hospital in January 2017.

medial record systems and the addition of more permanent medical staff.

But it's too late for Charlie.

Charlie Gowa should be alive.

But he isn't.



Charlie with his mother and brother.

Ziggy Ramo a voice for *Black Thought*

By DANIEL BROWNING



BOTH spectacle and ritual, the bunggul ceremonies of north-east Arnhem Land

inspire the Sydney Opera House's specially commissioned live streamed performance of Ziggy Ramo's *Black Thoughts*, a work which reckons with the personal and the political.

Depending on the nature of the ceremony or occasion, bunggul can be joyous or mournful, durational or momentary, incorporating dance, music and vocal performance.

During his childhood at Gapuwiyak, Ziggy observed the tradition closely. Naturally enough it informs this multimedia performance where many artists have a stake in the work, fluidly creating and collaborating live.

A collection of voices on Gadigal land, *Black Thoughts* is sometimes led and sometimes followed by Ziggy's powerful rap in what he describes as a breathing musicality, a push and pull between lyrics and music.

What is being attempted on stage is a collective experience, decentring any one individual and never to be repeated in quite the same way, much like bunggul.

Across the emotional narrative arc of *Black Thoughts*, originally produced by JCAL, Ziggy is accompanied by a 10-piece band featuring strings, brass, drums and keys with new arrangements by guitarist and musical director Milan Ring and composer Harri Harding.

A visual storyboard featuring the work of Perth-based artist and illustrator Kambarni (otherwise known as Kamsani bin Salleh) deepens the impact of Ziggy's lyrics.

Black Thoughts is also a journey across dual heritage and the contradictions that implies for First Nations people.

Each song is a moment, a reckoning with a national story in which we are all personally and politically implicated.

For the artist, the first half of *Black Thoughts* (*Beginning of the End* through to the rhetorical bridge *Stand For Something*) grapples with the maternal side of his heritage, and the legacy of the tall ships – the invasion force of British colonialism – and the myth of white Australian exceptionalism.

The emotional high point of the performance, *April 25th*, genuinely poses a question: If you value the heritage of the Anzac tradition, how can you ignore the sacrifice and bloodshed of our ancestors?

There is no insult in the lines of this urgent clarion call but a demand for racial justice,



Ziggy Ramo performs *Black Thoughts* at the Sydney Opera House. Picture: Daniel Boud

equality and compassion:

*"We pick and choose our history
We rearrange the facts*

...

*So if you hold your heart for the ANZACS
You accept the history both white and black."*

The latter half of the album is a statement of Ziggy's cultural identity, his survival and the inheritance of his Aboriginal and Solomon Islander father.

"We survived a genocide/We legendary".

Quite simply, history is a burden and to pretend you are not implicated in it is a luxury.

Thirty years after the abolition of slavery, an industrialised system of forced indentured labour brought thousands of South Sea Islanders to our shores to work the canefields, and among them was Ziggy's paternal ancestor from Malaita.

His Aboriginal great-grandmother was stolen and grew up alienated from her Wik country.

Culturally and artistically,

Ziggy embodies the contradictions and the burden of Australian history.

*"Why lie? White lies kill minds
Blacked out, white facts got you blind
It's time, it's time
For black truths to replace white lies."*

Black Thoughts – album and performance – has been a long time in gestation.

It may have languished forever, unreleased, but it remains as potent, as vulnerable and as driven as the day it was written.

In fact, the tide has turned so much in the wake of the police killing of George Floyd that the matters articulated in *Black Thoughts* can no longer be denied – the systemic racism and inherent anti-Blackness of our institutions has been laid bare, from Minneapolis to Melbourne.

Galvanised, a rising tide of Black voices echo in the emptied streets, so urgent that not even a global pandemic can silence them.

Ziggy says of *Black*

Thoughts, "I have held onto it over the years because I felt that as a country we weren't ready to listen.

"But I can sense a shift and I am over waiting."

He is quick to point out that his black thoughts, as provocative as they may be, are not laid down to get a rise out of people. There is no incitement to hate.

These songs were written in the shadow of personal, emotional crisis, now echoing in the enforced social distance, loneliness and darkening mood of the pandemic; but hope resonates throughout.

The challenge is in having the conversation, and *Black Thoughts* is a starter.

*"To hold all my thoughts in a single spot
Demanding the answers that ain't been handed*

*What's been laid down for me will never be taken for granted
Granted, we have have to play by their antics
But look and learn your history, try to understand it
The seed for this change*

*has already been planted
It's not accident, our people planned it..."*

Black Thoughts challenges and provokes, and constructively unsettles.

But eventually the lyrical journey reimagines the kind of country I want to live in; one that confronts its past, one that disposes of White lies and amplifies Black truths.

So, turn it up.

Enjoy the rhyme and reason of Ziggy Ramo with a 10-piece band, from the Opera House to yours, as they bring the world premiere of Ziggy Ramo's *Black Thoughts: A Collection of Voices on Gadigal Land*, to the Joan Sutherland Theatre stage as part of the Digital Season.

To view Ziggy's performance go to sydneyoperahouse.com

● Bundjalung and Kullilli man Daniel Browning is the presenter of *Awaye!*, ABC Radio National's flagship show about Aboriginal arts and culture. This piece also appears on the Sydney Opera House website and is republished with permission.

Jamie says thanks but no thanks to Australia Day award nomination

By JILLIAN MUNDY



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Having national awards being celebrated on Invasion Day made the decision easier.

Jamie does not identify as Australian, and does not want to be celebrated as such.

“This is an inappropriate day to celebrate individuals, no matter how remarkable and magnanimous, let alone a nation.

“It is the day that each year marks the beginning of invasion, subsequent genocides, dispossession and intergenerational trauma.

“It is a day of mourning. It is a day of remembrance.

“As a proud sovereign pakana I will not celebrate anything but our communities’ strength and ability to survive apocalypse on that day.”

Declining the nomination may deliver a greater platform anyway.

He has received more congratulations on knocking it back than for being nominated and it’s already given him the opportunity to explain why to several non-Aboriginal people.

Jamie, who is in the third year



Science student and climate activist Jamie Graham-Blair, from Nipaluna (Hobart), has, after much deliberation, declined a nomination for the Young Australian of the Year award, an honours list category ‘celebrated’ on January 26.

of a Bachelor of Marine and Antarctic Science, wants people to understand the importance of Indigenous land return and management.

“There’s a statistic I always come back to,” he said.

“80% of the world’s biodiversity is found on Indigenous protected lands, even though we only make up 5% of the global population, so 5% of the population is protecting 80% of the world’s biodiversity.”

He would like to see more academically minded people and the academic system itself acknowledge the power and depth of traditional Indigenous knowledge.

“There’s all these things I wish were acknowledged and resourced so we could go out and do those land management practices, so that climate change

wouldn’t be as bad. If we had our sovereignty recognised and the land was cared for by us it would be healthier, it would be more resilient and better at fighting climate change.”

One example he gives is traditional burning, which protects and encourages biodiversity and enhances country’s resilience to extreme weather events.

Jamie started out studying a Bachelor of Science with a geology major, but was disheartened by the mining and mineral exploration focus at the time and how little climate science was considered, especially from an industry that causes climate change.

“You go to uni, I guess, to get a job in a field so it’s all kind of based in that capitalism realm. You put that energy in so you can earn more money later.

“I’m there because I want to conserve; I want to protect country.

“I want to learn about this landscape and understand it on a deeper level so I can help it in the ways that it needs and tie it into cultural knowledge and make it a stronger argument as to why we should protect it.

“I’m there to reclaim that knowledge that they stole.”

Jamie does not know who nominated him for the contentious award, but is deeply thankful for them believing his work and worth should be seen and celebrated on such a large platform.

He guesses it was for his climate activism or volunteer work with SEED mob, where he helps young people learn about climate change and the impacts on culture and country, climate science and activism, and does

not want to ostracise other Aboriginal people who have accepted nominations.

“Using that platform and being acknowledged for their hard bloody work, that’s good. But you’ve got to make sure it works in with your ethics, I guess.

“A lot of people who have been nominated in the past and won, specifically the Aboriginal people, real power to them for standing up and taking that award. I’m not speaking bad about them, I’m just speaking truth to my power and my identity.”

Last year Jamie won the CSIRO’s Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Tertiary Student STEM (Science Technology Engineering and Mathematics) Achievement Award, an award judged by peers in the scientific field.

Wyatt in talks on flag



FEDERAL Minister for Indigenous Australians Ken Wyatt has confirmed he is in talks to buy the rights to the Aboriginal flag for the Government, days after Labor revealed a plan to compel him.

Mr Wyatt is having discussions with Aboriginal artist Harold Thomas, who designed the flag in 1971, and the non-Indigenous company that owns the commercial licensing rights for clothing.

“I commit to doing everything I can to bring about a resolution that respects not only the artist of the flag but a resolution that respects the rights, enterprise and opportunity of all Australians,” Mr Wyatt said.

The long-running issue recently

resurfaced after the AFL was unable to use the Aboriginal flag during its Indigenous round.

The league did not strike an agreement with WAM Clothing, the non-Indigenous company that has exclusive rights to reproduce it on garments.

WAM Clothing is part owned by Ben Wooster, a former director of Birupi Arts, a company that was fined millions of dollars for mass-producing artworks overseas and falsely claiming they were made by Indigenous artists.

Mr Wyatt has asked the National Indigenous Australians Agency to look at ways to solve issues around the use of the flag.

Last week Labor introduced a private

members bill into the Senate calling for an inquiry into the commercial rights to use the Aboriginal flag.

It passed unanimously.

Shadow Minister for Indigenous Australians Linda Burney told the ABC that the reason the Opposition had introduced the private members bill was that they wanted the inquiry to look at ways Mr Thomas could be protected.

“But to also explore the issues, particularly around the capacity for the flag and the image of the flag to be used freely and respectfully for all Australians. And in particular, Aboriginal organisations and Aboriginal people,” she said.

“I do wish the minister well in his negotiations. That would be a great outcome

if something could be landed in terms of, particularly, the licensing of the flag.

“But we believe that a Senate inquiry is necessary to hear from a variety of people out there in the community, people that are running campaigns about the flag, academics, people from organisations that have received ‘cease and desist’ letters in relation to reproducing the flag.

“The problem is very much around the protection of Harold Thomas and his copyright.

“Now, his actions in relation to licensing the flag to a company called WAM, which in my view has a lot to explain, is perfectly legal under the law in Australia.

“But, ‘Is it morally right?’ is the question.”

Writing award unearths talent of Luana Towney

By JILLIAN MUNDY



THE Emerging Tasmanian Aboriginal Writers Award (ETAWA) is unearthing often unheard stories

and voices.

Last week proud palawa/Wiradjuri woman Luana Towney was named as the 2020 winner for her short story *The Girl in Red*.

It is the sombre story of an Aboriginal mother who dies in childbirth and of her daughter, both brutalised and broken by colonisation, imagined and told in the voice of the mother.

The fiction is loosely based on historical events and was inspired by Mathinna, whose image, painted by convict artist Thomas Bock in 1842 when she was seven, has endured and inspired for generations.

Born in 1835, after the Black War, Mathinna was stolen from her parents, adopted by the governor of the day and his wife, then abandoned and sent to an orphanage. She is believed to have turned to alcohol and either drowned in a puddle or taken her own life by intentional drowning when she was around 20.

Thought to have been buried at putalina (Oyster Cove), her remains were most likely grave robbed.

Records show that at one point Mathinna lived with Fanny Cochrane Smith, who is Towney's maternal great great grandmother.

The Girl in Red will appear in the next edition of long-running literary, arts and culture publication *Island Magazine*, alongside last year's winning entry – a poem by Kartanya Maynard and an introduction by the award's inaugural winner Adam Thompson.

Towney, also a visual artist and a mother of seven, credits her mother, June Sculthorpe, for her love of storytelling.

"When I was a little girl, Mum would read us stories every night, and she really instilled that passion for storytelling and reading, and my imagination," Towney said.

She was also inspired by Tasmanian Aboriginal writers Karen Brown, and Jim Everett-puralia meenamatta, who presented Towney with the award at a small gathering in Hobart last week.

"I grew up reading their poems and short stories," she said.

Towney self published a children's book in 2014 and hopes to publish her notebook of short poems, and is currently working on a script for a children's TV series.

Everett, who's own poetry was first published when he was only six, in a 1940s newspaper pull-out section for children called 'Charlie Chuckles', acknowledged that many Tasmanian Aboriginal people have not had the opportunity to share their stories.

"We've come a long way since then," he said.

"It's important to remember



Jim Everett-puralia meenamatta presented Luana Towney with the 2020 Emerging Tasmanian Aboriginal Writers Award.



Luana Towney's entry was inspired by the true story of Mathinna, who was painted by convict artist Thomas Bock in 1842.

that the Tasmanian Aboriginal community had to fight their way out of extinction. It took us 25 years to convince Tasmania and the governments of Tasmania that we are a living Aboriginal

community with rights inherent in that status.

I watched my parents, as many others would have watched their grandparents, growing up, being conditioned to being

"When I was a little girl, Mum would read us stories every night, and she really instilled that passion for storytelling and reading, and my imagination."

– Luana Towney

ashamed of being Aboriginal and unable to even talk about it.

"So these stories that are coming out of our community, especially with young writers coming out with their approach to the stories that bring back the past in our voice, which I understand Luana's story is about, are so important to be told by our own community writers.

"And we're short on writers in our community.

"There are writers there who write short stories and poetry and stuff and don't come and join in. We've got to locate them and bring them out."

The ETAWA is part of the 'Hidden Stories' collaborative project between the Tasmanian Aboriginal community and TasWriters, which has workshops and mentoring planned for later this year.

Everett donates his royalties from the recently published book *Pakana Voice* to the project.

Edition 160 of *Island Magazine* will be out next week and is likely to have more contributions from Aboriginal writers than any other in its 40-year history, including poems by Ellen van Neerven and Yaaran Ellis, a specially commissioned memoir by Tony Birch, short plays by Barbara H Hostalek and Dylan Van Den Berg, and a photographic feature by Ricky Maynard.

Amongst contributions from non-Aboriginal writers is a feature from Tania Blackwell's *A Guide to Remembering: The Colonial Amnesia Project*, about her colonial family history in Tasmania.

Editor Vern Field says the Black Lives Matter movement had an influence on the edition's content – 'as it should', but is wary of being seen to be jumping on a bandwagon.

"These things have always been on our radar. We've always been wanting to engage with First Nations writers. I don't think that's new," Field said.

"I think it has brought to the fore in all of our minds the need to do more.

"It's more a moment of stronger recognition that, while we have been doing some things, there is more to be done: the need to make space for stories; the need to make space for voices that still aren't heard enough.

"We need to really take them on and be more active.

"I think it's a real opportunity for *Island* to say, 'Have we done enough?' and that's what we should be doing."

Coroner: care for Tane 'cursory and inadequate'



A SENIOR prison nurse who provided "cursory and inadequate" care for an Indigenous inmate in the hour before he took his life in a NSW jail has been referred to a professional standards board.

Young Indigenous dad Tane Chatfield chose to kill himself in jail, but the NSW prison system inadequately cared for him beforehand, a coroner has found.

But NSW coroner Harriet Grahame stressed deaths in custody of Aboriginal men like Mr Chatfield won't be reduced unless Australia properly grapples with the factors underlying the "grossly disproportionate" incarceration of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

Mr Chatfield, 22, died in hospital two days after he was found hanging in his cell at Tamworth Correctional Centre on September 20, 2017.

He'd only been back in the prison for an hour after spending the night in Tamworth Base Hospital following multiple seizures in his cell.

Ms Grahame last week ruled the death as suicide, but was highly critical of the prison system's care for the Kamilaroi Gumbaynggirr Wakka Wakka man.

Before being escorted back to his cell on return from hospital, Mr Chatfield was assessed for "only a matter of minutes" by senior nurse Janeen Adams. The nurse had little understanding about why he'd gone to hospital.

"The failure to make inquiries about the reason for Tane's admission to hospital demonstrates a lack of clinical care and a failure to establish a rapport with the patient," the coroner said in her written findings.

Ms Adams gave evidence that the prison officer accompanying Mr Chatfield to hospital gave conflicting clinical information



Colin Chatfield, the father of Tane, who died in custody, at a protest in Sydney last year.

Picture: Darren Coyne

and made no mention of seizures.

No hospital discharge summary was available at the time.

While finding parts of the nurse's evidence "inherently implausible" the coroner wasn't in a position to definitively find that Ms Adams had knowledge of Mr Chatfield's seizures.

"However, it is clear that whether or not she actually knew, she should have known," Ms Grahame said, outlining various basic options that were available to the nurse.

"She could simply have asked Tane himself."

Ms Adams told the court she had "many, many years of experience" as an emergency department nurse.

Grahame said, before referring the matter to the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia.

Justice Health, the healthcare provider in NSW prisons, has previously acknowledged Mr Chatfield received inadequate care.

Ms Grahame was also critical of the decision to place Mr Chatfield in a cell on his own while awaiting the hospital discharge summary, and the fact that he was able to find a hanging point in that cell.

Among her seven recommendations, she pressed NSW prisons' boss to urgently

"Quite simply, more young Aboriginal men like Tane must be diverted away from the criminal justice system if we are to reduce the number of Aboriginal deaths in custody nationally."

— NSW coroner Harriet Grahame

"In my view, the care (Ms Adams) provided to Tane was cursory and inadequate," Ms

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Lifeline 13 11 14 or Suicide Call Back Service 1300 659 467 or

Kids Helpline (young people aged 5-25) 1800 551 800

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander support services can be found at www.naccho.org.au or www.sewbmh.org.au or www.healthinfolinet.ecu.edu.au

audit and remove all hanging points in the Tamworth cells.

She also called for next of kin to be notified if an inmate was taken to a hospital in a medical emergency, even if that inmate was not ultimately admitted.

Ms Grahame also wants the active recruitment of Aboriginal health workers for the Tamworth prison, where more than half of prisoners are Indigenous.

While outside the bounds of her inquest, the coroner mentioned the failure of the NSW justice system to appropriately reduce the "grossly disproportionate incarceration of Indigenous people or to properly grapple with the underlying factors".

"Quite simply, more young Aboriginal men like Tane must be diverted away from the criminal justice system if we are to reduce the number of Aboriginal deaths in custody nationally," she said.

Mr Chatfield first entered custody aged 14 and had spent two years on remand.

His death is not the first impulsive Indigenous suicide Ms Grahame has been called to investigate this year.

"Tane's death must be understood in its context of real social injustice, ongoing dispossession and his lived experience of intergenerational trauma," she said.

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Demands for systemic change to prevent deaths in custody

By NICK PATON



FAMILIES of First Nations people who have died in police custody are demanding urgent change to the justice and corrections systems.

On August 21, a group of advocates spoke about the lack of justice for people who have died in custody, and their families, at the Tree of Knowledge behind NSW Parliament House.

The event was organised by not-for-profit organisation Deadly Connections, Black Lives Matter rally organiser Elizabeth Jarrett and the family of Tane Chatfield, who died in his cell in Tamworth prison in 2017.

It marked the closure of submissions into an upcoming Parliamentary Inquiry into the overrepresentation of First Nations people in NSW prisons, which has been initiated in response to the national Black Lives Matter protests in June and July.

Keenan Mundine is the co-founder of and ambassador for Deadly Connections, an Aboriginal organisation that specialises in community-led solutions in reducing the overrepresentation of First Nation people in child protection and the justice system.

Mr Mundine is a Biripi Wakka Wakka man born and raised on



Black Lives Matter rally organiser Elizabeth Jarrett speaks at the press conference.

Gadigal land, and has lived experience of the prison system and dealing with the trauma of deaths in custody.

He said it is critical to redirect current investment from the prison system into self-determined, culturally responsive, community-centred programs.

"The Chatfield family lost their beloved son in prison, and to this day have seen no justice," Mr Mundine said.

"The systems need to change immediately so that we can get justice for the people we love who we have lost in custody."

Tane Chatfield's parents, Colin

and Nioka, said the current investigation processes fail to involve families.

They are demanding the establishment of a body to investigate deaths in custody that is completely independent of NSW police and Corrections.

Mr Mundine said he wants to

use his experience with the justice system to help others, and walk with them as they find their way.

"We want people caught up in the justice system to feel empowered," he said.

"We need to band together to support our brothers and sisters around the nation and give them a sense of hope, and we need them to feel comfortable enough that they can tell their story, and someone will listen to them.

"Coming out the other side, I can see just how the current mechanisms in place keep mob entrenched in the system by not educating them, and not creating awareness, and that's something that needs to change."

Mr Mundine said there needs to be more investment in Aboriginal community-controlled organisations as an alternative to corrections centres and prisons.

"We don't want to see yet another Black death in custody so we need to support and develop these important organisations, so they can grow as part of our communities," Mr Mundine said.

"Every community operates differently but within our communities we have strong leaders and positive role models.

"Unlike prison guards, our people are the ones who can help mob and equip them with the tools they need to overcome some of the challenges they may face."



Government of South Australia
SA Health

Governing Board Members with experience in Aboriginal Health sought for Local Health Networks

- Opportunity for people with expertise, knowledge, or experience in Aboriginal Health to help guide Local Health Network decision making
- Seeking members for current vacancies and future appointments

The South Australian Government has implemented reform to the governance of the South Australian public health system that resulted in the introduction of Local Health Network Governing Boards from 1 July 2019.

Expressions of interest are now sought for members with experience in Aboriginal Health to fill current and future vacancies for the 10 Governing Boards which cover metropolitan and regional South Australia.

Governing Board members are positions of significant strategic leadership and responsibility in the health system. The *Health Care Act 2008* requires that at least 1 member of a governing board must be a person who has expertise, knowledge, or experience in relation to Aboriginal Health.

Governing Board composition will include a mix of people with experience across different areas, including community engagement. Value will be placed on life experience, practical knowledge, and connections to the community. The South Australian Government will provide a dedicated development program for individuals in Governing Board member roles. Governing Board member remuneration is currently \$35,379 per annum (metropolitan and state-wide boards) and \$24,765 per annum (regional boards). Note: current SA Health staff members cannot be appointed to the Board of the LHN in which they work.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply for this opportunity.

For more information and a confidential discussion please contact Liz Hlipala, Principal Search Consultant, Hardy Group on +61 (0)401 122 301.

To submit your Expression of Interest, please visit www.sahealthlhnboards.com

Deadline for submissions: Monday 5 October 2020

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74 Edinburgh Road, Marrickville, NSW Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment – Community Consultation Stage 1

Woolworths Group Limited (the Proponent) are preparing a State Significant Development Application (SSDA) for Lot 202 in DP 1133999 and Lot 101 in DP 1237269 at 74 Edinburgh Road, Marrickville, NSW (hereafter referred to as the subject area) which will involve construction of a new warehouse facility with associated infrastructure within the subject area. Urbis is assisting the Proponent in undertaking an Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment (ACHA) to accompany the SSDA. The proponent can be contacted directly via:

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Regional Development Manager – Non Retail
Woolworths Group Limited
tstock@woolworths.com.au
PO Box 8000
Baulkham Hills NSW 2153

In accordance with Section 4.1.3 of the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements for Proponents (DECCW, 2010) and Clause 80C of the NSW National Parks and Wildlife Regulation 2009, the Proponent is seeking the registration of Aboriginal persons or groups who may hold cultural knowledge relevant to determining the significance of Aboriginal object(s) and/or place(s) that may be present in the subject area.

The purpose of community consultation with Aboriginal people is to assist the Proponent in the preparation of the ACHA, potential test excavation program and the assessment of the cultural heritage significance of the subject area.

Please register your interest in writing to the contact details provided below by 5.00pm 23 September 2020.

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Sydney, NSW, 2000.

Please be advised that the Proponent is required to forward the names of Aboriginal persons and groups who register an interest to Metropolitan Local Aboriginal Land Council and Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Regulation Branch of the Department of Premier and Cabinet, unless the person or group specifies that they do not want their details released.

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No justice for Day family



VICTORIAN police involved in the death in custody of Yorta Yorta woman Tanya Day

won't be charged, leaving her family devastated and angry.

A coronial investigation found the 55-year-old grandmother's death in December 2017 was clearly preventable.

She died in hospital more than two weeks after repeatedly falling and hitting her head in a Castlemaine police cell. She had been arrested for being drunk on a train.

Coroner Caitlin English in April referred Ms Day's death to prosecutors, saying there was evidence to suggest it may have amounted to negligent manslaughter.

Victoria Police now says charges will not be laid against the officers involved, following advice from the Office of Public Prosecutions.

Ms Day's family is aghast no one will be held accountable.

"The two police officers who failed to properly check on our mum and instead left her to die on the floor of a police cell have been let off," the family said in a statement



Belinda, Warren and Apryl Day and their sister Kimberley Watson are distressed that no charges are to be laid regarding the death of their mother Tanya Day. Picture: Charandev Singh

released by the Human Rights Law Centre.

"Our mum's case shows why it's wrong for police to be investigating the actions of their own colleagues.

"When someone dies at the hands of the police, the law

should require a transparent investigation, so that there can be truth and accountability."

The Victorian Aboriginal Legal Service said that First Nations people had been fighting for decades for

change to the system.

"Tanya Day's family have suffered an immeasurable loss, and they have been courageous and resilient in their pursuit of justice," chief executive Nerita Waight said. "The system should be a

safety net. It should protect us. Aboriginal people should not be dying in custody."

Victoria Police acknowledged the family's loss and suffering, and said it would continue reviewing the coroner's findings and recommendations.

Chief Commissioner Shane Patton said officers could have done better in monitoring Ms Day's welfare in custody.

"I believe the door wasn't opened in the cell to conduct checks, which should have occurred," he told radio 3AW.

During the inquest, police claimed they had conducted regular verbal and physical checks on Ms Day.

Ms English found these were inadequate.

The coroner also said the train conductor's decision to call triple-zero on Ms Day had been influenced by her Aboriginality.

But she did not find the decision of police to take her into custody displayed systemic racism.

Ms Day's death prompted the State Government to abolish the offence of public drunkenness.

The Office of Public Prosecutions declined to comment on its decision not to lay charges. - AAP

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Dr Khyarne Biles

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**66 Westminster Street (Lot 80 in DP 650942), Schofields,
NSW Proposal Residential Subdivision - Public Notice
and Registration of Interest**

**National Parks & Wildlife Act 1974 &
Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979**

Westclaire Property Group proposes to redevelop for residential housing Lot 80 in DP650942 that is located at 66 Westminster Street in Schofields, NSW. Future works may impact upon Aboriginal objects that are protected under the National Parks & Wildlife Act 1974 and the proposal may require approval of an Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit under the NPW Act. In accordance with the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements for Proponents (2010), individuals or groups who hold cultural knowledge relevant to establishing the significance of potential Aboriginal objects in this landscape are invited to register their interest in participating in the Aboriginal heritage consultation and assessment process for the proposal.

Contact details are:

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The registration period closes on 21 September 2020

The consultation period closes on 5 October 2020

**Projects associated with the
Bayswater and Liddell Power Station Sites
Notice and registration of Aboriginal interests**

AGL are progressing a range of projects associated with the Bayswater and Liddell Power Station Sites. These include: The construction and operation of a battery energy storage system, decoupling works, Bayswater ancillary works, consolidation of consents and Works associated with the retirement of Liddell Power Station and associated infrastructure and re-purposing of the site for future uses. These activities would be within the AGL landholdings located within the Muswellbrook and Singleton Local Government Areas.

As per the consultation guidelines, Jacobs, on behalf of AGL is seeking registrations of interest from Aboriginal people who hold cultural knowledge relevant to the site. The purpose of consultation with the Aboriginal community is to assist AGL Macquarie in the preparation of a cultural heritage assessment report, and to assist the Director General of Heritage NSW in their consideration of any subsequent applications.

Jacobs, on behalf of AGL, is therefore seeking to establish Registered Aboriginal Parties for all upcoming Aboriginal Heritage assessments associated with the site.

You can register in writing (email or letter) to:

Rob Cooper
AGL Senior Manager Stakeholder Engagement

c/o Clare Leever

Jacobs Engineering Group
Email: clarealeevers@jacobs.com
Level 7, 177 Pacific Highway,
North Sydney, NSW 2060

Registrations must be received by close of business 23 September 2020.



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State Board in Tasmania**

The National Registration and Accreditation Scheme (the National Scheme) regulates more than 740,000 registered health practitioners and over 180,000 registered students across 16 health professions. 15 health profession boards (National Boards) and the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (Ahpra) work together to deliver the National Scheme.

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A vacancy for one practitioner member is arising on the **Tasmanian Board of the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia**.

The National Scheme has a commitment to increasing Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Peoples' leadership and voices. Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply, as are people from rural or regional areas in Tasmania.

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More information about the roles, eligibility requirements and the application process can be found within the online application form on Ahpra's page:

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Applications close: **5.00pm AEST, Friday 25 September 2020**

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Steph Tisdell is a co-creator of new comedy *Long Black*.

Steph spins a cheeky joke

By NICK PATON



IS the world ready for Aboriginal porn? According to Yindji comedian Steph Tisdell the answer is F...K YES!

Tisdell and Gabriel Willie (aka Bush Tucker Bunjie) have teamed up to produce a new show, and if foot fetish pics, phone sex and Aboriginal porn is your thing, then this comedy is right up your alley.

The comedy duo are the latest recipients to receive production funding through Screen Australia and Google/YouTube Australia's Skip Ahead.

Now in its sixth year, the Skip Ahead initiative supports Australian online content creators who have YouTube channels with a substantial existing subscriber base to expand their vision and create more ambitious content to grow their audience.

Their 15-minute comedy *Long Black* follows the journey of flatmates and part-time baristas Steph and Gab after their upcoming comedy show gets cancelled.

With bills to pay and big responsibilities on their shoulders, the pair realise there's probably more money in foot fetish pics and phone sex, than there is serving up skim decaf lattes.

With an eviction notice on their door, Steph and Gab set off to pursue a radical path to fame, fortune and representation in Aboriginal



Gabriel Willie (aka Bush Tucker Bunjie) has teamed up with Steph Tisdell to produce their new comedy *Long Black*.

porn. The genesis for *Long Black* came from Tisdell's stand-up set at last year's Melbourne International Comedy Festival.

"This is such a crazy project because about a year ago I was approached by someone who had just seen my set, and they told me how much they loved my Aboriginal porn joke," Tisdell said.

"The person asked me if I would be interested in taking the joke and turning into a show, or a short film, and I said, 'Yeah, absolutely,' but didn't think much of it.

"Then out of nowhere the opportunity to apply for funding presented itself and so I was put in touch with Bush Tucker Bunjie, who I absolutely love, and together we will turn what was a simple stand-up joke into a 15-minute narrative."

Tisdell said the idea for the

joke came about from her feeling that there is no bigger equaliser in the world than porn.

"Everyone else is represented in porn, and there something that caters to almost everybody, so its crazy there isn't any Aboriginal porn around, considering we've been getting f...d for so long," Tisdell said.

"And that was the joke itself, the idea that we are always so lacking in representation everywhere else, we are even underrepresented in porn!

"And so the show is all about expanding on this concept, because I think there is just so much we can do with this space, but at the same time, it will enable us to start a much bigger conversation."

Tisdell said it is important that mob continue to turn to humour, especially during the coronavirus pandemic.

"I've never heard of a Black family who doesn't value the benefits of humour," she said.

"I've grown up with the saying 'Humour is just tragedy plus time', and that's what we mob do: We laugh at the bad things and we make humour out of the tragedies.

"As soon as you make a joke, or put something into a funny lens, then you change the perspective, and by changing that perspective, it allows you to reflect on it in a really different way."

Production on *Long Black* is in its initial stages and is set to premiere early 2021.



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Kuku Yalanji woman Lalania Tusa has won a Queensland Child Protection Wee award.



Jirrabal woman Tammy Wallace has had her work developing a connection to culture scale recognised.

Keeping kids connected to culture is win for all

By **DARREN COYNE**



TWO Aboriginal women have been recognised with Queensland Child Protection Week awards for their work in keeping children connected to their culture.

The awards were presented at a ceremony at the Queensland Parliament on September 3, with Child Protection Week September 6-12.

Tammy Wallace, a Jirrabal woman with cultural ties to the Atherton Tablelands, was recognised for her work

addressing the overrepresentation of Indigenous families, children and young people in the child protection system.

Ms Wallace is based in Brisbane working for Churches of Christ Queensland – the biggest provider of out-of-home care in Queensland – where she has developed a ‘connection to culture scale’.

By asking 16 questions, the scale indicates whether a child in care has a strong cultural attachment.

“I work with young adults exiting the system, children in care, and also children in residential care,” Ms Wallace told the *Koori Mail*.

After qualifying as an occupational therapist, Ms Wallace went on to become the director of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Child Safety, working with former Prime Minister Kevin Rudd and former Queensland premier Anna Bligh.

She has six children, the oldest having just graduated from university with a psychology degree, and her youngest being just three years old.

During COVID-19 Ms Wallace has hosted weekly sessions over six weeks with 30-50 staff linking statewide.

She provides guidance to more than 500 staff, 1346 carers and over 3000 children and young people engaged with

Churches of Christ services.

The other award winner was Lalania Tusa, a Kuku Yalanji woman who was born and raised in Mossman but now lives on the Gold Coast.

Ms Tusa is employed by Anglicare Southern Queensland, and she runs a fortnightly playgroup for local Indigenous children and their non-Indigenous carers.

“I was a flight attendant for 12 years based in Cairns, but I’ve always worked among children,” she told the *Koori Mail*.

“Mum ran a playgroup at Mossman Gorge and I did a Diploma of Teaching and helped Mum out with the children.

“She always instilled in us the

importance of caring for children, and for our Elders.”

Along with Anglicare, where she does a lot of home visits with out-of-home care children, Ms Tusa also works at the Kalwun Aboriginal Co-op, organising art and yarnning circles.

She has developed and implemented the Jarjums Connect Group, a fortnightly group designed to foster an understanding and appreciation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture for all carers, children and young people.

The program also provides opportunities for First Nation children in care to connect with each other and take pride in their cultures.



Department of Planning, Industry and Environment

Have your say on the Draft Cumberland Plain Conservation Plan

The Department of Planning, Industry and Environment has developed a conservation plan for Western Sydney to meet the future needs of our community and protect threatened plants and animals in the long term.

The Draft Cumberland Plain Conservation Plan will contribute to the Western Parkland City by supporting the delivery of housing, jobs and infrastructure while protecting important biodiversity. The Draft Plan will deliver on commitments and a series of planned and managed actions designed to offset biodiversity impacts from housing and infrastructure development.

Have your say

The Draft Plan is currently on public exhibition until Friday 25 September 2020.

The department is seeking your feedback on the Draft Plan and encourages you to have your say.

If you would like to request a hard copy of the Draft Plan, please contact us:

- **Email:** biodiversity@planning.nsw.gov.au
- **Phone:** Between 9am-5pm, Monday to Friday on 1300 305 695.
- **For translating and interpreting service:** If English is not your first language, please call 131 450. Ask for an interpreter in your language and then ask to be connected to our Information Centre on 1300 305 695.

For more information on the Draft Plan and to make a submission visit planning.nsw.gov.au/CumberlandPlainHaveYourSay

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Darebin Community Awards 2021 CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, the 2020 Darebin Community Awards has been rescheduled and will now be held in March 2021 as part of Darebin’s FUSE festival.

Darebin Community Awards, will be given in the following seven categories:

- **Citizen of the Year**
- **Young Citizen of the Year**
- **Community Group of the Year**
- **Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Community Leader of the Year**
- **Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Emerging Young Community Leader of the Year**
- **Sustainability Award**
- **and Lifetime Achievement Award.**

If you know a person or group who has made a positive impact in our community, now is the time to nominate them for a Darebin Community Award.

Nominations are now open and close February 11, 2021

For further information please contact Bronwyn, Senior Producer, Creative Culture and Events on **8470 8551** or e-mail bryanmer@darebin.vic.gov.au

Treat hearing loss early



FOR too many children like Tjandamurra, undetected hearing loss leads to delays in listening and communication skills. Parents and children can be frustrated, unable to communicate effectively in everyday life.

Now aged three, Tjandamurra has already experienced more than his share of hospitals and specialists. He experienced numerous ear infections and a burst ear drum before being diagnosed with chronic hearing issues.

Tjandamurra's mum Kaylah said her son struggled to hear and had difficulty learning to communicate well.

"I knew what to look for because of the experience I had with his older brother Rylan. We had such trouble getting him hearing help in the beginning – it took me years to get grommets for him," she said.

Kaylah says it was almost by chance that Tjandamurra's hearing journey took a leap. Having started playgroup at the Mindaribba Local Aboriginal Land Council in the Hunter Valley, within the first month there was a pop-up hearing clinic run at the playgroup.

"We jumped at the chance to attend the clinic and haven't looked back."

At the pop-up clinic, Tjandamurra and Kaylah completed a new hearing assessment tool called the PLUM, developed by the National Acoustic Laboratories, the research



Tjandamurra plays with his dad Luke.

division of Hearing Australia.

The PLUM assessment indicated a score of 18, well below the acceptable level of listening skill for a three-year-old. Wasting no time, Kaylah decided to get Tjandamurra fitted with a bone conduction hearing aid to

provide immediate assistance. With this hearing technology, the world opened up for the vibrant boy. Tjandamurra is now wearing his hearing device and working with a regular speech therapist to improve his speech and listening skills.

Within two weeks of getting his bone conduction hearing aid, the PLUM assessment was repeated. Tjandamurra achieved a score of 28. While the score was still a little below his peers, the results showed the positive outcomes that could be achieved within a short time after the intervention and support.

Within a month, Tjandamurra had gone from a toddler with little-to-no speech to now being able to use about 30 sentences. It's a huge jump in his development. Now that he can hear there is no looking back.

"I get tears when I speak about it. It's been such a long road," Kaylah said.

"Now he can hear me clear as day and he even responds – it's so good to hear his voice. He has a little man voice."

Kaylah's advice to other parents concerned about their child's hearing is to ask for the PLUM and HATS assessment now – don't wait.

"You don't want to leave it. The earlier you can get your little one help the better."

If you are concerned about your child's hearing, ask a health or childcare worker for a PLUM and HATS assessment, which have been designed specifically to help detect hearing and speech problems in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children.

For more information visit www.plumandhats.nal.gov.au or visit www.hearing.com.au

NORTH COAST ABORIGINAL DEVELOPMENT ALLIANCE (NCADA) LOGO COMPETITION

Our Logo competition is available to young Aboriginal people under the age of 18, living in NCADA region (Clarence to Tweed local government areas).

Participants are expected to design a logo using the image of a tree and incorporating the words "accountability, advocacy and action"

Applications close 9 October 2020

Prize money - \$1,000

The winning art work will become the logo of NCADA

To obtain application form please email info@ncada.org.au. Logo entries must be accompanied by an application form signed by parent/guardian.

For more information on the logo competition please email to the above address or ring Janelle Brown on 0423918602.



Regional NSW

Notice Under Section 29 of the Native Title Act 1993 – Exploration Licence Number 8815 (Act 1992)

This notice is given in accordance with the requirements of Section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Commonwealth).

Description of the nature of the act
Pursuant to the *Native Title (Right to Negotiate) (Exclusion)–NSW Land) Determination No. 1 of 1996* (Cth), Exploration Licence 8815 includes a condition to the effect that the holder must not prospect on any land or waters covered by that licence in relation to which native title exists without the prior written consent of the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Industry and Trade (the 'Native Title Condition').

The Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Industry and Trade intends to:

- give consent to prospecting on land subject to native title in accordance with the *Native Title (Right to Negotiate) (Inclusion)–NSW Land) Approval No. 1 of 1996* (Cth); and
- remove the Native Title Condition.

Should consent be granted, the licence holder may subsequently apply to renew or transfer the licence prior to it expiring (including partial renewals or partial transfers).

In the case of any exploration licences resulting from a partial renewal or partial transfer, this notice applies to any renewals and other future acts across the licence area of such exploration licences.

Note: If the consent is granted, all subsequent future acts involving the renewal, re grant or re-making (including partial renewals or partial transfers) or extension of the term of the licence may be validated pursuant to section 26D of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) without further notification, provided the requirements in that section are satisfied.

Holder's details

Weddarla Pty Ltd (ACN 002 086 964) is the holder of Exploration Licence 8815 for Group 1 minerals. The licence contains a condition that the holder must not prospect on any land or waters on which native title exists without the prior consent of the Minister administering the *Mining Act 1992*. The licence holder has sought the Minister's consent to conduct prospecting activities across the licence area. If granted, the consent may result in the aforementioned condition being removed from the licence.

Description of area that may be affected

The entire area of Exploration Licence 8815 - that covers about 31 units situated approximately 4 kilometres north of West Wyalong, in the State of NSW as shown on the diagram above.

Name and postal address of person by whom the act would be done

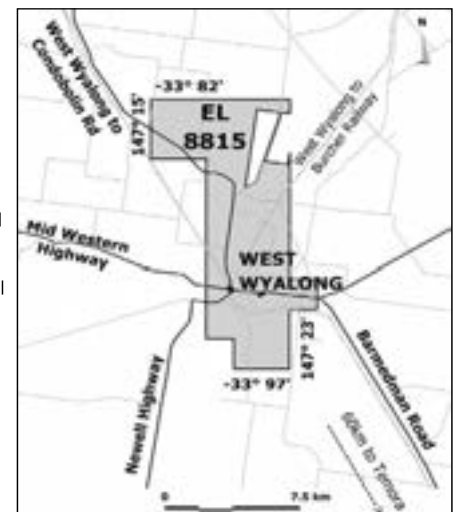
Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Industry and Trade, PO Box 344, Hunter Region Mail Centre, NSW 2310.

Notification Day

For the purposes of section 29(4) of the *Native Title Act 1993* the notification day is 24 September 2020. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993* persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice

How further information about the act can be obtained

Further information may be obtained from; Resource Operations, Regional NSW on (02) 4063 6600 or resource.operations@planning.nsw.gov.au.



Australian Government
Australian Heritage Council

Australian Heritage Council – Expressions of Interest for 2021 Vacancies

The Hon Sussan Ley MP, Minister for the Environment, is seeking to appoint new members of the Australian Heritage Council (Council) to fill anticipated vacancies from March 2021 in accordance with the *Australian Heritage Council Act 2003*.

The Council plays an important role in the Australian Government's protection of natural, cultural and Indigenous heritage by providing independent advice to the Minister for the Environment on the assessment, listing and promotion of National and Commonwealth heritage places.

Appointments are made by the Minister under the *Australian Heritage Council Act 2003*. Under the Act, in appointing members, the Minister must ensure that:

- 2 of them have substantial experience or expertise concerning natural heritage; and
- 2 of them have substantial experience or expertise concerning historic heritage; and
- 2 of them are Indigenous persons with substantial experience or expertise concerning Indigenous heritage, at least one of whom represents the interests of Indigenous people.

Expressions of interest are invited for appointment to the Council as an expert in Indigenous or historic heritage. Successful applicants will be highly collaborative and have significant standing in the relevant field.

Appointments are part-time. Remuneration for members of the Council is determined under the *Remuneration Tribunal (Remuneration and Allowances for Holders of Part – time Public Office) Determination 2019 – (Other holders of part-time public office)*. The current per annum remuneration, effective 1 July 2020, for members is \$34,930.

To Apply

Interested applicants will need to submit a current resume with the contact details of two referees, a statement of interest (maximum 1500 words), which include details of their experience or expertise.

Completed applications will need to be submitted via the Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment online recruitment system, <https://www.awe.gov.au/about/jobs/apply>, by **11.00pm 1 October 2020**.

Researchers seek pathway to learning to keep culture strong



A PROJECT led by Charles Darwin University that aims to build on the strong cultural foundation of young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children as they move into early education has received an Australian Government Indigenous Research Exchange grant of almost \$200,000.

The project, 'Understanding pathways to support Yolŋu children and families to achieve strong learning in two systems', is a collaboration between Indigenous communities, and educational and research partners.

Associate professor at CDU's Northern Institute Elaine Lăwurrpa Maypilama said the aim of the project was for Yolŋu (north-eastern Arnhem Aboriginal) families, educators and researchers to work together to address community priorities.

"Balanda (non-Aboriginal people) need to recognise that there is a Yolŋu education pathway," she said. "Yolŋu children have a strong cultural foundation when they move into early childhood programs.

"And Yolŋu family want to understand the Balanda education systems that are



Dr Anne Lowell and Dr Elaine Lăwurrpa Maypilama are leading a project to support Yolŋu children and families to achieve strong learning in two systems.

coming into our community."

She said that, because it was a foreign system, some children could feel lost and families found it hard to support their children.

"That makes it hard for Yolŋu children to learn," Dr Maypilama

said. "But we want to connect the family and the school to create a good foundation, then I think the children will lead up to that higher education. We will work together in this research to make their pathway stronger."

Principal research fellow at the Northern Institute Associate Professor Anne Lowell said the project would build on extensive recent research, and consultations, to facilitate more effective engagement between

Indigenous and other people to identify sustainable systems and processes for knowledge exchange and application.

"This project will use a participatory action approach with cultural experts, Elders, families, children, educators and researchers utilising successful methods built over many years of collaborative work between Yolŋu and other researchers in areas of education and health," she said.

"Working together, the project aims to strengthen support for Yolŋu children to build on their strong cultural foundation as they move into early childhood programs and school."

Federal Minister for Indigenous Australians Ken Wyatt announced funding of around \$2 million to 12 recipients from across the country, under the Indigenous Research Exchange initiative.

Mr Wyatt said the funding would provide for Indigenous-led projects that are a priority for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

Funded through the Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies (AIATSIS), the Indigenous Research Exchange was established to identify and fund research priorities for and with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and organisations.



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Yes? Then we want to hear from you!

The Victorian Government is seeking expressions of interest from business and community members to join our state's nine Regional Partnerships.

You'll join forces with established and respected regional leaders to assist government on priorities that respond to local challenges and opportunities. This is your invitation to help us ensure that Victoria continues to be home to Australia's most vibrant and successful regional economies and communities.

We are looking for experienced and emerging leaders from a diverse range of backgrounds to provide strategic advice on regional economic, social and environmental issues, to work with us to create local solutions, and to make it happen on the ground.

Applications close on Thursday 1 October 2020.

For more information and to apply, visit rdv.vic.gov.au/regional-partnerships



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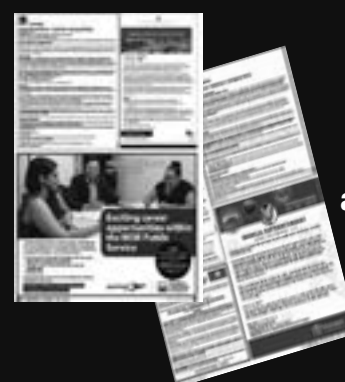
Aboriginal Engagement - survey and interactive map

Redfern Station Upgrade - New Southern Concourse

Transport for NSW invites Aboriginal people and Aboriginal groups to share their stories and memories associated with Redfern Station and the surrounding area to inform the design of the new southern concourse and surrounding streets at Redfern Station.

To view the survey and interactive map, please visit yoursay.transport.nsw.gov.au/redfern-station-upgrade-aboriginal-engagement or use your smart phone to scan the QR code below. The survey and map will remain active until **Friday 2 October 2020**.

For more information about the project, please visit transport.nsw.gov.au/redfern. To contact the project team, email projects@transport.nsw.gov.au or call 1800 684 490.



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Recognition for youth advocate



Monica Collard is the recipient of the Trevor Christian Memorial Award.



WADJUK/Balladong woman Monica Collard has been awarded the national 2019-2020 Trevor Christian Memorial Award.

This esteemed annual award recognises the outstanding contribution of an individual Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Service's employee and was initiated by the federal Attorney-General's Department in 2008.

Aboriginal Legal Service of WA (ALSWA) chief executive Dennis Eggington said that Monica had worked with the ALS since 2008.

"Monica is an extraordinary, hard-working woman who is a

wonderful role model for family, community, colleagues and clients," he said.

"We are extremely proud of Monica, who is a highly regarded and valued member of our ALSWA family. Her motivation and dedication is second to none and her driving force is striving for a better future for our young people."

Working predominantly in Perth Children's Court, Monica helps, supports and guides young people, many of whom are coping with homelessness, trauma, substance misuse, general welfare issues and FASD/cognitive issues.

Monica is well known through her work in both the Perth court system and regional courts, where

she works in a relief capacity while ALSWA lawyers are on leave.

"Like all of our legal staff, Monica juggles a heavy caseload, but remains focused upon expertly simplifying legal jargon and putting clients at ease through her connection with community and culture and the use of Nyoongar words," Mr Eggington said.

"Monica is indeed a worthy recipient of this award. She is a quiet achiever whose generosity in sharing knowledge with clients and colleagues is highly valued."

Mr Eggington also congratulated Harold Dewis, the 2019-2020 male Trevor Christian Memorial Award recipient from the North Australian Aboriginal Justice Agency.

Correction



IN the previous edition of the *Koori Mail* on page 32 under the headline 'Stories teach culture' it was incorrectly stated that Stuart Roberts was the chair of the West Australian Indigenous Storybook. He is not. Stuart is chair of the Emerging Leaders Group, which is a program that featured in the story book.

The *Koori Mail* apologises for the mistake.

Planned park name is 'place of fire'



Kalgulup, meaning 'place of fire' or 'place of burning campfires' in Noongar language, has been chosen as the name for a proposed regional park in the greater Bunbury region.

The name was chosen through consultation with representatives from the Gnaala Karla Booja Native Title Working Group.

The word highlights the importance of fire in supporting life and how stories and wisdom are shared around campfires.

In conjunction with the Kalgulup announcement, the Kalgulup Regional Park draft management plan 2020 is now available for public comment.

The plan will provide guidance for the management of lands by a range of State Government agencies and local governments.

The two-month public comment period on the management plan closes on October 15, 2020.

Kalgulup Regional Park is the amalgamation of two proposed regional parks, the Preston River to Ocean and Leschenault regional parks, and will cover more than 3100 hectares.

The proposal is part of the McGowan Western Australian Government's Plan for Our Parks initiative, aiming to create five million hectares of new national and marine parks and reserves in WA.

New park for koalas



TRADITIONAL owners from the NSW Southern Highlands have recommended that a new national park in the area is named Guula Ngurra (koala country).

A key koala habitat in the region will be protected by the creation of a new national park, which the State Government hopes will go some way toward stabilising declining populations.

The new 3558-hectare Guula Ngurra National Park is home to 139 species, including more than 20 threatened species such as the koala, glossy black cockatoo, flame robin and squirrel glider.

NSW Environment Minister Matt Kean said koalas are "massively" under threat because of the loss and fragmentation of their habitats following last summer's devastating bushfires.

There were about 30,000 koalas before the Black Summer fires and it's now believed that number has been halved.

Mr Kean said it was critical that the koala decline was stabilised enough so the population could grow and potentially double by 2050.

Premier Gladys Berejiklian said there have been two sightings of koalas in the new national park.

"Clearly it is not enough. We want to ensure that successive generations of people in our state don't have to worry about koala extinction," she said.

The park is located about 25km northwest of Bowral and is made up of what was Tugalong Station, the Little Forest West property and an 808-hectare outlier of Bangadilly National Park. —AAP

We're extending financial support



Australian Government

The Australian Government is extending JobKeeper until 28 March 2021 and the temporary Coronavirus Supplement for those on income support until 31 December 2020, after which income support will continue.

For JobKeeper and the temporary Coronavirus Supplement there will be some changes to payments and eligibility to support businesses and households who need it most.

For information on how these changes affect you, visit [Australia.gov.au](https://australia.gov.au)



28 Mar 2021

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WA welcomes visitors to country and culture

By TASH GILLESPIE



THE Western Australian Indigenous Tourism Operators Council (WAITOC), in conjunction with the WA Visitors Centre, recently held a competition in search of a local Whadjuk Noongar artist to design a decorative Welcome to Country artwork piece.

Emerging artist Rickesha Burdett, a 25-year-old Noongar woman who has created her new art design business, Makuru Designs, won the competition and will have her design displayed on the ceiling of the WA Visitor Centre in Perth.

Rickesha creates a youthful contemporary style with the inclusion of traditional Aboriginal artwork. Rickesha's late father was also an Aboriginal artist and her biggest inspiration to continue reconnecting with her culture, family and traditions through art.

The winning artwork was selected by a panel of judges, with Rickesha not only having her artwork displayed on the ceiling of the WA Visitor Centre, but also receiving a prize of \$1000. The winning artwork was scanned, digitised and modified to fit the ceiling.

"Seeing my artwork on the ceiling of the WA Visitor Centre was very surreal and a special moment for sure. To think I have only been painting since February 2019," Rickesha said during the official launch last month.

"Being able to achieve something this big is amazing. I can't wait to see what the future has in store for me. I couldn't not have done it without the unconditional love and support from my husband, family and friends."

Walter Maguire from GO Cultural Tours delivered a traditional smoking ceremony and Welcome to Country at the launch before WA Tourism Minister Paul Papalia officially unveiled the artwork.

Rickesha then had the opportunity to explain the meaning of her artwork titled *Kambarang Wildflower Dreaming*.

"The ocean represents the sea where I am from and the coloured flowers represent the wildflowers during the Kambarang Noongar season (October to November)," she said.

"Each circle (community) expresses that there are many groups or families that have ties to Noongar country. In this art piece they are represented as my dad's family from Whadjuk country, my mum's family from Menang country and my stepdad's family from Njaki Njaki country.

"The ocean and the sandy coloured dots represent the sand banks in between the deep and shallow seas. This is where my journey started. The green dots represent my journey from Menang country to find my birth father on Whadjuk Noongar country and where I am still today."

Rickesha's artwork features as a stunning display across the ceiling of the WA Visitor Centre reception area and visually illustrates a traditional welcome to the Perth region.



Rickesha Burdett stands underneath her artwork *Kambarang Wildflower Dreaming*, the winning entry in a competition to design a decorative Welcome to Country for the WA Visitors Centre in Perth.



MC for the launch, Rob Taylor, CEO of the Western Australian Indigenous Tourism Operators Council (WAITOC).



Walter Maguire prepares for the smoking ceremony.



WA Minister for Tourism, Paul Papalia officially unveiled the artwork at the launch event.



Camping activities include fishing, land management, bush tucker and medicine lessons, interacting with tourists, constructing shelters, maintaining campsites and fencing.

Camps put young mob in touch with culture



AS night falls on the 4300 square kilometre Seven Emu Station, Aboriginal leader Frank Shadforth sits

around the campfire and talks with six Aboriginal youths from a remote Territory town.

Mr Shadforth has been working with at-risk young people on the station for almost 30 years.

"The kids are Aboriginal but many of them don't know the Aboriginal side of things. What they know about is Woolies and Coles ... we take them out bush and show them how to get bush tucker," he said.

"We teach them how to connect with their culture.

"The kids have been walking around town all night. Here we kept them busy out bush and talk with them and gain their respect. Respect is the word."

It's the first of the Northern Territory Government's new program, an Aboriginal-led work camp on a remote cattle station that aims to reduce anti-social behaviour and crime.

Mr Shadforth said that during the camp the youths are far away from influences such as the internet or television.

"They are Aboriginal and we find a way to help them in an Aboriginal way ... but it takes strong leadership. We have to be 100% serious about what we are doing," he said.

"As Aboriginal people we understand their emotions and their needs and how best to work with them and we are confident that we can help young people to take the right path in life."

The Territory Government is investing \$4.5 million over five years to develop short and long-



Beef stew at camp. Frank Shadworth values a healthy diet for the kids.

term camps on the station on the Savannah Way, 85 kilometres south-east of Borroloola.

The station has spectacular frontages to the Calvert and Robinson Rivers and the Gulf of Carpentaria.

The camps focus on building young people's cultural knowledge and identity, understanding of consequences, development of personal responsibility, work ethic and experience and problem solving skills.

The Government is partnering with the Jarjindiba Bayamuku Aboriginal Corporation, which Mr Shadforth chairs, to run the camps.

Former NT Families Minister Dale Wakefield who lost her seat at the recent election, said the camps will be intensive, and provide an intervention to break the cycle of youth crime.

"The camps will not just focus on personal responsibility and consequences, but they will also give young people a way out of



Young people sleep in swags at the camps on Seven Emu Station.



Frank Shadforth: "We teach them how to connect with their culture."

crime by connecting them with practical learning, Vocational Education Training and work programs," she said.

Ten-day camps will be for young people aged between 10 and 17 who will be accompanied by support staff such as case

workers, youth workers, school representatives or Elders.

The young people are expected to come primarily from the Borroloola, Big Rivers and Top End regions, however referrals will be accepted and assessed Territory-wide.

Five-month camps will be for young people aged 14 to 17.

Panels will be set-up to assess eligibility and suitability for young people to attend.

Mr Shadforth said during the camps the youths will "go to bed with a full belly and get up early looking forward to a busy day doing whatever is happening on the station."

"The first thing we do is get them off sugar. It's no good for them. I've been living on meat for my 64 years and it hasn't done me any harm," he said.

Approved activities include fishing, land management, bush tucker and medicine lessons, interacting with tourists, constructing shelters, maintaining campsites and fencing.

"We can't force the kids to do anything. They have to be happy to be here and to take part," Mr Shadforth said.

"This first mob was so keen to get out bush with us they were packed up and ready a week earlier than scheduled."

Danny Eastwood's view



A YARN WITH...



Amy Thompson

Dunghutti midwife and nurse Kempsey, NSW

Favourite bush tucker?
Oysters, river fish, wallaby.

Favourite other food?
Italian.

Favourite drink?
H2O and coffee.

Favourite music?
Country and RnB.

Favourite sport?
Basketball.

What are you reading?
Heartbreak in the Himalayas by Dr Ray Hodgson.

Favourite holiday destination?
Cairns.

What do you like on TV?
News, fixer upper shows.

What do you like in life?
Helping people.

What don't you like in life?
Inequality of our Aboriginal people in healthcare.

Which Black or Indigenous person would you most like to meet?
Linda Burney MP

Which people would you invite for a night around the campfire?
Family and friends.

What would you do to better the situation for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people?
We need to start at the grassroots level and build the foundations before we reclaim our empire.

Quote



"We take (the kids) out bush and show them how to get bush tucker ... We teach them how to connect with their culture ... we talk with them and gain their respect. Respect is the word."

Aboriginal leader Frank Shadforth on NT's new work-camp program

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Unquote

The system is the knee on the neck

THE system is the knee on the neck of Black Australia.

If you want to know about and understand the system Black people are trying to burn down, the system that kills and oppresses us, then look no further than the story of six-year-old Torres Strait boy Charlie Gowa. This example is as crystal clear as the Torres Strait waters.

Charlie Gowa was turned away from Bamaga Hospital six times in six days. He first presented on January 5, 2017, with fever. By January 14, 2017, he was dead in a Brisbane hospital of sepsis.

All of this preventable, all of this treatable, all of this avoidable. All of this because of racism that is so entrenched in the system that White Australia, and especially those who work in it, just can't see it or totally get lost in it. When this happens, we die, our families suffer, we have to pay for funerals and coffins while those who couldn't do their job properly get to go home to their loved ones.

They get to go home to their kids.

Four years ago, Naomi Williams, a Wiradjuri woman, was 27 years old and 22 weeks' pregnant with a son when she died of septicaemia at Tumut Hospital in January 2016.

The inquest heard Ms Williams made 20 visits to Tumut Hospital and a number of doctors from nearby medical centres in the seven months before her death.

Twenty times Naomi Williams was told her Black life didn't matter. As for



young Charlie, well, he was told to go away too.

Six times this six-year-old boy was told his little Black life does not matter.

The entrenched racism doesn't only live in the system; it lives in the people who hold it up. A simple stereotype kills us.

When we go to hospitals it is assumed by some that we are drug addicts. We are lying. We aren't equal and we brought this on ourselves, therefore we don't deserve the same care!

If that was my boy, I'd be in jail right now. Because that hospital would not be standing. I'd burn it to the ground, and revel in the warmth of the racist-system burning.

The report about Charlie Gowa was 107 pages of Black misery. How is this meant to comfort the family? How is this meant to save another life?

Our people are dying in hospitals! Our people are dying in jails!

The system is the knee on the neck of Black Australia, this is why we aren't going to stop screaming #BlackLivesMatter

See you at the next rally!

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A burning ambition

By NICK PATON



TORRES Strait Islander human rights lawyer Sasha Purcell (Whaleboat) has a comprehensive academic background, years of volunteer experience, and an extensive employment history working with numerous government departments.

And soon, Ms Purcell will head to the USA to take on a Masters of Law at the prestigious New York University (NYU) after being named as a Fulbright Award recipient for her studies in international legal studies and human rights law.

Since its establishment in 1946, the Fulbright Program has grown to become the largest educational exchange scholarship program in the world, operating in over 160 countries.

Ms Purcell is a delegate for the United Nations Association of Australia – Queensland Division and a PhD student with the University of Queensland's school of law and social science.

She told the *Koori Mail* her main career goal is to work as an expert with the United Nations, using her skills and knowledge to contribute to the advancement of Indigenous human rights.

"As a Torres Strait Islander lawyer I have always ensured that my career and passions were aligned to protecting and promoting Indigenous human rights," Ms Purcell said.

"Torres Strait Islanders are a minority within a minority and, as such, we are often forgotten or invisible in the discussions about Indigenous people in Australia.

"Since my high school years I have been actively involved in advocating for Indigenous issues."

Purcell graduated from Griffith University with a Bachelor of International Relations in 2009, followed by a Bachelor of Laws. She then completed a Graduate Diploma of Legal Practice at Queensland University of Technology, prior to being admitted as a lawyer to the Supreme Court of Queensland.

Purcell has also been admitted as a lawyer in NSW and is registered to practise in the High Court of Australia.

"Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people have a legacy in the thousands of generations of ancestors that have come before us, and we must keep culture going and be strong enough for the next generation," she said.

Last year Ms Purcell travelled to Geneva in Switzerland, where she spoke at the United Nations 12th Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous People (EMRIP) on the issue of climate change in the Torres Strait.

She requested that the



Proud Torres Strait Islander Sasha Purcell with Uncle Getano Lui Jnr and Les Malezer at the United Nations.

"My job and the job for all the Indigenous people who have stood before me is to make the journey for the next Indigenous person easier. It's about building each other up, and there is power to be taken from that."

– Sasha Purcell

Expert Mechanism and the Human Rights Council undertakes a thematic study in the Torres Strait on climate change and the potential displacement of Torres Strait Islanders.

"At the United Nations in 2019 I emphasised that climate change issues in the Torres Strait aren't just a loss of island land, and not just a loss of physical location," Ms Purcell said.

"It is the loss of belonging. It is the loss of ancestral bond, and the loss of spiritual connection, and if things do not change, it will slowly but surely be the loss of traditional life for Torres Strait Islander people.

"Which, coupled with shortages in drinkable water, exposed sacred burial sites and decreased traditional ocean, plant and animal resources, show just how these issues threaten to exacerbate economic, social and health inequalities."

Ms Purcell is also the recipient of the Roberta Sykes academic scholarship and the American Australian Association Scholarship for her contribution to social justice research, particularly that of Indigenous and multicultural affairs.

Her paper titled 'Reform for over-representation of Indigenous people in child protection and criminal justice

systems' garnered an essay prize in 2015 at the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Higher Education Consortium (NATSIHEC) International Indigenous Research Conference.

"My goal is to advocate for the rights of Indigenous people, including the Torres Strait people, to ensure a just and equitable future for Indigenous communities," Ms Purcell said.

"To do this, I aim to be an expert in Indigenous human rights and be in a position to influence change utilising the United Nations as one of my key platforms."

Ms Purcell has practised in the areas of international relations, Indigenous Australian policy, police prosecutions, and as a litigation lawyer with the director of Child Protection litigation.

She has contributed expertise to the Youth Parliament, Model United Nations, Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Queensland Parliament, the Australian Human Rights Commission, the Department of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships, Queensland Police Service, Department of Justice and Attorney-General, the Queensland University of Technology and the University of Queensland.



Sasha Purcell (Whaleboat) will take on a Masters of Law at New York University next year.

"This includes several areas of political impact including Queensland Parliament, Australian Human Rights Commission with Tom Calma, the Indigenous Land Corporation and now the United Nations," Ms Purcell said.

"Moving forward, I am now a research clinician and pro-bono lawyer."

Purcell is a current committee member of the Queensland Law Society's Reconciliation First Nations Action Committee. The Committee's purpose is to advocate for and raise awareness of reconciliation and advancement of First Nations people and legal interests.

"There's never really been someone specifically who has inspired me towards the journey I am on.

"Rather, it has been the

inspiration I draw from the Torres Strait Islands and people themselves," Ms Purcell said.

Ms Purcell is also a member of the University of Queensland Indigenous People and the Law Research Cluster, a member of the Australian Lawyers for Human Rights NGO and founding Secretary of Pride in Law, the first nation-wide, not-for-profit LGBTIQ+ legal networking association based in Queensland.

"My job and the job for all the Indigenous people who have stood before me is to make the journey for the next Indigenous person easier," Ms Purcell said.

"It's about building each other up, and there is power to be taken from that."

"I became a lawyer to change the narrative, and the rhetoric, about what it means to be an Indigenous woman."

Traditional owners stand their ground

By NICK PATON



WANGAN and Jagalingou traditional owners are standing their ground after Queensland police swarmed their protest.

Wangan and Jagalingou traditional owners lit the spirit fire on a dirt access road leading to the proposed Adani Carmichael coal mine site on August 24 to call on their ancestors to help them drive Adani from their lands.

Wangan and Jagalingou man Coedie McAvoy said traditional owners had called on the Queensland Premier Annastacia Palaszczuk to meet with them and support their cause.

"But she declined and she sent in 50 police officers, armed with guns, ready to remove us," Mr McAvoy said.

"This fight is not over. We will not stop and we will not quit.

"The world is watching us."

Queensland police had promised to arrange a meeting with the Department of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships, but instead forced Wangan and Jagalingou traditional owners to remove the spirit fire from the road.

Wangan and Jagalingou man Adrian Burrugubba said negotiations between traditional owners and police have broken down because the police failed to keep their promise.

"We will take a stand and we will continue to practise our lore and custom in our culture, and we are going to pay respect to our ancestors," he said.

The huge police presence comes after Wangan and Jagalingou traditional owners served Indian mining giant Adani with an eviction notice for trespassing on their land, demanding all mining activities cease immediately.

Eviction notice served

Mr Burrugubba served the eviction notice to Adani at their Brisbane offices in person on August 20.

He said that Adani is destroying Wangan and Jagalingou culture and country.

"Four days ago, we lit the spirit fire," Mr Burrugubba said.

"Through this fire we call on our ancestors to drive Adani from our lands.

"Adani's truck and vehicle movement has stopped. The fire burns to mark our cultural sovereignty and our call to national and international allies to aid our fight."

But Mr Burrugubba said it won't be long before Adani starts digging the mine and



Wangan and Jagalingou traditional owners have blocked a dirt access road leading to Adani's Carmichael Coal Mine site.

draining the water table.

"That's going to drain the life out of our land and kill our dreaming," he said.

"Adani have given us no choice but to intervene to protect our land, water and culture.

"This action marked the start of a new phase of our resistance to Adani's destruction.

"We're calling this 'Standing our Ground', because we intend to stand our ground to defend our rights as First Nations people."

The Notice of Eviction served to Adani states:

We, the Wangan and Jagalingou people, serve you, Adani, notice of eviction from Wangan and Jagalingou land.

We demand that you, immediately, cease and desist all mining and extractive activities on our Country. Your actions desecrate our Country. Your actions threaten our heritage, and harm our health and wellbeing. You have ignored our concerns. You have co-opted the State and Federal Government. You have created sham agreements.

And now, you must go. This is your first and final notice of eviction.

Mr Burrugubba said he is calling on Queensland Premier Annastacia Palaszczuk to stand with traditional owners and to evict Adani from Wangan and

Jagalingou country.

Adani divisive

"We have watched Adani divide our people through lateral violence and corrupt our families with bribes and promises of money," Mr Burrugubba said.

"The Premier must turn from the false Adani promises, turn from the destruction of our waters, turn from those willing to decimate First Nations culture."

Mr Burrugubba has publicly opposed the mine for more than 10 years. Last year, Adani took legal action against Mr Burrugubba, claiming he was 'trespassing' when he and others wanted to access sacred Wangan and Jagalingou ceremonial sites 'without the prior written consent of Adani'.

"Our decision to close Adani's road has not come lightly," Mr Burrugubba said.

"In our country, spiritual ancestors come up from under the ground and travel in and through the land at sacred sites associated with the Rainbow Serpent known as the Mundunjudra.

"Our communities and families have been struggling since European settlement and Adani's mine project brings only suffering to our people."

In 2019, more than 1300 hectares of Wangan and Jagalingou native title land was extinguished by the Queensland

government, allowing Adani freehold title of the area.

Tribal law broken

Mr Burrugubba said Adani's actions are considered unlawful under Wangan and Jagalingou tribal law.

"We, the tribal warriors of the original Wangan and Jagalingou people of west-central Queensland have planted our flag and performed ceremonial dance for our ancient ancestors," Mr Burrugubba said.

"For thousands of years, we have been custodians of this land and it is our responsibility to protect our land, water, people, history and totems.

"The Rainbow Serpent has power to control Wangan and Jagalingou sites where our people are born into their bigan (Totem).

"This has been so since the beginning of the creation period."

The proposed Carmichael coal mine and proposals for other ILUAs on their land have caused rifts between Wangan and Jagalingou people and families.

While the Wangan and Jagalingou native title claim originally included 12 named applicants, following pressure from the Queensland Government four families were removed.

However, the claim is now

being heard in the Federal Court, and the *Koori Mail* understands that the four families who were removed from the named applicant are seeking to be reinstated.

When asked if Adani is prepared to honour the eviction notice to vacate Wangan and Jagalingou country immediately, an Adani spokesperson told the *Koori Mail* that the mining company is "legally bound to deal with registered native title claimants only".

"The people currently protesting on the site are not the registered native title claimants," the spokeswoman said.

"And they are not the authorised spokespeople of the registered native claimants."

Mr Burrugubba said the time for talk is over, and Adani has got to go.

"This is our home, and we will defend our country," Mr Burrugubba said.

Adani has ignored our concerns. They used their power with the government to try and criminalise our actions, and bankrupted us," he said.

"They have attacked us in public. They are squatters on our land. So they've got to go. And we will stand up to them until they have."

The Wangan and Jagalingou Tribal Warriors have started a website at standing-our-ground.org



Muir a true champion, on and off the field

The recent revelation of the depth of the racism directed at talented ex-Saint Kilda footballer, Robert Muir, during his career was the most profound account of Australian redneck culture in all its hideous forms.

As a high school student at the time, I was a huge fan of Muir. His antics were on display every time the Saints played. I wondered later though, why was his career so short?

I had no idea that it was because of the gutless racism directed at him even before he played in the VFL.

The account of the racism he endured, and the much worse way he was fathered by his father, was as graphic as can be and his path to recovery is a total testimony to his incredible courage, guts and decency as a man. Robbie Muir is an undoubted real man; a man amongst men.

He mentioned that in his time, only he and Sid Jackson were the Aboriginal players playing and they both had to put up with abuse at every game.

He also told us that he has never been invited to an AFL/VFL Indigenous players function or event. This needs to be



Letter-writer Phil Moncrieff says St Kilda footballer Robbie Muir deserves a statue.

rectified immediately. To be shunned by his own people in his own right for the lie that he was 'Mad Dog' and not Robbie Muir is shameful and this needs to be fixed straight away. He is, in fact, a

pioneer who made the path an easier one to traverse for up-and-coming Aboriginal footballers in the AFL.

Without Robbie's suffering, today's Aboriginal footballers wouldn't have the

sanction or safety of the AFL's anti-racism laws.

He also lifted his SKFC jumper showing his skin to the racists of Collingwood 10 years before Nicky Winmar did and we, as a people, need to revere that and put it in its rightful place. We've got the statue of Winmar doing that outside our new football oval in Western Australia. I challenge St Kilda to do the same with a statue of Robbie Muir outside his beloved Saints home ground.

All in all, this is nothing but a grave injustice to an innocent person.

Robbie Muir was made to suffer because he was one of us.

The collective racists named in the article should hang their heads in deep shame. It is a testimony of the manhood of Robbie Muir that he has chosen only now, over 40 years later, to let the world know of how he was targeted and made a victim of by continuous, foul, systemic racism.

Now that the word is out, people need to gather around Robbie and let his healing begin.

Phil Moncrieff
Cloverdale, WA

University of Melbourne is failing to pass its own test

The University of Melbourne seemed to be heading down the right path in its commitment to increasing Indigenous employment to parity levels by this year, 2020. On further examination of the statistics on Indigenous employment 2015-20, however, there are some major flaws in the implementation and selection processes. The recent appointments of non-Indigenous staff over and above Indigenous people is of major concern, highlighting systemic failures in the delivery of equality of justice in employment outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

The recent selection of non-Indigenous people to key positions in teaching Indigenous Studies, and the directorship of the inaugural Indigenous Knowledge Institute contradict the University's statutory and formal obligations to equality of Indigenous employment. Both decisions have attracted extreme disappointment from many people from within the University and Indigenous communities with expressions of outrage and calls for

those decisions to be rescinded and re-presented as identified Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander positions.

These are crucial matters for our people seeking career paths within the academy. Opportunities for employment in the teaching of what is considered to be the oldest living surviving culture in the world as an inherent birthright, is of fundamental importance to this commitment. Australian Indigenous studies and cultural learning is the foundation of our history and identity as a people, embodied in a timeline of 60,000-120,000 years prior occupation and sovereign ownership. A vibrant surviving and living culture with such a unique epistemology and pedagogy of teaching justifies its own place front and centre of any academic institution in Australia.

In the pursuit of greater parity for Indigenous people within the academy, there are a number of Victorian universities that have had their establishment acts amended by the Victorian Parliament to include formal obligations towards Indigenous Education and

Employment. The 2009 *University of Melbourne Act (Section 6f)* formalises that the University must: "use its expertise and resources to involve Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people of Australia in its teaching, learning, research and advancement of knowledge activities and thereby contribute to (i) realising Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander aspirations; and (ii) the safeguarding of the ancient and rich Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultural heritage".

Further to these formal obligations, one of the key supporting initiatives of its Reconciliation Action Plans, the University of Melbourne introduced its Indigenous Employment Framework (IEF) in 2010. After conducting its third IEF (2016-2018), the mutual goal between the two initiatives was to increase the number of Indigenous staff to levels in line with the total population of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people of 2.6% by 2020.

This initiative arose out of concern for the low level of Indigenous employment in 2015 which indicated that Indigenous

people were still largely underrepresented, forming 0.9% of Melbourne University's total staff. To reach its parity target of 2.6% by 2020, Uni Melb needed to employ an extra 100 Indigenous staff from 2015 to 2020, or 20 per year. On current estimates, it seems to be going backwards. The statistics indicate that the current Indigenous staffing level at Melbourne University is only 1.6%, far below the target goal. Furthermore, it is reported that of the 139 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people working at the University only 27, less than one fifth of the total number, were employed in fulltime or equivalent academic positions – not to mention those positions that continue to go to non-Indigenous career advancement.

Reaching parity targets in Indigenous empowerment is strongly endorsed by the National Agreement of the Closing the Gap strategy.

Indigenous leaders declared that "nothing less than reaching parity with other Australians in the new Closing the Gap targets will be satisfactory". Structural reforms are

the key priority for driving the changes required which includes national socio-economic targets in areas of education, employment, health and wellbeing, justice, safety, housing, land and waters, and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture and languages.

I fully empathise with those Indigenous people feeling a sense of betrayal in the way they are being overlooked for positions in what is culturally their own pathway of permanent employment. In the ongoing commitment to greater self-determination for my people, I'm saddened to see what's been allowed to happen under the University's statutory and formal obligations to closing the gap on Indigenous employment.

It is heartbreaking to see the hard work that culminated in the integrity of those employment commitments being undermined by what are seen as culturally inappropriate selection processes.

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Matriarchy rules with love

OUR kinship is centred upon relationality, respect and reciprocity. Our kinship has been protected, reinforced and repaired by the matriarchy for the last 230 plus years of colonisation.

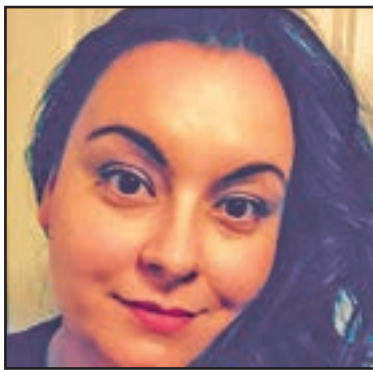
When the matriarchy calls for accountability, it is not only an act of love for the individual and community at large, it is a nod of respect for all before who have, at great sacrifice, preserved our kinship in generations before us.

So when I hear accountability being conflated with bullying, it raises an important conversation that we need to have.

I will start by simply saying that bullying and accountability are two very different things.

Bullying is intentional. It is seeking to harm, intimidate or coerce someone who is vulnerable. It is serious and a blight that continues in society, despite all of our knowledge of the harm it causes, which points to the truth that education doesn't necessarily bring about change. It goes without saying that we should denounce it wherever we see it.

Calling for accountability is not bullying. It is the emergence of the age-old kinship obligations that our matriarchy preserves. Small issues and large issues, individuals and organisations – accountability is an essential part of our culture. To conflate accountability with bullying is an attempt to silence and this is



Natalie Cromb

not our way. Open and transparent communications that allow for growth and development are part of everyday life in our communities and being pulled up on something is not bullying – it is a reminder that you are a small part of something much larger.

Each of us has an obligation to ourselves, to our family, to our community, to our culture and all those within it across this continent, and to the land itself. Our obligation cannot be fulfilled without humility or respect. We will get it wrong, but we must be prepared to learn and appreciate the lessons along the way, because they are blessings and add to the tapestry of your knowledge that you get to pass on to the young ones as they come up. When I sat down with my cup of

tea and thought back to all the times I was pulled up by nans, aunties and sisters over the years, I laughed. There are so many times I copped it off an aunty and, sure, in the moment it was shame – but I am better for the learning. I look at all those aunties with so much love, for loving me and our culture enough to hold me accountable, to expect more from me. I am sure if you look back and think back over your life, there would be times where you got pulled up and you may cringe or laugh at the memory, but you will remember the lesson and will have applied it to your life.

This is the beauty of the matriarchy: it betters us all by keeping us accountable to our kinship; it keeps us true to the essential pillars of our culture.

When the matriarchy calls for accountability, it does so with love. It is love for the people being pulled up because they are being provided with learning and it is love for the people and community affected by the actions because they have the matriarchy advocating for them.

This experiential learning is empowering because it provides you with a learning opportunity that originates in our culture. It allows you the chance to learn deeply and have conversations that enrich you, but this empowerment is something you need to be ready for.

You see, empowerment is often framed by the likes of White

feminism as success by the standards of the coloniser – White women in the board room and change from within arguments – but true empowerment does not come from being seen as successful by a system we rail against, a system intent on destroying what we fight to protect, a system we are proximate to, palatable to or a system that commoditises us.

Empowerment is what Black women do every day when they advocate for our kids; when they advocate for access to health care and culturally safe health care; when they are speaking out against oppressive systems to their own personal detriment; when they push to free our people from custody and push to de-carcerate and imagine a world without the need for punitive punishment for poverty and other consequences of dispossession and oppression. Empowerment is each moment a young one comes to you for help and knows they are safe to be vulnerable. Empowerment is making sure our Elders are looked after. Empowerment is seeing kids proudly stomping in the circle during ceremony.

Empowerment is what we say it is, not what the White lens says it is.

Empowerment is the lifting of us all as we dismantle systems of oppression.

Empowerment isn't feeling good. It is breaking things.

Empowerment is our people

continuing to maintain our kinship systems; it is the reciprocity and respect that keeps us intertwined as people. Empowerment is our accountability to this system, our growth through lessons and applying those lessons not only to our own futures but that of our younger generations.

Black women are exquisite. Always have been. When they hold you to account, listen. When they love you enough to give you a chance to learn, appreciate it. These lessons should be received with humility because they come from a place of love and learning.

As someone who grew up with the matriarchy keeping me accountable, I am thankful for it and reflect on the lessons with a smile on my face.

So while accountability can feel shame in the moment because nobody wants to step wrong, the lesson it brings is empowering and provides you with experience that informs future choices.

Accountability is our kinship system in action. Don't conflate it with bullying to silence the women doing the work laid out by our ancestors – we cannot learn and be better by standing still as we are – we better ourselves through experiential growth, through understanding and lessons in accountability.

● *Gamilaraay woman Natalie Cromb is a writer and advocate.*

No change in the war on Black

Warning: there is description of violence in this article that could trigger some readers.

AS I sat down to write this article a memory came into my newsfeed of my grandfather Len Waters. It was of a photo taken when he was a squadron leader and warrant officer flying as a pilot in the Australian Air Force during WWII. Pop would lead close to a hundred missions against the Japanese, telling White men what to do in life or death situations, flying the most sophisticated machinery on the planet.

When he arrived back home in Australia, he wasn't allowed to drink alcohol. He was arrested and spent two weeks on leave in jail after trying to walk into a White pub with family. He also did not receive any titled land like many other returning servicemen. The photo shows Pop, while stationed overseas with his shirt off, sitting drinking alcohol. There are a number of bottles laying around him. He looks handsome and strong.

I love the photo because it is an example of what my Pop thought of White privilege. Who was going to tell a squadron leader, a warrant officer and pilot in the Australian Air Force he wasn't allowed to have a drink like his White mates?

Just over 10 years after this photo was taken, on August 28, 1955, a 14-year-old African American boy, Emmett Till, was brutally murdered in Mississippi. His crime? Allegedly flirting with a white woman.

His killers, two White Christian men, made Emmett carry a 75-pound industrial fan to the bank of the Tallahatchie River. They stripped the boy naked and savagely beat him, gouged out his eye, shot him in the head and then threw his body, tied to the fan with barbed wire, into the river. After seeing the mutilated remains, his mother Mamie Bradley decided to have an open-casket funeral to show the world what these racist murderers had done to her son.

Jet, an African American magazine, published a photo of Emmett's corpse, and soon the mainstream media picked up the story. On September 23, the all-White jury acquitted both defendants after a 67-minute



Woolombi Waters

deliberation. One juror said, "If we hadn't stopped to drink soda pop, it wouldn't have taken that long."

After they were acquitted, the men sold their story for \$4000, enough money to make you rich in 1955. After the trial, the men talked freely about how they killed Emmett Till, never showing any remorse or fear of incarceration.

In 2017, the woman who said Emmett Till had flirted and whistled at her in 1955 admitted that he had not, in an interview with Tim Tyson, author of the book *The Blood of Emmett Till*.

Sixty-five years later to the day Emmett Till was killed, a 17-year-old White Christian boy shot and killed two people at the Kenosha, Black Lives Matter protests in the US, after the shooting of Jacob Blake by police. In one video, the 17-year-old White boy was seen talking with police and receiving a bottle of water from them, police showing their supportive relationship to a number of heavily armed White counter-protesters there to threaten and intimidate Black Lives Matter protestors.

In another video, the killer can be seen approaching a police vehicle carrying a semi-automatic assault rifle as police respond to a call that people have been shot. We have all



Warrant Officer Len Waters during WWII. Picture: Australian War Memorial

seen videos of unarmed people of colour killed by police, but when confronted with a White person carrying a semi-automatic assault rifle, you can hear the police tell him on the video, "Get out of there," after he had just opened fire on a group of people, killing two protestors and injuring others.

After the boy was arrested the next day Fox News called him a hero.

"Are we really surprised that looting and arson accelerated to murder?" Fox News host Tucker Carlson said. "How shocked are we that 17-year-olds with rifles decided they had to maintain order when no one else would?"

Then President Trump, who has a history of defending Nazis also responsible for killing protestors, also weighed in supporting the young killer. "He was trying to get away from them, I guess, it looks like, and he fell," Trump said at the White House.

"And then they very violently attacked him. I guess he was in very big trouble. He

probably would have been killed."

What we are witnessing is nothing new. It is ingrained in the very psyche of countries like Australia and the US and has been happening for over 400 years.

What has changed is social media and the ability for the innocent to scream and be heard like never before.

When the trial for the murder of Emmett Till opened in September 1955, the same White privilege, as a national consciousness, defended his killers also. The murderers and the woman who lied became national celebrities. Some reporters talked about their "handsome looks" and the killers' love for big cigars.

During the trial, the families arrived with their sons dressed in their Sunday best. Many whites in the surrounding areas showed up, bringing their children, picnic baskets and ice cream cones. African American spectators looked on in fear.

Nothing has changed.

The events of today are extremely difficult to watch. I know of many people who can't stomach what is happening, have to isolate, turn off the media, anything to disconnect from what's going on. But, for me, in order to respect the victims, their families and to gain greater informed understanding of what we are witnessing today, I watch the videos, read the newscasts and stay informed.

As I came to the end of this article, a number of media stories came across my newsfeed regarding the committal hearing for the police shooting of Kumanjayi Walker, painting the victim as unstable, seen "running at police with an axe" days before he was murdered, at the same time building sympathy for the killer, one article appearing in the *NT News* saying police "in a world of hurt" after fatal shooting of Kumanjayi Walker in Yuendumu last year.

I look again at the resolve, the dignity and strength displayed in my grandfather's photo. I finish this article and I hit save. A small truth against a wave of hate and lies built over years of oppression and I pray for justice.

● *Woolombi Waters is a regular Koori Mail correspondent.*

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The Heritage Council is currently considering whether or not to recommend the listing of the following place on the State Heritage Register in acknowledgment of its heritage significance.

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Written submissions on this listing are invited from any interested person by 8 October 2020. Enquiries to Mary Ann Hamilton on (02) 9873 8565 or maryann.hamilton@environment.nsw.gov.au

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Transport for NSW

Aboriginal Heritage Parramatta Light Rail

Transport for New South Wales (TfNSW) is delivering the Parramatta Light Rail that will connect Westmead to Carlingford via Camellia and the Parramatta CBD. It is expected to open in 2023.

Parramatta Connect has been engaged by TfNSW to build the infrastructure for the Parramatta Light Rail network.

TfNSW invites Aboriginal people and Aboriginal groups who hold cultural knowledge relevant to determining the significance of Aboriginal objects and places for the Parramatta Light Rail project to be a part of the project's Aboriginal Focus Group. Participation is voluntary.

The objective of the Aboriginal Focus Group is to:

- Provide updates on the progress of the works and forthcoming activities
- Provide updates on progress of the commitments made in the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment Report prepared for the Environmental Impact Statement (TfNSW, 2017)
- Seek advice and input into issues relating to Aboriginal Heritage that relate to the project.

Members of the Aboriginal Focus Group will be asked to contribute on various aspects of the project such as (but not limited to):

- How and where to deposit Aboriginal objects/relics located during construction
- Provide advice on relevant historical information associated to any objects located
- Provide advice on areas impacted by the project
- Share concerns and feedback in relation to the overall project.

To register your interest, please contact Parramatta Connect with AFG in the subject line:

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Registrations must be received in writing by 30 September 2020.

Juukan Gorge: akin to a bombing

By NICK PATON



DEPUTY chair of the National Native Title Council (NNTC) Kado Muir has told a Senate Inquiry that mining giant Rio Tinto's destruction of a 46,000-year-old sacred site in May was akin to a bombing.

Rio sparked international outrage in May when it blew up the 46,000-year-old Juukan Gorge rock shelters on Puutu Kunti Kurrama and Pinikura (PKKP) country in the Pilbara region.

"At a higher level, it is about what enriches us as a nation," Mr Muir said.

"The bombing of Juukan Gorge and the reason why we're having this Inquiry goes back to the fact that the people, the country, the international community, we're all left that little bit impoverished as a result of having lost this major, significant site."

The NNTC is calling for the Commonwealth to adopt national best-practice standards, and for greater provision of resources for Prescribed Bodies Corporate (PBCs), the companies that manage native title for traditional owners.

It is also calling for best-practice standards within the mining sector, and for cultural heritage law reform in the states and territories if an incident like Juukan Gorge is to be prevented. On August 28, the joint Standing Committee on Northern Australia held a second public hearing by teleconference as part of a Senate Inquiry into the destruction of the 46,000 year old caves at Juukan Gorge.

As the national peak body for the native title sector, the NNTC appeared before the Inquiry pointing out legislative deficiencies and lack of rights and resourcing for Traditional Owners that are available through their Prescribed Bodies Corporate (PBCs).

Some of the legislative deficiencies described by the NNTC include the lack of real protection at both the federal and state level for Indigenous cultural heritage, and the fact that mining companies and PBCs make agreements under the *Native Title Act (NTA)*.

But the NTA does not have a requirement for 'free, prior and informed consent'.

Gunditjmarra Djab Wurrung man and NNTC chief executive Jamie Lowe said when agreements are struck under the NTA, they don't offer sufficient rights for traditional owners to protect their heritage.

"If traditional owners don't consent to mining, the mining company can make an application to the National Native Title Tribunal (NNTT), which almost always rules in industry's favour," Mr Lowe said. "That's not free, prior and informed consent, and it's certainly not self-determination."

Mr Lowe said PBCs are not resourced to carry out their most basic statutory functions, let alone negotiate on a level playing field with billion-dollar, multinational mining companies.

"There's one PBC we know of which has 546 live or pending mining tenements on their books



Ancient Pilbara rock shelters were destroyed in May by mining giant Rio Tinto. Pictures: supplied by PKKP representatives



The ancient rock shelters prior to the blast at Juukan Gorge.

right now," Mr Lowe said.

"For a PBC to manage that kind of workload with zero resourcing from any government, that's a gross inadequacy. The destruction of sites from mining companies or civil construction will continue to happen when we are stripped of our self-determination rights."

Mr Lowe said that Rio made a series of choices that led to the destruction.

"These were made on a 'for profit' basis," he said.

"Mining companies are getting fat on Australia's minerals and their wealth gives them a sense of entitlement that leads them to destroy sites of world heritage significance like Juukan Gorge."

As part of their submission to the Senate Inquiry, Rio Tinto published their board's review of cultural heritage management.

The review details what elements of Rio Tinto's systems, decision-making processes and governance failed to work as they should have, and sets out recommendations to prevent a similar incident occurring in the future.

The board review concluded that while Rio Tinto had obtained legal authority to impact the Juukan rockshelters, it fell short of the standards and internal guidance that Rio Tinto sets for itself.

Rio Tinto has spared its chief executive and other senior executives from losing their jobs over the destruction and instead cut their bonuses.

The review details a number of areas where Rio Tinto can improve, strengthen or amend practices, work culture and governance.

This includes improved processes for escalating heritage issues to more senior decision-making levels and the need for a greater prioritisation of partnerships and relationships with traditional owners and First Nations people from senior operational leaders and teams.

Adding even further insult to injury, the Puutu Kunti Kurrama and Pinikura Aboriginal Corporation (PKKPAC) and traditional owners have become aware of a series of aerial photographs of Juukan Gorge, taken after the devastating blasts on May 24.

Puutu Kunti Kurrama spokesperson Burchell Hayes said PKKP does not consent or give permission for the publication of these photographs.

"We understand that these images have been offered for sale to media in Australia by an international news agency," Mr Hayes said.

"We do not know who has taken these images or whether the photographer had permission from Rio Tinto to fly over the Brockman 4 mine site, and are appalled that anyone would consider profiteering from our anguish caused by the desecration of these sacred sites," he said.

"While we understand the community concern and interest surrounding the destruction of these ancient caves, the publication of these images only serves to reinvigorate the hurt and sadness we feel at the loss of this significant site and our connection to our ancestors, as well as our anger towards Rio Tinto." – AAP

Living in lockdown

Melbourne mob are keeping connected

By ALI MC



AS the Stage 4 lockdown continues in Melbourne and the State of Emergency is extended for

another six months in Victoria, community members who are being impacted by the restrictions share their experiences.

Maylene Slater-Burns, a Kamilaroi and Djungan woman born and raised on Kulin country, is the overseas operations coordinator for Australian Volunteers International and also a musician.

Maylene says that one of the most difficult parts of being under lockdown is the tight restrictions on visiting people.

"It's very isolating not being allowed to visit my family," she says. "I've been trying to do my best to keep in touch with everybody on the phone and on social media, Facebook, video calls, but it isn't the same.

"I live alone as well so it gets quite difficult when curfews and restrictions are put in place.

"But I know that I'm not the only one as well."

Maylene also describes the impact the restrictions are having on the broader Aboriginal community both in Melbourne and around Victoria. She describes how the isolation is having an adverse effect on already at-risk people.

"We are already such a vulnerable community as it is," she says.

"There's a lot of struggle already happening with our most vulnerable families whether they be single parents, our Elders, our people with special needs, disabilities. So I feel like the lockdown has possibly exacerbated all of the struggles we already have as a community and as a people."

Yet Maylene – like many others – is finding ways to cope with the challenges that Covid-19 has brought.

"I've been taking everything day by day and making phone calls every night to keep in touch with my family and my mob. I've also been practising a lot of mindfulness here at home, whether that be meditating or prayer time."

As a musician, Maylene says it is very difficult maintaining creativity, but "surprisingly, I've been able to write a few new songs during this time".

Maylene says that while the online gigs have been a welcome relief and a way to keep the music industry alive for so many Aboriginal musicians, there's something missing.

"It's been really difficult not having the chance to go and be with mob at an event or at a gig, whether it be a performance, a festival or a community event."

Darren Clinch is a Badimia/Badimaya man from the Yamatji nation, currently living in Melbourne. He works as a data analytics coordinator at Melbourne University, and is also a musician.



Kamilaroi and Djungan woman Maylene Slater-Burns: "It's very isolating not being allowed to visit my family."

Picture: Jacinta Keefe Photography



Wotjobaluk Elder Aunt Lyn Austin pictured with Uncle Archie Roach. "When I see my great-granddaughter, I have to look out at her through the window. She's about four feet away. I can't even nurse her. It's really frustrating."

Darren started his new job at Melbourne University just as the first lockdown started in March.

"I haven't even been into the office yet. I haven't met with anyone physically. Everything has been done by Zoom and through online data tools."

However, Darren says, despite the strange experience of working remotely, he is more fortunate than a lot of other community members, as he knows how to work the technology that keeps him connected.

"I'm probably really fortunate to be able to work from home.

"It's the isolation and the physical approximation that really is getting to me.

"I like having those little side yarns you have – you might have your formal meeting, but afterwards somebody might have said something to you that really

resonated and you want to sit and have a yarn with them and you're not constrained by rules and agendas and meetings and time frames.

"Blackfellas – we exchange information through having a good yarn. But Zoom takes away all the reading of body language."

Darren says he is occupying his time "buying guitars" and writing music with his family. He also got involved earlier this year with the 'Isolation Tour', which saw other Western Australian Aboriginal musicians live stream their music.

Other than music, he says his family is "trying to find ways to occupy our minds so we are not going mad from being locked up".

Aunt Lyn Austin is a Wotjobaluk Elder and a member of the Stolen Generations who describes the lockdown as



Darren Clinch: "Blackfellas – we exchange information through having a good yarn. But Zoom takes away all the reading of body language."

"very draining. It can be depressing because of the isolation.

"When I see my great-granddaughter, I have to look out at her through the window. She's about four feet away. I can't even nurse her. It's really frustrating."

Along with not being able to see her grandchildren, Lyn also misses community events and social occasions, including the regular women's group she is involved in and also missing this year's Sorry Day event for the Stolen Generations.

"I can't go round to see family. I like going around and catching up with different ones and having a cuppa and a yarn and see

what's happening in the community and what's going on."

Talking on the phone, she says, "just isn't the same".

Aunt Lyn is coping with the lockdown by taking her grandson to the park every day.

"The only thing that gives me relief is going to the park and looking at the cockatoos," she says, and describes how she is looking forward to visiting family in Sale and Lakes Entrance once the lockdown has finished.

If you are being impacted by the Covid-19 lockdown, or require any other assistance through this difficult time, please contact your local Aboriginal Community Health Service.

Tarneen is driven

By DANNY TEECE-JOHNSON



TARNEEN's words on Invasion Day 2018 helped inspire this series, and I know

'Burn it down' has empowered many other community organisers and activists to pick up the torch to burn down the system that kills and oppresses us.

Thank you for your courage and bravery, Tarneen. We appreciate what you do and the sacrifices you make. (This journalist also appreciates you honouring the code of 'Blackfulla time' and sending this article in two months late. Haha. How Black!)

Tarneen Onus-Williams is a Yigar Gunditjmarra, Bindal, Yorta Yorta person. Tarneen is a community organiser for Warriors of the Aboriginal Resistance (WAR) working on Invasion Day, Black Deaths in Custody, Justice for Elijah and Stop the Forced Closures of Aboriginal Communities in Western Australia.

Tarneen works for and is passionate about prison abolition and the power of young Aboriginal people.

Tarneen is a writer and has been published in *IndigenousX*, *The Saturday Paper* and *RightNow*.

Tell us about your mob, your nation and where you come from? What does this all mean to you?

I'm Gunditjmarra and Yorta Yorta through my mother. I'm Bindal and Torres Strait – my mobs are Erub and Mur – through my father. I was born on Gunditjmarra country in Portland and I'm so grateful to be able to be born and raised on my country, particularly living close to Lake Condah, where we have eel traps and aquaculture systems that date back more than 5000 years.

They just got World Heritage listed last year and I'm grateful to have a strong connection with country where I can go back for healing and strength. I'm really proud to be a Koorie and a Murrie and being able to learn and grow from both of them. It's really deadly.

You came from an incredibly staunch family. Can you please tell us about them and what influence they have had on you?

Being a Koorie and Murrie in many huge families means there is so much room to be inspired and build strength from family. I particularly think of my grandparents Sandra Onus, Alfred Bamblett and Jainey Williams (née George).

They've all achieved incredible things in their lifetime.

My nan Sandra fought Alcoa Aluminum and proved in the 1980s that Aboriginal people



Tarneen Onus-Williams: "This deadly piece shows Crystal McKinnon, Meriki Onus and me. We organised the Black Lives Matter rally together in less than seven days with thousands of people attending. I'm so grateful to have these two strong Black women by my side." Artwork by Detlie Sebastian



Tarneen Onus-Williams

have connection to country and this was well before Mabo.

My pop Alfred was ATSIC Commissioner and fought to stop Black deaths in custody in Victoria, and my nan Jainey was an Aboriginal health worker in Bundaberg and Bourke and worked hard for better health outcomes for mob.

I thank all of them, and I've been influenced by all of them, and I am trying to continue their work. It all comes back to looking after community, fighting for better because they know and I know that our mob deserve better in this country.

We are gonna fight for it and I'm extremely proud I've got some of the fight they do and I hope I can do half the work they've done in their lifetimes.

Can you tell us about the matriarchs in your family and what they have passed onto you?

My matriarchs are my grandmothers Sandra Onus and Jainey Williams (nee George) and my mothers and aunties. My family have been the inspirations



Tarneen credits family as inspiration.

in my life and have embedded strength, resilience and culture within me.

Being a young person, they taught me how to love, care for family and my mob, and taught me to always try to be and do better.

When I think about all the homophobia going around, I think I'm so proud to be queer.

My matriarchs just love and care for me unconditionally and remind me not to care about what other people say because all that matters is my happiness and not to worry about what other people think about you. Be happy and laugh. I feel really fortunate to have the matriarchs in my family.

What Aboriginal activists have inspired you to do what you do and why is activism something you are so passionate about? What has influenced you – a life event, sacrifices made by our Elders etc?

My grandmother Sandra Onus, Mum, Dad and my aunty/cousin Meriki Onus along

with Boe Spearim, Pekeri Ruska and Callum Clayton-Dixon. I remember seeing a photo of Meriki, Boe, Pekeri and Callum using Aboriginal passports to travel to NZ and Turtle Island and I thought it was so deadly to see young people doing activism around decolonisation and resistance, especially denouncing Australia.

This mob created Warriors of the Aboriginal Resistance along with Jade Taylor. I thought they were really cool and inspired me to get into community organising. It became really important to me because I saw what can come from protest over history, from Onus vs Alcoa to the Aboriginal Tent Embassy.

What are your thoughts on treaty, sovereignty and constitutional recognition? Can they all work together or is it one or the other?

I have been thinking about these topics for the last few years and constitutional recognition isn't a mechanism that we should strive for. We have had constitutional

recognition in Victoria since 2006. This law has not done anything for us mob here so I think it is useless. It isn't worth fighting for.

Our mob deserve better than to be written up in their gammin colonial documents that mean nothing to our people.

We need to remember that this constitution has been used to criminalise and control our people. When the foundation of a country is built on a document that was supposed to rule and control our people, we can't fix it by making minor changes and hoping things will change. We need to fight harder for the things we really need and that is our land, waters and people.

In terms of treaty, I was campaigning for a treaty in the beginning.

In 2016 I joined the Interim Aboriginal Treaty Working Group (IATWG) in Victoria. I was selected by the Victorian Government and sat on IATWG until late 2017. During my time on IATWG I assisted in consultations around Victoria, travelling to communities yarning to them about what they wanted and what our role as IATWG was. As time went on, it didn't feel right, as it wasn't clan-based but the Government was running it in Victoria. So I spoke to Indigenous community organisers in Turtle Island (Canada). Speaking to these radical activists really changed my mind around treaty.

Today, I don't agree with treaty anymore because as long as the colonisers have power over us we cannot come to a mutual agreement that will be fair to our mob and I think we can strive for better than treaty and I think we need to strive for sovereignty that we embody. Sovereignty is something we enact every day and we don't need the colonisers' permission to do so.

We do it by our existence, building our communities, practising our culture, looking after country and looking after each other.

We need to continue to build our communities to fight for our land and be creative and think outside the box.

I want a world without prisons, where our people aren't living in poverty, where we aren't taking our lives. I want a world without White supremacy and where we are thriving. I don't know how exactly to get there as it's up to all of us as a community to decide.

Do you think our activists are revered as they should be, or do you think they are still seen as troublemakers?

I think that community organisers or activists are highly critiqued by community and it is important that they (community) continue to critique people who do this work.

I'm a huge believer in being critical and being accountable to

by love for family

the community for work that could misrepresent them or put people in danger or people think isn't right.

I know I've critiqued people and others have done the same to me, but I took it as an opportunity to grow. I do not want to be stagnant and I want mob to come to me if they have an issue so that we can try to sort it out the best we can.

We aren't always going to agree, but we need to yarn it out.

What are your thoughts on the mainstream media's portrayal of our activists and Aboriginal issues, and where do you think Black media is at? Are they doing their job?

Media has always been violent to blackfullas whether you're an activist or not in this country.

The (traditional, mainstream) media has access to more information than ever through social media and I know I've been subjected to it, particularly after Invasion Day in 2018 and recently after organising the Black Lives Matter rally in June.

Before and after the BLM rally the media were insinuating that we would start the second wave of COVID-19 in Victoria, and we received attacks from the wider community, and they said it was badly timed.

We even had a media company publish an article saying an anonymous senior government official heard that organisers said there would be spitting and attacks on police. I found one journalist who wrote the article who said it had been false information, but they put it on the front page.

We organised over 50,000 masks and 50,000 hand sanitisers to ensure people were safe and this misinformation from the media meant the Premier and Victoria Police were heavier handed.

In terms of Black media, there is always more that Black media could be doing. We need our media to come out hard for our mob and create counter narratives to right-wing media and I think this is a huge opportunity to do it.

Can you tell us about your role with WAR, how they came about, what they are about? A moment I remember is when you were attacked for saying at a rally 'Burn Australia to the ground'. We all knew what you meant, but some Australians showed how sensitive they are – White tears were flowing. A few years later, I think you inspired many more mob to yell this out also. What did you take away from that day? How do you feel about it now?

I have been community organiser in Warriors of the Aboriginal Resistance collective since 2015.

WAR came about after Meriki Onus, Pekeri Ruska, Boe



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"We need to continue to build our communities, to fight for our land and be creative and think outside the box. I want a world without prisons, where our people aren't living in poverty, where we aren't taking our lives. I want a world without White supremacy and where we are thriving. I don't know how exactly to get there as it's up to all of us as a community to decide."

– Tarneen Onus-Williams

Spearim, Callum Clayton-Dixon and Jade Taylor had the idea and launched it at the G20 in 2014.

It started off as a group of young people working towards decolonisation, resistance and revival in various areas around the country but now we are based in Melbourne and Brisbane.

It has grown over the last six years and I'm proud of where we have come and excited for the future.

After the Burn Australia

comments I learnt a lot of things: Don't apologise if you don't mean it, and stay true to yourself and people who know you are the ones that matter.

I had death threats, hate mail. I had complaints from multiple White people about being racist from the Human Rights Commission.

My workplace turned on me and radio hosts claimed I was happy Black Saturday happened.

It was a really difficult time and I nearly threw the towel in,



Tarneen stands in front of a picture of her grandmother, Sandra Onus, an inspiring campaigner for land and country herself.

but I'm grateful to have a deadly family and friends who were there to hold me.

Ten years from now what is your vision of Black Australia? What do you want to see?

I want to see our mob learning more about how we can exist without police and prisons. I think we often get caught up in

bureaucracy or thinking a custody notification system will save our people, but, in reality, I don't want police and prisons to exist and if we can imagine, plan and organise to prepare what we want our community to do to get ready for this in the next 10 years, I think we will be preparing for a deadly world in the next 100 years.



Lorikeet and Parrot 1 by Meredith Arkwookerum.



Palm Island's Agnes Wotton won the people's choice award for her work *Sea Anemone*



Toby Cedar won the 3D Design, Sculpture and Installation Award.



Erub Arts won the Cairns Regional Council Art Centre Award for their ghost net installation.



Clinton Naina won the CIAF 2020 Premier's Award for Excellence.

Cairns delivers a show of quality and diversity



QUEENSLAND'S best and brightest Indigenous artists and organisations have been recognised at this year's Cairns

Indigenous Art Fair's Art Awards.

Hosted by performer Elaine Crombie, CIAF 2020 Art Award recipients were chosen by a judging panel of esteemed Indigenous curators and artists Bruce Johnson-McLean, Carly Lane and Judy Watson.

The judges said they were impressed by the quality and diversity of the art augmented through online and digital platforms in this year's Climate Change themed Art Fair exhibition.

They said the incredible talent of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists never ceases to amaze.

"Although it upsets us not to be in Cairns to experience the immersive celebration of art and culture that CIAF delivers so well,

we are grateful for the support from Janina (Harding) and her team who have pushed the fair online, to allow us to still connect and stay connected with the fair while at home," the judges said.

"One of CIAF's great lures is that every year there is something new and different to excite audiences – it is never predictable – and this year is no different.

"The sensitivity, respect and passion for creative expression, sharing culture and for our individual and collective stories is a testament to our love and commitment to family, country and culture.

"In this year – one which has brought many of us great pain and uncertainty – it is important to regroup and reconnect with culture, stand tall and maintain. Always was, always will be."

All 50 plus artists whose work, 421 pieces in total, featured in the curated art fair were eligible for judging with criteria based on

creativity and response to this year's theme.

Premier Anastacia Palaszczuk said her government was proud to continue to support CIAF and to sponsor the event's largest prize, the \$15,000 Premier's Award for Excellence.

"I'm delighted to announce the winner of the CIAF 2020 Premier's Award for Excellence this year goes to Clinton Naina, for his four-panel installation titled *Stolen Climate*," she said.

"The judges said it was a haunting exploration of the personal experience of the shared suffering Indigenous people experience in times of crisis."

According to the judging panel, the visceral grief and pain that sits heavily in both the artist and the collective unconscious is beautifully expressed.

"This installation is very strong and would work well in its own space, allowing the viewer to meditate on the imagery and the deeply felt emotions imparted by

the artist," they said.

Erub Arts won the Cairns Regional Council Art Centre Award (\$10,000) for their subtle but strong approach to this year's theme of climate change, making their multi-layered ghost net installation comprising many sculptural elements, a 'stand-out'.

Paula Savage won the Holding Redlich Innovation Award (\$10,000) for her *Coral Bleaching* works on paper triptych that repurposes traditional weaving practices to create a woven, two-dimensional form which according to the judges, immediately captured their attention and was considered 'pure genius'.

This year's Ports North 3D Design, Sculpture and Installation Award (\$5000) was won by Toby Cedar for his five-piece installation *Beizam Tirig (Shark Teeth)* highlighting the significance of culture and spirituality.

Meredith Arkwookerum from Pormpuraaw Arts and Cultural

Centre was awarded the BDO Emerging Art Award (\$5000) for her three *Lorikeet and Parrot* acrylic on linen works.

The judges remarked that Arkwookerum's vibrant paintings are full of life and display a genuine love for country and all that encompasses.

Online visitors to CIAF 2020 between the opening and closing ceremonies August 14-23 chose (by online vote) Agnes Wotton of Palm Island for her work, *Sea Anemone*, the final category winner in the Fibre Optics NQ Peoples Choice (\$5000 prize).

Judges special mentions went to Mylene Holroyd, Tommy Pau, Mornington Island Arts, Pormpuraaw Arts and Cultural Centre and Wik and Kugu Arts Centre.

You can view an incredible showcase of artworks across four virtual and physical exhibitions.

Artworks are available to view and to purchase through the online store until September 13 at 2020.ciaf.com.au.



Judith Inkamala from Hermannsburg Potters at the *Desert Mob 2019* artist preview with her work *Desert Choir*. Picture: Oliver Eclipse

Desert Mob adapts and grows with the times



THE Araluen Arts Centre, in partnership with Desart, presents *Desert Mob 2020*, featuring a major exhibition, symposium and art market. Araluen Arts Centre director Felicity Green said that *Desert Mob* is the desert-art epicentre, bringing artists, artwork and projects together in Mparntwe (Alice Springs), to proudly celebrate and reinforce their culture.

Desert Mob 2020 will present 169 new artworks by 177 artists from 29 Desart-member art centres located across the Northern Territory, South Australia and Western Australia.

For the first time in the event's history, the *Desert Mob* exhibition will launch online at 9am this Friday, September 11, on the Araluen website: www.araluenartscentre.nt.gov.au, ahead of its physical opening. The Araluen Arts Centre will open to the general public at 1pm Friday, September 11, until Sunday, October 25, through a free ticketed entry. To stay COVID-safe, limited numbers and time allocations are in place. Bookings are essential and can be made on the Araluen website.

"All the artworks in this year's exhibition will be available for sale online and in the galleries, and collectors can purchase in the knowledge that money from sales goes back to artists, their art centres and communities," Felicity said.

Tandanya still Stylin' Up



WHILE Tandanya National Aboriginal Cultural Institute was forced to temporarily close its doors in March due to COVID-19, a group of South Australia's First Nations artists has been busy behind the scenes. And they've put together a stunning new music video, featuring songs of Christine Anu like you've never heard them before, *Still Stylin' 2020*, which can be seen on YouTube.

Sasha Zahra, Tandanya creative producer of performance and events, said that the music video is a celebration of surviving, thriving, culture and creation.

"It was really important that while

Tandanya is closed to the public, we continued to engage with artists and give them paid opportunities to create new work within the space," she said.

SA-based Larrakia hip hop artist Jimblah has re-imagined the music of Christine Anu and, with her blessing, created a mash-up featuring four of her most popular hits *Island Home*, *Stylin' Up*, *Sunshine On A Rainy Day* and *Party*. Jimblah directed, filmed and edited the video.

"There is nothing like working with an entirely Blak cast, an entirely Blak production team, on an entirely Blak space, on an entirely Blak vision," he said. "The level of solidarity is so empowering and inspiring."

The video was filmed on Ngarrindjeri country, Kurna country and Peramangk country, with many of the scenes filmed on-site at Tandanya.

Island Home is performed by Ellie May.

Stylin' Up features Adelaide hip hop crew Sonz of Serpent.

Sunshine On A Rainy Day showcases the voices of Nathan May, Katie Aspel and Zaachariaha Fielding of Electric Fields.

Party closes out the video with J Milla X and Zaachariaha Fielding.

Visual artists Thomas Readett, Elizabeth Close, Shane Cook and Carly Dodd are captured creating individual artworks commissioned by Tandanya.



Adelaide hip hop crew Sonz of Serpent. Picture: Jimblah

Get your entries in now for this year's Koorie Art Show



VICTORIA'S largest First Nations Art Show is currently calling for entries. Presented by the Koorie Heritage Trust, the *Koorie Art Show* is one of the most important annual exhibitions that showcases the diverse talent of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists living in Victoria. The show is an open-entry, non-acquisitive award exhibition, presenting the works of emerging, mid-career and senior First Nations Victorian artists, designers and crafts people.

All entries will be eligible for numerous prizes including the Award for Excellence in Any Media \$10,000, the Viva Energy Australia 3D Award \$5000, Emerging Artist Award \$5,000, Encouragement Awards (\$500 x 2), and People's Choice Award \$1000.

Entries are open and close Sunday, October 18, 5pm. Full details can be found www.koorieheritagetrust.com.au

The Koorie Art Show December 5, 2020 – February 21, 2021, at the Koorie Heritage Trust, Yarra Building, Federation Square. Free entry.



Koorie Art Show 2020 by Peter Waples-Crowe (Ngarigo).



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Mural welcomes students to Flinders University campus and community



STUDENTS at Flinders University's Yunggoendi Tjilbruke student lounge – at the main Adelaide campus

– are being welcomed by a surge of colour and a fresh sense of belonging, thanks to a new mural.

In vibrant blue, teal and ochre on bold black, the diversely textured work flowing over its internal walls was officially unveiled at an event on September 1, which also announced Flinders University's newest Senior Elder-On-Campus, Uncle Lewis Yarluburka O'Brien.

The mural is central to a broader overhaul of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander student lounge, where Kurna Elder Uncle Lewis will be based when on campus.

His appointment follows those of Elders Richard Balang/Japaljarri Fejo at Flinders' Darwin campus – a Larrakia and Wurramungu man – and Arrernte woman Dr Pat Miller at the university's Alice Springs campus.

Associate Professor Simone Ulalka Tur, Flinders University Pro Vice-Chancellor (Indigenous), said that the new roles are part of a university-wide initiative to engage more deeply with Indigenous communities, enhance Indigenous perspectives across education and research, and enrich support for Indigenous students and staff – aligning with Flinders University's Innovate Reconciliation Action



Artist Elizabeth Close with Associate Professor Simone Tur.

Plan launched in June.

"For this prominent lounge feature we wanted the artist to speak to the importance of belonging and community, and to visualise their story and journey into higher education from an Indigenous perspective," she said.

"We have Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students who come to Yunggoendi Mande from many communities around the country, and we want all students to feel welcome.

"We needed to give the artist the freedom to achieve

that in a way that would reflect this diversity."

Contemporary Adelaide-based Aboriginal artist Elizabeth Close, a Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara woman and Flinders University graduate, created the artwork.

The artwork's bold colours echo the sky, sea and land – reflecting the unique views and natural landscape of Flinders University and infusing guests with a sense of energy and belonging.

The project was managed by South Australian

Indigenous business Ochre Dawn Creative Industries.

Ms Close said the organic, flowing walls invited a narrative wrapped around the concepts of journey.

"This is a space where students from all corners of the continent and the Islands come together," she said.

"Their journeys are all different and not linear.

"Yet there is a sameness across them all, which is the desire to come here and learn and take that knowledge back."

Ms Close frequently uses

colour to speak to country and form to discuss narrative, a method she has employed in this design.

"The view of the coast and sky is magnificent in this space, so I wanted to honour that through the pallet.

"The texture speaks to the landscape including the undulations of the coastline, together with the different lands of the people who use this area."

The circles in the kitchen represent the concept of community; the curves across the doors reflect students on a common journey of learning; the large curved wall honours where students have come from and where they are going.

"It is very much landscape based," Ms Close said.

"As a Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara woman I couldn't come to Kurna country and tell their stories, nor could I tell my own stories on Kurna land. What I can do, is speak broadly to that connection to country we all share."

The variations in pattern reflect the many different places students have come from – rolling hills to coastal communities or rocky landscapes – across the nation.

In recent years, Ms Close has immersed herself deeper in public art. Her murals have taken her around the country and the world.

"I love public art. I love its accessibility. It takes art out of the galleries and puts it where everyone can access and enjoy it," she said.

UWS Indigenous health makes new appointment



WESTERN Sydney University has appointed Winninninni woman Professor Aunty Kerrie Doyle as the inaugural Associate Dean Indigenous Health within the School of Medicine.

Professor Doyle was among the first cohort of Aboriginal people to graduate from Oxford University, and is the second Indigenous woman to be appointed an associate dean at the university. As a professor of Indigenous Health, she brings a wealth of research and advocacy expertise to the school, with much of her work dedicated to improving outcomes for Australia's Indigenous population.

Professor Doyle believes Western Sydney University is playing a vital role in supporting the aspirations of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the region, but more can be done to increase their participation in higher education and research.



Winninninni woman Professor Aunty Kerrie Doyle has been appointed as the inaugural Associate Dean Indigenous Health within the School of Medicine at the University of Western Sydney.

"To be instrumental in closing the gap, we must listen to and privilege Indigenous voices," she said.

"I believe it's through listening that we can

truly reflect Indigenous' concerns and knowledge, and work towards improving health and educational outcomes for our mobs.

"Knowledge sharing and increasing the efficacy of decision making are components of Indigenous communities that have always inspired me.

"A priority for me in my new role will be to empower young people and to strengthen connections with our Elders."

Distinguished Professor Annemarie Hennessy, Dean of the School of Medicine, welcomed the appointment of Professor Doyle.

"The school is benefitting greatly from Professor Doyle's appointment and her implementation of new initiatives in medical education," she said.

Professor Michelle Trudgett, Pro Vice-Chancellor Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education, Strategy and Consultation, said Professor Doyle will

provide outstanding leadership to the school and the wider university community.

"Professor Doyle is deeply committed to our students, staff and our communities within greater Western Sydney. Her appointment to the associate dean position is well deserved and I look forward to continuing to work with her," Professor Trudgett said.

Professor Doyle has previously lectured at RMIT University and Charles Sturt University. In addition to her role with Western Sydney University, she is the co-chair and research lead of the Aboriginal Health and Wellbeing Clinical Academic Group at Maridulu Budyari Gumal, the Sydney Partnership for Health, Education, Research and Enterprise (SPHERE); member of the Council of Elders for the Congress of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Nurses and Midwives (CATSINaM); and board member for Ngaramura Aboriginal and Pacific Islander Corporation.

What do you do if someone's not OK?



PITJANTJATJARA, Yankuntjatjara and Pertame man Steven Satour, from central Australia, wants everyone to think about mental health tomorrow, R U OK? Day, September 10.

Mr Satour, Stronger Together campaign manager, R U OK? said today is a good time to think about what to say if someone says they are not OK.

'There's more to say after R U OK?' is the message for R U OK? Day 2020. The day will focus on building confidence and increased skills for people so they know how to navigate a conversation with someone in their life who might be struggling.

Steven Satour says looking out for your mob is more important than ever in 2020, as it has been a challenging year for everyone and circumstances have made it even more important for people to stay connected.

"The additional pressure COVID-19 has placed on our communities, the isolation, the load on our health workers means this message and looking out for one another is critical and so relevant in the lead up to R U OK? Day 2020," he said. "We know as a community we are stronger together."

"We know knowledge is culture, and emotional wellness can be learned from our family members, so sharing resources, educating each other and providing guidance on what to say if



Auntie Michelle Satour and Steven Satour, from R U OK?.

someone answers they are not okay amongst our families is vital.

"For me, it's really about asking the question and being prepared to listen. As I've said before, it's not always about fixing the problem right then and there. Being able to articulate your feelings and

just have someone listen is a really powerful way to show your support."

Katherine Newton, chief executive of R U OK?, says that you don't have to be an expert to keep the conversation going, and if you familiarise yourself with what to say after hearing 'No, I'm not OK', you

can show genuine intent and genuinely help someone access appropriate support long before they're in crisis.

Ms Newton said she was encouraged by recent data that demonstrates Australians increasingly understand how important it is to reach out to people around them who might be struggling.

"Our latest evaluation measures show that most people feel confident they know how to have a conversation with someone who might be struggling with life, but 31% of Australians lack confidence or are unsure how to have a conversation with someone who is not OK," she said. "We want to help them learn what to say after R U OK? because a conversation could change someone's life."

This year R U OK? Day coincides with World Suicide Prevention Day which will further raise awareness of the scale of suicide globally and the role that each of us can play in prevention efforts.

"If you feel something's not quite the same with someone you know – perhaps you're aware of a significant life event they are experiencing right now or you notice a change in what they're saying or doing – take the time to genuinely ask them, 'Are you OK?'" Ms Newton said.

"We want Australians to be confident in having a meaningful conversation and if someone says they're not OK, make time to listen with an open mind, encourage action and regularly check in."

There's more to say after R U OK?. Learn what to say next at www.ruok.org.au

Vital service for women travels to Torres Strait



MARINE transport company Sea Swift has again partnered with BreastScreen Queensland for its potentially life-saving breast screening visit for women in the Torres Strait.

Every two years, BreastScreen Queensland (Cairns service) brings its four-wheel drive mobile screening service to the Torres Strait Islands.

Breast cancer is the most-commonly diagnosed cancer in women, with one in seven women being diagnosed with breast cancer in their lifetime.

The free screening service will visit:

- Murray/Mer Island on September 7-11;
- Yorke/Masig Island on September 15-22; and
- Boigu Island: September 29 – October 2.

Charters are available for other islands to access one of the above sites. See your health worker for more information.

Sea Swift general manager Queensland operations Peter Domenighini said Sea Swift has helped freight the breast screen truck to the Torres Strait since 2015.

"Sea Swift's philosophy has always been to support every community where we operate, and we see the breast screening service as vital in helping to save lives," Mr Domenighini said.

"We know that early detection is the key to surviving breast cancer, and early detection through screening offers Torres Strait Islander women the best chance of successful treatment."

"We're once again delighted to partner with the inspirational crew at BreastScreen Queensland to help ensure this vital health service is available to local women."

A breast screen is performed in private with a



BreastScreen Queensland is travelling to the Torres Strait Islands.

friendly female health professional, and having a breast screen once is not enough, as the risk of developing breast cancer increases as women age.

It is strongly recommended women aged 50-74 years of age have a breast screen every two years, while women who are aged 40-49 and over 75 are also welcome to have a free breast screen.

A breast screen may find changes in the breast, long before a woman or her doctor can feel a lump or notice other symptoms in the breast.

Booking a breast screen is very simple for women living in the Torres Strait: Simply ask your local health worker to make an appointment for you and arrange travel if required.

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Improving lives through business growth

By KIRK PAGE



ADAM Williams is a Wiradjuri man who grew up on Darug land and now resides in Quandamooka country on Stradbroke Island. Adam has a degree in Business and Education through the Koori Centre at Sydney University and was awarded the Charles Perkins Memorial award for study. He is also a founding member of the University of Sydney Indigenous Games committee.

And now Adam is the chief executive of Supply Aus and is very hands-on with the business.

Aus Supply has just opened a shop that distributes Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), which is timely during the current COVID-19 pandemic.

"I mop the floors and clean the toilets and drive forklifts when needed. We do what we have to do here. There are titles on our business cards, but we all do what we need to do when push comes to shove," Adam said.

The idea for Adam's business was born out of the Murra Indigenous Masterclass Program two years ago. The program was delivered by Melbourne Business School where a group of Indigenous business people combined experience and passion to develop a business model that would provide supply and service solutions to government and private enterprises.

"Sales are rising day by day and we seem to be getting busier – we are looking to develop activities that will help gain awareness through our communities and to get our



Thomas Coghill, Supply Aus chief executive Adam Williams (centre) and Brett Haagsma, from the Department of Employment, Small Business, Training & Skills Development.

masks and sanitisers out there where they're needed most," Adam said.

They have one retail shop in Queensland, with a warehouse and sales office, and are planning another in Melbourne next year, hopefully to be followed by one in Perth.

"We opened our PPE supplies business in June last year. We came together and looked at doing business our way and to do it with just Indigenous ownership and keep it as 100% Aboriginal owned," Adam said.

"We describe Supply Aus as a 'profit-for-purpose' business – the work we do allows us to improve the lives of Indigenous men and women across Australia with some of the areas we support being mental health and training. We're building programs on the ground to help people navigate the difficult challenges sometimes faced by our youth.

"To be able to do this we work with Australian businesses that don't just work with Indigenous businesses because they have to. They are authentic in how they

share our vision of wanting to close the gap on Indigenous disadvantage.

"We do this through a few different programs. At the moment in NSW we are running a program on Biripai country, where ladies in the community are sewing masks together and we buy them.

We essentially become a vehicle to move those masks to the market. We don't make any money out of that; we just facilitate the transaction."

More than 11,000 masks have been made and delivered to the

people who need them during the pandemic. The money made is reinvested back to buy overlockers and more machinery to make other PPE equipment as well as producing hospital scrubs with Indigenous designs on them.

Aus Supply has brokered partnerships with other organisations such as Trademark, a suicide prevention awareness service in Brisbane, designing clothing to get conversations started about suicide and mental health.

"We want people to know that it's OK to talk about suicide in the workplace," he said.

"We need to encourage more conversations that address our mental health and wellbeing. The more we bring that back into the workplace the better we will be."

Adam says that servicing the community through his business ventures is satisfying personally but opening a business needs focus and planning for it to succeed.

"The key thing is to do your research first and don't be afraid to get other opinions to make sure you understand the difference between a hobby and a business. It's OK to have a hobby, but then you need a job.

"Our community pushes our small business heroes too fast and a lot of new business owners may not have access to cash or capital and burn a lot of their key working time trying to get the company off the ground too early.

"The fail fast model doesn't work for us.

"It's not like a lot of us can go and get 200K to get started. It's a slow burn to get into business and we don't want to shame ourselves by hanging on too long before we have to close it all off," Adam said.

Cultural services for hire at inventive one-stop shop



A BRISBANE-based start-up is delivering a one-stop shop for Indigenous cultural services, including Welcome to Country, Indigenous speakers, and creative services such as song, dance and graphic design.

Your Mob founder Jermaine Alberts, a Gangulu-Yiman man from central Queensland, saw a need to establish a new cultural innovation service to bring Indigenous communities together with government and private business.

"Our country has a rich Indigenous culture, but many organisations don't know where to go to seek services from their local Indigenous community," Mr Alberts said.

"The Your Mob platform is accessible and easy to use; it's a simple and effective way to incorporate Indigenous skills and knowledge into your event or organisation."

Drawing on his background in Indigenous consulting and human resources, Mr Alberts said that the platform would help government and private organisations that have made commitments to reconciliation.

"We want to give Indigenous communities an opportunity to practise their



Jermaine Alberts and Todd Phillips. Jermaine has founded Your Mob, a business that delivers Indigenous cultural services.

culture and to be compensated for it, and at the same time, give the wider community a mechanism to fulfil their cultural commitments."

Designed with Brisbane-based software developer ISH Technologies, Your Mob's website allows customers to post requests for services, with Indigenous providers

making offers through the platform to fulfil the request. Customers can choose the provider that best suits their needs, and secure payment is made through Your Mob's platform.

Mr Alberts said that Your Mob provides a way for Indigenous providers to develop cultural connections with local businesses, and to be paid for their time and expertise.

"Indigenous communities have important cultural skills and talents that are inherently valuable.

"Your Mob demonstrates that organisations are looking to hire providers to share those attributes and skillsets with their staff and stakeholders."

In a world where more businesses are operating via remote work, Your Mob provides opportunities for virtual cultural services, as well as an additional income stream for Indigenous providers.

"All parties win with this secure, streamlined process," Mr Alberts said.

"Whether it's a one-time event, ongoing consultation, or a virtual experience, Your Mob facilitates cultural conversations while empowering our talented Indigenous providers to share their skills."

The Your Mob platform is accessible at www.yourmob.org

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Tiwi Islanders train to provide local ear health



NEWLY graduated ear health facilitators will provide local knowledge and expertise when checking the ears and hearing of children in their community on the Tiwi Islands.

Menzies School of Health Research celebrated the first graduates of its Hearing for Learning Initiative who have gained Certificate II training in Aboriginal Primary Health Care and enhanced skills in detecting ear and hearing problems last month.

Graduates will have the opportunity to transition to employment in clinics as ear health facilitators, working with health professionals, families and the schools to help kids who need treatment for their ears and who might not be hearing well.

The community-based training initiative focuses on prevention through early detection of ear issues in young children by a locally trained workforce.

Seven trainees completed the six-week course at Wurrumiyanga on the Tiwi Islands.

Graduate Aileen Tiparui said she was inspired to do the training in order to help the young people in her community to take care of their hearing.

"I wanted to learn more about hearing and to get more skills and to know more about hearing problems for our kids, especially the young ones," Ms Tiparui said.

"I learned new skills and how to look after ears, such as how to use an otoscope to look into ears."

Up to nine in every 10 Aboriginal and Torres Strait

Islander children under the age of three in the Northern Territory suffer from some type of otitis media, either 'glue ear', 'bulging ear drums' or 'runny ears' in one or both ears. If left untreated, this can have a devastating impact on a child's entire life trajectory.

Menzies Professor Amanda Leach, joint chair of the initiative, said that the program aimed to increase early detection of otitis media by training local community members to become ear experts who support on-the-ground health and education services.

"This will decrease the need for fly-in fly-out specialists, reduce the treatment waiting period and create employment opportunities for up to 40 community-based workers in the NT," Prof Leach said.

"It is important, now more than ever given the COVID-19 pandemic, to have local health practitioners who can provide essential services to their community."

"These new graduates will be able to work with their community to help identify ear health concerns and treatments early, to reduce the risk of long-term ear disease and associated hearing loss."

The initiative is a stepped-wedge trial that will deliver, fund and evaluate on-country training and employment in 20 communities around the NT over the next three years.

It is funded by lead philanthropic supporter the Balnaves Foundation and the Australian and NT governments.

The Certificate II training in Aboriginal Primary Health Care was provided through Central Australian Remote Health Development Services.



Graduate Aileen Tiparui uses her new skills to check the ear health of John Tiparui and Robertson Munkara.

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28 hours per week- Ballina Office

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- Financial literacy and an understanding of governance
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Lismore Office
(service delivery area Tweed Heads to Grafton)

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You will need a Minimum 3 Years' Experience in child protection, early childhood development, Youth and/or Family Work or related sectors. Also, IV in Community Services or related field or be willing to obtain this within 12 months of commencement.

If you also have:

- Aboriginality
- Experience working in a permanency support program environment and strong casework skills
- Demonstrated ability to engage & work effectively with Aboriginal people and communities.
- Strong interpersonal and communication skills
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- Full time or part time negotiable
- Based in Bega

We are currently recruiting an Aboriginal Health Worker, either on a part-time (minimum 4 days per week) or full-time basis. The position aims to support the delivery of health services to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Communities through improving access to health care, health screening, chronic disease management and health promotion.

To apply visit: www.gph.org.au or contact Iona Marsh, Strategic Coordinator Aboriginal Health on 0413 017 546.

**This position is Aboriginal Identified under Section 50 (d) of the Equal Opportunity Act.*

Applications close 23 September 2020.



Health
Justice Health and
Forensic Mental Health Network

Aboriginal Health Worker (Integrated Care Service)

Location: Silverwater Men's Correctional Centre

Classification: Aboriginal Health Worker

Employment Status: Permanent Full-Time

Salary: \$54,220 – \$79,857 p.a plus employers contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading

Enquiries: Shahana.Vanjour@health.nsw.gov.au

Closing Date:
14 September 2020

Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to healthnswgov.referrals.selectminds.com and search Job Reference Number REQ182636.

NSW Health Service: employer of choice

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Employment Opportunities at UNE

HR CONSULTANT

(Aboriginal Employment)

Human Resource Services

Reference No: 220069

Closing date: 13 September 2020

For further information and to apply visit:

www.une.edu.au/jobs-at-une

Equity principles underpin all UNE policies and procedures



Australian Government

Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment

Indigenous Liaison Officer

APS Level 6

\$82,500 - \$93,670

Canberra

The Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment is seeking to recruit an Indigenous Liaison Officer (ILO). The main areas of responsibility for this role include, but are not limited to, the development, implementation and evaluation of the departments Inclusion strategy, Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP), Commonwealth Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Workforce Strategy 2020-24 and associated activities.

The Indigenous Liaison Officer (ILO) is an Indigenous HR practitioner that will work with business areas to design and implement effective engagement strategies to attract, recruit, retain and advance Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander employees in the department and the APS.

Further information on the role is available from <https://www.awe.gov.au/about/jobs/apply>

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Aboriginal Education and Wellbeing Advisor, Senior Education Officer 2 (ETS)

- Department of Education
- Temporary full-time appointment up to 29 January 2024
- Position number and location: 174146 – Tamworth

Total remuneration package valued to: \$142,302 p.a. (salary \$157,742 p.a. including employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading).

Providing strategic support and advice to schools, educational services teams, school communities and key stakeholders on all aspects of Aboriginal education and engagement.

Please address the selection criteria in relation to the Statement of Duties for the position in your application. Please note that it is a requirement that all candidates submit their applications online. No paper based, email based or late applications will be accepted.

This is a child-related role. If you are the successful applicant you will be required to obtain a Working with Children Check (WWCC) Clearance number as a condition of employment (if you do not already have this). For more information, visit <https://www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/child-safe-organisations/working-with-children-check>

In addition, your employment may be subject to the Department's National Criminal Records Check to determine your suitability for employment.

Note: Permanent teachers taking up non-school based temporary appointments, the right of return to their substantive position has been extended to up to 3 years.

Notes: Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by Section 14 of the **Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977**.

Applicants for this position must be of Aboriginal descent, identify as being Aboriginal and be accepted in the community as such. Applicants who have not previously identified for the purposes of employment with the Department are required to provide a Confirmation of Aboriginality from a recognised incorporated Aboriginal Community organisation endorsed with common seal and a certified statutory declaration as defined in the NSW Department of Education Confirmation of Aboriginality Guidelines.

BLZ_KH0432

Applications Close: 23 September 2020

If you would like to discuss this opportunity further please contact Natalie Pierson (02) 9203 9926 or 0436 945 135.

To apply online please visit iworkfor.nsw website and refer to the following keyword: 174146.

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Indigenous Journalist Cadetship



NITV Indigenous Journalism Cadetship

Sydney

Specified Period: 1 year

Salary: \$ 52,550, plus super

Shift work, including evenings and weekends

We're offering a 12 month NITV Journalism Cadetship for 2021 to a person of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander background who wants to build a career in broadcast journalism.

This is a great opportunity to join our highly regarded NITV and SBS News and Current Affairs team!

Ideally, you will have had training in television and/or radio journalism, or be able to demonstrate a strong interest in broadcast journalism and have a sound understanding of the social, political, and cultural issues affecting Indigenous people in Australia.

You'll find all the details about this opportunity and how to apply at our website www.sbs.com.au/jobs.

Applications must be submitted online. If you have no online access or need further information, please contact Renee Picello on (02) 9430 3174.

Applications must be received by 5pm on Friday 18 September 2020.

SBS considers that being Aboriginal or a Torres Strait Islander is a genuine occupational requirement for this position under section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW)

Late applications **will not be accepted**.

We are hiring, join us in our mission to drive nationwide change in the structures, norms and practices driving violence against women and their children.

We are currently recruiting for a

Senior Evaluation and Learning Advisor

This is an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander designated position, classified under **Section 12 Special Measures of the Equal Opportunity Act 2010**.

This employment opportunity is only available to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

Remote work requests will be considered.

Our Watch is committed to increasing its employment of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

Our Watch recognises and values diversity amongst its staff and strongly encourages people from all backgrounds to apply for varied positions available throughout the year, especially people who have a strong understanding of intersectionality either by working with diverse population groups or a lived experience.

To apply for Our Watch positions please visit <https://www.ourwatch.org.au/Who-We-Are/Careers-at-Our-Watch>

Our WATCH



Public Health Manager (Identified)

We are looking for an experienced Public Health Manager to join our team in our office in Little Bay, NSW, 2036.

About Us

The Aboriginal Health & Medical Research Council of New South Wales (AH&MRC) is the peak representative body and voice of Aboriginal communities on health in NSW.

About the Role

As the Public Health Manager, you will be responsible for the management of the Public Health Team and ensuring the effective design and delivery of projects to support member services and strengthen their capacity to promote and protect the health and wellbeing of Aboriginal people in NSW.

Please Note: This is an Identified role in accordance with section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW).

**For further information about this position,
see our ad on the Koori Mail website under
JOBS & GENERAL WEB ADS**



Senior Officer - LOOKOUT Koorie Cultural Advisor

Annual Salary Range: \$98,396 - \$119,052

Tenure: Ongoing

Employment Type: Full-time

Work Location: North East Region

An opportunity exists for a Senior Officer - LOOKOUT Koorie Cultural Advisor.

This role is identified as available for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applications only.

The LOOKOUT Advisor - Koorie Cultural Advisor will work closely with schools to advocate for the educational and cultural needs of Aboriginal students in out of home care. The Koorie Cultural Advisor will draw on the capacity and expertise of the Divisional Koorie Education Manager, Koorie Education Coordinator and Koorie Education Support Officers (Koorie Education Team) to have a comprehensive and consistent approach to supporting Aboriginal students in out of home care. Working in collaboration with the Koorie Education Team the Koorie Cultural Advisor will build the capacity of schools to provide culturally appropriate supports and opportunities to build connection to culture.

As part of the LOOKOUT Centre's multidisciplinary team, the role will contribute to the development of policy and practice to improve education outcomes in Victoria for out of home care students, working to support schools and professionals working with students in out of home care to provide culturally appropriate services consistently. The role is required to establish effective working relationships with the DHHS Eastern Division and other key stakeholders. With the LOOKOUT team the Koorie Cultural Advisor will collect and analyse data specific to Aboriginal students in order to monitor attendance, engagement and achievement against agreed DET and DHHS measures and make sure that individual needs are met in a culturally inclusive way.

Key activities include:

- Establish effective working relationships with the DHHS Eastern Division and other key stakeholders
- Support schools and professionals to provide culturally appropriate services consistently
- Work as part of a multidisciplinary team and collaborate with staff across the North Eastern Victoria Region office
- Work closely with North Eastern Victoria Region schools to advocate for the educational and cultural needs of Aboriginal students in out of home care
- Draw on the capacity and expertise of the North Eastern Victoria Region Koori

Applications Close: **20 September 2020**

Please visit <http://www.careers.vic.gov.au/jobs> and search for job id number **1479819** to view the position description and submit an application.

LOOKOUT Career Education Advisor

Tenure: Fixed Term - Until 31 December 2021

Employment type: Full-Time

Annual Salary Range: \$98,396 - \$119,052

Work Location: North East Region

A key element of the IEPC OOH initiative is the employment of a LOOKOUT Career Education Advisor at each LOOKOUT Centre.

The primary goals of the LOOKOUT Career Education Advisor will be to work with schools in the LOOKOUT's region to:

- Ensure students fully access the suite of available career education tools and programs available to all Victorian students under the reforms.
- Identify, secure and access positive industry engagement and workplace learning opportunities, in fields and settings that suit a student's profile and interests.
- Upskill relevant staff in supporting students in OOH to complete positive and meaningful industry engagement and workplace learning opportunities
- Support and train employers to create a safe and respectful relationship to support this cohort so that the workplace learning opportunity is positive and meaningful for student and employer alike.
- Engage with DHHS and contracted services to better support students in the transition from care process (including Better Futures)

Workplace learning opportunities may include work experience, Structured Workplace Learning and School Community Work (volunteering). It may also include industry engagement such as mentoring, expert speakers and e-tours, as appropriate.

To achieve their role purposes, it will be critical the LOOKOUT Career Education Advisors actively develop strong working relationships with local schools, Local Learning and Employment Networks, suitable employers, other LOOKOUT staff and Departmental staff more broadly, as well as experts/ peak bodies where appropriate. The exact design and implementation of IEPC initiatives will be tailored to cohort contexts and will involve close collaboration with IEPC staff, schools, Departmental staff and other relevant staff.

For more details regarding this position please see attached position descriptions.

Department of Education and Training is committed to diversity. The Department places considerable effort and resources into responding to the needs of staff with a disability. People from disadvantaged groups are encouraged to apply for this position. If you require assistance, with the recruitment process, have accessibility or adjustment requirements, please communicate with the contact person listed on this job advertisement or contact the People Division via email: vps.hr.services@edumail.vic.gov.au

Information about the Department of Education and Training's operations and employment conditions can be obtained from the following websites: www.education.vic.gov.au and www.education.vic.gov.au/hrweb/Pages/default.aspx.

Applications close **20 September 2020**

Please visit <http://www.careers.vic.gov.au/jobs> and search for job id number **1479756** to view the position description and submit an application.



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Office Manager

**Full Time
Based in Sydney**

Closing Date: 25 September 2020

About Gadigal Information Service (GIS)

Gadigal Information Service is an Aboriginal community owned & controlled arts/ media organisation based in Redfern NSW. GIS is known for the operation of community radio station Koori Radio and hosting arts & culture events such as Klub Koori and Yabun Festival.

About the Role

The Office Manager is a key part of the GIS Leadership team and is responsible for managing and overseeing the day-to-day administrative needs of the organisation. Duties include:

- Information and records management,
- Financial management,
- Stakeholder management,
- WHS Compliance, and
- Executive support.

Experience working with Aboriginal communities is expected.

This is an identified role in accordance with S14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW). Applicants must be of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander descent.

Enquiries: Tim Leha, ceo@gadigal.org.au

LOCAL CAREER OPPORTUNITIES



Work to support your community's recovery

Bushfire Recovery Victoria (BRV) is a new, permanent and dedicated Victorian Government agency working directly with local communities to listen, help and deliver what they need to recovery from the 2019-20 bushfires.

BRV is committed to building its Aboriginal Australian workforce to reflect the communities we serve. Our commitment is based on the premise that Aboriginal Australians bring with them a range of cultural knowledges, professional attributes and specialist expertise that bolsters the success of BRV's state bushfire recovery agenda.

We are looking for candidates to take on the following fixed term roles:

- **Policy Officer (VPS4) (Designated for ATSI applicants) (Melbourne based)**
- **Community Engagement Officer (VPS 4) (East Gippsland location)**

For the full position description and to apply please go to:
<https://careers.vic.gov.au/>

For more information about BRV go to **brv.vic.gov.au**

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Main Roads Western Australia is recruiting for multiple Perth based permanent and fixed term positions. The salary range for these positions is \$107,115 – \$126,200 plus superannuation.

Senior Advisor Aboriginal Business Engagement

You will join our Finance and Commercial Services team to find opportunities for Aboriginal businesses to participate in Main Roads projects. The ideal candidate will bring:

- Previous success in promoting Aboriginal businesses
- Experience in building networks and relationships with Aboriginal businesses and communities
- An understanding of the social norms and protocols of interacting with Aboriginal people
- Excellent presentation skills and the ability to influence, persuade and negotiate
- The ability to travel to Aboriginal communities and Main Roads sites throughout Western Australia

Senior Advisor Aboriginal Employment Participation

You will provide advice and support to promote the employment of Aboriginal people on major infrastructure projects.

The ideal candidate will bring:

- Experience in promoting and securing employment opportunities for Aboriginal people
- Previous exposure to, or work with, State and Federal departments and education, training and employment assistance providers
- Extensive experience in working with Aboriginal communities and community representatives
- The ability to travel to Aboriginal communities and Main Roads sites throughout Western Australia

Application Information

Please visit the Jobs WA website and search Main Roads for more information and application details for these roles. Applications close Monday 21st September 2020.
www.jobs.wa.gov.au

**For all your advertising needs
email: advertising@koorimail.com
or call 02 6622 2666**

Aboriginal Identified Graduate Program Solicitor – Legal Officer I-III State-wide (Temporary)

- 2 x Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander identified placements
- Salary \$77,578 plus superannuation & annual leave loading
- Gain valuable experience

We are looking for bright, hardworking newly admitted solicitors to join our two-year rotational Graduate Program working as a legal practitioner in two practice areas in our Criminal, Family and Civil Law Divisions.

Apply Online: www.iworkfor.nsw.gov.au
I Work For NSW Ref. No. 00007UDV
Closing Date: Wednesday, 30 September 2020 (11:59pm)
Enquiries: Scott Hawkins on (02) 9219 5109
Scott.Hawkins@legalaid.nsw.gov.au

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Senior Aboriginal Health Promotion Officer (Graduate) Permanent Full-Time

Department: South Western Sydney LHD
Remuneration: \$101,786 – \$110,222 per annum
Enquiries: Kim Sherman on (02) 8738 5910

In this role Aboriginality is a genuine occupational requirement, and is authorised by section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1997 (NSW).

Stepping Up aims to assist Aboriginal job applicants by providing information about applying for roles in NSW Health organisations.

For more information, please visit:
<http://www.steppingup.health.nsw.gov.au/>

Closing Date: 4 October 2020

Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to healthnsw.gov.referrals.selectminds.com and search Job Reference Number REQ182605.

NSW Health Service: employer of choice

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WALGETT ABORIGINAL MEDICAL SERVICE LIMITED

CHRONIC DISEASE MANAGER

JOB SUMMARY:

The role includes, but are not limited to:

- Provide program management, supervision and direction to staff regarding the provision of services originating from the Chronic Disease Building
- Develop, and enhance systems and processes that ensures clients receive timely health interventions, assessments and care plans from suitably qualified staff
- Consult with staff to ensure services in the Chronic Disease Building are well resourced and continue to meet the needs of clients
- Assisting with continuous quality improvement and accreditation
- Maximise Medicare revenue through identifying opportunities for claiming
- Proactively support staff education through supervision, guidance and mentoring
- Other duties specified in accordance with your classification under the Award and other such associated duties as may be reasonably required or directed by the Employer from time to time, and are within your skill set.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this role is to provide safe, compassionate person-centred care through assessment, planning, implementation and evaluation of care in collaboration with individual/s and multidisciplinary health care teams to achieve quality care outcomes for patients and clients – including, but not limited to:

- Support Walgett Aboriginal Medical Service complies with its external regulatory requirements and internal policies and procedures

ESSENTIAL:

- Hold and maintain registration with the Australian Health Practitioners Regulation Agency (AHPRA), without any restrictions to practice
- Hold and maintain current First Aid and Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation Certification
- Hold and maintain a current full New South Wales Driver's Licence
- Ability to communicate effectively with the general public
- High level of computer literacy
- Maintain client and staff confidentiality

DESIRABLE:

- Knowledge of the Communities serviced by Walgett Aboriginal Medical Service

Interested in applying, or want to know more about the role, please submit a 1 page cover letter and resume prior to 18 September 2020 to the Human Resources Manager on email: gavint@walgettams.com.au or Mobile: 0400 355 361.

7-12 Advisor, Senior Education Officer 2 (ETS)

- Department of Education
- Temporary full-time appointment up to three (3) years from entry on duty
- Position number and location: 192515 & location is negotiable

Total remuneration package valued to: \$157,742 p.a. (salary \$142,302 p.a. including employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading).

About the directorate

The Aboriginal Education and Communities Directorate (AECD) values its strong partnership with the NSW Aboriginal Education Consultative Group Inc. (NSW AECG Inc.) in supporting NSW Public Schools to deliver high level, quality teaching to maximise learning outcomes for Aboriginal students.

The work of the AECD is underpinned by this objective, and provides leadership, strategic advice and direction on all matters relating to Aboriginal education across the NSW Department of Education. The AECD contributes to national and state policy development for Aboriginal education including language and culture programs in schools.

About the role

Providing high level support and advice across NSW Public Schools to accelerate educational outcomes for Aboriginal students 7-12.

Please address the selection criteria in relation to the Statement of Duties for the position in your application. Please note that it is a requirement that all candidates submit their applications online. No paper based, email based or late applications will be accepted.

This is a child-related role. If you are the successful applicant you will be required to obtain a Working with Children Check (WWCC) Clearance number as a condition of employment (if you do not already have this). For more information, visit <https://www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/child-safe-organisations/working-with-children-check>

In addition, your employment may be subject to the Department's National Criminal Records Check to determine your suitability for employment.

Note: Permanent teachers taking up non-school based temporary appointments, the right of return to their substantive position has been extended to up to 3 years.

The Educational Services Division Executive Group has agreed on a transitional arrangement for the recruitment of the Non-School Based Teaching Service (NSBTS) classifications of Senior Education Officer 1 and Senior Education Officer 2 (SEO1/SEO2), pending the outcome of the Educational Services review.

Applicants should refer to the [transitional](#) arrangements for further information.

Notes: Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by Section 14 of the *Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977*.

Applicants for this position must be of Aboriginal descent, identify as being Aboriginal and be accepted in the community as such. Applicants who have not previously identified for the purposes of employment with the Department are required to provide a Confirmation of Aboriginality from a recognised incorporated Aboriginal Community organisation endorsed with common seal and a certified statutory declaration as defined in the NSW Department of Education Confirmation of Aboriginality Guidelines.

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Applications Close: 23 September 2020

If you would like to discuss this opportunity further please contact Adrian Bell on 0488 524 601.

To apply online please visit iworkfor.nsw website and refer to the following keyword: 192515.

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Red Chief Local Aboriginal Land Council The Chief Executive Officer (CEO)

Exciting Management Role with Great Benefits!!!

(This position has an attractive remuneration package with Generous Salary Sacrifice options for the successful applicant)

The CEO performs statutory functions in accordance with the provisions of the NSW Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983 (ALRA), being responsible for reporting to the board and managing the day to day operation and administration of the Red Chief Local Aboriginal Land Council (RCLALC) in line with the RCLALC Community Land and Business Plan and apply best practice principles to the functions of RCLALC. The CEO develop strong respectful relationships with new and existing partners to ensure the continuation of current RCLALC programs and identify and deliver new program opportunities.

Governance training on the NSW Aboriginal Land Rights act will be provided if necessary.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Essential

- Have an understanding of the ALRA and to be able to demonstrate the ability to manage the legislative and reporting requirements of a Local Aboriginal Land Council under the ALRA;
- Experience working in a senior management position in a complex not for profit environment with a board of management;
- Ability to lead, manage and develop staff;
- Ability to work under pressure, prioritise tasks and meet deadlines;
- Organisational and management experience to effectively lead, direct and manage the RCLALC including the ability to prepare and facilitate management meetings;
- Knowledge and appreciation of the cultural, social and economic needs of Aboriginal Peoples;
- Knowledge and understanding of the social, economic and cultural issues that affect Aboriginal communities, in NSW; the successful candidate will also have a thorough understanding Equal Employment Opportunity and Work Health and Safety requirements and a current NSW Working with Children Check.
- Current NSW Drivers License.

DESIRABLE

- Willingness to undertake further training when required;
- Social Housing management experience and Knowledge

Aboriginal people are strongly encouraged to apply.

Applications closes 16th September 2020, applications are required to be submitted by either email or mail.

To be considered for this role applications must be submitted directly to the Chairperson Mr Wayne Griffiths at officeadmin@redchiefalc.com.au or marked confidential and addressed to the Red Chief Local Aboriginal Land Council Chairperson PO Box 745, Gunnedah NSW 2380 by the closing date and must include; a covering letter, a separate attachment outlining your experience against the selection criteria and a current resume, including the names and contact numbers of two recent work related referees and one character referee.

THE SUCCESSFUL APPLICANT WILL BE REQUIRED TO UNDERGO A FEDERAL POLICE CHECK

Applicants who do not address the essential and desirable criteria will not be considered for an interview. Previous applicants need not reapply, for this position.

For further information or to obtain a copy of the position description, please email your request to officeadmin@redchiefalc.com.au

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email: advertising@koorimail.com
or call 02 6622 2666**



Early Intervention Family Law Solicitor

The Northern Rivers Community Legal Centre (NRCLC) is seeking to recruit to the role of **Early Intervention Family Law Solicitor** based in Lismore. The scope of our family law assistance to clients is of an early-intervention nature and is provided in a non-adversarial and child focussed way.

NRCLC is a not-for-profit, non-government organisation operating from a social justice perspective. Our target client groups are those for whom access to justice is not equitable, including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, women experiencing domestic violence and people with disabilities.

Permanent role 21 hours per week.

The position is banded from **SCHADS Award**

Grade 5 to Grade 6 with a salary range of \$81,554 to \$94,240 pro-rata, plus leave loading (dependent upon qualifications, skills and experience), plus superannuation and access to PBI Salary Packaging.

NRCLC is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Aboriginal and Torres Strait peoples and people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds are strongly encouraged to apply.

To obtain a job kit email

centremanager@northernriversclc.org.au

or contact **Katja McPherson** on (02) 6621 1000.

Applications close at 9am on Friday 18 September 2020.



Aboriginal
Health & Medical
Research Council
of NSW

Social Media Coordinator

We are looking for a Social Media Coordinator to join the team in our Little Bay office. We are searching for someone who is not only passionate about Marketing and Communications but someone who is also passionate about making a difference in their community.

About Us

The Aboriginal Health & Medical Research Council of New South Wales (AH&MRC) is the peak representative body and voice of Aboriginal communities on health in NSW.

About the Role

As the Social Media Coordinator you are responsible for managing AH&MRC's corporate social media accounts in alignment with the overall social media strategy. Reporting on engagement, reach and overall campaign success, the Social Media Coordinator will optimise AH&MRC's social media presence and help engage Communities on key health messages and initiatives.

For further information about this position, see our ad on the **Koori Mail** website under **JOBS & GENERAL WEB ADS**



Aboriginal Case Worker Homelessness – Ballina

Remote Domestic & Family Violence Case Worker – Grafton

Domestic & Family Violence Case Worker – Ballina

Community Support Workers Disability – Casino

Would you like to make a real difference in people's lives? If so, come and join the team at Momentum Collective.

Momentum Collective is a registered charity and not-for-profit community services organisation. We operate an integrated suite of programs to help our clients get a roof, a job and to live a better life.

To apply: please visit our website:

www.mymomentum.org.au

or call **Janet** on **0437253130**



About Us

The Northern Rivers Women's Domestic Violence Court Advocacy Service (NRWDVCAS) is auspiced by the Northern Rivers Community Legal Centre (NRCLC) and provides court support and advocacy to women experiencing family and domestic violence through the Tweed/Bryon and Richmond Local Coordination Points (LCP) as well as facilitating Safety Action Meetings in the Tweed/Byron and Richmond Local Area Commands.

The NRCLC is seeking to recruit to the following positions:

Assistant Manager

Domestic and Family Violence Specialist Worker - Aboriginal

Safety Action Meeting Coordinator Richmond

Safety Action Meeting Coordinator Tweed - Byron

All positions are permanent at 35 hours per week.

The Service has an exemption under s 31 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 to employ women in this role.

Salary will be paid in accordance with the SCHADS award plus leave-loading, super and PBI salary packaging. NRCLC is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Aboriginal and Torres Strait peoples and people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds are strongly encouraged to apply.

To obtain a job kit, outlining the application process, contact **Nicole Jenkins** at recruitment@northernriversclc.org.au

For further information contact **Rebecca Harley** on **6621 1044** or Rebecca.harley@northernriversclc.org.au

Applications close at 9am on Wednesday, 23 September 2020.



Early Years Advisor, Senior Education Officer 2 (ETS)

- Department of Education
- Temporary full-time appointment up to three (3) years from entry on duty
- Position number and location: 192512, Parramatta/Flexible

Total remuneration package valued to: \$157,742 p.a. (salary \$142,302 p.a. including employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading).

Providing high level support and advice to the Director, School Strategy and other key stakeholders in all aspects of Aboriginal education and in particular, strategies to address the key elements relating to Early Years education.

Please address the selection criteria in relation to the Statement of Duties for the position in your application. Please note that it is a requirement that all candidates submit their applications online. No paper based, email based or late applications will be accepted.

This is a child-related role. If you are the successful applicant you will be required to obtain a Working with Children Check (WWCC) Clearance number as a condition of employment (if you do not already have this). For more information, visit <https://www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/child-safe-organisations/working-with-children-check>

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Applicants should refer to the transitional arrangements for further information.

Notes: Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by Section 14 of the *Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977*.

Applicants for this position must be of Aboriginal descent, identify as being Aboriginal and be accepted in the community as such. Applicants who have not previously identified for the purposes of employment with the Department are required to provide a Confirmation of Aboriginality from a recognised incorporated Aboriginal Community organisation endorsed with common seal and a certified statutory declaration as defined in the NSW Department of Education Confirmation of Aboriginality Guidelines.

Applications Close: 23 September 2020

If you would like to discuss this opportunity further please contact Jason Wilkins on 0439 489 066.

To apply online please visit iworkfor.nsw website and refer to the following keyword: 192512.

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Ngunya Jarjum Aboriginal Child & Family Network “(Ngunya Jarjum)”



Balaa (Casework Support) Worker

Lismore Office (service delivery area Tweed Heads to Grafton)

Casual opportunity - \$51.73/hour Saturday and \$66.51/hour Sunday.



Ngunya Jarjum's vision is that all Aboriginal and Torres Strait children and young people are raised strong in spirit and identity, with every opportunity for lifelong wellbeing. We ensure all Aboriginal and Torres Strait children and young people are provided with the best opportunity to grow up with a strong sense of belonging to their family, community and country.

Ngunya Jarjum is currently growing and looking to further expand our Balaa team to support our weekend contact visits. This is a casual role working daytime shifts on Saturday and Sunday. We have some flexibility around shifts and may be able to offer four or six hours shifts, depending on workload and preferences.

Your focus will be delivery of program services to children and families, in particular supporting family supervised contact visits on weekends. The key objectives of the role include:

- Delivery of Ngunya Jarjums Balaa services including (but not restricted to) family supervised contact, youth mentoring, locating family, facilitate family conferencing, transport services to support families;
- Learn from and support our Caseworkers to ensure case practice is delivered to a high professional standard and in a manner that promotes the safety, welfare and wellbeing, family and community connections of children placed in Ngunya Jarjum's care;
- Become familiar with and ensure services are delivered in line with established Ngunya Jarjum policies and procedures, Office of Children's Guardian (OCG) standards and in compliance with relevant legislation;
- Work in a manner that ensures sound family and community networks that fosters and maintains positive interagency relationships.

You will need a Minimum 2 Years' Experience in child protection, early childhood development, Youth and/or Family Work or related sectors. Also, a Certificate III or IV in Community Services or related field or be willing to obtain this within 12 months of commencement.

If you also have:

- Aboriginality
- Experience or strong interest in working in a permanency support program environment
- Demonstrated ability to engage & work effectively with Aboriginal people and communities.
- Strong interpersonal and communication skills
- Effective time management and personal organisational skills
- Ability to work independently or as a team member
- Intermediate level of computer literacy; sound working knowledge of Microsoft Office software
- First Aid Certificate, or willingness to obtain within 3 months of commencement
- Current NSW driver's licence (open licence only, not provisional)

We would love to hear from you.

Appointment to this position will be subject to a National Criminal History Record Check and Working with Children Check clearance. Two reference checks will be required including one recent supervisor.

A generous remuneration package will be negotiated plus superannuation, leave loading and salary sacrifice.

We offer an excellent range of benefits including:

- Full non-profit status with salary sacrifice available to reduce tax and increase your take home pay
- An opportunity to really make a difference to kids and young people in our community
- A beautiful country location on the flourishing NSW North coast.

To find out more please contact Michelle Rogers on (02) 6626 3700 or Michelle Hicks on (02) 6626 3700. All applications will be received via seek online or email recruitment@ngunyarjarjum.com.

The closing date for this role is 5pm on Wednesday 23rd September 2020.

This position is identified for Aboriginal people and exemption is claimed under 14d of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

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inDigiMOB Digital Training Coordinator – Alice Springs

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply

P/T or F/T – Contract till end Jun 2021

The inDigiMOB program is a partnership between First Nations Media Australia and Telstra that supports digital inclusion for Aboriginal people living in remote NT communities.

We are looking for a new team member with solid digital literacy and ICT skills and knowledge, who also

has experience running workshops or training with Aboriginal people living in remote NT communities.

For more information about inDigiMOB go to <https://indigimob.com.au/>

For more information about this position go to <https://firstnationsmedia.org.au/about/about-us/first-nations-media-job-opportunities>.

To apply submit your CV and a cover letter addressing the role duties to jenni@firstnationsmedia.org.au

Closing date September 18th 2020.

For more information contact Ben at inDigiMOB on 0448 721 635



Sector Support Manager

We are looking for an experienced Sector Support Manager to join our team in our office in Little Bay, NSW, 2036.

About Us

The Aboriginal Health & Medical Research Council of New South Wales (AH&MRC) is the peak representative body and voice of Aboriginal communities on health in NSW.

About the Role

As the Sector Support Manager, you will be responsible for the management of the Sector Support Unit and ensuring the effective design and delivery of projects to support member services to strengthen their capacity to promote and protect the health and wellbeing of Aboriginal people in NSW.

Please Note: This is an Identified role in accordance with section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW).

For further information about this position, see our ad on the Koori Mail website under JOBS & GENERAL WEB ADS



Training Coordinator – Clerk Grade 7/8

- Department of Education
- Temporary full-time appointment up to 30 June 2021
- Identified role for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders only
- Wagga Wagga location

\$119,209 Package includes salary (\$97,152 – \$107,541), employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

About the Department of Education

We ensure young children get the best start in life by supporting and regulating the early childhood education and care sector. We are the largest provider of public education in Australia with responsibility for delivering high-quality public education to two-thirds of the NSW student population.

For more information about the Department of Education, please visit education.nsw.gov.au

About the Role

Support the delivery of vocational education and training and employment programs and services to the community, apprentices, trainees, and their employers. It forms part of a team of staff providing regulatory, quality assurance, program administration and advisory functions to support the participation and completion of people in vocational education and training and related programs across the region.

Talent Pool

A talent pool may be created through this recruitment process. A talent pool is a group of candidates who have undergone an assessment process and have been identified suitable for this role or similar roles. The talent pool will be valid for a period of 18 months. Being part of a talent pool means that you may be considered for ongoing, temporary or term employment for a range of similar roles. This offers exciting opportunities for you to gain a wide range of experiences to build your public service career.

How to apply

If you are interested in this role, please apply online and include a covering letter (maximum of 2 pages) and your resume (maximum 5 pages) in either Word or PDF format, which clearly details how your capabilities, knowledge and experience can contribute to the success of the Directorate. Please also include the name and contact details of two referees. Please address any pre-screening questions and any essential requirements. We are looking for you to demonstrate your competence in the focus capabilities as outlined in the role description in your answer, so please develop your response with this in mind.

Note: it is a requirement that all candidates submit their applications online via iworkfor.nsw.gov.au
No paper based, email based or late applications will be accepted.

Note: Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by Section 14 of the *Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977*.

Applicants for this position must be of Aboriginal descent, identify as being Aboriginal and be accepted in the community as such. Applicants who have not previously identified for the purposes of employment with the Department are required to provide a Confirmation of Aboriginality from a recognised incorporated Aboriginal Community organisation endorsed with common seal and a certified statutory declaration as defined in the NSW Department of Education Confirmation of Aboriginality Guidelines.

Essential Requirements

- Aboriginality is an essential requirement for this role. The role has been identified as an Aboriginal role in accordance with the provisions of Section 14 of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*
- A Working with Children Check is an essential requirement for this role. The role has been identified as requiring a check in keeping with the *Child Protection (Working with Children) Act 2012*
- Knowledge of and commitment to the Department's Aboriginal Education policies
- Current drivers licence and a willingness to travel

The selection process will include a range of assessment techniques to assist in determining your suitability for the role.

Applications Close: 16 September 2020

If you would like to discuss this opportunity further please contact Rick Collins on (02) 6937 7600.

To apply online please visit iworkfor.nsw.gov.au website and refer to the following keyword: 00007WHJ.

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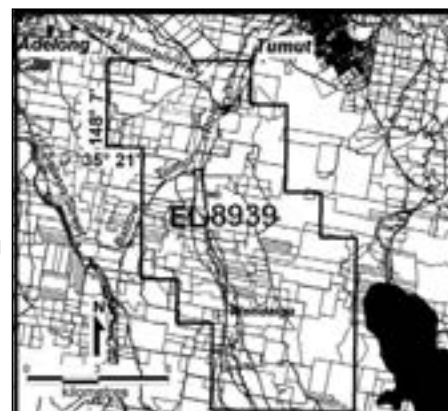


Regional NSW

Notice Under Section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* – Exploration Licence Number 8939 (Act 1992)

This notice is given in accordance with the requirements of Section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Commonwealth).

Description of the nature of the act
Pursuant to the *Native Title (Right to Negotiate (Exclusion)–NSW Land) Determination No. 1 of 1996* (Cth), Exploration Licence 8939 includes a condition to the effect that the holder must not prospect on any land or waters covered by that licence in relation to which native title exists without the prior written consent of the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Industry and Trade (the 'Native Title Condition').



The Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Industry and Trade intends to:

- give consent to prospecting on land subject to native title in accordance with the *Native Title (Right to Negotiate (Inclusion)–NSW Land) Approval No. 1 of 1996* (Cth); and
- remove the Native Title Condition.

Should consent be granted, the licence holder may subsequently apply to renew or transfer the licence prior to it expiring (including partial renewals or partial transfers).

In the case of any exploration licences resulting from a partial renewal or partial transfer, this notice applies to any renewals and other future acts across the licence area of such exploration licences.

Note: If the consent is granted, all subsequent future acts involving the renewal, re grant or re-making (including partial renewals or partial transfers) or extension of the term of the licence may be validated pursuant to section 26D of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) without further notification, provided the requirements in that section are satisfied.

Holder's details

TRK Resources Pty Ltd (ACN 116 543 081) is the holder of Exploration Licence 8939 for Group 1 minerals. The licence contains a condition that the holder must not prospect on any land or waters on which native title exists without the prior consent of the Minister administering the *Mining Act 1992*. The licence holder has sought the Minister's consent to conduct prospecting activities across the licence area. If granted, the consent may result in the aforementioned condition being removed from the licence.

Description of area that may be affected

The entire area of Exploration Licence 8939 – that covers about 37 units situated approximately 13 kilometres east southeast of Adelong, in the State of NSW as shown on the diagram above.

Name and postal address of person by whom the act would be done

Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Industry and Trade
PO Box 344, Hunter Region Mail Centre, NSW 2310.

Notification Day

For the purposes of Section 29(4) of the *Native Title Act 1993* the notification day is 24 September 2020. Under Section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993* persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.

How further information about the act can be obtained

Further information may be obtained from; Resource Operations, Regional NSW on (02) 4063 6600 or resource.operations@planning.nsw.gov.au.



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Regional NSW

Notice Under Section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* – Exploration Licence Number 8939 (Act 1992)

NSW

GOVERNMENT

Senior Ranger

QPWS & Partnerships, Management & Operations,
Southern Parks & Forests Regional Operations,
South West Region, Region Office

Department of Environment and Science

Salary: \$84 555 - \$91 703 p.a.

Location: Toowoomba or Roma

REF: QLD/351714/20

Key Duties: This role will provide a consistent, strategic approach for cultural heritage matters and engagement with Traditional Owners and First Nations peoples.

Skills/Abilities: The successful candidate must be able to interpret and apply legislation and policies; produce procedures and training material; communicate well with a wide range of stakeholders; facilitate meetings; conduct research and analyse information; and have good organisational skills.

Enquiries/Application Details:
Steve Christie 0455 098 756
To apply please visit www.smartjobs.qld.gov.au

Closing Date: Friday, 18 September 2020

Queensland
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GOVERNMENT

Identified

Aboriginal Safe Haven
Manager – Zero Suicides

Tamworth Mental Health Services
Enquiries: Bron Rose on 0428 425 324
Reference ID: REQ177746
Closing Date: 16 September 2020

Aboriginal Mental Health
Clinician

Moree Community Mental Health Services
Enquiries: Jennifer Gallagher on 0427 258 685
Reference ID: REQ181509
Closing Date: 16 September 2020

Aboriginal Mental Health
Peer Worker

Armidale Community Mental Health Service
Enquiries: Krystina Micke 0428 498 184
Reference ID: REQ180764
Closing Date: 16 September 2020

These are identified Aboriginal Positions.
Applicants must be of Aboriginal descent.
Exemption is claimed under Section 14d of the
Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

Targeted
Administrative Officer

Location: Westlakes Community Health Service
Enquiries: Yvonne.Jones@health.nsw.gov.au
Reference ID: REQ182894
Closing Date: 16 September 2020

This is a targeted Aboriginal Position. Preference
will be given to applicants of Aboriginal descent.
Exemption is claimed under S21 of the
Anti-Discrimination Act 1977. Aboriginal applicants
must demonstrate Aboriginality in addition to
addressing the selection criteria.

Department: Hunter New England LHD

Closing Dates: see above

Applications must be
lodged electronically. Please go
to healthnswgov.referrals.selectminds.com
and search Job Reference Numbers above.

NSW Health Service: employer of choice

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Aboriginal Mental Health
Liaison Officer (Aboriginal
Health Worker)

Department: Sydney Local Health District
Temporary Full-Time up to August 2021
Enquiries: Henry Harrison on (02) 9515 9000

Aboriginality/Torres Strait Islander is a
genuine occupational qualification and
is authorised under section 14(d) of the
Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

Closing Date: 25 September 2020

Applications must be
lodged electronically. Please go
to healthnswgov.referrals.selectminds.com
and search Job Reference Number REQ182923.

NSW Health Service: employer of choice

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Regional Ear Health Officer

We are looking for 2 x Regional Ear Health Officer's to join our team for a fixed-term basis of 12 months.

About Us
The Aboriginal Health & Medical Research Council of New South Wales (AH&MRC) is the peak representative body and voice of Aboriginal communities on health in NSW.

About the Role
As the Regional Ear Health Officer, you will deliver support to the Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Services across NSW/ACT with regards to the Ear Health Coordination Program (EHCP)

For more information about the role, please see the full ad: https://www.seek.com.au/job/50509402?_ga=2.152979193.1506346573.1599000131-1342548925.1589522256

You will perform a variety of regional engagement activities aimed to support access to quality, culturally safe ear and hearing health services for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and youth.

For further information about this position,
see our ad on the Koori Mail website under
JOBS & GENERAL WEB ADS

GOVERNMENT OF
WESTERN AUSTRALIA

NOTICE TO GRANT AMALGAMATION APPLICATIONS

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following amalgamation applications under the *Mining Act 1978*:

Exploration No.	Applicant	Amalg No	Area*	Locality	Centroid	Shire
08/2994	FIRTH, John Harvey	581169	168.40HA.	74.1km SW'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 23° 35' S Long: 117° 5' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
08/2994	FIRTH, John Harvey	581467	133.32HA.	77.6km SW'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 23° 35' S Long: 117° 2' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
08/2994	FIRTH, John Harvey	581468	198.39HA.	76.5km SW'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 23° 35' S Long: 117° 3' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
08/2994	FIRTH, John Harvey	581469	173.11HA.	75.4km SW'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 23° 35' S Long: 117° 4' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
08/2994	FIRTH, John Harvey	581470	132.37HA.	74.8km SW'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 23° 35' S Long: 117° 4' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
27/588	ZEBINA MINERALS PTY LTD	575858	31.47HA.	45.2km E'ly of Broad Arrow	Lat: 30° 20' S Long: 121° 46' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
27/588	ZEBINA MINERALS PTY LTD	575859	162.75HA.	40.7km NE'ly of Broad Arrow	Lat: 30° 16' S Long: 121° 42' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
30/471-I	DREADNOUGHT RESOURCES LTD	568001	100.63HA.	94.8km W'ly of Menzies	Lat: 29° 23' S Long: 120° 7' E	MENZIES SHIRE
30/471-I	DREADNOUGHT RESOURCES LTD	568002	74.40HA.	86km W'ly of Menzies	Lat: 29° 32' S Long: 120° 9' E	MENZIES SHIRE
31/1092	ARDEA EXPLORATION PTY LTD	536508	1.76HA.	51.4km NW'ly of Edjudina	Lat: 29° 32' S Long: 121° 55' E	MENZIES SHIRE
37/1268	DARLOT MINING COMPANY PTY LTD	573203	7.77HA.	51.7km E'ly of Leinster	Lat: 27° 53' S Long: 121° 13' E	LEONORA SHIRE
38/1537	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	580124	42.97HA.	108km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 40' S Long: 122° 7' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/1537	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	580125	190.54HA.	108.4km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 40' S Long: 122° 8' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/1537	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	580126	188.97HA.	107.1km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 41' S Long: 122° 8' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/2666	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	572672	115.94HA.	89.1km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 49' S Long: 122° 20' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/2666	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	572673	198.90HA.	85.2km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 51' S Long: 122° 19' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/2666	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	572674	143.33HA.	81.8km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 53' S Long: 122° 19' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/2666	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	572675	153.07HA.	86.9km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 50' S Long: 122° 19' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/2666	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	572676	108.45HA.	83.5km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 52' S Long: 122° 19' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/2666	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	572677	18.06HA.	80.6km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 53' S Long: 122° 19' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/2699	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	571718	173.88HA.	95.8km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 45' S Long: 122° 19' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/2699	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	571719	98.39HA.	97.2km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 44' S Long: 122° 18' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/2699	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	571720	150.26HA.	97.1km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 45' S Long: 122° 17' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/2699	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	571721	172.18HA.	96.4km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 45' S Long: 122° 17' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/2699	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	571722	195.05HA.	94.6km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 46' S Long: 122° 17' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/2699	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	571723	172.85HA.	96.7km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 45' S Long: 122° 16' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/2699	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	571724	177.46HA.	94.7km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 46' S Long: 122° 16' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/2699	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	571725	158.24HA.	92.9km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 47' S Long: 122° 16' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/2699	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	571726	11.38HA.	111.7km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 37' S Long: 122° 17' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/2699	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	571727	55.49HA.	110.4km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 37' S Long: 122° 17' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/2699	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	571728	38.83HA.	106.3km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 39' S Long: 122° 19' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/2699	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	571729	144.83HA.	107.2km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 39' S Long: 122° 17' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/2699	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	571730	166.37HA.	108.8km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 38' S Long: 122° 17' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/2737	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	576181	147.94HA.	103.3km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 42' S Long: 122° 13' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/2737	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	576182	102.47HA.	106.3km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 40' S Long: 122° 13' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/2737	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	576183	7.62HA.	105.3km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 40' S Long: 122° 14' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/2887	GSM MINING COMPANY PTY LTD	580059	0.50HA.	9.2km SE'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 39' S Long: 122° 29' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/3022	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	580123	153.33HA.	108.4km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 40' S Long: 122° 7' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/3083	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	572670	25.35HA.	84.1km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 52' S Long: 122° 16' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/3083	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	572671	100.16HA.	74km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 57' S Long: 122° 16' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/3200	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	572664	174.75HA.	79.6km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 54' S Long: 122° 19' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/3291	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	572665	47.77HA.	107.7km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 39' S Long: 122° 14' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/3292	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	576173	5.91HA.	105.2km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 41' S Long: 122° 13' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
39/1294	SARACEN GOLD MINES PTY LIMITED	567355	12.24HA.	54.3km N'ly of Edjudina	Lat: 29° 19' S Long: 122° 17' E	LEONORA SHIRE
39/1294	SARACEN GOLD MINES PTY LIMITED	567356	25.60HA.	53.6km N'ly of Edjudina	Lat: 29° 19' S Long: 122° 17' E	LEONORA SHIRE
39/1294	SARACEN GOLD MINES PTY LIMITED	567678	13.20HA.	55.2km N'ly of Edjudina	Lat: 29° 19' S Long: 122° 17' E	LEONORA SHIRE
45/4666	BEATONS CREEK GOLD PTY LTD KERAS (PILBARA) GOLD PTY LTD	577244	2.43HA.	18.3km SE'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 18' S Long: 119° 49' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
51/1853	FACTOR RESOURCES PTY LTD	578452	99.87HA.	51.4km S'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 27° 2' S Long: 118° 38' E	CUE SHIRE, MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
59/2364	CROFT MINING PTY LTD	580772	9.01HA.	15.7km N'ly of Yalgoo	Lat: 28° 11' S Long: 116° 41' E	YALGOO SHIRE

Nature of the act : Grant of amalgamation applications which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals.

Notification day: 9 September 2020

Native title parties: Under Section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)*, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to the applications. The 3 month period closes on **9 December 2020**. Any person who is, or becomes a native title party, is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)*. Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application to become a native title party should be directed to the Federal Court of Australia, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth, WA 6000, telephone (08) 9268 7100.

Expedited procedure: The State of Western Australia considers that these acts are acts attracting the expedited procedure. Each amalgamation application may be granted unless, within the period of 4 months after the notification day (**i.e. 9 January 2021**), a native title party lodges an objection with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the grant of the licence is an act attracting the expedited procedure. Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 5, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth, or GPO Box 9973, Perth, WA 6848, telephone (08) 9425 1000.

For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3518.

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Notice Under Section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* – Exploration Licence Application 5992 (Act 1992)

This notice is given in accordance with the requirements of Section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)*.

Description of the nature of the act

The Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Industry and Trade intends to grant an exploration licence under the *Mining Act 1992 (NSW)* on land subject to native title.

Should a licence be granted, the licence holder may apply to renew or transfer the licence prior to it expiring (including renewals, partial renewals, transfers or part transfers).

In the case of any exploration licences resulting from a partial renewal or part transfer, this notice applies to any renewals and other future acts across the licence area of such exploration licences.

Note: If the licence is granted, all subsequent future acts involving the renewal, re grant or re-making (including partial renewal or part transfers) or extension of the term of the licence may be validated pursuant to section 26D of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* without further notification, provided the requirements in that section are satisfied.

Oxley Resources Limited (ACN 129 777 260) is the applicant for Exploration Licence Application 5992 which, if granted would authorise the prospecting for Group 1 minerals for an initial term of up to six years.

Description of area that may be affected

The entire area of Exploration Licence Application 5992 that covers an area of approximately 37 units situated approximately 25 kilometres north east of the town of Cooma, in the State of NSW as shown on the diagram above.

Name and postal address of person by whom the act would be done

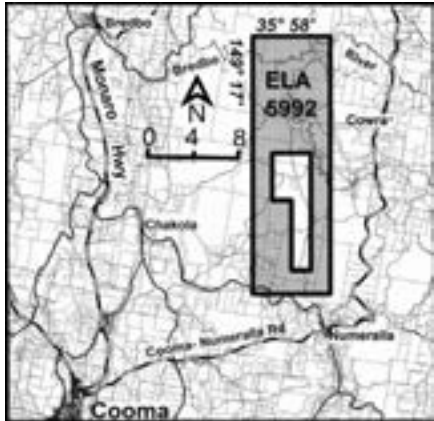
Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Industry and Trade
PO Box 344, Hunter Region Mail Centre, NSW 2310.

Notification Day

For the purposes of Section 29(4) of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* the notification day is 24 September 2020. Under Section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.

How further information about the act can be obtained

Further information may be obtained from; Resource Operations, Regional NSW on (02) 4063 6600 or resource.operations@planning.nsw.gov.au.



WaterNSW Notice of Application -New Combined Approval (Water Supply Work and Water Use)

WaterNSW has received an application from the **Wyndham Community Water Users Group /** ABN - 65 735 092 764, for a new Bore, with a capacity of 0.038ML/day located on road reserve adjacent to LOT 251 / DP 804270, in Parish of Wyndham, County of Auckland on the Myrtle Creek Water Source, subject to the Towamba River Unregulated and Alluvial Water Sources 2010 water sharing plan, and water use of Town Water Supply located at Wyndham, Parish of Wyndham, County of Auckland.

Objections must be submitted in writing to - WaterNSW, PO BOX 398, Parramatta. NSW. 2124. Or by email to water.advertising@water.nsw.com.au. Objections must specify the grounds of the Objection and contain the name, address and signature (or authentication) of the Objector. All Objections should reference Application Number A24569. Objections must be lodged with WaterNSW within 28 days of this Notice, please refer to the NSW Water Register ("closing date" column) for the final date to lodge an Objection. You may use the Objection form www.waterrnsw.com.au/advertising-and-objections. For enquiries contact Martin Holland, Senior Water Regulation Officer, on 1300 662 077 or the above email. KH0459

Regional NSW

Notice Under Section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* – Exploration Licence Application 5921 (Act 1992)

This notice is given in accordance with the requirements of Section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)*.

Description of the nature of the act

The Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Industry and Trade intends to grant an exploration licence under the *Mining Act 1992 (NSW)* on land subject to native title.

Should a licence be granted, the licence holder may apply to renew or transfer the licence prior to it expiring (including renewals, partial renewals, transfers or part transfers).

In the case of any exploration licences resulting from a partial renewal or part transfer, this notice applies to any renewals and other future acts across the licence area of such exploration licences.

Note: If the licence is granted, all subsequent future acts involving the renewal, re grant or re-making (including partial renewal or part transfers) or extension of the term of the licence may be validated pursuant to section 26D of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* without further notification, provided the requirements in that section are satisfied.

Jonathan Charles Downes is the applicant for Exploration Licence Application 5921 which, if granted would authorise the prospecting for Group 1 minerals for an initial term of up to six years.

Description of area that may be affected

The entire area of Exploration Licence Application 5921 that covers an area of approximately 22 units situated approximately 25 kilometres south southeast of the town of Wellington, in the State of NSW as shown on the diagram above.

Name and postal address of person by whom the act would be done

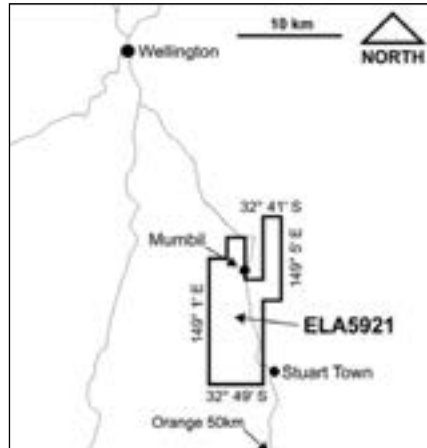
Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Industry and Trade
PO Box 344, Hunter Region Mail Centre, NSW 2310.

Notification Day

For the purposes of Section 29(4) of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* the notification day is 24 September 2020. Under Section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.

How further information about the act can be obtained

Further information may be obtained from; Resource Operations, Regional NSW on (02) 4063 6600 or resource.operations@planning.nsw.gov.au.



Regional NSW

Notice Under Section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* – Exploration Licence Application 5906 (Act 1992)

This notice is given in accordance with the requirements of Section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)*.

Description of the nature of the act

The Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Industry and Trade intends to grant an exploration licence under the *Mining Act 1992 (NSW)* on land subject to native title.

Should a licence be granted, the licence holder may apply to renew or transfer the licence prior to it expiring (including renewals, partial renewals, transfers or part transfers).

In the case of any exploration licences resulting from a partial renewal or part transfer, this notice applies to any renewals and other future acts across the licence area of such exploration licences.

Note: If the licence is granted, all subsequent future acts involving the renewal, re grant or re-making (including partial renewal or part transfers) or extension of the term of the licence may be validated pursuant to section 26D of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* without further notification, provided the requirements in that section are satisfied.

Cornfields Pty Limited (ACN 613 956 406) is the applicant for Exploration Licence Application 5906 which, if granted would authorise the prospecting for Group 1 minerals for an initial term of up to six years.

Description of area that may be affected

The entire area of Exploration Licence Application 5906 that covers an area of approximately 230 units situated approximately 25 kilometres south southwest of the town of Eden, in the State of NSW as shown on the diagram above.

Name and postal address of person by whom the act would be done

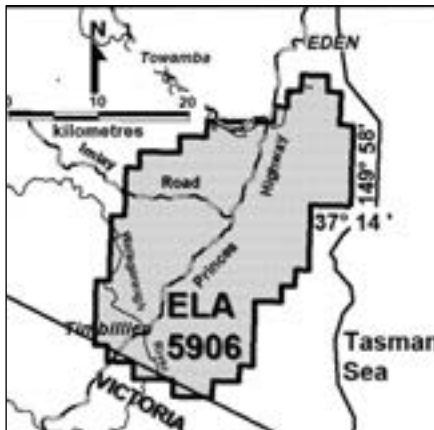
Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Industry and Trade
PO Box 344, Hunter Region Mail Centre, NSW 2310.

Notification Day

For the purposes of Section 29(4) of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* the notification day is 24 September 2020. Under Section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.

How further information about the act can be obtained

Further information may be obtained from; Resource Operations, Regional NSW on (02) 4063 6600 or resource.operations@planning.nsw.gov.au.



Water NSW Notice of Application – New Combined Approval (Water Supply Work and Water Use)

WaterNSW has received an application from **NOEL ALFRED & ALEXANDRA BROOKER** for a 50mm Centrifugal Pump, with a capacity of 15l/s, a 65mm Centrifugal Pump, with a capacity of 3.14l/s and a 38mm Centrifugal Pump with a capacity of 7l/s at Lot 30 DP 752450 and Lot 1 DP 594546, Parish Broughton, County Durham on Hunter Regulated River Water Source, subject to the Water Sharing Plan for the Hunter Regulated River Water Source 2016 and water use of Irrigation located at Lot 30 DP 752450 and Lot 1 DP 594546, Parish Broughton, County Durham.

Objections must be submitted in writing to PO Box 398, Parramatta NSW 2124 or water.advertising@water.nsw.com.au. Objections must specify the grounds of the Objection and contain the name, address and signature (or authentication) of the Objector. All Objections should reference Application Number A024458. Objections must be lodged with WaterNSW within 28 days of this Notice, please refer to the NSW Water Register ("closing date" column) for the final date to lodge an Objection. You may use the Objection form waterrnsw.com.au/advertising-and-objections. For enquiries contact Georgina Tuaoimalii, Senior Water Regulation Officer, on 1300 662 077 or the above email. KH0440

Regional NSW

Notice Under Section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* – Exploration Licence Application 5937 (Act 1992)

This notice is given in accordance with the requirements of Section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)*.

Description of the nature of the act

The Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Industry and Trade intends to grant an exploration licence under the *Mining Act 1992 (NSW)* on land subject to native title.

Should a licence be granted, the licence holder may apply to renew or transfer the licence prior to it expiring (including renewals, partial renewals, transfers or part transfers).

In the case of any exploration licences resulting from a partial renewal or part transfer, this notice applies to any renewals and other future acts across the licence area of such exploration licences.

Note: If the licence is granted, all subsequent future acts involving the renewal, re grant or re-making (including partial renewal or part transfers) or extension of the term of the licence may be validated pursuant to section 26D of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* without further notification, provided the requirements in that section are satisfied.

Kaiser Reef Limited (ACN 635 910 271) is the applicant for Exploration Licence Application 5937 which, if granted would authorise the prospecting for Group 1 minerals for an initial term of up to six years.

Description of area that may be affected

The entire area of Exploration Licence Application 5937 that covers an area of approximately 5 units situated approximately 22 kilometres south southwest of the town of Wellington, in the State of NSW as shown on the diagram above.

Name and postal address of person by whom the act would be done

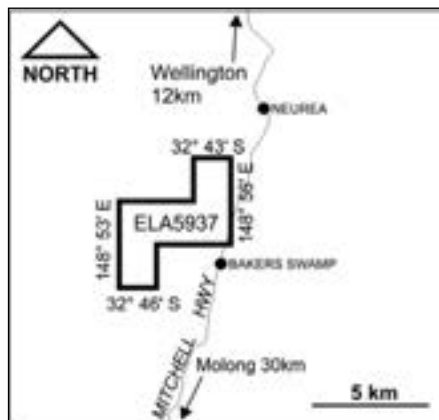
Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Industry and Trade
PO Box 344, Hunter Region Mail Centre, NSW 2310.

Notification Day

For the purposes of Section 29(4) of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* the notification day is 24 September 2020. Under Section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.

How further information about the act can be obtained

Further information may be obtained from; Resource Operations, Regional NSW on (02) 4063 6600 or resource.operations@planning.nsw.gov.au.



WaterNSW Notice of Application to AMEND a Combined Approval (Water Supply Work and Water Use) WaterNSW has received an application from William Michael Owen and Penelope Ann Owen to amend approval number 90CA811189 by adding a bore with a capacity of 6 ML / day, located at Lot 103 DP751101 Parish Gill County Burnett. The application relates to Eastern Recharge Groundwater source, subject to NSW Great Artesian Basin Groundwater Sources 2020. Objections must be submitted in writing to PO BOX 890 NARRABRI NSW 2390 or annita.devine@waternsw.com.au. Objections must specify the grounds of the Objection and contain the name, address and signature (or authentication) of the Objector. You may use the Objection form waternsw.com.au/advertising-and-objections. All Objections should reference Application Number A24008. Objections must be lodged with WaterNSW within 28 days of this Notice, please refer to the NSW Water Register ("closing date" column) for the final date to lodge an Objection. For enquiries contact Annita Devine, on 1300 662 077 or the above email. KH0450	WaterNSW Notice of Application -New Combined Approval (Water Supply Work and Water Use) WaterNSW has received an application from Pfister PT Pty Ltd for a 100mm Centrifugal Pump, with a capacity of 23l/s at Lot 102 DP 1156729, Parish Belltrees, County Durham on Hunter Unregulated River Water Source, subject to the Water Sharing Plan for the Hunter Unregulated and Alluvial Water Source 2009 and water use of Irrigation located at Lot 102 DP 1156729, Parish Belltrees, County Durham and Lot 212 DP 711962, Parish Cherson, County Brisbane. Objections must be submitted in writing to PO Box 398, Parramatta NSW 2124 or water.advertising@waternsw.com.au. Objections must specify the grounds of the Objection and contain the name, address and signature (or authentication) of the Objector. All Objections should reference Application Number A024194. Objections must be lodged with WaterNSW within 28 days of this Notice, please refer to the NSW Water Register ("closing date" column) for the final date to lodge an Objection. You may use the Objection form waternsw.com.au/advertising-and-objections. For enquiries contact Georgina Tuaoimalii, Senior Water Regulation Officer, on 1300 662 077 or the above email. KH0452	WaterNSW New Flood Work Approval WaterNSW has received an application from Ross Bernard WILLIAMS and Jessica Bridget GOULDEN for a Proposed Above Ground Storage Located on Lots 4, 5 & 6 DP 134908, Parish of East Bourke, County of Cowper. The work is subject to the Barwon-Darling Valley Floodplain Management Plan. Objections must be submitted in writing to WaterNSW, PO Box 1018, Dubbo NSW 2830 or water.advertising@waternsw.com.au. Objections must specify the grounds of the Objection and contain the name, address and signature (or authentication) of the Objector. You may use the Objection form https://www.waternsw.com.au/customerservice/waterlicensing/objections. All Objections should reference Application Number A020419. Objections must be lodged with WaterNSW within 28 days of this Notice, please refer to the NSW Water Register ("closing date" column) for the final date to lodge an Objection. For enquiries contact Keiley Noble, Water Regulation Officer, on 0408 877 441 or by email Keiley.Noble@waternsw.com.au KH0449
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Notice of an application for determination of native title in the state of Queensland

Notification day: 23 September 2020

This is an application by a native title claim group which is asking the Federal Court of Australia (Federal Court) to determine that the group holds native title in the area described below.

A person who wants to become a party to this application must write to the Registrar of the Federal Court, PO Box 13084, George Street, Brisbane QLD 4003 **on or before 22 December 2020**. After **22 December 2020**, the Federal Court’s permission to become a party is required.

Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) there can be only one determination of native title for a particular area. If a person with native title rights and interests does not become a party to this application, there may be no other opportunity for the Federal Court, in making its determination, to take into account those native title rights and interests in relation to the area concerned.



Application name: Virginia Wyles and Ors on behalf of the Gurambilbarra Wulgurukaba People for the GW Mada Claim

Federal Court File No: QUD176/2020

Date filed: 5 June 2020

Registration test status: The Native Title Registrar has *accepted* this application for registration

Description: The application area is located in the Coral Sea and covers approx. 4316 sq km to the northeast of Townsville, including Magnetic Island and parts of the Great Barrier Reef

Relevant LGAs: Cassowary Coast Regional Council, Hinchinbrook Shire Council, Townsville City Council

For assistance and further information about this application, call Maree Otto on 07 4046 9000 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.



Native Title Meeting

Where: Daly Waters Hall – Stuart Street, Daly Waters NT

When: 9.00am on Saturday 19th September 2020 and Sunday 20th September 2020

Who is it for? All people who hold native title rights in the following native title determination areas are invited and urged to attend:

- Amungee Mungee
- Beetaloo
- Hayfield
- Kalala
- Newcastle Waters - Murrnji
- Shenandoah
- Tandyidgee
- Tanumbirini
- Daly Waters Township
- Ucharonidge
- Nutwood Downs

The areas inside the bold outline on the map shows all the determination areas.

Note: This meeting is *only* for the native title holders from these determination areas. There will be a registration process at the beginning of the meeting.

What is it about?

This meeting has been organised by an interim committee with support from **Original Power**.

The meeting is *not* organised by the Northern Land Council, but they have been invited to attend.

The meeting is to hear some updates and advice to discuss and make decisions about:

Forming a new Aboriginal Corporation to represent native title holders in this area,

- Nominating the new corporation to replace Top End (Default PBC) RNTBC as the native title PBC for each of the Amungee Mungee, Beetaloo, Hayfield, Kalala, Newcastle Waters - Murrnji, Shenandoah, Tandyidgee, Tanumbirini, Daly Waters, Ucharonidge, and Nutwood Downs native title determinations,
- Appointing the new corporation to replace the NLC as agent and representative for the native title holders (“LAG Representative”) under the agreements for Origin’s gas and petroleum exploration permits (EPs 76, 98 and 117), and
- Other issues and concerns affecting native title holders in this area.

Meeting Arrangements

Registration: Please register your intention to attend this meeting and any travel assistance requests by **Wednesday 14th September 2020**.

Limited accommodation, fuel & travel assistance will be available for native title holders who are eligible to attend this meeting.

Meals: will be provided for meeting participants on each day of the meeting.

Contact: Edie on 0406 925 448

Original Power is an Aboriginal community-focused organisation that builds the power, skills, capacity and collective capability of our people to genuinely self-determine what happens in our communities and on our country.



PUBLIC NOTICE

JANGGA PEOPLE AUTHORISATION MEETING

TO CONSIDER AUTHORISING THE JANGGA PEOPLE #3 NATIVE TITLE DETERMINATION APPLICATION

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993

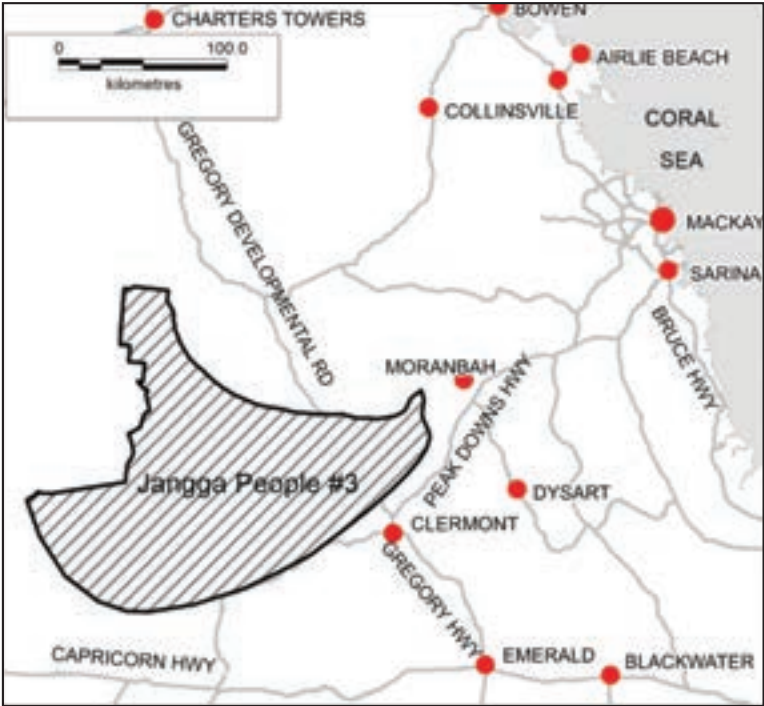
DATE: 19 September 2020

TIME: Registration from 9:30am, meeting commences at 10:00am

LOCATION: Mercure Townsville, 166 Woolcock Street, Townsville QLD 4812 and videoconference

Videoconferencing facilities will be made available for those not attending the authorisation meeting in person.

PURPOSE: To enable the Jangga People to consider whether to authorise the making of the proposed Jangga People #3 native title determination application in relation to lands and waters within the area shown on the map below.



WHO SHOULD ATTEND THE AUTHORISATION MEETING?

All Jangga People, being the descendants of one or more of the following people, are invited to attend the meeting:

- Charlie Tiers
- Dick Hegarty, also known as Dinduk
- Pompey Earl
- Mick Havilah (also known as Mick Cotherstone) or his brother Johnny Havilah
- Albert Twist
- Dick Cook and his wife/partner Lilly Cook
- Charlie Pinkipie and his wife/partner Judy Pinkipie
- Billy (also known as King Billy) and his wife/partner Clara (also known as Queen Clara).

PROPOSED AGENDA FOR THE AUTHORISATION MEETING

- Information about and discussion regarding the proposed native title claim, claim area description, claim group description and claimed native title rights and interests.
- Claim group decision-making process.
- Authorisation of the making of the native title claim.
- Authorisation of an applicant for the native title claim.
- Conditions on the authority of the applicant (if any).
- Any further matters raised by the native title claim group in relation to the claim.

ATTENDANCE AT THE AUTHORISATION MEETING

Members of the Jangga People wishing to attend the meeting are requested to advise Kerri Nazzari on (07) 4721 2477 or kerri.nazzari@dillonbowers.com, by 16 September 2020, of:

- their name and contact details
- the name of their Jangga People apical ancestor(s)
- whether they will attend in person or remotely.

No travel assistance will be available, however light refreshments and lunch will be provided. If you will be attending the authorisation meeting remotely you will be provided a link to join the meeting via videoconference.

This authorisation meeting will be a *COVID-19 Safe* event:

- facemasks and hand sanitiser will be available
- each attendee will be provided with clean stationary to use if required
- attendees will be required to abide by strict social distancing requirements at all times.

WaterNSW

Notice of Application to AMEND a Combined Approval (Water Supply Work and Water Use)

WaterNSW has received an application from **GUNDALINE PTY LTD** (ACN: 164 378 929) to amend approval number 40CA403600. By adding land for irrigation use; located at Lots 1 & 2 DP 210770, Parish Toganmain County Boyd.

Objections must be submitted in writing to PO Box 10, WAGGA WAGGA NSW 2650 or by email. Objections must specify the grounds of the Objection and contain the name, address and signature (or authentication) of the Objector. You may use the Objection form **[waternsw.com.au/advertising-and-objections](https://www.waternsw.com.au/advertising-and-objections)**. All Objections should reference Application Number A024514. Objections must be lodged with WaterNSW within 28 days of this Notice, please refer to the NSW Water Register (“closing date” column) for the final date to lodge an Objection. For enquiries contact David Stephens, Water Regulation Officer, on 1300 662 077 or by email at water.advertising@waternsw.com.au.

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WaterNSW

New Flood Work Approval

WaterNSW has received an application from **SHIRE HILL AGRICULTURE PTY LTD** ABN: 25 166 533 464 for existing supply channels, levees and storages Located at Crown land within Lot 5 DP727180, Lots 4 & 5 DP727180, Lot 66 DP43534, Lot 50 DP755108, Parish of Goan, Crown Land around Lot 1 DP 178189, Lot 1 DP178189, Lot 3 DP721781, Lots 54, 55, 88 & 92 DP755092, Crown land within Lot 113 DP578721, Lot 113 DP578721, Lot 1121 DP777306, Lot 3 DP727180 and Lot 1 DP820724 Parish of Buddah, Lots, 44, 46 & 67 DP755130, Lot 1 DP1163912 and Lot 2 DP1033848, Parish of Weemabah. All in County of Narromine. The work is subject to the Macquarie River Narromine to Oxley Stations Floodplain Management Plan.

Objections must be submitted in writing to PO Box 1018, Dubbo NSW 2830 or water.advertising@waternsw.com.au. Objections must specify the grounds of the Objection and contain the name, address and signature (or authentication) of the Objector. You may use the Objection form **<https://www.waternsw.com.au/customer-service/water-licensing/objections>**. All Objections should reference Application Number A015934. Objections must be lodged with WaterNSW within 28 days of this Notice, please refer to the NSW Water Register (“closing date” column) for the final date to lodge an Objection. For enquiries contact Louisa Coffey Water Regulation Officer, on 0436 927 469 or by email louisa.coffey@waternsw.com.au

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GOVERNMENT OF
WESTERN AUSTRALIA

NOTICE TO GRANT MINING TENEMENTS

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following tenement applications under the *Mining Act 1978*:

Tenement Type	No.	Applicant	Area*	Locality	Centroid	Shire
Mining Lease	08/530	SWAN BAY HOLDINGS PTY LTD STIRLING BAY HOLDINGS PTY LTD	84.00HA.	69.3km SE'ly of Onslow	Lat: 22° 8' S Long: 115° 30' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Mining Lease	26/856	SARACEN KALGOORLIE PTY LIMITED NORTHERN STAR (KLV) PTY LTD	192.53HA.	7.2km N'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 41' S Long: 121° 28' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Mining Lease	29/432	CLIFFS ASIA PACIFIC IRON ORE PTY LTD	2859.42HA.	112.7km SE'ly of Sandstone	Lat: 28° 48' S Long: 119° 59' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Mining Lease	29/433	MELROSE RESOURCES PTY LTD	0.44HA.	28.5km N'ly of Menzies	Lat: 29° 26' S Long: 121° 7' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Mining Lease	37/1348	NTM GOLD LTD	1476.31HA.	50.9km NE'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 28' S Long: 121° 33' E	LAVERTON SHIRE, LEONORA SHIRE
Mining Lease	38/1284	ROGUE LEADER PTY LTD	18.05HA.	80.7km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 56' S Long: 122° 7' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Mining Lease	38/1285	ROGUE LEADER PTY LTD	21.38HA.	79.4km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 56' S Long: 122° 8' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Mining Lease	38/1286	ROGUE LEADER PTY LTD	39.02HA.	22.4km NW'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 27' S Long: 122° 16' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Mining Lease	39/1140	DIXON, Trevor John	54.60HA.	60.4km SW'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 59' S Long: 121° 56' E	LAVERTON SHIRE, LEONORA SHIRE

Nature of the act: Grant of mining leases, which authorises the applicant to mine for minerals for a term of 21 years from notification of grant and a right of renewal for 21 years.

Notification day: 9 September 2020

Native title parties: Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)*, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to applications. The 3 month period closes on **9 December 2020**. Any person who is, or becomes a native title party, is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)*. Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application to become a native title party should be directed to the Federal Court of Australia, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth WA 6000, telephone (08) 9268 7100. The mining tenements may be granted if, by the end of the period of 4 months after the notification day (**i.e. 9 January 2021**), there is no native title party under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* in relation to the area of the mining tenements.

For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3518.

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Tenement Type	No.	Applicant	Area*	Locality	Centroid	Shire
Exploration Licence	08/3166	DEBNAL PTY LTD	61BL.	42km E'ly of Onslow	Lat: 21° 38' S Long: 115° 31' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	08/3197	ONSLow METALS GROUP PTY LTD	59BL.	56.7km E'ly of Onslow	Lat: 21° 32' S Long: 115° 39' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	25/587	MONGER EXPLORATION PTY LTD	1BL.	37.1km E'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 31° 6' S Long: 122° 2' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	30/519	VENUS METALS CORPORATION LIMITED	30BL.	40.6km NW'ly of Menzies	Lat: 29° 30' S Long: 120° 40' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	36/997	DARLOT MINING COMPANY PTY LTD	3BL.	31.9km E'ly of Leinster	Lat: 28° 0' S Long: 121° 0' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/3477	GCXPLORE PTY LTD	49BL.	61.9km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 3' S Long: 122° 24' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/3479	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	70BL.	75.3km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 57' S Long: 122° 12' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/3480	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	70BL.	82.7km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 52' S Long: 122° 29' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/3481	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	70BL.	107.1km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 39' S Long: 122° 24' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	39/2176	TYPHON MINERALS PTY LTD	49BL.	185.2km E'ly of Edjudina	Lat: 29° 57' S Long: 124° 15' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/5697	RIO TINTO EXPLORATION PTY LIMITED	8BL.	99.2km W'ly of Telfer	Lat: 21° 27' S Long: 121° 18' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	46/1355	PILBARA GOLDFIELDS PTY LTD	12BL.	31.3km W'ly of Nullagine	Lat: 21° 51' S Long: 119° 48' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	51/1937	RILUKIN HOLDINGS PTY LTD	10BL.	35.3km S'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 26° 54' S Long: 118° 32' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	51/1946	JINDALEE RESOURCES LIMITED	9BL.	48.7km S'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 27° 1' S Long: 118° 23' E	CUE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	51/1952	YANDAN GOLD MINES PTY LTD	44BL.	59.9km E'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 26° 26' S Long: 119° 4' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	57/1151	VENUS METALS CORPORATION LIMITED	70BL.	62.1km SW'ly of Sandstone	Lat: 28° 20' S Long: 118° 48' E	SANDSTONE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	57/1152	VENUS METALS CORPORATION LIMITED	27BL.	15.5km W'ly of Sandstone	Lat: 28° 0' S Long: 119° 8' E	SANDSTONE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	57/1153	SANDSTONE EXPLORATION PTY LTD	1BL.	6.1km SE'ly of Sandstone	Lat: 28° 1' S Long: 119° 20' E	SANDSTONE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	59/2431	ALTILUM METALS PTY LTD	67BL.	83.7km SE'ly of Mt Magnet	Lat: 28° 31' S Long: 118° 31' E	MOUNT MAGNET SHIRE, SANDSTONE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/5530	GAMUT RESOURCES PTY LTD	30BL.	13.5km SW'ly of Northam.	Lat: 31° 44' S Long: 116° 34' E	NORTHAM SHIRE
Exploration Licence	77/2659	SURVEYOR RESOURCES PTY LTD	1BL.	5.2km NW'ly of Southern Cross	Lat: 31° 11' S Long: 119° 17' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	15/6481	MICHLANGE PTY LTD	198.60HA.	29km W'ly of Coolgardie	Lat: 31° 2' S Long: 120° 52' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	20/2421	BOX, Philip Arthur	4.91HA.	23.5km E'ly of Cue	Lat: 27° 27' S Long: 118° 7' E	CUE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	25/2674	BLACK CAT (BULONG) PTY LTD	9.65HA.	32.2km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 41' S Long: 121° 48' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	26/4506	STRINDBERG, Maxwell Peter	114.11HA.	18.1km N'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 31° 2' S Long: 121° 42' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	26/4538-4541	MORNING STAR MINING PTY LTD	778.61HA.	25km N'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 30° 58' S Long: 121° 38' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	26/4544-S	BRANCH, Ian Robert	9.81HA.	25.9km N'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 30° 58' S Long: 121° 45' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	27/2443-2445-S	RICKETTS, Diane Elizabeth	29.83HA.	57.4km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 28' S Long: 121° 58' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	28/1367-S	SCATTINI, Darren Shane	9.94HA.	62km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 31' S Long: 122° 3' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	28/1375-1376-S	SCATTINI, Raymond John	19.94HA.	61.8km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 31' S Long: 122° 3' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	28/1377	GOLD GEOLOGICAL CONSULTING PTY LTD	197.99HA.	76km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 29' S Long: 122° 12' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	28/1378	GOLD GEOLOGICAL CONSULTING PTY LTD	24.09HA.	74.2km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 29' S Long: 122° 11' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	28/1379	GOLD GEOLOGICAL CONSULTING PTY LTD	15.40HA.	73.3km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 31' S Long: 122° 11' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	28/1380	GOLD GEOLOGICAL CONSULTING PTY LTD	9.93HA.	72.2km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 31' S Long: 122° 10' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	28/1381	GOLD GEOLOGICAL CONSULTING PTY LTD	191.66HA.	79.1km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 33' S Long: 122° 15' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	37/9344	COUGAR METALS CHILE PTY LTD	19.77HA.	53.3km NW'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 28' S Long: 121° 2' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/9345	DARLOT MINING COMPANY PTY LTD	142.10HA.	53.4km E'ly of Leinster	Lat: 27° 55' S Long: 121° 14' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	39/6134-6135	MAGNETIC RESOURCES NL	395.12HA.	32.6km W'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 39' S Long: 122° 4' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	51/3176	BOSENBERG, Dennis Raymond	12.92HA.	44.5km S'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 26° 58' S Long: 118° 39' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	51/3178	WANBANNA PTY LTD	168.66HA.	13.6km SE'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 26° 39' S Long: 118° 36' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	57/1481-S	HALL, Dale Mervyn	9.79HA.	5.1km SE'ly of Sandstone	Lat: 28° 1' S Long: 119° 19' E	SANDSTONE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	57/1490	BRANDSTATER, Kurk Andrew BRANDSTATER, Sandra Joy	21.55HA.	14.6km SW'ly of Sandstone	Lat: 28° 4' S Long: 119° 11' E	SANDSTONE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	57/1491-1493-S	LOWE, Leslie Edward	28.46HA.	25.7km SE'ly of Sandstone	Lat: 28° 11' S Long: 119° 24' E	SANDSTONE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	77/4565	DONALD, Debra	2.02HA.	23.1km S'ly of Marvel Loch	Lat: 31° 39' S Long: 119° 35' E	YILGARN SHIRE

Nature of the act: Grant of prospecting licences which authorises the applicant to prospect for minerals for a term of 4 years from date of grant. Grant of Special Prospecting Licences, which authorises the applicant to prospect for minerals for a term up to 4 years from the date of grant. Grant of exploration licences, which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals for a term of 5 years from the date of grant.

Notification day: 9 September 2020

Native title parties: Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)*, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to applications. The 3 month period closes on **9 December 2020**. Any person who is, or becomes a native title party, is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)*. Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application to become a native title party should be directed to the Federal Court of Australia, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth WA 6000, telephone (08) 9268 7100.

Expedited procedure: The State of Western Australia considers that these acts are acts attracting the expedited procedure. Each licence may be granted unless, within the period of 4 months after the notification day (**i.e. 9 January 2021**), a native title party lodges an objection with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the grant of the licence is an act attracting the expedited procedure. Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 5, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth, or GPO Box 9973, Perth, WA 6848, telephone (08) 9425 1000.

For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3518. * - 1 Graticular Block = 2.8 km²

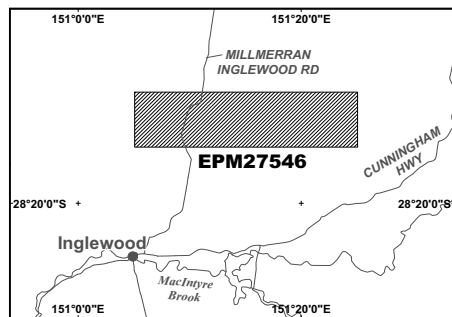
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NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF EXPLORATION PERMITS FOR MINERALS

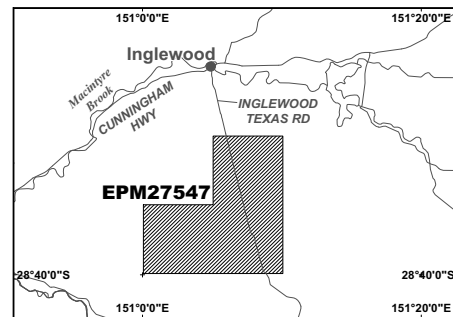
NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The Queensland Minister for Natural Resources, Mines and Energy, PO Box 15216, City East, Queensland, 4002, hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) of the proposed grant of the Exploration Permits for Minerals (EPM) 27546, EPM 27547, EPM 27549, EPM 27550, EPM 27551, EPM 27566, EPM 27578, EPM 27586, EPM 27587, EPM 27588, EPM 27590, EPM 27593, EPM 27594, EPM 27595, EPM 27601, EPM 27602, EPM 27604, EPM 27605, EPM 27606 and EPM 27616 shown below under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld).

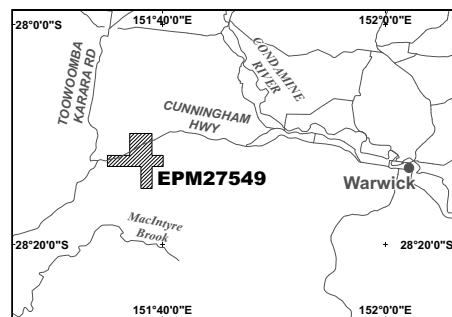
Exploration Permit for Minerals 27546 sought by Fiddler's Creek Mining Company Pty Ltd, ACN 320 992 156, over an area of 100 sub-blocks (302 km²), centred approximately 28 km North East of Inglewood, in the localities of the Goondiwindi Regional Council and the Toowoomba Regional Council.



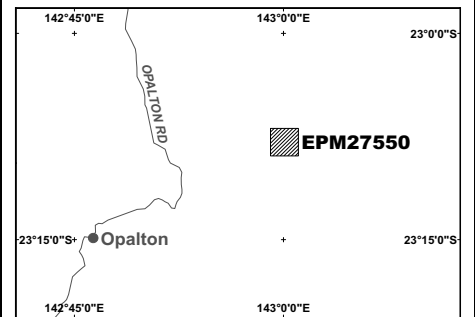
Exploration Permit for Minerals 27547 sought by Fiddler's Creek Mining Company Pty Ltd, ACN 320 992 156, over an area of 75 sub-blocks (229 km²), centred approximately 18 km South of Inglewood, in the locality of the Goondiwindi Regional Council.



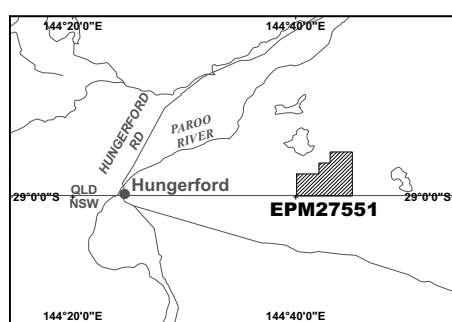
Exploration Permit for Minerals 27549 sought by Jay Henry Arthur Ford (50%) and Aaron Lee Mannion (50%), over an area of 11 sub-blocks (33 km²), centred approximately 39 km West of Warwick, in the locality of the Southern Downs Regional Council.



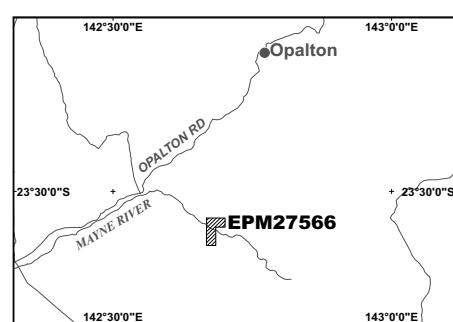
Exploration Permit for Minerals 27550 sought by Kerry John Ashley Jackson, over an area of 4 sub-blocks (13 km²), centred approximately 28 km North East of Opalton, in the localities of the Longreach Regional Council and the Winton Shire Council.



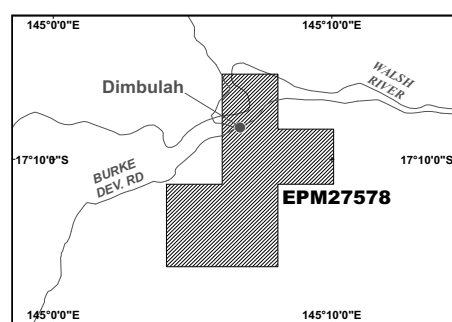
Exploration Permit for Minerals 27551 sought by Carte Blanche Minerals Pty Ltd, ACN 632 079 862, over an area of 15 sub-blocks (45 km²), centred approximately 30 km East of Hungerford, in the locality of the Paroo Shire Council.



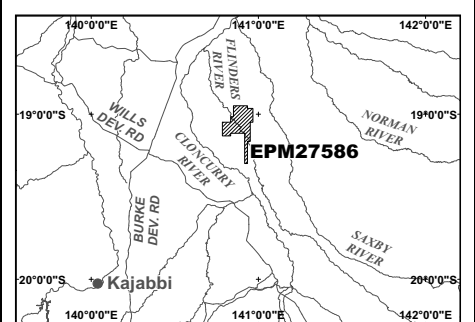
Exploration Permit for Minerals 27566 sought by Ashlee Karen Jackson, over an area of 4 sub-blocks (13 km²), centred approximately 35 km South of Opalton, in the locality of the Winton Shire Council.



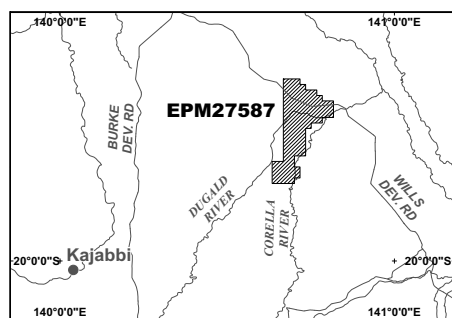
Exploration Permit for Minerals 27578 sought by Stratmin Resources Pty Ltd, ACN 639 991 307, over an area of 24 sub-blocks (78 km²), centred approximately 2 km South of Dimbulah, in the locality of the Mareeba Shire Council.



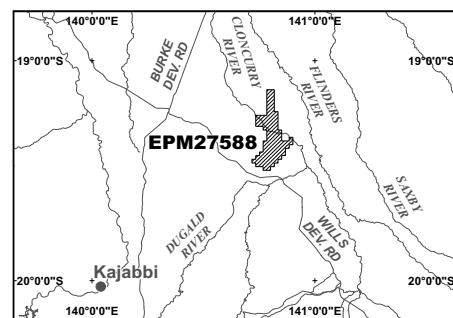
Exploration Permit for Minerals 27586 sought by Strategic Energy Resources Limited, ACN 051 212 429, over an area of 99 sub-blocks (320 km²), centred approximately 140 km North East of Kajibbi, in the localities of the Carpentaria Shire Council, Cloncurry Shire Council and the McKinlay Shire Council.



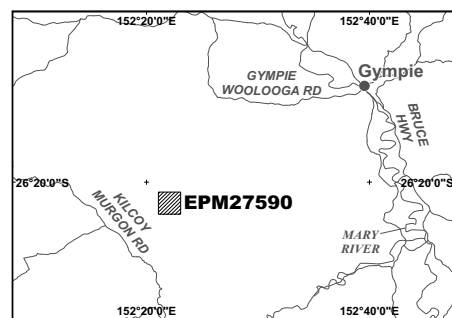
Exploration Permit for Minerals 27587 sought by Strategic Energy Resources Limited, ACN 051 212 429, over an area of 99 sub-blocks (319 km²), centred approximately 85 km North East of Kajibbi, in the locality of the Cloncurry Shire Council.



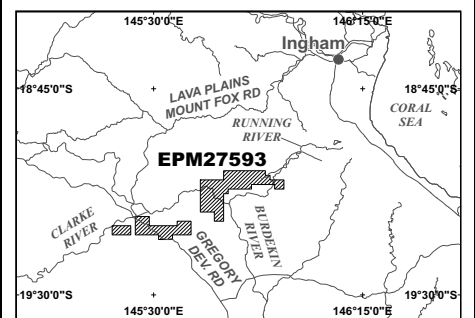
Exploration Permit for Minerals 27588 sought by Strategic Energy Resources Limited, ACN 051 212 429, over an area of 99 sub-blocks (320 km²), centred approximately 110 km North East of Kajibbi, in the localities of the Cloncurry Shire Council and the Carpentaria Shire Council.



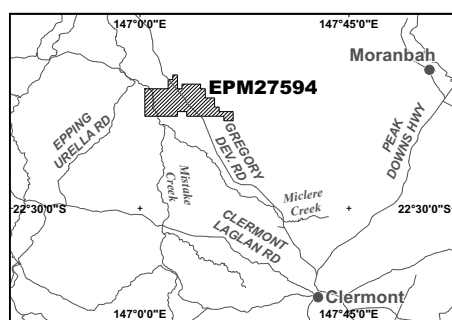
Exploration Permit for Minerals 27590 sought by Orefox Vulcan Pty Ltd, ACN 642 442 420, over an area of 4 sub-blocks (12 km²), centred approximately 35 km South West of Gympie, in the locality of the Gympie Regional Council.



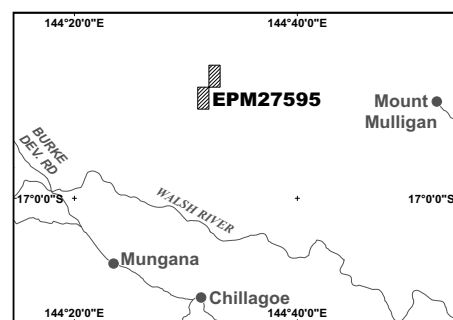
Exploration Permit for Minerals 27593 sought by Mt Moss Mining Pty Ltd, ACN 117 660 830, over an area of 124 sub-blocks (401 km²), centred approximately 80 km South West of Ingham, in the locality of the Charters Towers Regional Council.



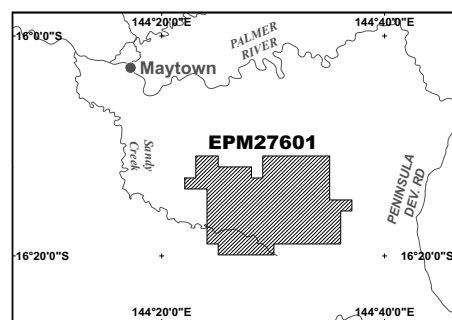
Exploration Permit for Minerals 27594 sought by Mt Coolon Gold Mines Pty Ltd, ACN 118 550 593, over an area of 100 sub-blocks (317 km²), centred approximately 93 km North West of Clermont, in the locality of the Isaac Regional Council.



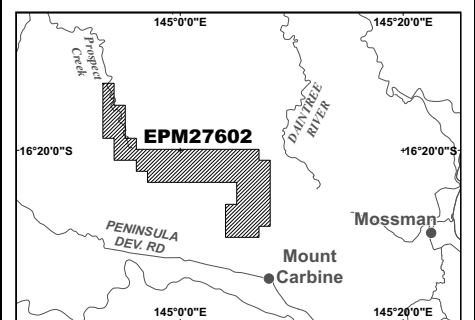
Exploration Permit for Minerals 27595 sought by Wayne Thomas Saunders, over an area of 4 sub-blocks (13 km²), centred approximately 35 km North of Chillagoe, in the locality of the Mareeba Shire Council.



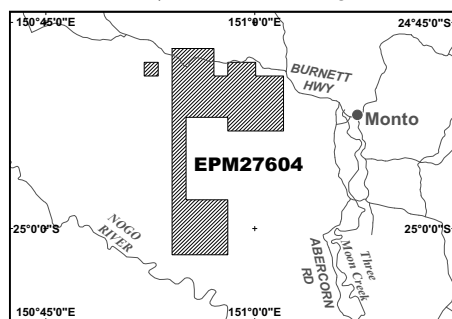
Exploration Permit for Minerals 27601 sought by Munuku Pty Ltd, ACN 642 418 166, over an area of 97 sub-blocks (319 km²), centred approximately 25 km South East of Maytown, in the localities of the Mareeba Shire Council and the Cook Shire Council.



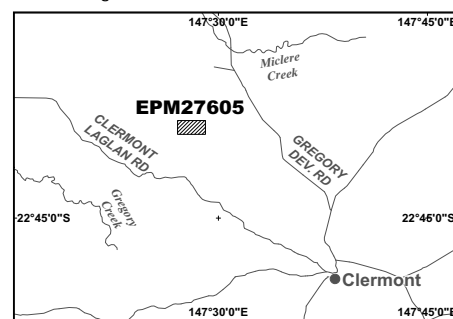
Exploration Permit for Minerals 27602 sought by Stratmin Resources Pty Ltd, ACN 639 991 307, over an area of 63 sub-blocks (207 km²), centred approximately 23 km North West of Mount Carbine, in the localities of the Cook Shire Council and the Mareeba Shire Council.



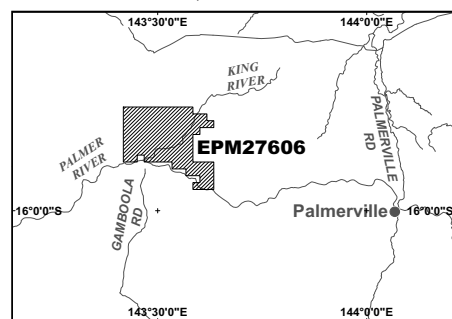
Exploration Permit for Minerals 27604 sought by Aeon Monto Exploration Pty Ltd, ACN 629 298 273, over an area of 59 sub-blocks (183 km²), centred approximately 15 km West of Monto, in the locality of the North Burnett Regional Council.



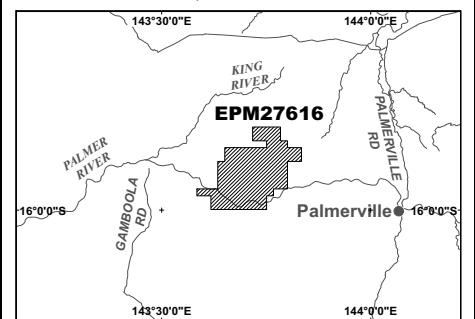
Exploration Permit for Minerals 27605 sought by Gary Anthony House, over an area of 2 sub-blocks (6 km²), centred approximately 27 km North West of Clermont, in the locality of the Isaac Regional Council.



Exploration Permit for Minerals 27606 sought by Munuku Pty Ltd, ACN 642 418 166, over an area of 100 sub-blocks (329 km²), centred approximately 60 km West North West of Palmerville, in the locality of the Cook Shire Council.



Exploration Permit for Minerals 27616 sought by Munuku Pty Ltd, ACN 642 418 166, over an area of 100 sub-blocks (329 km²), centred approximately 38 km West North West of Palmerville, in the locality of the Cook Shire Council.



Nature of Act(s): The grant of the Exploration Permits for Minerals under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld), authorises the holder to explore for minerals for a term not exceeding five (5) years with the possibility of renewal for a term not exceeding five (5) years. It is proposed to grant the Exploration Permits for Minerals subject to the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) and the Native Title Protection Conditions.

Name and Address of person doing Act(s): It is proposed that the Exploration Permits for Minerals be granted subject to the provisions of the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) by the Queensland Minister for Natural Resources, Mines and Energy, PO Box 15216, City East, Queensland, 4002.

Native Title Parties: Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) any person who is a "native title party" is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed grant of an Exploration Permit for Minerals. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth), persons have until three (3) months after the Notification Day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice. Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Harry Gibbs Commonwealth Law Courts Building, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland, 4000. Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au.

Further information: Further information about the proposed grant of the Exploration Permits for Minerals, including extract of plans showing the boundaries of the Exploration Permit for Minerals Applications may be obtained from the Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy, Mining Registrar, Mineral Assessment Hub, Level 9, Verde Tower, 445 Flinders Street, Townsville, Queensland, 4810. Telephone: (07) 4447 9230 or Email: MineralHub@dnrm.qld.gov.au.

Expedited Procedure: The State of Queensland considers the grant of each Exploration Permit for Minerals to which this notice applies, is an act attracting the Expedited Procedure. Each individual Exploration Permit for Minerals may be granted unless, within a period of four (4) months after the Notification Day a native title party lodges an objection in respect of the individual Exploration Permit for Minerals with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the grant of that Exploration Permit for Minerals is a future act attracting the Expedited Procedure. Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 5, Harry Gibbs Commonwealth Law Courts Building, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland, 4000. Telephone: (07) 3307 5000 or 1800 640 501.

Notification Day: 30 September 2020

Phoenix Spicer is school's best player

By PETER ARGENT



LIGHTNING fast wingman Phoenix Spicer was voted best-on-ground in the South Australian School Sports Open (Age) Public Schools grand final last week at Thebarton Oval.

Phoenix, who is from the Northern Territory, became the first Aboriginal player to win the Peter Roberts Medal in the 40 years of the competition.

He played for his school Henley High's football team, which has won the past five grand finals.

Along with school commitments, on the previous weekend before his school team's grand final, Phoenix played his first SANFL reserves game for South Adelaide where he adapted quickly to the pace of the game.

He has played the previous nine games in the SANFL under-18s for the Panthers where he was named as among the best players on three occasions.

The teenager's school team's coach Ben Kane said Phoenix has improved a lot in 2020.

"He is super quick and, critically, his disposal skills are improving all the time," Kane said.

"He has a big heart and wants to do well and he's shown that he got plenty of resilience, originally coming down from the NT."

"Along with his commitments at Henley High he also travels across town to South Adelaide for training commitments with the Panthers."



Phoenix Spicer, best-on-ground. Picture: Peter Argent



Regional NSW

Notice Under Section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* - Exploration Licence Number 4962 (Act 1992)

This notice is given in accordance with the requirements of Section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Commonwealth).

Description of the nature of the act

Pursuant to the *Native Title (Right to Negotiate (Exclusion)-NSW Land) Determination No. 1 of 1996* (Cth), Exploration Licence 4962 includes a condition to the effect that the holder must not prospect on any land or waters covered by that licence in relation to which native title exists without the prior written consent of the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Industry and Trade (the 'Native Title Condition').

The Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Industry and Trade intends to:

- give consent to prospecting on land subject to native title in accordance with the *Native Title (Right to Negotiate (Inclusion)-NSW Land) Approval No. 1 of 1996* (Cth); and
- remove the Native Title Condition.

Should consent be granted, the licence holder may subsequently apply to renew or transfer the licence prior to it expiring (including partial renewals or partial transfers).

In the case of any exploration licences resulting from a partial renewal or partial transfer, this notice applies to any renewals and other future acts across the licence area of such exploration licences.

Note: If the consent is granted, all subsequent future acts involving the renewal, re grant or re-making (including partial renewals or partial transfers) or extension of the term of the licence may be validated pursuant to section 26D of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) without further notification, provided the requirements in that section are satisfied.

Holder's details

Triton Resources Pty Ltd (ACN 100 095 494) is the holder of Exploration Licence 4962 for Group 1 minerals. The licence contains a condition that the holder must not prospect on any land or waters on which native title exists without the prior consent of the Minister administering the *Mining Act 1992*. The licence holder has sought the Minister's consent to conduct prospecting activities across the licence area. If granted, the consent may result in the aforementioned condition being removed from the licence.

Description of area that may be affected

The entire area of Exploration Licence 4962 - that covers about 107 units situated approximately 52 kilometres west northwest of Nyngan, in the State of NSW as shown on the diagram above.

Name and postal address of person by whom the act would be done

Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Industry and Trade
PO Box 344, Hunter Region Mail Centre, NSW 2310.

Notification Day

For the purposes of Section 29(4) of the *Native Title Act 1993* the notification day is 24 September 2020. Under Section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993* persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.

How further information about the act can be obtained

Further information may be obtained from; Resource Operations, Regional NSW on (02) 4063 6600 or resource.operations@planning.nsw.gov.au.



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WaterNSW

Notice of Application -New Combined Approval (Water Supply Work and Water Use)

WaterNSW has received an application from **Electra Marian Rosta Jensen** for a new pump, with a capacity of 4 L/S, on Numulgi Creek, Coopers Creek water source, subject to Richmond River Unregulated, Regulated and Alluvial Water Sources 2010, and water use of irrigation located at Lot 2 DP 539905, parish Dunoon county Rous

Objections must be submitted in writing to PO Box 1400 GRAFTON NSW 2460 or water.advertising@watnsw.com.au. Objections must specify the grounds of the Objection and contain the name, address and signature (or authentication) of the Objector. All Objections should reference Application Number A024594. Objections must be lodged with WaterNSW within 28 days of this Notice, please refer to the NSW Water Register ("closing date" column) for the final date to lodge an Objection. You may use the Objection form www.watnsw.com.au/advertising-and-objections. For enquiries contact Mark Campbell Senior Water Regulation officer, on 1300 662 077 or the above email.

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WaterNSW

Notice of Application to AMEND Water Use Approval

WaterNSW has received an application from **T & C Arnott Pty Ltd** to amend existing Water Use Approval 90UA812272. The proposed amendments include: to add additional land for the purpose of an extra 347.6 hectares of Irrigation, located at 'Boolorong' on Lots 27, 45, 70, 71, 72, 73, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81 and 82 all DP 755980; and Lots 701 and 702 DP 133478 all parish Boggabilla, County Stapylton.

Objections must be submitted in writing to PO Box 1251 Tamworth NSW 2340 or water.advertising@watnsw.com.au. Objections must specify the grounds of the Objection and contain the name, address and signature (or authentication) of the Objector. You may use the Objection form www.watnsw.com.au/customer-service/water-licensing/objections. All Objections should reference Application Number A024527. Objections must be lodged with WaterNSW within 28 days of this Notice, please refer to the NSW Water Register ("closing date" column) for the final date to lodge an Objection. You may use the Objection form www.watnsw.com.au/advertising-and-objections. For enquiries contact David Thomas, on 1300 662 077 or by email water.advertising@watnsw.com.au

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WaterNSW

Notice of Application - New Water Supply Work Approval

WaterNSW has received an application from

Fairglen Investments Pty Limited for a work bore with a capacity of approx. 0.4 ML/Day. Located at Lot 11 DP 1039944 Parish of Manilla, County of Darling. The application relates to New England Fold Belt Murray Darling Basin Groundwater Source, subject to NSW Murray Darling Basin Fractured Rock Groundwater Sources 2020.

Objections must be submitted in writing to PO BOX 890 NARRABRI NSW 2390 or annita.devine@watnsw.com.au. Objections must specify the grounds of the Objection and contain the name, address and signature (or authentication) of the Objector. You may use the Objection form www.watnsw.com.au/customer-service/water-licensing/objections. All Objections should reference Application Number A24409. Objections must be lodged with WaterNSW within 28 days of this Notice, please refer to the NSW Water Register ("closing date" column) for the final date to lodge an Objection. You may use the Objection form www.watnsw.com.au/advertising-and-objections. For enquiries contact Annita Devine, Water Regulation Officer, on 1300 662 077 or by email water.advertising@watnsw.com.au

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Regional NSW

Notice Under Section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) - Exploration Licence Application 5942 (Act 1992)

This notice is given in accordance with the requirements of Section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth).

Description of the nature of the act

The Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Industry and Trade intends to grant an exploration licence under the *Mining Act 1992* (NSW) on land subject to native title.

Should a licence be granted, the licence holder may apply to renew or transfer the licence prior to it expiring (including renewals, partial renewals, transfers or part transfers).

In the case of any exploration licences resulting from a partial renewal or part transfer, this notice applies to any renewals and other future acts across the licence area of such exploration licences.

Note: If the licence is granted, all subsequent future acts involving the renewal, re grant or re-making (including partial renewal or part transfers) or extension of the term of the licence may be validated pursuant to section 26D of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) without further notification, provided the requirements in that section are satisfied.

Kaiser Reef Limited (ACN 635 910 271) is the applicant for Exploration Licence Application 5942 which, if granted would authorise the prospecting for Group 1 minerals for an initial term of up to six years.

Description of area that may be affected

The entire area of Exploration Licence Application 5942 that covers an area of approximately 14 units situated approximately 19 kilometres south of the town of Wellington, in the State of NSW as shown on the diagram above.

Name and postal address of person by whom the act would be done

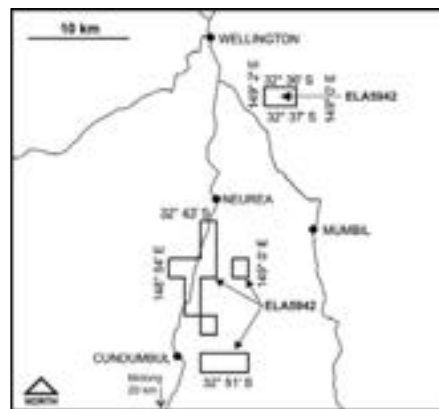
Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Industry and Trade
PO Box 344, Hunter Region Mail Centre, NSW 2310.

Notification Day

For the purposes of Section 29(4) of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) the notification day is 24 September 2020. Under Section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.

How further information about the act can be obtained

Further information may be obtained from; Resource Operations, Regional NSW on (02) 4063 6600 or resource.operations@planning.nsw.gov.au.



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Djerrkura's Warrior Run



A ONE-time AFL footballer has credited the Indigenous Marathon Program for helping find his Wangurri voice. Nathan Djerrkura's heavy contribution to community since graduating from the 2013 IMP squad has been rewarded as the face of the Father's Day Warrior Run (Sunday, September 6) participation medal.

The Indigenous Marathon Foundation fun run is an event designed to celebrate male leaders, especially fathers as great role models.

The honour on Father's Day has proved quite apt considering the legacy that Djerrkura's dad, Gatjil, left to his son which resonates today.

"My father is and always will be a strong male role model in my life," Nathan said.

"My father is no longer with us, but he left a great legacy. His journey from growing up in Yirrkala to becoming chairman of ATSIC is an inspiring story."

Djerrkura, 31, has turned his focus

back on community after a football career that saw him play 25 games for Geelong and the Western Bulldogs from 2007-2012. He took the brave decision soon after his second season at the Bulldogs to stand aside from football to rediscover his culture and identity.

"As a father it is important to be a positive role model in my son's life and to set good examples, teach him right from wrong and to respect yourself and others," he said. "As a leader in the community, I think it's important to lead by example. I believe actions speak louder than words."

On hearing of a number of Indigenous young men and women participating in the running program inspired Djerrkura to "have a go myself for myself".

"It had little to do with just running the New York City Marathon; the IMP allows us to get out of our comfort zone and find our voice," Djerrkura said.

"I think it's such a great thing that participants are selected not just for their athletic abilities, but what we want to achieve for our communities and our people. I'm grateful to Rob de Castella and

IMP for helping me find my voice and for guiding me along the right path."

Djerrkura works at the Darwin Correctional Centre, as a cultural engagement coordinator. He previously had been working for more than five years with his people in Arnhem Land in the areas of recruitment, training, life skills and job readiness.

The leadership that the IMF program provided had taught him several invaluable lessons.

"I was too young when my father passed away to ask him important questions in regard to how he made it to where he got to in life," Djerrkura said.

"So I've always said to myself if, or when, I have a child I will teach them everything I have learned in life and tell them mistakes that I have learned from so that my child can live a happy and healthy life."

"I will teach my son to respect yourself and everyone around you, the value of family, friends and culture, always appreciate the small things in life and live life to the fullest."



Nathan Djerrkura with the medal struck with his image for the Father's Day Warrior Run.

Picture: IMF



Safety first as powerlifting coach Elias Wright spots Paiwan Sabadi-Nona as he engages in squat-training. Picture: Alf Wilson

Sabadi-Nonas have eye on powerlifting championships

By ALF WILSON



TRAINING consistently at home during the COVID-19 pandemic lockdown has held Badu Islander Bernard Sabadi-Nona and his son Paiwan in good stead for a major powerlifting competition.

The Cairns-based Sabadi-Nona and Paiwan have entered the Deep North Powerlifting competition set for September 26.

"We are currently halfway through our competition preparation and training," Sabadi-Nona said.

"Paiwan will still be 15 and he will go against six other

competitors on the same day from around the country for a national-qualifying lift.

"I don't think there has ever been a First Nations young male compete in a powerlifting competition before. He'll be the youngest male competitor on the day."

The pair have also been training strongly at Iron Strength Gym in Cairns after working out at their home gym.

"We have made an easy transition into our competition training with Paiwan also lifting a one-rep personal-best 145kg squat and a 170kg deadlift," Sabadi-Nona said.

Powerlifting has been an important part of life for Sabadi-Nona family, including wife Alicia, during a time when clubs

around the country were forced to close.

Their gym-garage set-up has allowed the family to maintain their focus on training.

Sabadi-Nona earlier said he has noticed more Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, via social media platforms, engaging in weightlifting.

During earlier periods of lockdown, the family kept active every day with either a strength session, a walk around the neighbourhood, walking up hiking trails, or specific running drills at a nearby park.

After setting up a makeshift gym in their garage they were encouraged by seeing many other Indigenous people setting up their homemade gyms.



Regional NSW

Notice Under Section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* - Exploration Licence Number 4962 (Act 1992)

This notice is given in accordance with the requirements of Section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Commonwealth).

Description of the nature of the act

Pursuant to the *Native Title (Right to Negotiate) (Exclusion)-NSW Land) Determination No. 1 of 1996* (Cth), Exploration Licence 4962 includes a condition to the effect that the holder must not prospect on any land or waters covered by that licence in relation to which native title exists without the prior written consent of the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Industry and Trade (the 'Native Title Condition').

The Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Industry and Trade intends to:

- give consent to prospecting on land subject to native title in accordance with the *Native Title (Right to Negotiate) (Inclusion)-NSW Land) Approval No. 1 of 1996* (Cth); and
- remove the Native Title Condition.

Should consent be granted, the licence holder may subsequently apply to renew or transfer the licence prior to it expiring (including partial renewals or partial transfers).

In the case of any exploration licences resulting from a partial renewal or partial transfer, this notice applies to any renewals and other future acts across the licence area of such exploration licences.

Note: If the consent is granted, all subsequent future acts involving the renewal, re grant or re-making (including partial renewals or partial transfers) or extension of the term of the licence may be validated pursuant to section 26D of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) without further notification, provided the requirements in that section are satisfied.

Holder's details

Triton Resources Pty Ltd (ACN 100 095 494) is the holder of Exploration Licence 4962 for Group 1 minerals. The licence contains a condition that the holder must not prospect on any land or waters on which native title exists without the prior consent of the Minister administering the *Mining Act 1992*. The licence holder has sought the Minister's consent to conduct prospecting activities across the licence area. If granted, the consent may result in the aforementioned condition being removed from the licence.

Description of area that may be affected

The entire area of Exploration Licence 4962 - that covers about 107 units situated approximately 52 kilometres west northwest of Nyngan, in the State of NSW as shown on the diagram above.

Name and postal address of person by whom the act would be done
Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Industry and Trade
PO Box 344, Hunter Region Mail Centre, NSW 2310.

Notification Day

For the purposes of Section 29(4) of the *Native Title Act 1993* the notification day is 24 September 2020. Under Section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993* persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.

How further information about the act can be obtained

Further information may be obtained from; Resource Operations, Regional NSW on (02) 4063 6600 or resource.operations@planning.nsw.gov.au.





At least four teams can win this, but one stands out above the others. *Getty Images*

An early call but here's my big prediction

As we head towards the end of the regular home-and-away NRL season the cream has started to rise to the top where the traditional powerhouse sides like Melbourne, Canberra and the Sydney Roosters are joined by Penrith, now on a club record 12-game winning streak, as favourites to contest the grand final on October 25.



Dean Widders

The Storm have produced their usual, consistent form all season and, as they do year after year, they are really starting to lift just a few weeks out from the finals. Josh Addo-Carr is on fire at the moment and together with Cameron Munster and Ryan Papanhuysen they have the big weapons to go along with their tough approach this year. Whether inspirational skipper Cameron Smith plays on next year is the answer everyone wants to know, but I think deep inside the Storm inner-circle they know he will be elsewhere in 2021. If so, they will put everything in to sending him out a winner.

Canberra have really lifted since Josh Hodgson's injury and I think the opportunity for Jack Wighton to become the number one playmaker in the team has created this resurgence. He is definitely the number one player in the game at the moment and will be ready to try take his team one better than last year come finals time.

The Roosters look perfect. They will have players coming back from injury and Sonny Bill Williams has re-joined the team, too. But, I'm going to say this: They look too perfect, and something will bite them and they will fall short.

The team I'm most excited about and who I think will be right there come finals time is Penrith. The Panthers are exciting to watch and you can see the fun they are having. Viliame Kikau and Nathan Cleary are the best two up-and-coming players in the game right now, Stephen Crichton and Brent Naden are headed for representative jerseys, and the buzz the Panthers are creating is going to take them all the way to the grand final, I believe.

The grand final is on my birthday this year and as much as I'd love a Parramatta-vs-Souths grand final as the perfect present I just can't see it happening, what with Parra's dip in form and Latrell's injury for the Bunnies. So my big prediction is for a Melbourne Storm versus Penrith Panthers grand final, and the Storm to win it.

"Dean Widders is a proud Anaiwan man. He played 159 NRL games for Sydney Roosters, South Sydney and Parramatta and 60 Super League games for Castleford. He is the NRL Indigenous Pathways manager."

Post-season State of Origin won't impact on Koori Knockout – Munro

By DARREN MONCRIEFF



REGULAR post-season State of Origin football could have some impact on Aboriginal rugby league's marquee event, but it is strong enough to withstand those forces, says foundation player Keith Munro.

The annual NSW Aboriginal Rugby League Knockout Carnival is held each year during the October long-weekend, which also coincides with the NRL Grand Final. State of Origin this year will be held in November due to a major reshuffle of the NRL season because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Chairman of the ARL Commission Peter V'Landys last week speculated that, should this year's Origin series rate highly with fans in the stands and on TV, the league could look at a repeat set of dates for 2021. Should that happen, and with 2021 likely reverting back to a March-October season,

next year's Origin series could be played in October. The impact for the Knockout, then, would be on the numbers of available NRL players, particularly with a slight upward rise of Aboriginal players in the NSW Blues side.

Also, there is the question of resources from the NSWRL, which has total oversight of the Blues and various levels of input of the Knockout.

Keith Munro, who played in the very first Knockout carnival in 1971, said he was confident the Knockout can withstand these external pressures.

"I'm not sure if that (post-season Origin series) is a good thing or a bad thing because we will always have these dilemmas," he said.

"The only impact would be is the Blues having more Aboriginal players who would otherwise play for their local community teams. It's sort of the same dilemma we face anyway with NRL players becoming unavailable only a week before the Knockout because their teams have

qualified for the (NRL) grand final.

"So all of that is not necessarily a bad thing. The Knockout will always be a strong event because it has a strong community focus."

V'Landys is keeping an open mind as to when Origin is played following this year's series in November.

"It's an interesting experiment this year to play State of Origin after the season because it ensured the integrity of the game throughout the year," he said.

"You haven't got that break where teams lose out because all their good players are playing State of Origin."

"If the State of Origin works after the season finishes then why change it? We'll perform better than any sport in Australia financially if we can play every game."

The 2020 Koori Knockout, the event's 50th, was postponed until 2021. It will be hosted by 2019 winners South Coast Black Cockatoos at Nowra on the NSW south coast.

The 'G.O.A.T.' from Ivanhoe set for UK



Joel Thompson has called time on his time in the NRL. Inset: Thompson was a mainstay for Indigenous All-Stars teams. *Pictures: Getty Images*



MANLY veteran Joel Thompson has played his last NRL game and will move to England to join St Helens next year.

Thompson confirmed last week his 234-game NRL career was over after stints at Canberra, St George Illawarra and the Sea Eagles.

The 32-year-old, from Ivanhoe in central-west NSW, has battled injuries throughout this year including a gruesome cut to the tongue recently before finally succumbing to an ankle injury.

"Unfortunately, I played my last NRL game on Sunday. It hurts to finish in the NRL that way, but I pushed on for as long as I could," Thompson wrote to his more than 35,000 followers on social media.

"I have especially loved the last three years at a club I grew up supporting."

"I idolised (Steve) Menzies and am very proud to have played in the jersey number I wore as a young fella."

Thompson's exit for St Helens in the English Super League will not only leave a hole in Manly's second row but also in the NRL.

He is one of the game's leaders in the Indigenous space, a vocal director on the players' union board and a founder of the Mindset Project which works in the mental health space.

Thompson picked up the G.O.A.T. (Greatest Of All Time) tag early in his career.

"He's such a great leader. He really leads by example," Manly star Jake Trbojevic said.

"Young guys really learn off him. Such a great player who puts his whole heart out there every week."

"He will admit he is probably not the most talented player, but just out of toughness and he just rips in every week." – with AAP

Phillips inspires Peel Thunder's rise

By CHRIS PIKE



KIRA Phillips might consider herself a little unlucky to not secure an AFLW return but she is happy to show what she is capable of as her club rises in the WAFLW.

Phillips plays for Peel Thunder in WA's elite women's competition, now in its second season. Peel is one of five foundation clubs. The Thunder were wooden-spooners in 2019 but have made rapid improvements in 2020.

From the bottom of the table 12 months ago, Peel have secured a finals double-chance after completing the regular season in second place, and are genuine premiership contenders.

Phillips, 25, has been at the forefront of everything the Thunder have done this year as a focal point in attack.

The former Fremantle forward has

averaged almost two goals a game this season to close out with 13 from seven games. She said she couldn't be happier to be part of the turnaround.

"We've always been really proud of our women's program at Peel, but obviously last year we just weren't up to it," she said.

"So we worked hard to change that this year and then we had to wait a long time to play, but we were ready and it's been so much fun to get going how we have. We can't wait to play in the finals and I hope I can help us do as well as we can."

Phillips played in those first exhibition matches for Melbourne against the Western Bulldogs and was later drafted by Fremantle in 2016. She played five games in the 2017 AFLW season, but to her surprise and disappointment was later delisted.

While her desire is to one day return to the elite level, Phillips' impressive form in the WAFLW in 2020 may very well earn herself another opportunity before too long.



Kira Phillips has shown good form for Peel Thunder in the WAFLW.

The laws on online racism need reform

ONLINE racist attacks towards our Indigenous brothers in the AFL has been on the increase in recent months with Chad Wingard, Neville Jetta and Liam Ryan (and his beautiful children) having violent and disgusting words sent their way. And those players are just the ones I've mentioned.



Shelley Ware

To its enormous credit, the AFL has worked hard behind the scenes to protect the players from this abuse and have also worked closely with the e-Safety Commission to see how the players and their families can be better protected.

The issue is that the laws around online racism are inadequate and the rapidly evolving nature of the world online means that the law will always be several steps behind.

The social media platforms seemingly do not actually understand racist trends, emoji use and the language that are used to attack Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. So while organisations like the AFL are fighting for their players they are not supported by any real legislation with power to prosecute the racists.

One of the biggest problems online are what's called 'burner accounts' which are created with fake names and IDs with the purpose of producing and/or disseminating racist content online. These fake accounts are currently untraceable, but they need to be stopped. There should be laws where people's online accounts are identifiable to them. This would go a long way in preventing a lot of the abuse that we see and would make people think twice about posting racist rubbish online if they can be charged to the full extent of the law and banned from whatever social media platform they've used.

I work on the ABC's Outer-Sanctum podcast with a lawyer called Kate Seear. Kate and I have had numerous discussions about this and the long-term effects of racism and how it has impacted my life and the lives of many Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. It got to the point where I was tired of talking and trying to counter online racism for those I care about. Last week, Kate and I sent a letter to the Attorney-General Christian Porter to express these and other concerns. We asked him to address the need to explore legal and policy reforms to protect people from such abuse. We had 100 signatories including a host of former and current AFL and AFLW players, football club CEOs and regular people from all walks of life who want to see change.

We wanted Mr Porter to see that online racism affects us all and its huge cost on society. In pure monetary terms, research shows that the government spends \$38 billion a year dealing with the effects of racism in Australia. We just need to do better.

If you would like to add your name to the letter and your voice to the conversation, head over to the Outer-Sanctum podcast website where under the 'Updates' tab you will see the letter in full. It takes just one click to open a field where you can add your name.

Together we can make a difference to those who face racism and discrimination daily.

**Shelley Ware is a proud Yankunytjatjara and Wirangu woman from Adelaide. She appears on AFL.com.au's Colour Of Your Jumper.*

Chad wings it but Crows clip Hawks

By PETER ARGENT



CHAD Wingard has been a shining light in his side Hawthorn's so-so year and his

individual brilliance and athleticism were on show when the Hawks and Adelaide clashed at Adelaide Oval recently.

But the actual show belonged to the Crows who enjoyed their very first win of 2020. Adelaide's Indigenous young guns Shane McAdam and Tyson Stengle had a telling impact on the game and played prominent roles in the Crows' comfortable 35-point win.

McAdam took a big mark in the first quarter and also showed his game awareness with a cheeky follow-up goal.

Stengle, who has taken over the role from Eddie Betts, was vibrant as a small forward. He kicked 1.3 and was credited with three goals assists.

Wingard was among the Hawks' best. He kicked two important goals and a creative handball (from the image) where he took possession of the ball and disposed of it while remaining airborne resulted in a goal late in the third quarter. It gave his side some hope of snatching an unlikely victory, but to no avail.

For McAdam, from Halls Creek in Western Australia's Kimberley region, it took until his 10th game in the AFL before he could experience a win.

Stengle, who had a win with Adelaide in his debut match in round 17 last year, was playing his 11th game for the Crows.



Chad Wingard of Hawthorn dishes off a handpass while airborne in the match against Adelaide. Inset: Shane McAdam (left) and Tyson Stengle of Adelaide were happy with their team's win post-match. Pictures: Peter Argent

Queensland Murri Carnival going ahead

By ALF WILSON



THE Arthur Beetson Foundation's 2020 Queensland Murri Rugby League Carnival will go ahead at Redcliffe in Brisbane's north – in January next year.

The traditional October start date was pushed back due to logistics surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic. The January carnival will count as its 10th milestone event and organisers hope to run the 11th event as per normal next year in October.

The dates for next year are January 18-23. Already, teams the Torres Strait and Cape York are expected to play.

The QRL-sanctioned carnival is more than just about football with an emphasis on health, vocation and education.

"It's awesome that it is going ahead and we are very grateful for the QRL's cooperation and assistance," Arthur Beetson Foundation chair Steven Johnson said.

The Queensland Murri Carnival was first held in 2011 at Mudgeeraba on the Gold Coast.

Adding to the celebrations is the fact the rescheduled 2020 carnival (in January) will take place during the week of the birthday of the late, great Arthur Beetson.

"Good comes from bad and so it is with the 2020 carnival in January during the week of Arthur's birthday," Johnson said. "The great man would be very proud to see the carnival that he helped Tony Currie start reach the level that it has."

The tournament will begin with a junior Murri carnival for boys and girls in under-6s, -8s, -10s and -12s in a combined division which will be followed by a boys' under-13, -15s and -17s divisions and a girls' under-15s and -17s divisions.

The carnival will wrap up with the senior men's and women's divisions finals.



Hayward leads the way on court

By CHRIS PIKE



ALIX Hayward has put together a long and successful state basketball career and has continued a stellar year in the SBL-season replacement competition the West Coast Classic.

Hayward, 36, has played 228 games in the SBL and all of those with the Perth Redbacks since 2009 where she had become a fan-favourite and popular club figure. But when family members Savahna Nevill and Nes'eya Williams left the Redbacks for the Joondalup Wolves Hayward faced a tough decision.

She eventually came around and also joined the Wolves and the family reunion at Joondalup has gone well. The Wolves lead the pack in first place of the 12-team competition.

"It was a hard decision to leave the Redbacks after so many years but I'm Nes'eya's aunty and when she decided to go to the Wolves it was something I wanted to support her with," Hayward said.

"Now that we are getting to play some basketball finally we are really enjoying the season and hopefully now that we are getting close to finals we can enjoy some success together as well."

● Alix Hayward has continued her stellar form on the basketball court.

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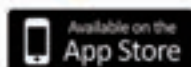


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NBL RAP a first of many steps

By DARREN MONCRIEFF



THE NBL will join the many hundreds of sports organisations in Australia with a

formalised framework for Indigenous engagement.

The NBL has formally lodged a Reconciliation Action Plan, its first, to Reconciliation Australia in what it hopes is a first of many steps it plans to take toward a greater interaction and representation of its large Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander player and support base.

Co-chair of the NBL's RAP Working Group is Leanne Brooke who also is chair of The Long Walk Foundation and sits on the Essendon Football Club's Indigenous advisory board.

NBL commissioner Jeremy Loeliger said in announcing the working group that its RAP would

aim to provide "meaningful opportunities" for Indigenous people.

"We've had discussions about that and part of the RAP is how do we increase Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander players in the NBL," Brooke said.

"Just as important also is how our people are represented across the whole organisation and sector; how we see ourselves reflected in this organisation.

"Some may not want to play at all in the NBL but want to work in that area, as referees, in media and marketing, so part of the RAP is how do we make sure our people are being supported properly; how do we support the clubs in regards to Indigenous players once they're recruited.

"So it's not just about recruiting and inviting Indigenous talent. It's also about enjoying a culturally safe space so our people can flourish. The NBL can play a lead role here and build

on its capacity to do just that."

The NBL's RAP Working Group's 10-person committee comprises a majority of Indigenous people with Brooke, Danny Morseu (NBL Hall of Famer and director of the National Indigenous Basketball Academy), Nate Jawai (lead ambassador for the Taipans Indigenous Program and current NBL player for Cairns Taipans), Tyson Demos (president of Australian Indigenous Basketball and former NBL player), Ricky Baldwin (vice-president of AIB and head coach of the Australian Indigenous women's basketball team) and Kerry Williams (community development manager at Cairns Taipans and manager of the Taipans Indigenous Program) joined by Loeliger, Cal Bruton (NBL Hall of Famer and director of Capital Basketball), Anita Pahor (Philanthropy and CSR director, LK Group) and Ben Jopling (NBL secretary).

'WMD' will hit up the US G-League

By CHRIS PIKE



DESPITE receiving plenty of enticing offers from NBL clubs, top Aussie talent William McDowell-White remains committed to chasing his NBA dream and once he can return to the United States, he will resume his career in the G-League.

McDowell-White has made no secret that his dream is to play in the NBA and that the NBL currently does not figure in his immediate future. Since his brief stint at the Sydney Kings as a development player, his basketball journey has taken him overseas.

McDowell-White, 22, returned home to Brisbane earlier this year following a season with the Rio Grande Valley Vipers in the G-League. He was hot property for a host of NBL clubs who are working toward completing their rosters for the 2020/21 season.

McDowell-White turned down offers from Brisbane, Cairns, the Kings and the Brian Goorjian-coached Hawks to focus on keeping his NBA dream alive.

"After speaking to a number of NBL clubs, I've decided to head back to the US and pursue the NBA again this season," McDowell-White said.

"Last year's NBA Summer League and training camp with the Houston Rockets was an invaluable experience for me so I look forward to building on that.

"My season in the G-League with the Vipers allowed me to compete at a very high level and it gave me the confidence that I am capable of performing and competing with the best so I have dedicated this off-season to getting 100% healthy."

● William McDowell-White (at left) will continue to chase his NBA dream.
Picture: Getty Images



Brisbane's 'Gabba' ground will host the 2020 AFL grand final. Picture: Getty Images

Historic first for AFL grand final



ONLY a significant COVID-19 outbreak can stop the AFL's first night grand final, and its first held outside Victoria, from being played at Brisbane's 'Gabba' ground.

Adelaide Oval is on standby for the October 24 showpiece, but Western Australia's hard border has effectively ruled out Perth Stadium as a viable option.

The biggest losers could be flag contenders West Coast, who also face the prospect of missing out on playing lead-up finals in Perth.

All going to plan, the 2020 premiership decider will be shifted from its usual afternoon timeslot at the MCG and be played under the 'Gabba' lights, with a capped crowd of about 30,000 fans.

The exact timeslot is yet to be confirmed but will avoid a clash with horse racing's Cox Plate and appeal to broadcasters, who expect a massive television audience in primetime on the east coast.

AFL chief executive Gillian McLachlan declared moving the grand final was the "biggest decision of all" in a season disrupted by the coronavirus pandemic. The AFL Commission ruled on key criteria including safety, integrity of the competition, fan engagement, financial support for the game and long-term legacy.

Queensland's assistance in hosting numerous clubs in hubs and the majority of home-and-away games this season – helping keeping the competition afloat – proved too much for the AFL to ignore.

"There was a view around the industry that given all the work they (Queensland) had done to help us, and we had so many teams based up here, that was probably the overriding factor," McLachlan said at last week's announcement.

The AFL's contingency planning includes an option for a smaller crowd at the 'Gabba' or a late switch to Adelaide Oval, where about 25,000 could attend.

"It's not something that we're contemplating, but I think it's incumbent upon us to have that back-up plan," McLachlan said.

The shift was forced by Victoria's COVID-19 breakout putting that state into lockdown, ruling out the grand final's traditional venue, the MCG. The grand final has been played away from the MCG only once in the last 74 years, when Melbourne's Waverley Park hosted the 1991 game because of MCG construction works.

State governments of Queensland, Western Australia, South Australia and NSW all bid to host the 2020 decider.

West Coast could be allowed to play in Perth in week one of the finals series, after the bye week. But WA Premier Mark McGowan's refusal to budge on a seven-day quarantine period for clubs entering WA will likely prevent further finals at Perth Stadium this year.

The ability for clubs to travel between Queensland and South Australia means some teams may yet be allowed to host 'home' finals at Adelaide Oval.

Carrara Stadium is also a possible finals venue, with some clubs temporarily based in Queensland opposed to playing 'home' finals against Brisbane at the 'Gabba'. –AAP

A Brotherly reunion on the football field

By ALF WILSON



BAIRA brothers Roy and Jimmy were different sorts of 'Brothers' when their rugby league teams met on the park in Mackay in central Queensland recently.

Roy masterminded Townsville Brothers' defeat of Jimmy the five-eighth's Mackay Brothers 36-18 in round 4 of the Mackay District Rugby League senior men's competition.

The family's football story in Mackay continued when Roy and Jimmy's sister Rothana coached the Townsville Brothers senior women's side earlier in the day. They also had another brother in the stands.

Townsville Brothers field reserve grade and under-19s sides in the MDRL.

"It was a tough game and we didn't start well because we had just travelled the 400km by bus

to Mackay," Roy said.

"My elder brother, Royston Lightning, was here, watching the game."

The Mackay Brothers' senior men's team captain-coach was former NRL player Chris Sandow.

The two Townsville teams joined the Mackay competition following the decision by the Townsville & Districts Rugby League to cancel its 2020 season due to the COVID-19 pandemic, but left it up to individual teams and players to play on elsewhere.

Townsville's Brothers and Norths Devils made separate decisions to join the MDRL, a four-hour one-way drive south.

Karl Adams, who was based at Weipa, is coaching director at Norths Devils and his team includes several players from Cape York.

Devils lost their round 4 match, but are showing signs of improvement.



The Baira brothers reunite in Mackay. From left: Jimmy Baira, Roy Baira and Royston Lightning.

Mitchell returns for Flyers



LEILANI Mitchell, winner of Southside Flyers' first ever MVP trophy, has confirmed she will return for the club's upcoming 2020/21 campaign in the WNBL.

Mitchell is currently playing in the United States for the Washington Mystics in the WNBA which is being played in a 'bubble' in Florida where she is leading the team in assists.

She said she was looking forward to returning to the Flyers team.

"I'm beyond excited to continue playing for the Southside Flyers," Mitchell said in between games in Florida.

I was honoured to be a part of the Flyers inaugural season and can't wait to get back

with the girls and continue our quest for the championship.

"I know that we will all return hungry and willing to work hard, build on our team chemistry and to have fun!

"It's a wonderful organisation that truly cares for the players. It goes beyond basketball.

The management, coaches, teammates and fans make the Southside Flyers the best organisation to be a part of."

Flyers coach Cheryl Chambers is thrilled that Mitchell will be back for the upcoming season.

"It's awesome Lei is back for the Flyers.

"She makes other players better, her basketball IQ is off the charts, she's a professional and, along with that, she is a

great person," Chambers said.

"Lei has an uncanny knack of finding a score under pressure, she can shoot the three, she can get to the basket and she can also find an open teammate when she needs to.

"It is fair to say I'm ecstatic she's back playing for our team."

Mitchell was selected in the WNBL All-Star team after a terrific 2020/19 season where she led the league's best offence with superb playmaking at point guard. She averaged 15.7 points and 5.2 assists while also shooting 42% from beyond the arc.

Flyers fans will be as thrilled as the coach to have Mitchell back for the team.

The 'pocket rocket' is a crowd favourite, on and off the court.



Leilani Mitchell will return to the Southside Flyers in the WNBL.



Dan Christian of the Melbourne Renegades.

Channel 7, CA nut out Big Bash deals



CRICKET Australia has confirmed the entire 59-match Women's Big Bash League season would be played in

Sydney from October 25 with no games lost due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

However, the layout of the men's BBL later in the summer is yet to be confirmed with questions over how team 'bubbles' will work still up in the air.

The news comes as CA and Seven West Media met last week.

Both parties are at loggerheads over the broadcast deal, with Seven and Fox seeking a reduction from their six-year agreement worth close to \$1.2 billion. – with AAP

Gunya Meta on board with motorsport



A PROJECT to help young Indigenous people develop careers in motorsport has been launched in

Queensland with backing from leading racing identities and the Logan-based Gunya Meta organisation.

Racing Together starts in Queensland next month with a pilot program for Indigenous youth (12-16) and organisers hope it will become a national program offering a place in the Ferrari Academy.

The project was conceived and underwritten by Brisbane couple Garry and Monique Connelly, who

have extensive motorsport competition and administrative experience at international level.

The pilot project will recruit participants from Logan City, on Brisbane's southern outskirts.

"Australian motorsport has not had any noticeable participation by our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people," Garry Connelly said.

Other leading racing identities have also agreed to present sessions and assist with the program.

Gunya Meta mentor Michael Orcher said: "Gunya Meta is proud to work with Garry and Monique Connelly to deliver Racing Together, particularly

because how passionate the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community is for motorsport.

"The love of cars and racing have been a part of our culture for a long time and is often shared in our families gathering to watch races or even working together to make or fix cars.

"Often our mob's homes will have an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander flag right next to a motorsport flag.

"With this amazing program we can finally connect our interest with the opportunity to get a foot in the door of

this international industry.

"Racing Together will create a path for Indigenous young people to gain experience and skills that might help make representation of our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community on the global motorsport stage a reality, something that has not been done before."



Gunya Meta mentor Michael Orcher (centre) with Garry Connelly (left) and Norwell Motorplex operator and Bathurst 1000 winner Paul Morris at the launch of the Racing Together project. Picture: R6 Digital

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Patrick Clarke and Ben Horn tangle in their welterweight division bout on the undercard to the Jeff Horn-Tim Tszyu main event in Townsville. Picture: Getty Images

A grand final double please

BRISBANE is football's ground zero at the moment, which is why the NRL should consider changing course and hold its grand final in the Queensland capital.

Last week, the AFL announced that its grand final will be held in Brisbane on Saturday, October 24. A day later, the NRL announced that its grand final will be held in Cairns on Sunday, October 25. Peter V'Landys, the chairman of the NRL Commission, was of course joking, but it was a none-too-subtle dig at his rival code because as Queensland's three NRL clubs flail on the bottom rungs of the ladder AFL folk talked up the far north capital as an 'Aussie rules hotspot' after four AFL clubs relocated there last week. These sentiments don't exist in a vacuum and if you were to dip your big, hairy toe into some of the online sports forums where the single-code obsessives frequent you would see where it all comes from.

As it stands, the NRL grand final is locked in for Sydney on October 25, but here's the thing: After the season, the NRL will meet with key stakeholders to discuss expansion plans and a timeline for a new team in south-east Queensland, based either in Brisbane, Ipswich or the Sunshine Coast. In addition, at least one of the three State of Origin series matches in November will be played in Brisbane. If V'Landys and co want to peg back some of the ground they think they've lost due to the AFL's season-long presence in Queensland then why not capitalise on the buzz they're creating and have the grand final at Lang Park?

The Queensland Government has bent over backwards to accommodate both leagues. The AFL's decision to have its grand final in Brisbane was the morally correct one to make. The traditional Aussie rules states, South Australia and Western Australia, were the obvious options but I also suspect the Brisbane decision was a strategic one in the age-old battle for the hearts and minds of the next generation in a non-traditional Aussie rules state. What better reason, then, for the NRL to demonstrate its commitment and appreciation to its heartland state, without which rugby league wouldn't be a thing? Anyway, plenty of material here for code-war theorists to chew on.

For us fans of both versions of football Queensland in 2020 has been a sporting nirvana. At times it's been like 'Magic Round' every round with games on nearly every day of the week. If a Steeden wasn't passed with purpose or a Sherrin wasn't kicked in anger on a day that ended with '-day' it was because the players needed some sleep. There was a time in August where if you turned on the TV or approached a stadium the lights were on and big hits and flying species were the order of the day, or night.

In a roundabout way this pandemic has created an historical quirk where we can entertain the notion of a grand final double on the same weekend in one city by the two biggest football codes in the country. Hopefully, we never find ourselves in this position ever again, but while we are in this position, let the football powerbrokers look at the bigger picture and create a memorable end to what my cousin Piggy still calls "one of the most 'gammonest' football seasons in history".

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Bwgc colman pride in Clarke's debut

By ALF WILSON



PATRICK Clarke may have lost the fight on points, but he won over many new fans and big pride for his people on Palm Island in his professional boxing debut.

The 26-year-old Clarke and opponent Ben Horn went toe-to-toe in four three-minute rounds in the welterweight division on the undercard to the Jeff Horn-Tim Tszyu bout in front of more than 13,000 people at the new Townsville stadium. The biggest crowd Clarke had fought in front of before this was about 300 during his impressive amateur career of more than 70 bouts.

The Horn-Tszyu fight and all the undercards that included the Clarke-Horn fight were televised on Foxtel's Main Event channel worldwide.

Clarke lost by a unanimous points decision to Horn, Jeff Horn's younger brother, with the judges scoring it 40-36, 40-36 and 39-37.

Clarke, who had entered the ring in a shirt with the words 'Palm Island versus Everybody' written on it, said Horn had come well prepared as revealed by his corner post-fight.

"After the fight I had a few drinks with Ben Horn and he told me he had been warned to try and avoid my left hook," Clarke said.

"Ben landed some good jabs and other punches but I never really got hurt and I managed to hit him with some good ones.

"I took the bout at short notice and only had trained for just over five weeks and it would have been better for me if that had been eight (weeks).

"It was a weird experience for me in my



Clarke and Horn fought in four three-minute rounds.

first professional fight before such a big crowd, but I was so proud to represent my Palm Island home which I love."

In Clarke's corner was Townsville Hawks Club supremo Dennis Clancy and Greg 'Scooter' Hooper and ringside was veteran mentor Uncle Ray Dennis and Clarke's sparring partner Telstan Sibley.

Hooper said Clarke will learn a lot from this experience.

"Hats off to Ben Horn who came to fight and with his awkward brawling style and with a bit more of a professional boxing experience," he said.

"He was always going to make it tough for Patrick to box him in and stay out of reach, and their camp executed their plan to perfection.

"Patrick now realises the massive difference between being an amateur boxer where everything happens in the one day with the weigh-in and the fight that night to being a professional, not just in the training but also the mental side of it for the few days leading up to the weigh-in and the fight the next night," Hooper said.

"It was a proud moment for not just Patrick and his trainer since he was 14, Uncle Ray Dennis, but for all his family and supporters on Palm Island.

"Our family at Art of Strength Boxing Club will continue to help and support Patrick and all of the Palm Island boxers however possible, as we have been doing for the last 10 years.

"This was great for boxing in north Queensland. Everyone was willing and ready to help Patrick get on the card and then prepare for the bout."

Clarke arrived at Townsville on fight day on the renamed Patrick Clarke Ferry which was packed with supporters. Upwards of 300 people from Palm Island were in the crowd cheering their countryman on. He received a hero's welcome back on home soil. His next bout could come during October in Brisbane.

"I had four days off, but then got back into training down at the Palm PCYC gym to prepare for that," he said.



Lismore KO called off



FEARS of an increased risk of a community-based COVID-19 transmission has prompted organisers to call off a regional Koori rugby league knockout tournament.

The 2020 Lismore Knockout Carnival due to be played on October 24 and 25 will

now not go ahead after organising club Northern United RLFC, the Lismore City Council and Richmond Local Area Command came to a mutual agreement at a meeting last week.

The Lismore tournament was to be played between teams from the COVID-free north coast region of

NSW but determining which individual players played for those teams and the risk of not knowing if they would have come from a COVID hotspot was one of the key contributing factors in stakeholders arriving at their decision.

The cancellation is a blow for the Koori rugby league community.

Smaller knockout carnivals across the state are held as selection and warm-up events for the larger NSW Aboriginal Rugby League Knockout Carnival, which was postponed until 2021.

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Patrick Clarke made his professional boxing debut in Townsville recently.

Bwgcorman pride in Clarke's debut



HE went the distance but the experience of his opponent saw Palm Island's Patrick Clarke come up short in his professional boxing debut in Townsville.

The 26-year-old from the Bwgcorman community on Palm Island fought Ben Horn in a welterweight (67kg) division bout at the new Townsville Stadium that was broadcast live on pay TV.

Clarke's rise to professional ranks has been enormous on Palm Island. He was accompanied to Townsville for the fight with about 300 fans who urged him on during his bout.

Clarke entered the ring in a shirt with the words "Palm Island versus Everybody".

In Clarke's corner and ringside were his support network that included Townsville Hawks Club's Dennis Clancy, Greg 'Scooter' Hooper, veteran mentor Ray Dennis and Clarke's sparring partner Telstan Sibley.

Clarke received a hero's welcome back on home soil. His next bout could come during October in Brisbane.

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Jemma on song in Firebirds' season to forget



JEMMA Mi Mi's Queensland Firebirds will not contest the 2020 Super Netball finals series with just two rounds remaining.

The Firebirds have won just three games this year and were at the bottom end of the eight-team competition ladder.

The versatile Mi Mi, the only Aboriginal or Torres Strait islander woman in Super Netball this season, plays at centre, wing-defence and wing-attack and has had a solid year. She has recorded 78 assists, nine deflections and two intercepts.

Mi Mi made her Super Netball debut in 2017.

● **Jemma Mi Mi is flying for Queensland Firebirds in Super Netball this year.**

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