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Meyne Wyatt became the first Aboriginal artist to win a prize in Australia's biggest portrait competition, the Archibald, when the packing room voted for his self-portrait.

Meyne packs a punch for justice after win



FIRST-time Archibald prize entrant Meyne Wyatt has become the first Indigenous artist to win any of the prizes on offer at the Archibald, winning the Packing Room Prize for his self-portrait. And the Wongutha-Yamatji man

used the national platform to bring attention to the death in custody of Aunty Sherry.

Already a widely recognised actor, Wyatt made headlines when he performed a powerful four-minute-monologue from his play *City Of Gold* on ABC TV's *Q&A* in June.

The Sydney-based artist, writer and actor said he was "absolutely ecstatic and truly humbled by this wonderful honour".

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me the courage to be so bold," Wyatt said. "In a way, that is the essence of the painting and what it reflects – to be bold."

And Wyatt's boldness continued at the prize announcement, with the actor wearing a facemask with the words 'Justice for Aunty Sherry'.

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MY FAMILY

Kelly McBride (Australia-wide)

FAMILY members of mine live all around Australia and are important to me, especially my son Lorence, who is aged 10.

From my grandparents, aunties, uncles, cousins, siblings, nieces and nephews, I have family in many places.

My First Nations people's song lines are Kaanju (Batavia Downs), Okalkla (Alice River), Jirrbal (Ravenshoe), Butchella (K'Gari) Bundalung (Mulli Mulli), Woppaburra (Great Kepple Island) and Gunditjmara (Warnambool).

The McBrides, Palmers, Clarke, Baru, Gunnawara, Owens and Ross are just some of our family names. I have got the biggest mob, spread out and my family is growing every day and it's hard to keep up with it all.

I am currently based in Townsville, but my job is selling showbags around Australia. This year's journey has been hard, due to COVID-19. It's affected so many of us, not just here, but around the world. I have been on a 'walkabout' journey for the past three years, travelling with the show communities.

It's been a tough year for the showmen and women, and the whole economy.

I travelled all over NSW, Queensland and Victorian countries (traditional lands) and I don't see this as a job, but more of a lifestyle.

The furthest north I would normally travel is Mossman in far north Queensland, south to Geelong in Victoria, and west across to Mount Isa.

With the job that I do, it makes it very hard to see my family all the time.

I miss weddings, funerals, birthday parties, baby showers, births and a lot of community goss. I try to make it up. When I get the chance to go home, I give my nieces and nephews show bags, which makes up for Christmas, Easter and birthday gifts.

I'm grateful for the lifestyle I have, because I get to share all the places I travel to with my son Lorence.

All I ever want in life from my family is to make them to be proud of me. I am proud of them and like or love them all, some more than others.

It's been a great experience sitting in a truck or driving the work car, because I don't own a car and I travel many kilometres around this deadly country.

From the deserts through the forests



Kelly McBride with her son Lorence.

to the mountains, hills, rivers, lakes and beaches.

I like to sit and acknowledge the traditional owners, and give thanks for letting me pass safely through each nation.

I like getting together and yarning with my people and countrymen because I've been travelling with the shows. It's a nice feeling when people recognise you and they welcome you on country.

This year, I haven't travelled as much. I do miss it.

And I've been lucky enough to have made many front pages of papers around the country doing something that I love.

I get to meet famous celebrities like Chris Hemsworth, important Indigenous activists, V8 super car drivers, sporting stars and musicians. I enjoy talking on Channel 7 and 9 news about the latest show bags.

The family members I haven't seen for some time due to COVID-19 I am looking forward to catching up at a 2021 show wherever it may be.

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OUR CHILDREN



Meriam women and students, together with Torres Strait Regional Authority chief executive Leilani Bin-Juda celebrate the contribution of women's cultural knowledge within Meriam Areriba Tonar, a seasonal calendar poster highlighting how Meriam people traditionally coexisted with their land and sea country on Mer and surrounding islands. ● Torres Strait Islander families recognised in law, page 7

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Family tragedy is catalyst for Samara Fernandez-Brown's fight for justice

By DANNY TEECE-JOHNSON



I LIVED in the Northern Territory for about six years, working as a filmmaker and then as a video journalist for NITV. It was probably the only time I was really happy in my role. I was working solo, 4000km from the Sydney office and I had the best boss in the world, now Labor Senator Malarndirri McCarthy. The reason why she was a great leader came down to two things: She was everybody's mother and everything we did in that newsroom came from a place of culture. Everything.

She taught so much about the Territory and the magic Top End mob. When I first moved up there this Moree Mehi Murri went into culture shock. It was so different to down south, as the Top Enders say. The landscape, culture, languages, food was all so foreign from what I was used to.

What struck me about the NT was that, even though the communities were so spread out, so far away from each other in terms of distance, they were also so tight, so connected, so bonded culturally and I fell head over heels in love with the culture and community spirit of the mob up north. I felt at home.

When something catastrophic happens like the

shooting of Kumanjayi Walker in Yuendumu, it sends shockwaves of trauma, fear and hurt into every Aboriginal community in the NT. When Constable Zachary Rolfe shot Kumanjayi Walker in the back twice, at point blank range, killing him, it felt like Yuendumu was in downtown New York. Our people don't get shot American style like this! What in the hell is going on with NT Police?

Lawyer Russel Marks wrote in *The Monthly*: "The last NT police officer who shot and killed a person in a remote community was acting sergeant Robert Whittington who, in 2002, had been posted in Wadeye for less than a week before dozens of locals began fighting with weapons on the main oval. Unlike the remote sergeant he briefly replaced, Whittington never went anywhere without his Glock pistol. Carmen Butcher, a constable who had lived in Wadeye for nearly a year, and who played softball with the local women on weekends and went fishing at surrounding outstations at the invitation of traditional owners, felt no need to take her gun to the oval. Whittington did take his gun and, tragically, shot and killed an 18-year-old man – Robert Jongmin – who was trying to disarm another youth."

Maybe cops need to be like Constable Carmen Butcher and trust and engage in their

communities. Kumanjayi Walker could be still alive if Zachary Rolfe had adopted her "serve and protect" mentality instead of shoot first, ask questions later.

While Rolfe was rushed out of town on a white privilege plane to his wealthy parents in Canberra, the Warlpiri community of Yuendumu was left to pick up the pieces.

Enter Samara Fernandez-Brown.

She is currently studying a Bachelor of Psychology (counselling and inter-personal skills) at the University of South Australia. Samara wants to help creative community initiatives that are community run and directed to increase life satisfaction in our communities while also combating the negatives cycles.

Samara is passionate about culture in fashion and recently featured in *Australian Vogue* magazine showcasing the amazing art and artists from central Australia.

She also is the creator and editor of *North Magazine*, which is a collaborative project between NORTH and the communities of Yuendumu and Nyirripi.

"I know my community as a place of cultural abundance and saw, in this magazine, an opportunity to show you Yuendumu and what us Warlpiri people are truly like."

Meet Samara, pages 18-19.



Samara Fernandez-Brown found herself addressing Black Lives Matter rallies after her cousin Kumanjayi Walker was shot and killed by a cop in Yuendumu late last year. Since then Samara has been working to get justice for Kumanjayi and family.

Call for veto rights to protect significant sites



KIMBERLEY Land Council chief executive Nolan Hunter believes Western Australia's heritage legislation needs to change so that traditional owners can have the right to veto destruction of significant sites.

"There is something not quite right if there is more regard to protection of things (like heritage-listed buildings) that are a couple of hundred years old under the legislative framework ... than sites that are thousands of years old," he said.

Mr Hunter is one of many people who have made submissions to Federal Parliament's Northern Australia Committee.

The committee is investigating Rio Tinto's blasting of the 46,000-year-old Juukan Gorge rock shelters which has led to significant backlash and prompted the resignation of chief executive Jean-Sebastien Jacques and two other executives.

Mining giant BHP has conceded the entire industry needs to put significant work into rebuilding trust



Kimberley Land Council chief executive Nolan Hunter.

with Aboriginal land owners after an investor revolt at rival company Rio Tinto sparked by its destruction of ancient sites.

BHP, which like Rio Tinto has major iron ore operations in

Western Australia's Pilbara region, last week gave evidence to the committee.

BHP has announced it will not act on any existing Section 18 approvals for disruption of

Aboriginal sites without extensive consultation with traditional owners.

Earlier this year, WA's government granted BHP approval to blast 40 significant Indigenous sites to expand its \$4.5 billion South Flank iron ore project.

BHP has since established a heritage advisory council allowing senior BHP staff to consult directly with representatives of the traditional owners, the Banjima people.

The company's president of minerals in Australia, Edgar Basto, told the inquiry BHP had access to an independent area on Banjima country with 11 million tonnes of high-grade iron ore which it had chosen not to disturb.

"We haven't touched that," Mr Basto said.

"If there are issues that are difficult to resolve, what we have seen in the past is that if there is good communication and a good culture of respect between the parties, we can sort out these problems."

However, in its submission to the inquiry, the Banjima Native Title Aboriginal Corporation said it was disturbed by 'gag orders' placed

on traditional owners as part of their agreements which prevents them from publicly raising concerns.

Mr Basto said BHP had no intention of gagging traditional owners and had communicated that it would not enforce any clauses to that effect.

He said BHP prided itself on its engagement with Aboriginal people, but the industry as a whole needed to rebuild trust.

The traditional owners of the Juukan Gorge sites, the Puutu Kuntj Kurrama and Pinikura people, have urged the committee to visit the sites and see the full impact of the destruction.

WA's COVID-19 travel restrictions have prevented that from happening. Oil and gas giant Woodside was due to front the inquiry on Monday and it's expected Rio Tinto executives will be recalled at a later date.

Rio Tinto had approval for the Juukan blast but did not tell traditional owners it had examined options for expanding its mine that did not involve damaging the rock shelters. Experts had assigned the sites the highest archaeological significance in Australia. –AAP

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A male athlete is captured in a full running stride on a reddish-brown track. He is wearing a teal long-sleeved top and matching leggings, with a white bib featuring the number '1110' and the word 'WESTBROOK' above it. He also wears a teal hood and white socks. The background is a blurred crowd of spectators in a stadium.

Calls for national leadership on prisons and policing as Aunty Sherry is mourned

By DARREN COYNE



THE death in custody of Aunty Sherry two weeks ago has prompted calls for urgent national leadership. Sherry Fisher-

Tiberoo, 49, was found dead in her cell at the Brisbane watch house on September 10 after being remanded in custody on September 7 following a court appearance.

Arrested on property and drug matters four days earlier, she had appeared in court a day after her arrest and was remanded in custody.

Her death prompted a protest outside the Roma Street Police Station the following day, during which police made 18 arrests as people chanted and demanded justice, and an end to racist policing.

Another vigil was held last Friday, with hundreds turning out to listen to speakers, march, and to remember Aunty Sherry.

Protesters holding banners which read "Say their names" sat in Brisbane's King George Square before the march, chanting, "Too many coppers not enough justice" and "Black Lives Matter".

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Ms Fisher-Tilberoo – a Birri Gubba woman – was the youngest of 11 siblings and had three children of her own, and eight grandchildren.

Her nephew Troy 'Jungaji' Brady told NITV that his aunt had been impacted harshly by trans-generational trauma, which had led her to live a life on the streets for many years.



Troy Jungaji Brady speaks to the rally for Aunty Sherry in Meanjin (Brisbane) on Friday.

"Aunty Sherry was the baby of all her siblings and she was a strong, cultural, urbanised Aboriginal woman who was proud of her cultural heritage, proud of her Birri Gubba bloodlines and proud of her family," Mr Brady said.

"We were shocked when we heard of Aunty Sherry's passing, particularly the circumstances around it.

"And reality hits hard, like a tsunami, when you're told that your aunty, your beloved family,

has passed away on a concrete floor in a watch house in Brisbane.

"We want to know the circumstances. We want to see the records, the CCTV, what medication and care she was given."

Ms Fisher-Tilberoo was the fifth Indigenous person to die in custody in Australia since June this year and the 441st death in custody since the 1991 Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody.

Australia's peak Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander legal body, NATSILS, described the situation as a "national emergency".

"This is a national emergency and we demand urgent national leadership," NATSILS co-chair Nerita Waight said in a statement.

"This lack of accountability means that in practice there is no penalty for the death of our people in custody. More police officers involved in deaths in custody have been promoted

than convicted, but there cannot be justice without accountability."

Queensland Police Assistant Commissioner Brian Codd told journalists that a post-mortem examination appeared to indicate "that the death was by natural causes", but that the circumstances remained under investigation.

An investigation into Ms Fisher-Tilberoo's death is now being overseen by Queensland's State Coroner and the Crime and Corruption Commission.

Report identifies multiple failures in Morrison death

By DARREN COYNE



THE South Australian Ombudsman has recommended that the state's prisons department (SA Department of Correctional Services) apologise to the family of Wayne Fella Morrison,

who died in custody four years ago.

Speaking to the *Koori Mail* last week, Mr Morrison's sister Latoya Rule, said the Ombudsman's report at last provided some comfort to the family.

"It humanises what has been happening to my family for four years," Ms Rule said.

"It's a step towards saying Wayne died and his life was worth something."

Ombudsman Wayne Lines was critical of the way the department failed to provide information and access to family members as Mr Morrison lay dying in a hospital.

Mr Morrison died in hospital on September 26, 2016, three days after an incident at Yatala Labour Prison, where he had been restrained with handcuffs, ankle flexi-cuffs and a spit hood, and then placed face down in the rear of a prison transport van.



Latoya Rule and her brother Wayne Fella Morrison, who died in custody.

Seven prison officers accompanied Mr Morrison from the holding cells to the high security section of the prison and were present when he became unresponsive.

The Ombudsman was critical of the department's decision not to provide the family or the Aboriginal liaison officer with information about Mr Morrison's condition or whereabouts after he was rushed to hospital.

The family made repeated attempts to find out where he was and what was happening but the department had changed Mr Morrison's name to Ben Waters, a move they said was standard practice to protect an individual's privacy.

At the time Mr Morrison had fallen into a coma in the Royal Adelaide Hospital and the refusal to provide the family with information or access led to them being escorted from the hospital by security.

They were made to wait in the car park.

In his report, Mr Lines identified nine key issues with the department's administrative procedures arising from Mr Morrison's death and was largely critical of the way the department handled the situation.

These included a failure to raise a Notification of Concern or treat Mr Morrison as an 'at risk' prisoner, a failure to identify him as an Aboriginal person, and a failure to keep records – particularly during the three or so minutes when Mr Morrison was transported to a high security wing of the prison.

"By transporting Mr Morrison to G Division in a van without recording capacity, the department acted in a manner that was unreasonable," the report said.

The report recommended all prison vans be fitted with video recording equipment or that hand-held cameras be used to record transfers, and that all guards in South Australian prisons should be made to wear body cameras.

In a statement following the release of the report, SA Department of Correctional Services chief executive David Brown issued a statement saying he acknowledged the "pain and grief" experienced by Mr Morrison's family.

"The safety and wellbeing of all prisoners in the custody of the Department for Correctional Services is paramount. Mr Morrison's passing was tragic and unexpected," Mr Brown said.

Mr Brown said his department had accepted 16 of the Ombudsman's 17 recommendations with a review of the final one now in progress, but would not make further public comment as the coronial inquest remains ongoing.

Ms Rule said that while an apology was welcome, it had been a long fight for the family. She said in 2019 a number of prison officers took legal action against the coroner to stop her asking certain questions about Mr Morrison's treatment and subsequent death, arguing that officers should be able to claim a privilege against giving evidence where they may be subject to a penalty.

The inquest into Mr Morrison's death began in 2018 and is expected to resume mid-year in 2021.

Meyne Wyatt breaks new ground with self-portrait



FIRST-time Archibald prize entrant Meyne Wyatt has broken new ground to win the Packing Room Prize for his self-portrait.

The Wongutha-Yamatji man is the first Indigenous artist to win any of the prizes on offer at the Archibald Prize in its 99-year history.

Already a widely recognised actor, Wyatt made headlines when he performed a powerful four-minute-monologue from his play *City Of Gold* on ABC TV's *Q&A* in June.

The Western Australian-born, Sydney-based artist, writer and actor said he was "absolutely ecstatic and truly humbled by this wonderful honour".

Art Gallery of New South Wales head packer Brett Cuthbertson said it was unusual for a self-portrait to win the prize, which comes with \$1500.

"I have been known to say that artists who enter a self-portrait have no hope of winning ... but in this case I made an exception to my rule," he said.

"When Meyne came into the gallery to deliver his entry he said he hadn't painted in some time and the work was just a COVID project. I loved the story and was really impressed with the result."

Wyatt's painting was selected from 55 finalist works and is only the second self-portrait to win the Packing Room Prize in its 29-year history.

"Most of all I want to thank my mum, who encouraged me to enter the Archibald Prize in the first place and gave me the courage to be so bold," Wyatt said.

"In a way, that is the essence of the painting and what it reflects – to be bold."

Wyatt's mother Susan Wyatt is also an artist and was an Archibald finalist in 2003.

The award is one of Australia's oldest and richest – with a prize of \$100,000.

There is strong Indigenous representation among this year's finalists which feature portraits by Blak Douglas, Vincent Namatjira, Tiger Yaltangki and Kaylene Whiskey.

In 2018 Whiskey, who is self-taught, won the Sulman Prize. In 2019 she won the Telstra National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Award for general painting. This year she is an Archibald Prize finalist for the first time.

In her self-portrait she's imagined a visit by her hero Dolly Parton, to her home in the Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara (APY) Lands, where she works in the Aboriginal-owned community art centre, Iwantja Arts.

"It's one of my dreams for Dolly to come and visit me in Indulkana," Whiskey said. "I love to listen to her music while I paint: *9 to 5*, *Coat of Many Colours*, *Jolene*, and my number one, *Islands in the Stream* with Kenny Rogers. I often think, 'If Dolly came to visit, what would she do? What would she say? And what would she be wearing?'"

"I had a lot of fun bringing Dolly to Indulkana on the canvas. Once I had finished the painting I thought, 'You know what? Dolly needs more sparkles,' so I added the plastic jewels as the finishing touch!"

Aboriginal subjects painted by non-Indigenous artists also featured in the finalists, including portraits of Bruce Pascoe by Craig Ruddy, artist Richard Bell by Julie Fragar and rapper Briggs by Scott Marsh.

The Archibald, Wynne and Sulman prize winners will be announced on September 25.



Self-portrait by Meyne Wyatt, winner of the Packing Room Prize.



Writing in the sand by Blak Douglas.



My dad, Churchill Cann by Charlene Carrington.



Richard by Julie Fragar.



Dolly visits Indulkana by Kaylene Whiskey.



Stand strong for who you are by Vincent Namatjira.



Self-portrait by Tiger Yaltangki.



Poppy Chicka by Thea Anamara Perkins.

Penny marks her connection to nature and her ancestors' bloodlines in clay

By KIRK PAGE



ARTIST Penny Evans is inspired by nature and her ancestral connections to her Gomerioi bloodlines. Penny's latest collection of ceramic sculpture *Language of the Wounded* is on show at the Lismore Regional Gallery in northern NSW.

The hand built clay pieces are displayed on the walls of the gallery space with markings and carvings that reflect and embody her Gomerioi ancestry. Each piece is unique and an evolution in her artistic practice. The sculptural works seem very bone like – remains that reflect middens, marking them with cuts and wounds.

The design work on the ceramics references Penny's cultural heritage in combination with the unique and evolving graphic style she has developed since graduating from art school. Penny says that the process of layering and carving out then layering again comes from an Italian technique called sgraffito.

"There are so many different types of clay and glazes – you can dig your own clay from the natural sources or get commercially resourced clay.

"The glazes and finishes allow so much potential, so the sky's the limit in terms of how you can experiment," she said.

"I went to art school and wanted to be a painter when I first started creating. I met a great group of artists who were using clay as a sculptural form while I was studying and I was really curious to try.



Penny Evans with *Grandmother's Mark* from *Language of the Wounded*. Picture: Michelle Eabry

"The first thing I made, I really loved and I was taken by this so much that I changed from painting to clay making. It really spoke to me. The results of seeing the object go through fire just started me thinking in a different way."

Penny's graphic carved work expresses a language of its own. The layering of symbolism and cultural meaning and information speaks of Penny's journey as an artist and an Aboriginal woman.

"The central piece is called *Grandmother's Mark* – a reverberating cross placed on the wall is inspired by my grandmothers and the mark

made on official documents – an X representing names of ancestors, their signature their mark made.

"It also represents the mark of the crucifix frog that lives on country, hibernating under ground, that can survive major droughts and severe heat and re-emerges again during the seasonal shifts," Penny said.

"It's all inspired by women's gatherings to my country and tells of the story of the drought over the last few years.

"The state of the land was traumatising and water was being stolen by irrigators. It's an ecological nightmare and all over the country this is

happening. The lands have been flattened by cotton farmers and mining. It's been destroyed and to see this is devastating.

"Reckoning with this destruction of land and the impact it has had on our people has had a great influence on what I do.

"I have been reckoning with all of it for years, especially my own experience of being black and white.

"I grew up assimilated but the practice of making art has pulled me back to who I am. There are missing links everywhere. For me, as an artist in NSW, my primary concerns

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– Penny Evans

are with the history and aftermath of colonisation.

"For me our history is not the distant past. I am the culmination of it and embody it. I grew up in an education system in the late 1960s and '70s born out of a pathological denialism cloaked in a binary structure in which racism thrived and still does."

Penny says in this latest collection she has reduced the work and this, perhaps, lets the objects speak for themselves.

"I believe that my ancestors work through me when I'm in that zone. It's been interesting discovering what it all means culturally for me. There's something much greater at play," she said.

The objects of *Language of the Wounded* are built from the earth and forged through fire and have been raised up by Evans to meet us. They look back at us. They confront us face-on, silently demanding we reconsider what they might be and or what they might mean.

Language of the Wounded is on now at the Lismore Regional Gallery until November 1.

TSI child-rearing practice is inscribed in state law

By ALF WILSON



THE traditional child-rearing practices of Torres Strait Islander people have been legally recognised in Australia for the first time, after the Queensland parliament passed a new law on September 8.

The *Meriba Omasker Kaziw Kazipa Act 2020*, which translates to "For Our Children's Children", formally recognises Torres Strait Islander children traditionally adopted by relatives or other community members.

Queensland MP Cynthia Lui, who represents the far north seat of Cook, said Torres Strait Islanders have raised their children in loving, supportive extended families or kinship groups for generations.

"Until now, these family relationships have never been fully recognised in law," she said.

"This act means children and adults who've grown up with traditional adoptive parents will finally have their legal identity match their cultural identity."



Cook MP Cynthia Lui has been instrumental in getting the historic legislation recognising TSI child-rearing practice passed.

Previously, children could only take the name of their biological parents as cultural or kinship relationships were not recognised.

This resulted in a myriad of

identification and legal issues, resulting in difficulty getting a passport or drivers license or access to education, health, banking and housing services.

Now, a child's cultural parents can make parental decisions and a child would have the same legal rights as other children of the cultural parents, including inheritance rights.

The bill passed into law unanimously in State Parliament with support from the LNP opposition and crossbench.

It was introduced by Ms Lui, who is the first Torres Strait Islander person to be elected to an Australian Parliament.

Aunty Ivy Trevallion, who chaired the Kupai Omasker working group, said the law would preserve traditional child-rearing practices while removing legal barriers.

"We trust this legislation will help remove identification barriers for participation in important areas such as education, health, housing and finance to ensure our young people raised through traditional child rearing practices don't get left out," Aunty Ivy said.

Premier Annastacia Palaszczuk said the bill would never have passed into law

without Ms Lui's hard work.

"As the first Torres Strait Islander elected to Queensland Parliament, Ms Lui has led this very important and proud day for the people of the Torres Strait," the Premier said.

"Torres Strait Islander leadership has been advocating to have this cultural practice legally recognised for more than 30 years – aiming to bridge the gap between traditional lore and western law for caregivers and children from extended Torres Strait Islander families.

Ms Lui said the *Meriba Omasker Kaziw Kazipa Act 2020*, has been a long time coming.

"Legally recognising Torres Strait Islander traditional child-rearing practice and acknowledging the strength of this enduring culture is a historic milestone in the Queensland Government's journey to reframe its relationship with First Nations peoples.

"It enables people to apply for a birth certificate that reflects their lived identity, and opens easy access to government services such as financial support and school enrolment," Ms Lui said.

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Lead claimant of the Stolen Wages class-action Hans Pearson, left, with Anthony Henry in Woorabinda in 2017.

Time extended to update Stolen Wage claim info

By CHRISTINE HOWES



ADMINISTRATORS of BELAW's Stolen Wages Settlement Distribution Scheme in Queensland have been told by the Federal Court to extend the deadline for claimants to provide their correct details.

In the case of Hans Pearson vs the State of Queensland Justice Murphy has amended his orders to extend the deadline earlier this month, changing the date to October 9, 2020.

Business advisory firm Grant Thornton has been tasked with distributing the payouts. Grant Thornton partner Anthony Beven said not everyone was happy with the decision.

"Some people were concerned about the extension because they were expecting to receive their distribution statements," he said.

"We had a number of disappointed, angry callers to the Stolen Wages Information Centre with concerns about the delay, but the judge has made it clear this is going to be it, there won't be any more extensions."

He said they were still planning on making payments by the first week of December.

"We didn't request the extension. We just advised the judge that there'd been 4500 people who hadn't provided bank account details and proof of identity, and the judge said he was concerned about the high number," he said.

"He thought it was best to provide another month, or five weeks, for people to provide their details.

"So he's extended the date until October 9 for people to provide what they call claim data, which is your name, your address, birth date, whether you're male, female, Aboriginal or Torres Islander, and your proof of identity, your photo ID."

Mr Beven said that meant Grant Thornton would do some more community visits and telephoning to try to locate the missing people.

"We'll do our best to try and do that," he said.

"We said to the judge if there was to be an extension the payment date shouldn't be changed or altered because that was the most important thing, so we've deleted

some of the appeal period from approximately 67 days to 28 days.

"But it's going to be tight – very, very tight – so if some appeals don't happen or they are extended or there are some difficult issues to deal with, there's a possibility the payment date could be affected."

Mr Beven said they had initially gone back to the courts to ask the judge to make a decision on people who passed after November 21 (the final registration date) last year.

"We asked for permission to allow one family member – a spouse, first of all – to register, and if a spouse wasn't available or there was no spouse, one child to represent the family to register in lieu of Mum or Dad's claim," he said.

"So the judge quickly accepted that and said, 'That's a good idea'.

"Under the orders the judge made on September 8 this year, a spouse, or, if there's no spouse, a child, can register on behalf of Mum or Dad's claim."

He said it was important to understand the difference between a claimant and a registered representative.

"A registered representative is a spouse or a child, so if Mum or Dad passed away before November 21, 2019, a spouse or a child could register on their behalf, and so the court had a very strict line in the sand of November 21.

"Now there's a lot more flexibility. So if someone did register, a spouse, and if there's no spouse, a child representing the family, and we'll have a form available to enable that."

He said the next thing claimants should expect was to receive their distribution statements.

"Distribution statements are a statement as to what the person is entitled to in terms of a payment, which they will receive in the first week of December, subject to reviews and appeals," he said.

"Under the settlement distribution scheme, at least two barristers have to be appointed to undertake the reviews, so they're not appointed by me, they're appointed by the legal advisors, Bottoms English Lawyers, and they independently do the reviews."

For more information or to register a claimant's details go to stolenwages.com.au

Sovereignty at stake as TOs stand their ground

By NICK PATON



WANGAN and Jagalingou traditional owners are fearful that the proposed Adani Carmichael coal mine will be a catastrophe

every bit as destructive and hurtful to their land, culture, and people, as the recent blasting of sacred 46,000 year-old caves at Juukan Gorge in the Pilbara.

Tribal leader and prominent Wangan and Jagalingou spokesperson Adrian Burragubba told the *Koori Mail* that Wangan and Jagalingou traditional owners returned to their country near the Adani mine site on September 6, only to be immediately confronted by Adani security personnel.

"We have returned to our ceremonial camp after we were moved on by police at Adani's behest (in August)," Mr Burragubba said.

"We have a right to be here and Adani has no right to remove us.

"Any attempt to evict us may result in assault and racial discrimination charges."

Mr Burragubba and other W&J traditional owners said they refuse to be intimidated by Adani, even after they were forced to move off their own country by police officers on August 28.

The police acted after Adani, who holds the Moray Downs pastoral lease where the ceremonial camp is located, claimed that Mr Burragubba and others were trespassing on their own land.

Mr Burragubba said Wangan and Jagalingou traditional owners are being forced to fight Adani and the state just to be on their own country, so that they can be there to honour their ancestors and protect their land just as Wangan and Jagalingou people have done for millennia.

He said the Indian mining company continues to discriminate against traditional owners and



Tribal leader and prominent Wangan and Jagalingou spokesperson Adrian Burragubba has returned to his ceremonial camp.

abuse their rights.

"My family does not require the permission of the pastoral lease holder, Adani, and were wrongfully prompted to move on by police," Mr Burragubba said.

"The action of removal was discriminatory and a breach of human rights and complaints have been filed with the Queensland Human Rights Commission."

Mr Burragubba said he has a right to be on his country, with his tribal group, under Wangan and Jagalingou laws and customs.

"Adani had previously encouraged the police to act on their behalf, and appear to have provided them with false information, saying that they own the land, and that we were trespassing," he said.

"Gautam Adani (the billionaire founder of the company) thinks he owns the place, but this has always been our ancestral homeland, and our rights remain, so he's nothing

but a Johnny-come-lately leaseholder on our country."

Mr Burragubba said Wangan and Jagalingou people are feeling harmed – spiritually, culturally and physically, by the desecration and destruction of their land for the sake of mining coal.

"We are peacefully camping on our homeland, practising our laws and culture, but Adani sends in its security force and calls in police to intervene," he said.

"As a cultural leader for my people, I led my family onto our clan estate to exercise our cultural rights, and continue our work to protect the land and make peace with our ancestors, in the face of Adani's relentless environmental assault."

Despite everything that Adani has thrown at them, Mr Burragubba said last week that his people were back on their land near the mine site, holding their country and defending their birthright to be in

the places where their ancestors reside.

"We fight this fight not just for our family, or the whole W&J people, but for all Aboriginal people who are faced with the destruction of their cultural heritage," Mr Burragubba said.

"Right now, Adani are destroying our culture and country and while our resistance was sidelined because of the coronavirus pandemic, Adani accelerated the destruction of our land."

Since the COVID-19 restrictions in Queensland have eased, W&J traditional owners have resumed regular movements on and around their Country.

"Nowhere is more threatened at this time than our homelands in Jagalingou country, where Adani's mine of mass destruction is under construction," Mr Burragubba said.

"The mine will drain the life out of our country and destroy our

dreaming and the sacred Doongmabulla springs."

Mr Burragubba said the outrageous destruction of Juukan Gorge shows that, when it comes to ripping up the land for minerals and making money, mining has no respect for First Nations people, or their cultural rights.

"Not even when it means the loss of 46,000 years of continuous culture and law embedded in a sacred site like Juukan Gorge.

"Exercising our cultural rights is what First Nation sovereignty means, so being present on country is essential to passing our laws and customs on to our younger generations," he said.

"My family have specific totems and laws attached to Jagalingou country, so we have to maintain cultural progress and develop that together."

Mr Burragubba said Adani's project interferes with the self-determination of W&J people, disrupts their culture and is devastating their land, and if their land is destroyed, they will cease to be as a people.

"Adani is an enemy to the land, the ancestors and our law and when they wave around 'Indigenous land use agreements' and talk about 'cultural heritage management plans' they are corrupting our law," Mr Burragubba said.

"Our Wiridi tribal law does not derive from Native Title statute, which is a legal system to allow others to take our lands and waters from us, or exploit them, without our genuine free, prior and informed consent.

"It forces us to hand our country over for destruction and that is not how our law works."

The battle over the proposed coal mine has been the subject of numerous court actions for years and has seen rifts between traditional owners. It has prompted the Federal Government to change the *Native Title Act* and the Queensland Government to extinguish native title on part of W&J's land.

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Passion for the stars sees Noon take new role as astronomy ambassador



GAMMILARAY astrophysicist Karlie Noon is passionate about Indigenous astronomical knowledge.

And now, Ms Noon has been named by the Sydney Observatory as their first astronomy ambassador.

The multiple award-winner was a 2019 ACT Young Australian of the Year finalist and a 2019 Eureka Prize Emerging Leader finalist.

Ms Noon will work with the Sydney Observatory to develop a portfolio of science engagement programs over the next six months.

She presented her first online program, a livestream exploring the planets, stars and highlights of the Southern Sky live from the Sydney Observatory, as part of the Sydney Science Trail for National Science Week on August 22.

"I am absolutely delighted to be appointed Sydney Observatory's first astronomy ambassador," Ms Noon said

"I am passionate about making science accessible and engaging for everyone, especially those from a disadvantaged background.

"The Sydney Observatory is a great place for visitors to learn



Gamilaray astrophysicist Karlie Noon is the first astronomy ambassador for the Sydney Observatory.

about the wonders in our universe and I'm honoured to join the team of expert astronomers."

The inaugural Sydney Observatory Residency Program provides a supportive environment for researchers and creatives to

undertake a project relating to the Observatory's disciplines, collection and programs.

Residencies are open to established and emerging academic researchers, artists, scientists and creative organisations, and

interdisciplinary collaborations between art and science are highly encouraged.

Built in 1858, Sydney Observatory is positioned on the highest point of Warrane (Sydney) boasting panoramic views of Sydney Harbour and is considered a site of significance for the Eora nation.

The observatory plays a central role in the recent history of timekeeping, meteorology and astronomy in Australia.

It has led many significant projects, including the creation of the first meteorological records for NSW and the charting of over 430,000 stars in the southern sky.

This year the Sydney Science Trail bubbled over with immersive games, livestream talks, explosive science shows and tours from world-class scientists and researchers. It ran until September 15.

Primary and secondary students all over Australia were able to learn about technology, animals, space, plants and earth during the month-long schedule.

Ms Noon will continue to speak about her research in Indigenous astronomy, where she has been looking for Aboriginal traditional knowledge within dreamtime stories.

Kids get hands-on with the table of elements

By NICK PATON



NATIONAL Science Week is Australia's annual celebration of science and technology,

featuring more than 1000 events around Australia delivered by universities, schools, research institutions, libraries, museums and science centres.

But this year National Science Week was held in a different way. With travel restrictions and physical distancing requirements to combat the COVID-19 pandemic in full swing, nearly all events were moved online.

The events attracted a wide audience from children to adults, and science amateurs to professionals, participating in online science events across the nation.

In Queensland, a massive interactive periodic table display was unveiled by Hope Vale Mayor Jason Woibo at the Hope Vale Aboriginal Shire Council on August 20. The hands-on display will provide a new and exciting way of interacting with science as part of the curriculum for local students from the Cape York Aboriginal Australian Academy



Hope Vale Aboriginal Shire Council Mayor Jason Woibo unveiled an interactive periodic table of the elements as part of science week celebrations.

(CYAAA) Hope Vale Campus.

The large periodic table of the elements houses samples of each chemical element and modern ways these elements are used today.

Cape York Aboriginal Australian Academy (Hope Vale Campus) principal Glenn White said the students were full of excitement and awe as the display was unveiled.

"Most of these kids have never seen a periodic table before, so for them to be able to visualise the elements and explore the components of various materials and items really has helped to bridge that gap in their learning," Mr White said.

"Our kids are very visual learners so the fact they are able to touch and hold these different materials, and see them, is very



Teachers and students from the Cape York Aboriginal Australian Academy (Hope Vale Campus) get to know different elements in the display.

important. Science is a part of everyday life and if the kids can engage in it, and understand it, it really does provide for them that platform of increased opportunity."

Mr White said the display will remain at the Hope Vale Aboriginal Shire Council chambers for the whole community to interact with, until it is moved to the CYAAA

Hope Vale Campus.

Good to Great Schools Australia (GGSA) is a not-for-profit organisation that supports schools on their improvement journey, and is the brains behind the groundbreaking interactive experience.

GGSA founder and co-chair Noel Pearson emphasised the academy's "best of both worlds" approach to educating students.

"This means we provide ancestral language and cultural knowledge curriculum, as well as the highest quality programs in global knowledge including science," Mr Pearson said.

"We want our children to be fully bicultural: versed in their own culture as well as the wider world."

Mr Pearson said he wants Aboriginal children to understand that science belongs to them as much as any human on the planet.

"Science belongs to humans," he said. "I want our kids to embrace science in their future education and careers."

To complement the unveiling of their periodic table display, GGSA have also begun implementing their innovative and engaging science program in other remote Aboriginal schools.



Rex Greeno at home in Launceston with a 2.57-metre lukrapina reed canoe he made from river reeds gathered from beside kanamaluka/Tamar River, which his home overlooks.

Tradition rescued

By Nick Paton



WHEN Uncle Rex Greeno retired after 40 years as a professional fisherman, he knew there was another way to

celebrate his love for the sea and his culture.

That's why Uncle Rex decided to resurrect the science and art of traditional canoe construction, which had not been seen in Tasmania since the early 19th century.

For this year's National Science Week, participants were invited to take part in a special webinar, an online audio-visual experience of Uncle Rex talking about the science behind his canoe making.

The webinar was developed by the University of Tasmania's Plimsoll Gallery, in collaboration with the Office of the Pro Vice Chancellor, Aboriginal Leadership.

As part of the presentation Uncle Rex spoke to the audience about how traditional canoe making relates to his Tasmanian Aboriginal culture, and how his experience as a boat builder of European boats has helped with the construction of his canoes.

Participants were encouraged to look deeper into the rich cultural knowledge and science behind Tasmanian Aboriginal canoe making through various resources and learning materials, including a 'how to' demonstration and instructions on how to make your own canoe.

"I acquired a book on the early watercraft of Tasmanian Aboriginal people and it was after reading it I decided to build a similar canoe," Uncle Rex said.

Make your own canoe

1. Look around the house for materials that you can recycle into a canoe or raft.

2. Look for items that could provide buoyancy like the reeds that were used in the original canoes or empty plastic bottles. There are lots of ways to tie the elements together like string or wool, grasses or bark. Find waterproof material to wrap around the hull materials you have collected, this was originally done with bark but could also be done with plastics or waxed materials.

3. Start with a sketch drawing idea of how you want your canoe to look. Try drawing the canoe from different angles. The idea is to make three hulls that can fit side by side.

4. The main middle hull will carry most of the weight and the two side hulls will keep the canoe from tipping. Originally the canoes are built up in a paper mache style. Start with the bones of the hull.

This can be a long stick or similar material that can be shaped upwards at the ends. Then we want to build the inner buoyant material around that.

5. You can bunch together reeds or attach bottles together. Take your inner buoyant material (reeds, bottles, cans etc) and shape them so the three hulls go side by side.

6. Wrap the three hulls together at each end with something strong like bark, glue or rope/ twine.

7. Try to keep the ends of the hulls pointing upwards so they don't take on water.

8. Wrap the hulls in the most waterproof material you can find.



A small (1.22 metre) ninga (paper bark canoe) that Rex Greeno made.

"There were accounts by the French of Aboriginal people in canoes, which they called pirogues, up to 20km off the southern end of Tasmania.

"At least one was reported to be more than seven metres in length – the length of the whale boats used by whalers and sealers at that time"

"Because of the damp conditions on the land it was difficult for the locals to keep lighting fires, so they carried their fire sticks and coals on a bed of clay in their canoes."

Uncle Rex is a nationally

recognised and experienced canoe builder and artist.

He taught himself the craft by reading extensively and by experimenting with raw materials and various ways of constructing the canoes.

Born on Flinders Island in Bass Strait, Uncle Rex's Aboriginal heritage comes from his mother, Dulcie Greeno, a noted shell necklace maker, and his grandfather, Silas Mansell, who taught him mutton-birding, kangaroo and wallaby-snaring, and how to make boats.

"When I first decided to construct a bark canoe, I found that they were made up of three hulls, each hull was wide in the middle and then tapered at each end," Uncle Rex said.

"I found that to build the canoe I had to make a core which determined the shape of the canoe, then layers of bark are shaped similar to the boats planks, and then tied by jute twine, similar to paper mache style.

"So my shipwright experience certainly helped me to construct the canoe."

The webinar included an investigation into the resilience of Indigenous culture in surviving the impact of invasion and ethnobotanical information on the various species that are used in various types of Indigenous canoe making.

Participants were encouraged to send in photos of their homemade canoe with the materials they found and gathered from local bushland, which will form an online exhibition at the Plimsoll Gallery, as part of the University of Tasmania's Fine Art Collection.

Government rejects claim TSI homes threatened by climate



THE Australian Government has denied climate change is currently impacting the human rights of Torres Strait Islanders, and is trying to avoid its legal responsibility to protect them from rising seas, ClientEarth lawyers have said.

After more than a year, the Government has formally responded to a complaint made by a group of Torres Strait Islanders to the United Nations alleging Australia was failing in its duty to protect its climate vulnerable communities, and has said that the complaint should be dismissed.

In May last year, a group of eight Islanders from the low lying archipelago in the country's far north lodged the complaint with the UN's Human Rights Committee in Geneva, highlighting the threat of climate change to their culture and their ability to live on their home islands.

Advancing seas are already threatening homes, as well as damaging burial grounds and sacred cultural sites. Many Islanders are worried their islands could disappear in their lifetimes, without urgent action – a concern backed by the latest climate science.

Australia's response to the Islanders' complaint states the case should be rejected because it concerns future risks, rather than impacts being felt now.



Eight Torres Strait Islanders, including Daniel Billy (second from the right), have made a formal complaint to the United Nations about Australia's lack of action on climate change.

Australia's lawyers also stated that because the country is not the main or only contributor to global warming, climate change action is not its legal responsibility under human rights law.

Daniel Billy, a Warraber Island man from the Kulkalgal nation in the central Torres Strait, is one of the claimants.

"In our culture, it's the responsibility of those alive today to

look after our traditional way of life for future generations," he said. "Our Kulkalgal Elders say we must look after our land and sea for our children and their children."

"We can't wait around any longer – the Government needs to take action in the present before rising seas mean our island and our culture is lost."

Last year the Islanders called on the Government to reduce

Australia's emissions by at least 65% below 2005 levels by 2030 and to commit to reach net zero by 2050; as well as sustained investment in long-term adaptation measures to ensure the islands can continue to be inhabited.

Last September, the Islanders personally invited Prime Minister Scott Morrison to visit their communities to see the climate impacts for himself. Mr Morrison

declined the offer. However, the Government later promised funds for emergency coastal defences, such as sea walls.

In that funding announcement, the Government failed to mention climate change as a key reason coastal defences were needed. And in its legal response to the Islanders' complaint, Australia's lawyers rejected arguments that climate impacts were being felt today.

Australian climate lawyer Sophie Marjanac, with environmental legal charity ClientEarth, is acting for the Islanders in this complaint.

"It's shameful that Indigenous communities on Australia's climate frontline are being told that the risk of climate change to their human rights is merely a 'future hypothetical' issue, when scientists are clear these impacts will happen in coming decades," she said.

"My clients are watching as their traditional lands, their homes, their sacred sites and burial grounds are being eroded by the steadily encroaching waves."

Now that Australia has responded to the complaint, the Islanders will be required to respond before October.

The claim is supported by the Torres Strait's leading land and sea council, Gur A Baradharaw Kod (GBK) and environmental group 350.org Australia.

The Islanders have launched an online campaign, using the hashtags #OurIslandsOurHome and #TorresStrait8.

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Register to attend the online session at:

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Call for Nominations: Membership of the Aboriginal Heritage Council



The Tasmanian Government is seeking nominations from Aboriginal people to be appointed to the Aboriginal Heritage Council, a Statutory Council under the *Aboriginal Heritage Act 1975*. The Council provides advice and recommendations to the Minister on a broad range of matters that impact Aboriginal heritage, including permits, consulting with Aboriginal community organisations, and Aboriginal cultural values in the Tasmanian Wilderness World Heritage Area. The Council also supports the development of information materials to inform the public and potential proponents about the *Aboriginal Heritage Act 1975*, and best practice in managing Aboriginal heritage. The Council is supported by Aboriginal Heritage Tasmania in the Department of Primary Industries, Parks, Water and Environment.

Nominations are encouraged from Aboriginal people with skills, qualifications, knowledge, or experience in Aboriginal heritage management, cultural values presentation and interpretation, as well as experience in leadership and governance.

Applications can be submitted to aboriginalheritagecouncil@heritage.tas.gov.au by COB on **Friday, 9 October 2020**.

Further information, including the application form, is available at <https://www.aboriginalheritage.tas.gov.au>; by email or by calling (03) 6165 3136.

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Mining threatens destruction of Lake Torrens' sacred sites

By DARREN COYNE



A MINING company's plan to explore and drill for gold and copper in Lake Torrens in South

Australia has been likened to the plan which resulted in the destruction of Juukan Gorge in Western Australia.

The company, Kelaray, an Australian subsidiary of mining company Argonaut Resources, has sought an exemption from Section 23 of the *Mining Act 1971* (SA).

Section 23 makes it an offence to damage, disturb or interfere with Aboriginal sites, objects or remains without the authorisation of the SA Minister for Aboriginal Affairs and Reconciliation, the premier Steven Marshall.

Section 23 is effectively South Australia's equivalent of Section 18 of Western Australia's *Aboriginal Heritage Act 1972*, under which Rio Tinto was given authorisation to conduct blasts in Juukan Gorge.

SA Native Title Services



Keith Thomas, chief executive of the SA Native Title Services.

chief executive Keith Thomas said the Juukan Gorge tragedy was a reminder of the impacts mining has on Aboriginal heritage.

Lake Torrens, which

includes Andamooka Island, is registered on the Central Archive of Aboriginal sites as a place of cultural significance due to its anthropological creation stories.

Mr Thomas said the area of Lake Torrens being proposed by the miner was part of a number of different Dreaming stories, some of which were men's only and could not be spoken about.

"Then there's the Seven Sisters Dreaming, which comes through there," Mr Thomas told the *Koori Mail*.

"This area – 70 kilometres south-east of Roxby Downs uranium mine – is quite significant and will cause a lot of damage."

Mr Thomas said the decision whether or not to proceed with the proposed exploration and drilling now rested with the minister.

"But I don't think there has been a decision where the minister has said no," he said.

"We call it the 'search and destroy' process."

The applicant, who explores and develops copper and zinc in SA, Queensland and Zambia, wants to conduct surveys, deep diamond exploration drilling, create new access tracks, drill for water bores and construct a new exploration camp on Andamooka Island.

Mr Thomas urged the premier to reject the proposal.

"The Juukan Gorge tragedy in Western Australia is a reminder that mining impacts on Aboriginal heritage must receive the highest level of sensitivity from the mining industry and the South Australian Government," he said.

Mr Thomas believes the WA incident – which resulted in the chief executive of Rio Tinto and others resigning with multi-million payouts – has brought the destruction of Aboriginal sites to the attention of the nation.

"There is a national movement now for people wanting to see Aboriginal sites protected," he said.

"People need to voice their concerns to the premier about further destruction of Aboriginal sites because more has to be done to protect Aboriginal heritage."

The submission for exploration and drilling comes after a 10-year legal battle to protect Lake Torrens from mining and exploration by the Kokatha and Adnyamathanha people.

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Dr Khyarne Biles

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Focus on at risk LGBTI+SB mob

By NICK PATON



ABORIGINAL and Torres Strait Islander people have a rate of suicide approximately twice that of other Australians.

And each year, around 100,000 Australians attempt suicide with more than 500,000 Australians having attempted suicide at some point in their life.

But Indigenous Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Queer, Trans, Intersex, Sistergirl, Brotherboy (LGBTI+SB) people deal with additional societal challenges, ones that can regularly intersect.

Mangyari Maubiag man Dameyon Bonson is an Indigenous suicide prevention expert, specifically Indigenous LGBTI+ suicide. He is the founder of Black Rainbow, Australia's first and only national Indigenous LGBTI suicide prevention charity organisation.

Mr Bonson presented an introduction to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander LGBTI+SB suicide prevention in an online workshop to coincide with World Suicide Prevention Day on September 10.

He said the workshop highlighted why this particular marginalised group is at an elevated risk of suicide, looking at determinants and risk factors that are specific to Indigenous and LGBTI+ people independently and how these intersect.

"There are universal risk factors that can affect all people and these include a family history of suicide, previous suicide attempt(s) and feelings of hopelessness and having a history of mental illness for example," Mr Bonson said.

"For members of the Indigenous LGBTI+SB community there are risk factors that are both Indigenous and LGBTI+ specific that are additional to these universal risk factors."

Mr Bonson said that for Indigenous people risk factors include racism, child removals, unresolved trauma, cultural dislocation, and identity issues.

"But for LGBTI+ people risk factors include lack of family and community acceptance, victimisation, bullying, internal conflict about sexual orientation



Founder of Black Rainbow organisation Dameyon Bonson.

and homophobia, transphobia," he said.

"As Indigenous LGBTI+SB people, we are susceptible to universal risk factors as well as those that are Indigenous and LGBTI+ specific."

What is becoming evident, Mr Bonson said, is that a lack of acceptance from some members of the Indigenous community is a unique risk factor to the Indigenous LGBTI+SB people. He said that being part of a community gives Indigenous LGBTI+SB mob a sense of belonging, which is a major protective factor to suicide.

As part of the workshop, Mr Bonson shared personal insight into what it is to be Indigenous and queer, working across mainstream, Indigenous and LGBTI+ sectors, the challenges and wins, and the work that is still needed.

The National Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (NACCHO) also used World Suicide Prevention Day to address disproportionate rates of suicide amongst Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

NACCHO chair Donnell Mills

said that reducing suicide rates and improving the mental health of Indigenous people has always been a priority. She said overincarceration, lack of access to affordable housing, exposure to violence and lack of access to mental health services, are common factors that lead to suicides.

"It is essential to have Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander control at the centre of programs and interventions and to draw on elements of our culture that give us strength and identity," Ms Mills said.

"The new National Agreement on Close the Gap targets brings focus on areas not previously included in the Closing the Gap strategy such as suicide, children in out-of-home care, adult incarceration and juvenile detention, which will help immensely in this direction.

"We know our Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisations (ACCHOs) are best placed to deliver these essential services because they understand the issues our people go through."

The Kimberley Aboriginal Medical Service (KAMS) in Western Australia, has done significant work in suicide prevention and has specialised programs to curb suicide rates in their communities. Their focus has been to support the community in designing and delivering Kimberley-specific services and programs.

"Actions and investment must be place-based to deliver results on the ground and focus on not just short-term outcomes, but long-term impacts," KAMS chief operating officer Rob McPhee said. "The success of these programs requires an ongoing commitment to sustainable funding and a whole of system approach."

Readers seeking support and information about suicide prevention can contact

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NEXT STEPS

All written suggestions received by the deadline will be published on the AEC website on Monday 19 October 2020. You can then tell us, in writing, whether you support or disagree with the suggestions. Written comments on suggestions need to be received by **6pm AEDT Friday 30 October 2020**.

The Redistribution Committee will then review all ideas, suggestions and comments received before releasing proposed names and boundaries for Victoria's federal electoral divisions in early 2021.

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The Day Before Vigil organising committee, Vashti Eastern Wright, Sabina Baltruweit, Shauna McIntyre and Dr Marcelle Townsend-Cross.

Vigil event to reflect on the day before...

By NICK PATON



A PEACE group based on Bundjalung country in north-east NSW is hosting a new event aimed at healing old wounds.

The North Coast Peace Group Remembering and Healing (RaH) is holding the Northern Rivers' first The Day Before Vigil – Eve of Australia Day event, January 25, next year.

Based in Lismore, RaH advocates for a peace-orientated, compassionate, all-inclusive, just and humane society, and the upholding of human rights for all without exception.

They aim to inspire the wider population to take a stand for these values while promoting non-violent conflict resolutions on all levels: interpersonal, in the community, and internationally.

Biripi Worimi woman and The Day Before Vigil committee member Dr Marcelle Townsend-Cross told the *Koori Mail* that the idea for The Day Before Vigil was inspired by The Vigil, a special event on January 25, first held in 2018 at Barangaroo reserve on the foreshore of Sydney Harbour.

The Vigil was conceived, developed and directed by Noonuccal Nuugi man Wesley Enoch, an Australian playwright, artistic director, and the current director of the Sydney Festival.

The purpose of The Vigil is for participants to deeply consider Australia's Indigenous heritage, as well as its colonial history and contemporary multicultural migration, from dusk on January 25 until dawn on January 26.

Enoch described the event as not a protest or a political statement, but rather a time to reflect together on what life was like before January 26, 1788, when life changed irrevocably for Aboriginal people.

"When that day comes around every year," Dr Townsend-Cross said, "I find myself hiding away in my home because I just can't stand the uncritical nationalism that seems to float around outside."

"For many people, it seems as though Australia Day is just a reason to go out and get as drunk as you can, and that has really never sat comfortably with me.

"This is not about engaging in activism about Australia Day.

"The Day Before Vigil is more

"The Day Before Vigil is more about finding a way to mark a significant day in Australia's history, and to remember it, and reflect on it ... Our event involves the local community coming together to co-conceive a fair and just future for all."

**– Biripi Worimi woman
Dr Marcelle Townsend-Cross**

about finding a way to mark a significant day in Australia's history, and to remember it, and reflect on it."

Dr Townsend-Cross said the time is right to have more reflective commemorations that are truly inclusive of the whole community, Indigenous and other, that acknowledge the complexities of our diverse shared history.

"There are so many Indigenous and other Australian people who want to be able to get together with their community and commemorate this day rather than celebrate it," Dr Townsend-Cross said.

"Our event involves the local community coming together to co-conceive a fair and just future for all.

"The program will include sharing perspectives, experiences, ideas and visions and there will also be the opportunity for the community to participate in creative and inclusive prose, poetry, song, dance, arts and crafts.

The Day Before Vigil – Eve of Australia Day event will be held at The Quad, outside Lismore's Regional Art Gallery.

The community is invited to stay on for a picnic dinner after the event to spend meaningful, quality time together.

Groups and individuals interested in contributing creative ways to commemorate the day are invited to contact RaH coordinator Sabina Baltruweit on 02 6688 6214.

Court recognises Top End title



THE Northern Land Council has congratulated native title holders of two Top End pastoral leases for their hard work resulting in the long-overdue recognition of their native title rights to country in an emotional on-country ceremony last week.

COVID-19 restrictions prevented Justice Richard White of the Federal Court being on country with native-title holders at the Minyerri (Hodgson Downs) community last week when he handed down native title consent determinations in relation to the Nutwood Downs and Hodgson

River pastoral leases.

The consent determinations include recognition of native title holders' rights to take resources from their country and use them for any purpose, including commercial purposes.

NLC chief executive Marion Scrymgour noted the importance of those rights.

"It means there is recognition that native title holders had a functional economy at the time that this country was taken from them," she said.

Ms Scrymgour said that the NLC congratulated the native title holders – the Murungun Yunulalda, Budal Lirijal, Mambali Amaling-Gan, Murungun Igalumba and the

Mambali Lajarirr (for the Hodgson River pastoral lease) and the Mambali Amaling-Gan, Murungun Igalumba, Guyal Bardi Bardi, Dumnyun-Ngatanyana, Murungun Milgawirri and Budal Yuwaran groups (for the Nutwood Downs pastoral lease).

Ms Scrymgour also acknowledged the leadership of Elders, past and present, who successfully fought for recognition of their families' traditional connection to country.

In an emotional address to the ceremony at Minyerri, Christine Farrar spoke on behalf of her father, Barney Ellaga and his siblings (now all sadly deceased), and spoke of the pride she felt to



Native-title holders at the Minyerri community last week.

represent those countless generations that had gone before.

"I stand here today representing

my fathers for our land. My fathers would be proud. My family and I are proud," she said.

Second Accord is win for self-determination



THE NSW Government and the Murdi Paaki Regional Assembly (MPRA), which represents Aboriginal people in 16 communities across western NSW, have strengthened their relationship with a commitment to renewed Local Decision Making (LDM) arrangements, first established in 2015.

Aboriginal Affairs Minister Don Harwin signed the Second Accord with MPRA chairperson Des Jones via a virtual ceremony, attended by MPRA members, members of Aboriginal Affairs NSW and wider NSW Government stakeholders including head of Aboriginal Affairs Lil Gordon and TAFE NSW regional general manager Kate Baxter.

Mr Jones said the agreement signified a new chapter in the self-determination of its communities in working with government.



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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.

Balls Head Coal Loader Complex, Waverton

Written submissions on this listing are invited from any interested person by 28 October 2020. Enquiries to Mary Ann Hamilton on (02) 9873 8565.

The Heritage Council is interested in receiving information in writing, by email, telephone or in person from the Aboriginal community or Aboriginal organisations on the potential Aboriginal significance of this place of place.

For more information: Further details on the nominated place can be viewed at www.environment.nsw.gov.au/heritageapp/NominationsOfStateHeritageRegister.aspx

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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.

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Samara addresses the crowd at Black Lives Matter protest in Adelaide, supported by sister Natasha (right) and fist-pumping Natasha Wanganeen.



Keeping COVID safe with sister Natasha at BLM march.



Samara is flanked by Aunties as she makes her first speech to the BLM rally in Adelaide. Pictures (this page): Sia Duff

Samara: Silence

By DANNY TEECE-JOHNSON



SAMARA Fernandez-Brown: She's the accidental activist, thrown into the media spotlight as the family

advocate because her cousin was shot and killed by police in Yuendumu. The young sister blew me away with her poise and calmness while fronting press conferences on behalf of the family.

One day Samara was studying psychology at the University of South Australia, the next she was speaking at Black Lives Matters rallies in Adelaide and Alice Springs.

Imagine if Kumanjanyi wasn't shot and Samara could just get on with her life as a successful psychologist. White people will never understand the responsibility we have to our communities. We have to drop everything and be there for them.

Samara Fernandez-Brown is a perfect example of putting her family and community first. Respect!

Tell us about your mob, your nation and where you come from? What does this all mean to you?

Hi everyone. I am a very proud Warlpiri woman. The Warlpiri nation is found in the Northern Territory and stretches between the communities of Yuendumu, Willowra, Nyirripi, and Lajamanu.

However, like every mob, you can find Warlpiri everywhere and anywhere.

My mob are commonly known

for being fiery people. We are very passionate and not afraid to make demands. We ask for exactly what we want, and fight for what we believe in. You will have witnessed this through our current fight to receive justice for my cousin's death – Kumanjanyi Walker. We are also very loving people, and gentle people – if you are kind to us, that is.

Being Warlpiri to me means a strong sense of identity. I am very lucky, because Warlpiri culture is still thriving. Every time I go back to community, I am immersed in culture; language, art, spirit and connection to country.

Growing up I was raised in Adelaide. My siblings and I did all our schooling there, but our grandmother always ensured we returned to Yuendumu in the school holidays. Something I am very grateful for, now more than ever.

As a child I did not understand how lucky we were to have the abundance of culture in our lives.

As most kids do, I took it for granted. It wasn't until I got older that I realised so many mobs had this experience taken away from them during the Invasion and colonisation of Australia. Though I am very conscious and empathetic to this fact, it makes me appreciate my nation more.

Like a lot of mob our childhoods don't always work out like the movies. How was your childhood?

As you mentioned, our childhoods do not work out like the movies. We have certainly struggled as a family. I have felt the impacts of intergenerational poverty, intergenerational trauma and prejudice directly linked to my

heritage. I have felt the cruelty of racism in Australia.

One of the first instances I remember as a kid was in Melbourne. My grandmother, sister, and I were out one day and began to make our way back to the hostel we were staying in.

We wanted to get a taxi, but were refused by one, then the second allowed us to ride with the condition that the fare be pre-paid.

I could tell my grandmother was very hurt by the suggestion, but she complied for our sake, and she tried her best to not make it a big deal. I could feel sadness, and my sister and I felt awful about it. We never asked her why the man treated her that way, because part of us already knew, and the other half didn't want it confirmed.

This is just a small instance. There have been many more, but often for Black Australia these interactions are 'common procedure' – though they should not be. Racism should not be normalised. Despite it all (the adversities we faced), I believe my family gave us the best we could receive. I like to think I had a good childhood and feel very privileged for the life I have lived.

Can you tell us about the matriarchs in your family and what they have passed onto you?

One of the things I am most proud of when it comes to being Warlpiri is the strength of our women. I love that Warlpiri women's voices are heard just as loudly as our men. They do not shy away from confrontation or sugar-coat their demands.

There are so many strong and inspiring women in my family who have shaped the very woman I

am. So much so that it is difficult for me to respond to this question. For the sake of this paper I have chosen three influential women to speak about. However, through kinship ties we have access to a richness of motherly and loving role models.

My grandmother Norah Watson has been one of the most influential women in my life. She is extremely kind and generous. She gives so much of her time and energy back to family and community. One such profound example is her dedication to raise not only her children, but also her grandchildren.

Because of my grandmother, I have learnt the fundamentals of forgiveness, patience, generosity, and giving selflessly without expecting anything in return. Such qualities I am grateful for.

My mother Joyce Brown is very much like my grandmother. She is also gentle and loving. However, my mother is also very fiery, and fiercely loyal. She would do absolutely anything for her family.

My mother has gifted me the fire and drive to fight for my beliefs and family.

My great-grandmother Peggy Brown is a very staunch woman. She, alongside other community members founded the Mt Theo program in 1994. This program was a cultural rehabilitation program created to combat the devastation of petrol sniffing and other substance abuse in Warlpiri mob. The program was very successful. Peggy still works there till this day.

She has taught me to take action and to be an active participant in the healing journey of myself and others. She has also shown that cultural healing is

critical to our future.

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?

Mainstream media are very problematic regarding Black Australia. They often like to paint us with negative strokes of their brushes, their headlines full of reconstructed narratives and prejudice aimed at pleasing their target audience. It is very cruel.

In my opinion, I believe Black media are doing their job. That is not the issue. The issue lies in who the stories are reaching. Black media does not have the same reach as mainstream media, this is often why stories regarding Black Australia are disregarded by White Australia.

Do you think our activists are revered as they should be, or do you think they are still seen as troublemakers?

Absolutely not. Our mob that speak out against the discrimination we face are always portrayed as troublemakers, or 'sooks'. People do not like to have their realities questioned. They would rather live blissfully unaware – arrogance is bliss, as some say. Therefore, when our staunch brothers and sisters demand change, White Australia takes it as a threat.

Can you tell us about your role with activism? You have been a pivotal figure leading the Black Lives Matter Movement and the fight for justice for Kumanjanyi Walker. How is the fight for justice going?

Truthfully, I do not align with



Sisters-in-arms: Rachael Hocking, Samara and Anyupa Butcher in Yuendumu.



Samara is on message with Nelly Wayne (left) and Peggy Brown (middle) at the BLM protest in Alice Springs.

is not an option



Samara with her mum Joyce Brown, and sister Tash (Natasha).

the activist label or any label, to be frank.

It is used too broadly and assumes a choice. For many of us there is no choice. We are thrown into the spotlight and have to step up for our families. I did not choose to be a spokesperson for Black deaths in custody. But in our communities, we each have a role; this is mine. I am here to ensure that my family's voice is being heard and not forgotten or swept under the rug. I am here to ensure the media do not drown out our truth. I am here to ensure we do receive justice, not only for my cousin, but for the other families who have also suffered.

I have a number of roles in regard to my cousin's case, but my main role is being the spokesperson for my family.

My cousin's case is unique in the sense that an officer has been arrested. Therefore, it requires a lot of sensitivity and intention. We are going through the murder trial before the coronial inquest. I don't know if this has ever happened in regard to Black deaths in Australia before. A lot of families have never reached this stage – their justice never served. This makes our case difficult because we don't have the guidance specific to what we are experiencing. It is especially hard because we need

to be careful about the things we say and do, because if we say the wrong thing we can risk the case being thrown out of court. No one could ever prepare you for this.

We are currently in the committal hearing phase. This is where the judge determines whether or not there is enough evidence for the case to go to Supreme Court in front of a jury.

Although this is what we are hoping for, we are also aware that often Indigenous people are not appropriately represented on juries, creating a disadvantage for a lot of our causes. Nonetheless, we remain positive and hopeful!

On September 1-3, we heard witnesses give their evidence in local court in front of the judge and other people present in the court room. Amongst the evidence was the body-worn video from the night. This was especially distressing to watch. For days I could not sleep proper. I am only really getting my sleep schedule back to normal now – I would not wish that type of trauma onto anyone. The case has been adjourned until September 25, when there will be another mention to determine the judge's decision to proceed to Supreme Court or not.

As a family and as individuals we are struggling. This is a very difficult process for us. It is very exhausting, emotional and testing.

At times it can test your resilience. It is hard. It is long. People can be cruel.

But people are also beautiful.

We are trying to mourn, fight and become educated on the law all at once. We are trying to hold onto our strength while having our pain questioned. It is awful that people think they have a right to

speak about matters they have not experienced, or even understand.

How has the support been in the Central Desert?

It has been okay. The traditional people of Mparntew (Alice Springs), the Arrernte people, have been very kind and supportive of us. They have welcomed Warlpiri onto their country and for that we are so thankful. They have said, 'This is not just a fight for Warlpiri; it is a fight for all!'

We are so thankful for all of our supporters, but want to give a special shout out to Tangentyere Council for their generous donation to our GoFundMe campaign and for providing resources such as BBQs on court days.

We want to thank CAAMA radio for allowing Warlpiri to authentically represent and advocate for themselves and we want to thank the Tent Embassy mob for also helping with the BBQ and resources such as chairs, microphones etc.

We want to thank everyone who comes and sits with us, your presence gives us strength and is very healing. However we have noticed that there has been a decline in physical support in Mparnyew since the very first rally.

We need more support.

We need more Indigenous organisations standing up and supporting us. We cannot be neutral in times of injustice.

10 years from now what is your vision of Black Australia? What do you want to see?

Ten years from now, I want to see Black Australia in all its beauty and strength. I want our focus to

be on prospering our culture, our traditions, and our children. I want our energy to be invested in programs and initiatives that work towards strengthening our spirits.

I want Black Australia's excellence to be displayed in every facet of our society. I want our mob heavily represented in the all workplaces, on TV, on billboards. I want Black Australia to be recognised and normalised.

My vision is that 10 years from now our focus is on striving, not merely surviving, because that's what we have been doing – just trying to survive, and that has hindered the success of our mob.

Black Australia deserves to focus on life satisfaction, not fighting for our lives.

For you personally, how has it been standing up at such a young age, representing your cousin and your family in a harrowing death-in-custody trial?

I have been overwhelmed with the amount of support I have received. I am so grateful, but one thing I want is for people to be considerate with their words and their perspective. I understand people are just being kind, but when I am told I am amazing or a leader, it can cause a lot of pressure.

I am here representing my family, and the reason I stand before you is because of the death of my cousin. I do not want that to be romanticised or forgotten.

Like many other people who represent their families, we may seem like we are strong and staunch, but we are also just people who are suffering and in a lot of pain. We just need your genuine love and support.

Danny Eastwood's view



A YARN WITH...



Bai Tapau Mer Island

Favourite bush tucker?
Making a hangi and cooking roast banana under the ground.

Favourite other food?
Italian pasta.

Favourite drink?
Coconut water and tequila.

Favourite music?
Reggae. I love Bob Marley.

Favourite sport?
Rugby league. I am 100% Brisbane Broncos in the NRL and Queensland for State of Origin.

Favourite read?
Documentaries, especially *Deep Sea Creatures*.

Favourite holiday destination?
Cook Islands and New Zealand.

Favourite movie?
Rambo ones.

What do you like in life?
I love to encourage people and paint Indigenous art.

What don't you like in life? Back stabbers, bullies and those who don't want to work.

What person would you like most to meet?
Ken Done, the artist.

Who would you invite for a night around the campfire?
Mark Olive – 'The Black Olive' – and get him to cook.

Who/what inspires you?
My uncle Segar Passi who is an artist and Elder on my beloved Mer.

What would you do to better the situation for Indigenous people?
Have more government buildings where Indigenous people can do dancing, art and get more of our youth to learn these talents.

Quote



"This act means children and adults who've grown up with traditional adoptive parents will finally have their legal identity match their cultural identity."

Queensland MP Cynthia Lui on the passing of legislation that recognises Torres Strait Islander children traditionally adopted by relatives or other community members.

● See page 7

Unquote

Mourning yet another death

THE death of Auntie Sherry in the Brisbane watch house two weeks ago has prompted an outpouring of grief and anger from the Brisbane mob – feelings all too well known to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people across the nation.

The fact that this proud Birri Gubba woman's death is the fifth in custody since July this year, and the 441st since the 1991 Royal Commission in Aboriginal Deaths in Custody, is a tragic indictment of the so-called justice system in this country.

Of course, there will be an investigation overseen by Queensland's Coroner and the Crime and Corruption Commission, but whatever the result, the undeniable reality is that First Nations people continue to die at an alarming rate when they come into contact with either police or the jail system.

And, as we have reported time and time again, the chance of that happening to Indigenous people is far greater than to other people.

The Black Lives Matter demonstrations set in motion by the death of George Floyd in the United States earlier this year have brought renewed scrutiny to Australia's treatment of its Indigenous people.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people comprise only 3% of Australia's population, but make up almost a third



of adults jailed across the country.

The rates are even higher for Indigenous youth, who are 16 times more likely to be under youth justice supervision – in detention, or on bail, parole or probation – than other young people in 2018-19, according to the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare.

Governments at all levels have pledged again and again to tackle the issue, and indeed new targets were set in June to reduce Indigenous incarceration rates under a long-standing government initiative to 'close the gap' on contributors such as health, education and employment inequalities.

But to those family members still receiving devastating news that a loved one has passed away in custody, those targets are meaningless until real change is realised.

Australia's peak Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander legal body, NATSILS, has described the situation as a "national emergency".

We describe it as a national disgrace.

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What a good sport

Vince Copley reflects on a career at the top of his field

By PETER ARGENT



BORN in Wallaroo on the west coast of the Yorke Peninsula in South Adelaide, before moving down with his mother to Point Pearce, Vince Copley spent much of his youth at St Francis House alongside fellow Indigenous icons including Charles Perkins, John Moriarty, Gordon Briscoe, Sonny Morey and the man who designed the Aboriginal flag, Harold Thomas.

As a teenager Vince played with the famous Port Adelaide Football Club and won the prestigious SANFL Tomkins Medal for the fairest and most brilliant player in the Senior Colts (under-19) competition.

Alongside future Magpies league premiership players Rex Johns, Ken Tierney and Tom Williams, Copley played in the SANFL under-19s flag in 1953 as well.

"I played a post-season night game in 1953 against Norwood at league level," Copley told the *Koori Mail*.

"Actually I kicked two late goals in that game, which helped us grab victory."

"During my time at St Francis I met a brotherhood that would last a lifetime."

"Later in the 1954 season, I first became involved with the Curramulka community and was immediately accepted by everyone."

"The first night I was in town Peter Tilbrook invited me out to a dance and I was instantly welcomed into this special community."

"I was only going to stay for a year, but 14 years later I was still playing."

"There were a couple years as captain-coach of Yorketown (67-68) after 'Sparks' Harris convinced me to go across and coach them."

"I also became the youngest (and the first in SA) Aboriginal coach of a predominantly white football team in 1957."

The football club and the township rallied behind Copley with the Magpies dominating the Southern Yorke Peninsula competition over those next four years, winning a quartet of A grade flags.

He also coached the Curramulka B grade to titles in 1957 and 1958.

Coaching didn't take away from his playing abilities, and in 1957 Copley won the Southern Yorke Peninsula League Medal with 24 votes. Future Aboriginal VFL footballer with South Melbourne Elkin Rielly played with rivals Minlaton and was third in the count with 20 votes.

In the Mail Medal, that same year, Copley was runner up to Colin Hill of Edithburgh.

"My mum Kathleen always told me, 'Don't be afraid to take things on,' and that's just what I did,"



Sporting legend Vince Copley: "During my time at St Francis I met a brotherhood that would last a lifetime."



Rex Watters and Vince Copley at Rex's 90th birthday.

Copley smiled.

Along with playing in eight premierships with Curramulka, Copley also came down to Adelaide and played a handful of league games under future AFL Hall of Famer and Port's legendary coach Forster Williams, during Forster's only season as coach of South Adelaide in 1960.

Between his first stint at Curramulka and returning to the Southern Yorke Peninsula town, Copley went to Broken Hill and played a handful of games with West Broken Hill Robins.

His performance caught the eye of the Fitzroy Football Club and Copley was convinced to travel to Melbourne, where he trained under Bill Stephens and lived with Sir Doug Nicholls and his family.

Copley also became an accomplished cricketer.

"I started playing cricket so I

could keep employment in Curramulka," Copley said.

"I can't remember, but I would have made nine or 10 hundreds, with a highest score in the 120s."

"We would travel down and play in the annual country cricket championships each year."

He developed into an accomplished all-rounder, competent with bat and ball and a capable wicketkeeper as well.

Copley's great friend and eight-time premiership player at Curramulka Stan Hayles called his mate a magical player.

"He always had the ball on his fingertips and had that supernatural ball control, along with being elusive ducking around opposition players," Hayles explained.

"Vince was a very important person in our district."

"I first saw him play in a Senior Colts match, playing for Norwood



Vince, front row, 3rd from right, played cricket for Curramulka districts in 1960.



Vince, centre front, holding the ball, was captain of the 1958 premiership team, Curramulka.

against Port Adelaide, and thought to myself, 'How is anyone ever going to catch this bugger?'

"While we're teammates on the football field, Vince played for Port Julia in the cricket."

"He was an aggressive left-handed batsman with a very good eye and also bowled off spinners, along with being quick in the field."

"I remember in one inter-association game we were playing at Balaklava and chasing their reasonable total. We were three or four down for not very many."

"I was at the crease holding up an end. When Vince came in we both ended up on 83 not out."

Post playing days, Copley became an energetic sports administrator.

In 2000, Vince Copley was appointed co-chair to the National Indigenous Cricket Advisory Council.

He has organised various national and international programs for Indigenous cricketers including the 1988 tour of England, which commemorated the first Aboriginal tour of 1868.

The Vince Copley Medal,

which recognises the 'most outstanding cricketer' at the annual Lord Taverner's South Australian state-wide Indigenous cricket carnival is named in his honour.

Along with his sporting prowess, during his lifetime Copley has been an important advocate for the rights of Aboriginal people, working on improving the social, legal and economic position of Indigenous people, raising self-esteem and regaining identity.

Copley married local Yorke Peninsula girl Brenda Elizabeth Thomas, on June 26, 1971, in Curramulka at the church of St Christopher.

Brenda, born in Curramulka, grew up on her father's farm on Port Julia.

They had two children, daughter Kara McEwan, and her younger brother, Vincent Copley Junior.

Sadly, Brenda recently passed away.

Vince Copley received a Medal of the Order of Australia Medal (OAM) for his services to the Aboriginal community and sport in 2014.



Alatye (Bush Yam), an installation by Rachel Wallace, at Parrtjima 2020, the First Nations festival of light.

Festival shines its light on country and culture



PARRTJIMA – A Festival in Light drew to a close last weekend, but if you weren't able to visit Mparntwe (Alice Springs) you can still check out the stunning light installations online.

The annual festival features the illumination of the majestic MacDonnell Ranges and an incredible display of immersive artworks, plus a program that included talks with Rhoda Roberts, Parrtjima curator and First Nations advisor.

"Parrtjima is definitely a once-in-a-lifetime pilgrimage all Australians should make, under the desert skies, surrounded by ancient landscapes that shift and shape each generation as the oldest culture adapts and continues its lessons since time immemorial," Rhoda said.

"The response over the last five days of programming has been so encouraging, with interest increasing daily.

"To see audiences emotionally moved by our Ranges light show shows there is an appetite for this sort of experience. There is a recognition that Aboriginal culture is our advantage, a unique point of difference and of national value.

"Our visitors want to learn more about the incredible large-scale installations, our cultures, and the knowledge that is so generously passed on by our custodians and cultural guides. All this is why Parrtjima is transformative, uplifting and shines a light on the oldest living, adapting culture on the planet."

The festival proudly showcases Aboriginal culture, the oldest continuous culture on Earth, using the latest lighting technology. This year's theme, 'Lifting our Spirits', was weaved through the work of artists – old and new – and aimed to lift the spirits of audiences discovering the festival through story, art, landscape and light.



Kids play on Alison Multa's *Hairstring* as part of the *Grounded* installation.



Parrtjima curator Rhoda Roberts.



Jessie K performs as part of the Parrtjima music program.



Patsy Coleman plays at Todd Mall.



Greater protection of heritage needed

The removal of three senior executives from Rio Tinto over the Juukan Gorge caves destruction, will not solve the ongoing serious issues of cultural heritage destruction in Australia.

The First Nations Heritage Protection Alliance has welcomed the decision by Rio Tinto to remove chief executive Jean-Sébastien Jacques, iron ore division head Chris Salisbury, and corporate affairs chief Simone Niven in relation to the appalling blasting and destruction of the 46,000 year-old heritage site at Juukan Gorge.

However, the problems of cultural heritage destruction and inadequate heritage protection legislation are much bigger than these three individuals.

Although Rio Tinto is responsible for this egregious act, it could well have been caused by another mining company in Australia. Put simply – these executive removals are not enough.

Until there is industry-wide reform and robust legislative change, there will be other appalling situations like Juukan Gorge.

The Juukan Gorge destruction happened under Western Australian legislation and the Federal Government failed to step in. They have allowed their legislation, supposedly to protect our heritage, to fall into disuse or to focus on regulating destruction, rather than protecting it.

First Nations cultural heritage is 65,000 years of living culture and history that must be protected for the future generations of all Australians.

Australians must refuse to absolve the mining industry and governments of their continuing failure to protect Aboriginal cultural heritage.

We urge people from all backgrounds and all sections of Australian society to support our call for greater protection of Australia's cultural heritage.

The First Nations Heritage Protection Alliance is made up of every major Aboriginal Land Council and Native Title Group in Australia



Ancient Pilbara rock shelters were destroyed in May by Rio Tinto.



The rock shelters before the blast at Juukan Gorge.

Treaty all process and no product

What a hash the Victorians have made of treaty.

After four years of consultation and \$28m, they will have established, by 2022, a process!

They should have drafted a treaty by 2018 dealing with land, empowerment, heritage, compensation and self-determination.

They only needed to get out the maps to identify which crown lands would be part of a land settlement.

A land fund provision would have enabled them to buy private lands.

How many seats in parliament do they want in order to share sovereignty?

Would 3% of Victoria's GDP, providing \$60b a year, have been sufficient for programs, housing and education? This is what a treaty is meant to provide.

Instead, like a hen that is all cackle and no egg, they are all process and no product.

Michael Mansell
Author, *Treaty and Statehood*
Launceston, Tas

Rock art needs to be returned

Tasmanian petroglyphs were stolen. This means no permission was given for them to be taken away from the area. It is as simple as that.

The stolen property needs to be returned to the area it was taken from.

The Aboriginal story of creation was taken away with the theft of our petroglyph.

In the name of reconciliation the petroglyphs should be returned to the area they were stolen from.

The return of the petroglyphs to the area where it belongs will restore the creation story of the palawa people.

Correcting a wrong is the definition of reconciliation.

Trudy Maluga
Launceston, Tasmania

Stereotyping should be avoided to help resistance to colonisation

We note your interesting article 'Never too Late to Act' by Woolombi Waters in your issue of Wednesday, August 26.

It is a most interesting piece on resistance to colonisation and affirmation of identity across the world. However we are concerned at the paragraph on 'the Jewish' which states:

"The Jewish are among the richest people in the world despite the holocaust. They run major institutions and Hollywood productions worth billions of dollars and still practise their culture and retain their

identity where much of what they earn supports their home state of Israel."

This, unfortunately, expresses antisemitic stereotypes of Jewish wealth and power. While we are sure this was not intended by the writer, we need to be alert to ways in which these traditional European prejudices can permeate our attitudes however unconsciously. As a Jewish group defending Palestinian rights and resistance to colonisation, we oppose the Zionist movement which sought the colonisation of Palestine and dispossessed the

Palestinian people. The dispossession, murder and oppression continue to the present day. 'Jewish' and 'Zionist' are not at all the same thing.

We invite your readers to consider the strong parallels between the dispossession of the people of Palestine and the dispossession of the First Peoples of Australia. This is especially important when Zionist advocates in Australia claim that Jews are the indigenous people of Palestine. While Jews may have had an ongoing spiritual connection with the land, this in no way entitles

them to dispossess those who have lived there for hundreds of years and establish a state which privileges them as Jews over the Palestinians and the other inhabitants of the land.

If readers would like more information, I suggest reading Jews against the Occupation (JAO) leaflets 'Criticism of Israel is not Antisemitic!' and 'Our Aims' or checking our Facebook page JOAAustralia.

Thank you for your article.

Vivienne Porzsolt
Spokesperson, Jews against the Occupation, Sydney

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University needs more Black staff

MATTERS of deep concern are being raised within the University of Melbourne and the Indigenous community on the way selection processes are being applied for employment in Indigenous Studies teaching and Cultural knowledge management positions. Two recent positions offered opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to continue to advance their career prospects within the academy. However, the opposite is happening with the two positions going to non-Indigenous career advancement.

Here lies the conundrum within the system of 'priority commitments' to increasing Indigenous employment levels to its parity projections, 2015-2020. To reach this year's target of 2.6 % which is lower than the University Australia's Report on Indigenous parity population figures of 3.1%, Uni Melb needed to employ an extra 100 Indigenous staff from 2015 to 2020, or 20 per year.

On current estimates, Uni Melb seems to be going backwards. The current Indigenous staffing level is only 1.6%, far below the target goal.

From discussions with Indigenous staff, there is still a lot of discontent and anger about the way the selection of other people to Indigenous positions has been handled. The feedback is that these positions, in accordance with the university's 'priority employment initiatives' should have gone to Indigenous people. Both the selection process and the criteria used for selection were challenged as being Anglo-centric and weighted against Indigenous applicants. The lack of culturally appropriate criteria factored into positions that are located within the Indigenous framework of Indigenous Studies and Cultural Heritage programs was also raised. That the positions were not Designated Aboriginal Positions (DAPs) was a critical point of discussion and discontent. There have been calls for the positions to be rescinded and re-advertised as designated and identified positions.

The key matter that seriously conflicts with the way the Indigenous Employment Framework is being stifled is the policy commitment under which it was formally



Wayne Atkinson

'endorsed and prioritised' at its official launch. Its main object was to produce 'higher levels of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander employment outcomes across all levels' of the university.

One is inspired by the glowing words of the Vice Chancellor and executive director of Human Services in their praise and encouraging endorsement of the IEF, 2018-2021.

"These initiatives have now become core programs that will underpin the success of the IEF 2018-2021 which seeks to extend the reach and impact of our strategies by prioritising Indigenous academic appointments, supporting the development and progression of Indigenous staff and expanding our Indigenous workforce across all levels."

The VC and executive director of Human Resources conclude their priorities of commitment by further emphasising that the 2081-2021 IEF sets out:

Commitment and a critical portfolio of actions that will provide a clear pathway to achieving employment parity across all levels of our workforce. In partnership with the Murrup Barak team, Human Resources leadership team are committed to the delivery of the goals and initiatives set out in the IEF

plan with the support of the university.

Given that this is a clear policy driver endorsed by the VC and executive director of Human Services, is this policy objective a mandatory requirement in the 'extensive recruitment process'? And are members of the selection processes aware of what is clearly the 'key policy driver' and guidelines for the selection of staff? If it is a key policy objective then why is it not being enacted and given due weight in the selection process and why are Indigenous applicants capable of performing such roles being overlooked in favour of other applicants? Has the prioritising of Indigenous employment been put on the back burner?

Surely, the benchmark of a PhD for the two positions in question should not be construed as an impediment for Indigenous applicants, when one reflects on previous selection procedures. If they were DAPs with the key selection criteria striking a balance between academic, Aboriginality and cultural criteria, they would reflect more culturally appropriate selection standards.

The emphasis on having a PhD as the benchmark for eligible selection seems to favour non-Indigenous socio-economic status and privilege rather than reflecting Aboriginal culture, epistemology and due entitlement. Just over a generation ago there was only a handful of Indigenous people studying in universities in Australia. While that has changed significantly we are still in catch-up mode and on current statistics have made remarkable advances in higher education. This is clearly evidenced in the continuing and proud number of graduates achieving higher education at the state and national level many of whom have or are currently doing PhD studies.

In assessing educational outcomes on the basis of PhD requirements for academic positions, I can draw on those precedents that helped me and others to gain permanent employment in the Indigenous Studies program at the University of Melbourne. The selection process was adapted more to the principle of Aboriginality and accumulative studies towards a PhD being the key criteria. Indeed the selection criteria catered for those of us who did not have PhDs at the time but

were in relative stages of completion.

The year 2000 marked the beginning of significant changes in the way the Indigenous Studies program was being administered and delivered at the University of Melbourne. There were a number of us at the University who had been teaching Indigenous Studies on a sessional and part-time basis for some time.

Our aspirations for permanent employment were raised when some positions became available for lectureships in the various disciplines of Indigenous Studies. These were mainly located in Political Science, Cultural Studies, History, Anthropology and Education, all of which were secured by Indigenous applicants including the inaugural chair of Indigenous Studies.

The crucial distinction is that not having a PhD was not an impediment to employment at the time. The conditions of selection in the criteria framework allowed us to continue our PhD studies on the job. The added advantage of combining teaching with your PhD studies in the disciplines being taught was a welcome call. Indeed I believe that all of the cohort of the reinvigorated Indigenous Studies program achieved their PhDs, including one who went to Monash under the same arrangement and returned to the University of Melbourne as director of the Indigenous Studies program.

The key question is why has the criteria changed thus depriving other eligible applicants of the same opportunities to secure employment inclusive of doing a PhD on the job? In that context and the university's key policy commitments to prioritising Indigenous staff recruitment and retention, the recent positions going to non-Indigenous people cannot be justified.

It seems that the ever pervasive raising the bar syndrome and the level playing field mythology still exists in Indigenous Affairs including education. That is, no sooner you get within reach of what is and always has been morally and rightfully yours by birthright, it is whisked away by colonial and political deception.

● Yorta Yorta Elder Dr Wayne Atkinson is a senior fellow in the School of Social and Political Science, University of Melbourne.

The devil is in the detail

*"The Devil went down to Georgia.
He was looking for a soul to steal.
He was in a bind 'cause he was way
behind.
He was willing to make a deal."
— the Charlie Daniels Band.*

WHEN you look at the history of Georgia in the United States, it appears the Devil stayed for some time. Georgia was built on slavery, cotton and racism, a history of public lynching, segregation and hate – attributes we are told the Devil thrives on.

But today Georgia proudly celebrates the Martin Luther King Jr National Historical Park, which consists of several buildings, including Dr King's boyhood home and the original Ebenezer Baptist Church, where King was baptised and where both he and his father Martin Luther King Sr were pastors.

This shows that, despite history, places can change. But this change will only happen if people accept the truth of their past.

Take Australia.

When people say that the Australian national anthem is not racist, that the date of Australia Day is inclusive to all Australians and argue that we as Aboriginal people should 'join the party' they remain steeped in denial.

Consider many of our parents, forced to pick cotton, living on missions, building the wealth of pastoralists surrounding them, their

father before them a stockman, their mother a domestic servant. There has been no home ownership handed down from generation to generation in such families, due to what can only be described as slave labour.

The front page story in the previous edition of this paper highlighted the brutal divide between our reality and white privilege when we reported the neglect within our hospital system that lead to the death of young Charlie Gowa, the six-year-old Torres Strait Islander boy who woke up sick with a fever and diarrhoea. Charlie's mother, Xernona, took him to Bamaga Hospital every day for six days before he was eventually admitted.

Charlie's health deteriorated to where his fever got so bad his skin was hot to touch and he was vomiting even without having eaten. He was then flown to Cairns, and Brisbane for treatment where his family were forced to make the heartbreaking decision to turn his life support off. Charlie's story was detailed in a report from the Queensland Office of the Health Ombudsman (OHO), which revealed the "systemic issues" faced by his family as they tried to seek help for him.

"His first four presentations weren't even recorded by the hospital," the family's lawyer, Anna Talbot a senior solicitor at the



Woolombi Waters

National Justice Project, said.

"The fifth presentation noted that he'd presented previously but it was only on his sixth presentation that he was admitted and proper tests were done."

By then it was too late.

Then yet another case of an Aboriginal woman, Aunty Sherry, 49 years old, who died in the Brisbane watch house, in what appears to be a similar situation to Ms Dhu.

It is such neglect that means we have to ask ourselves, when do

Black Lives Matter?

This is not just about police killing our people. It's about poverty, lack of suitable housing, access to health and education that other people take for granted, that leads to the ill health and the death of many of our people.

No wonder people sing their national anthem so proudly. It is a song of the wealth that they have inherited and the security they feel as descendants of invaders over generations.

We, instead, inherit the poverty, trauma and disconnection of a system they brought with them. A system completely opposed to the very core of our belief systems and values.

As Charlie Gowa's family found themselves caught in a living hell, White Australian kids attending exclusive and very expensive private schools were engaging in a disgraceful social media trend called the 'George Floyd Challenge', mocking our Black lives. Not only within private schools but across middleclass Australia, and the world, a sickening trend emerged on Snapchat.

The participants, who are mostly White males, are seen smiling in photos as they kneel on the necks of their friends in a wicked and evil parody of the tragic death of George Floyd. A picture was shared online showing two students from St Joseph's College Gregory Terrace in

Brisbane. The picture was captioned "RIP George Floyd" and posted on Snapchat.

Around the same time, students at Parramatta Marist High School, in Westmead, Sydney, were filmed assaulting a Black student on school grounds. You can hear students laughing and yelling "George Floyd Challenge". The 20-second clip, shared amongst students on Snapchat and WhatsApp, shows the victim, lying on the ground pleading for help and crying as the boys attack him and force him down onto the ground. He lays there motionless after the attack.

What is happening in the minds of young people so disconnected with humanity, that they can feel so immune and justified in the pain of others to post such disgusting content?

The boys in the videos look around the same age as Tamir Rice, an African American child shot dead in 2014 within 30 seconds of police arriving at a playground in Cleveland, Ohio.

The 12-year-old was playing with a toy plastic gun. He would have turned 18 years old this year if he had not been gunned down by police. It appears to me, with everything we are witnessing, that the Devil is visiting many more places than just Georgia.

● Woolombi Waters is a regular Koori Mail correspondent.

Wilcannia Weir Replacement Project



INVITATION FOR REGISTRATION OF ABORIGINAL INTERESTS

WaterNSW is proposing to construct a replacement weir in Wilcannia to provide long-term town water supply and preserve and enhance the social, economic and environmental benefits for Wilcannia, its people and its surrounds. Our purpose is to improve the availability of water resources that are essential for the people of NSW.

In accordance with the *Aboriginal cultural heritage consultation requirements for proponents* (Department of Environment, Climate Change and Water 2010), WaterNSW is seeking registrations of interest from Aboriginal people who hold cultural knowledge relevant to the Wilcannia area and the cultural and spiritual significance of the Darling River and surrounding cultural landscape more generally.

Community consultation with Aboriginal people will assist WaterNSW to prepare an Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment Report. Consultation will also assist the Director General of the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment in their consideration and determination of the project.

Any Aboriginal people or organisations with relevant cultural knowledge can register in writing (email or letter) to:

Andrew Costello
Associate Archaeologist, Jacobs
PO Box 632, North Sydney NSW 2059
Telephone 0458 325 345
Email Andrew.Costello@jacobs.com

Any general enquiries concerning heritage management at WaterNSW can be directed to:

Kate Lenertz
Heritage Specialist, WaterNSW
PO Box 398, Parramatta NSW 2124
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Email Kate.Lenertz@waterNSW.com.au

Registrations must be received by close of business on 7th October 2020.



Regional NSW

Notice under Section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* – Exploration Licence Numbers 8318 & 8631 (Act 1992)

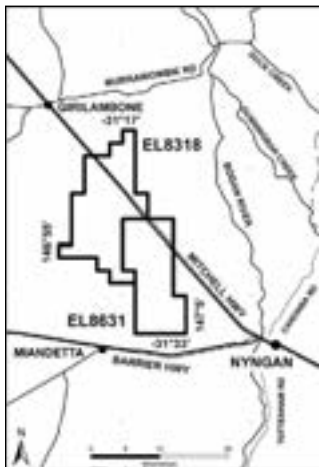
This notice is given in accordance with the requirements of section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Commonwealth).

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 Licences 8318 & 8631 include conditions to the effect that the holder must not prospect on any land or waters covered by the licences 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 Conditions.



Should consent be granted, the licence holder may subsequently apply to renew or transfer the licences prior to them 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 licences 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

Ochre Resources Pty Ltd (ACN 112 833 351) is the holder of Exploration Licences 8318 & 8631 for Group 1 minerals. The licences contain conditions 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 licences. If granted, the consent may result in the aforementioned condition being removed from the licences.

Description of area that may be affected

The entire area of Exploration Licence 8318 – that covers about 44 units situated approximately 29 kilometres west northwest of Nyngan, in the State of NSW as shown on the diagram above.

The entire area of Exploration Licence 8631 – that covers about 34 units situated approximately 18 kilometres north west 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 8 October 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.

HAVE YOUR SAY ABOUT WESTERN AUSTRALIA'S FEDERAL ELECTORAL DIVISIONS

If you have ideas about the names and boundaries of federal electoral divisions in Western Australia, now is the time to have your say.

Population change means WA's entitlement to members of the House of Representatives has decreased. With the number of WA's seats decreasing from 16 to 15, most of the existing federal divisions will need to change to meet electoral laws.

HOW TO HAVE YOUR SAY

Your ideas can be about the names of electoral divisions, where the boundaries should be, or both. You might have ideas about one electoral division or all of them. The only requirement is that your ideas and suggestions are submitted in writing and are received by the Redistribution Committee for WA by **6pm AWST Friday 23 October 2020**.

For further information and submission guidelines, go to www.aec.gov.au/wa-redistribution

LODGING YOUR SUGGESTIONS

The best ways to lodge your suggestion are:

- **Website:** www.aec.gov.au/wa-redistribution
- **Email:** FedRedistribution-WA@aec.gov.au
- **Fax:** 02 6293 7658
- **Post:** Redistribution Committee for WA, Australian Electoral Commission, Locked Bag 4007, Canberra ACT 2601.

NEXT STEPS

All written suggestions received by the deadline will be published on the AEC website on Monday 26 October 2020. You can then tell us, in writing, whether you support or disagree with the suggestions. Written comments on suggestions need to be received by **6pm AWST Friday 6 November 2020**.

The Redistribution Committee will then review all ideas, suggestions and comments received before releasing proposed names and boundaries for WA's federal electoral divisions in the first quarter of 2021.

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New building is language shield

By NICK PATON



'MARAGA' is an ancient Ngunnawal word meaning 'a strong, robust shield'. It is used to describe the waddy shield, a tool of dual purpose that offers the holder protection against the powerful waddy spear/club, but can also be used as a coolamon to hold babies and to carry food.

And now it has officially become the name of the Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies (AIATSIS) Canberra building.

AIATSIS chief executive Craig Ritchie told the *Koori Mail* that considering the AIATSIS emblem is a shield itself, the name is both symbolic and significant.

He said that recognising and acknowledging the Ngunnawal land upon which the building sits signals the importance of embracing

Indigenous languages.

AIATSIS consulted the United Ngunnawal Elders Council and the Winanggaay Ngunnawal Language Group, who provided the building's name, which was unveiled on September 10.

Winanggaay Ngunnawal Language Group coordinator Caroline Hughes said both groups were thrilled about the new name.

"For our community this is a step closer to acknowledging that this land is ancient, and its features, waterways and landmarks have always had names," Ms Hughes said.

"Ngunnawal has always been spoken here – but through policy and deliberate effort it diminished.

"Now, through hard work and the support of AIATSIS we are restoring it, remembering it, and speaking it."

Mr Ritchie is also the co-chair of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO) Steering Committee. He said he is thrilled to be preparing for

the International Decade of Indigenous Languages from 2022-2032.

He said that naming the building Maraga is an outcome of AIATSIS' commitment to the United Nations 2019 International Year of Indigenous Languages, and reinforces the findings of the national Indigenous languages survey.

"No language is lost, and with this simple act of naming the AIATSIS building Maraga, AIATSIS are contributing to Indigenous languages being more prominent and visible in everyday life," Mr Ritchie said.

"The national Indigenous languages survey conducted by AIATSIS found that the benefits of languages for Indigenous peoples include positive economic outcomes across health, wellbeing, employment and education.

"AIATSIS will continue to support communities at all times in revitalising language."



Members of the Ngunnawal Community came together to celebrate the naming of AIATSIS' Canberra building, Maraga.

Painting our stories: Nickolla uses the colours of country to depict her story

By DANNY TEECE-JOHNSON



NICKOLLA Clark is an Arakwal Bumberbin Bundjalung Woman from Byron Bay.

She is a coastal person of Walgun Gabanbaa (Byron Bay area) and is making waves in the region with her paintbrush.

Nickolla's passion for storytelling through art caught the eye of her Aunty Delta Kay, who approached her and asked to paint a mural at the Mullum Gateway to represent aspects of country.

The Mullum gateway project includes a collaboration of working artists and the prominent Mullum story pole, first painted by Bundjalung artist, the late Uncle Digby Moran and Richard Clarke.

The Mullumbimby Gateway was constructed in 1988 as a Bicentenary project, with the aim of creating a dramatic visual new entrance to the town of Mullumbimby.

"My passion for painting is how I stay connected to my family's stories, country and family, alongside showcasing our culture and advocating for cultural awareness and appreciation of our cultures' designs," Nickolla said.

The up-and-coming Arakwal artist has painted two mural artworks on the entrance poles next to Uncle Digby Moran's original story pole, one of the largest poles in the southern hemisphere.

Nickolla says her art is much more than an art installation, it is the story of the local area.

"The painting represents our natural environment and what it



Nickolla Clark paints the detail on one of the entrance poles of the Mullum Gateway project. Her work stands next to (the late) Uncle Digby Moran's original story pole, and builds on the storytelling tradition.

has to offer.

"It's about the river here at Brunswick, a precious water source on country and where we would fish and collect pipis.

"The green represents our prominent rainforest country which we would collect bush tucker such as midjem berries and yam.

"The brown and earthy

coloured pole represents country – Jagun – and paying respect to country whilst gathering around the campfire at campsites and at meeting places to practise and share culture. It's about looking after Arakwal Country for years to come."

Art is such a cultural calling for Indigenous people. We are painting our stories, our history,

our memories, our songlines and, at only 21 years of age, Nickolla understands this connection deeply.

"My art is very important to me. I have been painting since I was 13. I have always been very strongly driven into arts. I am a very creative person.

"For me art is significant as I have grown up around strong role

models who share their cultural expression, and art has been a huge part in my cultural expression. It tells the meaning of my people's stories, aspects of country to me and explores colours of country.

"I have many inspirations from my uncles and aunties who paint and taught me different aspects of country, waterways, wildlife and significant landscapes, totems, and opened my eyes to what you can create with art. Country is my largest inspiration. I also have great teachers here in the Byron shire like Anne Leon, Belle Budden and Karma Barnes.

"Our country here is very impressive. We have the rainforest meeting the sea. So many colours are used to represent this and many sea totems, which are used for symbolism."

Nickolla hopes the new story poles will bring a sense of real change to the region, which has campaigned strongly for Black Lives Matter.

"I believe we are in a time for progressive change and hopefully this is an eye opener to all locals about how to include cultural expression and arts into our community.

"I hope it will inspire others to ask about culture and get involved in supporting Indigenous cultural arts here in the Byron Shire.

"Hopefully the pole will encourage people to stop and look at the information about country inside the rotunda and bring people closer together. It is a strong example of culture in an urban setting and one that is respectful to my people."

You can check out Nickolla's artwork on her Instagram @Arakwal_Nickolla_Artworks

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YOUR GUIDE TO ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER HIGHER EDUCATION

UWS teacher-to-be is inspired to inspire

Talyssa Baker, a proud Yorta Yorta and Dharawal woman, is following in her grandmother's footsteps as she studies to become a primary school teacher. She will graduate with the same degree her grandmother completed back in the nineties.

Just as her grandmother inspired and encouraged her, Talyssa, who is in her third year of the Bachelor of Education (Primary) Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education program at Western Sydney University, is helping other students to navigate their studies.

The 21-year-old Campbelltown resident opted to enrol in block-mode learning at university so she could stay connected to her community and study. She works as an Indigenous student liaison officer at Leumeah High School, a student ambassador for the University, and is a cultural vocalist with the KARI Singers.

"My course is studied in block mode, meaning I have one to two weeks on campus four times a year. We do intensive study and the rest is done online," said Talyssa.

The flexible study and emphasis on practical placements in schools is what attracted Talyssa to Western Sydney University. And it was a uni-based project on community and cultural involvement that helped her reconnect with her high school where she now works.

"I reached out to my old contacts at Leumeah High School and they were on board with me running an art project with the students.

"We painted Indigenous artworks in the playground and the principal invited me back to continue working with the students," she said.

"Even though I'm studying primary school teaching, it's been great to work with the older kids and help them think about their career options.

"Having the placements every year as part of my degree is something that I really enjoy about our program. They have opened so many doors for me."

Talyssa's own experience at school was shaped by her



Proud Yorta Yorta and Dharawal woman Talyssa Baker, in the third year of a Bachelor of Education at the University of Western Sydney, is following in the footsteps of her grandmother, who was also a teacher.

participation in the 'Fast Forward' and 'Pathways to Dreaming' programs – both Western Sydney University initiatives that get students thinking about their career paths from an early age.

"I think education is so important.

"I love my culture, teaching and sharing. I just want to be part of it."

While studying in block mode, Talyssa has made a network of friends from across the state, including peers from rural and remote areas, mature-age students with kids, and students like her who want to work and study at the same time.

"While we are on block, the University's Badanami Centre offers accommodation for students that live further away from our campus."

"The centre also provides us with resources, including learning supplies, access to computers and food. The staff there also give us a lot of support."

"We all stay connected when we return to online learning. We

"I think education is so important. I love my culture, teaching and sharing. I just want to be part of it."

– Talyssa Baker, student Bachelor of Education UWS

are a really close-knit group of students who look out for each other."

As part of her final year of studies, Talyssa is looking forward to completing a country placement to connect with rural kids and engage with her culture.

For more information about the Bachelor of Education (Primary) Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander degree, visit westernsydney.edu.au/atsiedcourse



Talyssa enjoys sharing culture with children through art.

Jo's journey to medicine



Joanne Kaczmarek is a fourth year Bachelor of Medicine/Bachelor of Surgery student at JCU.

My journey to medicine probably doesn't fit the common narrative. Studying medicine isn't the fulfilment of a lifelong goal of mine. In fact, it wasn't even on my radar until a few years ago. Let me rewind a little bit further: I graduated from James Cook University (JCU) – for the first time – with a Bachelor of Commerce (Accounting) in 2005, and, after moving to Canberra and spending a decade in the Foreign Service, I found myself at a career crossroads. I knew I needed a change but I wasn't completely sure what I wanted to do. I quit my job, moved back home to Townsville to be closer to my family and took six months off to do some soul searching.

It was around that time that I read about the death in custody in WA of a 22-year-old Aboriginal woman known at the time as Miss Dhu. I was shaken to my core as I read about the repeated failures of our health system to provide Miss Dhu with the medical treatment that could have saved her life. In the midst of my soul searching and reflection, this young woman's story was what drove me to pursue medicine.

So, inspired by the Epictetus quote "First say to yourself what you would be; and then do what you have to do", I said that I would become a doctor, contacted JCU's Indigenous Education & Research Centre for advice and enrolled in JCU's Diploma of Higher Education (Health) to get the prerequisites I needed to apply to medicine."

"I am a regular at IERC (JCU's Indigenous Education & Research Centre). I drop in there several times a week and I study there every weekend. It energises me and I feel welcomed there. At home even. I feel supported there by staff and students who model the cultural values I grew up with."

– Joanne Kaczmarek

I then spent the next 12 months with my eyes on the prize and after a nerve-racking application process I was accepted into JCU's Bachelor of Medicine/Bachelor of Surgery, starting in 2018. I'm now in my fourth year and, as challenging as it is, I absolutely love it.

JCU provides so many amazing supports to students, from its top-notch facilities and world-class staff to the fantastic study spaces and the all-encompassing student support services that are there for those times when your personal

circumstances get in the way of your studies.

I feel fortunate to have received mentorship early on in my studies, to have access to tutoring through the IERC, and to have ongoing pastoral support from the wonderful staff at the IERC and the School of Medicine.

I am a regular at the IERC. I drop in there several times a week and I study there every weekend. It energises me and I feel welcomed there. At home even. The design is amazing, the facilities are top notch and the staff make everyone feel welcome. I feel supported there by staff and students who model the cultural values I grew up with, and where I'm surrounded by people who share similar experiences and who are on a similar journey to me.

I hope one day to practice medicine in rural and remote towns in Queensland and to go back to the Torres Strait as a doctor.

Beyond that, I believe that my future in medicine lies somewhere at the intersection of Western and traditional medicine.

Joanne Kaczmarek, JCU Bachelor of Medicine-Bachelor of Surgery student.



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"I enrolled in JCU's Diploma of Higher Education (Health) to get the prerequisites I needed to apply to medicine."

Joanne Kaczmarek

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For further information contact the Indigenous Education & Research Centre on ierc@jcu.edu.au or phone 07 4781 4676



Joanne Kaczmarek: "Inspired by the Epictetus quote, 'First say to yourself what you would be; and then do what you have to do', I said that I would become a doctor, contacted JCU's Indigenous Education & Research Centre for advice and enrolled in JCU's Diploma of Higher Education (Health) to get the prerequisites I needed to apply to medicine."



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NAISDA extends online auditions

A boriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people aged 16 to 26 with a passion for dance, culture and the performing arts now have until Friday, October 23, to register their interest to audition for NAISDA Dance College's 2021 intake.

Due to the high level of interest in auditioning for NAISDA – Australia's only dance and performing arts training organisation specifically for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people – the college has extended its online application deadline by five weeks to ensure no-one misses out.

For the first time in its 44-year history, this year's auditions are being held completely online to meet the needs of communities, young people and their families during COVID.

The virtual audition experience has been designed to be as accessible as possible, with instruction videos, easy-to-learn exercises and Zoom classes all part of the process allowing auditionees to practise and submit an audition at their own pace.

Offering full-time, nationally accredited education and qualifications, many of the college's alumni have gone on to successful national and international careers in the dance industry, including Bangarra Dance Theatre, as well as careers across television, film, theatre, music, community and education sectors.

Kim Walker, NAISDA CEO, says that NAISDA holds a unique position of being a place of inspired cultural and creative learning that sits at the forefront of national Aboriginal and Torres Strait



NAISDA's 2019 Sydney season *Ngoenakap* directed by Sani Townson and performed at Carriageworks. Picture: Wayne Quilliam NAISDA Dance College

Islander performing arts training in Australia.

At the core of NAISDA's training and development is its Cultural Residency program. No other training organisation in Australia offers the unique opportunity to engage in cultural and artistic practice and dialogue through immersion on country with a series of on-campus and remote residencies.

NAISDA head of dance Deon Hastie explained, "Our Cultural Residency program is something very special and unique to NAISDA. The experiences and connections made through the residency

program stay with our developing artists for life. We are extremely privileged to be welcomed into communities to share song, dance and culture and learn first-hand from cultural tutors, Elders and knowledge holders.

NAISDA is an opportunity to learn from leading trainers and choreographers, who will encourage you to challenge yourself and expand your skills in preparation for a professional career in the cultural and creative industries," Mr Hastie continued.

NAISDA produces two performance seasons annually to enable developing

artists to develop cultural, artistic and creative excellence within a professional performance environment.

The college also provides a Professional Secondment program with leading national arts companies that gives students valuable insight into the professional world of dance and the performing arts.

The latest addition to the NAISDA curriculum is its new 2021 Advanced Diploma course beginning next February. Online applications for this course are invited from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander practising artists aged 18 years or older with advanced training or experience within dance practice.

Running for just 18 months, the qualification can be obtained without an extensive absence from the industry and offers flexible learning streams that are tailored according to applicants' experience and practice in chosen areas.

From its campus on Darkinjung Country on the New South Wales Central Coast, NAISDA is a registered training organisation at the forefront of cultural and creative performing arts training. This is reflected in NAISDA's impressive student completion rate of 84%, over double the national average.

Applications to audition close on October 23, 2020, with online auditions continuing until October 30. Eligible applicants should visit www.naisda.com.au/audition-for-naisda to apply.

For enquiries regarding the audition process, please contact the NAISDA audition team on (toll free) on 1800 117 116 or email auditions@naisda.com.au



Online Auditions Open for NAISDA Dance College

Know someone with talent and passion for a career in the arts? Encourage them to audition online today.

- We're Australia's leading training organisation in dance and the performing arts specifically for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people.
- Offering nationally-accredited Certificate III to Advanced Diploma courses rich in cultural learning, practice and creation.
- Units in Contemporary, Urban, Hip Hop, Ballet, Cultural Dance, Cultural Knowledge, Choreography, Physical Theatre, Dancefilm and Music Composition.
- Our 84% student completion rate is double the national average.
- Graduates enjoy careers in dance, music, theatre, film, arts management, community and education.
- This year's online auditions mean it's never been easier to apply!

Have a yarn with us by emailing auditions@naisda.com.au or phoning (toll free) on 1800 117 116.

- Who** For Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people aged 16 - 26.
- When** Online auditions until 2 October 2020.
- Where** Campus with culturally safe, onsite accommodation on Darkinjung Land at Kariong, NSW Central Coast.
- Cost** NAISDA's training is subsidised by the NSW Government for eligible students, and through the Australian Government.

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Kat Dorante

**Torres Strait Islander
Human rights advocate
Double degree student**

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Growing up in North Queensland, I didn't really know what I wanted to become – I just knew it would involve empowering my people. Now, after five years at QUT, four years as a paid intern, and two amazing international trips, I'm closing in on my ambition to become a human rights lawyer.

Leaving my family to move to Brisbane was a tough decision, but QUT's Oodgeroo Unit were instrumental in helping me transition to university. The unit has continued to support me throughout my degree and are dedicated to helping Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students succeed at uni.

For more information on how the Oodgeroo Unit can help you achieve your study goals contact 1800 645 513, email information@oodgeroo.edu.au or visit qut.edu.au/about/Oodgeroo

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Oorala Centre puts students on path to learning at UNE

Thinking about study at the University of New England (UNE)?

Did you know that the Oorala Aboriginal Centre can help you work out how prepared you are to study and which course might be the right one for you?

No ATAR? No problem. There are other ways you might get into a course.

The TRACKS Tertiary Preparation Program is a short course which allows you to experience university study. It builds upon your existing skills in a supportive and culturally strong community.

"TRACKS has been invaluable for me. Learning the skills needed for university study gave me confidence in my ability to be successful," said TRACKS student, Jessica. "Without the support and guidance of the Oorala team, I never would have considered myself as being capable of studying at university. I wish I had found the TRACKS program sooner."

Or perhaps you have experience working in a particular field and you would like qualifications to match?

With our Internal Selection Program (ISP) your experience and professional development qualifications may act as a springboard into an undergraduate degree. We will assess your experience and any qualifications you may hold and help you to apply for your chosen course.

A student story

Ashley Kirby wanted to be a nurse but felt he wasn't cut out for study. Fitting in had been difficult and made his school years mostly about surviving. After a varied career, he found himself working at a small country hospital when the thought of being a nurse reasserted itself and changed the course of Ash's life.

With the support of a colleague he took up a training opportunity and became an enrolled nurse. This led to Ash thinking about the opportunities of having a degree: the places it could take him, the work he could do to help close the health gap, and the pay difference. Ash found UNE and hasn't looked back.

"I chose UNE because of its advanced online setting, necessary because of my work and all the other commitments a mature-age student carries."

"I also thought I'm too old, that I've left it too long, but the first person I met through UNE was 55. So, I can't really say that anymore."

"And, I discovered that I am an amazing student."

Ash's success has been recognised by an innovative program called the Oorala Indigenous Scholars Program, which match academically high-achieving Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander



Ashley Kirby is studying towards a Bachelor of Nursing at UNE and proud to be a mentor to other students through the Oorala Indigenous Scholars Program.

scholars with TRACKS students and pairs them in mentoring and peer support activities. So far mentoring has been a highlight of Ash's study career.

"Becoming an Indigenous scholar gave

me the opportunity to mentor other students and share my story with them."

Oorala Indigenous scholars are trained to support their fellow students and are recognised for their academic success. The scholars' knowledge and tertiary education experience is a powerful tool that is harnessed to guide and assist students starting their university journey.

Kate Carter, lecturer and TRACKS unit coordinator at Oorala, invited Ash to be a mentor as his experience is similar to that of many other students.

Kate believes that "the chance of a TRACKS student learning from somebody else's experience is much greater if that person is also a student".

Ash will graduate in December with a Bachelor of Nursing and believes that TRACKS students deserve the chance to achieve their dreams.

"There's no reason why everybody can't make it across the finish line."

UNE is highly regarded for its online excellence and the quality study experience it offers to remote students. The Oorala Student Experience Team puts the wellbeing of around 1000 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students and their communities first, working with them to ensure their success and offering tailored support to suit.

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If you're an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander person who may not gain entry into university by traditional means, we encourage you to contact us, complete an application and benefit from admission to Flinders through the Indigenous Admission Scheme.

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The Yunggorendi Student Engagement team are dedicated to supporting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students to reach their goals and aspirations whilst studying at Flinders University. Yunggorendi Student Engagement work closely with students throughout the student life cycle, offering tailored and one-on-one support and assistance.

"The Indigenous Admission Scheme was a very simple and quick process, and once I was accepted the team at Yunggorendi were extremely friendly and caring. I would highly recommend anyone wanting to study at University, pick Flinders and the team at Yunggorendi. You won't regret it!"

**Warrick Clinch
Bachelor of Health Sciences/Master of Physiotherapy**

**Contact Yunggorendi Student Engagement on 1800 641 811
or email Yunggorendi@flinders.edu.au for more information.**





Proud Bundjalung man pursues top education at Uni of Sydney

Born and raised on Darug land in Western Sydney, Thomas Harrington is a proud Indigenous man with heritage from the Bundjalung nation in Northern New South Wales. Thomas chose to study at the University of Sydney believing this would afford him the best opportunity to receive a world-class education from “some of the brightest academics in the country”.

From an early age, Thomas was interested in health and human sciences, but it wasn't until he was midway through Year 12 that he became set on pursuing a Bachelor of Science and Doctor of Medicine.

Following extensive research and many conversations with teachers, careers advisors and his family, Thomas found that a future in health sciences would allow him to pursue his interests while also having a meaningful impact on his community.

“Following graduation, I aim to work all across the country including regional and remote hospitals as well as possibly undertaking humanitarian work overseas,” said Thomas.

However, Thomas' pursuit of a tertiary education was almost defeated by a confusing application



Bundjalung man Thomas Harrington is studying health and human sciences at the University of Sydney.

process. As a high school student, finding the right path and completing the necessary paperwork can be daunting.

Thomas found the University of Sydney's Mana Yura student support team invaluable when he applied for entrance through its

Gadigal Program, a tailored pathway for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students.

“The team was in contact with me throughout the entire process to ensure all the required forms were submitted in time.

“Now I work for the university, providing support for high school students to help them navigate their way into university,” said Thomas.

“Go to events and talk to a variety of faculty members, apply for extracurricular programs held at the university such as the Summer Camp and Experience Days,” he says.

Thomas also strongly encourages others to take advantage of the multiple support services on offer such as the Indigenous Tutorial Assistance Scheme (ITAS) which gives access to weekly tutoring, and the Mentoring Our Brothers and Sisters (MOBS) program, a buddy program that helps first-year students settle into the world of university. Thomas is now giving back as an ITAS tutor, as well as a MOBS mentor.

Thomas has experienced a new world on campus from the high-tech facilities, to the surrounds of the jacarandas and sandstone

buildings, and the extra-curricular programs such as the Indigenous Uni Games.

“University can seem difficult and intimidating. At times, I have felt as if I am undeserving to be in the degree I am in.

“It took me a while to feel deserving of my place and this comes from surrounding yourself with supportive friends, a lot of whom I met through the Gadigal Program.

“I am aware of my achievements and take pride in the fact that I am studying at the University of Sydney.”

The Gadigal Program provides a pathway to the University of Sydney. Applicants are assessed on more than the ATAR, with a focus on personal interests, motivation and goals. Through the program, students can access: lower minimum ATAR requirements for admission; an intensive two-week academic skills program before commencement; and ongoing academic and personal support.

For more information about studying at the university, and scholarships and support, please visit: www.sydney.edu.au/indigenous

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Your path to Sydney

Applications are open for our Gadigal Program. We look at more than your ATAR by focusing on your interests, motivation and goals. We also offer a wide range of scholarships to help you realise your aspirations.

Student support

Our tailored student services ensure you'll have plenty of help with the transition to university.

You'll join an inclusive network that includes outreach programs for high school students, application advice and ongoing academic and personal support once you're here.



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Wirltu Yarlu Aboriginal Education at the University of Adelaide shares its totem, the sea eagle, with the late Auntie Gladys Elphick, a respected Kurna Elder and tireless advocate for Indigenous rights in South Australia. Respecting this history, Wirltu Yarlu is always soaring higher in the pursuit of excellence for our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students. We offer guidance and support at all stages of your education journey.

If you're thinking about University:

In high school, as you start to turn your attention towards your future aspirations, Wirltu Yarlu and its Karnkanthi Education Program can support you to make these a reality. Translating to 'lifting up' in the Kurna language, Karnkanthi provides tailored academic, cultural and emotional support to senior students who are passionate learners. This program offers successful applicants opportunities for personal development and growth through academic mentoring, leadership camps, social activities and financial scholarships.

Contact the Karnkanthi Team for more information:

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Phone: (08) 8313 3623

You're ready to apply:

When you're ready to apply to university, Wirltu Yarlu is here to help you through this process. If you're unsure whether you'll meet the requirements for your desired course, haven't completed high school or have been in the workforce for a number of years, the Access Pathway is another route into higher education.

No matter your educational background, our Admissions Officer can answer all your questions and support your journey into the University of Adelaide. Contact the team at Wirltu Yarlu to learn more about the university's degree programs, the Access Pathway or application options and dates.

You've arrived:

The Wirltu Yarlu Education unit is made up of a dedicated team of Indigenous and non-Indigenous staff who are eager to ensure your university experience is both enjoyable and successful. Our Kurna Cultural Advisors will ensure you feel culturally grounded and supported during your time at the University of Adelaide, while our Student Support Officers can assist you with anything from tutoring and academic support to accommodation.

With our strong industry and university connections, Wirltu Yarlu can also organise for you to participate in degree specific cadetships, allowing you to gain relevant experience, make a start on your career and be paid for your time.

The University of Adelaide has made some strong strides along its reconciliation journey, launching its first Reconciliation Action Plan in 2019, building a Kurna Learning Circle on its North Terrace Campus and offering a series of Indigenous specific courses to all students. University of Adelaide offers an Indigenous Knowledges and Society major that you can study in a number of programs including a Bachelor of Arts, Environmental Policy and Management or International Development.

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Wirltu Yarlu
Aboriginal Education



Tiahni finds the freedom to walk in two worlds at University of Adelaide

Tiahni Adamson is a proud Torres Strait Islander and Larrakia woman, with ties to Thursday Island and the Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara (APY) Lands.

After many years of balancing study, employment and giving back to community and culture, Tiahni has recently completed her Bachelor of Science (Wildlife Conservation Biology) at the University of Adelaide.

It was a strong passion for understanding and protecting Australia's natural environment that drew Tiahni to this particular field of study.

"We are custodians of this country," says Tiahni. "We have incredibly strong connections to the land, sea, flora and fauna. It is my moral and cultural obligation to continue to nurture these beautiful soils and oceans just as my ancestors have, generation after generation."

Like many other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, Tiahni walks in two worlds, holding on to her Indigenous heritage in a

contemporary, mostly Western world. Further education, she believes, has supported her in this journey:

"I can see the benefits of being both culturally strong and educated in a Western way to help guide me through life, honour my family and continue to protect the health of this planet."

While Tiahni studied at the University of Adelaide the Wirltu Yarl Aboriginal Education unit supported her in bringing together these two worlds by providing culturally grounded support and services. During her studies, Tiahni participated in the Wirltu Yarl Cadetship program which connects students with degree-relevant, paid-work experience. For the last year of her studies, Tiahni's cadetship has focused on marine research, allowing her to build industry connections and apply her university learning in the real world.

With her degree completed, Tiahni is now working for the Department of Primary Industries and Regions South

Australia (PIRSA) as part of their Aboriginal Fisheries Compliance Support career pathway program.

She aspires to continue working and upskilling with PIRSA and working onboard their vessel, the *Southern Ranger*.

"I hope to utilise my special connection with our land to educate, advocate and nurture sustainable living practices on country. I hope to be a part of solving our climate crisis by standing up for Indigenous Australia, facilitating our mob to manage our own country with our incredible 60,000+ years of knowledge."

For any mob considering studying at university, Tiahni offers this advice:

"Reach out to the Indigenous support services available at your university. Connection to our community is so important, especially during the struggles and stress associated with studying. If life gets too full-on and you need time on country or with family, take it, but always return to your studies in some way."



While studying at the University of Adelaide, Tiahni Adamson enjoyed the support she received from the Wirltu Yarl Aboriginal Education unit: "Reach out to the Indigenous support services available at your university. Connection to our community is so important, especially during the struggles and stress associated with studying," she said.

Many pathways to study at University of Newcastle

The University of Newcastle is deeply committed to improving Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people's health, wellbeing and educational opportunities. With more than 1500 Indigenous graduates, the university has shown that an innovative approach to guiding and nurturing students is welcome.

Pro Vice-Chancellor Indigenous Strategy and Leadership Nathan Towney said the university has a long and proud history of supporting educational outcomes and employment opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

"The University of Newcastle has a strong track record of providing students with a culturally safe space and remains committed to increasing our staff's and students' cultural knowledge and understanding," said Mr Towney.

Since 1983, The Wollotuka Institute has provided guidance and support for Indigenous students studying at the University of Newcastle.

In this welcoming and culturally affirming environment, students are supported by experienced staff, Elders, cultural leaders and fellow students who help build feelings of belonging and confidence, contributing to their success.

Navigating the admission process to university can be a daunting experience and the university acknowledges that traditional pathways to tertiary study don't necessarily offer equal opportunities for everyone.

To address this, the university has developed a number of enabling pathway programs for students from a diverse range of backgrounds including a range to support



Kayden, a Ma & Morley Scholar. Image supplied.

Indigenous students gain entry into undergraduate degrees.

For more than 20 years the University of Newcastle's Yapug program – meaning 'path' in Awabakal language – has helped students develop the academic skills required for success in undergraduate study, prior to their commencement.

Another program, the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Admission Scheme, enables students to be assessed on a broad range of formal qualifications, life experiences and other transferable skills rather than academic results alone.

Recognising the need to increase representation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait

Islander people in the medical and legal professions, the university has programs specifically targeting these areas of study.

The Law School's Indigenous Early Entry Scheme invites Indigenous students currently preparing for their Higher School Certificate to apply for entry to the Bachelor of Laws (Honours). Successful applicants are guaranteed a place in the law program before completing HSC exams.

The University's Thurru Indigenous Health Unit runs a unique program to provide an alternative pathway for Indigenous medical students. The team from Thurru visits regional and remote areas to speak with communities about the Joint Medical Program, a partnership between the University of Newcastle and the University of New England.

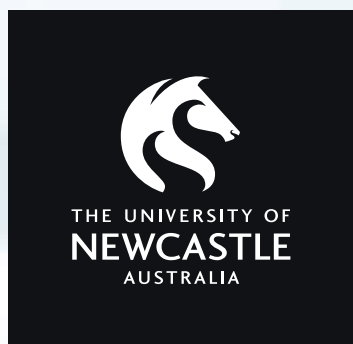
The Miroma Bunbilla program is a five-day intensive selection process that gives aspiring doctors the chance to demonstrate their passion, aptitude and suitability to commence a medical degree.

Having helped to produce more than 100 Indigenous doctors, with another 17 to graduate this year, the program continues to nurture culturally aware practitioners with an ingrained connection to our country and its people.

Applications for this year's Miroma Bunbilla program are now open and will close on October 31. The program will be held from November 30 to December 4, and, this year, will be conducted online from home or a nominated university facility.

Further information on these entry pathways is available at the University of Newcastle website.

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Mother and daughter duo unlock the power of learning at ACU



Mother and daughter duo Leah and Lauran Ingram undertook their learning journey together at ACU.

By DAMIEN STANNARD

Diving into tertiary study as they harnessed the power of their kinship was all it took for mother and daughter duo Leah and Lauran Ingram to realise their potential.

The Wiradjuri women are revelling in new opportunities and connections after completing Bachelor of Education degrees via Australian Catholic University's (ACU's) Away From Base (AFB) Program.

For Leah, the journey was especially rewarding after being introduced to the program by her son, Michael, who graduated at ACU with a Bachelor of Education Primary (Indigenous Studies).

"I decided that if I wanted to enact change, I couldn't just sit and wait. I had to be pro-active," she said.

"Being able to take this journey with my daughter

was truly amazing."

Where the Darkinjung Nation meets Guringai and Awabakal Nations by the shores of Awaba (Lake Macquarie) on the northern Central Coast, both mother and daughter were motivated to learn, but had their own reasons to be daunted by higher education.

Leah worked in various education roles for almost two decades, however it had been a long time since she had studied, and her fear that 'you can't teach an old dog new tricks' held her back. Lauren also worked in schools yet had not completed her Year 12 certificate and believed a tertiary degree was out of her reach.

Further enquiries revealed ACU's national AFB program, involving a balance of online learning and intensive residential blocks, would provide the support they needed to reach their goals.

"It was all very

overwhelming at the beginning, however doing it through ACU's [AFB] program made it that much easier. Being surrounded by mob from all over the country coming together to walk this journey together was truly empowering," Lauren said.

Leah's experience in the education system left her frustrated and craving more First Nations perspectives and role models. Having initiated change in her own life she can now be that role model for her family and peers.

"I was so lucky to be grouped with my daughter and the most amazing, inspirational, clever and funny cohort," Leah said.

"Being surrounded by Blakfellas cut out all of the elitism.

"We were just a bunch of brothers, sisters, aunties and uncles trying to pave the way for our people and provide direction and inspiration to

our young ones growing up. We cried with each other, we laughed with each other and we were always there to help each other."

Leah and Lauren thrived at ACU.

Lauren left behind her job as a learning support officer and is now teaching at a primary school on the Central Coast.

Leah was awarded the Executive Dean Commendation in each of her four years of study and was also awarded the John F. Slowly Memorial Scholarship.

"The AFB program was hard at times but being able to continue working whilst studying offered great advantages as far as financial support for my family," Leah said.

"I have a great sense of pride that I was able to reach such a milestone at my age.

"For my wellbeing I am slowly starting to believe that I can do this."

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The Oodgeroo Unit provides a range of support services and facilities for Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples looking to study at QUT.

Culturally responsive entry program

The Centralised Assessment and Selection Program (CASP) is a great alternative entry pathway for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students. During my CASP interview, QUT staff made me comfortable, and we even had a few laughs.

Cale Burge
Bachelor of Sport and Exercise Science student



Scholarships

Securing a scholarship has eased the financial pressure I face and has allowed me to maintain my long-term aspirations of bettering Indigenous Australia through my studies.

Oliver Savage
Bachelor of Behavioural Science (Psychology) student



Tutoring

I would highly encourage future students to be involved in the Keystones of Success program. Through the program I receive tutoring support and assistance focused on my degree from a specialised academic tutor.

Aleysha Geebung
Bachelor of Nursing student



For more information on how the Oodgeroo Unit can support your studies contact 1800 645 513, email information@oodgeroo.edu.au or visit qut.edu.au/about/Oodgeroo

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Telling stories across time



Romaine Moreton is a proud Indigenous storyteller. She has an MA (Screenwriting) from AFTRS.

By ROMAINE MORETON

As an Australian Film Television and Radio School (AFTRS) alumna, my career pathway has been one that exemplifies my passion for media and storytelling.

A pathway that began as a technical assistant in Visual Communication at Sydney College of the Arts, I gained a BA in communications (UTS), a MA in screenwriting (AFTRS), and a PhD that interrogated the Western writing system and the impact of the English language on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander bodies (UWS).

However, these pathways through educational institutions were and are built on the profound cultural foundations and values of my extended Minjumbul Bundjalung Yagera Goenpul families and communities.

Having a great-grandfather who carried the message stick across at least four state borders, I have come to understand the intimate connection between media and the medium; the story and the storyteller.

As storytellers, we are liminal bodies constantly negotiating liminal spaces between the imagined and the tangible.

With the world in a state of

great transformation, we stand at the threshold of a global reimagining of systems, identities, responsibilities, and accountabilities.

As the inaugural director of First Nations and Outreach, I am honoured to be working with a dynamic team of storytellers and media practitioners who understand what it is to occupy liminal spaces; spaces that resist definition, spaces where anything can happen (Turner, 1974).

The newly formed team is myself, Sue Elphinstone and Joseph Cardona of the Indigenous Unit, Gary Paramanathan and Marissa Ciampi of the Outreach Team, and EO Gill, whose committed work to the Screen Diversity and Inclusion Network (SDIN) is poised to affect an important cultural shift in Australian national broadcast culture.

As a newly formed team, we will explore the complex nature of storytelling, media production, community building, and thought leadership; whereby exploring the liminal, we test the possible.

And for me, our collective storytelling vision can only be increased in value by acknowledging that as a nation, we are founded on storytelling and media production traditions that are thousands of years old.

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Students have a yarn about RMIT's Ngarara Willim Centre

Israel Carter
Ngarrindjeri
Master of Design, Innovation & Technology

I chose to study sound production because I have always had a passion for music and how it is made.

I really wanted to keep learning and improving my skills and knowledge and eventually turn it into a career.

The application process was made easy for me as Ngarara Willim Centre staff helped and I have engaged with the centre ever since.

Since then, I've been supported in attending conferences, visited Malaysia for a study tour, represented RMIT at Indigenous National, undertook an internship and am always engaging with Ngarara Willim Centre activities and events.

Michelle Gissara
Kardu Diminin
Bachelor of Justice & Criminology (Honours)

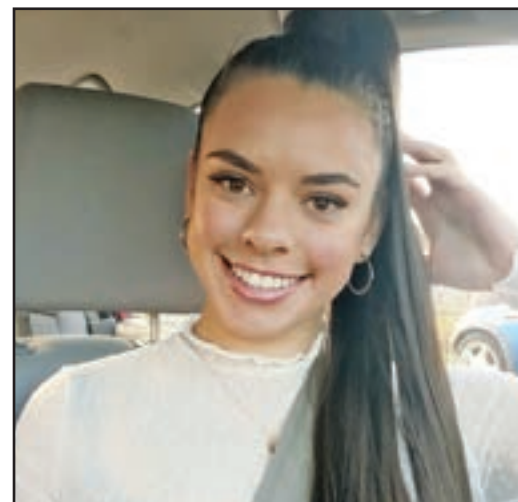
It was my lifelong dream to study psychology and criminology at RMIT and the Ngarara Willim Centre team have helped me achieve this.



Israel Carter loves music and is studying for a Master of Design, Innovation & Technology.



Michelle Gissara is studying for her ideal job with a Bachelor of Justice & Criminology.



Winyinnar Mendez Williams is happy studying for a Bachelor of Environment and Society.

Ngarara Willim have assisted me from the beginning with my application, helped me with scholarships and accessing tutoring and equitable learning for my studies, as well as being deadly people to socialise with when a study break was required.

As part of my study journey, I've been able to travel to different countries to support my learning, including a two-week

study trip to Malaysia as part of a Comparative Criminology course.

If you're thinking of studying, definitely give it a go.

With the help of Ngarara Willim Centre, I am now in my honours year in Criminology.

You have nothing to lose and there is so much support here at RMIT, especially from the Ngarara Willim Centre.

Winyinnar Mendez Williams
Wiradjuri and Yorta Yorta,
Uruguayan
Bachelor of Environment and Society

Through my Indigenous Student Internship Program, I met a current RMIT student. I quickly found that RMIT was the university for me.

I then moved to Melbourne from Wollongong to study at RMIT. Since then, I have made many great

friends and feel like I'm a part of the Ngarara Willim family.

The staff at Ngarara Willim Centre immediately supported me by helping me find accommodation and assisted with my academia (tutoring).

I am very happy to have made the decision to move and study at RMIT to the point where I've supported close friends from home to move as well.



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- Support with applications and our Indigenous Access Program
- Scholarships and accommodation information
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Ivy Minniecon
Bachelor of Contemporary Australian Indigenous Art student



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GUMURRII
Student Success Unit

Griffith has a strong vision for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students

With one of the highest numbers of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander student enrolments and graduations of any Australian university, Griffith continues to lead the way nationally in its support of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students. GUMURRII Student Success Unit is at the heart of this focus, providing dedicated student resources and services on each of Griffith University's campuses.

As one of Australia's first tertiary student support units for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, generations of Griffith students have been welcomed into a strong community of learning, where Aboriginal and Torres Strait culture and excellence is nurtured, valued and celebrated.

"Griffith is an exciting place to start your career," says Ivy Minniecon who studies in the Bachelor of Contemporary Australian Indigenous Art.

Landon Brady recently graduated with a Bachelor of Environmental Science and said that Griffith's GUMURRII student support network was a 'home away from home' during his studies. A Gamilaraay and Wailwan man from Coonabarabran in north-west NSW, Landon had to travel far from his family to study a Bachelor of Environmental Science.

"When moving so far away from my real home, the staff at GUMURRII provided me with the personal and educational support I needed, as well as connecting me with a supportive network," he says.

Landon says the friendships that he has found at university have been a highlight of his study, and he expected them to be useful in his career as well.

"The culture of Griffith is extremely welcoming. It is relaxed, encouraging and supportive," he said.

"I decided to study environmental science because of my passion for country



Landon Brady, Bachelor of Environmental Science.

and the importance of protecting it from further damage."

Students can study online with Griffith's digital campus, which is Griffith's second largest and fastest growing campus.

Online students can connect with their teaching team and GUMURRII, ensuring that regional, remote and locally based online students can access services and stay well connected.

GUMURRII also delivers a personal academic coaching and tutorial assistance program for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students at Griffith. Through this fully funded program, students can be matched with academic tutors to help them succeed at university.

Leda Barnett is one such student who graduated with a Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Education and Bachelor of Psychological Science with Honours from



Leda Barnett, Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Education, Bachelor of Psychological Science (Honours).

Griffith. She is now studying in a research program to complete her Doctor of Philosophy and has been supported by both Griffith's Indigenous Research Unit (IRU) and GUMURRII Student Success Unit.

Leda is a remarkable Griffith graduate who has overcome her share of challenges to pursue her academic goals, including time away from her family in central Queensland.

Leda sees the team at GUMURRII Student Success Unit as "pivotal" in her success at university thanks to the academic, cultural and personal support they offer students.

"I established what have come to be lifelong friendships with staff and fellow students," she said.

"I know the GUMURRII SSU is a support service I can plug into at any time."

After completing her undergraduate studies at Griffith, Leda knew she wanted to return to pursue her PhD.

"Griffith University is increasingly coming to understand the importance of the perspectives of First Australians to research and course content," she said.

"There are lots of opportunities for First Australians to have a say and make a difference."

With a Griffith scholarship, financial circumstances don't need to be an obstacle to university study.

Applications for admission to Griffith University are now open, and if you are a mature Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander applicant (i.e. aged 18+ and not a current school leaver), you can apply directly to Griffith.

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Rural and remote health at Flinders University

At Flinders University we are in a truly privileged position to make a difference in the communities we serve.

Our geographic footprint throughout the Central Australian Corridor is a defining feature. We have Australia's widest network of remote and rural campuses and community partnerships, running from the south-east of South Australia, Adelaide, the Riverland, to Alice Springs, Katherine and Darwin in the Northern Territory.

This breadth of teaching and research activity allows us to deliver regional academic programs and research that impact some of the most marginalised communities in Australia.

Our focus on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health, rural and remote health and the development of a 'home-grown' healthcare workforce in rural and remote communities is a clear strength.

As well as delivering the Flinders NT Medical Program (NTMP), longitudinal rural and



Professor Robyn Aitken, Deputy Dean, Rural and Remote Health, Flinders University.

junior doctor programs (SA), Flinders provides rural and remote workforce education for nursing and allied health professionals.

Our Public Health program provides cutting-edge real-life public health experiences.

Alongside staff from the Poche Centre for Indigenous Health, Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal staff who teach and research into the range of programs that we offer provide cultural input into curricula and to achieving the aims of our

Reconciliation Action Plan.

Together these activities support the College of Medicine and Public Health's collective vision to be recognised as the global leader in producing a committed, highly skilled and culturally safe rural and remote health workforce, and rural and remote health research; both of which pay attention to the needs of our First Nations communities.

To this end we engage in partnerships with local health services, community and government agencies and support research about health issues relevant to local communities.

A component of our work is to provide more choice and access for regional students pursuing higher education. This has never been more important than now because the COVID-19 pandemic has taught us how important it is for our students to be able to study as close to home as possible.

The new Paramedic Science degree in the NT is one example of our responsiveness. The pandemic has also highlighted the importance

of public health practitioners so we have recently developed an undergraduate degree in Public Health, commencing in 2021, and complementing our postgraduate offerings.

Our 20+ years of experience in offering medicine, paramedicine, clinical science and public health degrees has directly contributed to the development of health workforces in communities that need them the most.

We hope to provide further opportunities in the future for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students to study locally for long-term careers on country.

I encourage you to explore our website at flinders.edu.au/college-medicine-public-health to learn more about us, and the breadth of our activities in the Central Australian Corridor.

Importantly, I look forward to what we can continue to achieve, together.

**Professor Robyn Aitken
Deputy Dean, Rural and Remote Health, Flinders University.**



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NIKERI Institute partnering with communities through education

Deakin University celebrated a milestone in March in its commitment to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander education, with the rebranding of IKE to the National Indigenous Knowledges Education Research and Innovation (NIKERI) Institute.

NIKERI Institute director Associate Professor Gabrielle Fletcher said, "This exciting shift will broaden the scope of teaching, learning, research and innovation in Indigenous higher education at Deakin and beyond, capturing a national footprint whilst still maintaining critical relationships with local communities."

"Our vision for NIKERI Institute is to contribute and showcase the value and vibrancy of Australian First Nations knowledge systems, cultures, traditions, histories, perspectives and insights."

The Institute's unique Community Based Delivery (CBD) approach to learning provides students the flexibility to gain access to higher education while continuing to live in their home community and maintain family, work and cultural obligations. The CBD model offers a combination of on-campus study blocks and supported learning in home communities, strengthened by



NIKERI Institute Partnerships coordinator Kiri Wicks is connecting to schools and organisations across Australia.

Deakin's leading digital platform.

Students can access supplementary tutors in both located and community settings, as well as learning advisors to build academic and digital capabilities to engage and succeed through their degree programs.

"We are a culturally safe learning space where all Aboriginal

and Torres Strait Islander Peoples can come to pursue a tertiary education." Associate Professor Fletcher said.

The appointment of Professor Mark Rose as the Pro-Vice Chancellor Indigenous Strategy and Innovation is also an opportunity to provide leadership in Indigenous education, research

and community engagement to support the university's vision for Indigenous participation and success and further support strategies in place across Deakin.

Professor Rose said the university has a history of providing a culturally respectful and supportive space for students and community to grow.

"This place walks in tandem with the heartbeat of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community. That has always been and will always be the essence of Deakin."

The university's commitment to Indigenous Knowledges is demonstrated with the growth of Aboriginal Studies elective units at Deakin. Developed and delivered by NIKERI Institute's Indigenous academic staff, these units have expanded from the one initial offering in 2017 to four in 2020 and more in development.

Content ranges from politics and history, story and songlines, to understanding Indigenous experiences and perspectives.

"Moving forward, I also see expansion of the subjects we offer to the broader Deakin cohort."

"This is critical to fostering productive and meaningful relationships between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples

and all other Australians to ensure we work together in forging a shared contemporary Australian narrative." Associate Professor Fletcher said.

While NIKERI Institute has always welcomed students from across Australia, this year's renaming re-establishes a strategic commitment to community connections, meaningful relationships and co-actioning.

As part of a suite of initiatives to coincide with the expansion of the Institute, a Community Pathways Plan is underway.

A national roadshow visiting schools and organisations across the country will embark in early 2021. In the meantime, NIKERI Institute will be connecting with First Nations communities through a series of upcoming virtual events. The program aims to strengthen Deakin's connection to communities nationally, while building pathways to higher education.

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Teacher aides benefit from uni partnership



A TRAINEESHIP partnership between Central Queensland University (CQU) and Wadja Wadja

High School at Woorabinda is helping teacher aides Diane Sigai and Brenda McNeill find new ways to connect with students.

Brenda and Diane started their Certificate III in Education Support traineeships with CQU in February last year and are already reaping the benefits.

Brenda has been at Wadja Wadja High School since January 2010 as a school officer/teacher aide.

"I started out by doing the reading program at the school. I am currently employed as a teacher aide for the Year 9 and 10 classes," she said.

"The training I have received thus far has helped me tremendously to improve my role in the classroom in terms of what I had already been practising. I am now even more able to understand the wants and needs of our students.

"I will continue to give to and assist our students to the best of my ability and might even consider taking up further study once I have completed this certificate."

Diane, who started at the school in 2017 as a teacher aide, also has a variety of other support roles at the school, which have all benefitted from her training.

"The training I have received has been highly beneficial in the supportive practices appropriate to the development needs of our students at Wadja Wadja High School," she said.

"Knowing the expectations of behaviour for students has been most helpful in my everyday work. I would like to continue working with students for some years to come and I am happy to consider further studies in the future."

Thank you

Brenda and Diane thanked CQU teacher Kelley Borg for her support and training.

"This course has reinforced and given Brenda and Diane the confidence of the knowledge and support they currently have when assisting students," Kelley said.

"While undertaking this course and working through the content they often remark about the connection with the work they do in the classroom.

"Brenda and Diane are competent and involved learners who are embracing

and learning the online Moodle platform.

"Their knowledge and confidence with technology is growing and will continue to develop throughout this course. These learned skills can be transferred into the classroom when working with students.

"They are both capable and sufficient in Zoom sessions which has cut down on travel time and allows these sessions to be flexible around their work commitments."

Kelley said the partnership had benefited both the students and CQU.

"As a teacher I am always looking to improve and develop the training and assessment that we offer and these wonderful ladies are more than happy to assist with feedback and suggestions during their studies," she said.

"Brenda and Diane are well respected members of community and as such are great ambassadors for future learners not only at the school but also the local community. "I hope this is the beginning of a great working partnership at Woorabinda.

"In addition, we have a school-based trainee who is currently undertaking her Certificate III in Education Support with CQU."



Wadja Wadja High School teacher aides Diane Sigai and Brenda McNeill.

AIATSIS series wins honours



THE educational resource, *Our Land, Our Stories* has taken out two honours in the 27th Educational

Publishing Awards Australia (EPAA), receiving the Best Student Resource 2020 and Outstanding Primary Resource 2020 awards.

Our Land, Our Stories is a landmark educational series exploring Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander histories, peoples and cultures developed by Nelson, a Cengage Company, in collaboration with the Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies (AIATSIS).

AIATSIS chief executive Craig Ritchie paid tribute to the team of people who helped to create the groundbreaking educational series.

"Receiving two awards from the Educational Publishing Awards Australia is a wonderful recognition of the excellence, innovation and care that was taken to create *Our Land, Our Stories*," Mr Ritchie said.



Josie from Thursday Island is one of the students who contributed to *Our Land, Our Stories*.

"I'd like to congratulate and thank all of the people who created this resource, here at AIATSIS and at Cengage, but particularly the many Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students and contributors from all over Australia."

Our Land, Our Stories allows Indigenous students to see themselves in the curriculum while empowering educators to confidently teach about the diverse stories, history and

culture of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. The series is supported by rare photographs and audio-visual material, including over 450 images drawn from the Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies collection.

The EPAA awards are an annual celebration of the best learning resources created for primary, secondary and tertiary education.



Australian National University

Project: Making Indigenous-friendly businesses

Chief Investigator (CI)

Professor Boyd Hunter (boyd.hunter@anu.edu.au)

- Centre for Social Research and Methods (CSRM), The Australian National University (ANU) Canberra, Australia

Project description

The ANU is looking for two PhD students to commit to work on an exciting project, 'Making Indigenous-friendly businesses' with leading researchers in Indigenous business and economic and social policy. The idea is to build on the good track record of Indigenous business in employing Indigenous workers to identify best practice. The first PhD candidate would identify what makes Indigenous businesses good employers of Indigenous workers, the second PhD candidate could analyse the extent to which non-Indigenous businesses can adopt the best practice in employing Indigenous workers to improve Indigenous employment. The first candidate would conduct a series of interviews with Indigenous businesses, their Indigenous employees and their communities to identify best practice, while the second candidates could collect survey data from a number of businesses and their employees in order to conduct an econometric analysis of the scope to improve workplace environment to make it more Indigenous friendly. Both PhD candidates will be given the opportunity to work with leading Indigenous scholars in the field who are an integral part of the research team: Professor Dennis Foley (University of Canberra) and Dr Kerry Bodle (Griffith University). One of the key stakeholder is National Indigenous Australians Agency, but the research team anticipates working with other key Indigenous organisations, including: IBA, Supply Nation and Indigenous chambers of commerce in relevant states where businesses are based.

ANU seek expressions of interest from Australian Citizens and Australian Permanent Residents. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants are strongly encouraged to apply. They will be selected on the basis of their compatibility of research expertise experience in working with Indigenous communities and strength of academic performance.

Preferred educational background

H2A Honours or equivalent in social science or economic/business disciplines

About the scholarship:

The ANU scholarship offers an indexed living allowance valued at \$28,092 per annum in 2020 dollars for up to three years with the possibility of a six-month extension. The successful applicants will be able to complete a PhD in social science, or a related field. The PhD candidate is responsible for making and original contribution to the field and will explore some of the research questions raised in the project description. The scholarship will be competitively awarded, available during the relevant research period only, and cannot be deferred or transferred to another area of research.

How to submit your expression of interest (EOI):

- A statement addressing your suitability for the project and scholarship and a brief CV should be provided.
- The preferred applicants will be invited to submit a full application on-line.

Closing date: EOIs should be submitted to Boyd.Hunter@anu.edu.au by 5:00 pm (AEST) on Monday 19 October 2020.

High-intensity dance meets live percussion in Thomas ES Kelly's dance work *Silence*, which premiered in Meanjin at Brisbane Festival earlier this month. Pictures: Simon Woods



Concerning *Silence*

By ELLEN VAN NEERVEN



'STOP the silence!' is the message of Thomas ES Kelly's *Silence*, which made its impressive world premiere in Meanjin at Brisbane Festival on September 12.

Earlier that morning, community received the heartbreaking news that there had been a death in custody in the city's watch house. My first thought was: "When? When will this stop happening to our people? When will Black Lives Matter?"

At the wake of the news, I did not feel like leaving the house and entering the city. I'm glad I did; seeing *Silence* in the theatre of Brisbane Powerhouse, full, with many of Meanjin's First Nations community members, was respite for the soul in these challenging times. The crowd experienced a connection, a gathering and a sing-up of the spirits.

Thomas ES Kelly is a Bundjalung-Yugambeh, Wiradjuri and Ni-Vanuatu dancer and choreographer living on country on the Gold Coast. He started up Karul Productions (from a Yugambeh word meaning 'everything') with his partner Taree Sansbury, who is also one of the performers in the show. *Silence* began through a residency in 2018 with Meanjin-based Indigenous dance company BlakDance, also the producers of the show.

High-intensity dance meets live percussion by local legend Jhindu-Pedro, son of Bunna Lawrie from Coloured Stone.

The dancers begin the performance shrouded in heavy brown-coloured layers against a dark backdrop, giving the show an apocalyptic feel. As the layers peel off, the stories unfold.

With symbolism heavily steeped in land rights and treaty, the show explores what the 250+ year-long denial of meaningful listening to



Actor Jhindu-Pedro in *Silence*.

First Nations people has done to the psyche of the people and land. Brown feet kick up sand, earth, dirt and dust. The sand seeps through brown fingers as it always has. Always was, always will be.

In choir formation, the performers sing the Australian anthem in its Yugambeh interpretation, as it has been sung for the last few years during sporting activities on Yugambeh land. The recital is not without a sprinkle of irony. After all, what is a national anthem for a nation state that is an illegal occupation?

The cast moves into enacting the theatre of footy with a possum skin ball, signifying that sport was not brought here by the invaders. They end the footy scene holding up shirts and pointing to their exposed skin, Nicky Winmar style.

We are proud. We are still here. We will not be silenced.

Australia is the only Commonwealth country in the world without a treaty, and there have been conversations that have

been going on for a long time on how to progress and formalise First Nations sovereignty to the land. We have very little representation in Parliament.

Silence demands meaningful change of power relations between First Nations and others, not a token statement. The centrepiece of *Silence* is an understanding of treaty through a dance performance that is personal, intimate and uncompromising.

I see the influence of experienced dramaturgs Vicki Van Hout and Aleatha Beetson in the well-timed comedic moments of *Silence*, including a hilarious call centre scene where the First Nations people politely ask for a few hundred years of overdue rent from the Commonwealth, which had the audience in stitches.

Thomas embodies his ancestors through Wiradjuri and Yugambeh teachings and spoken language. Stories of the stars, rivers, ocean and totem animals locate the performance piece in the artist's



Taree Sansbury performs in the 2020 world premier of *Silence* in Meanjin.

country and with his family. His dance is informed by his traditional teachings. He holds space for the ancestors to dance with him.

Yugambeh country spans country now called greater Brisbane, Logan, the Gold Coast and the Scenic Rim. As a Yugambeh person I was deeply moved on seeing our strong culture weaved on stage and by the knowledge that this work is an independent, full-length First Nations contemporary dance work to be performed on a stage.

Thomas talks about the influence of his mother on his art, and I am also strengthened through my own mother, who was sitting next to me in the crowd.

My chosen art form is poetry and my latest book is about the silencing of our voices and how we must speak up.

It is no coincidence that two Yugambeh people made works called *Throat* and *Silence* this year.

We are combatting ongoing colonisation and ongoing silence at

a very important time in history. As Brisbane Festival director Louise Bezzina said at the conclusion of the show,

"This had to happen in 2020." Yes, this piece is an urgent piece of ceremony. It was an incredible effort from the artists, producers and the festival to deliver this show during a COVID-19-interrupted and uncertain time – as it was for the audience, experiencing this work in a 'new normal' theatre. We stood to give this work the standing ovation and impromptu Yothu Yindi *Treaty* singalong it deserved.

In 2020, we are continuing our ancestors' talk, and we will not be silenced.

Ellen van Neerven is an award-winning writer of *Mununjali Yugambeh* (south-east Queensland) and Dutch heritage. Ellen writes fiction, poetry, plays and non-fiction.

SILENCE was choreographed by Bundjalung-Yugambeh, Wiradjuri and Ni-Vanuatu man Thomas ES Kelly and was staged as part of Brisbane Festival.

Miroma Bunbilla program cares for mob with alternative paths to study medicine



HAVING helped train more than 100 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander doctors, the University of Newcastle's Thuru

Indigenous Health Unit is recruiting for its next intake of aspiring doctors.

Its unique Miroma Bunbilla Program provides an alternative pathway for Indigenous medical students.

In Awabakal language meaning 'permit, take care of', Miroma Bunbilla is a week-long intensive selection process that gives aspiring doctors the chance to prove their passion, aptitude and suitability to commence a medical degree.

Darren Nolan, a lecturer in the university's School of Medicine and Public Health and coordinator of Miroma Bunbilla, said the program was unique in Australia for its approach to selecting students to study medicine.

"Our program recognises that Indigenous students often come from remote places with reduced access to traditional educational opportunities," he said.

"In addition to that, their cultural context can be very different to that of non-Indigenous students.

"We reach out nationally to find students with great potential and give them strong support to demonstrate their drive



Miroma Bunbilla class of 2019. The Miroma Bunbilla program, unique to the University of Newcastle, offers an alternative path for Indigenous students to study medicine.

and capability to become good doctors."

Students are traditionally admitted to medical schools based on their Year 12 academic results and specific entrance exams. Evidence shows this method is not an accurate predictor of success for Indigenous students.

It also unintentionally excludes many talented and committed

candidates from studying medicine.

The team from Thuru, led by Professor Peter O'Mara, has been visiting regional and remote areas to speak with communities about the Joint Medical Program, a partnership between the University of Newcastle and the University of New England.

Aspiring medical students, including school leavers,

undergraduates and mature-age students, are currently submitting applications to participate in the program in the first week of December.

A cohort of about 45 hopeful students will work with mentors to complete a number of tasks over the course of the week.

Their written work and participation in problem-based and group-based learning will be

assessed and a group of 17 will be selected to study in the Joint Medical Program next year.

Nathan Towney, University of Newcastle Pro Vice-Chancellor – Indigenous Strategy and Leadership, said that working with Indigenous communities is a high priority for the University and that it is committed to widening participation and promoting diversity and increasing success for all.

"We are proud of our record in Indigenous higher education, innovation and engagement.

"The University of Newcastle, through innovative pathway programs and strong on-campus support, has now graduated over 100 Indigenous doctors," he said.

"This year we will graduate 17 new Indigenous doctors and take in another 17 through the Miroma Bunbilla program."

Applications for this year's Miroma Bunbilla program are now open and will close on October 31.

The five-day program will be held from November 30 to December 4 and will be conducted online, with activities delivered via Zoom.

Participants will have the opportunity to undertake the program from a nominated university facility or their home.

Further information on the Joint Medical Program and the application form are available at the University of Newcastle website.

Education gets Amy her dream career in nursing

By NICK PATON



HOMEGROWN Dunghutti woman Amy Thompson is proud to hold the title as one of the first in her community to become a registered nurse and midwife.

That's why she wants every Aboriginal and Torres Strait person to understand the importance of education, no matter what experience life may throw their way.

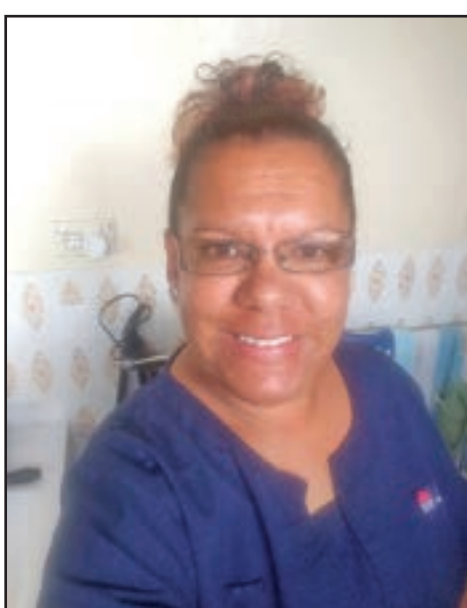
Ms Thompson lives in Kempsey, northern NSW, and when she was growing up, there were major sicknesses and health struggles in her community.

Amy told the *Koori Mail* that from a very young age, she could see the health problems her family and community faced, and knew she had to do something to help.

"I learned a lot from the lifestyle experiences of those around me, especially my mum, who had diabetes and high blood pressure, and my dad, who passed away from cancer," Ms Thompson said.

"I've seen a lot of sickness and the accompanying health struggles that my family and our community from the Green Hills Mission in Kempsey grew up with.

"My dad's dream was for me to one day become a nurse and from around the age



Dunghutti woman Amy Thompson is a registered nurse and midwife from Kempsey, NSW.

of five, I have held onto a passion to fulfil that dream not only for my dad, but for myself also."

Ms Thompson finished school after Year 10, going on to complete a certificate in

Vocational Education and Training at the Booroongen Djugun Aged Care Facility in Kempsey.

After completing her training, Ms Thompson did further study to become an enrolled nurse through a paid traineeship at Kempsey Hospital.

"After my traineeship and before becoming an enrolled nurse in 2006, I moved to Victoria and that's where I received the devastating news that my beautiful mum had passed away," Ms Thompson said.

"That was a traumatic time for me and I really couldn't see a way out of the sadness and grief I was going through.

"I was so far away from home and travelling a lot, and really missing my mum and community, and that's when Kempsey Hospital took me under their wing and relocated me back to Kempsey, where I finished off my nursing training."

Ms Thompson said that although she loved her experience in Victoria, being back in Kempsey with her family and community really took the burden off having to carry around such a heavy load of grief and loss.

"Back in Kempsey I did a short stint in mental health, and because I had been through so much with my parents' own

mental health issues, my own mental health began to suffer," Ms Thompson said.

"Kempsey hospital were always supportive of my situation, so they moved me straight out of the mental health area and into maternity, and that's where I found my passion again for helping people," she said.

"It was only when I found myself working in the maternity section of the hospital, that I realised I wanted to become a midwife."

Ms Thompson undertook further study in 2014 to become a registered nurse through the University of Newcastle, which she completed in 2017.

In 2019 Ms Thompson began her study in midwifery and since finishing has helped to deliver more than 30 babies.

"Education sets a person up for the future and can really provide them a sense of stability," Ms Thompson said.

"As a single mother of two children, education has always been critical because it is helping me to set up a future for my kids.

"But being educated also changes the perception that some other Australians have about Indigenous people.

"So, if I can get a great education for myself, then you can too."

NSW Govt fails to meet procurement targets

By DARREN COYNE



ABORIGINAL businesses are missing out on NSW Government contracts despite a policy that aims to have 3% of contracts for goods and services awarded to Aboriginal businesses by 2021.

The NSW Government's Aboriginal Procurement Policy released in May 2018 set the 3% target, but figures show the Government will "miss their target by a mile".

Shadow Minister for Aboriginal Affairs and Treaty David Harris told the *Koori Mail* that more needed to be done to ensure Aboriginal businesses were getting a fair go.

"Our analysis shows that only 0.41% of contracts in the 2020 financial year went to

Aboriginal owned businesses. By dollar value, that is a shocking 0.09%," he said.

"The Government admitted during the 2019 financial year they were sitting at just 0.2% contracts awarded.

"This shows how bad the NSW Government is at managing procurement.

"They are doing nothing to help Aboriginal owned businesses, and are on track to miss their target by a mile."

Mr Harris said the lack of progress was because there was a lack of enforcement with regards to the policy with government departments.

"It's a target but there is no real mechanism to ensure that they are meeting the target," he said.

"Very soon Labor will introduce its NSW Jobs First legislation, part of which would be to put Aboriginal targets into legislation."

Mr Harris said the legislation would

include the appointment of a NSW jobs advocate who would ensure that government departments were meeting their targets with employment and procurement contract for Aboriginal businesses.

"There also needs to be more support for Aboriginal businesses to form in the first place," he said.

"A lot of Aboriginal companies in regional NSW are very small and are often not able to meet the requirements laid down by government departments.

Mr Harris said there was also a problem with what is known as 'black cladding'.

"This means that it's not actually an Aboriginal company that gets the tender. It's actually just a small subsidiary of a much larger company, and when this happens Aboriginal business owners get very dirty when they find out who has won a

contract," he said. "There should be a list of preferred businesses so that government departments can go directly to them, not an open tender.

"If they (government departments) want to meet their targets they need to sit down and negotiate with Aboriginal businesses to see how they can help."

Mr Harris said even if the Government did not support the legislation put forward by Labor, he was confident that a better regime to support Aboriginal businesses would eventuate.

"Generally they don't initially support what the Opposition puts forward, but not long after something will appear that looks surprisingly similar," he said.

"COVID-19 has had a massive hit on jobs and smaller groups like Aboriginal businesses need support to survive and prosper."

Real relationships boost businesses



FOR Mundanara Bayles, managing director of the Australian BlackCard, an Aboriginal cultural competency provider, the path of reconciliation and understanding was paved early.

"Growing up in a politically active family, I knew there were issues between Indigenous and other people," she said. "Race relations, land rights, I wanted to create change in this country, and I was fortunate to grow up with Elders who showed me the way."

The Elders included her late grandmother Maureen Watson, a world-renowned actor, storyteller, activist, poet and writer and her late father Tiga Bayles, a pioneer in Indigenous media not only in Australia but who also worked around the world supporting Indigenous people and communities establish their own independent radio stations.

Today Mundanara is guided by her great-aunt Dr Lilla Watson, an academic and internationally renowned artist and cofounder of The Australian BlackCard, Uncle Charlie Watson, and Dr Mary Graham, Dr Watson's best friend.

"Aunty Lilla was one of the first Aboriginal academics at the University of Queensland," Mundanara said. "She created courses for the university in Aboriginal perspectives, approaches to knowledge and politics in the 1980s."

Those courses were the genesis for the Australian BlackCard, which has clients ranging from the Commonwealth Bank to SBS.

"We set up the business to educate the wider community about Aboriginal Terms of Reference – which is based on the accumulated knowledge that has evolved over tens of



Mundanara Bayles from the Australian BlackCard and PwC's Kim Cheater.

thousands of years which has come from this land and the oldest continuous culture on the planet," Mundanara said.

Pioneered by Dr Watson, Aboriginal Terms of Reference are the set of protocols that ensure that Indigenous knowledge and values are observed during any project that involves Indigenous stakeholders. One example would be the pivotal role of relationships that lies at the crux of all business activities.

"Corporates will want to get down to business straight away.

Meeting agendas are tight and there's no place to develop a relationship," Mundanara said.

"But Aboriginal people start from wanting to know people first. We want to know who you are, not what you do. Then we may talk about business, or we may not. But I tell my clients – be prepared to invest in that relationship first."

Since starting the business in 2013, Mundanara has criss-crossed the country delivering cultural capability training and developed frameworks to support the Reconciliation Action

Plans of some of Australia's largest firms. But those early days were hard.

"Aunty Lilla, Aunty Mary, Uncle Charlie and I set up the firm but it was a big risk going out there and trying to get people to believe in your product," Mundanara said.

In 2014, Mundanara enrolled in the MURRA Indigenous Business Masterclass Program.

"I was in my second year of doing business. I had no idea what I was doing – no business plan, no set-up. I was completely overwhelmed.

"MURRA gave me the tools and knowledge and connections that I needed to support my Elders with their vision. Before MURRA, I hadn't known many Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander business people at all."

Mundanara's next challenge is to future-proof the business.

This led her to apply for the PwC MURRA Boost Initiative, one of the highlights of Indigenous Business Month, celebrated each year in October. Winners are chosen from a competitive application process and offered \$30,000 worth of consulting support by PwC Australia.

For Kim Cheater, PwC partner and co-chair of PwC's National Reconciliation Governance Group, their involvement in Boost over the past four years has been rewarding.

"It's been great to see the initiative grow and to see the range of First Nations businesses, not just in niche areas but also branching out into diverse operations," he said. "The people leading them are really inspiring and our PwC people certainly recognise the value that First Nations businesses bring to both their communities but also broader Australia."

The Boost initiative is a key pillar of PwC's Elevate Reconciliation Action Plan. The highest level, Elevate is for organisations that have a proven track record of embedding effective RAP initiatives in their organisation and are ready to take on a leadership position to advance national reconciliation.

That commitment was reflected in an unexpected announcement of two Boost Award winners in 2019, rather than the usual one.

Applications for the 2020 PwC MURRA Boost Initiative are now open.

Employment

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Large Employer of Year pays tribute to workers



NOT-for-profit remote store operator Community Enterprise Queensland (CEQ) is celebrating after being named the Large Employer of the Year at the tropical north Queensland regional final of the 2020 Queensland Training Awards.

CEQ is a major employer of local people in tropical north Queensland, and provides a range of training and development programs for staff working at the 28 outlets it operates – including grocery stores, fuel outlets, and multi-department homewares and hardware stores.

CEQ chief executive Ian Copeland said that, as one of the largest employers in the region, the company makes a significant contribution to the employment and skill development of local communities, including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

"We're absolutely delighted to have won this award, and it is a tribute to each and every one of our wonderful staff," Mr Copeland said. "It's a great achievement, and great acknowledgement for all the hard work put in by our people."

CEQ will now be up against six other regional winners in its bid to be named Queensland's top large employer at the state finals later this month.

"We've been ranked in the top seven large employers in the state, which is just fantastic," Mr Copeland said.

"The company has a strong training ethos and continually invests into its staff at all levels across its divisions.

"This is illustrated by our commitment to all forms of training by a company of



Chie Elu works the register at the Islanders Board of Industry and Service store in Bamaga.



Alison Gowa at the fruit and veg cabinet.

our size. We have a real desire to establish local people in local jobs, and we help achieve this by investing in the future, as shown throughout all our stores."

Mr Copeland said CEQ's training model has gained further momentum with recent programs being delivered over the past 12 months.

"We are an established,



Eliaso Seriat with the pallet jack.

dynamic and forward-thinking company with a large growth plan and excellent employment opportunities," he said.

"We are passionate about providing training opportunities

for our employees, the majority of which are Torres Strait Islander or Aboriginal people.

"This is evidenced in the majority of our store managers and assistant managers having acquired the nationally recognised Certificate IV and III in Retail Operations, Food Safety accreditation, together with first aid and CPR qualifications.

"In addition to this, non-managers, including staff employed on a casual basis, are also offered development opportunities.

"The CEQ training model supports aspirations for economic independence for staff by developing their skills necessary to achieve this independence."

Mr Copeland said CEQ is committed to providing essential community services to Torres Strait Islander and mainland Aboriginal communities.

"These services focus on economic development and employment opportunities, as well as supporting environmental solutions, and good health and wellbeing options to all members of these communities," he said.

CEQ is a not-for-profit organisation responsible for providing goods and essential services to the Torres Strait, Northern Peninsula Area (NPA), and mainland Aboriginal remote communities through its remote stores.

CEQ's corporate office is based in Cairns, and manages Islanders Board of Industry and Service (IBIS) and Aboriginal Business, Industry and Service (ABIS) remote stores, as well as other stores including Col Jones, Mitre 10, and Mona's Bazaar on Thursday Island.

For more information, visit www.ceqlld.org.au

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MANAGER PEOPLE AND CULTURE (Identified)

- Culturally attuned management position
- Full time
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander identified position
- Based in the beautiful seaside town of Narooma NSW

Katungul Aboriginal Corporation Regional Health and Community Services is seeking an Aboriginal Australian for the role of Manager People and Culture. The focus of the role is to provide advice, support and expertise in providing a culturally safe workplace that is HR and WHS compliant.

The role of the Manager People and Culture is to work with the Katungul Management team to support a culturally appropriate, people focused organisation, to ensure the ongoing provision of the highest standards of human resource management services for Katungul and to review and develop policies and processes to address existing and emerging human resource management issues.

NOTE: This position is open to Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander applicants only. Katungul considers that being Aboriginal and/or a Torres Strait Islander is a genuine occupational requirement for the position under the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW).

HOW TO APPLY FOR THIS POSITION

Applications which do not address the Selection Criteria will not be considered.

The closing date for applications is **5.00pm Tuesday 6th October 2020**.

For a copy of the Position Description please visit our website: Katungul.com.au

For further information please contact Mr Chris Heazlewood (Director Business Services and Governance) on 0499 306 201 or email chrish@katungul.org.au



Marketing Coordinator

This vacancy is open only to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants, reflecting our commitment to the ABC's Reconciliation Action Plan, ABC Diversity and Inclusion Plan 2019 - 2022 and the Equal Employment Opportunity (Commonwealth Authorities) Act 1987.

You'll be working in the ABC Publishing and Licensing team, who are responsible for extending much-loved ABC brands into consumer products, such as toys, apparel, magazines and books.

You've developed a good reputation as a digital marketing coordinator, and you love building conversations on social media.

For details visit abc.net.au/careers



Identified

Aboriginal Liaison Officer

Quirindi Community Hospital
Enquiries: Michelle Gallagher on
Michelle.Gallagher@health.nsw.gov.au
Reference: REQ183186

Closing Date: 28 September 2020

Registered Nurse New Graduate

Location: John Hunter Hospital
Enquiries: Amanda Turrell/Julie Tait (02) 4921 4469
and Neridah Thomson (02) 4922 3425
Reference ID: REQ187391

Closing Date: 30 September 2020

Mental Health Clinician

Peel Adult Community Mental Health Team
Tamworth Mental Health Services
Enquiries: Trish Blackman on 0427 892 579
Reference ID: REQ180080

Closing Date: 30 September 2020

Aboriginal Professional Clinical position with the Suicide Prevention Outreach Team (SPOT)

Location: Hunter Valley Mental Health
Service - Maitland
Enquiries: Bron Rose on
bron.rose@health.nsw.gov.au
Reference ID: REQ171819

Closing Date: 4 October 2020

These positions are identified for Aboriginal people and exemption is claimed under 14d of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977. Aboriginal applicants must demonstrate Aboriginality in addition to addressing the selection criteria.

Targeted

Secretary

Location: John Hunter Hospital
Enquires: Mitchell Griffin on
Mitchell.Griffin@health.nsw.gov.au
Reference ID: REQ184710

Closing Date: 30 September 2020

Administration Officer Level 2

Location: Wallsend Campus
Enquiries: Suzanne Johnson on
Suzanne.Johnson2@health.nsw.gov.au
Reference ID: REQ185761

Closing Date: 30 September 2020

Paediatric Social Worker

Tamworth Community Health Service
Enquiries: Jodie Peace on
Jodie.Peace@health.nsw.gov.au
Reference: REQ186356

Closing Date: 6 October 2020

These are targeted Aboriginal Positions. 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.

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Business Development Manager

**12 month fixed contract
Port Adelaide, SOUTH AUSTRALIA**

About Tauondi:

Tauondi Aboriginal College (RTO 2370) is an interdisciplinary teaching and training organisation governed by an elected Aboriginal Board of Directors. Tauondi has been delivering accredited and non-accredited training to Aboriginal people for 47 years. Tauondi provides specifically designed training programs in a culturally safe learning environment.

About Role:

Tauondi has established the new role of Business Development Manager whose focus is on securing viable opportunities, that will facilitate Tauondi in taking a refreshed leadership role in delivering exciting programs that exceed current and emerging market requirements.

The incumbent of this position will rapidly identify and secure new business, develop strategies business opportunities; consolidate and grow government and non-government relationships that will strengthen and build Tauondi's footprint and generate an increase in sustainable revenue.

Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply.

Applications close: Wednesday 7 October 2020

Interested in applying for the role?

Download a detailed Job Application Kit from our website at www.tauondi.sa.edu.au.

For specific enquiries, please email thr@tauondi.sa.edu.au.



Child Protection Practitioners

Benefits

- A career within a department striving to achieve the best health, wellbeing and safety of all Victorians
- Work collaboratively with your team to strengthen case practice and to provide effective service delivery
- Highly rewarding career opportunities and ongoing professional development

Being a Child Protection Practitioner means making real change to the lives of our communities most vulnerable children and families. A career in child protection will provide a range of professional pathways that support your personal growth and development.

We offer a supportive team approach, quality supervision with great training and development. We are building an inclusive workplace that embraces diversity of backgrounds and differences to realise the potential of our employees for innovation and delivering services aimed at enhancing the lives of vulnerable Victorians.

Skills and Experience

We are looking for entry level, Advanced and Senior child protection/child and family welfare professionals to join our child protection teams.

Key responsibilities include

- Assessing children and young people who are in need of protection
- Conducting risk assessments and investigations
- Working collaboratively with families, community services organisations and other professionals to develop and implement effective plans for children
- Managing complex cases, problem solving and presenting matters to the Children's Court of Victoria as required
- Be responsible for supporting and developing Child Protection Practitioners in the integration of theory and practice while demonstrating your expertise through case practice
- Working collaboratively with the Team Manager to strengthen case practice
- Provide effective service delivery and support other practitioners

To be a child protection practitioner you need a current and valid driver's licence and one of the following: A recognised Social Work degree or a similar welfare or behavioural related degree OR a recognised Diploma of Community Services Work.

Make the decision to pursue a fulfilling professional career and make a difference in vulnerable children's lives.

To find out further information regarding Child Protection Practitioner opportunities, classifications and area locations, please visit

<https://childprotectionjobs.dhhs.vic.gov.au/roles> or email childprotectionjobs@dhhs.vic.gov.au

For more information about the Department of Health and Human Services visit www.dhhs.vic.gov.au To apply online and for other DHHS and Victorian Government job opportunities please visit www.careers.vic.gov.au

Police Checks form part of the Department of Health and Human Services recruitment process.

The department promotes diversity and equal opportunity in employment and is committed to a more diverse workforce.

If you are an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander applicant, or if you have a disability, and require advice and support with the recruitment process, please contact our Diversity Unit on DiversityInclusion@dhhs.vic.gov.au

The department is committed to the safety of its clients. The department takes a zero tolerance approach to abuse, including child abuse and abuse of people with disability.

Departmental employees are required to comply with all legal requirements including the Child Safe Standards to keep children safe from harm and abuse.

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Dhelk Dja Regional Coordinator

West Division – Brimbank Melton Area

The Dhelk Dja Regional Coordinator is central to supporting the West Metropolitan Melbourne Dhelk Dja Action Group in its work toward developing community led initiatives and actions aimed at preventing, reducing and responding to family violence in Aboriginal communities.

The Dhelk Dja Regional Coordinator promotes the Dhelk Dja: *Safe Our Way – Strong Culture, Strong Peoples, Strong Families*, Victoria's Aboriginal 10 Year Family Violence Agreement within local and regional communities, with Aboriginal and mainstream organisations and across government departments. They facilitate and assist in the development of community-based responses to family violence.

ONLY ABORIGINAL AUSTRALIANS ARE ELIGIBLE TO APPLY AS THIS POSITION IS EXEMPT UNDER THE SPECIAL MEASURE PROVISION, SECTION 12 (1) OF THE EQUAL OPPORTUNITY ACT 2010 (VIC)

Are you

- Passionate about making a difference for local Aboriginal people across west metropolitan Melbourne to reduce family violence within the community
- Able to work with and build relationships with a variety of people to develop local solutions to local issues
- Confident in your ability to manage competing government priorities and community expectations

For further information on the position description and the selection criteria visit: www.careers.vic.gov.au or contact Alysha Batty on 0447 093 492

Job Reference number: **DHHS/WWD/378968**

Applications close: **Midnight Friday 16 October 2020**

For more information about the Department of Health and Human Services visit www.dhhs.vic.gov.au To apply online and for other DHHS and Victorian Government job opportunities please visit www.careers.vic.gov.au

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Health and Human Services

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EXECUTIVE OFFICER – IRC 178474 Office of the Pro Vice-Chancellor (Indigenous Leadership and Engagement)

Our vision is to be a leading public university of technology recognised for our global impact. We are a dynamic and innovative university, ranked by the Times Higher Education as Australia's top young university, and located centrally in one of the world's most liveable cities. With a culturally diverse campus life and extensive international exchange and research programs, UTS prepares graduates for the workplaces of today and tomorrow.

The UTS Office of the Pro Vice-Chancellor (Indigenous Leadership and Engagement) (PVC (ILE)) is the hub of cross-University leadership in relation to UTS Indigenous education, employment and advancement initiatives.

The Office of the PVC (ILE) is currently recruiting an Executive Officer to provide high-level executive, governance and project management support to the Pro Vice-Chancellor (Indigenous Leadership and Engagement) and Manager, Operations.

To be successful in applying for this role, you will have:

- Previous experience providing high-level executive support to senior staff.
- Experience providing governance support to boards and committees.
- Excellent interpersonal skills with the ability to engage and build relationships with a variety of diverse stakeholders at all levels.
- Excellent time management and organisational skills, with the ability to manage competing demands and successfully adapt to changing priorities.
- Demonstrated knowledge of the university sector.

For the full list of the selection criteria and role responsibilities please download the position description from our website.

Remuneration & Benefits

Base Salary Range: \$90,963 to \$100,627 pa (HEW 7)

This role attracts 17% superannuation in addition to the base salary.

UTS staff also benefit from a wide range of Employee Benefits include flexible work practices, child care centres, generous parental leave and salary packaging opportunities.

This appointment will initially be on a fixed-term, full-time basis for a period of 12 months.

How to Apply

For the full list of the selection criteria and role responsibilities please click the apply link and download the Position Description from the UTS website.

Please note: Our site is optimised for Internet Explorer 11, Firefox 45 and Safari 9.1. Earlier versions of any of the browsers mentioned are supported, but likely to demonstrate slower response times. Other browsers may offer unexpected results.

You are required to address the selection criteria in your submission in a separate document. For information to assist you with compiling statements to answer the selection criteria, please visit Answering Selection Criteria

Only those applications submitted via the UTS online recruitment system will be accepted. Current UTS employees should apply through their UTS Employee Self Service function.

As you will be unable to save your application once started, please have all required documents and information available prior to commencing.

Please ensure that the file name for each document submitted includes **IRC178474**.

Specific enquiries or issues with your application may be directed to the UTS Recruitment Team at recruitment@uts.edu.au or on +61 (0) 2 9514 1080.

Closing Date: Tuesday 13th October at 11.59pm (AEST)
Please note: If you have a disability that requires adjustment to the recruitment process or an alternative application pathway please contact recruitment@uts.edu.au for assistance.

At UTS, the concepts of equity and social justice are key to our core and purpose – we are recognised widely as supporting inclusivity and valuing diversity through our Wingara Indigenous Employment Strategy, Social Impact Framework and UTS Access and Inclusion Plan.

Cited as a WGEA Employer of Choice since the inception of the award, we are now among the first Australian institutions to receive the Athena SWAN Bronze Accreditation for our commitment to action addressing gender equity in the STEMM disciplines.



Flinders
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RESEARCH ASSOCIATE OR RESEARCH FELLOW

Ref 497424

About Flinders University

A dynamic, progressive institution with a well-justified reputation for excellence in teaching and research, Flinders University seeks to appoint a Research Associate or Research Fellow within the Social Work Innovations Research Living Space.

About the Role

Join a research team to improve outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children, young people and families by privileging Aboriginal cultural knowledge.

The Early Intervention Research Directorate (EIRD) in South Australia has funded the Social Work Innovation Research Living Space (SWIRLS), Flinders University to increase Aboriginal-led research to improve outcomes for Aboriginal children, young people and families. The research focus is on culturally informed child and family support practice (including family violence services), and support for Aboriginal children and young people to grow up strong in family community and culture.

The research agenda is committed to listening to and working in partnership with Aboriginal leaders, practitioners, and families to build sustainable solutions to family violence and to have Aboriginal cultural knowledge recognised. SWIRLS also works with Yunggorendi Mande at Flinders University to support cohorts of Aboriginal students and researchers.

If you would like to develop your research skills or are thinking about a research career, please come and chat

with us at SWIRLS. SWIRLS is committed to building a supportive environment and will explore potential career options. For further information please contact Professor Sarah Wendt: sarah.wendt@flinders.edu.au

Requirements

Flinders University considers that being Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander is a genuine occupational requirement for this position under sub-s 56(2) of the Equal Opportunity Act 1984 (SA). The position is therefore only open to Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples only.

- **College of Education, Psychology & Social Work**
- **Available on a fixed-term, full-time basis**
- **Salary (Res A or Res B): \$75,669 to \$114,106 pa**
- **Plus 9.5% employer superannuation**
- **Applications close:**
Monday, 5 October 2020 at 11:00am

A National Police Certificate which is satisfactory to the University will be required by Flinders University before the successful applicant can commence in this position. In addition, it is a requirement of this position that the incumbent maintain a current Working With Children Check which is satisfactory to the University in accordance with the Child Safety (Prohibited Persons) Act 2016 (SA)

How to Apply

Full details including how to apply on-line can be found at our Jobs@Flinders website: <https://jobs.flinders.edu.au/en/job/497424/research-associate-or-research-fellow>

**For all your advertising needs
email: advertising@koorimail.com
or call 02 6622 2666**

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Non-Executive Chairs and Members

Contribute to your local community to deliver exceptional healthcare

- Chair and Member opportunities across Queensland Hospital and Health Boards
- Part time statutory appointments commencing May 2021
- Diverse skills and experience required

The Opportunity

The Queensland Government delivers free universal healthcare to five million Queenslanders through Queensland Health. As published in the Queensland Health Service Delivery Statement 2019-20, the Queensland Government invested more than \$18.45 billion in healthcare which represents one third of the State's budget.

Queensland's 16 Hospital and Health Boards provide governance to their respective Hospital and Health Service (HHS) and are responsible for the delivery of healthcare in their region. The Boards are accountable to the Minister and must perform the functions in accordance with the *Hospital and Health Boards Act 2011*.

Board members are leaders in their local communities and have the ability to shape the future of health care in their region, whilst enhancing the efficient, effective and sustainable delivery of health services.

Applications

The Queensland Government is seeking applications from community members to fill a range of Board vacancies across the State. To be successful in this role, you:

- are ready and able to add value to the Board through your skills, knowledge and experience
- are able to analyse, critically assess and drive performance
- have the confidence and connections to strengthen community engagement and collaborative partnerships
- are a leader who thinks strategically, embodies personal integrity, has political astuteness, commercial acumen, resilience and are a team player.

Applications are to be submitted online. For instructions on how to submit your application and to obtain an information pack please visit hbb.uandu.com

These opportunities are remunerated in accordance with Queensland Government guidelines. We strongly encourage First Nations people, women, people with expertise in multiculturalism, young people and people with disabilities to apply. A range of probity checks will be undertaken for persons being considered for appointment.

Applications close midnight, Friday 13 November 2020.

Should you wish to receive assistance on submitting your expression of interest please contact Directors Australia and u&u Recruitment Partners who are facilitating this process on 07 3232 9113.



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Local Communities Reporter – Indigenous

This vacancy is open only to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants, reflecting our commitment to the ABC's Reconciliation Action Plan, ABC Diversity and Inclusion Plan 2019 - 2022 and the Equal Employment Opportunity (Commonwealth Authorities) Act 1987.

This is a newly created role, where you will be working as part of the NSW Newsroom's expanding Local Communities reporting team.

You're an established journalist who is passionate about sharing stories that relate to the Indigenous and diverse communities of Sydney.

For details visit abc.net.au/careers



Aboriginal Outreach Worker

- Full time or part time negotiable
- Based in Queanbeyan

We are currently recruiting an Aboriginal Outreach Worker to deliver services across the ACT region. 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: 30 September 2020



Aboriginal Trainee Dental Assistant (Dental Assistant Grade 1)

Department: Sydney Local Health District
Temporary Full-Time up to January 2022 at Sydney Dental Hospital
Remuneration: \$1,099.85 - \$1,179.29 per week
Enquiries: Marianne Weston on (02) 9293 3262.

Aboriginality/Torres Strait Islander is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

Closing Date: 9 October 2020

Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to healthnswgov.referrals.selectminds.com and search Job Reference Number REQ185263.

NSW Health Service: employer of choice



Chief Executive Officer

**Barkindji Maraura Elders Environment Team Limited
BMEET
1845 Silver City Highway, Dareton, NSW**

- Not-for-profit Aboriginal owned organisation that provides a program of works for young Aboriginal people in cultural heritage and natural resource management, educational programs for local schools, and art gallery selling local Aboriginal artworks
- Identified position for Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander candidates only

The CEO is responsible for the organisation's operational management, delivery of BMEET's funded and fee-for-service programs and activities, and the implementation of the organisation's strategic direction.

To apply you must have:

- Excellent leadership and communication skills
- Senior management experience ideally working in Indigenous organisations and communities
- Financial literacy and an understanding of governance
- Tertiary qualifications in business administration or similar

The position description is available from shelley@hrgurus.com.au and enquiries can be made to HR Gurus on 1300 959 540. All applications should be submitted via HR Gurus, shelley@hrgurus.com.au

Note: Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification as authorised by Section 14 of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*.



Female Mental Health Professional (Aboriginal Mental Health) - Permanent Full-Time

Department: South Western Sydney LHD
Remuneration: Dependent on Qualifications
Occupational Therapist Level 1/2, Social Work Level 1/2 and Counsellor Level 1/2: \$64,270 - \$93,114 pa,
Registered Nurse: \$64,184.86 - \$90,122.83 pa,
Psychologist: \$67,889 - \$100,914 pa
Enquiries: Ann Baker on 0459 871 540

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: 18 October 2020

Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to healthnswgov.referrals.selectminds.com and search Job Reference Number REQ187223.

NSW Health Service: employer of choice



Aboriginal Mental Health Professional (Transfer of Care) Permanent Full-Time

Department: South Western Sydney LHD
Remuneration: Dependent on Qualifications
Occupational Therapist Level 1/2, Social Work Level 1/2 and Counsellor Level 1/2: \$64,270 - \$93,114 pa,
Registered Nurse: \$64,184.86 - \$90,122.83 pa,
Psychologist: \$67,889 - \$100,914 pa
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Closing Date: 18 October 2020

Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to healthnswgov.referrals.selectminds.com and search Job Reference Number REQ187217.

NSW Health Service: employer of choice



**Careers with
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Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Advanced Health Worker

Alcohol and Other Drug Services, Wide Bay Mental Health & Specialised Services, Hervey Bay and Maryborough Hospitals
Remuneration package value up to \$78,207 p.a., comprising salary between \$62,505 - \$68,544 p.a., employer contribution to superannuation (up to 12.75%) and annual leave loading (17.5%) (004) (Permanent Full Time, 76 hours p.f.) (Applications will remain current for 12 months).
Job Ad Reference: H2009WB352260

Duties/Abilities: Develop, implement and deliver primary health care in relation to Alcohol and Other Drug Services including prevention, education, intervention and promotion activities and strategies to individuals, families and community groups. Develop and strengthen celebrative partnerships and referral pathways with Indigenous Community Control Health Services and Non-government organisations.

Enquiries: Alasdair McLay (07) 4128 5400

Application Kit: (07) 4150 2250 or
Recruitment-Wide-Bay@health.qld.gov.au

Closing Date: Tuesday, 6 October 2020

You can apply online at www.smartjobs.qld.gov.au

A criminal history check may be conducted on the recommended person for the job. A non-smoking policy applies to Queensland Government buildings, offices and motor vehicles.



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Reporter x 5

This vacancy is open only to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants, reflecting our commitment to the ABC's Reconciliation Action Plan, ABC Diversity and Inclusion Plan 2019 - 2022 and the Equal Employment Opportunity (Commonwealth Authorities) Act 1987.

- **5 Positions Available**
- **Locations – Bega, Wagga Wagga, Rockhampton, Newcastle, Broome**
- **\$62K - \$78K plus 15.4% Nominated Super**

ABC Regional & Local is seeking 5 Reporters to be responsible for creating news content for multiple platforms, engaging the diverse local and national audiences.

You're an experienced journalist with a strong focus on digital and multiplatform storytelling and in particular the issues that affect the interest of the diverse local audience.

For details visit abc.net.au/careers



Public Health Registrar

We are looking for a Public Health Registrar 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 Public Health Registrar, you will provide support to increase the capacity of Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisations (ACCHOs) to implement public health initiatives.

For further information about this position, see our ad on the Koori Mail website under **JOBS & GENERAL WEB ADS**



HR Business Partner

This vacancy is open only to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants, reflecting our commitment to the ABC's Reconciliation Action Plan, ABC Diversity and Inclusion Plan 2019 - 2022 and the Equal Employment Opportunity (Commonwealth Authorities) Act 1987.

People & Culture is critical to the ABC's success and we are proud of our role in making the ABC a great place to work. You will work in partnership with our Regional and Local (R&L) division, to provide strategic and operational HR advice and solutions.

If you love a role where no two days are ever the same, then this is for you!

For details visit abc.net.au/careers



Identified Services and Programs Officer

Making a difference in the lives of others

Are you looking for a challenging, rewarding and new career where no day is the same? If you are resilient, have strong communication skills with the ability to influence and negotiate. We encourage you to apply now and be part of our Talent Pool for an Identified Services and Programs Officer Role with Corrective Services NSW.

Head to iworkfor.nsw.gov.au and search Job Reference 4330-33702625.

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Senior Leader Community Engagement

- Department of Education
- Clerk 7/8
- Temporary full-time appointment up to 30 December 2022
- Position number and location: 171967, Moree Secondary College

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

The Connected Communities Strategy

Connected Communities is an innovative strategy that is intended to drive educational outcomes for Aboriginal children and young people through linking school education with other services. The strategy is being implemented in 15 schools in 11 of the most complex and vulnerable communities in NSW. Key components of the strategy are: cultural education delivered locally for all staff, teaching Aboriginal language and culture, partnership and co- leadership with the local Aboriginal community, early years focus through to further learning and employment, early intervention and prevention focus, the establishment of a Local School Reference Group at each school.

About the role

The position supports the implementation of strategic initiatives and programs in Connected Communities schools, and provides a communication conduit between the school, Aboriginal families, local agencies and the community.

Note: 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
- Working with Children Check for paid employment (not volunteer status)
- Knowledge of and commitment to the Department's Aboriginal education policies (Please find Aboriginal education policies)

The selection process will include a range of assessment techniques to assist in determining your suitability for the role.

Applications Close: 7 October @ 11:59pm

If you would like to discuss this opportunity further please contact Jennifer Bird, Executive Principal (02) 6725 1999 or email: Jennifer.bird@det.nsw.edu.au

To apply online please visit iworkfor.nsw website and refer to the following keyword: 171967.

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ADMINISTRATION HUMAN RESOURCES (Aboriginal identified position) NEWCASTLE, NSW

Muloobinba Aboriginal Corporation (Muloobinba) has been established since 1991. The organisation was formed to provide a support service to Aboriginal families and individuals in the Newcastle and surrounding Local Government Areas. Muloobinba is a not for profit, community-based organisation that is specific to the needs to Aboriginal individuals and families.

The word "Muloobinba" comes from the Awabakal language and means "Newcastle" and "Place of Sea Fern".

Muloobinba has continued to grow and is now seeking an Administration Human Resources who can deliver professional HR services across the organisation.

You will be supported to undertake study in the area of HR and receive ongoing mentoring and support.

This is a great opportunity to develop a professional career in the area of Human Resources.

In this role you will report to Manager Administration and the CEO to handle employee relations, training and development, benefits, compensation, organisational development and employment. You will also manage recruitment, compliance and reporting, performance management, WH&S and return to work.

You will need experience or demonstrated interest in human resource management and programs and excellent communication skills.

If you have:

- Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent
- Minimum Certificate IV in Business (Human Resources) or willingness to undertake
- Experience in the Return to Work Coordinator (RTWC) role and management of work injury claims or willingness to learn
- Sound level of numeracy and high-level attention to detail
- Demonstrated ability to work flexibly within tight time schedules and in accordance with variable workload demands
- Well-developed written and verbal communication skills
- Ability to build relationships with all levels of the organisation
- High level of computer literacy and a sound working knowledge of the Microsoft Office Suite including Word, PowerPoint and Excel.
- Ability to hold all relevant security clearances including a National Police Check and Working with Children clearance

We would love to hear from you.

A generous remuneration package will be negotiated plus superannuation, leave loading and salary packaging.

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 our community
- Supported study and professional development

To find out more or request position description please contact Ashlea Matthews 02 4969 5299 or ashlea@muloobinba.org.au

Applications close at 9am on Wednesday, 7 October 2020.

All applications will be received via seek.com.au.



Thinking about a career in Libraries? Want to get valuable workplace experience while you study?

About us

The State Library of New South Wales is one of the great libraries of the world, with a history dating back to 1926. It's renowned historical and contemporary collections hold the growing memory of our state and nation. With a collection of more than six million items it is an important keeping place for our histories, memories, languages and stories.

About the role

The **Library Assistant** role is a two year, full-time role located in Macquarie Street, Sydney.

As a Library Assistant, you will work in a team and help readers and visitors access the collection. This involves processing tasks such as retrieving collection material and face to face customer service such as helping others to use the Library equipment.

Whether you have already started your library course or are committed to studying in the future, this role allows you to develop skills while working in a library. Join our inclusive workplace for access to training, dedicated personal support and study leave.

This is a targeted role which builds on the State Library's commitment to ensuring Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples have a vital role in shaping the future of the library profession. Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

How to Apply:

To apply for this role please go to <https://iworkfor.nsw.gov.au/> and search for Job Reference Number 00007WJA

To find out more about the role contact Richard Gray on 9273 1786 or Richard.Gray@sl.nsw.gov.au

Applications close: 11 October 2020



Aboriginal Mental Health Trainee - Batemans Bay

Department: Southern NSW LHD

Salary: \$27.35 to \$40.28 per hour

Enquiries: Jodie Quinnell on (02) 4474 1561 or

Jodie.Quinnell@health.nsw.gov.au

Closing Date:
3 October 2020

Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to healthnswgov.referrals.selectminds.com and search Job Reference Number REQ185766.

NSW Health Service: employer of choice

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Palliative Care Aboriginal Health Practitioner - Eurobodalla

Department: Southern NSW LHD

Salary: \$27.35 to \$40.28 per hour

Enquiries: Edwina Fynmore on (02) 4475 1657 or

Edwina.Fynmore@health.nsw.gov.au

Closing Date:
3 October 2020

Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to healthnswgov.referrals.selectminds.com and search Job Reference Number REQ158152.

NSW Health Service: employer of choice

BLZ-SB1757



Child and Family Health Nurse Sustained Home Visiting Programme (Bulundidi Gudaga) Permanent Full-Time

Department: South Western Sydney LHD

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Enquiries: Alison Holderness on 0439 292 864

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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: 18 October 2020

Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to healthnswgov.referrals.selectminds.com and search Job Reference Number REQ187487.

NSW Health Service: employer of choice

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Mullum Mullum Indigenous Gathering Place Ltd Health Coordinator

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Applications may be emailed to:
administration@mmigp.com.au

Closing date: – Midnight 11th October 2020

Further information or questions concerning this position can be directed to: Chief Executive Officer, Mullum Mullum Indigenous Gathering Place Ph: 0457 067 923 or email: ceo@mmigp.com.au

The Application Pack can be viewed on our website at <https://www.mmigp.org.au/jobs>



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Family Dispute Resolution Practitioner, Aboriginal Pathway

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[These are identified positions only open to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.](#)

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WaterNSW Yass Catchment Groundwater Source

WaterNSW has received an application from **Timothy Patrick & Lara Louise KIRK** to amend approval number 40CA407364 by adding a bore, capacity of 2 l/s replacing a work, and an increase of 1 l/s, located at Lot 4 DP 237676, Parish Nanima, County Murray. The application relates to Yass Catchment Groundwater Source, subject to the Water Sharing Plan for NSW MDB Fractured Rock Groundwater Sources 2020.

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 water.nsw.com.au/advertising-and-objections.

All Objections should reference Application Number A024548. 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@water.nsw.com.au.

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Regional NSW

Notice under Section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* – Exploration Licence Number 6064 (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 6064 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

Balmian Minerals Pty Limited (ACN 603 135 548) is the holder of Exploration Licence 6064 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 6064 – that covers about 5 units situated approximately 18 kilometres south east of Tottenham, in the State of NSW as shown on the diagram above.

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

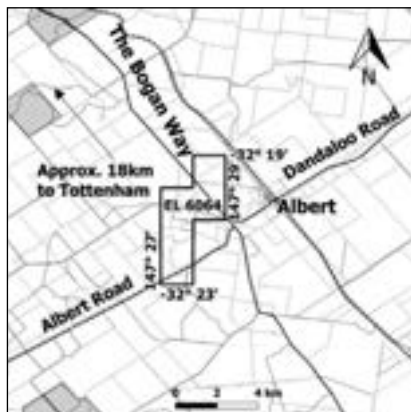
Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Industry and Trade, PO Box 344, Hunter Region Mail Centre, NSW 2310.

Notification Day

For the purposes of section 29(4) of the *Native Title Act 1993* the notification day is 8 October 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.



BLZ SB1774



Regional NSW

Notice under Section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* – Exploration Licence Number 8356 (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 8356 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

Ochre Resources Pty Ltd (ACN 112 833 351) is the holder of Exploration Licence 8356 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 8356 – that covers about 32 units situated approximately 59 kilometres west southwest of Tottenham, in the State of NSW as shown on the diagram above.

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

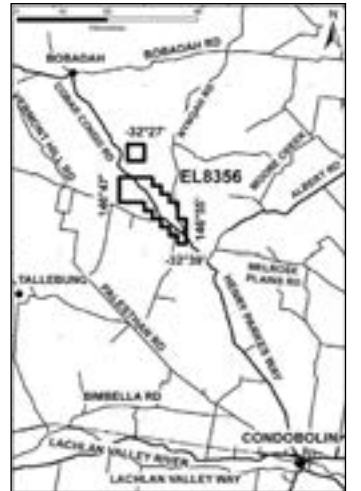
Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Industry and Trade, PO Box 344, Hunter Region Mail Centre, NSW 2310.

Notification Day

For the purposes of section 29(4) of the *Native Title Act 1993* the notification day is 8 October 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.



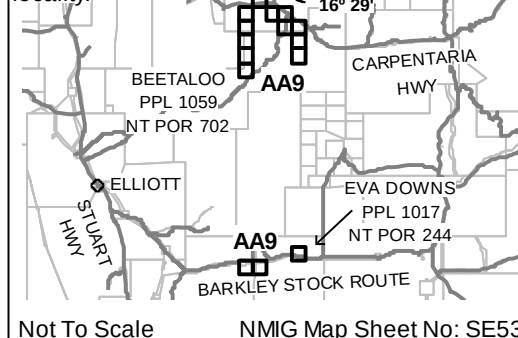
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NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF ACCESS AUTHORITY NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The Honourable Nicole Susan Manison MLA, the Northern Territory Minister for Mining and Industry, c/- Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade, GPO Box 4550, Darwin NT 0801, hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Commonwealth) that application has been made for, and the Minister intends to grant, an Access Authority under Division 5 of Part II of the *Petroleum Act 1984* (NT) as follows.

Application to which this notice applies:

Access Authority 9 sought by SWEETPEA PETROLEUM PTY LTD, ACN 074 750 879 over an area of 15 Blocks depicted below for a term of 12 months, within the NEWCASTLE WATERS locality.



Not To Scale

NMIG Map Sheet No: SE53

Nature of act(s): An access authority gives approval to an exploration permit holder to conduct authorised operations outside the boundary of their granted permit area. The grant of an access authority under the *Petroleum Act 1984* authorises the holder to carry out in the access authority area, exploration for petroleum or operations relating to the recovery of petroleum, including but not limited to, line clearance for seismic surveys. An access authority remains in force for such period as specified by the Minister but may be renewed by the Minister for a further period. Additional information may be obtained from the Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade, GPO Box 4550, Darwin NT 0801, or Centrepont Building 48-50 Smith St Mall, Darwin NT 0800.

Native Title Parties: Any person who is, or becomes a "native title party" within the meaning of the *Native Title Act 1993* is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2, Division 3, Subdivision P of the *Native Title Act 1993*. 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. Enquiries concerning becoming a native title party should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, GPO Box 9973, Brisbane QLD 4001, or telephone (07) 3307 5000.

Notification Day: For the purposes of section 29(4) of the *Native Title Act 1993*, the notification day is 23 September 2020.

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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	16/579	SNELL, Gavin Andrew SNELL, Ian Michael	113.50HA.	31.2km S'y of Ora Banda	Lat: 30° 38' S Long: 121° 1' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Mining Lease	24/990	NORTHERN STAR RESOURCES LTD	404.67HA.	14.8km W'y of Ora Banda	Lat: 30° 19' S Long: 120° 54' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Mining Lease	51/890	AUSTRALIAN VANADIUM LIMITED	1812.05HA.	51.4km S'y of Meekatharra	Lat: 27° 1' S Long: 118° 41' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Mining Lease	51/891	SEERY, Eric Lein SEERY, Janina	49.00HA.	48.6km NE'y of Meekatharra	Lat: 26° 16' S Long: 118° 49' E	MEEKATHARRA 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: 23 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 **23 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. 23 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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WATERSNSW

Yass Catchment Groundwater Source

WaterNSW has received an application from **Gregory Joseph & Nicola Jane KOVACS** to AMEND APPROVAL number 40WA417303 by upgrading a bore for irrigation, capacity of 1.3 L/s, and adding land for irrigation use, located at Lot 142 DP 754911, Parish Toul, County Murray. The application relates to Yass Catchment Groundwater Source, and is subject to the NSW Murray Darling Basin Fractured Rock Groundwater Source Water Sharing Plan 2020.

Objections must be submitted in writing to PO Box 10, WAGGA WAGGA NSW 2650. 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 at **watersnsw.com.au/advertising-and-objections**. All Objections should reference Application Number A024367.

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.enquiries@watersnsw.com.au**.

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WaterNSW

Notice of Application - New Combined Approval (Water Supply Work and Water Use)

WaterNSW has received an application from **Bong Bong Pty Limited** for an existing Bore with a capacity of 28.0L/s, at Lot 2 DP 584423 County Camden Parish Berrima on Sydney Basin Nepean Groundwater Source, Nepean Management Zone 1, subject to Greater Metropolitan Region Groundwater Sources 2011 Water Sharing Plan and water use of Irrigation, Stock & Domestic] located at Lot 2 DP 584423 County Camden Parish Berrima.

Objections must be submitted in writing to Water NSW, PO Box 398, Parramatta NSW 2124 or **water.advertising@watersnsw.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 A024500. 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 **watersnsw.com.au/advertising-and-objections**. For enquiries contact Wayne Conners, Senior Water Regulation Officer, on 1300 662 077 or the above email.

KH0498

Notice of non-claimant applications for determination of native title in the state of New South Wales

Notification day: 7 October 2020



National Native Title Tribunal

These applications are 'non-claimant' applications, being applications made by persons to the Federal Court of Australia (Federal Court) who are not claiming native title themselves but are seeking a determination that native title does not exist in relation to the area described. The applicants have a non-native title interest in the area, set out in their application(s) as described in the notices below.

Under the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* (the Act) there can be only one determination of native title for a particular area.

PLEASE NOTE: A person who claims to hold native title rights and interests in any of these areas may wish to file a native title claimant application prior to 7 January 2021. Unless there is a relevant native title claim (as defined in section 24FE of the Act) over the area on or before **7 January 2021**, the area may be subject to protection under section 24FA and **acts may be done which extinguish or otherwise affect native title**. The Tribunal may be able to assist people wishing to make a relevant native title claim.

A person who claims native title rights and interests may also seek to become a party to the non-claimant application in order for those rights and interests to be taken into account in the Federal Court's determination. Other than filing a native title claim in response to the non-claimant application, this may represent the only opportunity to have those rights and interests in relation to the area considered. Any person who wants to become a party to any of these non-claimant applications must write to the Registrar of the Federal Court, Level 17 Law Courts Building, Queens Square, Sydney NSW 2000 **on or before 7 January 2021**. After **7 January 2021**, the Federal Court's permission to become a party is required.



Applicant's name: Attorney General of New South Wales
Federal Court File No: NSD842/2020
Non-native title interest: The land described is Crown Land managed by Ku-ring-gai Council under the *Crown Land Management Act 2016* (NSW). The Applicant seeks protection under s 24FA of the Act to establish a Rural Fire Station on the land
Order sought by Applicant: The applicant seeks a determination that native title does not exist

Description: The application area covers approx. 11 hectares over Lot 7312 in DP1153922 in East Killara
Relevant LGA: Ku-ring-gai Council



Applicant's name: Attorney General of New South Wales
Federal Court File No: NSD843/2020
Non-native title interest: The land is a reserve within the meaning of Part 5 of the *Crown Lands Act 1989* (NSW). The Applicant seeks protection under s 24FA of the Act to enable the Crown to transfer the land to Leeton Shire Council
Order sought by Applicant: The applicant seeks a determination that native title does not exist

Description: The application area covers approx. 1 hectare over Lot 2 in DP1053043 in Whitton
Relevant LGA: Leeton Shire Council



Applicant's name: Attorney General of New South Wales
Federal Court File No: NSD813/2020
Non-native title interest: The land is a reserve within the meaning of Part 5 of the *Crown Lands Act 1989* (NSW). The Applicant seeks protection under s 24FA of the Act to enable the Crown to transfer the land to Lakkari Traditional Owner Aboriginal Corporation
Order sought by Applicant: The applicant seeks a determination that native title does not exist

Description: The application area covers approx. 7.76 hectares over Lots 1, 2 and 4 in DP1241755 (previously Lots 214 and 215 in DP753168 and Lot 7379 in DP1156864) located on the northern most reaches of Wallis Island
Relevant LGA: MidCoast Council

For assistance and further information about these applications, call Dianne Drake on 02 9227 4000 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.



Regional NSW

Notice Under Section 29 of the Native Title Act 1993 - Exploration Licence Numbers 6234 and 6428 (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 6234 and Exploration Licence 6428 include a condition to the effect that the holder must not prospect on any land or waters covered by the licences 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 licences prior to them 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 licences 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

Renison Coal Pty Ltd (ACN 100 163 942) is the holder of Exploration Licences 6234 and 6428 for Group 9 minerals. The licences contain 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 area of the licences. If granted, the consent may result in the aforementioned condition being removed from the licences.

Description of area that may be affected

The entire area of Exploration Licence 6234 - that covers about 800 hectares situated approximately 12 kilometres north of Ashford, in the State of NSW as shown on the diagram above.

The entire area of Exploration Licence 6428 - that covers about 585 hectares situated approximately 15 kilometres north northeast of Ashford, 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.

BLZ SB1721



Regional NSW

Notice under Section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* – Exploration Licence Number 8989 (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 8989 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

Syndicate Minerals Pty Ltd (ACN 635 864 587) is the holder of Exploration Licence 8989 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 8989 – that covers about 39 units situated approximately 9 kilometres north northwest of Moruya, in the State of NSW as shown on the diagram above.

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

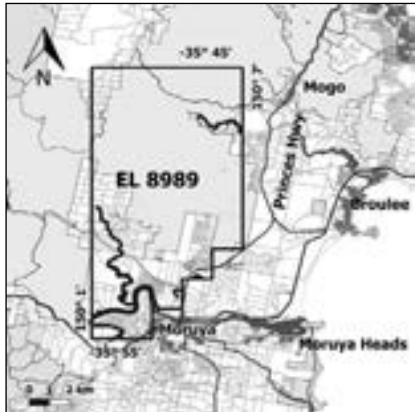
Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Industry and Trade,
PO Box 344, Hunter Region Mail Centre, NSW 2310.

Notification Day

For the purposes of section 29(4) of the *Native Title Act 1993* the notification day is 8 October 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.



WaterNSW Notice of Application – New Water Supply Work Approval

WaterNSW has received an application from **Kalrag Pty Ltd** for a bore with a capacity of 0.04 ML/Day. Located at Lot 1 DP 821515 Parish Cocoparra, County Cooper. The application relates to Lachlan Fold Belt MDB (Other) Groundwater Source, subject to WSP for the NSW Murray Darling Basin Fracture Rock Groundwater Sources 2020.

Objections must be submitted in writing to WaterNSW PO Box 291 FORBES 2871 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 link is as follows - www.waternsw.com.au/customer-service/water-licensing/objections. All Objections should reference Application Number A024294. 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 Abbie Howell, Water Regulation Officer, on 1300 662 077 or by email water.enquiries@waternsw.com.au.

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WaterNSW Notice of Application -New Combined Approval (Water Supply Work and Water Use)

WaterNSW has received an application from **Camilleri Farms Property Pty Ltd** for a new Bore with a capacity of 10ML/day at Lot 68 DP 753095, Parish Jemalong West, County Gipps on Upper Lachlan Alluvial Groundwater Source Zone 5, subject to Lachlan Alluvial Groundwater Sources 2020 and water use of Irrigation located at Lot 53, 67, 68 DP753095, and Lot 1 DP1085766, Parish Jemalong West, County Gipps.

Objections must be submitted in writing to PO Box 291, Forbes NSW 2871 or at 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 A023799. 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 at www.waternsw.com.au/advertising-and-objections. For enquiries contact Andrew Glasson, Senior Water Regulation Officer, on 1300 662 077 or the above email.

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WaterNSW Notice of Application to AMEND a Combined Approval (Water Supply Work and Water Use)

WaterNSW has received an application from **Robert Ian Blacker** to amend approval number 70CA600066 by:

- adding a 500mm Centrifugal Pump, capacity of 50 ML / day; Located at Lot 5043 DP 44266, Parish Jundrie, County Blaxland; and
- adding land for irrigation – 50Ha; Located at Lot 5043 DP 44266, Parish Jundrie, County Blaxland.

The application relates to downstream of Lake Cargelligo, on the Lachlan River, subject to WSP for the Lachlan Regulated River Water Source 2020.

Objections must be submitted in writing to WaterNSW PO Box 291 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 www.waternsw.com.au/customer-service/water-licensing/objections. All Objections should reference Application Number A024480. 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 Andrew Glasson, Senior Water Regulation Officer, on 1300 662 077 or by email at water.enquiries@waternsw.com.au.

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PUBLIC NOTICE:

DJUNGAN PEOPLE – NATIVE TITLE HOLDERS AUTHORISATION MEETING

ESJ Law Pty Ltd is convening a meeting for all Native Title Holders of the Djungan People.

The meeting is being convened on the instruction of Judulu (Colin Neal). And it has the endorsement of the Nguddaboolgan RNTBC.

The purpose of the meeting is to consider whether to authorise a compensation claim for the loss of or damage to native title rights and interests of Djungan People over the land and waters depicted in the map below (Compensation Claim Area).

Who should attend?

All descendants of the following Apical Ancestors, as determined by the Federal Court of Australia in Archer on behalf of the Djungan People #1 v State of Queensland [2012] FCA 801 (Native Title Holders), are invited to attend the meeting:

- Tommy and Topsy Wason;
- John Wason;
- Dinah [Richards];
- Jessie Wason;
- Jack O'Neil and his spouse, Flora Richards;
- Peter Ray Burns;
- Jimmy Kingsburra and Lizzie Kingsburra (including the descendants of Joe Sands);
- Charles James Archer (Senior);
- Lucy [Burns];
- Pluto [Brumby];
- Mollie and her spouse, Bert Gordon; and
- Mick Richards.

Registrants for the authorisation meeting will be required to demonstrate descentancy from one of the above-named Apical Ancestors in order to be permitted to attend and vote at the meeting.

Pre-registration is available by contacting ESJ Law Pty Ltd via email – meetings@esjlaw.com.au

Authorisation Meeting

This notice invites all Native Title Holders as described above to the authorisation meeting, to be held at the following location:

Date: 30 October 2020

Time: 9:00am – 2:00pm

Venue: Pullman Cairns International at 17 Abbott Street Cairns City QLD 4870

All attendees must register for attendance by no later than 5:00pm on 16 October 2020

The Agenda:

- Acknowledgement of Country;
- Discuss background to a Compensation Claim;
- Confirm the decision-making process to be followed at the authorisation meetings and in the future by the Compensation Claim Group;
- Consider and authorise a Compensation Claim within the Claim Area;
- Authorise the Lead Applicant/s to act on behalf of the Compensation Claim Group and to bring the compensation application and to deal with all matters arising from that claim.
- Authorise the Lead Applicant/s to request and receive any and all cultural, genealogical, historical and all other material relating to Djungan People and their Native Title Rights and Interests, on behalf of the Djungan Native Title Holders.
- Decide on the support and restrictions on the named Lead Applicant in performance of their duty and consideration of any conditions to be imposed on the powers of the named applicant/s;
- Confirm ESJ Law Pty Ltd as the legal representatives of the Compensation Claim Group.

Map of the Compensation Claim Area



Application name: Djungan People

Description: The proposed application area covers approximately 1,838 sq km, consisting of numerous land parcels; located within a radius of about 40 km of Mount Mulligan.

Relevant LGA: Mareeba Shire Council.

Confirm your Attendance

Those people invited to and who are eligible to attend the authorisation meeting must email meetings@esjlaw.com.au to register attendance.

ESJ Law Pty Ltd

Address: PO Box 5029 West End Qld 4101

Ph: (07) 3846 7322

Email: meetings@esjlaw.com.au

Proxy Voting

Proxy Voting will not be provided for at the authorisation meetings. Only those in attendance can record a vote.



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
38/1537	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	569827	81.91HA.	100.6km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 44' S Long: 122° 10' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/1537	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	569829	91.06HA.	105.6km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 41' S Long: 122° 8' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/1537	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	569830	96.99HA.	104.8km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 42' S Long: 122° 9' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/1537	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	569832	148.49HA.	104.3km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 42' S Long: 122° 9' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/1537	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	569833	0.02HA.	104.2km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 42' S Long: 122° 9' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/1537	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	569834	42.18HA.	103.7km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 42' S Long: 122° 9' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/1537	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	569835	118.75HA.	103km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 43' S Long: 122° 9' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/1537	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	569836	120.02HA.	106.3km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 41' S Long: 122° 8' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/1537	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	580594	2.32HA.	108.1km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 40' S Long: 122° 8' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/1995	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	571711	24.26HA.	112.3km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 36' S Long: 122° 16' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/2699	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	569893	0.98HA.	99.7km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 44' S Long: 122° 15' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/2699	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	569894	16.96HA.	99km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 44' S Long: 122° 15' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/2699	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	569896	92.84HA.	97.3km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 45' S Long: 122° 15' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/2717	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	569895	44.74HA.	97.6km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 45' S Long: 122° 14' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/2737	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	569892	32.28HA.	107.3km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 27° 40' S Long: 122° 9' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
57/688	GATEWAY MINING LIMITED	584729	47.68HA.	63.6km N'ly of Sandstone	Lat: 27° 26' S Long: 119° 30' E	SANDSTONE SHIRE
80/4874	HORROCKS ENTERPRISES PTY LTD	585193	36.88HA.	21.9km SE'ly of Halls Creek	Lat: 18° 21' S Long: 127° 49' E	HALLS CREEK SHIRE

Nature of the act: Grant of amalgamation applications which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals.

Notification day: 23 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 **23 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. 23 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.

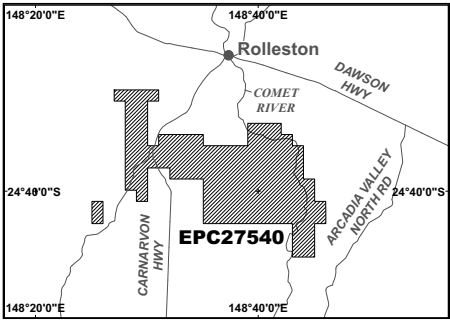
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NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF AN EXPLORATION PERMIT FOR COAL

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 Permit for Coal (EPC) 27540 shown below under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld).

Exploration Permit for Coal 27540 sought by ANGLO AMERICAN METALLURGICAL COAL PTY LTD, ACN 076 059 679, over an area of 122 sub-blocks (380km²), centred approximately 20 km South of Rolleston, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



Nature of Act(s): The grant of the Exploration Permit for Coal under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld), authorises the holder to explore for coal for a term not exceeding five (5) years with the possibility of renewal for a term not exceeding five (5) years.

Name and Address of person doing Act(s): It is proposed that the Exploration Permit for Coal 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 Coal. 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. Enquiries in relation to the registration of a native title determination application may be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Brisbane Registry, Level 5, Harry Gibbs Commonwealth Law Courts Building, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland, 4000. Telephone: (07) 3307 5000 or 1800 640 501.

Further information: Further information about the proposed grant of the Exploration Permit for Coal, including extract of plans showing the boundaries of the Exploration Permit for Coal Application may be obtained from the Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy, Principal Mining Registrar, Coal Assessment Hub, Corner of Bruce Highway and Yeppoon Road, Parkhurst, Queensland, 4701. Telephone: (07) 4936 0169 or Email: CoalHub@dnrme.qld.gov.au.

Notification Day: 14 October 2020.



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
Exploration Licence	08/3205	MARDIE MINERALS PTY LTD	1BL.	37.7km W'ly of Pannawonica	Lat: 21° 32' S Long: 115° 58' E	KARRATHA CITY
Exploration Licence	15/1764	WEST AUSTRALIAN PROSPECTORS PTY LTD	54BL.	94.9km NE'ly of Southern Cross	Lat: 30° 45' S Long: 120° 9' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	20/960	NUCLEAR ENERGY PTY LTD	32BL.	85.5km NW'ly of Sandstone	Lat: 27° 19' S Long: 118° 51' E	CUE SHIRE, MEEKATHARRA SHIRE, SANDSTONE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	27/631	CORMACK, Anthony Stephen	2BL.	45.1km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 29' S Long: 121° 50' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	28/2971	RUMBLE RESOURCES LIMITED	4BL.	190.8km E'ly of Edjudina	Lat: 30° 14' S Long: 124° 16' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	28/2972	RUMBLE RESOURCES LIMITED	1BL.	191.8km E'ly of Edjudina	Lat: 30° 12' S Long: 124° 17' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	30/520	VENUS METALS CORPORATION LIMITED AM-AUSTRALIAN MINERALS EXPLORATION PTY LTD	70BL.	49km NW'ly of Menzies	Lat: 29° 29' S Long: 120° 35' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	37/1404	ADAMS, Darryl Raymond	1BL.	8.4km S'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 57' S Long: 121° 18' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	37/1405	SPRIGG, Andrew Boyd	1BL.	10.2km S'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 58' S Long: 121° 18' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	37/1407	ADAMS, Devon Boyd	1BL.	9km SW'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 57' S Long: 121° 17' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/3501	GCPXPORE PTY LTD	70BL.	42.8km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 14' S Long: 122° 20' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/3518	EAST LAVERTON EXPLORATION PTY LTD	18BL.	62.8km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 3' S Long: 122° 20' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	39/2183	PETERSON, James	4BL.	63.9km NW'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 22' S Long: 121° 49' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	51/1959	RAGGED RANGE MINING PTY LTD	10BL.	58km SE'ly of Peak Hill	Lat: 25° 58' S Long: 119° 10' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	51/1961	RAGGED RANGE MINING PTY LTD	6BL.	53.6km SE'ly of Peak Hill	Lat: 25° 54' S Long: 119° 10' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	53/2135	ROX RESOURCES LIMITED	62BL.	147.1km E'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 26° 45' S Long: 121° 41' E	WILUNA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/5339	TALGOMINE MINERALS PTY LTD	2BL.	30.8km N'ly of Mukinbudin	Lat: 30° 39' S Long: 118° 6' E	MOUNT MARSHALL SHIRE, MUKINBUDIN SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/5406	AUSTRALIAN PRECIOUS MINERALS PTY LTD	31BL.	22.8km SE'ly of Gingin	Lat: 31° 29' S Long: 116° 5' E	CHITTERING SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/5479	ANGLO AMERICAN EXPLORATION (AUSTRALIA) PTY LIMITED	200BL.	37km W'ly of Bruce Rock	Lat: 31° 53' S Long: 117° 45' E	BRUCE ROCK SHIRE, KELLERBERRIN SHIRE, QUAIRADING SHIRE, TAMMIN SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/5480-5481	ANGLO AMERICAN EXPLORATION (AUSTRALIA) PTY LIMITED	400BL.	26.3km N'ly of Corrigin	Lat: 32° 6' S Long: 117° 46' E	BRUCE ROCK SHIRE, CORRIGIN SHIRE, QUAIRADING SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/5482	ANGLO AMERICAN EXPLORATION (AUSTRALIA) PTY LIMITED	200BL.	4.6km W'ly of Corrigin	Lat: 32° 20' S Long: 117° 49' E	CORRIGIN SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/5483	ANGLO AMERICAN EXPLORATION (AUSTRALIA) PTY LIMITED	200BL.	30.4km S'ly of Bruce Rock	Lat: 32° 9' S Long: 118° 9' E	BRUCE ROCK SHIRE, CORRIGIN SHIRE, KONDININ SHIRE, NAREMBEEN SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/5484	ANGLO AMERICAN EXPLORATION (AUSTRALIA) PTY LIMITED	200BL.	14km E'ly of Corrigin	Lat: 32° 20' S Long: 118° 1' E	BRUCE ROCK SHIRE, CORRIGIN SHIRE, KONDININ SHIRE, KULIN SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/5485	ANGLO AMERICAN EXPLORATION (AUSTRALIA) PTY LIMITED	200BL.	35.6km S'ly of Corrigin	Lat: 32° 38' S Long: 117° 50' E	CORRIGIN SHIRE, KULIN SHIRE, WICKEPIN SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/5486	ANGLO AMERICAN EXPLORATION (AUSTRALIA) PTY LIMITED	200BL.	43km SW'ly of Corrigin	Lat: 32° 38' S Long: 117° 37' E	CORRIGIN SHIRE, PINGELLY SHIRE, WICKEPIN SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/5512	QUADRIO RESOURCES PTY LTD	50BL.	24km S'ly of Dalwallinu	Lat: 30° 29' S Long: 116° 37' E	DALWALLINU SHIRE, WONGAN-BALLIDU SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/5513	HISTORIC GOLD MINES PTY LTD	16BL.	12.3km N'ly of Donnybrook	Lat: 33° 28' S Long: 115° 50' E	DARDANUP SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/5514	HISTORIC GOLD MINES PTY LTD	16BL.	15.2km N'ly of Mt Barker	Lat: 34° 30' S Long: 117° 37' E	PLANTAGENET SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/5516	COOBALOO MINERALS PTY LTD	53BL.	60.4km SE'ly of Three Springs	Lat: 30° 0' S Long: 116° 3' E	COOROW SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/5517	MT MARSHALL KAOLIN PTY LTD	7BL.	47.8km NE'ly of Wyalkatchem	Lat: 30° 48' S Long: 117° 38' E	MOUNT MARSHALL SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/5523	HARDY METALS PTY LTD	25BL.	59.8km N'ly of Ravensthorpe	Lat: 33° 4' S Long: 119° 48' E	LAKE GRACE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/5524	HOWELL, David Bruce	5BL.	30.1km E'ly of Lancelin	Lat: 30° 59' S Long: 115° 38' E	DANDARAGAN SHIRE, GINGIN SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/5525-5526	ST GEORGE MINING LIMITED	88BL.	74km SE'ly of Northam.	Lat: 32° 13' S Long: 117° 2' E	BEVERLEY SHIRE, BROOKTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/5527	ALLUP SAND PTY LTD	16BL.	55.8km E'ly of Manjimup	Lat: 34° 23' S Long: 116° 43' E	CRANBROOK SHIRE, MANJIMUP SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/5528	BRAEBURN RESOURCES PTY LTD	19BL.	40.4km E'ly of Mt Barker	Lat: 34° 35' S Long: 118° 6' E	PLANTAGENET SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/5529	TISAN INDUSTRIES PTY LTD	19BL.	53.6km SE'ly of Hyden	Lat: 32° 49' S Long: 119° 16' E	LAKE GRACE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	77/2598	BLACK DRAGON ENERGY (AUS) PTY LTD	1BL.	58km S'ly of Marvel Loch	Lat: 31° 58' S Long: 119° 38' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Exploration Licence	77/2640	EDNA MAY OPERATIONS PTY LTD	20BL.	45.9km W'ly of Southern Cross	Lat: 31° 20' S Long: 118° 51' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Exploration Licence	77/2642	MINING PROJECTS MANAGEMENT GROUP PTY LTD	4BL.	134.2km NE'ly of Mukinbudin	Lat: 29° 59' S Long: 119° 6' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Exploration Licence	77/2651	SPARTACUS EXPLORATION PTY LTD	17BL.	142.9km W'ly of Menzies	Lat: 29° 16' S Long: 119° 38' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	77/2658	SURVEYOR RESOURCES PTY LTD	1BL.	7.6km NW'ly of Southern Cross	Lat: 31° 10' S Long: 119° 16' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Exploration Licence	77/2660	DUKETON MINING LTD	23BL.	141.2km E'ly of Paynes Find	Lat: 29° 25' S Long: 119° 7' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	77/2667	DUKETON MINING LTD	5BL.	139.3km E'ly of Paynes Find	Lat: 29° 32' S Long: 119° 5' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	77/2670	DUKETON MINING LTD	18BL.	145.1km E'ly of Paynes Find	Lat: 29° 27' S Long: 119° 9' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	77/2673	EDNA MAY OPERATIONS PTY LTD	3BL.	51km SW'ly of Marvel Loch	Lat: 31° 46' S Long: 119° 5' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	20/2415-2416	BOSENBERG, Dennis Raymond	298.85HA.	43.1km NE'ly of Cue	Lat: 27° 5' S Long: 118° 5' E	CUE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	20/2417-2418	BOSENBERG, Dennis Raymond	284.04HA.	38.7km NE'ly of Cue	Lat: 27° 7' S Long: 118° 4' E	CUE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	20/2431	PERRELLA, Anthony Peter PERRELLA, Antonio	163.80HA.	26.8km E'ly of Cue	Lat: 27° 30' S Long: 118° 8' E	CUE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/9359-9360	CREW, Ross Frederick LEGENDRE, Bruce Robert	391.14HA.	43.4km NE'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 42' S Long: 121° 43' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/9364	PILKINGTON, Anthony Gerald	119.62HA.	17.6km W'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 51' S Long: 121° 9' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	38/4524	EAST LAVERTON EXPLORATION PTY LTD	25.54HA.	61km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 4' S Long: 122° 21' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	51/3140	THE KOP VENTURES PTY LTD	188.08HA.	41.1km S'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 26° 56' S Long: 118° 38' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	51/3177	BOSENBERG, Dennis Raymond	47.44HA.	45.8km SE'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 26° 58' S Long: 118° 40' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	51/3179-S	MANN, Dean Adam RENSHAW, Damian	8.26HA.	51.7km SE'ly of Peak Hill	Lat: 25° 56' S Long: 119° 7' E	MEEKATHARRA 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: 23 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 **23 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. 23 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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WaterNSW Notice of Application – New Water Supply Work Approval

WaterNSW has received an application from Inghams Property Management Pty Ltd for a bore with a capacity of .006 ML/day. Located at Lot 2 DP 522785, Parish of Quirindi, County of Buckland. The application relates to Gunnedah-Oxley Basin Murray Darling Basin Groundwater Source, on Gunnedah-Oxley Basin Murray Darling Basin (other) Management zone, subject to NSW Murray Darling Basin Porous Rock Groundwater Sources Water Sharing Plan.

Objections must be submitted in writing to PO Box 1251 Tamworth NSW 2340 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 www.waterNSW.com.au/customer-service/water-licensing/objections. All Objections should reference Application Number A023756. 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 Thomas, Water Regulation Officer, on 1300 662 077 or by email water.enquiries@waterNSW.com.au.

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WaterNSW

Notice of Application -New Combined Approval (Water Supply Work and Water Use)

WaterNSW has received an application from **Single Tree Pty Ltd** for a new 660mm Mixed Flow Pump and a below ground channel, with a capacity of 1000l/s, at Lots 49 and 134 respectively, in DP 755494, Parish Doona, County Pottinger on catchment of Yarraman Creek in the Lake Goran Water Source, subject to Namoi and Peel Unregulated Rivers Water Sources Water Sharing Plan and water use of Irrigation located at Lots 2, 40, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 100, 134, 137, 138, 164, 165, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 181, 182 and 183 DP 755494, Lot 2 DP 549592 and Lot 60 DP 1229089, and crown roads(enclosure permit 50112) Parish Doona, County Pottinger. Objections must be submitted in writing to PO Box 1251 Tamworth, NSW 2340 or water.enquiries@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 A024322. 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 David Thomas, Water Regulation Officer, on 1300 662 077 or the above email.

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WaterNSW

Notice of Application -New Combined Approval (Water Supply Work and Water Use)

WaterNSW has received an application from **Troy HOLLIS and Shellee HOLLIS** for 2 x new in-river dams with a total capacity of 140 ML and 2 x new 90mm pumps each with a capacity of 27 l/s at - LOT 2, DP 11650, Parish – NERRIGUNDAH, County – DAMPIER on the Swamp Creek Water Source, subject to Turross River Unregulated and Alluvial Water Sources 2016 Water Sharing Plan and water use of - IRRIGATION located at - LOT 2, DP 11650, Parish – NERRIGUNDAH, County – DAMPIER.

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 - A24586. 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 - <https://www.waterNSW.com.au/customer-service/water-licensing/advertising-and-objections>. For enquiries contact – Martin Holland, Senior Water Regulation Officer on 1300 662 077 or the above email.

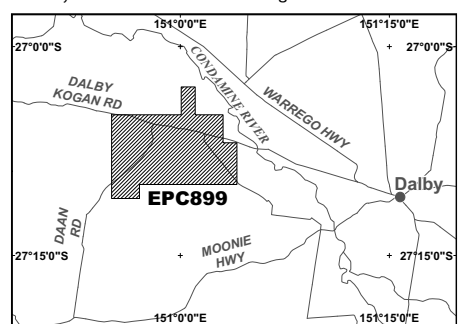
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NOTICE OF PROPOSED ADDITION OF EXCLUDED LAND TO EXPLORATION PERMIT FOR COAL AND GRANT OF EXPLORATION PERMITS FOR MINERALS

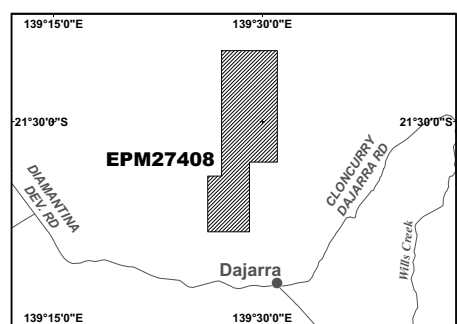
NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

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 addition of excluded land under section 176A of the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) (Excluded Land) to Exploration Permit for Coal (EPC) 899 and Grant of Exploration Permits for Minerals (EPM) EPM27408, EPM27607, EPM27613, EPM27614, EPM27615, EPM27619, EPM27625, EPM27626, EPM27627, EPM27628 and EPM27630 shown below under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld).

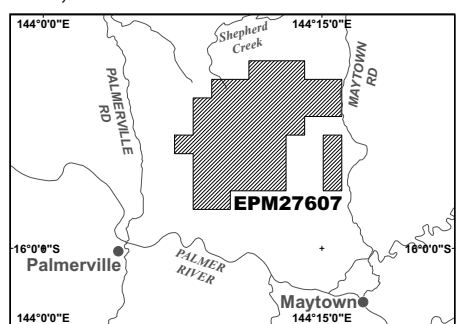
Exploration Permit for Coal 899 Addition of Excluded Land sought by New Emerald Energy Pty Limited, ACN 148 891 865, over an area of 47 sub-blocks (143 km²), centred approximately 26 km West of Dalby, in the locality of the Western Downs Regional Council.



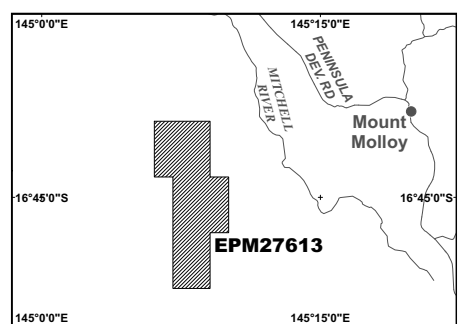
Exploration Permit for Minerals 27408 sought by Longreach No 1 Pty Ltd, ACN 146 922 394, over an area of 46 sub-blocks (147 km²), centred approximately 18 km North of Dajarra, in the locality of the Cloncurry Shire Council.



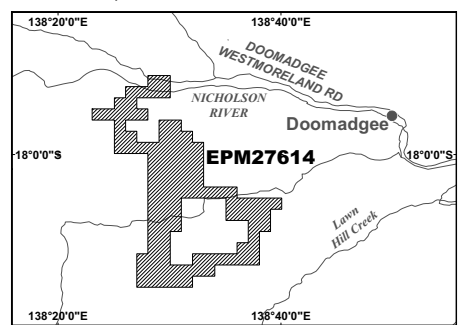
Exploration Permit for Minerals 27607 sought by Diversified Mining and Resources Pty Ltd, ACN 642 976 163, over an area of 45 sub-blocks (148 km²), centred approximately 19 km North East of Palmerville, in the locality of the Cook Shire Council.



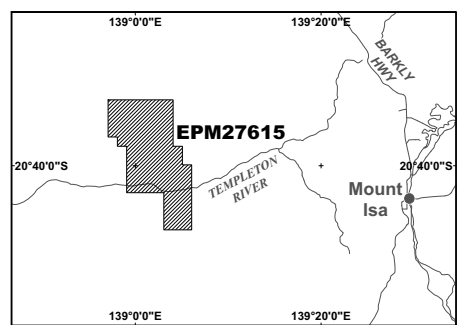
Exploration Permit for Minerals 27613 sought by Stratmin Resources Pty Ltd, ACN 639 991 307, over an area of 24 sub-blocks (79 km²), centred approximately 22 km West South West of Mount Molloy, in the locality of the Mareeba Shire Council.



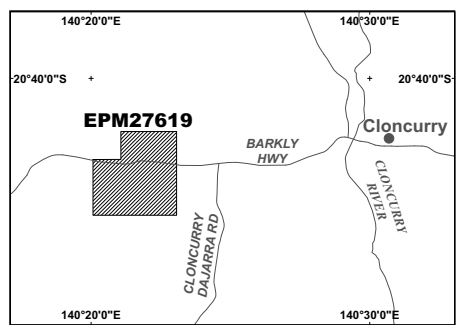
Exploration Permit for Minerals 27614 sought by Auburn Resources Limited, ACN 121 572 192, over an area of 100 sub-blocks (325 km²), centred approximately 32 km West South West of Doomadgee, in the locality of the Burke Shire Council.



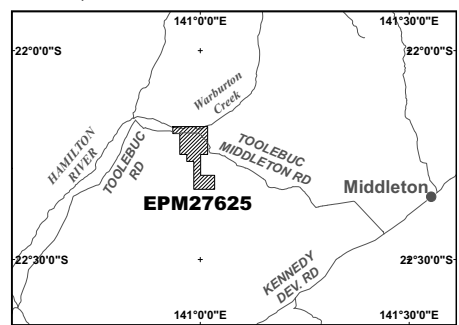
Exploration Permit for Minerals 27615 sought by Aozora UC Pty Ltd, ACN 641 574 370, over an area of 79 sub-blocks (253 km²), centred approximately 48 km West of Mount Isa, in the locality of the Mount Isa City Council.



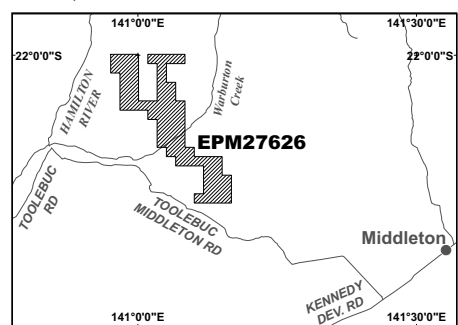
Exploration Permit for Minerals 27619 sought by Prophet Resources Pty Ltd, ACN 615 031 359, over an area of 8 sub-blocks (26 km²), centred approximately 16 km West of Cloncurry, in the locality of the Cloncurry Shire Council.



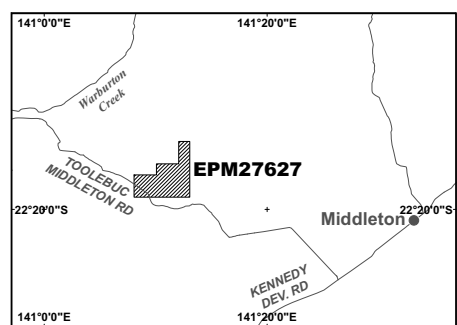
Exploration Permit for Minerals 27625 sought by Mawson Queensland Pty Ltd, ACN 617 551 667, over an area of 27 sub-blocks (86 km²), centred approximately 80 km West of Middleton, in the localities of the Cloncurry Shire Council and the Boulia Shire Council.



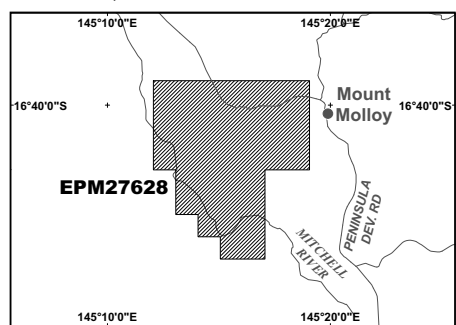
Exploration Permit for Minerals 27626 sought by Mawson Queensland Pty Ltd, ACN 617 551 667, over an area of 62 sub-blocks (197 km²), centred approximately 65 km North West of Middleton, in the localities of the McKinlay Shire Council, the Cloncurry Shire Council and the Boulia Shire Council.



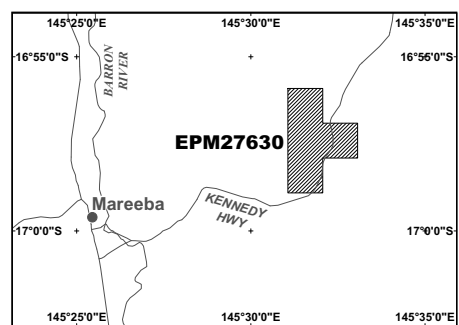
Exploration Permit for Minerals 27627 sought by Mawson Queensland Pty Ltd, ACN 617 551 667, over an area of 15 sub-blocks (48 km²), centred approximately 58 km West of Middleton, in the localities of the Winton Shire Council and the Boulia Shire Council.



Exploration Permit for Minerals 27628 sought by Stratmin Resources Pty Ltd, ACN 639 991 307, over an area of 41 sub-blocks (134 km²), centred approximately 8 km West South West of Mount Molloy, in the locality of the Mareeba Shire Council.



Exploration Permit for Minerals 27630 sought by Heights Holdings Pty Ltd, ACN 636 728 660, over an area of 4 sub-blocks (13 km²), centred approximately 12 km East North East of Mareeba, in the locality of the Mareeba Shire Council.



Nature of Act(s): The grant of an application to add excluded land to the Exploration Permit for Coal under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) authorises the holder to do all things that are authorised under the Exploration Permit for Coal over the area of the application and carry out activities leading to the evaluation and economic development of the ore body subject to the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld). It is proposed to grant the addition of excluded land to the Exploration Permit for Coal for a term not exceeding five (5) years, with the possibility of renewal for a term not exceeding five (5) years and also subject to the Native Title Protection Conditions. 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 addition of excluded land to the Exploration Permit for Coal be renewed and 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 addition of excluded land to the Exploration Permit for Coal and the grant of the Exploration Permits for Minerals. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth), persons have until three (3) months after 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 addition of excluded land to the Exploration Permit for Coal, including extract of plans showing the boundaries of the Exploration Permit for Coal Application may be obtained from the Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy, Principal Mining Registrar, Coal Assessment Hub, Corner of Bruce Highway and Yeppoon Road, Parkhurst, Queensland, 4701. Telephone: (07) 4936 0169 or Email: CoalHub@dnrme.qld.gov.au. Further information about the proposed grant of the Exploration Permits for Minerals, including extract of plans showing the boundaries of each Exploration Permit for Minerals Application 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@dnrme.qld.gov.au.

Expedited Procedure: The State of Queensland considers the grant of addition of excluded land to the Exploration Permit for Coal and the grant of the Exploration Permits for Minerals to which this notice applies, is an act attracting the Expedited Procedure. The Exploration Permit for Coal and each individual Exploration Permit for Minerals may be renewed or granted unless, within a period of four (4) months after the Notification Day a native title party lodges an objection in respect of the Exploration Permit for Coal and each individual Exploration Permit for Minerals with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the grant of addition of excluded land to the Exploration Permit for Coal or 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: 14 October 2020.

NATURAL RESOURCES ACCESS REGULATOR

Upper Macquarie Alluvial Groundwater Source

Dubbo Regional Council has applied for a **water supply work and use approval** for a bore to supply water for town water supply purposes on road reserve adjacent to Lot 7046, DP 1114493, in the Parish of Dubbo, County of Lincoln (ref: A024020). If you object to this application, write to the Natural Resources Access Regulator, Licensing and Approvals—West, Locked Bag 5123, PARRAMATTA NSW 2124 or nrar.enquiries@nrar.nsw.gov.au within 28 days of this notice being published. You must include your name and address and the reason for your objection.
If you have questions, call Water Regulation Officer Jeanette Nestor on (02) 6841 7447.

SB1737

NATURAL RESOURCES ACCESS REGULATOR

New England Fold Belt Groundwater Source

Tenterfield Shire Council has applied for a **water supply work approval** for a bore to supply water for town water supply purposes located on road adjacent to Lots 24 and 557, DP751540, in the Parish of Tenterfield County of Clive (ref: A023367). If you object to this application, write to the Natural Resources Access Regulator, Licensing and Approvals—West, Locked Bag 5123, PARRAMATTA NSW 2124 or nrar.enquiries@nrar.nsw.gov.au within 28 days of this notice being published. You must include your name and address and the reason for your objection.
If you have questions, call Water Regulation Officer Jeanette Nestor on (02) 68417447.

SB1739

NATURAL RESOURCES ACCESS REGULATOR

Upper Macquarie Alluvial Groundwater Source

Dubbo Regional Council has applied to **amend a water supply work approval** for a new bore to supply water for town water supply purposes on Lot 11, DP 717007 in the Parish of Nanima, County of Bligh (ref: A024263). If you object to this application, write to the Natural Resources Access Regulator, Licensing and Approvals—West, Locked Bag 5123, PARRAMATTA NSW 2124 or nrar.enquiries@nrar.nsw.gov.au within 28 days of this notice being published. You must include your name and address and the reason for your objection.
If you have questions, call Water Regulation Officer Jeanette Nestor on (02) 68417447.

SB1738

WaterNSW

Notice of Application to AMEND a Combined Approval (Water Supply Work and Water Use)

WaterNSW has received an application from the **Western Sydney University** / ABN-53 014 069 881 to amend approval number – 10CA117055 by:

- Adding a 150mm submersible pump, capacity of 15 l/s; located at LOT 19 – DP752032, in the Ham Common Parish of the Cumberland County.

The application relates to the Hawkesbury and Lower Nepean Rivers Water Source and the Upper Hawkesbury River (Grose River to South Creek) Management Zone, on the HAWKESBURY RIVER, subject to the water sharing plan for the Greater Metropolitan Region Unregulated River Water Sources 2011.
Objections must be submitted in writing to – WaterNSW, Assessments & Approvals, PO BOX 398, Parramatta. NSW. 2124 or by email to 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 - www.waternsw.com.au/advertising-and-objections.
All Objections should reference Application Number – A24574. 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 – Martin Holland, Senior Water Regulation Officer, on 1300 662 077 or by email at: water.advertising@waternsw.com.au

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WaterNSW

Notice of Application -New Combined Approval (Water Supply Work and Water Use)

WaterNSW has received an application from **Elouera Association Incorporated** for a new Bore, with a capacity of 1ML p/a, at Lot 2 DP839933 Harden/Cootamundra on Lachlan Fold Belt MDB Groundwater Source, subject to the Water Sharing Plan for NSW Murray Darling Basin Plan Fractured Rock Groundwater Sources and water use of irrigation purposes located at Lot 2 DP839933 Harden/Cootamundra. Objections must be submitted in writing to WaterNSW, Post Office Box 156 Leeton NSW 2705 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 A024344. 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 Paul Morsanuto, Water Regulation Officer, on 1300 662 077 or the above email.

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WaterNSW

Notice of Application -New Combined Approval (Water Supply Work and Water Use)

WaterNSW has received an application from **Peter and Elaine Notman** for a new bore, with a capacity of 2ML/per day, on The New England Fold – Coastal Belt, subject to North Coast Fractured and Porous Rock Water Sharing Plan and water use of irrigation located at Lot 246 DP756493 Parish of Oorundunby, County Vernon.
Objections must be submitted in writing to Po Box 1400 GRAFTON NSW 2460 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 A024377. 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 Kristin Blain Water Regulation Officer, on 1300 662 077 or the above email.

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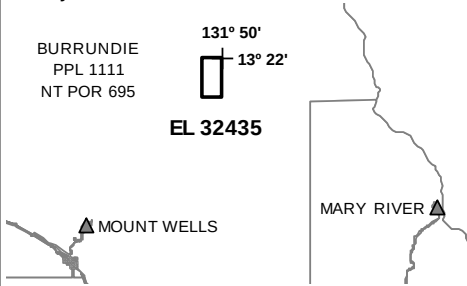
NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF EXPLORATION LICENCES

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The Honourable Nicole Manison MLA, the Northern Territory Minister for Mining and Industry, C/- Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade, GPO Box 4550 DARWIN NT 0801, hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Commonwealth) of her intent to do an act, namely to grant the following exploration licence applications.

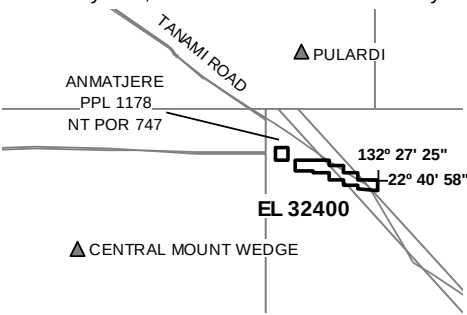
Applications to which this notice applies:

Exploration Licence 32435 sought by GMG MINING (NT) PTY LTD, ACN 634 618 410 over an area of 2 Blocks (7 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the MCKINLAY RIVER locality.



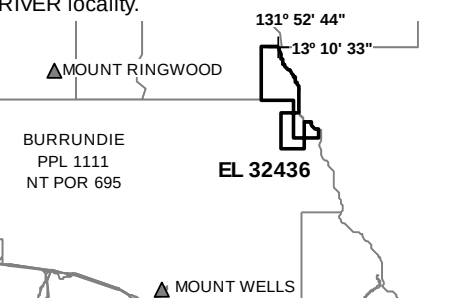
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Exploration Licence 32400 sought by JACKSON CAGE PTY LTD, ACN 614 042 189 over an area of 13 Blocks (12 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the MT WEDGE locality.



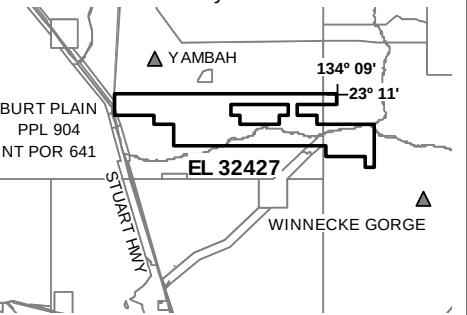
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Exploration Licence 32436 sought by JOHN KARIOTIS AND STEFANOS KARIOTIS over an area of 24 Blocks (56 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the MCKINLAY RIVER locality.



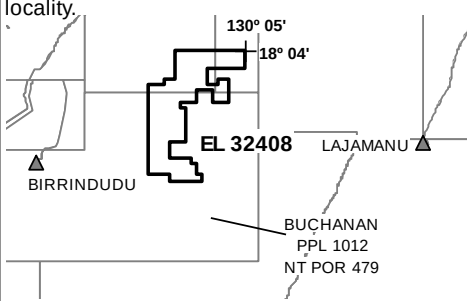
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Exploration Licence 32427 sought by PAUL RICHARD MATSON over an area of 97 Blocks (306 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the BURT locality.



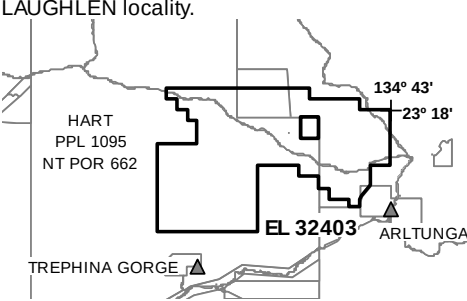
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Exploration Licence 32408 sought by OAKAJEE EXPLORATION PTY LTD, ACN 629 544 912 over an area of 192 Blocks (627 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the NONGRA locality.



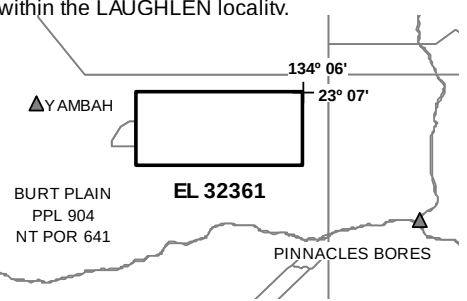
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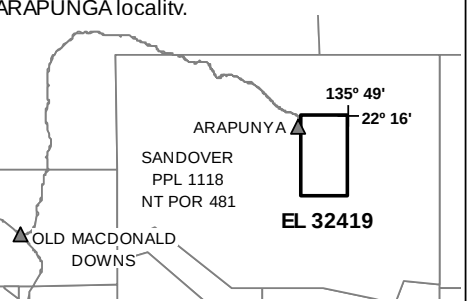
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Exploration Licence 32361 sought by TERRITORY EXPLORATION PTY LTD, ACN 123 338 376 over an area of 40 Blocks (127 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the LAUGHLEN locality.



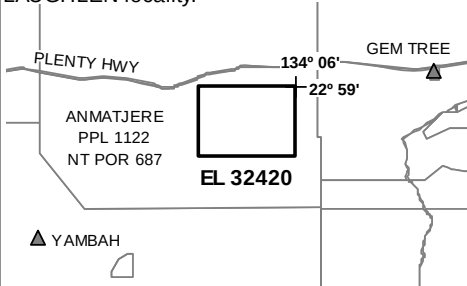
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Exploration Licence 32419 sought by TERRITORY LITHIUM PTY LTD, ACN 610 691 033 over an area of 40 Blocks (128 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the ARAPUNGA locality.



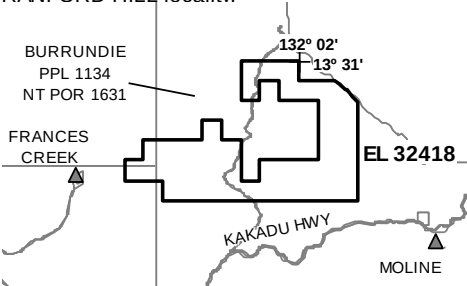
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Exploration Licence 32420 sought by TERRITORY LITHIUM PTY LTD, ACN 610 691 033 over an area of 24 Blocks (76 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the LAUGHLEN locality.



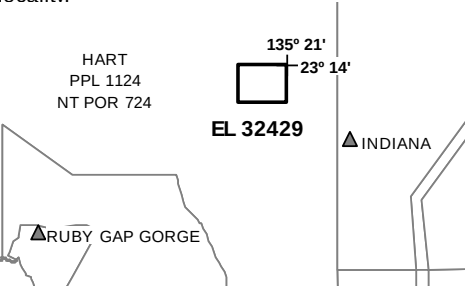
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Exploration Licence 32418 sought by TRAFALGAR RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 612 053 166 over an area of 41 Blocks (135 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the RANFORD HILL localitv.



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Exploration Licence 32429 sought by TYPHON MINERALS PTY LTD, ACN 614 887 464 over an area of 12 Blocks (38 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the QUARTZ localitv.



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Nature of act(s): The grant of an exploration licence under the *Mineral Titles Act 2010* authorises the holder to conduct activities in connection with exploration for minerals for a term not exceeding 6 years and to seek renewal(s). The term for which it is intended to grant the mineral exploration licences referred to in this notice commences from the date of grant. Further information about the act may be obtained from the Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade, GPO Box 4550 Darwin NT 0801 or Centrepoint Building 48-50 Smith Street Darwin NT 0800, telephone (08) 8999 5322.

Native Title Parties: Any person who is, or becomes a "native title party" within the meaning of the *Native Title Act 1993* is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2, Division 3, Subdivision P of the *Native Title Act 1993*. 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. Enquiries concerning becoming a native title party should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, GPO Box 9973, Brisbane QLD 4001, or telephone (07) 3307 5000.

Expedited Procedure: The Northern Territory Government considers that the acts are acts attracting the expedited procedure as defined in section 237 of the *Native Title Act 1993*. The exploration licences referred to in this notice may be granted unless an objection is made by a native title party to the statement that the act is one which attracts the expedited procedure. Such an objection must be made to the National Native Title Tribunal within 4 months of the notification day.

Notification Day: 07 October 2020

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Ally had a plan to play in Europe

By PETER ARGENT



DUAL WNBL championship winner Ally Wilson considered a stint in Europe before the COVID-19 pandemic hit.

Instead, the 26-year-old is weighing up her basketball options in the WNBL while hitting the courts back home in South Australia.

"Before all the COVID issues hit, I was considering going to Europe and playing hoops over there for a season (but) that will certainly have to wait for a year or two now," she said.

"I've had discussion with a team in Poland, TBV Start Lublin. There is still potential to go after the WNBL depending on the respective start and finish dates but naturally that's all up in the air and supposition.

"I've been told that European basketball is tough and different. It will give me the chance to experience something new and dynamic. It will also test my resilience, living on the other side of the world by myself, something I would have never considered when I was younger.

"It is just a whole new experience and, you never know, it could be a stepping stone to opportunities in America as well."

Wilson is currently playing with the club where it all started for her,

the Eastern Mavericks, in the 10-team 2020 Adelaide Basketball Challenge (ABC) season which is the replacement competition for NBL1 Central, which features 10 SA clubs.

NBL1 seasons run during the WNBL and NBL off-seasons and last year Wilson played for Diamond Valley in NBL1 South.

One of the elite Aboriginal players in Australian basketball, Wilson won WNBL championships with Townsville Fire (2015) and Sydney Uni Flames (2017). She was WNBL rookie of the year in 2014. She is an accomplished guard and is adding plenty of strength and experience to the Mavericks and to the ABC.

"After the finish of the last WNBL season I was going to play with the Mt Gambier Pioneers for the NBL1 (South) campaign but a month in and COVID-19 hit so I came back to family at Murray Bridge," Wilson said.

"I asked the coach at the Eastern Mavericks, Mark Billington, if I could come out and train and after discussions I decided to play.

"I'm really enjoying being back around family and friends, along with playing 'ball with the Mavs."

Wilson is a former Halls Medalist with the Mavericks in 2017. She played junior and senior basketball for Australia and won a gold medal at the 2017 Summer Universiade Games.



● Dual WNBL championship winner Ally Wilson was considering a stint in European basketball with Polish club TBV Start Lublin – until the COVID pandemic ended those early plans.

Picture: Peter Argent

Mitchell's WNBA Mystics eliminated by her old team

By DARREN MONCRIEFF



LEILANI Mitchell's game-high 25 points was just not enough to get her new team over the line of her old

team in the WNBA elimination play-offs.

The American born-and-raised Indigenous Australian woman Mitchell crossed from the Phoenix Mercury to the Washington Mystics in the WNBA off-season and was a ball-magnet across the board in the play-off, but in a bitter-sweet irony it was her former teammates who won in a heart-stopper and on the buzzer, 85-84.

Mitchell's Mystics clinched the eighth and final play-off berth in the 12-team WNBA with a 9-13 win-loss record while the Mercury secured fifth spot at 13-9.

One of the most experienced players in the league, Mitchell played in all of Washington's 22 games in her debut season with the Mystics. She was all class and almost singlehandedly got her new team over the line in the single-game play-off final.



Leilani Mitchell's Washington Mystics were eliminated in the WNBA play-offs by her former team Phoenix Mercury last week.

Picture: Getty Images

"The biggest thing for us was the whole process," Mitchell said post-match while wearing a Black Lives Matter shirt.

"We're going to be better next year and if you add in all the talent that we missed out on this year (due to injury) it should be fine, it should be exciting.

"This year also we took a while to adjust to the coaches'

system, the way we want to move, the way we want to share the ball, so I think we finally got that toward the end of the season and that'll help us next year as well."

Mitchell last week committed to returning to Australia and to the WNBL to re-join the Southside Flyers for the 2020/21 season.



Regional NSW

Notice under Section 29 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) – Exploration Licence Application 6032 (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.

Kenex Pty Ltd (ACN 619 978 497) is the applicant for Exploration Licence Application 6032 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 6032 that covers an area of approximately 52 units situated approximately 27 kilometres east northeast 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 the notification day is 8 October 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.



Capturing sport through

By DARREN MONCRIEFF



PHOTOGRAPHY has been a lifelong passion for Gamilaroi woman Barbara McGrady so when the chance came to combine that with her love of our people in sport she jumped at the opportunity in the early 2000s.

What followed was a redefining of her career, capturing significant moments across a range of sports, and so when other Aboriginal women photographers begin to appear on the sidelines at the big-ticket events in professional sport, they can thank McGrady for the trail she blazed.

Up until then, McGrady was capturing images for a variety of organisations. But in the early 2000s she pushed for accreditation with some of the biggest sports organisations and sports events in the country and her most memorable images begin from that time.

Due to chronic health issues, McGrady, 70, has had to pack away her equipment for now, a decision that hasn't come easy, but one that had to be made.

"If I wasn't sick I would still be doing this because I just love it," she said from her home in Sydney.

"Photography, sports photography, has given me a lot of joy and a lot of purpose."

McGrady has offered a selection of photos that are dear to her heart which we present here – a small sample of the thousands of images she has captured through time. Her work has been exhibited at large-scale mainstream events previously.

"I look at my photos as my history of time and place, of atmosphere and energy, and connection, because they're of all blackfullas," she said.

"Capturing an image of what I see through my lens comes more from what I feel through the lens, which can be hard to convey. I'm thankful to know that people get that, that they see my vision of what I'm trying to convey. I don't know what it is or what I have or how, it's just a feeling of connection that makes the image real."

"I don't know of any other way to explain it but I honestly feel that I bring 60,000, 80,000 years of blackness with this. Maybe that's how I became this photographer person because that's how I approached it."



Indigenous All-Stars captain Greg Inglis cuts a proud figure as a leader of men at the 2015 match at Robina Stadium on the Gold Coast.
Pictures: Barbara McGrady.



Barbara McGrady, Gamilaroi woman, photographer: cutting through the barriers to capture some of Australian sport's iconic moments. Picture: Jacob Vardy



Anthony 'Choc' Mundine is on the ropes, taking a breather, during a hectic spell of training in Redfern.



Hawthorn's Shaun Burgoyne takes on a Sydney Swans opponent during the AFL's Indigenous Round at the SCG in 2017.



The 2015 Indigenous All-Stars women's team post-match at Robina Stadium on the Gold Coast.

the Black lens of history



In this image taken in 2017 is Barbara McGrady's nephew Lee Tighe (at left), who passed away in August in Tamworth. Lee played for the Mungindi Grasshoppers and he is here with his teammates at that year's NSW Aboriginal Rugby League Knockout Carnival at Leichhardt Oval in Sydney. *Pictures: Barbara McGrady*



Sydney Swans' Adam Goodes (left), Lewis Jetta and Lance Franklin with the Marn Grook trophy at the AFL's Indigenous Round at the SCG in 2015.



South Sydney's Kyle Turner (left), Braidon Burns and Alex Johnston with the Rabbitohs' Indigenous-themed jersey at Homebush Stadium in 2018.



Sydney's Lance Franklin sizes up an Adelaide opponent ahead of their match at the SCG in 2015.



NBA star Patrick Mills at the National Centre of Indigenous Excellence in Redfern for the launch of a children's book in 2017.



Griffith Three Ways' David Fifita (left), Jayden Clarke and Andrew Fifita look on from the sidelines at the 2015 Koori Knockout in Dubbo.



The victorious South Coast Black Cockatoos celebrate their 2019 Koori Knockout triumph.



NRL stars Johnathan Thurston (left) and Greg Inglis at the launch of the 2017 NRL Premiership season.



Tribal League can add to the pathways

WITH the Koori Knockout and NRL grand final both gone missing from the traditional October long-weekend this year, so too has the excitement of seeing mob and travel to these events. It hasn't been a great time for a lot of us.



Dean Widders

But the announcement of the National Indigenous Rugby League Championships event for November at three different locations over three weekends has created a buzz around the place. Teams are being formed, people are planning, teams are training, lounge rooms are packed with yarns and phones are ringing crazy all day about it. I honestly haven't seen people so excited like this for a while. It's just the spark we all needed. It's like a blackfulla football pandemic!

For me, the creation of the championships, also called Tribal League, fills a massive hole in the pathways to elite football for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander players. We have the Knockout and the beauty of it is that it's all about communities and families and, all put together, it is four fantastic days of excitement. With the Tribal League being played over three consecutive weekends with only eight men's teams and four women's teams our people will have to go to the next level as far as preparing for it and for supporting the teams over a longer period of time.

Our numbers are dropping fast in player participation in the NRL so we need to start with developing our young up-and-coming stars for the challenges that lay ahead if they want to make it to the top level and to provide a platform for our talented youngsters to be seen at a more intense level of football.

Limiting the number of teams, I believe, will see the calibre of sides go up and I think they will be more like regional area representative teams rather than just individual community teams. This will be a good way to unite people. As a young player, I never wanted to play for anyone but Narwan, but I always wished we could join our best players from Tingha, Moree and Toomelah to have a run in a rep team. Could you imagine a side like that? Wow! Well, now these young guys have that exact chance. I can't wait.

We're going to see some amazing football. Our people are going to learn how to prepare their teams more professionally and this will make a difference.

I wrote earlier in a previous column how some teams could shape up for something like this, as NSW regional teams, and how strong they could be, and now we can finally get a chance to see which regions produce the best footballers. Bring on Tribal League.

'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.'



Black Panther Brent Naden has been a solid contributor for Penrith in 2020. Picture: Getty Images

Panthers' biggest climb still to come



PENRITH have clinched their third NRL minor premiership in the club's history and extended their historic winning streak to 14 with a comfortable 32-12 win over North Queensland at the weekend.

The Panthers sealed top spot after losing just one of their opening 19 games of the coronavirus-disrupted season.

The in-form Panthers were never threatened by a cumbersome Cowboys side at Townsville Stadium.

Penrith will be presented with the J.J.

Giltinan Shield as minor premiers following their match against Canterbury at Homebush Stadium this weekend.

In what fans hope to be a lucky omen, Penrith last secured the minor premiership in 2003, the same year they went on to win the premiership. — with AAP

League locks in Adelaide Oval for Origin I



Adelaide Oval will be reconfigured to host rugby league State of Origin in November. Picture: Getty Images



DIEHARD fans of rugby league in South Australia will be in football heaven when the game's biggest event comes to their own backyard in November.

It comes as the NRL last week locked in venues and dates for the 2020 State of Origin series.

In a first for State of Origin, Adelaide Oval will host Game I on November 4 — the first time the rugby league series will be held in South Australia.

The NRL is keen to build on last year's historic first when rugby league State of Origin was held at Perth Stadium. That was Game II of the 2019 series.

Adelaide's Game I in November will be followed by Game II at Sydney's Homebush Stadium on November 11.

The series will conclude with Game III at Brisbane's Lang Park on November 18.

The COVID lockdown had thrown the league's original plans, which had included Adelaide, into disarray, but with a relative containment of the virus the league was finally able to settle on times and places.

Adelaide has hosted Sydney Roosters-Melbourne Storm NRL premiership matches in 2017, 2018 and 2019.

And in a boost for the women's game, in its third year, the Women's State of Origin standalone game will be held on the Sunshine Coast on November 13, moving from North Sydney Oval for the first time.

Crowd capacities for each venue will be finalised soon. — with AAP

Phillips and the Thunderbirds are go!

Amazing how far we've come



Kira Phillips celebrates her team Peel Thunderbirds' 2020 WAFLW triumph.

By CHRIS PIKE



KIRA Phillips had a big say in Peel Thunderbirds' remarkable rise from wooden spooners to premiers in the space of a year when her side won the 2020 WAFLW premiership at the weekend.

Peel defeated Subiaco 4.4 (28) to 2.1 (13) at Joondalup Oval to be the toast of women's football in the west.

Phillips, from Gnowangerup, had a great finals series. She was brilliant with three goals in the preliminary final victory against 2019 premiers East Fremantle and in the grand final against Subiaco she kickstarted the Thunderbirds with her side's first goal in the opening quarter; she set up another in the second and put together a strong performance throughout the game as the main forward target.

Phillips couldn't be prouder and was a little lost for words after the win.

"I really just don't know what to say," she said in all the post-match excitement.

"We always dreamed we could do this but we knew how hard it would be after how far back we had to come from and 'Subi' are such a good team.

"But this is just unbelievable.

"Peel have always been such a great club to me and to achieve this so quickly is just amazing.

"I don't know what to say; I'm so happy to be part of it."

Phillips, 25, was the competition's leading goalscorer in 2020.

After playing in Fremantle's first team in the AFLW in 2017, after which she was delisted, she joined the Thunderbirds in 2018.

A lack of motivation took root after she was overlooked by AFLW clubs in the 2018 draft, but kept her hand in at football and played with Peel's reserve side in 2019.

A new year and a re-newed focus in 2020, despite COVID, saw her bounce back with the senior side and booted 17 goals for the Thunderbirds, and win the coveted premiership.

Subiaco will have been left disappointed after having claimed the minor premiership but not the premiership that mattered. Still, they can look no further than Tiah Haynes for inspiration. The former No 1 AFLW draft made a tremendous return to football after a horror run with knee and shoulder injuries.

She was vice-captain of Subiaco this year and was a key player in the midfield for the Lions. She, too, is hoping for a return to the AFLW in 2021.

LITERALLY and honestly never thought the AFL would pull this off, but here we are, looking forward to the beginning of the 2020 finals series. For the first time in 123 years, a VFL/AFL grand final will be played outside of Victoria and, in another first, it will be a night game.

The logistics to get this season going and to keep it going have been a nightmare; one that I am glad I personally was not involved with. I honestly take my hat off to the crew at AFL House and all that they have achieved in 2020 so far. What a year we have all had; even writing these words seems surreal.

Just back to the grand final, and it is hard enough at the best of times to get a ticket when it is held at the MCG, a stadium that holds a touch over 100,000 people, so what hope have we then for a ticket to the 'Gazza grand final which has a capacity of 42,000 people? But even that will likely be reduced to 30,000.

Some good news on this front at least is that the AFL have put a freeze on ticket prices so if anything should help the everyday football fan then that will.

Funny, but as soon as the news broke that Queensland and the 'Gazza would host the grand final all I could hear was, "Brisbane Lions will win the flag!" The Lions certainly do have the home-ground advantage and they are a good football team, but we will see how all that unfolds.

People have questioned the legitimacy of this year's premiership; that whichever team wins it, should they even be properly happy or proud to have won it, given how this year has gone? I personally believe that they should be extremely proud. There is even talk of putting an asterisk (*) next to the name of this year's premiers. My thoughts are the opposite – put their name in **bold type and in CAPITAL LETTERS** given how they will have won it under the most extraordinary situation that no-one ever really saw coming.

Time for a break?

Many AFL players have indicated that they would like to take a holiday soon after their respective seasons ends, either where they're at or to travel to another state or territory. That isn't going down too well with a lot of people outside the AFL-player bubble.

The view is is that these players should return to where they actually live during the football season (where all the 18 teams are from – Victoria, NSW, Queensland, South Australia and Western Australia) and abide by their state's current COVID-related city and/or regional movement restrictions. Many millions of families in these states have not been able to see their loved ones, well or unwell, for many months and as someone who was personally declined a state border cross to see an unwell family member, I can see this point of view.

This conversation is certainly becoming louder as we near the end of the season. There is this thought that the players' needs have been accommodated enough and that when their season ends so too should their travel exemptions. I just hope that whatever happens that this doesn't get ugly and ruins what has been an amazing season-long accomplishment.

**Shelley Ware is a proud Yankunytjatjara and Wirangu woman from Adelaide. She appears on AFL.com.au's Colour Of Your Jumper.*



Shelley Ware

Matera makes mark as a Lion

By CHRIS PIKE



BAILEY Matera was a proud man during the WAFL's recent NAIDOC Round, but it was his departure from the club where his famous family's surname in football began that would have become news to many outside the WA football bubble.

Matera, 24, is the son of Wally, nephew of Peter and Phil and brother of Fremantle's Brandon, who each launched their celebrated AFL careers from South Fremantle. But the young Matera was forced to look beyond Fremantle Oval in the search for more on-field opportunities and he landed at Subiaco and played in every game for the Lions in 2020.

Matera proudly wore the striking design of Subiaco's Indigenous-themed jumper for NAIDOC Round as he reflected on the career of his great uncle, Peter, who was and is one of the AFL's all-time greats.

"I watched a lot of footage of my uncle Pete when I was growing up so I'd have to say he was the player I looked up to the most when I was younger," Matera said post-match.

"It always means a lot to celebrate a week like this and to have the Aboriginal culture celebrated. It means a lot to wear these jumpers for our people too and it is something I always look forward to."

Matera enjoyed his best WAFL season of his career.

He started out at Souths but ventured to Subiaco for more opportunities. Injuries early on meant that that took time but in 2020 he had played every game for the Lions' league side and became an important player. This season, however, is the first since 2013 in which the league side, premiers in 2018 and 2019, have missed out on the finals.

● Bailey Matera makes his mark with Subiaco in the WAFL.



Football's mixed response

By DARREN MONCRIEFF



THE NRL and AFL have offered contrasting approaches to address the lack of Indigenous former players as coaches within their respective industries.

The two dominant Australian football codes enjoy an annual near 25% Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander player representation – yet, combined, the numbers of Indigenous coaches sits at a paltry 2% across the combined 34 professional football clubs, none of whom hold senior roles.

Responding to specific questions put to both organisations by *Koori Mail Sport*, the AFL has laid out specific plans to increase those numbers by building on an Indigenous-specific coaching forum and

initiating a subsidy scheme for all its clubs. It has not ruled out implementing its own version of the NFL's Rooney rule. The NRL, however, seemingly does not have any formalised plans to be proactive within this space, despite the league also enjoying a significant Pasifika player representation that is significantly greater than that of the AFL.

The AFL earlier this year hosted 22 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community coaches from each state and territory at its first Level 2 Coaching forum; a start, said Tanya Hosch, general manager of inclusion and social policy at the AFL.

"We feel more work needs to be done to ensure greater representation among our coaching ranks and we will continue to explore strategies that will create further opportunities," she said.

"Also, in response to some of the many challenges we are facing due to COVID, we have initiated a subsidy scheme for clubs to keep and grow Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander representation into football departments which we hope will assist with the pathway strategies we're planning and testing."

The Rooney rule in American football is a mandate whereby each of the 32 NFL franchises must interview a Black prospect for the role of head coach. The NFL has had 14 Black head coaches since that rule's implementation in 2003.

"The Rooney rule as an idea has been discussed over several years at many levels of our game," Hosch said.

"The key to ensure success with a rule such as this is the process of identification and the interviews need to be genuine and thorough.

"The Rooney rule and other proactive strategies are all on the table."

In its response, the NRL said the following:

"An NRL spokesperson welcomed the opportunity for more Indigenous coaching staff to be involved at senior levels of the game. Rugby league is fortunate to include many Indigenous participants as part of our game.

"Naturally, some may wish to pursue a coaching career and we would encourage them to do so.

"The game prides itself on equal opportunity and with a growing number of Indigenous participants, there is no doubt that we will see more senior Indigenous coaches involved as opportunities present themselves.

"There is no plan for rules or quotas to be put in place to select coaches."

Netball's Super Indigenous Round



After a dominant year in the WANL, Donnell Wallam was invited as a training player at Super Netball club West Coast Fever.

Sharpshooter Wallam sends a Fever through the west

By CHRIS PIKE



RISING Western Australian netballer Donnell Wallam is arguably one of the best goal shooters not in Super Netball right now.

Wallam, 26, is on the cusp of playing professionally after consistent performances in the west.

The star GS with the West Coast Warriors in the West Australian Netball League produced a personally memorable 2019 season. Her team won that year's premiership in which she was the grand final MVP, she was the competition's leading goalscorer with 777, she won the Players' Player award, she was named in the 2019 Team of the Year and she captured the Jill McIntosh Medal as the league's best player. And in a 2020 pre-season match, she was part of an All-Star team that stunned Super Netball club West Coast Fever with defeat in front of 6000 people.

The Fever couldn't get her on board fast enough and she is now on deck there as a training player.

"It is great to get the opportunity with the Fever girls. It definitely is a goal of

mine to play for the Fever so I'll just take any chances that I get," Wallam said.

"I played netball in juniors and kept playing socials but two years ago, that's when I took it serious.

"It really is overwhelming how quickly all this is happening for me in netball.

"Up until a couple of years ago I'd only always played basketball but I started playing at the Warriors, enjoyed it and the rest has just happened from there.

"But I am really loving it now so hopefully things can keep going as well as they have been."

Like Super Netball last week, the WANL held an Indigenous Round to close out the regular season for 2020 and it was her traditional Aboriginal design on the dress that the Warriors wore to mark the occasion.

"I love this round. It's a celebration of all Indigenous players but also an opportunity to educate non-Indigenous people about our culture and our history," Wallam said.

"To see everyone embracing the round and learning about the design and what it means to the Indigenous players brings a harmonious feeling on and off the court."



SUPER Netball celebrated Indigenous Round last week with the theme: "A Women's Ceremony – a gathering of many journeys at the same destination".

The entire competition shifted from its south-east Queensland base to Townsville and Cairns in the far north last week for round 13 and where each team wore kits with traditional artwork.

The theme for Indigenous Round comes from the work by Simone Thomson, a Wurundjeri and Yorta Yorta woman, whose art adorned the round's match ball. Her exhortation to the players was powerful.

"I want every female who holds this ball to identify with it, to feel empowered, to feel the spirit of the oldest living culture on Earth on their shoulders and to rise like a warrior," she said.

"I want them to grip it in their fingers and feel the smile from within, the chill on their skin. Whether they play barefoot in the red desert dust, in the bushland along the riverbank or with professional shoes on a polished indoor court, I want them to feel special, worthy, able.

"This is my dreaming story of Women's Ceremony, a gathering of many journeys to the same destination. It's a celebration of anything is possible and self-belief, a celebration of coming together as community and acknowledging the sacredness of this land. And lastly, it's a celebration of inspiration. For we look to the inspiring to be inspired."

Cultural performances were incorporated into match-day activities.

● The Queensland Firebirds' Jemma Mi Mi models her team's 2020 Super netball Indigenous Round dress.
Photo: Barry Alsop



Cathy Freeman as we had never seen her before: in a 'Phantom' suit winning the 400m final and the gold medal at the 2000 Sydney Olympic Games. Pictures: Getty Images



Catherine the Great



The front page of the *Koori Mail* on October 4, 2000, celebrated Freeman's Olympic triumph.



SHE had become the centre of all our attention in the lead-up to the 2000 Sydney Olympic Games and when the time came, Cathy Freeman exhibited a steely resolve with the expectations of an entire nation on her shoulders. In the 49.11s it took to complete the race, 20 years

ago this week, Freeman's triumphant win in the 400m final to win gold stands as one of the Games' central moments and remains a defining moment in Australian sport and history.

Freeman would later recount the build-up as one of the most mentally challenging of her career on the track.



Post-race with the Aboriginal and Australian flags, Freeman is a picture of relief.



The *Koori Mail* (October 4, 2000), page 2, where the headline says it all.

Christian, CA call out racist



CRICKET Australia has called out a racist social-media attack on Dan Christian which came in response to the Indigenous all-rounder opening up about casual racism in his sport.

Christian, a proud Wiradjuri man who represented Australia in 35 limited-overs games and captained an Aboriginal XI, detailed his experiences in the first episode of CA's new series *Cricket Connecting Country*, produced partly in an attempt to help address past instances of racism in the sport.

Christian recalled how he'd been the subject of throwaway lines and jokes about "the colour of my skin and the fact that I don't look Aboriginal or whatever that means".

Administrators at the governing body were disgusted that one user on Twitter, whose identity is now being investigated, responded to the session by questioning Christian's Aboriginality.

"It's just something that comes with a lack of education and an ignorance. I don't think a lot of people say it with any kind of malice," Christian said in the first episode.

"When all the Black Lives Matter stuff came out in the last couple of months one of the things I related to the most was Meyne Wyatt's monologue on *QandA*.

"He talks about being asked that question and his comment back to whoever asked it was, 'Well what part (Aboriginal) am I? Is it my foot? Is it my arm? Is it my leg?'

"I've received a lot of messages over the past few months from people I've played with and against that have said, 'Sorry if I've ever said anything to you that you've been offended by.' It's been a wonderful thing." – AAP



Dan Christian



Preparing for take-off at the Warrior Run were (from left) Blake Robertson, Ewan McFaddzen and Selene Robertson. Picture: IMF

Youngsters set the pace in marathon foundation's Father's Day Warrior Run



BRAMBLE Bay Deadly Runners hinted that there may just be something in the water on Yugerra land after heading up much of the podium finishers at the 2020 Father's Day Warrior Run.

The top three junior boys in the country for the 10km race all came from the group on Brisbane's north coast.

Bramble Bay coach Gabrielle Carson Tochtermann called the stand-out performances of the local entrants "pretty spectacular".

The performances from mates Blake

Robertson, Mitchell Collins and Ewan McFaddzen were beyond expectations.

The annual event at Sydney's Centennial Park had to be cancelled over ongoing COVID-19 fears.

But Indigenous Marathon Foundation organisers kept the Warrior Run going by inviting supporters of the fun run that also includes 5km and 2km distances to join from their own local backyards.

The kinship between the three 15-year-old Queenslanders went beyond their Indigenous bloodlines, according to their delighted coach.

"We have got a handful of junior runners

that are just amazing; they just really are great runners," Carson Tochtermann said.

"They're beautiful kids. They will run with some of our older, more mature runners that have still got a bit of pace."

Blake took things to another level last Sunday. The junior was the only entrant to finish the 10km in under 40 minutes. The finish time of 39.24s was more than a minute quicker than the next fastest and was one of the best times recorded in the event's six-year history.

"He does do a lot of training and uses Deadly Runners as his base training," Carson Tochtermann said.

Clarke relocates to go pro

By ALF WILSON



PALM Island's Patrick Clarke has spent a few weeks in Brisbane ahead of a permanent relocation in a bid to further his professional boxing career.

The 26-year-old Clarke is fresh from his first professional bout when he fought Ben Horn in Townsville last month. It was bout three on the undercard to the Jeff Horn-Tim Tszyu title fight.

And in a twist, it was his first-time opponent Horn who offered to be his first-spar partner in the big city.

The Bwgolman man hopes to line up an opponent for his second professional bout in November, which is where his move to Brisbane comes in.

"After Ben beat me on points in my pro debut we had a yarn and got on well and when I got down to Brisbane I went to the Stretton Boxing Gym and had a session with him there," he said.

"I started thinking about a move down south before the bout and after that is when I really became serious about making the move.

"While I was there, I went looking for a house and so I will be taking my partner Caroline and our sons back there with me."

In Brisbane, there are early plans for Clarke to train at the All Star Boxing Academy at Bray Park under trainer Benny Harrigan.

"There are no plans to change weight divisions and he will remain as a welterweight.

"I want to see how far I can go in pro

boxing and hopefully make a decent career from it," he said.

"I want to have some more pro bouts down here where there are greater opportunities and to see how far I can go. There will be more hours put into training and much harder work if I want to achieve my aim.

"Training will be every day for two or three hours total in the morning and afternoon and I am eating a lot better and living clean. Also, I'll be having a special diet prepared."

Clarke took a lot out of his first professional fight and hopes to build on that momentum.

"It was a wonderful experience and the build-up to a professional fight is much longer and is much harder than from my time in the amateurs," he said.



Patrick Clarke will relocate to Brisbane to further his professional boxing career.

Wanganeen Warriors

By PETER ARGENT



AUSTRALIA'S most famous Aboriginal sporting twins are Mark and Glen Ella who, with brother Gary, dominated Australian rugby union in the 1970s and '80s.

In South Australia in basketball, while not on the same level yet as the Ellas, are twins Tyrese and Cheylen Wanganeen, 15, from the Narungga Nation.

The 190cm identical twins are a pair of young basketball talents in a hurry and are looking to make their own mark on the courts. And they are committed, if the weekly 330km round trip from home at Moonta Bay on the Yorke Peninsula to Adelaide to train and play is anything to go by.

The boys, Year 10 students at Kadina Memorial High School, are part of Woodville District Basketball's Aboriginal Basketball Academy and play under-16s division one basketball with Woodville District Basketball Club.

"We would like to go all the way in basketball and would love to do that together, but it's just about taking each step as it comes," Tyrese, the youngest by two minutes, said.

"Naturally, to play NBL and for our country would be huge. The ultimate dream is getting to the NBA."

As with most twins, there is this special, telepathic bond, indiscernible to outsiders.

"It certainly feels different when we are playing alongside each other and on the court there is a sense where we know where each other are," Cheylen said.



Tyrese and Cheylen Wanganeen, young basketball talents at the Woodville Warriors in Adelaide. Picture: Peter Argent

"We encourage each other and are hard on each other. We just want to go as far as we can in the game."

The teenagers are tall, lean and graceful in their movement. They are exciting talents with a strong skill set and a strong desire to be the best they can be. They are blessed to have a strong and supportive environment.

"Back at home on the Yorke Peninsula,

both Trudy Ireland and Ben Wigzell had a big influence as we started our basketball journey," Tyrese said.

"At the academy our current mentors include Tim Brennan and Joey Wyatt."

Forgetting anyone else, boys? "Oh, also, our mum Tania has been an important support for us as she drives us to training," Tyrese said.

How Cathy's win mattered then and now

CATHY Freeman's historic gold medal triumph at the 2000 Sydney Olympics has transcended sport to become one of this country's defining moments, and one of the last great national celebrations that unified a country for a fleeting moment in time.



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The then 27-year-old took an entire nation with her as she powered toward the finish line in the 400m final to win gold in front of a capacity Homebush Stadium thunderous and deafening in its love and support while billions across the world watched the happy commotion on their TVs.

The memory is still pretty clear to me. This bloke was living in Derby, a small town in the Kimberleys. The sun was still up, but was about to make its way toward the endless marsh horizon that surrounds the place when our girl and I don't care to remember who else took their places at the starting blocks. What followed was 49.11 seconds of breathless anticipation. *Bang* Off! A clean start. The murmur of the crowd rises. We're turning those corners with Cathy and straightening up when she does, and our girl is gliding. The cameras give us a look to show where the others are so that was nice. She keeps the pace because she can and when the home straight straightens up she gives a kick and takes the lead. The crowd is going nuts now. It's your time, Cathy. Can she keep this lead? We hope so. 50 metres. Wait, where are the others? Behind. Good. 40 metres. It's in sight. 30. She can't lose this now. 20. Oh my... 10, 5... Yeeaaaaah! The Black lady in the Aussie Phantom suit hits the finish line before anyone else and there is pandemonium in the stands and utter relief on the track. You did it, Cathy. Just amazing. Like the giddy fanboi that I was, my immediate reaction was to jump up off the couch, sidestep my 2-year-old, run outside to my car and beep the horn for a solid minute like I was trying to do road-rage. Absolute scenes at 3 Pantom Street.

I loved what Cathy did and how; her rise from a small Queensland town to the top of the world in her discipline; against all the odds chucked her way. Catherine the Great. Olympic gold medallist. Forever. One day maybe I can tell her this in person – my other son, born two years later, has her surname as a middle name.

It's been said that the Sydney Games reinvigorated the Olympic movement, that at previous host cities that warmth and togetherness was lacking, whereas Sydney was defined by those attributes. Cathy's win was a moment in time that tied all that together.

Back to Derby and the Worrorra people, who mostly live at Mowanjumb community 10km out of town, had their own Olympic moment when, during the opening ceremony, the gigantic and majestic Wandjina spirit Namaralie appeared, made for the Games by custodian Donny Woollagoodja from Mowanjumb. That, too, was a proud moment for our countrymen there. And so began an unforgettable two weeks.

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Fight night at Mareeba



Gabe Stanley (blue) is in defence mode in his bout against Oliver Rees, during their bout at Mareeba recently.

Islander troupe descends on mainland

By ALF WILSON



IT was a welcome sight when boxers from Australia's northern-most outpost competed at their first tournament since the COVID-19 pandemic

lockdown.

The Sunstate Amateur Boxing League held a 22-bout tournament in a ring at the local turf club at Mareeba in the Tablelands region in far north Queensland two weeks ago.

Among the fighters were Gabe Stanley

and Stanley Assan, who are trained by Ryan Shibasaki out of Zenadth Kes Boxing Club on Thursday Island.

Stanley lost on a unanimous decision to Oliver Rees while Assan lost on a split-decision to Peter Dingtinana.

While the results may have not gone their way, Shibasaki was still proud of his men.

"We travelled by plane from Horn Island the day before and returned two days later on the first available flight," he said.

"They would have learned from the weekend and they all should be proud. It was a fantastic event with a massive 22

fighters. It was a very special night the venue was awesome and the atmosphere was electric. We would like to thank Wayne Bryde from Mareeba Boxing for the opportunity and a special mention to all our family and friends who came out and sat in the cold Mareeba weather to support the team – we really appreciate it."

Shibasaki, a professional boxer, said that while he has no future bouts on the horizon, he is still keeping an eye out.

"No, I have no upcoming pro fights and will just be doing some training and once my body is in tip-top shape I may have a look at what's available," he said.

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Promotion of the new National Indigenous Rugby League Championships features top Aboriginal NRL and NRLW players (from left) Latrell Mitchell, James Roberts, Jack Wighton, Nakia Davis-Welsh and Cody Walker. Picture: NIRLC

Tribal League to fill KO void

By DARREN MONCRIEFF



A NEW Indigenous rugby league competition, touted as national, will kick-off in November for a three-week round-robin series with men's and women's teams limited to eight and four respectively.

The National Indigenous Rugby League Championships, also known as Tribal League, is the brainchild of Matt Rose, who heads up No Limit Management which has a stable of Indigenous professional rugby league players on its books.

While organisers were at pains to point out that the event is not a Koori Knockout replacement, it will nevertheless fill the void

for Aboriginal rep footy left by the postponement of the 2020 NSW Aboriginal Rugby League Knockout Carnival that was to be held in Nowra on the NSW south coast next month.

The Tribal League event will be held on three consecutive weekends in November.

Dubbo in central west NSW is believed



The new National Indigenous Rugby League Championships kicks off in November.

to be locked in for round 1 of competition on Saturday, November 7. The remaining two rounds will be held on November 14 and 21 with locations for those yet to be confirmed.

The event has received endorsement from former NRL greats Greg Inglis and Matt Bowen.

Concerns over COVID community transmissions, which forced the postponement of the Koori Knockout in July, have been addressed with Tribal League operating under an approved NSW Health COVIDsafe plan.

Organisers of Tribal League were contacted for comment.

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The night that belonged to Cathy Freeman



TWENTY years ago this week, Cathy Freeman ran the fastest time and finished first in the 400m final at the 2000 Sydney Olympic Games to win gold and cement her achievements and herself as an Aboriginal and Australian sporting icon.

Freeman, then 27, was at the peak of her powers. She had been building toward this very moment, particularly when she won gold at the 1999 IAAF world championships in Seville after taking all of 1998 off to recover from recurring injury.

Freeman's win in Sydney would have an everlasting impact beyond the Games. Several current Olympians and national team representatives have often cited her gold-medal triumph as the point in which they decided to represent Australia at the Games either as individuals or with a national team.

The win also was the high point for the host nation in what was the first Games of the 21st century, and the third for the Olympic movement of the modern era. Australia would win a record 58 medals overall, a national record which still stands, eclipsing the 41 medals won at Atlanta four years prior. Freeman's gold came at the mid-point of the two-week event, on September 25, 2000, which was a Monday night.

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Cathy Freeman's win in the 400m final at the Sydney Olympics has, over time, transcended sport. Picture: Getty Images

Alice Springs to host first midnight marathon

By DARREN MONCRIEFF



A CENTRAL desert full moon will guide runners from the Indigenous Marathon Project (IMP) as plans for a milestone event in the heart of the country begin to take shape.

Coach at the IMP Adrian Dodson-Shaw last week revealed that a midnight arathon in Alice Springs, where it all began 10 years ago, is in the early stages of

planning. Ordinarily, graduate runners of the IMP would now be in the early stages of planning to fly to the other side of the world for the annual New York City Marathon for its traditional first Sunday in November start.

But the ongoing COVID pandemic means organisers had to pull out the various contingencies up their sleeves, one of which was to honour the place where the IMP got its start while keeping to the NYC Marathon timeline and avoiding the harsh desert summer sun.

"With no New York marathon (this year) we plan to bring our runners to Alice Springs for a midnight marathon," Dodson-Shaw told ABC Alice Springs morning radio.

"We're just chucking around ideas. It's 10 years since we started and Alice Springs has been at the heart of the IMP and where it's all come from, and because of COVID and everything we've had to come up with other plans and ideas so we think it will be pretty special to come back and celebrate that here."

"It's going to be pretty hot here at that time of the year, though, so we thought we could start earlier before the sun rose, 4.30-5am, but then I thought, 'Well, where's the moon at?' and I had a look and there's actually a full moon on (Sunday) the first (of November) so that worked out really well. So we're in the middle of planning for that."

The final route for the Alice Springs marathon is still being worked on.

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