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Paul Kabai looks out over the seawall on Boigu: "The Government's failure to prevent the climate crisis means our islands could be flooded, our soils ruined by salt and our communities forced to leave."

Torres Strait leaders launch court action



TORRES Strait Islander people have been pleading with the Federal Government for years to do more on climate change.

And now, fed up with excuses as their islands suffer the effects of rising seas, leaders from the remote islands of Boigu and Saibai in Gudamalulgal in the Torres Strait (Zenadth Kes) are taking the Australian Government to court.

In a landmark class-action case, Paul Kabai and Pabai Pabai are arguing that the Federal Government has a legal

responsibility to ensure Torres Strait Islander peoples are not harmed by the climate crisis. This is the first climate class action brought by First Nations peoples in Australia.

If successful, this case has the potential to not only protect Gudamalulgal and all Zenadth Kes communities, but also to help avert the climate crisis before it devastates communities across Australia.

"Our ancestors have lived on these islands for more than 65,000 years," Paul Kabai said.

"But the Government's failure to prevent the climate crisis means our islands could be flooded, our soils ruined by salt and our communities forced to leave. Becoming climate refugees means losing everything: our homes, our culture, our stories and our identity. If you take away our homelands, we don't know who we are."

"We have a cultural responsibility to make sure that doesn't happen and to protect Country and our communities, culture and spirituality from climate change."

Young Torres Strait Islander woman Tishiko King is on her way to Glasgow,

Scotland, with a harrowing climate-change tale to tell at the United Nations Climate Change Conference, COP26, which Prime Minister Scott Morrison will also attend.

"I have seen the impacts of our islands being washed away from rising sea levels, exposing the bones of my ancestors. For us as First Nations people, we don't just see the climate crisis, we feel it. Our islands and our homelands, where we come from, are a part of who we are, and our identity, as Indigenous people," she said.

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MY FAMILY

Patrick Clarke (Palm Island)

I HAVE family and extended family on Palm Island, where I live, and also at Yarrabah, Woorabinda, and Moura and they are all important to me.

I was born and raised on Palm Island and am a proud Bwgcolman man and went to school there.

Your photographer saw me on October 8 at the Bindal Sharks Allblacks rugby league carnival in Townsville.

With me were my partner Caroline Williams and children Patrick Junior, aged five, and Ernest, who is aged three.

We enjoyed watching the two Palm Island men's teams, one women's, and an under-18 youth side playing at the Townsville Sports Reserve.

And there was also a side from Yarrabah, where I have so many relatives on my dad's side and I got to see family from many places.

As a family, we try to visit Yarrabah a couple of times a year and also go to Woorabinda, where our next planned trip is during December.

My partner Caroline has many relatives there in the Williams and Armstrong families and also at Moura, which is a small town not far from there.

But when we get time on Palm Island we just love to go camping at a place called Mill and also do some fishing.

There are lots of things to do on Palm Island and we catch up with relatives in the Clarke and Aden families.



Patrick Clarke, with partner Caroline and sons Patrick junior and Ernest, enjoys a day at the footy.

Often we get onto a ferry and travel across to Townsville to do shopping and see other family members (Massey family) who live in the suburb of Garbutt.

I am a professional boxer who has had some fights on cable television channel main event, which gives Palm Island positive publicity.

My next fight is on the Sunshine Coast on November 19 and when I am training Caroline has been so good.

I generally have to go away to train for several weeks before bouts and she looks after the boys.

I have been with her since 2014 and couldn't do without her.

So life is very good for me living on a beautiful island close to many family and getting to visit other communities when we can.

I can't think of anything better: living on a great island community surrounded by water and of course with so many family nearby.

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OUR CHILDREN



Young Noongar dancers perform as part of the Social and Emotional Wellbeing Gathering on Whadjuk Noongar Country in Fremantle last week. Full story and pictures, page 37

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Shared stories aim to get the message out that vaccination can protect all of us



A NUMBER of high-profile Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people have come together in a new project, titled For All of Us, to encourage their mob to get vaccinated against COVID-19.

Model Samantha Harris, musician Baker Boy, chef Nornie Bero, street artist Tori-Jay Mordey, Paralympian Amanda Reid and renowned didgeridoo player and vocalist William Barton are some of the Indigenous Australians who have thrown their support behind the new project, to encourage further vaccination uptake and help to overcome vaccine hesitancy.

William Barton, one of the world's pre-eminent didgeridoo players and a Kalkadunga man, said he was encouraging people to find information from healthcare professionals.

"Being vaccinated is something I feel proud of, just as much as I feel deeply proud of my Indigenous heritage," he said.

"I was taught the didgeridoo from a young age, and I want to protect and continue to tell the stories of my culture.

"I also want to protect my community's future, and that of our kids, so that we can keep telling our stories, and keep sharing our culture. The most effective way of doing that is by having the COVID-19 vaccination, so I'd encourage my mob to have a yarn to their healthcare worker



William Barton: "I also want to protect my community's future, and that of our kids, so that we can keep telling our stories, and keep sharing our culture."

who can talk to them about any concerns."

Showcasing both well-known and everyday Indigenous Australians celebrating their culture and heritage, the project, delivered by the Australian Government Department of Health, conveys the simple message 'For our past, for our future, for all of us. Get vaccinated for COVID-19'.

Model Samantha Harris, who

wears a stunning dress by Indigenous fashion label Kirrikin in the video, got her vaccine to do her part for her family and community.

"I've seen the heartbreak of COVID-19 with people struggling with their mental health, losing their jobs and not being able to be with their families and friends," she said.

"It's important that we understand the risks of getting

COVID-19, as well as the benefits of getting the jab.

"And one of the huge benefits for me is to be able to do the simple things again – go and see the Sydney Kings, meet up with friends for lunch, and catch up with my family and my mob."

Meriam chef Nornie Bero said food and cooking had always brought the people of the Torres Strait together.

"It's one of the things I miss the

most because of COVID-19 – seeing my restaurants humming with people sharing my food, and having a big feast with family and friends," Nornie said.

"I've always said it takes a village to feed a village, but it takes a village to protect one too. I got the vaccine because I wanted to lead by example to protect my staff, and my family, and to show them that the vaccine is safe, and not to listen to the misinformation out there.

"I also got it because I wanted to be able to travel back home to see my family that don't live near me without putting the oldies at risk. The sooner we all get vaccinated the sooner we can all get back to family and community, back to doing all the things we love."

Paralympian and proud Gurinagi and Wamba Wamba woman Amanda Reid said she was proud to represent Australia at the Tokyo Paralympics.

"I had to get vaccinated in order to compete in the Paralympics, so I got the jab very early on because I wanted to be a part of the Games," she said.

"The biggest thing I've missed because of COVID-19 is being able to travel. I want to be able to go overseas and come back and not have to quarantine – and my best friend moved to Perth and I want to be able to visit her and not have to worry. I want the freedom of travel back!"

The 'For All of Us' video can be viewed at www.health.gov.au/for-all-of-us

Unvaccinated remain at risk as deadlines loom



HALF of Indigenous Australians aged 16 and older are fully vaccinated against COVID-19, while 63% are partially vaccinated.

The figure was revealed as concerns were raised about more than 200 Indigenous workers at remote community stores, mostly in the Northern Territory, who were still unvaccinated two weeks out from that jurisdiction's jab mandate deadline.

National Indigenous Australians Agency (NIAA) acting chief executive Blair Exell has told a Senate Estimates hearing 50.4% of all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people aged 16-plus are double-dosed.

About 63% had received one dose. "Pleasingly, we are seeing Indigenous vaccination rates climb," Mr Exell said at the hearing last week.

At the same time, across the country, about 76% of other Australians over 16 were double-dosed and nearly 88% had received one dose.

A total of 6283 Indigenous Australians had been infected with the virus up until Wednesday, last week, October 27.

About one in 10 of those Indigenous people infected has been hospitalised, with 13 dying in NSW.

The Commonwealth-owned Outback Stores company said all of the organisation's 109 frontline employees were fully vaccinated.

But it's estimated just 15 to 20% of 284 Indigenous people employed by Aboriginal corporations who work in the stores were jabbed, two weeks out from the Northern Territory's November 12 vaccine deadline.

Outback Stores chief executive Michael Borg was "reasonably comfortable" about making progress in coming weeks.

"But I know that there will be some individuals that will be a little bit hesitant," he said, adding some "tough discussions" would be needed.

Outback Stores hoped to get through another 150 vaccinations in the next fortnight so workers, mostly in the NT, could keep their jobs.

The NT Government is requiring swathes of workers including in community stores to have a first dose by November 12 to keep their jobs, with full vaccination due by December 24.

The Northern Land Council said it was "working against some pretty silly social media messaging coming from kind of crazy church groups".

"I don't understand it," acting chief executive Joe Martin-Jard said.

"But we're asking people to stop listening to social media and to get advice from their Aboriginal health practitioners or their doctor or nurse to tell them the truth."

Mr Martin-Jard could not say what proportion of the council's Indigenous workforce remained unvaccinated.

Central Land Council chief executive Lesley Turner said about 66 Indigenous staff members were either unvaccinated or not fully vaccinated.

It had a \$500 vaccination incentive, but not everyone elected to take the money.

Meanwhile, the Queensland Government is urging Indigenous communities to get vaccinated with low coverage putting people at risk ahead of the state reopening its borders.

The State Government will scrap quarantine requirements for fully vaccinated travellers who test negative when 80% of eligible Queenslanders have had both doses, or by December 17 at the latest.

Commonwealth figures on Tuesday showed 75.7% of eligible Queenslanders had received one dose of a vaccine and 61.2% were fully vaccinated.

Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships Minister Craig Crawford says vaccine coverage is far lower in Indigenous communities.

He says 47.9% of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people have had their first dose and 36.2% are fully vaccinated.

"The Government is concerned about the lower uptake in regional and remote areas," Mr Crawford told Parliament on Wednesday.

"We know some of our isolated Indigenous communities are among the nation's most vulnerable to an outbreak of the Delta strain.

"We're deeply concerned about the potential impact if the virus were to take hold among the chronically ill and elderly in these towns and communities.

"Even more worrying is the fact that First Nations cohort aged 20 to 29 currently have the lowest vaccination rates of any in the state."

The minister said teams of health workers had been going door to door in Indigenous communities encouraging them to get the jab.

Government ministers had also been visiting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander areas to support the vaccine drive.

Mayors and Indigenous Elders, Mr Crawford said, had also joined the vaccine drive. – with AAP

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Black Duck Foods show traditional agriculture is a growing enterprise



CULTURAL burns have been around for tens of thousands of years and in the north-eastern

Victorian town of Mallacoota there will soon be a centre for people to learn more about Indigenous fire management.

The Indigenous Traditional Agriculture Knowledge Hub is being built in the coastal inlet, which was ravaged by the Black Summer bushfires.

Work is underway on a farm owned by *Dark Emu* author Bruce Pascoe, who has Yuin, Bunurong and Tasmanian heritage.

"Indigenous fire and land management cared for and healed Country."

"We're rediscovering those techniques and working out the most viable ways to farm native grains and tubers on a commercial scale," Mr Pascoe said.

The farm's business, Black Duck Foods, is reintroducing a range of native practices and trying to work out how Indigenous people can benefit financially.

Employees Chris Harris, Nathan Lygon and Terry Hayes are farming Aboriginal foods



Black Duck Foods staff Chris Harris, Nathan Lygon and Terry Hayes at Mallacoota in Victoria.

including tubers from chocolate and vanilla lilies and murnong (daisy yam), and grain from kangaroo, dancing and spear grasses.

"We're doing the hard work here at the moment so we can

pass on our knowledge to the rest of our people," Mr Harris, who is a Ngilyampaa man, said.

"That way when they start an Aboriginal food business they don't have to make the same

mistakes we've already made."

The hub project was funded by World Wide Fund for Nature-Australia and promotes a return to Indigenous farming, including the use of fire.

The on-farm research with

Black Duck Foods also delves into how a European diet contributed to high levels of diabetes among Indigenous populations.

"So much illness among Aboriginal people comes from a poor diet so I really look forward to the day when all Australians are eating these foods on a regular basis," Mr Lygon, a Yuin man with Walgal connections, said.

Bidhawal Maap Djiringanj man Mr Hayes said he'd like to see these foods available all over the world.

"This is just the beginning.

"Hopefully more mob can do this sort of work all around the country and create employment for our people."

Black Duck Foods general manager Chris Andrew believes a return to Indigenous farming techniques is resonating with people.

"Why not grow food that is natural to Australia and requires no fertiliser?" he said.

"Traditional fire and land management practices can rebuild resilient landscapes and enable us to better manage a changing climate.

"It sustained Indigenous Australians for tens of thousands of years. It's time to bring it back." – AAP

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Voter ID laws 'burdensome'



INDIGENOUS people and organisations have hit out at proposed voter identification laws as unnecessary and burdensome for First Nations people.

Both the Central Land Council (CLC) and Northern Land Council have told a Senate Estimates hearing they weren't consulted about the bill introduced into Federal Parliament last week.

"We find it a bit unnecessary and burdensome," CLC chief executive Lesley Turner said.

"There's a number of issues surrounding Indigenous people in central Australia surrounding postal addressing and street names, having their licences, access to information for the Australian Electoral Commission."

He said the CLC knew of about 17,000 Indigenous people who were eligible to vote, but weren't enrolled because of issues regarding identification.

Northern Land Council acting chief executive Joe Martin-Jard urged the Government to reconsider the bill "because Aboriginal people in remote areas would be further disenfranchised".

Liberal senator Amanda Stoker said the bill allowed for a wide range of documentation for proof of identity.

This includes licences and proof-of-age cards, Medicare, concession, pensioner, debit or credit cards, as well as birth certificates and documentation from a financial institution or utility provider.

"They're deliberately flexible so that it can take into account a number of the concerns that have been raised," she said.



Linda Burney

"We have made an effort to ensure that some of those concerns around being able to identify addresses and the like aren't an impediment to Aboriginal Australians from being able to participate in democracy."

Shadow Minister for Indigenous Australians Linda Burney said that, instead of working for all Australians, Prime Minister Scott Morrison is working to ensure that those who might not vote for him, can't vote against him.

"This underhanded attempt to erode confidence in Australia's elections is straight out of the playbook of the 'Try-Hard Trump', Scott Morrison," she said.

"The Government's plans would not only see a return to long queues at polling booths, but also disenfranchise vulnerable Australians by preventing them from exercising their democratic right to vote."

"People living in remote Indigenous communities, those dealing with homelessness, and Australians escaping domestic violence often don't have the easy access to identification many take for granted."

Mr Martin-Jard wants the Government to bolster resources under the Australian Electoral Commission to educate and empower Indigenous voters instead.

Special Minister of State Ben Morton earlier said the Government would provide an extra \$9.4 million to boost Indigenous participation in elections.

The Indigenous enrolment rate has lifted from 74.7% in 2017 to 79.3% in 2021.

The Government promised no voter would be turned away and indicated it would like changes in place by the election to be held by May next year.

– with AAP

Anger and despair as JC's killer goes free



PROTESTS were held across the country last week after a police officer who shot dead an Aboriginal woman in regional Western

Australia was acquitted of her 2019 murder.

And, much to the dismay of the woman's family, the first-class constable acquitted of her murder has indicated he is keen to return to the police force.

The mother-of-one known as JC, aged 29, had experienced significant mental health and drug problems and recently been released from prison when she was shot dead by the officer from close range while surrounded by police vehicles in Geraldton.

The officer, who cannot be named for legal reasons, told the WA Supreme Court he had acted in self-defence.

He claimed JC, who was carrying a knife and a small pair of pink plastic scissors, had raised the knife and moved as if to lunge at him before he pulled the trigger.

After deliberating for three hours, the all-White jury found the officer not guilty of murder and the lesser charge of manslaughter.

WA Police Commissioner Chris Dawson said he had since spoken to the officer who had indicated he wished to continue in the force.

"We'll work our way through an assessment there in terms of any re-training and how we can proceed the way through that," he said.

The verdict was met with anger and devastation by JC's family, including her nine-year-old son.

Emotions ran high outside the court as JC's loved ones, including her foster mother Anne Jones, expressed their devastation at the verdict.

Bernadette Clarke said her sister's nine-year-old son had been left with no mother.

"The man shot her at point-blank. Left the family broken," she said. "How long is this going to go on for?"

"I loved her smile, loved her attitude, the way she was. She left a little boy behind as well as her brothers and sisters.

"She was a good girl who just

Bernadette Clarke was devastated that the police officer accused of murdering her sister JC was found not guilty.



needed help. She needed help from mental health and from the Government when she was taken away from her mother."

The accused was one of eight police officers who swarmed on the street where JC was seen carrying a knife and a pair of scissors.

Five of the officers stayed in their cars, a sixth left his vehicle unarmed and attempted to speak to JC, and another drew his Taser, but did not activate it.

The court heard the accused had got out of his vehicle, drawn his loaded firearm and run towards JC before firing a single shot at her abdomen from close range.

Other officers gave evidence JC had ignored repeated requests to drop the knife. Prosecutors had argued CCTV footage of the shooting, taken from a home about 65 metres away, showed JC did not move towards the officers.

Given the accused man's extensive training, the number of officers present and the other available weapons, the shooting was "wholly unnecessary", Director of Public Prosecutions Amanda Forrester said during the trial.

Defence barrister Linda Black argued her client was a "brave and careful officer" who had acted correctly by drawing his gun, rather than a Taser, when confronting a person armed with a knife.

About 100 people rallied last Thursday outside Parliament House in Perth, with protesters leaving red hand marks on the building's steps.

A protest was also held in JC's hometown of Geraldton, while others were due to take place in Sydney, Brisbane and Canberra.

Noongar woman Dr Hannah McGlade, who has been supporting members of JC's family

and is a human rights lawyer and academic, told the Perth protest that JC had been let down by a racist system, which led to a tragic outcome.

"This was an Aboriginal woman with a disability released from prison with no care and no support," she said.

"Australia must stop this violence to Aboriginal women. This is Indigenous femicide and the state is failing in its duty to prevent, respond and punish the perpetrators.

"Racism in the legal system stands in the way of justice for our people and must be confronted."

Noongar activist Mervyn Eades told the Perth rally it was unacceptable there were no Aboriginal jury members on the JC trial.

"Here we are again once more. A sister taken, a mother, a

daughter," he told the crowd.

"The legal system in Western Australia, they're not here for our people – they never have been. No one will ever be found guilty of any death of any of our people."

Family supporter and Noongar woman Megan Krakouer said there was still "no equality" for Indigenous people, 30 years after the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody.

"This is what we have to deal with in the state of Western Australia. This happens far too many times and it hurts, and it's wrong," she said.

"No conviction ... and you wonder why Aboriginal people are so angry and disillusioned with the police and the system."

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The Torres Strait Eight continue to wait



EIGHT Torres Strait Islander/Zenadh Kes people have taken their plea for the Australian Government to help protect their vulnerable islands to the United Nations.

But, Australia's official reply states that Australia is already doing enough on climate change, and that the future impacts of climate change are too uncertain to require it to act.

In 2019, eight Torres Strait Islander traditional owners – known as the Torres Strait Eight – lodged a complaint with the UN's Human Rights Committee in Geneva, alleging that the Australian Government had failed to uphold its human rights obligations and that its inaction has led to violations of their rights to culture, life and family.

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

The complaint was the first climate change litigation brought against the Australian Government based on human rights, and the first legal action worldwide brought by inhabitants of low-lying islands against a nation state.

The complaint asserts that by failing to take adequate action to reduce emissions or to implement proper adaptation measures on



The Mosby kids from the Kulkalgal, Dauareb, Samsep and Panai tribes. They live on the front lines of the climate crisis in Masig Island, Torres Strait. Their dad Yessie Mosby is one of eight claimants taking the Australian Government to the UN over its inaction regarding climate change.

the islands, Australia is failing its legal human rights obligations to Torres Strait Islander people. These are the right to life, rights to culture, the right to the protection of family and home, and the rights of children under one of the first global human rights treaties, the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights.

The Australian Government is attempting to get the UN to dismiss the complaint, denying

that climate change is impacting the human rights of Torres Strait Islander peoples.

Australia's last official response to the UN Human Rights Committee in Geneva was the final procedural step of the complaint.

Yessie Mosby, a Zenadh Kes Masig man living in the Kulkalgal tribe area is one of the claimants.

"We invited the Government to visit our islands but they declined

our invitation," he said. "It is a lie for the Government to say that we are not affected by climate change right now."

"We have seen our island homes wash away. We fear the high tides and we notice the seabirds not returning. We watch the winds blow stronger and for longer. We have seen our loved ones' remains wash away with the rising seas."

"The Government has a duty of

care and it's for all Australians not just for the people who live down on the mainland. Tell the truth – you are not trying your best to help us. Stop lying."

Claimants have been expecting a decision this year. However following delays in the legal process, lawyers for the claimants recently wrote to the Committee respectfully calling on the UN group to expedite the complaint and come to a decision urgently.

In their letter, lawyers highlighted that while Australia was granted extensions to reply, the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change released its sixth assessment report. This report – a "code red for humanity" – outlined significant increases in the level of projected sea level rise compared to its previous report.

In its second and final reply to the complaint, the Government said the case should be dismissed because it cannot be responsible for future risks, and because any one country cannot be held legally responsible for climate change.

Lawyers with environmental law non-profit ClientEarth are representing the Torres Strait Islander claimants, with support from barristers from Twenty Essex in London.

The claim is supported by the Torres Strait land and sea council, Gur A Baradharaw Kod, environmental group 350 Australia, and the Seed Youth Indigenous Climate Network.

The Torres Strait Eight have been running a social media campaign, Our Islands Our Home.

Young mob lead the way in fight for climate justice

By DARREN COYNE



KULKALAIG woman Tishiko King is on her way to Glasgow, Scotland, with a harrowing climate change tale to tell at the United Nations Climate Change Conference, COP26.

The young Torres Strait Islander woman – who is the campaign director for the Seed Indigenous Youth Climate Network – wants the world to know that the bones of her ancestors are being exposed by massive king tides lashing her island home.

"As a proud Torres Strait Islander I feel honoured to represent First Nations people and to stand in solidarity with others across the globe that are leading the movement – not for climate action; we call it climate justice," she said.

During a visit back to Masig Island during the COVID pandemic, Ms King observed how king tides were aggressively eroding away metres of beachfront.

"It's reaching the burial grounds. I went picking up bones and saw the skeleton of a naked woman exposed," she said.

"It was really hurtful. I could see how my own island was impacted and how my family have had to adapt with no support."

"They are trying to do the best they can ... using palm leaves as a seawall. They just don't have access to the resources necessary to deal with the situation."



Kulkalaig woman Tishiko King is heading to the United Nations Climate Change Conference in Scotland.

"Meanwhile, the Government is spending lots of public money to fast track fracking in communities where the traditional owners say no."

Tishiko said there appeared to be no political will to deal with rising sea levels in the Torres Strait, but the Government was quick to act in forming a national COVID economic recovery committee with good mates (in the gas industry) because they are so concerned about maintaining their profits.

"I have seen the impacts of our islands being washed away from rising sea levels, exposing the bones of my ancestors. For us as First Nations people, we don't just see the climate crisis, we feel it. Our islands and our homelands, where we come from, are a part of who we are, and our identity, as

Indigenous people," she said.

"As a Torres Strait Islander woman, I am travelling to COP26 to represent my community and to stand up for First Nations people who are not only on the frontlines of climate impacts and fossil fuel extraction, but who are also leading our movements for climate justice."

Seed Mob raised more than \$20,000 by crowdfunding to send Ms King to Glasgow.

Ms King will join Prime Minister Scott Morrison at the forum, who confirmed his attendance only recently, and will take the Coalition's net zero emissions by 2050 plan as the nation's key strategy for reducing emissions.

"Morrison's submission's just gammin. It's paper thin," she told the *Koori Mail*.

"We are already seeing these impacts now. The country is on fire; water is contaminated. The target needs to be set now."

"Australia could be leaders in climate action, but his targets are nothing and instead he is using public money to fund mining."

"Globally, Indigenous people make up less than 5% of the world's population yet we protect 80% of global biodiversity."

"We have looked after our land sustainably for over 60,000 years. Our knowledge of our homelands and our leadership is absolutely critical in our collective fight for climate justice."

"For me, COP26 will not only be an

opportunity to ensure our Government feels the pressure of its climate inaction on a global scale – but it will also be an opportunity to hear stories, learn and connect with other First Nations relatives from all around the world."

Seed's national director Amelia Telford said the Coalition's 2050 commitment was too little too late.

"It is completely meaningless while Morrison continues to funnel hundreds of millions of dollars of public money into the expansion of oil and gas industries who are fuelling the climate crisis," she said.

"First Nations communities and the majority of Australians want and need urgent action this decade."

"Seed believes that First Nations leadership is desperately needed in addressing the climate crisis to make action on this critical issue faster, genuinely ambitious, and ultimately more effective."

"It also ensures justice is at the heart of any and all solutions."

As well as being the campaign director for Seed, Ms King also works on the Our Islands, Our Home campaign, which calls on the Australian Government to do more to protect the Torres Strait Islands from rising sea levels and climate change and supports the Torres Strait Eight, a group of eight Torres Strait Islander people who filed a human rights complaint against the Australian Government to the United Nations Human Rights Committee.

TSI leaders suing Federal Government over climate



TORRES Strait Islander leaders are suing the Morrison Government in the Federal Court, alleging it has failed to protect their communities from climate change harm.

Gadamalulgal traditional owners from the low-lying islands of Boigu and Saibai are leading a class action alleging the Government breached the duty of care owed under native title and the Torres Strait Treaty.

Wadhuam Paul Kabai and Wadhuam Pabai Pabai are seeking a Federal Court order requiring the Government to actively take steps to prevent harm by cutting greenhouse gas emissions. The two men fear a global temperature rise of more than 1.5C will render their islands, about one and a half metres above sea level, uninhabitable and make Torres Strait Islander people Australia's first climate refugees.

"Our ancestors have lived on these islands for more than 65,000 years. But the Government's failure to prevent the climate crisis means our islands could be flooded," Mr Kabai said.

"Becoming climate refugees means losing everything: our homes, our culture, our stories and our identity. If you take away our homelands, we don't know who we are."

Mr Pabai can't imagine being forced to leave Boigu.

"This island is me and I am this island," he said.

"If you take us away from this

Paul Kabai and Pabai Pabai on the boardwalk on Boigu.
Picture: Talei Elu



island then we're nothing. It's like the Stolen Generations. You take people away from their tribal land, they become nobodies."

The class action was filed in the Federal Court on Tuesday, October 26, as Prime Minister Scott Morrison announced Australia would adopt a target of net zero carbon emissions by 2050.

The Coalition projects an updated emission cut of between 30 and 35% on 2005 levels by 2030, but won't adopt this as a target.

This is the first climate class action brought by First Nations peoples in Australia.

A spokesperson for Environment Minister Sussan Ley said she could not comment while the matter was before the courts.

The court case against the Government is being run by public interest law firm Phi Finney McDonald with the backing of advocacy group the Grata Fund and Dutch nonprofit the Urgenda Foundation.

"Paul and Pabai bring this action to require Australia to reduce greenhouse gas emissions to a level that will prevent Torres Strait Islanders from becoming climate refugees," principal lawyer Brett Spiegel said.

Mr Spiegel said that, if

successful, this case has the potential to not only protect Gudamalulgal and all Zenadth Kes communities, but also to help avert the climate crisis before it devastates communities across Australia.

This landmark case is modelled on one of the most successful climate cases in history.

In 2015, environmental group the Urgenda Foundation supported 886 Dutch people to bring a case against their government, arguing that it had a legal responsibility to reduce greenhouse gas emissions to protect them from climate change.

On June 24, 2015, the District

Court of The Hague ruled in favour of Urgenda and ordered the government to cut its greenhouse gas emissions by at least 25% by the end of 2020 (compared to 1990 levels).

The government appealed, but in December 2019 the Dutch Supreme Court found in favour of Urgenda and confirmed the original court order. This led to the rapid closure of coal-fired power stations and billions of euros of investment in renewable energy and energy efficiency.

Boigu and Saibai are very flat and low-lying islands, about one and a half metres above sea level. They are particularly exposed to sea level rise – more so than many other islands in Zenadth Kes. Both islands are already being regularly flooded by sea water. This is already affecting settlements, infrastructure, important cultural sites and the gardens where people grow vegetables to feed themselves and their families.

Gudamalulgal Kastom governs how Gudamalulgal peoples take responsibility for and manage their land and sea country, and how and by whom natural resources are harvested.

The continued warming of the ocean poses a severe threat to marine life and complex systems of biodiversity, including coral reefs, turtles, dugongs and fish populations.

Connection to sea country and marine hunting is integral to Gudamalulgal Kastom. Marine hunting and fishing are also crucial food sources for Torres Strait Islander people.

'Include us in carbon reduction plan'



WITH the UN Climate Change Conference (COP26) commencing in Glasgow, Indigenous carbon industry bodies have called on the Federal Government to include them in carbon emission reduction plans.

Last week, Prime Minister Scott Morrison announced that he would take Australia's plan to reach net zero emissions by 2050 to the Scotland conference.

The Indigenous Carbon Industry Network (ICIN) called on the Prime Minister to recognise the substantial contribution of Indigenous people to climate action in Australia, including fire management.

ICIN coordinator Anna Boustead encouraged the Government to direct investments aimed at supporting Australia's climate change response toward supporting Indigenous land and sea management activities that abate emissions.

"These activities also protect against the very impacts of climate change that we already experience – hotter fires, loss of biodiversity, loss of cultural sites and libraries, sea level rise and extreme weather events," she said.

"Indigenous-owned savanna fire management and land management projects have contributed significantly to Australia's entire Paris Agreement target,



Kowanyama ranger Quinton Dick conducts a cultural burn on Cape York.

abating around 1.2 million tons of greenhouse gas emissions each year through their fire and land management projects, equal to around 7% of Australia's total emissions reductions under the Emissions Reductions Fund. It is surprising to hear no mention of the need to support Indigenous land and sea management in the government's climate plan."

The Aboriginal Carbon Foundation (AbCF) chief executive Rowan Foley said while Australia's committing to reducing emissions was welcome, the plan to achieve it should include traditional methods of looking after Country.

Mr Foley presented the work of the AbCF at the 2015 Paris Climate Agreement. "One of our innovations is the Cultural

Fire Credits, where we are working in collaboration with Firestick Alliance and the WWF which will be on the market by Christmas time," he said.

The Cultural Fire Credits program will reduce devastating bushfires and greenhouse gas emission by accessing 65,000 years of traditional knowledge, while simultaneously creating regional jobs and supporting traditional owners maintain connection to, and management of, Country as it is tenure blind.

Ms Boustead said that ICIN does not support the government's plans to meet these targets, which is entirely focused on technology and investing in big industry, primarily through a staggering \$20 billion investment of taxpayer funds in technology (some unknown) by 2030.

ICIN endorses the position of the Carbon Market Institute, which calls for industry to be held to account for its pollution, by strengthening the Safeguard Mechanism, rather than the Australian taxpayer footing the bill.

"There was no mention of an investment in Indigenous land and sea management activities, the need to sustain and manage existing carbon sinks or of the significant contribution by Indigenous people to Australia's action on climate to date, which ICIN members say is a significant oversight by the Minister," she said.

Protesters call for veto rights in heritage bill



SANDRA Evans, a Spinifex woman from the Great Victoria Desert, has a message for the Western

Australian Government.

"The voices in the desert are crying," she said.

"They've said, 'Leave it alone. Don't touch it,' because the people in the desert are weeping, and mourning for their land.

"They are tired, because the Government never, ever listens."

Ms Evans was one of hundreds of people who travelled from across WA to Perth's Victoria Gardens on Saturday, October 23, for the Protect Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Walk, in a show of solidarity to oppose the State Government's draft Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Bill, 2021 (ACHB).

It began with a Welcome to Country by Noongar Elder John McGuire, which was followed by response from Martu Elder Bruce Thomas and a minute's silence.

Walkers then proceeded to the Derbal Yerrigan (Swan River) foreshore and across the Matagarup Bridge, shouting, "No veto, no bill," accompanied by traditional singing from Mr Thomas.

Speakers delivered a clear message to government – the ongoing desecration of Aboriginal cultural heritage has created great sorrow. The current bill isn't good enough. Government needs to work with traditional owners to co-design legislation that will protect culture and heritage. Consultation is not consent.

Njamal and Pitjakarli traditional owner from the Pilbara Doris Eaton said the Bill needed to be rewritten with Aboriginal people.

"We all come here from different nations – but we all have to stick together for one cause," she said.



Njamal and Pitjakarli traditional owner from the Pilbara Doris Eaton addresses the crowd. Picture: Cole Baxter

"We all have the same law. All we want to say is no."

Dwayne Mallard, a Yamatji man, questioned what the bill is protecting and noted that even when the bill is introduced, Section 18s from the current *Aboriginal Heritage Act* will remain in place for at least 10 years, allowing continued destruction of sites.

"Obviously, a really great sticking point at the front end is the voice – or lack of. That there's no right to veto," he said.

"For human beings that descend from the oldest

continuous culture in the world, yet to be told in law that we have actually have no right to say no to the desecration and destruction of the very culture we are born into, not just the tangible landscape and barna (land) and hills and rivers but then also the mythology and songlines – once gone are irreplaceable.

"For a culture that's 65,000 plus years old, it's just no longer acceptable. It was never acceptable. It's got to stop."

The walk was organised by Yamatji Marlpa Aboriginal

Corporation, the South-West Aboriginal Land and Sea Council, Native Title Services Goldfields (NTSG) and the National Native Title Council.

Other speakers included Geri Hayden (Noongar), Clayton Lewis (Nhandi Widi – Yamatji), Richard Evans (Kuwarra), Sandra Evans (Spinifex), and Pat Mason (Kariyarra – Pilbara).

Djabwurrung man Jamie Lowe, National Native Title Council chief executive, said the bill doesn't reach the standard of prior and informed consent.

"The days of doing things

about Aboriginal people without Aboriginal people are over," he said.

"Aboriginal people want to be designers of this bill and also in the operations of it, they need to be in charge of that."

Yamatji man Clayton Lewis said there were a number of issues with the bill.

"If I had to pick one, that main one would be that the minister has sole right in the end to say yea or nay on destruction," he said. "After all of the various reports – and he's a person with no cultural authority."

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NSW cultural fishers face prosecution and prison

By DARREN COYNE



THE NSW Aboriginal Land Council (NSWALC) has called on the NSW Government to stop prosecuting Aboriginal

people exercising their cultural fishing rights.

NSWALC South Coast councillor Danny Chapman told the *Koori Mail* that Aboriginal fishermen were being arrested and charged for taking small numbers of abalone at the same time as the abalone industry was increasing its 100-tonne annual quota.

Cr Chapman said the ongoing persecution of 74-year-old Kevin Mason by NSW Fisheries officers over an incident in 2018 was a case in point.

Mr Mason, who was chased into the sea at Narooma with a small bag of abalone, has been before the court not for taking abalone, but for allegedly failing to comply with an order from the Fisheries officer.

Mr Mason is contesting the charges.

In another case, Walbunja man John Carriage faced the Batemans Bay Local Court after being apprehended with two bags of abalone weighing 9.67 kilograms that he harvested while free diving at South Durras in December 2017.

Mr Carriage was convicted on six charges, sentenced to jail for 12 months to be served as an



Kevin Mason is fighting charges for allegedly failing to comply with an order from a NSW Fisheries officer.

Intensive Correction Order and fined for four remaining offences.

While the sentence means Mr Carriage will serve his sentence in the community supervised by Community Corrections, Mr Chapman said the situation would be different if the South Coast Native Title application was settled.

"John could've spent a year in jail. When the native title is completed and we've got our fishing rights he would've been an innocent man just trying to catch a feed," he said.

"This State Government is running a protection racket for the industry at the expense of our

liberty. They are using these prosecutions to chip away at our culture and heritage, and take what's left."

Data from the NSW Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research (BOCSAR) 2009-2017 highlighted the overrepresentation of Aboriginal people prosecuted for fisheries offences. The data shows that Aboriginal people account for just 4% of the population on the NSW South Coast but represent 80% of jail terms for fisheries offences since 2009.

Mr Chapman accused the state government of overallocating the resource to industry without including Aboriginal fisheries "and as a result we're being prosecuted".

"They've issued licences to industry that cost a lot of money and now they can't include Aboriginal fisheries because it will cost them money in compensation to the industry," he said.

Mr Chapman called on the State Government to halt prosecutions.

"The High Court has issued a judgment saying our rights and interests rely on our laws and customs, but we're not about to quantify our laws and customs without proper consultation within the mob," he said.

"It beggars belief that commercial abalone fishers are now able to harvest the unused part of their 2020-21 abalone quota till November 30 this year, while cultural fishers like Mr Mason and Mr Carriage are aggressively

pursued and prosecuted for exercising their cultural fishing rights.

"Our people have been fishing and feeding our families for tens of thousands of years on the NSW South Coast.

"It's one of our enduring cultural practices vital for the health of our people and communities.

"The NSW Government has signed on to the Closing the Gap Agreement and I ask how continuing to prosecute Aboriginal people for cultural fishing honours that commitment."

NSWALC chairperson Anne Dennis said that the NSW Government has had ample time to commence Section 21AA of the *Fisheries Management Act 1994*, which would authorise an Aboriginal person practising cultural fishing to take fish, despite bag limits.

"Twelve years later, Section 21AA has not yet commenced operation and we continue to endure stressful, expensive and inappropriate policing of our cultural fishers."

Meanwhile, the NSW Department of Primary Industries told the ABC it had not seen the BOSCAR data but claimed it represented a low percentage of compliance-related prosecutions across the state.

Sean Sloan, deputy director general, Fisheries DPI, said there was no targeting of Aboriginal people by Fisheries compliance officers.



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New Greens senator Dorinda Cox is embraced by Greens senator Lidia Thorpe.

Dorinda Cox joins Senate



IN her first speech to Parliament, Greens senator for Western Australia Dorinda Cox has promised to campaign for a national inquiry into missing and murdered First Nations women.

"The red handprint symbol on the mask that I wore into the chamber yesterday and that I hold up today is a symbol of the bloodied hand silencing the voices of those stories," she said.

Senator Cox, a Noongar Bibbulmen Yamatji woman, began her speech in Noongar language and finished it in her great-grandmother's Wajarri Badimaya language. She addressed a broad range of social issues, including Aboriginal deaths in custody, heritage protection, treaty, self-determination, homelessness, domestic and family violence and climate change.

Senator Cox shared how reading Prime Minister Paul Keating's Redfern Speech on her first trip to Canberra in 1994 as a teenager had sparked her interest in politics.

"I felt he understood the impact of my and my family's story — one which, shared across many families and communities, is etched in our past but also in our present," she said. "But as I sat in the chair outside posing for a photo, I knew that there had been no Black politicians here in this parliament since Neville Bonner, a Queensland senator, in 1983, and it would be another five years till Aden Ridgeway, in 1999, came here as a NSW senator.

"It is my dream to re-create this moment and others like it

for so many other First Nations and Australian boys and girls, to spark their interest in participation in our political systems, rather than the sorrow and discontent I hear in their voices when they talk about our current systems and representation.

"One that I constantly hear is that it doesn't represent them or their future, particularly on climate action. I want every young person in this country to

the past, present and future.

"Indigenous knowledge and connection to country is linked to identity, and is part of our ancestral ways of knowing and being."

Having taken over a casual vacancy, due to the resignation of former WA senator Rachel Siewert, Senator Cox will be the Australian Greens portfolio holder of mining resources, trade, science, research and innovation.

During her speech, Senator Cox spoke about her experiences as a police officer and working in social policy in numerous spheres, including lobbying in international forums.

"As a staunch Blak feminist, a single mother of two daughters and someone who has

experienced poverty, I've lived in social housing during my lifetime," she said.

"I'm a business owner who was disproportionately affected, particularly over the course of this global pandemic.

"I am a survivor of, and a campaigner on, family violence and discrimination.

"From my two decades of work as an activist, a consultant to successive governments and an advocate working in the gender equality space, I know we have to stop thinking of this as a women's-only issue; it is a societal issue that disproportionately affects women and children."

Senator Cox said climate and social justice were unfinished business that needed to be prioritised, then finisher her speech in Wajarri Badimaya language.

"Nganhu garrimanah malga brily marlbayiminah. Together, we stand strong and we rise up. Thank you," she said.

"As a First Nations woman, through my birthright, I was given the responsibility to protect and care for Country. This is my Mother Earth."

— Dorinda Cox, first speech to Parliament

believe that, regardless of background, one day you could be standing here providing your first speech too and that you have the right to belong in this system that should represent you and your issues."

Senator Cox said that social and climate justice are intrinsically linked.

"As a First Nations woman, through my birthright, I was given the responsibility to protect and care for Country. This is my Mother Earth," she said. "The political circumstance I was born into has been passed to me from my ancestors, who have been doing this for generations.

"Australian Indigenous knowledges are the ancient stories etched on rock art in caves, the songlines we use to navigate and travel across our trade routes of this land while singing in language to vibrate the ancestral connections of people and place, linking us to

Fears for Country as fracking approved for Beetaloo Basin



TRADITIONAL owners have reacted with outrage at news that the Northern Territory Government has granted approval to Empire Energy for up to seven fracking wells in the Beetaloo Basin.

The mining company was controversially granted \$21 million by the Federal Government in July as part of its 'gas-fired recovery' from economic hardship due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Nurrdalinji Native Title Aboriginal Corporation chair Johnny Wilson said the approval by NT Environment Minister Eva Lawler made the future look dim.

Mr Wilson, who lives at the Lightning Ridge outstation, within 20 kilometres of the new fracking wells, said he was concerned how fracking would impact his country, people and family.

"We are crying and grieving and pleading for help. The Northern Land Council must do the right thing and protect our country from Empire's fracking plans," he said.

"Water is life and fracking can poison it. I worry about how we will protect local artefacts and sacred sites, which are passed down for us to look after and hold great stories.

"We must keep our law, culture and story alive.

"How can we do that when these companies are destroying our heritage?

"Morrison should not hand money to companies damaging our Country, when what we need is proper housing, education,



Nurrdalinji Native Title Aboriginal Corporation members Bradley Farrar, Johnny Wilson, Samuel Daylight, Samuel Sandy, Josephine John, Elaine Sandy and Gillian Limmen.

roads and health services.

"As chair of Nurrdalinji, and Jungai traditional owner, it has been hard to get the Northern Land Council to sit down and talk with us. I have written to the Northern Land Council about the poor way they have represented us with mining companies.

"It's time the Northern Land Council listens to us and does their work so we can live peacefully on our country, doing what we've always done – fishing, hunting and swimming in our waterhole."

The approval allows Empire subsidiary Imperial Oil and Gas to frack up to seven

wells near the community of Borroloola.

Protect Country Alliance spokesperson Graeme Sawyer said history would not look kindly on the Gunner government and "its foolish decision to approve this polluting fracking project".

"With this approval, Eva Lawler has thrown petrol on a burning house and we are all trapped inside," Mr Sawyer said.

"We are just weeks away from the most important climate meeting since the Paris Agreement was forged.

"We need immediate action to halt the worst impacts of the climate crisis."

Ms Lawler said the company had "done all the right things" to secure the approval and suggested the greenhouse gas emissions from the exploration phase were "manageable".

In an announcement to the ASX, Empire said they expected to be drilling by the end of October. The company said it had approval for up to seven horizontal wells.

The federal Greens leader, Adam Bandt, also criticised the decision to open up new gas fields on "the eve of the climate's last chance global summit".

"This new Labor climate bomb threatens our chance of stopping global warming. Scientists say no more coal and gas, but (NT) Labor isn't listening," Mr Bandt said.

"Gas is as dirty as coal and the Beetaloo gas project will be worse for the climate than the Adani coalmine."

The 'gas-fired' subsidy program is the subject of an ongoing federal court challenge by environment groups, which will go to a hearing in the coming weeks.



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Artist Julie Gough with *BREATHING SPACE*, 2021, an interpretation of the William Crowther statue in Hobart.

Recovering the truth of history



THE Crowther Reinterpreted Project is a series of four art installations, commissioned by the City of Hobart, designed to tell the layered story of the William Crowther statue in Hobart's Franklin Square.

The most recent interpretation, by Julie Gough, launched on September 1, and is the third of four installations aimed to acknowledge, question and provoke discussion about the story of Crowther and his treatment of the body of Aboriginal leader William Lanne, after his death in 1869.

At the time, Lanne, later known as King Billy, and his family were believed to be the last Aboriginal people at large on the Tasmanian mainland before they were captured and eventually taken to Wybalenna Aboriginal Establishment at Flinders Island.

After his death in 1869, Lanne's remains were illegally dismembered by William Crowther.

The Crowther Reinterpreted Project is part of a growing global 'statue revolution' and the beginning of a conversation with the bronze and marble men of history, raising big questions about the truth-telling

that the statues provoke.

The project encourages thoughtful discussion about this complex part of Australia's shared history, along with the future of the statue.

Crowther's statue valorises the problematic historical figure and fails to tell half of his story. The project, part of the City of Hobart's Aboriginal Commitment and Action Plan, is a commitment to visibility and truth-telling across the city. In this way, City of Hobart hopes to take the lead nationally in this Australian dialogue.

Gough's new work titled *BREATHING SPACE*, 2021 involves the addition of a stained timber crate, that entirely covers the bronze figure of William Crowther, and a stained timber panel that covers the engraved stone plinth text accompanying the statue. A QR code located near the work directs passers-by to a downloadable poster of new wording for the plinth.

Julie Gough is a member of the Briggs-Gower-Vincent family of north-west Lutruwita (Tasmania). She is an artist who interrogates colonial history and a curator of First Peoples Art and Culture at the Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery in Hobart.

Gough's ancestors, Woretemoeteyenner and Mannalargenna, were exiled to Wybalenna, as was the Lanne family.

The first installation of the series, *Truth Telling* by celebrated Tasmanian and Aboriginal artist Allan Mansell, temporarily transformed the statue into a memorial for William Lanne.

The artwork, which aimed to rectify history rather than rewrite it, saw the statue with head and hands covered in red and holding both the Aboriginal flag and a saw. The artist also covered the plaque on the statue with an explanation of Crowther's wrongdoings against Lanne.

The second installation, *The Lanne Pillar* by Tasmanian filmmaker Roger Scholes and Professor Greg Lehman, is a mixed media piece comprising of both a statue in Franklin Square and a short film, *The Whalers Tale*.

The installation tells the incredible story of Lanne's life on the Tasmanian lands before it was overshadowed by his death.

The fourth exhibition is by *Koori Mail* journalist and photographer Jillian Mundy and will be uncovered in November.



Dr Marshall to contribute First Nations voice at COP26 summit



ANU academic Dr Virginia Marshall, a Wiradjuri Nyemba woman, is heading to Glasgow, Scotland, as a delegate to the COP26 global climate summit representing Indigenous peoples from Australia and the Pacific.

Scientists and other experts agree that First Nations peoples will suffer some of the worst impacts of climate change, a scenario that is already playing out in Australia and the Pacific.

Dr Marshall, a lawyer with expertise in Aboriginal water rights, was nominated to attend the summit as an Indigenous Australia-Pacific delegate by the Indigenous Peoples Organisation (Australia) and the UN Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples' Platform (LCIPP).

In addition to the UN LCIPP sponsorship, two international non-government organisations – the US-based Stanley Centre and the UK-based GAIA Foundation – are also sponsoring Dr Marshall's participation in the summit, along with Climate Action Network Australia and Better Futures Australia.

The GAIA Foundation appointed Virginia as their NGO lead for Indigenous delegates attending COP26, sponsoring her



Wiradjuri Nyemba woman Dr Virginia Marshall is an academic and lawyer with expertise in climate impacts and Indigenous rights. Dr Marshall has been nominated to represent Indigenous peoples from Australia and the Pacific as a delegate to the COP26 climate summit in Glasgow.

registration for the entire 14 days. The UK Department of Home Affairs granted Virginia a national interest exemption for international travel to Glasgow for COP26.

Virginia says her participation in the Climate Summit engages with a multilateral system of Indigenous participation and relates more broadly to her various roles as the ANU

Inaugural Indigenous Postdoctoral Fellow.

"My delegate role at COP26 directly relates to my role as co-chair of the Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment National Water Reform Committee on Aboriginal Water Interests (CAWI) since climate change will have a major impact on rainfall patterns and water availability," Virginia said.

"It also relates to my role in national policy development with the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade Ambassador for the Environment's Indigenous Roundtable, considering climate change will have major impacts on biodiversity, feral species and fire regimes across Australia's vast expanse of Indigenous estate.

"It is also very relevant to my

engagement with the drafting process for the Federal Government's revised National Roadmap for Indigenous Australia."

In 2019, Virginia represented the Indigenous Pacific Caucus at the UN Climate Change Preparatory Meeting in Mexico City and she was a presenter at the 2021 Pacific Indigenous Peoples and Climate Crisis workshop.

Virginia is increasingly in demand as a presenter on responses to climate change impacts on Indigenous people.

Last month, she presented with Professors John Hewson, Ross Garnaut and Will Steffen at the Australia 21/Council for the Human Future 'Taking up the Glasgow Climate Challenge' webinar.

Virginia is a member of the Australian National University's Institute for Climate, Energy and Disaster Solutions where she will present on COP26 following her return from Glasgow.

Virginia says her role at COP26 will also help build cross-Pacific Indigenous collaboration, expanding her engagement with a group of Latin America ambassadors that began in July, facilitated through ANU's National Centre for Latin American Studies.

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The Sovereign stories: 10 years of black&write! maps the history of the project and tracks the careers of fellowship winners and editors, with many going on to win accolades and awards.

The program was the first of its kind in Australia and plays an important role in bringing the talents of Aboriginal and Torres Strait writers into the spotlight.

From children's books and poetry to science fiction, these are great reads that illustrate the dynamic storytelling within contemporary First Nations literature.

"Sovereign stories: 10 years of black&write!" highlights the strength of First Nations people reclaiming their narratives as well as showcasing the diversity of contemporary First Nations storytelling," Ms Lucas-Pennington said.

"The showcase explores our collective ideas of story, voice and writing and challenges the Australian national narrative.

"It is also a celebration of all the authors and editors that have come through the project over the last decade."

Research in 2016 by Macquarie University and the Australia Council for the Arts found that 63% of Australians think books written by Indigenous Australians are important for Australian culture, and 59% agree that First Nations publishers are important for books about Indigenous Australian cultures.

Queensland Arts Minister Leeanne Enoch said the State Library should be proud of the contribution it has made through black&write!

"Over its first decade, black&write! has been a real game changer in the national literary landscape," she said.

"The program has helped a wide community of First Nations writers to establish professional careers and tell their stories of heritage, history, country and culture.

"The Queensland Government supports the State Library of Queensland to cultivate our storytellers and elevate First Nations arts. This is an important step in our journey towards truth-telling."

State Librarian Vicki McDonald said that *Sovereign Stories* would run until May next year.

"State Library is proud to champion and support the work of emerging writers and editors whose unique voices and perspectives have long been excluded from the national literary canon," she said.

"First Nations stories and truth-telling are crucial to understanding who we are as Australians and their voices need to be heard."

Sovereign Stories: 10 years of black&write! is on show at the State Library of Queensland, South Bank, Brisbane, until May 15, 2022.

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Commonwealth has new strategy to avoid prosecution over Gunlom



THE Commonwealth has confirmed it will fight the Northern Territory in court following allegations an Aboriginal sacred site in Kakadu was illegally disturbed.

The NT's Aboriginal Areas Protection Authority (AAPA) has filed a criminal charge against Parks Australia, a Commonwealth body, for carrying out uncertified work at Gunlom – a cascading waterfall. It alleges that Parks built a walking track to Gunlom's top pools without permission from the Indigenous custodians. The director of National Parks formally

entered a plea of not guilty in the NT Local Court last month, after being ordered to do so by the Federal Attorney-General so that constitutional issues could be addressed.

Parks Australia previously urged the AAPA to drop the criminal charge, but that was refused.

AAPA alleges the track was constructed close to a restricted ceremonial feature against the wishes of the World Heritage-listed park's traditional owners and without an authority certificate, which is issued after consultation.

Before AAPA issues a certificate it consults traditional owners about the sites to understand how they should be

protected, and what restrictions and conditions should be applied to the proposed works.

Parks Australia has agreed to remove the offending section of track, and a certificate has been sought and obtained.

Parks representatives met with traditional owners for talks about the realignment of the track in August.

An agreement was reached for Parks to begin work developing designs.

The maximum penalty under NT law for carrying out work on a sacred site without a certificate is \$314,000.

The Supreme Court is expected to begin hearing for the matter early next year. –AAP



Walking track at Gunlom Falls in Kakadu.

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1. The Kyburra Munda Yalga AGM will be held on 13 November 2021 at the Bowen PCYC (Cnr Hay Street & Queens Road, Bowen QLD 4805) from 10:00am to 12:00pm.
2. Following the AGM a meeting of the JURU COMMON LAW NATIVE TITLE HOLDERS will be held from 1:00pm to 5:00pm to consider, and if appropriate to do so, authorise Kyburra Munda Yalga to enter into an ILUA with Fynbat Pty Ltd and State of Queensland.

To obtain a detailed agenda for both meetings, please contact Saylor Legal on 07 4431-0074 or admin@saylorlegal.com.au.


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Transport for NSW invites Aboriginal people and Aboriginal groups who hold cultural knowledge relevant to determining the significance of Aboriginal objects, places and values for the Picton Road Upgrade to register to be consulted.

Transport for NSW proposes to upgrade Picton Road between the M1 Princes Motorway and the Nepean Bridge.

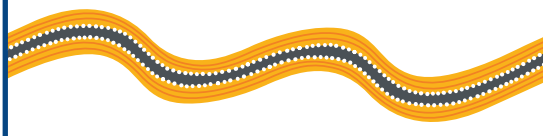
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The proposal may result in Transport for NSW:

- Applying for an Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit (AHIP) under Part 6 of the *National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974*, and/or
- Undertaking investigations in accordance with the *Code of practice for archaeological investigations in NSW 2010*, and/or
- Undertaking an environmental impact assessment under the *Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979*.

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Jessica is determined to make a difference in Indigenous health

By ALF WILSON



JESSICA Storrar, a Walbanga medical student driven to improve her people's health, is a young woman on a mission.

Her desire to study medicine at James Cook University (JCU) in Townsville was born out of a passion to help close the gap in health outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

As a Walbanga woman from the Yuin Nation on the NSW South Coast, Jessica is taking every opportunity she can while at university to equip herself to address the health issues affecting her people.

"I moved up from Canberra to study medicine at JCU because I am interested in rural and Indigenous health, and giving back to the community," Jessica said.

"There are big disparities in health care, and a lot of Indigenous people do not have the same access to universal health care as other people in Australia.

"The more I learned about the disparities, the more I wanted to help."

Last year Jessica completed her second-year JCU rural



Walbanga woman Jessica Storrar moved from Canberra to study medicine in north Queensland.

placement in Collinsville, an hour's drive inland from Bowen in Queensland's Whitsunday Region.

The four-week placement provided Jessica with plenty of opportunities to practise core clinical skills under the supervision of the doctor and nurses.

Jessica has developed her skills further through an external placement in Cooktown as part of her involvement in the John

Flynn Placement Program (JFPP).

The program provides Jessica with additional placements throughout her tertiary studies to complement and expand on her JCU experiences.

"I found Cooktown a very different experience to my other rural placements," she said.

"I got more involved in Indigenous health through outreach clinics in the surrounding communities of

Hope Vale and Wujal Wujal.

"I went out to these places once a week and got to do consults with patients, which gave me exposure to some of the health issues up there.

"I just really enjoyed interacting with people, getting to know them and seeing the different types of medicine.

"Getting the exposure to a rural health setting is really important to me.

"It's accelerated my skills and

experience to help prepare me for the clinical years.

"Doctors have commented that students who seize these opportunities are often a bit more advanced than what they would expect of students at the same stage of their degree."

As she comes to the end of her third year of study, Jessica is as committed as ever to becoming a doctor who makes a difference to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

Supporting Jessica on her journey to becoming a doctor is the Go Further Indigenous Tertiary Scholarship from Arrow Energy.

"The support from Arrow Energy has been amazing," she said. "Essentially, this scholarship has enabled me to study medicine. It's provided me the financial support to move up here away from home, to settle in and to afford textbooks and a stethoscope.

"The scholarship also takes the pressure off working, so I can have social experiences through uni as well.

"When you combine classes, clinical skills sessions and study, it's a 40-hour week. The scholarship means I'm not bogged down in work on top of all that."



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Diverse voices join in celebration of NT natural resource management



STUDENTS from the remote Manyallaluk School will share stories as part of a yarning session at the 2021 Territory Natural Resource Management Conference.

The yarning session workshop will take people on a journey by a series of presenters from various cultural backgrounds, experiences and ages.

Students from Manyallaluk School, who were winners of the 2020 NT Next Generation NRM Award, will tell the story about their search for 'Pokipain' (echidna) and their journey to becoming excellent

camera trappers and next generation rangers in the making.

Tips to combat the regional labour shortage, the latest in technology to assist land managers prepare for the upcoming wet season, and stories from land and sea are just some of the topics on offer at workshops as part of the conference.

The workshops will aim to bring together those with expertise in Indigenous cultural values, agriculture, weeds, fire and threatened species.

Territory NRM Regional Agriculture Landcare Facilitator Emily Hinds said that the Agriculture Forum would address some of the major issues confronting land

managers in the Northern Territory.

"The forum will include discussions on services and opportunities for the agricultural sector including climate, carbon, fire, weeds and the technology available to manage their businesses," she said.

"It will also be an opportunity to hear about a new forecast product being developed by the Bureau of Meteorology and what to expect this wet season."

The 2021 Territory Natural Resource Management Conference is a unique three-day event that showcases and celebrates natural resource management across the Territory, held from November 16-18.



Go on a journey with the children from Manyallaluk School, as they search for 'Pokipain' as part of the Territory NRM Conference.

Grants to support remote businesses are available now



INDIGENOUS agricultural, primary industry and land management businesses operating in remote Australia now have access to a new grants round to build or improve their infrastructure.

Indigenous Australians Minister Ken Wyatt opened the Indigenous Land Enterprise Infrastructure Fund (ILEIF) for applications for grants of up to \$300,000 for a wide range of activities to expand businesses or improve viability.

"This funding will increase the value of remote businesses, provide new market expansion opportunities, and deliver much needed infrastructure upgrades and new builds, while also creating jobs for Indigenous Australians," he said.

"Grants may be used for business-related projects such as off-grid solar power systems or upgrades to bores, fences, stockyards, water tanks, dam silt traps, sheds, or irrigation systems.

"Infrastructure to support a wide range of environmental, natural resource and cultural heritage management activities may also be considered for funding, including dust mitigation, fire management, weed and feral animal control."

The first grant round for the Indigenous Land Enterprise Infrastructure Fund will be open until November 8 and the second round will be run in 2022-23 financial year.

New targets set for Aboriginal business and employment



THE McGowan Government has announced new business and employment targets for Aboriginal people on Western Australia's major transport infrastructure program.

Over the next five years, the McGowan Government is aiming to award \$700 million of contracts to Aboriginal businesses, as well as having 3.5 million work hours completed by Aboriginal workers.

A Meet the Buyer and Supplier Forum was held last month to connect Aboriginal businesses with road and rail construction and maintenance contractors, and explore upcoming opportunities.

The new targets will apply from now until June 2026 to projects delivered by the Department of Transport, Main Roads and Public Transport Authority, including METRONET projects.

In the past financial year alone, more than \$80 million worth of services were undertaken by Aboriginal businesses on Main Roads and METRONET infrastructure projects, including the interior fit-out of the METRONET Bellevue Railcar Facility.

These targets build on broader State Government updates to the Aboriginal Procurement Policy, which includes Aboriginal employment targets for the first time and comes into effect from January 1, 2022.

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Djaara lights up Bendigo

By ALI MC



DJA DJA Wurrung and Yorta Yorta artists Drew Berick and Troy Firebrace are leading a spectacular new light installation in Bendigo, *Djaara Lights*.

A series of activations that tell stories of the six seasons across Djandak (Country) from Dja Dja Wurrung people, the traditional owners of Bendigo, *Djaara Lights* combines neon artworks, street art and digital experiences.

Berick and Firebrace have worked closely with 20 local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students for the project.

"I love a challenge in any practice that I go in," Troy told the *Koori Mail*.

Normally a painter who works on canvas, as well as creating murals and street art, Troy was able to develop his skills base and utilise his extensive experience to develop what will be a multimedia public art project.

"What's driven me to take this new challenge on was how the art would interact with this new space and technology, especially lights and installation," he said.

"This is just another platform I can experiment with and dabble in to see how far I can evolve my art practice."

Djaara Lights explores the Dja Dja Wurrung six seasons to create a unique night time cultural attraction for the



Artist Troy Firebrace has been involved in creating *Djaara Lights*.

community and visitors enjoying overnight stays in the region.

It will feature several light-based contemporary artworks including a 9.6m large-scale illuminated mural, *I am Djaara*.

"I'm a big advocate for taking Aboriginal art and the arts industry to the next level," Troy said.

"Looking into the contemporary arts and seeing how we can transform our traditional ways of making art and taking it further from there. It's new, it's different and it's just another way of seeing Aboriginal art."

The installation also provides an educational experience.

"The big thing about

Aboriginal art is the teachings behind it. Whether that's the stories, whether that's the lessons, the cultural lore within the landscape.

"For thousands of years that's been sacred to Aboriginal people," Troy said.

"It gives everyone a chance to learn about Djaara culture, to learn about the seasons."

Indigenous tech company Indigital has helped with the technical aspects while specialist education and technical partners Bendigo Tech School and ACMI (Australian Centre for the Moving Image) have been involved with the six seasons' artworks.

An augmented reality app also helps viewers to engage

with the stories of the six seasons. Through an app on your phone or iPad, people will be able to scan a QR code and an image will pop up.

"The best way to try and explain it is Pokemon Go," artist Drew Berick said.

While the artists collaborated with the technical school in Bendigo to produce the app, he says that he and Troy were also learning at the same time.

"There were many conversations, many texts back and forth trying to learn how to do this," he said. "It's been an experience working with that aspect of it."

Like Troy, Drew agrees that the installation is an important cultural work.

"This is significant for Dja Dja Wurrung people," he said. "There's indicators for the six seasons for Dja Dja Wurrung people."

"When a particular season comes around you have access to yam daisies for food. Another season might be the wet season and you know that cod and other fish are plentiful."

"Another season might be around wattle seeds, so then we can make our breads and dampers."

"So that's the idea of the six seasons and those indicators around food and fibre and how our people would have traditionally accessed those things and used those indicators to know when it was the right time to access them."

He said that the location of the installation means that people driving through Bendigo will be able to see it.

"I think the significance of that – to let people know that we are Dja Dja Wurrung people, we're still here, we're still present and we're still practising our traditions. And the significance to let people know that Dja Dja Wurrung people are the traditional owners of that region is really special."

Funded by Creative Victoria, *Djaara Lights* is a collaboration between DJAARA (Dja Dja Wurrung Clans Aboriginal Corporation) and the City of Greater Bendigo.

Djaara Lights will be open to the public on Sunday November 7 at Bendigo's Telstra Exchange building and neighbouring Bendigo Creek.



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Information about the position, including eligibility and selection criteria, and details on how to apply, is available on the Attorney-General's Department website Careers page – <https://www.ag.gov.au/about-us/careers/statutory-appointments>. Expressions of interest close at 5:00 pm (AEDST) on **Friday, 19 November 2021**. Enquiries can be directed to appointments@ag.gov.au

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Danny Eastwood's view



Quote



"I was happy to see my tjamu (grandfather) Winderoo's first painting. I know that place, but never seen painting like that. So, it gave me idea to paint. I painted a new way, old way, but new again."

– Warlayirti artist Jimmy Tchooga talking about an exhibition celebrating the history of the Balgo art movement

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Time to act on climate change

FOR too long the Federal Coalition Government has put profits first, ignoring the pleas of First Nations people concerned for the health of their Country.

On the mainland, many Aboriginal people are fighting against the insidious gas fracking industry, while further north in the Torres Strait, people are literally watching helplessly as their island homes are battered by rising sea levels.

King tides, erosion, inundation and coral bleaching are very real threats, despite the stunts of politicians wanting to ignore those threats or minimise them.

Remember it was Scott Morrison who gleefully carried a piece of coal into Parliament, smugly declaring that people should not be scared of coal.

But they are scared Mr Morrison! The people know that the country's reliance on fossil fuels is setting it apart from nations across the world who are racing against time to reduce their levels of carbon emissions in an effort to stave off the collapse of ecosystems.

And remember Pauline Hanson donning a pair of goggles, going for a quick dip, and declaring that the Great Barrier Reef was in fine health, despite countless scientists saying the reef was suffering as a result of warming oceans caused by, you guessed it, climate change.

The consequences of listening to these conservative dinosaurs, who are



more interested in throwing money at their mates in the fossil fuel industry, are dire to say the least.

That's why it is so important that First Nations people have a voice when leaders from across the world gather in Glasgow for the United Nations-led Climate Change Conference, COP26.

And as always seems to be the case, it will be young people like Tishiko King, a proud Kulkalaig woman from Masig Island, who will be leading those calls for change.

Tishiko has witnessed firsthand the impacts of rising sea levels. She has literally picked up the exposed bones of her ancestors from their burial grounds, inundated with sea water. She has watched as her people use whatever they have available to build levees to attempt to stop the rising water overtake their islands.

This is not fair. The most vulnerable people, who have done the least to cause the climate crisis, are the ones facing the worse impacts.

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Ryan Shibasak

Thursday Island

Favourite saltwater food?
Crayfish.

Favourite bush tucker?
Deer, and they are on Prince of Wales Island.

Favourite other food?
I love any pasta.

Favourite drink?
Cappuccino coffee.

Favourite music?
R&B, and country and western. My favourite singer is Luke Combs.

Favourite sports?
Touch football, boxing and NBA. I barrack for the Memphis Grizzlies.

Favourite read?
Any content about the NRL.

Favourite holiday destination?
Japan, I've been there a few times.

Favourite movie?
Sandlot Kids.

What do you like in life?
Family and friends are the biggest enjoyments.

What don't you like in life?
I'm not a big fan of negativity.

What person would you like most to meet?
Country singer Luke Combs.

Which person or people would you invite for a night around the campfire?
Matty Johns would be interesting.

Who or what inspires you?
God and my family.

What would you do to better the situation for Indigenous people?
A good education is the big one for our people.

Women share personal stories to develop childbirth resource



THE Ngangk Yira Research Centre for Aboriginal Health and Social Equity has published a book sharing women's stories about birth.

Ngangk Waangening: Mothers' Stories records 12 Elder and Senior Aboriginal women's recollections of their grandmother's traditional midwifery skills and their own experiences of childbearing.

Providing insights into their diverse circumstances and life journeys as well as documenting changes over time, the women's stories highlight the importance of the cultural and educational role of Aboriginal women in the birthing process.

Professor Rhonda Marriott, Ngangk Yira director and one of the book's editors, said the stories are powerful and real.

"And they provide a window of reflection into the life of each mother as she shares her moving, lived experience," she said.

"This is both a legacy for the women's families and a critical resource for clinical practice.

"The knowledge shared by the women alongside clearly articulated learning opportunities



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aims to create better understanding of Aboriginal women's cultural expectations during childbearing."

Ngangk Waangening emerged from the groundbreaking 'Birthing on Noongar Boodjar' research, a five-year study led by Professor

Marriott, a Nyikina woman.

The research was the first of its kind to ask Aboriginal women living in urban environments about their experiences of birthing on Country.

What emerged were findings of strongly held and continuing cultural practices despite little

support for these within the health system.

The Elder and Senior women's stories were part of that project and originally recorded in 2018.

Following intense interest in the stories, Noongar Elder Aunty Doreen Nelson decided

that a book should be published and agreed to lead the process as an editor.

"Before colonisation, Aboriginal grandmothers were the traditional midwives," she said. "These women had the skills and experience of knowing what was best practice.

"Here, we're sharing that knowledge with our families, our communities and midwives so we can work together and provide better care for Aboriginal mums."

Professor Marriott said that *Ngangk Waangening* is a testament to the power of stories to convey important knowledge.

"It is our hope that midwives, midwifery educators and others working in the health system will read these stories and apply the learnings into their everyday practice," she said.

"Reconciliation between Aboriginal and other people starts with deep listening and acknowledging the influence of the past on the present and future.

"Pregnancy and childbirth present a significant opportunity for the health system to rise to the challenge of truly closing the gap. *Ngangk Waangening: mothers' stories* will contribute to this effort."

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Landmark reconciliation convention goes online



RECONCILIATION
Australia is hosting the first national reconciliation gathering in more than 20 years.

Bundjalung woman Karen Mundine, Reconciliation Australia chief executive, said that the 2021 Australian Reconciliation Convention would be a vibrant and historic landmark event in Australia's reconciliation journey.

The virtual event will be live-streamed over three half days, Monday, November 15, to Wednesday, November 17, via EventCast.

Ms Mundine said that the convention's innovative approach will include rigorous discussions and panel presentations, storytelling and performances with local, national and international perspectives to reflect on the past and to explore the future of a just, equitable, and reconciled Australia.

2021 marks 20 years of Reconciliation Australia and almost three decades of the Australian formal reconciliation process.

"We had always planned for the convention program to be a rewarding and accessible experience for all – whether experienced in-person or online," Ms Mundine said.

"Our ticket sales had already reflected interest in both of those experiences.

"While we understand how much everyone – including us – was looking forward to meeting in person, we will come together in the most safe, informative and engaging way for the convention to proceed in the current environment.

"Building on our experience in delivering online events in the past 18 months, we have adjusted the original two-day program to three half-days, ensuring the most



Chief J Wilton Littlechild from the Cree Nation will discuss reconciliation and truth-telling in Canada and Australia with Senator Patrick Dodson, as part of the Australian Reconciliation Convention.

accessible experience across all time zones.

"Reconciliation is more than just raising awareness and knowledge. The Australian Reconciliation Convention will take us to a place of brave action through brave discussions."

An array of high-profile speakers will join the convention, including

Dr Jackie Huggins, Jean-Paul Gladu, Benjamin Law, Sally Scales, and Kirli Saunders.

A convention highlight sees Yawuru man Senator Patrick Dodson and Chief J Wilton Littlechild from the Cree Nation, in conversation on moving towards truth-telling.

Journalist Natalie Ahmat is



Journalists John Paul Janke (above left) and Natalie Ahmat (right) will host discussion sessions at the convention.

chairing the plenary session, 'Reconciliation and Truth-telling in Canada and Australia', featuring Chief Wilton Littlechild and Senator Dodson.

Other highlights include, Leah Armstrong chairing a breakout session, 'Brave Economic Futures', with Wiradjuri man Phil Usher, chief executive of the First Nations Foundation.

The session will discuss the paths forward for building and investing in strong futures.

First Nations governance and ingenuity are underlying strengths in prosperous First Nations organisations, businesses and economies. Business provides a path to community growth and individual aspirations.

Peter Yu is a panellist on breakout session, 'Leading through Indigenous Governance', with Donna Murray and chaired by Jahna Cedar.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people have maintained innovative and robust systems of governance for millennia. This session will talk about innovative



systems of Indigenous governance with culture at the heart and how it supports building a self-determined future.

The full conference program now includes three bonus foundational sessions, before the convention itself, from Monday, November 8 until Wednesday, November 10.

The bonus sessions will discuss, the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, paths to treaties and a First Nations Voice to Parliament.

They will be available for all registered attendees from Monday, November 8, and all Convention content will be available On Demand for 60 days after the Convention.

The Australian Reconciliation Convention is a landmark event in Australia's reconciliation journey. The program includes local, national and international perspectives and will reflect on the past to explore the future of a just, equitable, and reconciled Australia.

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The NSW Government is inviting nominations from Aboriginal persons for the appointment of four (4) members to the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Advisory Committee (ACHAC).

ACHAC advises the Minister and Department on matters relating to the identification, assessment and management of Aboriginal cultural heritage in NSW.

To receive an application kit or if you have any enquiries, please contact the Secretariat, Heritage NSW via:

Phone: (02) 9873 8579 | **Email:** ACHAC.Secretariat@environment.nsw.gov.au

Website: heritage.nsw.gov.au

Applications kits may also be downloaded at: heritage.nsw.gov.au/what-we-do/aboriginal-cultural-heritage-advisory-committee/expressions-of-interest/

Application submissions:

By Email: ACHAC.Secretariat@environment.nsw.gov.au.

By Post: Secretariat Unit, Heritage NSW, Department of Premier and Cabinet, Locked Bag 5020, PARRAMATTA NSW 2150

Applications close: 11:59pm Wednesday, 10 November 2021.

Nominations are invited to fill current and future vacancies that may arise.

Nominees must be

- Nominees of Aboriginal elders groups; or
- Registered native title claimants; or
- Aboriginal owners listed on the register under the *Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983*.

Your nomination must demonstrate

- your involvement in cultural heritage matters in your local community and
- your understanding of cultural heritage management issues.

Your written consent to the nomination is required for your nomination to be accepted.



2-26 LEE STREET, SYDNEY Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment – Community Consultation Stage 1

The TOGA Development & Construction (the Proponent) are preparing a State Significant Development Application (SSDA) for redevelopment to accommodate a mixed-use development including the provision of hotel and commercial office spaces at 2-26 Lee Street, Sydney NSW (hereafter referred as the subject area). This project is to be submitted to the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE) as a State Significant Development Application (SSDA) and will therefore not require an Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit (AHIP) under s90 of the National Parks & Wildlife Act (1974).

The proponent can be contacted directly via:

David Springford
Senior Project Manager
Toga Development & Construction
Via email: dspringford@toga.com.au

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

The purpose of community consultation with Aboriginal people is to assist the Proponent in the preparation of the ACHA and the assessment of the cultural heritage significance of the subject area. Please register your interest in writing to the contact details provided below by 5.00pm, **17th November 2021**.

Wade Goldwyer
Urbis Consultant
wgoldwyer@urbis.com.au
Level 8, 123 Pitt Street, Sydney, 2000.

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



Family, friends, teachers and community came to celebrate Joel's achievements.

Yarrabah mob celebrate as Joel takes on the law

By CHRISTINE HOWES



AFTER 10 years of studying at university away from home – and graduating with honours – Joel

Murgha and his family couldn't be happier to be back in the far northern tropics, where he has started his new career as a solicitor for local firm Bottoms English Law.

Joel's admission as a solicitor in Cairns earlier this month was moved by one of two Indigenous female barristers in Queensland, Melia Benn, who shares his Gungganji ancestry.

Ms Benn told Supreme Court Justice James Henry that Mr Murgha's admission as a lawyer had the support of his family and wider community.

"Mr Murgha appreciates today, as a day, not of individual achievement, but as an achievement for his family and an achievement for his community of Yarrabah," she told the court in her statement.

"He knows that this achievement will be for the benefit of his people."

Justice Henry said the day represented the culmination of many years of hard work and study.

"And, inevitably, some tribulations along the way.

"It is very unlikely you've reached today's milestone on your own, without the support of family and friends," he said.

"In your case, Mr Murgha, you are in a better position than many lawyers to serve the Indigenous community, including to mentor and guide First Australians who are interested in pursuing a career as a lawyer.



Joel Murgha and proud mum Elverina Johnson. Joel proudly wears a Moorumbul (a ceremonial headdress made from feathers) placed on his head for the ceremony by his grandmother Hope Patterson.

"The broader profession is inevitably made a better profession when its ranks are, as they should be, drawn from the entire community, and your admission is a welcome step in progressing that aspiration."

Ms Benn acknowledged the huge presence of family and

friends who had come to see Mr Murgha's admission.

"Mr Murgha wishes to express his gratitude for his partner, mother, grandmothers and brothers for their never-ending love and support," she said.

"He also acknowledges and thanks his teachers and the



Registrar Robbyn Gee watches over Joel as he signs up for a career in law.

many friends and community members that have also contributed to where he is today."

Mr Murgha said he was grateful to everyone who came to celebrate with him.

"It was nice to have a lot of my Elders there," he said.

"They've always supported me, throughout my entire journey. They've always given me comfort and made me feel safe.

"Along with everyone else who came, they've supported me, so to have all of them here celebrating the achievement with me, together as a whole, means a lot.

"I even had a few of my primary school teachers from Yarrabah come today, because they played an important role in my career and its early stages as well."

He said he was drawn to the challenges a career in law offered.

"A lot of people talk about law being a challenge, being a difficult degree to obtain," he said. "So I wanted to challenge

myself and show people from my community, Yarrabah, that we can go out and do those things that are challenging, we can challenge ourselves and achieve the goals we want to achieve.

"I'm now employed as a solicitor working for Bottoms English Law. They are a generalist firm.

"It's a good firm for me to start my career with, to get experience in a few different areas of practice, just to get a feel for it and see what I enjoy most."

He said the biggest moment of the day for him was his grandmother Hope Patterson placing the Moorumbul (a ceremonial headdress made from feathers) on his head, with the judge's permission.

"That was a special moment for me, especially after being away for so long," he said.

"You worry about losing your connection to your home and to have that cultural aspect, so that part of the admission ceremony was special and meant a lot to me."



Balgo Beginnings exhibition at the South Australian Museum. Picture: Sia Duff

Early days of Balgo art movement unearthed



FORTY years ago, in Balgo, a tiny community on the fringe of the Kimberley and the Great Sandy Desert in Western Australia, one of Australia's brightest art movements was born.

Balgo Beginnings, presented as part of Tarnanthi 2021 at the South Australian Museum, features these never-before-seen artworks from the origins of one of Australia's greatest painting movements. The boards were created in painting workshops in 1982, as Balgo people began to explore what it was they could share with the world.

The early paintings will be showcased alongside new works by Balgo artists – some descendants of the original artists.

A few of the Balgo artists have travelled to Adelaide for the show. Gary Njamme, one of the original artists, will be seeing his first paintings 40 years after he created them.

When asked about the history, Warlayirti artist Jimmy Tchooga reflected on his story.

"People in Adelaide don't know that story. They only know the new paintings," he said.

"Our beginning got lost. Now everyone can see where the Balgo story started.

"I was happy to see my tjamu (grandfather) Winderoo's first painting.

"I know that place, but never seen painting like that. So, it gave me idea to paint. I painted a new way, old way, but new again."

Balgo artists have, in the decades since, gone on to national and international fame. But those first works, painted back in 1982, faded into obscurity – or rather, they faded into a shipping container in the Kimberley; only to be found again in 2019.

Professor John Carty, head of Humanities at the South Australian Museum and director of the University of Adelaide's National Centre for Aboriginal Language and Music Studies (NCALMS), has spent the past 20 years living and working in Balgo.

"The boards had been bundled up for the first Balgo exhibition in 1982, but things got



1982 painting camp at Balgo. "Nobody knew (the boards) were there. I'd been looking for them for 20 years! We had a photo of them being painted – all the men sitting in the spinifex grass painting – but the paintings themselves were presumed lost. I burst into tears when I saw them." Professor John Carty, head of Humanities at the South Australian Museum and director of the University of Adelaide's National Centre for Aboriginal Language and Music Studies (NCALMS) Picture: Warwick Nieass



Kim Cheater, Moogy Sumner, Gary Njamme, Jimmy Tchooga (sitting), Matthew West, Professor John Carty, Sadie Paddoon, SA Premier Steven Marshall and Dulcie Nanala in Adelaide for the exhibition.

confused and lost and they ended up sitting in a shipping container in the Kimberley for the next 40 years," he said.

"Nobody knew they were there. I'd been looking for them for 20 years!

"We had a photo of them

being painted – all the men sitting in the spinifex grass painting – but the paintings themselves were presumed lost. I burst into tears when I saw them."

The find is not just an important discovery for Balgo, or for Aboriginal art. It is very rare to

find such a rich collection of paintings from the beginnings of an art movement.

Professor Carty describes it as one of the most significant discoveries of Australian art in recent times.

"The problem was that the



Untitled by Alan Winderoo.

paintings had suffered significant water damage," he said.

"Humidity in the Kimberley, particularly in shipping containers, is high at the best of times; so, mold had also formed over the boards. We contacted Artlab Australia and their paintings conservation team worked out how to conserve the boards, but also how to bring them back to life.

"It's sad to think these paintings disappeared before they could ever be seen, let alone become Balgo art in an exhibition.

"It might be 40 years late, but they are going to get the exhibition they deserve."

The *Balgo Beginnings* exhibition was launched by Premier Steven Marshall, along with the accompanying book, *Balgo: Creating Country* by Professor John Carty.

The book is available for purchase online *Balgo: Creating Country* – UWA Publishing and at the South Australian Museum shop.

Balgo Beginnings runs until February 6 and is free.



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Police and pub pay to settle



NSW Police and a pub owner have agreed to pay \$60,000 to a group of Aboriginal people to settle a claim that race was behind the group being denied entry to two western Sydney pubs.

Raymond William Davison and 28 of his family and friends were denied entry to the Bidwill Hotel in Bidwill after they attended a funeral and a wake at a nearby church in February 2019.

His claim states pub staff locked some doors of the hotel, "physically blocked others" and rang emergency services to report 60 to 100 people of Aboriginal appearance had been denied entry and were becoming verbally abusive in the car park.

Mr Davison said the alleged racial discrimination caused emotional distress, humiliation and feelings that group members weren't entitled to the same legal protections as other Australians.

Video of the conflict has been watched more than 200,000 times after being posted by a group member, former South Sydney Rabbitohs rugby league player Nathan Merritt.

The hotel management denied the racism allegations, saying those associated with the wake were barred due to licensing restrictions about hosting large events and a lack of staff at that time to host such an event.

All denials of entry that day were for lawful reasons, it said.

NSW Police accepted it received a call from the pub about 60 to 100 people of Aboriginal appearance becoming aggressive outside, and said it responded accordingly.

Its officers couldn't force the pub owner to accept patrons and hadn't seen non-Indigenous patrons "mocking and/or humiliating" the group, the force's filed defence says.

The \$60,000 settlement was struck by

the parties in July and was approved by the Federal Court on last week.

The figure can be reported after several details of the confidential settlement deed were mistakenly annexed to orders published online in August.

Justice John Griffiths said the plaintiffs faced real risks in establishing liability if the matter were to proceed to trial.

"I am satisfied that the settlement sum and settlement deed are fair and reasonable and in the interests of all group members," he said.

Mr Davison had sought compensation and a court order that the defendants publicly acknowledge the alleged discriminatory conduct.

The plaintiffs alleged police officers stood between the group and the hotel and ordered them to move away.

Bidwill Hotel staff allegedly also blocked entry to a man of Indigenous appearance who was not associated with the group while permitting other people

entry, the claim states.

The police dog unit was among the officers on site.

Police denied officers opened the back of squad cars where the police dogs were housed to intimidate the group, but said the intent was to cool the dogs on a hot day.

However, police accepted that after requiring the group to leave the Bidwill Hotel, an officer rang a Rooty Hill pub and said a group of about 100 Aboriginal people denied entry at Bidwill was headed its way.

Members of the Davison group were either kicked out or denied entry to the second establishment.

An earlier claim was terminated by the Australian Human Rights Commission after it decided there was no reasonable prospect of conciliation.

Mr Davison was represented by not-for-profit social justice law firm, National Justice Project.



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Construction Industry Information Briefing

Opportunities, Design, Construction, Demolition, Remediation

Major Projects Canberra (MPC) leads the delivery of the ACT Government's infrastructure program. Major Projects Canberra is committed to supporting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Enterprises in tendering for construction related contracts, particularly those who are new to doing business with the ACT Government.

The Construction Industry Information Briefing will discuss requirements relating to new tendering opportunities, how to get involved and how we can support you.

When: Thursday 4th November **Time:** 9.30 AM to 11:00 AM

Where: Online – Microsoft Teams – anyone can attend

Who should come: Anyone involved in building, architecture, design, construction, demolition, subcontracting, project management and all related trades.

An informal Q&A and discussion will be held after the briefing for any interested participants who wish to stay on.

Register with Major Projects Canberra by 3rd Nov:

Katie Costabile, Mobile: 0403 919 383, Email: katie.costabile@act.gov.au

Artwork: Sarah Richards

Award-winning cards helping dementia sufferers communicate



DEMENTIA is a serious emerging health issue for First Nations people, who experience the condition at a rate between three to five times that of other Australians, with onset at an earlier age.

Often the presence of other chronic health conditions and lack of awareness of dementia symptoms means the disease may be overlooked by health workers.

Communication cards to support Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people stay connected as their verbal skills decline have won the Indigenous Communities category in the 2021 Future of Ageing Awards.

The innovative cards, illustrated by proud Dagoman woman Samantha Campbell, have already been warmly embraced with more than 1000 sets distributed since their launch in July.

Ms Campbell said working on the project made her reflect on what sort of imagery would carry meaning that relates to the lived experiences of First Nations people across Australia.

"When I illustrated the doctor, for example, I avoided drawing on stereotypes of a Westernised doctor dressed in a white coat," she said.

"This is because some First Nations people may perceive white coats and hospitals as places where people go to when they're sick and don't return home.

"So I illustrated someone in a casual shirt, to depict a 'friendly bush doctor'."

The set of 58 illustrated cards are divided into eight categories of People, Activities/Objects, Food/Drinks, Personal care, Health, Feelings, Places, and Animals.

Each card uses the English word and includes space on the back to write the word in the



Dagoman woman Samantha Campbell.



Family / Mob



Painting

Award-winning communication cards designed to help Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who are experiencing symptoms of dementia to stay connected.

language of the person.

The cards, produced by Dementia Support Australia (DSA) and funded by the Australian Government, offer a way for a someone with declining speech to communicate respecting both the person and their culture.

DSA, a service led by HammondCare, provides rapid, comprehensive and intensive dementia-specific in-reach

services to aged care homes across Australia to help aged care residents living with complex dementia, including First Nations people.

Card packs are available to carers or services on request.

Both colour and black-and-white versions can be downloaded at the dementia support Australia website dementia.com.au.

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

The Aboriginal Carbon Foundation (AbCF) is seeking expressions of interest from Aboriginal owned or controlled organisations to participate in demonstration carbon farming projects on Aboriginal owned or managed lands in NSW (i.e. Freehold Land, Indigenous Pastoral Land, Indigenous Protected Areas and/or native title claimed on Crown Lands).

The demonstration projects aim to draw on Indigenous knowledge systems to support a return to pre-invasion land management (which includes the use of cultural fire) with carbon farming. Carbon projects with verified environmental, social, economic and cultural core benefits generate a premium price within carbon markets.

Expressions of interest to be submitted by COB Friday, December 3.

Please contact Sean Appoo (Project Manager) via email to for further information: sean@abcfoundation.org.au

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Five corners fruit, or fivies, also known as bush lollies, are native to the areas surrounding La Perouse. Their green pointy leaves shield the sweet fruit.

Native bushfoods and medicines are a growing industry, but are our mob benefitting? This first piece in a series looks at the challenges and strengths of going back to the land.

Grassroots movement reclaiming bushfoods

By RACHAEL HOCKING



WHEN Peter Cooley was young and growing up on his traditional Bidjigal country at La Perouse on the coast of Sydney, he would spend hours climbing across the rocks looking for bushfood: berries, fish, sea creatures.

"We grew up with the Old People showing us what we could and couldn't eat, particularly that coastal bushfood, because we're saltwater people on the coast here at LaPa," he said.

"It wasn't uncommon for there to be 10 families, 70 to 80 people on the rocks at once. You know, families catching and cooking up."

As the founder of IndigiGrow –

a social enterprise focused on endemic and other native plants – Peter wants to see more mob going back to their roots and growing traditional bushfoods.

"Everyone has it within them, because they're born with it: that connection to Country. And it doesn't matter where you're born, every part of Country here has native foods on it," he said.

"Connect with your Old People and ask them about the foods on Country, because you can't get a better source than those closest to it."

It's something Bidjigal Elder and Peter's cousin Aunty Rhonda Dixon-Grovenor said is vital for the next generation.

"It's very important for us traditional descendants because it's about renewal of our bush plants and our bush medicines," she said.

"They're so knowledgeable the young ones. They take you around and tell you all about the native plants and bushes. And just makes me proud you know, as an Elder."

Among the stories passed down to Peter were those about a coveted 'bush lolly'.

Bush lollies

Five corner fruit – or fivies – are native to the areas surrounding La Perouse. Their green pointy leaves shield a sweet fruit, known also by their botanical name *styphelia viridis*.

"Our Old People call them bush lollies and they tell stories of crawling hands and knees through the bush looking for a feed of them," Peter said.

"You can't find a huge amount of information online about them – there is some information, but

you certainly can't find any nursery in Australia that's growing these plants."

Despite his recent call to action, it was only a few years ago that Peter realised there was an opportunity growing beneath his own feet, when his partner convinced him to start looking into the native bushfoods industry.

He was in the first cohort of students who completed a bushfood production horticultural course at the Northern Rivers TAFE and said what he learned shocked him. Less than 2% of the hundreds-of-thousands-dollar industry were Black-owned businesses.

Of the many non-Indigenous businesses that do operate, many have little meaningful engagement with the traditional owners from where they

source their products.

"I thought, 'That's not right, we can't have that. We must change that,'" Peter said.

'We must change that'

"We're talking the vast majority of those many millions of dollars going to non-Aboriginal people, yet the industry is based on our traditional foods, our knowledge and our cultural intellectual property."

"For me, the majority of people out there are making many millions of dollars, are playing in this space without the consent or the collaboration or partnership with our people."

Taking matters into his own hands, Peter launched IndigiGrow, but his mission to shake up the industry was not only local – it was national.

So, in 2019, a group of



Clockwise from top left: Aunty Barb with fives. "This was our lolly," Aunty Barb shares memories of five corners fruits; Rayleen Brown and Mark Olive at Parrtjima in Mparntwe (Alice Springs) earlier this year; Aunty Marg and Aunty Barb check out the IndigiGrow nursery; IndigiGrow nursery specialises in native plants. Centre: Peter Cooley started native plant nursery IndigiGrow to shake up the industry, reclaiming knowledge of bush foods and medicines as the intellectual and cultural property of Indigenous people. "We're talking the vast majority of (those) many millions of dollars going to non-Aboriginal people, yet the industry is based on our traditional foods, our knowledge and our cultural intellectual property," he said. "For me, the majority of people out there are making many millions of dollars, are playing in this space without the consent or the collaboration or partnership with our people."

like-minded Blackfullas held the first Indigenous bush food symposium, leading to the creation of a peak body, the First Nations Bush Foods & Botanical Alliance Australia (the Alliance). They called for national standards on how to work with mob in the industry, changes to the law – such as recognising communal ownership of traditional knowledge relating to native plants – and creating more awareness of First Nations knowledges, values and protocols. Peter's vision was shared by hundreds of mobs across the country, including founder of Kungkas Can Cook in the central desert, Aboriginal woman Rayleen Brown.

With more than 20 years' experience in the bush foods industry under her belt, Raylene was appointed chair of the peak body, and has been working tirelessly towards a future where First Nations people are centred in the industry.

Alliance is peak body

"(The Alliance) represents the voice of Indigenous people at the highest level in Australia," Ms Brown said.

"We want to be able to have our conversations where decisions are being made, at the funding tables, advocating for legal changes, ensuring that there is proper benefit share to our people."

"For me it goes further than

that, going right back to the ground where our old ladies are sitting on Country.

"These women don't need a professor's degree; they have a degree in their own culture and their own knowledge.

"I want to see them and all their hard work have benefits back to our next generation of young people learning from them."

Meanwhile back in La Perouse on Bidjigal land, Peter's nursery has seen enormous growth. They have more than 40,000 plants, including hundreds of the native 'bush lolly' his Old People ate.

"I had a talk with a lot of nurseries and a lot of horticulturalists before having a

crack at this plant and they said 'good luck,' he explained.

"Yet we now have more than 300 of those plants growing in a nursery, off just a couple of plants. It's pretty special.

"We've had our Elders standing in here crying holding these plants because it means so much to them, and it brings back so many memories for them, from their childhood."

Heal Country

For Aunty Rhonda, seeing the next generation working to heal Country through revitalisation is all about an ancestral inheritance and responsibility.

She said she is proud to see her cousin Peter working to

maintain that connection.

"We've had so much taken from us here, the first mob to be colonised," she said. "And all our medicine plants and so on was denied to us.

"To have it revived now, and our own people, my people, having that beautiful area with all the bush plants and medicines and all that to share together and learn from, it's very moving for me.

"It's a wonderful thing that at 70 I got this opportunity to be there with my people."

For more information on how to grow native plants, connect with the First Nations Bush Foods & Botanical Alliance Australia.

Grave concern over low vaccination rates prompts experts, leaders to write to PM



INDIGENOUS leaders and health professionals have written to Prime Minister Scott Morrison seeking an urgent meeting about low COVID-19 vaccination rates among Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

More than 20 leaders, including Professor Peter Yu from the Australian National University (ANU), have signed the letter, which outlines the "gravest concerns" at continuing low levels of COVID-19 vaccination in Indigenous communities.

A number of states, including NSW and Victoria, have eased COVID-19 related restrictions.

Currently more than 75% of the overall Australian population aged 16 and older are fully vaccinated. In contrast, 50.4% of Indigenous Australians have had two COVID-19 vaccine shots.

"Despite the efforts of the Aboriginal community controlled health sector, we have unfortunately not seen the same levels of vaccination achieved in our communities as in the wider population," the letter reads.

The letter cites housing, access to essential supplies and a lack of sufficient health infrastructure in remote communities as key risks for Indigenous people.

"It is evident that quarantine is currently near-impossible for those in overcrowded housing, as well as those without ready access to food, grocery and pharmaceutical delivery services," the signatories write.

"Moreover, rural and regional medical centres and hospitals lack the technical and human resources available in metropolitan centres and would be quickly overwhelmed if even a small number of COVID patients



Professor Peter Yu, vice-president First Nations at ANU.

should require inpatient care.

"Compounding these risks are the lack of adequate capabilities to evacuate seriously ill COVID patients to locations where they can receive the care they require."

The letter and its signatories recognise the incredible work of the First Nations community controlled health sector in helping deal with the COVID-19 pandemic.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner June Oscar spoke in support of the letter and its signatories.

"To its credit, the Prime Minister's

Government and National Cabinet adopted several successful measures to protect our people at the start of the COVID-19 pandemic," she said.

"Likewise, it was agreed by Australian governments that our communities should be a high priority for vaccines at the commencement of their rollout.

"COVID-19 presents an imminent risk to all of us, particularly our old people, and to the transmission of culture, knowledge and ceremony in our communities. The production and spread of misinformation about the vaccines to First Nations communities is undermining our health and

our lives. We need strong collective leadership from across all sectors, community and faith-based groups to support our communities to get access to the right information and to get vaccinated.

"Catastrophe is avoidable – it will require effective and targeted measures to close the gap in vaccination rates for First Nations Australians and a commitment by Australian governments to vaccine parity before we open up the country.

"We need localised data on vaccine rates so we can understand where to target resources and substantially increase vaccination rates for all our communities across Australia.

"And we need both state and federal governments to take accountability and provide significant investment to First Nations health and community organisations so they can lead approaches that ensure the community's safety. This includes actions like targeted campaigning, community meetings, information packs in our own languages, and a consideration of measures such as door-to-door vaccination campaigns like that currently being rolled out in Samoa."

Professor Peter Yu, vice-president First Nations at ANU, said he and the other signatories have been "watching in horror" as COVID spread rapidly through Indigenous communities that suffer from ongoing health and wellbeing issues.

"The most important thing we can do now is the development and publication of an agreed strategy between all governments, the Aboriginal community controlled health sector and other Indigenous experts that seeks to achieve the highest possible vaccination rates in our communities," he said.

Vaccine protects pregnant women and their babies



ALTHOUGH NSW has reached the 80% milestone for full COVID-19 vaccination among those aged 16 and

over, some concerns still exist in the community about the safety of COVID-19 vaccines for pregnant and breastfeeding mothers, and women trying for a baby, and their impact on fertility.

Dr Marilyn Clarke, a Worimi woman and obstetrician and gynaecologist who has been practising in Coffs Harbour for the past 20 years, said that the vaccinations are safe.

"COVID-19 vaccines do not make women infertile, and this is backed by a lot of global data," she said. "In Australia the Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA) will only approve vaccines if they are safe and effective, which includes looking at the impacts of vaccines on fertility.

"I understand how important family is to our mob, so I want to reassure everyone it's fine to get vaccinated when trying to get pregnant, throughout pregnancy and while breastfeeding. It's safe to get vaccinated throughout the whole journey."



Worimi woman, obstetrician and gynaecologist, Dr Marilyn Clarke.

Dr Marilyn said that women at all stages of pregnancy who have contracted COVID-19 get sicker than women who aren't pregnant. They are more likely to end up in intensive care and need a ventilator to breathe. The virus can also cause women to deliver prematurely, which puts the baby at greater risk of complications.

She said it's important that women make an informed decision about getting vaccinated by weighing up the risk of getting

COVID-19 if they don't get vaccinated, against the risks of vaccination in pregnancy or while breastfeeding.

The first 12 weeks of pregnancy can be an anxious period for pregnant mothers as this is the time when their baby is forming, and many are worried about taking medications.

"Women in the first trimester can be reassured by the extensive amount of international data which has shown no evidence of the COVID-19 vaccines causing any problems in babies whose mothers were vaccinated, including in the first 12 weeks of pregnancy," Dr Marilyn said.

While so far, there are no studies to show that COVID-19 can be transferred to a baby while it is in the womb, once a baby is born there is a real risk of infection because of the close contact the baby has with its mother.

"That close contact with an unvaccinated mother, as well as unvaccinated family and friends, is going to be how most babies get COVID-19," Dr Marilyn said.

"And as we can't yet vaccinate newborns, vaccinating pregnant women and all our mob aged 12 years of age and over is the best

protection we can give our babies and young kids.

"Another benefit of getting vaccinated against COVID-19 when pregnant is that the mum will make antibodies to COVID-19 and these are transferred to the baby while it's in the womb. So, when it's born the baby will have those antibodies to help protect it.

"Breastfeeding also helps to protect babies from COVID-19. When mothers get vaccinated, their bodies react by making antibodies to the virus and these are transferred to the baby through cord blood and breastmilk."

Dr Marilyn said that at the moment, the preferred vaccines for pregnant and breastfeeding mothers are Pfizer and Moderna. Just like other vaccines, such as those for measles and chicken pox, the COVID-19 vaccines train our immune systems to recognise and clear out the virus, before it makes us seriously ill.

When it comes to COVID-19 vaccination side effects, data shows that the experience of pregnant and breastfeeding women isn't any different to non-pregnant women who get vaccinated.

"Not everyone will get side effects and that if they do, they tend

to be mild," Dr Marilyn said.

"Localised tenderness, swelling or redness at the injection site, very mild flu-like symptoms and tiredness are the most common, and sometimes a mild fever. But they pass quickly, usually in a day or two."

If you have any concerns, it's best to speak to your doctor or midwife.

"There are some significant risks from getting COVID-19 in pregnancy and that's why I really want to get the message out there that the benefit of double vaccination in protecting yourself and baby is huge compared to the risk of getting COVID-19 in pregnancy," Dr Marilyn said.

"The benefits of COVID-19 vaccination far outweigh the risks for breastfeeding mothers and their newborns, and for women planning to get pregnant and their partners."

"I'd really encourage everyone to get double vaccinated as soon as possible for our babies, for ourselves, for our family and for our mob."

In NSW, to book your COVID-19 vaccination, visit nsw.gov.au or, nationally, call the COVID-19 vaccine helpline on 1800 020 080 for assistance.



QUT professors Peter Anderson and Abby Cathcart.

QUT staff learning about Indigenous perspectives



AN innovative program that builds the capacity of Queensland University of Technology staff to integrate Indigenous perspectives into their practice has so far been taken up by nearly 600 colleagues. The program has been so successful that it may soon be offered to staff from other universities.

QUT's Indigenous Perspectives in Learning and Teaching module is the only accredited pathway for the award of Associate Fellow (Indigenous) of the Higher Education Academy and enables QUT staff to be recognised for demonstrating an emerging engagement with Indigenous perspectives in learning and teaching.

It is a partnership between the Carumba Institute and QUT Academy of Learning and Teaching and co-led by Indigenous and other academics.

The designers of the program, Professor Peter Anderson and Professor Abby Cathcart said that they wanted to model respectful partnerships and send the key message that this was everyone's business, not just work that should be left to Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander staff.

The program is part of QUT's commitment to Indigenous Australian engagement, success and empowerment, and reflects the strategy to acknowledge the university's occupation of Aboriginal land, and to recognise the obligations to the Turrbal and Yugara people.

QUT vice-chancellor Professor

Margaret Sheil said the program was a practical way to create change and greater awareness of Indigenous peoples, by ensuring Indigenous perspectives were represented throughout all teaching and learning activities.

The course aims to enable participants to engage with the diversity of perspectives of Indigenous people in Australia, outline key principles underpinning the sovereignty of Indigenous people in Australia, and apply knowledge of Indigenous perspectives and protocols for respectful engagement with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

The course is open to academic, professional, and sessional staff who teach or support learners.

Chloe studying law at Harvard



THERE'S no stopping Chloe D'Souza – Noongar woman and Roberta Sykes, Monash and American Australian Association scholar – as she heads to the US to start her Master of Laws at Harvard University.

Chloe has set her sights on becoming Australia's Indigenous Affairs Minister so she can drive policy reform and champion Indigenous rights at the highest level, and she is working hard to

make that a reality. The first in her family to be accepted into university, Chloe was admitted to the Supreme Court of Western Australia as a legal practitioner. Chloe is now studying internationally so she can develop a solid understanding of what works best overseas and bring those insights back to Australia.

Chloe was on the 2018 Aurora Education Foundation Study Tour overseas, which was a turning point in her academic journey as she realised her dreams of studying overseas could become reality.



Noongar woman Chloe D'Souza.



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New scholarship for First Nations students at USQ



WHEN the community comes together great things can happen.

The power of this was on full display at an event that saw the University of Southern Queensland (USQ), Pure Land Learning College and CatholicCare work together to boost opportunities for future First Nations students with the introduction of a new scholarship.

The First Nations Endowed Scholarship will open to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students starting their undergraduate studies at the university in 2022.

Pro vice-chancellor (First Nations Education and Research) Professor Tony Dreise said scholarships were vitally important in the university sector.

"First Nations young people need opportunities and scholarships to help with the true cost of a university education," he said.

"Some parts of Southern Queensland are doing it particularly tough in terms of providing these opportunities for young people.

"We need to make sure our young people are engaged in education and employment.

"And it's only through collaboration, like we saw today, that we can help to turn that tide."

University of Southern Queensland vice-chancellor Professor Geraldine Mackenzie said that education is key to increasing pathways to success for First Nations people.

"It is also the foundation that can lead to increased wellbeing across all other aspects of life," she said.

"The University of Southern

Queensland is committed to engaging and growing opportunities for future First Nations students to pursue opportunities in further education, and to increasing our numbers of First Nations students in the future.

"The endowed nature of this fund means that scholarship support will be provided to recipients into perpetuity, and we look forward to being able to make these awards every year in the future."

Professor Mackenzie also thanked Pure Land Learning College and CatholicCare for their generous contributions to the scholarship program, which the university matched two to one.

The Venerable Zhi Yang (Pure Land Learning College) said the Association was pleased to support the initiative, which represented similar values to its teachings.



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Hayley takes up residency



PHOTOGRAPHER and filmmaker Hayley Millar Baker has been awarded the Collingwood Yards First Nations Studio Residency.

The studio residency offers a free space for 24 months to a single artist or duo, located in the second floor studio complex of Collingwood Yards' Perry Street Building.

Hayley Millar Baker said she was excited to be awarded the residency and would use the time and space to work on upcoming commissions.

"It has come at a pivotal moment in my camera career where I'm stepping

into a new chapter of my practice, a reinvention, with new mediums and narratives," she said.

This announcement marks the second year of the Collingwood Yards First Nations Studio Residency.

Much loved Elder, author, actor and artist Uncle Jack Charles was the inaugural studio resident in 2020/21, and has since joined the permanent studio community.

The First Nations Studio Residency is an initiative of the Collingwood Yards First Peoples Reference Group, who said this year they had attracted more than 25 high quality applications.

The applications were assessed by

representatives from the Collingwood Yards First Peoples Reference Group, tenants Tony Briggs and Moorina Bonini and board director Eugenia Flynn.

Actor, director and writer Tony Briggs said that the residency was the most recent addition to a strong cohort of First Nations artists at Collingwood Yards.

"Hayley is a prime example of why it's imperative that Collingwood Yards, and similar establishments, provide workspaces for our Indigenous artists to flourish," he said. "Artists such as Haley are the very fabric of Melbourne's international reputation as the arts capital of Australia. We are proud to support her."



Photographer and filmmaker Hayley Millar Baker.

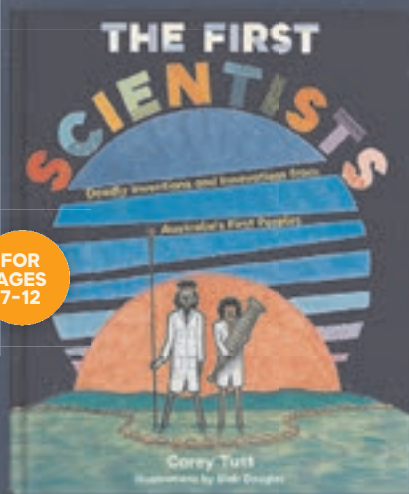
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By Corey Tutt and illustrations by Blak Douglas

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In consultation with communities, proud Kamilaroi man and CEO of DeadlyScience, Corey Tutt, introduces readers to the many deadly feats of the first scientists both past and present.

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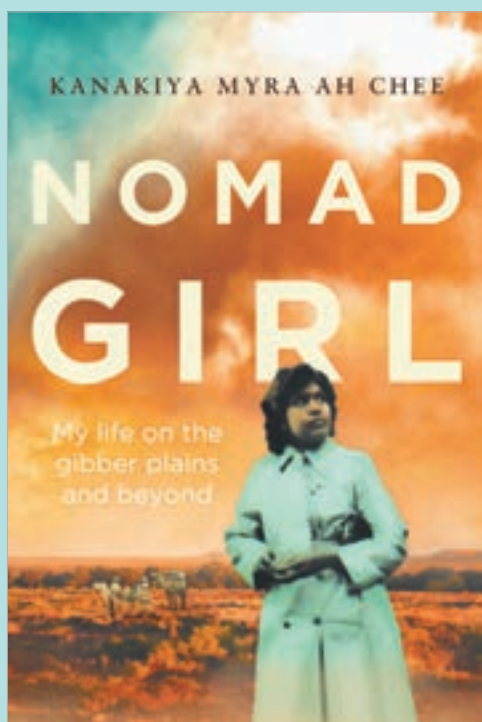
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NAISDA gives aspiring dancers time to apply



JOSHUA Doctor, from Lightning Ridge, is a first-year student at NAISDA Dance College.

His mob are Bigambul, Cubbi Cubbi, Gamilarraay and Yawaalaraay.

"It was a big change for me, the study and the discipline," he said. "But with dedication and effort, I quickly saw tremendous changes in my body and attitude."

"I love to dance so I made a commitment to my studies up front. I had to push myself hard in the beginning and learn to pace myself too, but it paid off."

"The NAISDA trainers are amazing and I have learnt so much from them."

"They don't just teach us different techniques and dance styles, they also show us how to listen to, and reflect on our bodies, which is so important for a dancer."

NAISDA has a range of programs to support students' physical, emotional and mental health and wellbeing.

The developing artist support team works closely with students to provide support and guidance. Language, literacy and numeracy foundation skills support is also available.

"I was a bit homesick when I first moved out of home, but I knew I had support from the college," Joshua said.

"The trainers made me feel very comfortable and I knew I could talk to them about anything that was troubling me."

"The training and the cultural learning have really helped me better understand our culture and to feel a greater connection to it and the stories of dance."

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, NAISDA has moved this year's audition process online. In 2022, it will continue to offer all four of its curriculum courses which



Joshua Doctor is encouraging young First Nations people with an interest in dance to apply to NAISDA.

provide students with nationally accredited qualifications.

The curriculum is delivered by qualified trainers including former principal dancers, respected choreographers and cultural tutors from many Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

At the college, student accommodation includes on-campus cottages within walking distance of the college for those over 18.

The NAISDA Homestay Program provides home environment accommodation for students under 18 and those who may require additional support to complete their studies.

If you are a First Nations person between 16 and 26 with a passion for dance, culture and the performing arts, and you want to take your training to the next level, there is still time to apply to NAISDA.

"Just go for it," Joshua said.

NAISDA's audition team is available for a yarn (toll free) Monday to Friday from 8.30am until 5pm on 1800 117 116, or by email at auditions@naisda.com.au. Apply online at www.naisda.com.au/audition-for-naisda. NAISDA applications have been extended until November 15.

Everything old is new again



A NEW exhibition is a celebration of the exceptional creative minds and hands that can shape discarded oil sumps into cars and old tin cans into handbags, pandanus reeds into mats and fish traps; adorn a bullock skull with a Kimberley landscape and weave animals from found grasses.

MADE FOUND REPURPOSED at Artitja Fine Art Gallery in South Fremantle is part of the Indian Ocean Craft Triennial (IOTA21), currently on show around metropolitan Perth and some regional centres.

It's an exhibition of found objects reshaped, painted and repurposed by Indigenous artists primarily from five remote community art centres, gallery director Anna Kanaris said.

"In seeking out artisan craft we had recently partnered with a relatively new art centre, the Minyma Kutjara Arts Project at

Wingellina, where discarded car sumps were being turned into miniature cars," she said.

"Artists made shoulder bags from rusted metal, and piti (carrying bowls) from discarded wire, bringing colour and life to these objects by painting their stories onto them.

"The excitement kept building as we sourced more items from Mangkaja Arts in Fitzroy Crossing including bush dyed silk textiles and an intricately painted bullock skull and small weaves and paintings from the Spinifex Hill Art Studio in South Hedland."

The exhibition features artists from Irrunytju (Wingellina) a small, very remote Aboriginal community located 10km from the tri-state border of WA, NT and SA.

MADE FOUND REPURPOSED also features small bark paintings, woven pandanus mats, fishtraps, dilly bags and baskets from Maningrida Arts in Arnhem Land as well as a display of imaginative ceramic sculptures from Ernabella

Arts in the APY Lands.

"Closer to home we are delighted to have included a special selection of woven objects by award winning Noongar bush sculptor Janine McAullay Bott, who is known for her range of multifaceted and at times whimsical creations," Anna said.

Janine will be in the gallery on Saturday, November 20, discussing her craft while demonstrating the skills of her artform.

This will be a ticketed event, details of which can be found on the gallery's website.

The exhibition runs until November 21.



Wire Piti by Stacia Lewis, modelled by Anna Leo. Picture: courtesy of Minyma Kutjara Arts Project

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William Dargie Portrait of Albert Namatjira (detail) 1956. Queensland Art Gallery | Gallery of Modern Art, purchased 1957. © Estate of William Dargie. Photo: QAGOMA

A CENTURY OF THE ARCHIBALD PRIZE

Marlene Gilson, Land Lost, Land Stolen, Treaty, 2016. Synthetic polymer paint on linen. Image courtesy City of Melbourne Art and Heritage Collection.



TREATY

Guest curated by Wemba-Wemba Gunditjmarra artist, curator and academic Dr Paola Balla.

Gina Bundle, Aunty Marlene Gilson, Kait James, Laura Thompson, Cory Thorpe, Peter Waples-Crowe.

TREATY presents the work of six First Nations artists for whom sovereignty is fundamental to their creative work and lives. With the lens of the here and now and the legacy of the history that has gone before, TREATY presents works to further the conversation and ask, what does this mean? How is it being managed? Is this what everyone wants?

TREATY is an exhibition that presents these questions and centres First Nations perspectives and responses through their practice.

TREATY is presented against the backdrop of work being undertaken by the Victorian State Government as the state negotiates a Treaty with a number of First Nations clans across, what today is called, Victoria. This will be the first state based Treaty created with First Nations people.

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King of dots is proudly putting his art out there to start a conversation on culture

By KRIS FLANDERS



BUDDY King loves art so much that he named his business just that.

Buddy Loves Dot Art started in 2016 and the proud Kamilaroi and Yorta Yorta man is passionate about painting and sharing that knowledge.

"Colours have always inspired me," he said.

"Now I look at the world differently and in more detail. I look closely at the environment. So I see a tree and I don't see just one green, there might be a few variants of that green. The ocean has different colours in the water which could depend on it having a sandy bottom or a rock bottom.

"The great thing about art too is that someone will see my work and make comment and ask about it. It breaks the ice. It starts a conversation. I can then tell and educate that person about my culture and who I am and who my family are. It doesn't matter to me if I can connect with one person or a million people, if I can encourage them to really look at our history, to not have that fear and walk alongside us."

Now living on the NSW Central Coast, Buddy has been painting most of his life and the 40-year-old has put his designs

on canvases, didgeridoos and also other items like surfboards and drink bottles.

"I'm extremely grateful to my loving partner, Lauren, who has encouraged me to follow my passion for art and to try my work on other items that you would find around the house," he said.

"Painting helps me mentally. I can block out the stresses that can come with daily life. It's a way for me to escape. It gives me balance and I can get lost in the emotion of it."

Buddy has even turned other people's trash into treasures. A brief he got from one client said to find something that had been thrown out and transform it into something using the colours he was instructed to use. The end result was a two-metre-tall piece of plywood featuring a sunrise over trees, leaving the client completely blown away.

He loves experimenting with his art, from using different mediums to mixing up colours that create vibrant pieces.

It was during one of his colour experiments that got the artist involved with one of the country's biggest and most well known paint suppliers, Taubmans Paints.

"Taubmans have an app called Coloursmith. You can take a photo and take it in and say, 'I want that colour.'"

"I did that with a sunrise captured at Wamberal Beach

and Summer Sun Yellow was created. I can do that with the ocean, grass or dirt and you can create that colour scheme. I was pleased to be part of that process and it takes your art to a different level.

"For a massive company like that to then showcase my work and collaborate with them for NAIDOC Week was special. Summer Sun Yellow to me represents the warmth, the life that the sun gives us every day. It represents the fresh start that we can all have with a new day. What happened yesterday doesn't matter. You can move forward. It's a colour that I now use often in my works."

During school holidays and in particular during the extended COVID-19 lockdowns, Buddy often runs online art classes to teach, educate and encourage people to have fun with painting.

It's that love of art and painting which Buddy passes down to his own children too.

"My eldest daughter Molly loves painting and working with me on some projects. She does it at school. She's done it at home and she loves sharing that knowledge too. My son has come along with me and picked out and sourced some didgeridoos for me to paint. It's something that I bond over with my children. I'm very proud of my culture and I want my children to feel the same way.



Buddy King and daughter Molly work on a design for the business he set up, Buddy Loves Dot Art, to pursue his passion for art.

Generous donors provide PPE to support vulnerable



SHEPPARTON FoodShare has distributed masks, gloves, hand sanitiser and disinfectant wipes to people in the community struggling to pay for the essentials,

thanks to a generous donation of personal protective equipment (PPE) from Mooroopna-based Indigenous Medical Supplies (IMS).

Led by IMS managing director Mervyn Fernando, IMS is a 100% Indigenous-owned and operated business aiming to close the gap in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health.

As soon as the Shepparton outbreak took off, Mr Fernando was on the phone with wholesalers and manufacturers to ask how they could help.

The result was a donation of 70,000 pairs of nitrile exam gloves, more than 1000 bottles of liquid disinfectant, 1488 bottles of hand wash, 10,000 surgical masks and more than 1000 disinfectant wipes headed directly towards vulnerable families and community organisations.

"Without hesitation, three of our key major partners, Mun Global, Ecolab and Softmed, stepped up to lend a hand," Mr Fernando said.

IMS also donated PPE to the Rumbalara Aboriginal Cooperative medical service, which has been busy vaccinating the 6000-



Rumbalara practice manager Myra Spurling, Merv Fernando and Kim Watkins with kids

strong Aboriginal population in Greater Shepparton.

IMS customer service manager and Gunai Kurnai woman Kim Watkins assists a client base of mostly medical centres, hospitals and Aboriginal community-controlled health organisations.

She said demand for IMS products

spiked when COVID-19 hit Australia. As a result, for the past 18 months the Mooroopna-based business has been flat out supplying essential protective equipment to communities and ACCHOs across the country.

"We have a national distribution so we're sending a lot of this stuff that you see

here, personal protective equipment and other infection control products, directly into Aboriginal communities," Mr Fernando said.

"Generally the purchase occurs post lockdown so we knew immediately when the local COVID crisis started that the local community was going to need this stuff."

Shepparton FoodShare operations coordinator Grace Grieve said PPE was expensive and households faced with a choice between buying PPE or putting food on the table wouldn't be able to fork out for face masks.

"We've been very fortunate that we were able to receive this amazing donation. I'm grateful for so many reasons," Ms Grieve said.

"We need to get it out there in the community so the community is safe; the way to keep our neighbours safe is to practise safe hygiene."

Ms Grieve said she regularly saw people reusing disposable masks for days, if not weeks, because they couldn't afford a fresh packet.

"Having this amazing stock enables us to make sure it gets out there to the community," she said. Committed to ensuring PPE reached the people who needed it the most, Ms Grieve said FoodShare volunteers had been assembling packs of masks, sanitiser and wipes to include in food packages.



Standing strong against nuclear

Since 1997, the Australian Nuclear Free Alliance (ANFA) has brought together Aboriginal people and civil society groups concerned about existing or proposed nuclear developments in Australia, particularly on Aboriginal homelands.

ANFA opposes the plan for nuclear-powered submarines. The Federal Government wants to use highly enriched uranium fuel in submarines, material which can be used directly in weapons. This would undermine global efforts to phase out the use of highly-enriched uranium. It would encourage other countries to seek nuclear submarines fuelled with highly enriched uranium.

ANFA members are living with the legacy of nuclear weapons testing on their country. ANFA representatives have been involved in the Nobel Peace Prize-winning International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons, which helped establish the UN Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons.

Australia should be working to rid the world of nuclear weapons, not making the situation worse.



Sue Coleman-Haseldine at Vienna Nuclear Weapons Conference.

The Australian Government not only refuses to sign the UN treaty, but actively undermined negotiations at every step.

ANFA will continue to push the Australian Government to sign and ratify the UN treaty and to ensure justice, recognition and repair for country and communities that continue to be

impacted by nuclear weapons tests and trials in Australia.

All six countries operating nuclear submarines have both nuclear power and weapons. Building a domestic nuclear industry to support nuclear submarines would be extraordinarily expensive and it would impose unnecessary risks.

A nuclear submarine program would leave a legacy of many tonnes of low, intermediate and high level nuclear waste.

The Australian Government has been silent about disposal of nuclear waste generated by a nuclear submarine program.

Waste from a nuclear submarine program would likely be dumped on Aboriginal land, as is the case with the Federal Government's current plan to dump Australia's nuclear waste at Kimba in SA, despite the unanimous opposition of Barngarla traditional owners.

The Federal Government excluded the traditional owners from a so-called 'community ballot' and tried to remove their right to pursue a judicial review of the nomination of the site.

The Barngarla Determination Aboriginal Corporation wrote in a 2020 letter:

"It remains shocking and saddening that in the 21st Century, First Nations people would have to fight for the right to vote in Australia and that the Federal Government would deliberately remove judicial oversight of its actions in circumstances where the Human Rights Committee, a bipartisan committee no less, has considered the process to locate the NRWFM flawed."

A nuclear waste dump would be a permanent imposition on Country, people, laws, environment and culture. From Elders in the communities to young people now speaking out, generation after generation has said NO to nuclear waste dumps.

Instead of adding to the legacy of nuclear waste and the elevated risk of nuclear conflict, the Government should clean up existing radioactive sites and take steps to build peace and justice.

Australian Nuclear Free Alliance (ANFA)

Letters Correction

In a letter published in a previous edition of the *Koori Mail*, October 6, under the headline 'Governments must lift their game in response to COVID', in the second last paragraph there was an error.

It should have read:

From a Uniting Church perspective Aboriginal communities should feel encouraged to reach out to their local Uniting Church to seek assistance with practical supports such as food and other items that may help ease the stress and strain caused by COVID ... while some of our congregations are small I am sure they will offer assistance where they can.

The *Koori Mail* apologises for the error, which was introduced during the editing process, and any confusion it caused.

First Nations perspectives are key to climate action initiatives

For world leaders heading to Glasgow for the November Climate Summit (COP26) it has been described as the 'last chance to save the planet'. For Australia, utilising 40,000 plus years of continuous caring for Country, its First Nations people can offer a competitive advantage.

First Nations hold native title or land rights over 49% of the land mass of Australia, and 60% of northern Australia. This covers some of the best land in the world for industrial-scale wind and solar farms, where the majority of these developments are being proposed.

First Nations also contribute to carbon reduction through 'cool-burning' cultural practices and sequestration by sustainable land management. Over time, the Indigenous estate will potentially increase to 65% – an estate that has been held since time immemorial.

The description of caring for Country as 'Indigenous people's land and sea management' logically draws attention to the environmental and landscape management outcomes. This leads to benefits for the social, political, cultural, economic, and physical and emotional wellbeing of First Nations people, shared with the wider community to facilitate a better environment.

As acknowledged in the Juukan Gorge Report – A Way Forward, First Nations'



Jamie Lowe

potential must be unlocked and supported by building the capability of the institutions that represent native title holders and traditional owners at a grassroots level, namely through the Prescribed Body Corporates (PBCs).

For this to happen effectively, funding revenue needs to come from Australian governments and proponents negotiating with PBCs. If the Government is talking about Regional Future Funds – it needs to also talk about a First Nations Future Fund.

In support of the PBCs maintaining their capabilities, the National Native Title Council (NNTC) has been exploring sustainable options in a new funding model, that moves purposefully away from the current short-term project funding approach towards a

more structural, ongoing arrangement.

This self-funding model has been designed to underwrite the mandatory compliance functions of PBCs that will exist in perpetuity. As things stand, most PBCs struggle to fulfil their basic obligations under the *Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander (CATSI) Act* for want of adequate funds.

Fundamentally, PBCs require a stream of operational revenue in perpetuity, given the permanence of their legal rights to native title and obligations under the *Native Title Act* and the *CATSI Act*.

Without a solid governance foundation and stable operational capabilities that such statutory compliance requires, the task of moving to more opportunistic and aspirational phases of native title development (in terms of the leveraging of rights and future planning for nation rebuilding and prosperity) is substantially impeded and compromised from the outset.

The NNTC and its members have noted, with the current debate over Glasgow COP 26 and reducing emissions, it appears First Nations people have been left on the sidelines again.

Partnering with First Nations is key to healing and transforming a modern Australia in an evolving, competitive world that's focused on the effects of climate change. We

are an important part of the solution and should not, will not, be sidelined.

The Federal Nationals cannot convey to the Australian public that miners and pastoralists are the only constituents in regions, as they argue for 'compensation' for zero emissions by 2050. I haven't heard any mention of First Nations in this debate and what we stand to 'lose' or 'benefit' from an economy in transition in regional/remote Australia.

With a looming election, the NNTC is seeking a clear strategy on the specific funding issue that draws out the critical role First Nations people and appropriately funded PBCs have in protecting cultural heritage, and their contribution to economy transformation and policy solutions around Voice, Treaty and Closing the Gap.

This is our value proposition to growing a mature Australia for the benefit of everyone.

In short, Australia cannot afford to continually make the same environmental mistakes without the voice of its First Nations Peoples and without embedding Indigenous knowledge into the government sphere.

The cost is simply too great.

**Jamie Lowe
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National Native Title Council**

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So little has changed

ON September 7, 2019 Joyce Clarke was shot by police as she walked down a suburban street in Geraldton. She was carrying a large bread knife in one hand and small pink scissors in the other. Hours earlier, she told her family she was going to die.

At 6.30pm that night, her prediction came true. It took the police officer charged with her murder 16 seconds to arrive at the scene and fire the shot that ended her 29-year life. Last Friday, the officer was found not guilty of murder.

Aboriginal women in Australia have been described as “the most incarcerated group of people in the world”. Over 475 Aboriginal people have died in custody since the end of the 1991 royal commission. In NSW, the number of Aboriginal people charged by police increased by 67% between 2010 and 2020. Western Australia has the highest rates of incarceration and deaths in custody of Aboriginal people in the country.

Clarke’s trial was shrouded in secrecy. A suppression order was placed on the officer’s name due



Hannah McGlade

to safety concerns for his family. The media was allowed in, but the public was refused entry to the court.

This isn’t the first time the WA Supreme Court has suppressed information over those charged with murdering Aboriginal people. In 2016, the same court issued a suppression order over the name of the Kalgoorlie man who killed Elijah Doughty, a 14-year-old Indigenous boy.

The man was eventually given a road traffic conviction.

There were no Aboriginal people on that jury and there were none in the murder trial for Clarke.

Clarke’s family, including her sister Bernie Clarke, maintained their steady presence through the trial, although it was hard for them to hear the final details of her life. During a demonstration of how a taser works, defence barrister Linda Black began laughing loudly. She later told the jury that Clarke was a “walking time bomb” and a person who “needed to be taken down”. In her opening address, Black said the case had “nothing to do with race”.

Seven days before her death, Clarke had called 000 because she wanted to end her life. This was known by Senior Constable Barker on the day she died. He had approached her with his hand out, wanting to ‘communicate’, when the constable responsible for her death appeared and shot her.

Barker, who was only a few metres away from Clarke, was clear in his evidence that Clarke had not moved in a threatening way. Other officers gave similar

evidence that she had not moved when shot — evidence that contrasted with that of a civilian witness who, at some distance, claimed Clarke, arms in the air, had lunged at the officers before being shot.

There’s no doubt Clarke was in a bad way. She had recently been released from the overcrowded Bandyup prison for stealing a mobile phone she believed was possessed by spirits. The prison is known for its appalling conditions, with reports of abuse of Aboriginal women.

Just two weeks after her release from Bandyup, Clarke was admitted to Geraldton hospital following a suicide attempt. She was discharged, and less than a week later was admitted to St John of God Hospital in Perth for mental health issues.

Anne Jones, whom Clarke called Mum, asked a nurse not to release her due to concerns she wasn’t well enough to leave. Clarke was discharged because there was no evidence she was still experiencing psychosis.

She left the hospital on Friday, September 13, taking a bus back to Geraldton to stay with relatives.

The next Tuesday, in a state of distress, she went to the Wajarri Aboriginal community organisation. She called a relative, warning she was going to die.

A relative called the police to try to get her taken back into the hospital. That was when police arrived — a total of three police cars and eight officers.

The jury took just a few hours to hand down the not guilty verdict, accepting the defence argument that the officer had acted in self-defence. Aboriginal women have long been seen as angry, violent and unworthy of legal protection.

Clarke’s family were distraught. Aboriginal Elders began crying outside the court in disbelief that so little had changed. Although police told the defence not to exit the court’s front door, defence lawyer Linda Black did so, telling the family — surrounded by a police barricade — that her client was ‘sorry’ but did what had to be done.

● *Noongar woman Dr Hannah McGlade is a human rights advocate, academic and lawyer. This column first appeared in Crikey.*

Wealth built on stolen land

IT is difficult to claim ownership to our own wellbeing free of trauma, as a people belonging to the lands of our ancestors due to the recent history of genocide and invasion we all carry. Difficult to share a noble birth in carrying the legacy of our languages, our ceremony and our way of life into the future as many of us witness ongoing suffering and hardship all around us.

Twelve deaths in custody this year alone highlight this and yet we live in one of the richest Western countries in the world. The Australian economy is dominated by mining contributing 11% of our wealth with the big banks contributing 8.9%, construction and trades 7.7% and manufacturing at 6.1%. This is all driven within the service sector, which comprises 62.7% of the GDP and employed 78.8% of the labour force prior to COVID.

Australian wealth is therefore built on a privileged hierarchy who have gained prosperity from natural resources, and a service industry that caters to this wealth. Australia has the tenth-highest estimated value of natural resources in the world, valued at US\$19.9 trillion.

The Australian Securities Exchange is the 16th-largest stock exchange in the world and lists the following as Australia’s largest companies: Fortescue Metals Group, BHP, Rio Tinto, Commonwealth Bank,



Woolombi Waters

CSL, Westpac, NAB, ANZ, Wesfarmers, Macquarie Group, Woolworths Group, and Telstra.

Australia’s greatest wealth through, according to the *Financial Review*, is in real estate, which has now climbed above the \$8 trillion mark.

Eliza Owen, the head of research at CoreLogic states, that the total value of Australian residential property is now “around four times the size of Australian GDP, and around \$1 trillion more than the combined value of the Australian Securities Exchange, superannuation and commercial real estate put

together”.

All of which is built on the blood of our ancestors on stolen lands, with many of our people living in third-world poverty. We can’t even conceive this type of financial security within our communities. Ours is a situation that has led to incarceration, trauma and suicide rates among the highest in the world.

I read an article recently that came across my news feed titled ‘Baby Boomers expected to leave wealth tsunami of \$320,000 to kids’.

In the article they state: “An entire generation of Aussies is about to inherit an average \$320,000 each — flooding the country with a huge amount of money. Baby Boomers are expected to pass on a whopping \$3.5 trillion to their kids in the next 15 years, with a quarter of Aussies banking on the inheritance to give them the good life.”

The article reveals that this breaks down to almost two in three Aussies, aged 60 and over, planning on leaving such an inheritance to their kids. If the inheritance was handed over to Baby Boomers’ offspring tomorrow, the research found across all ages, genders, and states of Australia that they would put it straight into savings.

What of the environment, the communities in which we live and ensuring a better future for all, or dare I say it, repatriation returned to the original owners as

compensation in a sustained effort to truly close the gap? None of this is even considered in such an article. All highlighting once again how profound Stan Grant was in his landmark speech about how we were never part of the ‘Australian Dream’.

Truth is the real savages were not the ones occupying a natural paradise, living off the lands in the way our God intended prior to our being invaded, persecuted and subjected to genocide slavery and brutality.

Instead, the true savages were the ones who brought misery and disease to our homelands, living in their own excrement back in Europe, escaping ruin and pestilence. They came killing children and women, rapacious in their attitude, taking slaves and stealing the resources from those who had maintained sacred lands in purity for so long.

These are the real savages, the ones who without remorse, lie and steal, chasing wealth and individual gratification as others starve, those who maintain slavery through financial debt and continue to benefit from the hardship of others in the name of freedom — justifying all that they do by claiming we are the ‘Lucky Country’.

In addition to acknowledging the true history behind such wealth, we need to go further in questioning the loss to Australia, the world and to

our very souls as human beings in never having considered Aboriginal knowledge, our culture and our history beyond the binary of opposition we face.

To fully appreciate Aboriginal knowledge and the values we possess we must first break down the binaries of opposition that prevent our full potential. To acknowledge our ‘Indigeneity’, surviving within the Aboriginal communities outside the confines of the Western values and in stating the importance of our world view prior to our being tainted with colonisation.

Many environmental experts now understand that sustainable development cannot be fully understood by the exclusive application of formal scientific Western concepts alone. Unless thinking includes Indigenous knowledges, these complexities in building connection, identity with land and country may never be fully understood.

We as Aboriginal people must become assertive in representing our own voice independent from the hegemonic boundaries that have silenced us in the past. Once we clear away the old statues and hegemonies belonging to those who have maintained hate and division for so long, we have something wonderful to share with the rest of the world beyond individual wealth and consumption.

Such education is blocked by a small minority that profits from the misery

of so many, creating an economy built on waste and indulgence that benefits so few dependent on the natural resources Aboriginal people owned prior to colonisation — what journalist and novelist George Monbiot refers to as pathological consumption preventing sustainability and human connection to the environment.

For all their wealth, indulgence, and sense of entitlement they lack understanding of longevity or sustainability which is essential in maintaining the Aboriginal experience in having survived for over 80,000 years. And that is reflected in our relationship with nature, built on self-sustaining cultures via humble principles of biodiversity established on kinship systems contained within bloodlines that laid the foundation of our understanding over tens of thousands of years.

This was until we were introduced to a rapacious culture lost in a world it did not understand, spreading like a cancer, never having found peace or able to consolidate the lands gifted to them by God and creation.

If only they had reached the same level of civilisation as ourselves, we would never have had to feel the devastation they brought to Aboriginal people.

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

Gathering puts mental health front and centre



“SPEAK strong, listen deeply and see clearly.”

With these words, Noongar Elder Nigel Wilkes Snr, a traditional owner of Swan River, welcomed people to the second Social and Emotional Wellbeing (SEWB) Gathering on Whadjuk Noongar Country last week.

Representatives from community-controlled health organisations, traditional healer groups, policy and academia, psychologists and psychiatrists, came together in Fremantle and online to share Indigenous knowledges, challenge paradigms and change the way mental health and wellbeing support for Indigenous people is planned and delivered.

The Gathering was presented by the Transforming Indigenous Mental Health and Wellbeing (TIMHWP) project, a groundbreaking research program based at the School of Indigenous Studies at the University of Western Australia.

Professor Pat Dudgeon, director of the TIMHWP project, said those attending the Gathering “have the cultural and practical expertise to design empowering responses that will make a real difference in our people’s lives.”

“The Gathering is an opportunity for our people to come together and share what works to support our social and emotional wellbeing,” she said.

“Together we have a strong voice that can influence how services are planned, delivered and funded, aligned with the rights of our people to self-determination. Social and emotional wellbeing challenges are a consequence of the continuing process of colonisation, and those attending the Gathering have the cultural and practical expertise to design empowering responses that will make a real difference in our people’s lives.”

Ngangkari (traditional healer) Rene Kulitja, from Ngaanyatjarra, Pitjantjatjara and Yankunytjatjara (NPY) lands in the remote western desert of central Australia said working together was key.

“In the past, there was only one path. There were no doctors or hospitals. The Ngangkari did all the work,” she said.

“It’s what we’re still doing today. We want to work together, Aboriginal and non-Indigenous, our spirits joined, creating a strong path together, so others can follow.”

“Ngapartji Ngapartji — You share your work and we share our work. Working and learning together.”

Professor Helen Milroy called for changes to mental health legislation to support access to traditional healers, and for the development of a cultural safety which would determine service funding.

“As Aboriginal people our



Noongar children dance as Auntie Liz Hayden watches on.



Auntie Liz Hayden



Ngangkari (traditional healer) Rene Kulitja.

ecological framework is all about abundance,” she said.

“If we look after Mother Nature we will never go wanting. What we can do collectively, is so much more powerful than what we can do on our own.”

National Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (NACCHO) chief executive Pat Turner called for more investment and genuine partnerships.

“We must continue to advocate for the coming together of our

communities and governments to strengthen and increase the social and emotional wellbeing footprint nationally so our people can access better services in a way that works for them,” she said.

The event was co-hosted by

TIMHWP partners, NACCHO, Gayaa Dhuwi (Proud Spirit) Australia and the Australian Indigenous Psychologists Association, and funded by the National Indigenous Australians Agency.



Professor Ted Wilkes and Gillian King.



Professor Helen Milroy



Professor Pat Dudgeon



Alice Kearing and Nigel Wilkes Snr prepare fire for smoking.

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Magabala cadetship is dream opportunity



INDIGENOUS publisher Magabala Books, based in Broome, Western Australia, has welcomed Sharona

Wilson and Melena Cole-Manolis to their team as part of Magabala's new Indigenous Publishing Cadetship program.

Sharona Wilson is a proud Gooniyandi and Gajerroong woman, who was born in Derby and grew up in Broome.

Sharona is a mother of four children, and said she is excited to work with Indigenous creators to inspire healing and empowerment through storytelling and creativity.

"Witnessing and experiencing firsthand the impacts of past government policies and my family's resilience is what fuels my passion to encourage others to share their experiences and inspire change," she said.

"This is an amazing opportunity to learn about a new industry, with extensive on-the-job training, professional development and mentoring."

Melena Cole-Manolis is a Warumungu, Luritja and Yawuru woman, born in Mparntwe (Alice Springs), but who has lived most of her life in Broome.

Melena recently returned to saltwater Country to take up the position at Magabala.

"This cadetship opportunity is like a dream come true for me," she said.

"Since I was younger, I've always had a love for reading and listening to stories.

"I also think it's important for Aboriginal people to have a voice, and to be able to tell their own stories.

"I'm very grateful to work at Magabala Books and am looking forward to learning as much as I can."

The Publishing Cadetship

program, launched by Magabala Books in 2020 and supported by the Ian Potter Foundation and the Kimberley Development Commission, seeks to create meaningful employment pathways for Indigenous publishing professionals by providing supportive and scaffolded on-the-job training.

Over a two-year program, under the supervision of Magabala publisher Rachel Bin Salleh, Sharona and Melena will gain experience across all areas of the organisation and receive a wide range of professional development, including external industry mentoring and a secondment opportunity at another publishing house.

"This cadetship is about achieving real employment outcomes," Rachel Bin Salleh said.

"A career in publishing needs to be the right fit for the right person and must be culturally safe."

In January, the Magabala Books publishing team will also be joined by Maddee Clark, a Yugumbah writer and editor currently based in Naarm (Melbourne).

Recently appointed as trainee editor, Maddee will bring strong east-coast networks and a wealth of experience in writing, education and research to the new editorial role.

"It is an exciting time at Magabala Books," Rachel Bin Salleh said.

"I feel privileged to see three new First Nations publishing professionals owning their space within the industry.

"In the words of one of our greatest philosophers, David Mowaljarli, we are giving these changemakers 'the responsibility for the continuing renewal of culture'.

"May we continue to change worlds, one story at a time."



Sharona Wilson and Melena Cole-Manolis are excited to get their careers in publishing underway as participants in Magabala Books Indigenous Publishing Cadetship program.

Your guide to employment

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ABORIGINAL EDUCATION ASSISTANTS Macarthur and Southern Highlands Regions

Catholic Education Diocese of Wollongong (CEDoW) comprises 38 Catholic schools with more than 19,000 students enrolled across the Illawarra, Macarthur, Shoalhaven and Southern Highlands regions.

The Director of Schools invites applications from suitably qualified and experienced personnel for temporary full time positions of Aboriginal Education Assistants based in the Macarthur and Southern Highlands region, commencing 31 January 2022 (start date negotiable) until 15 December 2023.

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ESSENTIAL SELECTION CRITERIA:

- be from an Aboriginal and or Torres Strait Islander background
- have the ability to support the literacy and numeracy needs of students and/or cultural initiatives
- have good communication skills and be comfortable with Aboriginal community liaison
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- have the ability to interact positively with students
- have the ability to work under limited direction
- possess a current NSW Driver's Licence and own transport.

DESIRABLE SELECTION CRITERIA:

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- experience working with children in classroom and small group.

SALARY/CONDITIONS:

- salary and conditions are in accordance with the School Administrative Services Enterprise Agreement 2015 NSW and ACT Catholic Systemic Schools
- the position is child-related work and requires the person to have NSW Working With Children Check and obtain their clearance for paid work children
- on appointment, applicants will be required to complete Child Protection training and may also be required to undertake the Aboriginal Education Worker Certificate, depending on prior skills and experience
- Aboriginality authorised (under Section 14 D of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977).

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Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer

- Department of Education
- Full-time ongoing appointment
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How to apply

To apply for this role, please submit an application online and attach a cover letter (max. 2 pages) and your resume (max. 5 pages) in either Word or PDF format. Please address any **pre-screening questions** and **any essential requirements**. We are looking for you to demonstrate your competence in the focus capabilities as outlined in the **role description** in your answer, so please develop your response with this in mind.

Note: Please note that it is a requirement that all candidates submit their applications online.

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Notes: Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by Section 14 of the *Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977*.

Applicants for this position must be of Aboriginal descent, identify as being Aboriginal and be accepted in the community as such. Applicants who have not previously identified for the purposes of employment with the Department are required to provide a Confirmation of Aboriginality from a recognised incorporated Aboriginal Community organisation endorsed with common seal and a certified statutory declaration as defined in the **NSW Department of Education Confirmation of Aboriginality Guidelines**.

Pre-Screening Questions

1. Outline how you have provided programs and promoted Aboriginal departmental policies within schools. (300 words)
2. Demonstrate how you have built the capacity of and acted as a conduit between Aboriginal community members and departmental officers to work effectively to achieve the goals of Aboriginal education. (300 words).

Essential Requirements

- Hold a valid clearance to work with Children (Working with Children Check)
- Aboriginality

The selection process will include a range of assessment techniques to assist in determining your suitability for the role.

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The position is full time (job share negotiable) to 30 June 2023, subject to satisfactory performance and on-going funding.

If you are proactive, with a community minded attitude, and a strong commitment to sharing culture and Landcare, we would love to hear from you.

Ideally you will understand and have experience delivering projects that achieve community, environmental, natural resource and/or sustainable agriculture outcomes. You will have excellent networking skills (including online), people and event planning, and project management skills. You will be a great communicator, with administration and computing abilities, effective work prioritisation skills, a current driver's licence and a vehicle that is comprehensively insured (mileage is reimbursed). You may also be required to work from home for extended periods.

The Position Description and Selection Criteria are available on the Murrumbidgee Landcare Inc. website at www.mli.org.au. For enquiries please contact Tina de Jong eo@mli.org.au 0481 345 166.

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Aboriginal Youth Worker & Workshop Facilitator

The Role

An exciting opportunity for a passionate individual who is skilled in cultural/artistic expression and group facilitation. To run our Deadly Dreaming program, delivering cultural and arts workshops in schools across the Penrith and Blue Mountains region. Workshops are designed to:

- Engage with students and improve identification and connection with Aboriginal Culture, Country and Community;
- Increase school retention, attendance and improve peer relationships;
- Provide brief assessment of students' mental health and other needs.

Essential Criteria

- Experience in developing and delivering workshops using cultural and artistic expression
- Ability to connect and engage with young people.
- Must hold NSW Driver Licence and Working With Children Check
- Relevant qualifications desirable

Ted Noffs Foundation considers that being an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person is a genuine occupational requirement for this position under Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW).

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Environmental Health Officer Cadetship

The Opportunity

Maitland City Council have partnered with NSW Health to provide an Environmental Health Officer cadetship for a period of six years. This cadetship is part of our pathways program that looks to provide development opportunities for those seeking to study and learn on the job skills. This role will see the successful incumbent work in a supportive team whilst actively contributing the betterment of our community. This opportunity will include paid work experience whilst studying a Bachelor of Science (Environmental Health) through Western Sydney University. Course fees will be paid for as well as time for compulsory course attendance.

The Environmental Health Officer Cadet is embedded in our Regulatory Compliance team which aims to address aspects of the natural and built environment that may affect human health. This role will see you work in and out of the office and undertake tasks such as inspecting swimming pools, food, skin penetration and other businesses, responding to enquiries and investigating complaints, sampling water and soil to protect the environment and educating stakeholders to protect health and the environment.

People who identify as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander only are eligible for this opportunity, in accordance with Section 126 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1997 (NSW).

This position includes studies towards a Bachelor of Science (Environmental Health) degree through the University of Western Sydney. This will be held via distance education and requires a commitment to part-time study whilst undertaking this role. The duration of this role is approximately six years depending on study arrangements.

To see a **Day in the Life of an Environmental Health Officer** go to:

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About You

- Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander by descent and identify as an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander and be accepted as such by the Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander community.
- Successful completion of Year 12 High School certificate Record of School Achievement, or equivalent with satisfactory results in English, Mathematics and Science.
- Committed to completing degree part-time while working full time
- Enjoy working in both indoor and outdoor environments whilst having an understanding of Environmental Health issues.
- Effective written and verbal communications skills as well as effective problem-solving skills.
- Able to work productively as a member of the team and contribute to team goals.

A mandatory requirement of this role is the ability to meet the entry requirements for the Bachelor of Science (Environmental Health) degree at Western Sydney University. This includes a commitment of up to six years of full-time work and on-the-job training while working towards completing University studies (via distance).

Benefits

This Cadet position is temporary full-time (six-year contract) with a salary range of \$43,638 up to \$51,480 per year including 10% p.a. superannuation. The university course fees and associated study fees including text books and time for compulsory class attendance will be paid for, in conjunction with paid work experience. The successful incumbent will also have access to benefits such as flexible working arrangements and our Healthy Employee Program Initiative with inclusions such as access to Fitness Passport.

Questions

If after reading the role charter you have any questions, contact Lauren McIntosh, Human Resources Officer on 0428 238 219.

Applications close: Sunday 21 November 2021.

Please note, prior to an offer of employment being made, recommended candidates will be required to undertake a medical assessment (including drug and alcohol testing). Council also completes a range of other pre-employment checks which may include reference checks, psychometric testing and a criminal history check. For more information about the recruitment process, search 'work with us on our website.

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Aboriginal Elder/Mentor

- **Ongoing (Part-Time) with a possible opportunity for full-time rostered Monday to Friday**
- **Clerk Grade 5/6**
- **\$87,493 pro rata pa + super and annual leave**
- **Rewarding and unique career opportunity**

The Balund-a Program is an innovative residential diversionary program for male offenders over 18 years of age. Located near Tabulam, Northern NSW, within the Bundjalung Nation, the program's aim is to reduce re-offending and enhance skills within a cultural and supportive community environment. Aboriginal Mentors/Elders an important and valued part of the program.

About us

Corrective Services NSW (CSNSW) delivers professional correctional services and programs to reduce the risk of re-offending and enhance public safety. It serves a key function of the NSW Communities and Justice Sector by providing effective, safe and humane management of offenders both in custody and in the community CSNSW also works in partnership with other government and community agencies to ensure that offenders and their families are supported.

About the Role

If you enjoy a community-based role, have strong leadership and communication skills, we encourage you to apply.

- Provide culturally specific advice and support of Aboriginal identified offender programs
- Support cultural, spiritual, emotional and rehabilitative support to offenders
- Establish and maintain positive communication links with Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal communities and broader government and non-government organisations
- Encourage offenders active participation and involvement in CSNSW programs

Skills and Experience

- Previous experience and skills in developing and maintaining stakeholder relationships specifically with Aboriginal communities and organisations
- Knowledge of Aboriginal issues and commitment to work effectively with Aboriginal communities and understanding of the NSW criminal justice system
- High level of communication skills and ability to provide rehabilitative support
- Current driver's license (with no restrictions)
- This position is open to Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants only.

Benefits

- Rostered Monday to Friday (8am - 4pm)
- Generous leave entitlements including flex leave
- Supportive team environment

For more information contact: CSNSWTA@justice.nsw.gov.au or call 1800 810 316 option 1.

A talent pool may be created for future ongoing and temporary roles and is valid for a period of up to 18 months.

Closing Date: 22 November 2021

**To apply, visit jobs.dcj.nsw.gov.au and quote
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Aboriginal Practitioner (Aboriginal Identified)
Croydon, VIC



About the Role

This is an Aboriginal identified role – Please only apply if you identify as Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander!

Join a multi-disciplinary team dedicated to delivering high quality responses to people seeking support and safety through the Orange Door program!

Attractive salary + great benefits including in-house training and ongoing professional development!

Be responsible for providing intake, assessment and planning to Aboriginal community members seeking support regarding Family Violence and Child wellbeing.

Enjoy a highly attractive salary, commensurate with your skills and experience. You will also have access to salary packaging.

Enjoy substantial career development and growth opportunities!

To view specific details and to apply, please visit:
<https://applynow.net.au/jobs/141764>

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ApplyNow.net.au/jobs/141764

Intensive Case Manager (Identified)
Lillydale, VIC



• Great opportunity to provide support to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women and children!

• Promote family safety & help strengthen communities!

BWAHS is currently seeking a full-time Intensive Case Manager to join their team in Croydon, Melbourne on a permanent basis.

The successful applicant will provide family violence case management support and case coordination to Aboriginal women and their children in the East Metropolitan Region.

In return for your hard work and dedication, you will be rewarded with a highly attractive salary commensurate with your skills and experience PLUS Additional benefits such as salary packaging, fantastic job security, professional development opportunities and much more!

Opportunity to build relationships with families in the community while making a genuine difference in their lives - Apply Now!

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Chief Executive Officer

The Cobar Local Aboriginal Land Council is seeking suitable applicants for the above position. The Chief Executive Officer (CEO) will be responsible to the Members and will report to the Chairperson and Board of Directors.

DUTIES: To undertake duties involving the day-to-day administration and financial management of the Land Council in accordance with the *Aboriginal Land Rights Act (1983)*. This will include maintaining the organisation's policies and guidelines in its endeavours to achieve community objectives set out in the Community Land and Business Plan, with an emphasis on submissions, maintaining accountability and capacity building. We also manage a growing housing stock of 27 properties & additional blocks of land.

ESSENTIAL: Applicants must have experience in office management and administration, the ability to work as part of a team and communicate effectively with Aboriginal people. Strong communication and negotiation skills together with an understanding of Aboriginal issues and experience in WH&S practices. Solid practical experience running funded projects and programs. A NSW Driver's Licence is also essential.

DESIRABLE: Knowledge of the Aboriginal Land Council functions, administration and funding procedures, knowledge of the local area, social housing, rental property management experience and Aboriginality.

GENERAL: Aboriginal persons are encouraged to apply. Applications should specifically consider the relevant job description. Applicants should provide a minimum of two (2) recent references. Some travel may be involved with this position.

Salary is negotiable dependent on skills, experience, and qualifications.

Access to salary sacrifice as a PBI, and a 4wd vehicle is provided.

All applicants must obtain a copy of the recruitment package containing the position description, selection criteria and must address the selection criteria for their application to be considered.

For further details on the position and for a copy of the Recruitment Pack please contact:

Janelle McDonnell CLALC Chairperson
chairperson@cobarlaic.com with CEO Recruitment in the subject line.

Applications close 5pm 30 November 2021

Men's Case Manager (Identified)
Lillydale, VIC



• Training provided for identified applicants!

• Provide case management and reduce barriers to behavioural change!

BWAHS currently has multiple opportunities for Aboriginal and or Torres Strait Islander Identified Men's Case Managers to join their team on a full-time basis.

The successful applicant will provide case management and case coordination to male perpetrators of violence, implementing creative strategies towards behavioural change.

In return for your hard work and dedication, you will be rewarded with an attractive base salary circa \$75,000 commensurate with your skills and experience PLUS Additional benefits such as super, salary packaging, fantastic job security, flexible working arrangements and more!

This is a rare opportunity to work with individuals and families to help reduce family violence in the community - Apply Now!

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Office Manager Clerk Grade 5/6 Wagga Wagga

- Package up to \$107k
- Wagga Wagga, full-time ongoing 35hpw

We are seeking a highly skilled and motivated Office Manager for our regional office. You will have strong management experience and proven ability to take initiative and implement change.

Apply Online: iworkfor.nsw.gov.au
Jobs NSW Ref. No. 00008JWC
Closing Date: Sunday, 14 November 2021, 11:59pm
Enquiries: Julie Maron on (02) 6933 7629 or julie.maron@legalaid.nsw.gov.au

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We are hiring!

Did you know that the Yoo-rrook Justice Commission is the first formal truth-telling Royal Commission of its kind in Australia?

Yoo-rrook is independent of the Victorian Government and is committed to a transformed Victoria based on truth and justice and grounded in First Peoples' enduring spirit, cultures and self-determination. We will do this through **Truth, Understanding and Transformation**.

Truth in creating a lasting public record about the past and the present, what occurred and who is responsible. **Understanding** by listening to the voices of First Peoples about their experiences and learning how culture has evolved and survived amid trauma, enabling the broader Victorian community to understand the links between past, present and future. **Transformation** through proposing changes to laws, institutions and systems which can be taken up through Treaty processes that remedy injustices against First Peoples.

If this sounds like something you want to be part of, check out these roles on our website:
<https://yoorrookjusticecommission.org.au/work-with-us-2/>

- Assistant Director of Legal Research and Policy
- Assistant Director of Social Research (Designated Position)
- Assistant Director of Historical Research
- Senior Project Manager
- Executive Support Officer
- Senior Practitioner (Social and Emotional Wellbeing)
- Social and Emotional Wellbeing Manager
- Counsellors x 2

Nothing here for you? We have more roles coming up in our communications, engagement, operations and policy areas as we set ourselves up to do this important work. Keep an eye on our website and socials. For a confidential yarn about any of these roles, reach out to the people as listed on our website or give Lisa a call on 0412 597 791.

Yoo-rrook's Letters Patent requires it to prioritise the employment of First Peoples. First Peoples are strongly encouraged to apply for ALL roles at Yoo-rrook. Some roles as marked may be classified as designated positions under section 12 of the Equal Opportunity Act 2010 where only Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people will be eligible.



Exciting & rewarding job opportunities
Aboriginal people strongly encouraged to apply

The New South Wales Aboriginal Land Council (NSWALC) was established under the Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983 (NSW) (ALRA). NSWALC is a self-funding statutory authority responsible for protecting and promoting the rights and interests of Aboriginal peoples in NSW.

The Aboriginal Land Council network operates as a two-tiered system consisting of the peak body, (NSWALC, including Zone Offices) and 120 LALCs. For more information regarding NSWALC, access our website: www.alc.org.au

The NSWALC is committed to ensuring a better future for Aboriginal people by working for the return of culturally significant and economically viable land, pursuing cultural, social and economic independence for its people and being politically pro-active and voicing the position of Aboriginal people on issues that affect them.

The NSW Aboriginal Land Council have exciting and rewarding job opportunities and are seeking motivated and suitably experienced and qualified people to join us to deliver services on this significant initiative. We are recruiting for following role:

- 1. Council Support Officer – West Wyalong**
Part-time, Three-year maximum term contract
Salary range \$66,330 - \$80,129 per annum plus super and benefits

The objectives of the position are to provide a comprehensive range of administrative support services to the Elected Councillor for the Region. And To ensure that all office functions are undertaken efficiently and effectively in accordance with NSWALC Policies, Procedures and legislative requirements.

This essentially covers the responsibility to support the work of Councillors by drafting correspondence, reports, and newsletters.

- 2. Governance Officer – Parramatta**
Temporary contract ending November 2022
Salary range \$80,129 - \$96,960 per annum plus super and benefits

The Governance Officer is responsible for providing high level analysis and coordination to support NSWALC's governance framework. This position is responsible for identifying and implementing NSWALC's business improvement program. In providing these services, the position exercises a high degree of initiative, resourcefulness, discretion and confidentiality.

If you are interested in applying for these roles, please visit our recruitment portal at <https://alc.bigredsky.com/page.php?pageID=106> and follow the online recruitment process. Here you can access full details of the positions and the role descriptions. Please submit your current resume and a cover letter addressing the success profile in the role description.

Applications will close Sunday 31 October 2021.



North Coast Local Land Services is recruiting a Coordinator Aboriginal Programs and Cultural Engagement

We are currently seeking a **Coordinator Aboriginal Programs and Cultural Engagement** to join the North Coast Local Land Services (LLS) team in this region.

We are looking for a motivated, energetic person to join our team and collaborate to implement the LLS Aboriginal Engagement Strategy and promote engagement with external stakeholders and Aboriginal communities. The successful candidate will also provide a range of related services to ensure that our obligations and responsibilities under the *Native Title Act 1993*, associated Indigenous Land Use Agreements and agreed Memoranda of Understanding are achieved.

In this role you will be working closely with Aboriginal people, communities and organisations as well as with other NSW Government agencies.

Our ideal person will have outstanding communication, networking, negotiation and collaboration skills. This is a great opportunity to work with Traditional Owners and the community to assist in achieving their aspirations for Country in areas of both land and sea. The successful person will also support the design and delivery of Aboriginal community engagement, training and awareness events within our North Coast region.

PLEASE NOTE: To be eligible for this position applicants must be of Aboriginal descent through parentage, identification as being Aboriginal and accepted in the community as such. Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under Section 14(d) of the *Anti-discrimination Act 1997*.

Applications for this role close on Sunday 14 November 2021

For more information you can contact
Grant Lewis on 0428 291 829.

To apply and see more information about the role please go to the I Work for NSW website iworkfor.nsw.gov.au and search for Job Reference No: **496159**

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**Planning,
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NSW National Parks and Wildlife Services (NPWS)

Ranger (Identified)

Grade 1/2
Vacancy Ref: 00008F33
Temporary, Full Time (up to 3 years)
Location: Nelson Bay (Worimi Conservation Lands)

Work with Traditional Owners to jointly manage one of NSW's most popular National Parks! The Worimi Conservation Lands are owned and managed by the Worimi Traditional Owners, in partnership with NSW NPWS. This Ranger role is key to helping Traditional Owners and NPWS to manage natural, historic and Aboriginal heritage. Typical duties include planning and supervising projects, leading environmental and heritage assessments, working positively with visitors and stakeholders, and delivering field-based activities such as bushfire management and law enforcement. To be successful in this role, you will need personal initiative and a commitment to joint management of country. You will approach problems professionally and find ways to work positively with a wide range of people and groups to find solutions. You will ensure safety is a priority at all times.

Remuneration package includes starting salary \$64,971, employer's contribution to superannuation and 17% loading.

To apply: Applications are to be lodged online at www.iworkfor.nsw.gov.au

Inquiries: Mark Ingram – ph.(02) 4984 8200

Applications Close: Monday, 08 Nov 2021 at 11:59pm AEDT



Position Vacant Trainer and Assessor

Location – Marrickville NSW 2204

AbSec is seeking a motivated, suitably experienced and qualified trainer and assessor to join the AbSec Learning and Development Centre (LDC).

You must hold TAE40116 or equivalent and have qualifications and be suitably experienced to provide training and assessment in the following fields:

- BSB50420 Diploma of Leadership and Management
- BSB50220 Diploma of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Governance
- CHC50313 Diploma of Child, Youth and Family Intervention
- CHC40313 Cert IV in Child, Youth and Family Intervention

The Trainer and Assessor role is to plan, deliver and review training and assessment to meet the identified competency requirements of the target group to the standard required by the LDC and the external accreditation authority.

The Trainer and Assessor role is a 12 month fixed term position – base salary of \$85-\$90K commensurate with experience, plus superannuation, not for profit salary packaging available.

To obtain a copy of the position description, please visit our website: <https://absec.org.au/careers/>

To apply: Interested applicants are required to address the essential criteria outlined in the position description demonstrating their experience against each point, submit a cover letter (maximum 2 pages) and current resume (maximum 5 pages).

Note: if applicants do not address the selection criteria the application will not be considered.

For Further information: please contact Adele Savvas adele.savvas@absec.org.au or 02 9559 5299.

Email applications to: recruitment@absec.org.au

Applications close: 5.00pm Friday 12 November 2021.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply.



**First Peoples'
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Victoria**

The First Peoples' Assembly of Victoria is the voice of Aboriginal people in Victoria in the next stage of the Treaty process. It is made up of Victorian Traditional Owners, elected by Aboriginal Communities, for Aboriginal Communities and people to advance our rights, interests, and benefits.

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Engagement Project Officer

We are recruiting for an Engagement Project Officer, who will be responsible for community organising and focused engagement with local Aboriginal Communities in order to determine the future process for Treaties.

As part of the Engagement team, this position will report to the Head of Engagement and Communications.

Salary range: \$85,000-\$97,000 per annum.

Engagement Lead

We are recruiting for an Engagement Lead, who will provide direct assistance to the Head of Engagement and Communications and across the Engagement team.

You will also promote and encourage the Assembly's community organising strategy to increase participation in Assembly elections and ensuring the Aboriginal Community voices are heard in the treaty process.

Salary range: \$98,000-\$120,000 per annum.

These are exciting opportunities to be part of history as we work for justice and rights.

Applications for both positions will close on Wednesday 17 November 2021.

Apply now by submitting your CV and a cover letter outlining your qualifications and suitability to: people@firstpeoplesvic.org

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Aboriginal Mental Health Professional

Location: James Fletcher Hospital

Enquiries: Adam Heuston at
Adam.Heuston@health.nsw.gov.au

Closing Date: 10 November 2021

Reference ID: REQ261928

Newcastle Community Mental Health Service, based at James Fletcher Hospital, is seeking a committed and enthusiastic Aboriginal Mental Health Professional to join their dynamic, multidisciplinary team on a permanent full-time basis.

This position is open to a Social Worker, Occupational Therapist or Counsellor Level 1/2, Psychologist and Registered Nurse.

Aboriginal Health Worker/Practitioner

Location: Cessnock Community Health

Enquiries: Tony Martin at
Tony.Martin@health.nsw.gov.au

Closing Date: 28 November 2021

Reference ID: REQ266063

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.

Department: Hunter New England LHD

Applications must be lodged electronically at healthnswgov.referrals.selectminds.com
Search for Job Ref Numbers above.

NSW Health Service: employer of choice



**Australian Government
Productivity Commission**

Closing the Gap Employment Register – various roles

- Melbourne or Canberra locations
- Multiple opportunities at the APS 5, APS 6, EL 1, EL 2 levels
- \$75,169 – \$157,790 + 15.4% super

The Productivity Commission helps governments make better policies in the long-term interest of all Australians. From 2020-21, the Commission has a significant role under the *National Agreement on Closing the Gap*.

We are building a team to deliver these Closing the Gap functions, and we are looking for people who want to help improve policies and programs that matter for Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people.

We are seeking expressions of interest via our **Closing the Gap Employment Register** for various roles at the APS 5, APS 6, EL 1 and EL 2 levels, from people with expertise in a range of areas including:

- Policy analysis and advice
- Data processing, analysis and presentation
- Qualitative and quantitative research
- Project management
- Report writing
- Awareness and understanding of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander cultures, histories, knowledges and perspectives
- The demonstrated ability to work and engage with Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander organisations and individuals in a fair, inclusive, ongoing, and reciprocal way.

Please note, these roles may arise as identified positions or affirmative measure positions. While identified positions are open to everyone, we strongly encourage applications from Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people, who would bring important strengths, capabilities and attributes to the Closing the Gap work.

So, if you are highly motivated about working with and for Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people, and have skills or experience in any of the above areas, we'd love to hear from you.

How to apply

Visit www.pc.gov.au/careers/closing-the-gap-opportunities for more information, and to submit your online application by the due date. If you have any questions, please contact the PC HR team at ctg.jobs@pc.gov.au

The employment register will remain active until **Tuesday 5 October 2022**.



**Association of Independent Schools
of Western Australia**

SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST

Applications are invited from registered and experienced School Psychologists to work with Independent Schools in Western Australia and support them in optimising student learning and development.

Please see website for more details:
www.ais.wa.edu.au/jobs-aiswa/



Project Officer, Growth and Partnership

Location – Marrickville NSW 2204

AbSec are seeking a motivated and suitably experienced person to join the AbSec team in the position of Project Officer, Growth and Partnership.

This role will be expected to engage Aboriginal Community controlled organisations and develop meaningful relationships providing Practice support that will influence sector development. The project officer will liaise with stakeholders internally and externally including government agencies as necessary to advocate for and deliver projects against intended results.

The Project Officer, Growth and Partnership is a maximum 12 month fixed term position – base salary of \$80K, not-for-profit salary packaging available, plus superannuation.

To obtain a copy of the position description, please visit our website: <https://absec.org.au/careers/>

To apply: Interested applicants are required to address the essential criteria outlined in the position description demonstrating their experience against each point, submit a cover letter (maximum 2 pages) and current resume (maximum 5 pages).

Note: if applicants do not address the selection criteria the application will not be considered.

For Further information: please contact Adele Savvas adele.savvas@absec.org.au or 0295595299.

Email applications to: recruitment@absec.org.au

Applications close: 5.00pm Friday 12 November 2021.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply.

Uniting

Aboriginal Identified opportunity Family Connect Worker ACT

What's involved

Provide care, supervision and safety of children in Out of Home Care during contact visits with their birth families and significant other

This is an entry level position for a candidate who is keen to benefit from Uniting support to achieve qualifications, and workplace experience, to enable career development.

- Rewarding opportunity to achieve qualifications and workplace experience
- Join a dedicated and supportive team
- Flexible work life balance and careers development

Eligible candidates will need the following:

- Some experience in the direct care of children and young people
- Willing to undertake study in the field of direct service delivery in the community services sector
- Current drivers licence and willingness to transport families Hold a current ACT Working with Vulnerable People card

To check eligibility, or to find out more about the Family Connect Team contact:

Alex Sullivan from Uniting's Talent Acquisition Team on 0466801937 email: asullivan@uniting.org

Applications Close: Monday 15th November 2021

For further information and a link to apply see our ad on the Koori Mail website under the heading **JOBS & GENERAL WEB ADS**

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Aboriginal Identified Paralegal Clerk Grade 3/4 Central Sydney

- Package up to \$90k
- Full-time temporary 35hpw until April 2022

We are seeking a motivated paralegal who has a passion to assist clients with civil law issues. The successful applicant will have excellent research and communication skills with the ability to prioritise.

Apply Online: iworkfor.nsw.gov.au
Jobs NSW Ref. No. 00008L2J
Closing Date: Tuesday,
30 November 2021, 11:59pm
Enquiries: Rhiannon O'Donoghue
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rhiannon.odonoghue@legalaid.nsw.gov.au.

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TAFE NSW

TAFE NSW have 2 exciting opportunities within our Aboriginal Education and Engagement Team

- Rewarding and engaging roles where you can make a real difference in the lives of your communities.
- Attractive salary and professional development opportunities.

Aboriginal Education and Engagement Coordinator (Identified)

TAFE NSW – Albury Campus
Job Reference Number: 00008JY4

Aboriginal Student Support Officer (Identified)

TAFE NSW – Queanbeyan Campus
Job Reference Number: 00008KNZ

**Applications close Monday
8 November 2021 at 11:59 pm**

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Manager First Nations Industry Initiatives

You will leverage your cultural knowledge and lived experience to manage the development and delivery of industry development programs to support our First Nations cultural and creative industries. Collaboration is second nature to you. You are passionate about engaging with a range of diverse stakeholders to bring ideas and actions to life to positively impact communities around country. To obtain further information about this position, please visit our careers page at <http://australiacouncil.gov.au/about/careers/>

Applications close 15 November 2021 at 3:00 pm (AEST)

Director (SO) - Identified, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Housing

Communities Housing & Digital Economy

Permanent flexible full-time

Department of Housing and Public Works

Salary: \$135,769 - \$148,951 p.a.

Location: Brisbane City

REF: QLD/391250/21

Key Duties: You will lead the strategic development of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander housing policies and programs, including the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Housing Action Plan under the Queensland Housing Strategy 2017-2027

It is a genuine occupational requirement for this position to be filled by an Aboriginal person or Torres Strait Islander person.

Enquiries: Sharon Kenyon (07) 3007 4453
To apply please visit www.smartjobs.qld.gov.au

Closing Date: Monday, 08 November 2021



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Chief Executive Officer

Tharawal Local Aboriginal Land Council is seeking applications from motivated, enthusiastic and experienced people interested in its challenging yet rewarding role of CEO. The CEO performs statutory functions in accordance with the provision of the NSW Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983 (ARLA) being responsible for reporting to the board and managing / overseeing the day to day operation and administration of Tharawal LALC, in line with the TLALC Community Land and Business Plan and in accordance with best practice.

The successful applicant will have demonstrable knowledge and understanding of the ALRA; the capacity to interpret and implement legislation and sound communication skills. An excellent level of organisational and management experience is essential; with experience with working with community-controlled organisations being an advantage. An understanding of accounting practices and principles along with some exposure to Land Dealings, Economic & Business Development practices and opportunities. A sound knowledge and appreciation of Aboriginal issues is required, and local knowledge and experience would be an advantage. A current Drivers' Licence and willingness to undertake relevant police checks, including a Working with Children check is also required.

A salary package is available inclusive of an annual salary, superannuation contribution and access to salary sacrificing. The position will be primarily based at the LALC Cultural Centre in Couridjah, however the opportunity to establish satellite offices within the LALC's land boundaries is available.

All applicants must obtain a copy of the recruitment package containing the Position Description and selection criteria and address the selection criteria for their application to be considered. For a recruitment package contact reception on (02) 4681 0059 or by email: reception@tharawal.com.au

APPLICATIONS CLOSE MIDNIGHT 26 November 2021

CEA Technologies - Careers

Mechanical Assembly Officers: Multiple Vacancies



Do you have 2 year's experience in the build and assembly of small to large electronic or mechanical products, including prototypes, in accordance with specified standards and quality systems?

Forward thinking is a requirement of the role to identify potential issues within the build and / or design. The ability to communicate proactively with other team members and the wider organisation will be essential.

CEA offers many benefits and conditions. All applicants must be eligible for an Australian Government security clearance (5year checkable background)

To find out more about these opportunities, email your resume to recruitment@cea.com.au

Winnunga Nimbitjyah Aboriginal Health & Community Services



Winnunga Nimbitjyah Aboriginal Health & Community Services is a community- controlled health service providing holistic health care to the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities of the ACT and surrounding areas. The Service manages various programs and employs more than 80 staff. Employees enjoy attractive remuneration, salary sacrificing, support of continuing professional education, and satisfying work in a proven multidisciplinary team environment.

Medical Receptionist

We are seeking a reliable full time experienced, efficient, Medical Receptionist to work in our busy medical service located at Narrabundah. The successful applicant would need to have excellent customer service skills, demonstrate a high level of organisational skills, excellent written and verbal communication skills, previous experience in handling patient enquiries, appointments and managing incoming calls desirable, computer skills for data entry and e-mail communication. The successful applicant will have a prior experience as a Medical Receptionist and will be from Indigenous background.

Aboriginality is a genuine qualification for the above position and is authorized under section 42 of the Discrimination Act 1991 (ACT) and S8 of the Racial Discrimination Act 1975 (Cth).

A copy of the position description and selection criteria may be obtained by calling Praneeth Galla on 02 62846222 Extn: 193 or email to praneeth.galla@winnunga.org.au Applications should be addressed and mailed to Julie Tongs, CEO, Winnunga Nimbitjyah Aboriginal Health Service 63 Boolimba Cres Narrabundah ACT 2604 or by email to praneeth.galla@winnunga.org.au

WORKING WITH VULNERABLE PEOPLE CHECK (WWVPC)

All people employed at Winnunga are required to provide their WWVPC registration, or to carry out a WWVPC pursuant to the Working With Vulnerable People (Background Checking) Act 2011 (ACT).

Energy and Water Ombudsman
Western Australia



Chairperson of the Board

The Energy and Water Ombudsman Western Australia is an independent and impartial body that receives, investigates and resolves complaints about electricity, gas and water services providers in Western Australia.

The Board of the Energy and Water Ombudsman is comprised of seven directors: an independent chairperson, three customer representative directors, a gas industry representative director, an electricity industry representative director and a water services industry representative director. The Board meets quarterly.

The Chairperson will:

- Provide leadership to the Board and effective Board governance;
- Lead, as required, recruitment of Board directors;
- Ensure the development, implementation and monitoring of effective and efficient business, budget and policy planning; and
- Manage Board performance.

The remuneration is \$33,958 per year (inc. superannuation).

Applicants will need to demonstrate:

- Extensive senior professional leadership experience, including relevant senior Board experience;
- The ability to be both independent and maintain the independence of the Ombudsman;
- Expertise and experience in corporate governance; and
- Understanding of the gas, electricity and water industries and alternative dispute resolution systems.

The Chairperson is an independent director of the Board and must not be currently, nor within the last three years, an employee or director of a Member of the Energy and Water Ombudsman Scheme, an Energy Marketing Agent, or a customer representative group.

A detailed Information Pack is available on the website www.jobs.wa.gov.au, Reference Number 112021.

Please submit your application by 5:00pm Monday 22 November 2021 to hrrcruitment@ombudsman.wa.gov.au or via hard copy marked

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Human Resources Officer
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Level 2, Albert Facey House
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Perth WA 6000

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Aboriginal Health Manager – Lismore

Department: Northern NSW Local Health District
Location: Lismore, Lismore Base Hospital | Far North Coast
Employment Type: Permanent Full Time
Position Classification: Health Manager Level 1
Remuneration: \$76152 to \$102438 pa
Hours Per Week: 38hrs

All NSW Health workers are required to have received two doses of a COVID-19 vaccine by 30 November 2021 or have an approved medical contraindication certificate. You will be required to provide a record of your COVID-19 vaccination status if successful.

What you'll be doing

Managing the Richmond Network Aboriginal Health Team by providing leadership, management, support, guidance, and professional direction to deliver culturally appropriate services and create access to health services for Aboriginal people.

Leading the Richmond Network Aboriginal Health Team towards developing programs to support the prevention, early detection and intervention that target health issues for Aboriginal communities.

Why you should consider applying

We can offer you:

- Diverse career pathways
- Professional and personal development
- Help with further study and education
- Flexible and supportive work environment
- Opportunities to start or build a career, or re-enter the workforce
- Challenging, inspiring and rewarding roles, and
- The opportunity to make a difference!

Tired of big cities? Want to start your days sitting on your deck in the sun, enjoying a cup of coffee and listening to the birds? Or would you rather have a surf or a walk along the sand before work? Wonderful beaches, world heritage-listed national parks, hinterland villages, great food and fine wine, excellent private and public schools, warm and friendly staff are all waiting for you on the North Coast.

Where you'll be working

Also known as the Rainbow Region, this area is blessed with stunning waterfalls, fertile farming land, artistic villages and relaxed seaside communities.

Northern NSW Local Health District embraces the diverse skills and perspectives that our people bring to the workplace. We foster inclusiveness and diversity to help us deliver quality care to our community.

Applicants must be of Aboriginal and/ or Torres Strait Islander descent. Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by section 14(d) of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*. For help with your application to this role visit **Stepping Up**, our online recruitment resource for Aboriginal people.

Please note, to apply for this position you must be an Australian citizen or permanent resident, or be able to independently, legally live and work in Australia. For more information please see **border.gov.au**

The successful applicant may be subject to a probationary period of three months from the date of appointment to this position.

A current valid NSW Working With Children Check is a requirement of this position. Visit **kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au** for more information.

- An applicant's race is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under Section 14(d) of the *NSW Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*.

For role related queries or questions contact Cameron Johnson on Cameron.Johnson@health.nsw.gov.au

Applications Close: 12 November 2021.

Applications must be lodged electronically at **jobs.health.nsw.gov.au/nswlhd** and search Job Reference Number **REQ264311**.

NSW Health Service: employer of choice



Executive Officer – Northern Basin Aboriginal Nations

Job description

Full-time permanent position

Salary Range: \$95,000 to \$103,700 plus superannuation
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples are strongly encouraged to apply

Northern Basin Aboriginal Nations is an independent self-determining Sovereign First Nation based organisation with a primary focus on cultural and natural resource management in the northern Murray–Darling Basin. It seeks greater recognition and respect for Nations' knowledge and cultural values and uses regarding water and land management in the northern Murray–Darling Basin. NBAN has contributed to the development of the Murray–Darling Basin Plan and will assist the Murray-Darling Basin Authority and the Basin States by providing advice regarding the implementation of the Basin Plan.

The role of Executive Officer is to ensure the vision of the organisation is realised.

REPORTING TO THE BOARD, YOU WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR:

Developing, communicating, and implementing policies and plans for the organisation with respect to natural and cultural resource management, Drafting briefing papers and developing submissions, responses to draft water, natural resource management and cultural heritage plans, media releases and related general correspondence as required, Providing advice in natural and cultural heritage management and assist and advise the Chair and NBAN Board in developing initiatives for the benefit of participating First Nations, Managing NBAN in accordance with funding agreements including providing financial and budgetary oversight and meeting reporting requirements, Liaising with internal and external stakeholders, including state and commonwealth governments, industries and NGOs on northern Murray-Darling Basin First Nations issues, Seek sponsorship and funding agreements to help support the operation of NBAN, Implementing procedures to improve NBAN service delivery the Northern Murray darling Basin. Strengthening organisation's connection with community & key stakeholders,

Selection Criteria

Applicants should address the selection criteria and provide their current curriculum vitae to support their claims. The response to each selection criterion should total no more than 300 words.

(To request a copy of the selection criteria, please email: admin@nban.org.au).

For a confidential conversation about the role, please contact Michael Eckford on mobile number: 0499 080 660.

For more information about Northern Basin Aboriginal Nations, please visit www.nban.org.au.

Applications Close: 12 November 2021



AFTER HOURS WORKER

Full time - SCHADS 6 Level

The After Hours Practitioner will provide high quality risk assessment and will coordinate and manage complex issues across Out of Home Care and other relevant services.

Applications close 22 November 2021

To view PD and application details, please visit careers on our website.

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BETTER TOMORROWS



Health Promotion/Community Development Coordinator (Identified) - Cairns

Full Time, Fixed Term position until 30 June 2023

Community development role coordinating activities for volatile substance use and supply reduction across FNQ including travel within Cairns, Cape York and Gulf communities.

Formal qualifications in Health/Social Service or related, experience facilitating community education programs, Blue Card & drivers' licence is essential, as well as the ability to travel.

Please note, this role requires travel to remote communities. As such, evidence of Covid-19 vaccination status is a requirement of this position.

Applications close Friday 12 November 2021.

Full details at www.yeti.net.au



**Australian Government
Productivity Commission**

Closing the Gap team opportunities (Affirmative Measures)

- Melbourne or Canberra locations
- Ongoing opportunities
- Commence by January 2022

The Productivity Commission helps governments make better policies in the long-term interest of all Australians. From 2020-21, the Commission has a significant role under the *National Agreement on Closing the Gap*.

We are seeking to fill two key roles in our Closing the Gap team, that will help towards improving policies and programs that matter for Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people.

These vacancies are only open to Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people who would bring important strengths, capabilities and attributes to this work.

- **Senior Project Officer (Executive Level 1) – \$103,738 - \$131,371 + 15.4% super**

As Senior Project Officer, you will be responsible for ensuring all material is culturally safe, inclusive, and accessible. You will promote engagement and practices consistent with the National Agreement, as well as maintain effective and respectful relationships with Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people organisations and individuals. This role spans both streams of the Commission's Closing the Gap work – regular data reporting and 3-yearly progress reviews.

- **Review Director (Executive Level 2) – \$125,782 – \$157,790 + 15.4% super**

The Review Director will lead and coordinate significant aspects of the 3-yearly progress reviews on Closing the Gap. This will include planning, managing and contributing to the analytical and quantitative research undertaken by the Closing the Gap team; leading engagement and maintaining working relationships with external parties; implementing culturally safe and appropriate ways of working and engaging with Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people, and; supervising and mentoring staff as required.

For more information and to apply

Visit www.pc.gov.au/careers/closing-the-gap-opportunities for more information, and to submit your online application by the due date. If you have any questions, please contact the PC HR team at ctg.jobs@pc.gov.au

Applications close on Sunday 14 November 2021.



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WaterNSW

Hunter Regulated River Water Source

WaterNSW has received an application from **Terry Stephen Ellis** for an approval for a **Water Supply Work and Water Use**, for a 50mm Centrifugal Pump with a capacity of 12 l/s at Lot 101 DP1154131, Parish of Russell, County of Durham, and water use for Irrigation located at Lot 101 DP 1154131, Lot 2 DP594546, Lot 40 DP752450 Parish of Broughton, County of Durham. The application relates to Hunter Regulated River Water Source, on Zone 3A (Glennies Creek), subject to Water Sharing Plan Hunter River Water Source 2016. Objections must be submitted in writing to **WaterNSW PO Box 398, Parramatta NSW 2124** or to customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au. Objections must specify the grounds of the Objection and contain the name, address and signature (or authentication) of the Objector. You may use the Objection form waternsw.com.au/advertising-and-objections. All Objections should reference Application Number **A027820**. 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 **Nicole Gleeson-London, Water Regulation Officer**, on 1300 662 077 or by email customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au.

KH1783

WaterNSW

Gwydir Regulated River Water Source

WaterNSW has received an application from **A, R & S Longworth Pty Limited** to amend an approval for a **Water Supply Work** by replacing two existing pumps with two pumps with a combined capacity of 250ML/day, an increase of 10ML/day, at Lot 2 DP 750436, Parish of Bunarba, County of Benarba. The application relates to Gwydir Regulated River Water Source, on Gil Gil Creek, subject to the Gwydir Regulated River Water Source 2016 Water Sharing Plan. Objections must be submitted in writing to **WaterNSW, PO Box 1251, Tamworth NSW 2340** or customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au. Objections must specify the grounds of the Objection and contain the name, address and signature (or authentication) of the Objector. You may use the Objection form waternsw.com.au/advertising-and-objections. All Objections should reference Application Number **A027161**. 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 customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au.

KH1793

WaterNSW

BONVILLE CREEK WATER SOURCE

WaterNSW has received an application from **Bonville Meadows Pty Ltd** for an approval for a **Water Supply Work**, for 3 X Dams, with capacities of 1.15 ML, 2.5 ML and 0.47ML, at Lot 10, DP 1273678, Parish Bonville, County Raleigh. The application relates to Bonville Creek Water Source, subject to the Water Sharing Plan for the Coffs Harbour Area Unregulated and Alluvial Water Sources 2009. Objections must be submitted in writing to **Water NSW, PO Box 1400, Grafton, NSW 2460**, or customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au. Objections must specify the grounds of the Objection and contain the name, address and signature (or authentication) of the Objector. You may use the Objection form waternsw.com.au/advertising-and-objections. All Objections should reference Application Number **A027010**. 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 **Mark Bonner - Water Regulation Specialist** on 1300 662 077 or by email customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au.

KH1786

WaterNSW

Lower Murray Groundwater Source

WaterNSW has received an application from **William John Watson Mcauley** for an approval for a **Water Supply Work and Water Use**, for a bore with a capacity of 1000 ML/year at Lot 102 DP701571, Parish of Tomara, County of Cadell, and water use for irrigation at Lot102 DP701571 and Lot 2 DP866123 Parish of Tomara, County of Cadell and Lot 12 DP751163, Lot 10 DP751163 Lot 7 DP751163 and Lot 2 DP866123 Parish of Toorangabby, County of Cadell. The application relates to the Lower Murray Groundwater Source subject to the Water Sharing Plan for the Murray Alluvial Groundwater Sources. Objections must be submitted in writing to **Water NSW, PO Box 453, Deniliquin NSW 2710** or to customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au. Objections must specify the grounds of the Objection and contain the name, address and signature (or authentication) of the Objector. You may use the Objection form waternsw.com.au/advertising-and-objections. All Objections should reference Application Number **A027995**. 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 **Jenny Campion, Water Regulation Specialist**, on 1300 662 077 or by email customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au.

KH1785

WaterNSW

Dry River Water Source

WaterNSW has received an application from **Richard Ellwyn & Deborah Jane Platts** to amend an approval for a **Water Supply Work and Water Use** by adding a 50mm pump with a capacity of 7 l/s at Lot 51 DP 1077259 Parish Cadjangarry, County Dampier and adding land for the purpose of Irrigation and Farming located at Lot 51 DP 1007259 and Lots 33, 65, 154, 201 and 202 DP752136, Parish Cadjangarry, County Dampier. The application relates to the Dry River Water Source subject to Murrah- Wallaga Area Unregulated & Alluvial Water Sharing Plan 2010. Objections must be submitted in writing to **WaterNSW, PO Box 398, Parramatta NSW 2124** or to customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au. Objections must specify the grounds of the Objection and contain the name, address and signature (or authentication) of the Objector. You may use the Objection form waternsw.com.au/advertising-and-objections. All Objections should reference Application Number **A028098**. 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 **Amanda Herringe, Water Regulation Officer**, on 1300 662 077 or by email customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au.

KH1781

WaterNSW

Sydney Basin Central Groundwater Source

WaterNSW has received an application from **Alceon Group No. 55 Pty Limited** for an approval for a **Water Supply Work**, for 2 X excavations and 2 X submersible 80MM pumps with a capacity of 6.35 ML / year at LOT 1, DP662215 and LOT 2, DP566041 in Parish of WILLOUGHBY, County of CUMBERLAND. The application relates to The Sydney Basin Central Groundwater Source, subject to The Greater Metropolitan Region Groundwater Sources 2011 Water Sharing Plan. Objections must be submitted in writing to **Water NSW, PO BOX 398, Parramatta, NSW, 2124** or customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au. Objections must specify the grounds of the Objection and contain the name, address and signature (or authentication) of the Objector. You may use the Objection form waternsw.com.au/advertising-and-objections. All Objections should reference Application Number **A28095**. 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, Water Regulation Specialist**, on 1300 662 077 or by email customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au.

KH1780

WaterNSW

New South Wales Murray Regulated River Water Source

WaterNSW has received an application from **Peter Best** to amend an approval for a **Water Use** – additional land for the purpose of Irrigation, located at 567 Wakool Junction Road, Goodnight NSW 2736, Lot 4 DP 777155, Parish: Mallee, County: Wakool.

Objections must be submitted in writing to **Water NSW, PO Box 453, Deniliquin NSW 2710** or customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au. Objections must specify the grounds of the Objection and contain the name, address and signature (or authentication) of the Objector. You may use the Objection form waternsw.com.au/advertising-and-objections. All Objections should reference Application Number **A028199**. 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 **Simone Tonkin, Water Regulation Specialist** on 1300 662 077 or by email customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au.

KH1784

WaterNSW

Metropolitan Coastal Sands Groundwater Source

WaterNSW has received an application from **Post Office Bondi Pty Ltd** for an approval for a **Water Supply Work**, for 1 X excavation and 1 X submersible 80MM pump with a capacity of 52.5 ML / year at LOT 1, DP1272105, Parish of ALEXANDRIA, County of CUMBERLAND. The application relates to The Metropolitan Coastal Sands Groundwater Source, subject to The Greater Metropolitan Region Groundwater Sources 2011 Water Sharing Plan.

Objections must be submitted in writing to **Water NSW PO BOX 398, Parramatta, NSW, 2124** or customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au. Objections must specify the grounds of the Objection and contain the name, address and signature (or authentication) of the Objector. You may use the Objection form waternsw.com.au/advertising-and-objections. All Objections should reference Application Number **A27900**. 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, Water Regulation Specialist**, on 1300 662 077 or by email customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au.

KH1779

WaterNSW

Ellenborough River Water Source

WaterNSW has received an application from **John Raymond Gardner and Amanda Jane Gardner** for an approval for a **Water Supply Work and Water Use**, for a 65mm Pump with a capacity of 1.45 L/s at Lot X, DP 354950, Parish Macquarie, County Innes, and water use for Irrigation at Lot X, DP 354950, Parish Macquarie, County Innes and Lot 11, DP 1272684, Parish Kerewong, County Innes. The application relates to Ellenborough River Water Source, on Little Toms Creek, subject to the Water Sharing Plan for Hastings River Unregulated and Alluvial Water Sources, 2019.

Objections must be submitted in writing to **Water NSW, PO Box 1400, Grafton, NSW 2460**, or to customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au. Objections must specify the grounds of the Objection and contain the name, address and signature (or authentication) of the Objector. You may use the Objection form waternsw.com.au/advertising-and-objections. All Objections should reference Application Number **A027063**. 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 **Mark Bonner, Water Regulation Specialist**, on 1300 662 077 or by email customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au.

KH1792

WaterNSW

Botany Sands Groundwater Source

WaterNSW has received an application from **28 Hicks Ave Pty Ltd** for an approval for a **Water Supply Work**, for 1 X excavations and 1 X submersible 80MM pump with a capacity of 1.24 ML / year at LOT 15 / Sec 2 / DP937, Parish of BOTANY, County of CUMBERLAND. The application relates to The Botany Sands Groundwater Source, subject to The Greater Metropolitan Region Groundwater Sources 2011 Water Sharing Plan.

Objections must be submitted in writing to **WaterNSW, PO BOX 398, PARRAMATTA NSW 2124** or customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au. Objections must specify the grounds of the Objection and contain the name, address and signature (or authentication) of the Objector. You may use the Objection form waternsw.com.au/advertising-and-objections. All Objections should reference Application Number **A28150**. 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, Water Regulation Specialist**, on 1300 662 077 or by email customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au.

KH1782

New resources about COVID vaccine for First Peoples with disability



First Peoples
Disability Network
Australia

A range of new accessible, culturally appropriate resources for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people with disability have been released today by the peak body First Peoples Disability Network.

“Our community urgently needs information about the vaccine, so we have created a poster with culturally relevant information and artwork to let people know about what is happening and why,” said Damian Griffiths, CEO of First Peoples Disability Network (FPDN).

“During the pandemic, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people with disability found it hard to get the right information about what was happening, and it looks like those lessons haven't been learnt when it comes to the vaccine roll out.”

Uncle Paul Constable Calcott has created artwork that clearly explains what the vaccine is, how it works, and encourages people to participate in the roll out.

The images show a syringe, filled with vaccine warriors, ready to battle the COVID virus and protect Elders and everyone in community.

The Disability Royal Commission hearing about COVID-19 in 2020 heard that accessible, appropriate information about public health orders and changing rules was difficult to find, and many advocacy organisations, such as FPDN, produced their own for people with disability.

“We are urgently calling for all levels of government to improve their communications

about the vaccine for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people with disability,” said Mr Griffiths.

“First Peoples with disability worked hard to stay safe during COVID-19. Our organisation heard from people every day about how hard it was to know what was happening.”

“Our community needs to be a priority during this vaccine rollout. We'll be distributing these resources widely, and they can be downloaded from our website.”

Download resources: www.fpdn.org.au/covid19/

More information:

El Gibbs, elg@fpdn.org.au, 0419 290788



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
38/1864	FOCUS MINERALS (LAVERTON) PTY LIMITED	581304	2.03HA	15.2km NE'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 29' S Long: 122° 28' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/2862	FOCUS MINERALS (LAVERTON) PTY LIMITED	581303	7.30HA	16.2km SE'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 43' S Long: 122° 31' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/3050	FOCUS MINERALS (LAVERTON) PTY LIMITED	581302	88.31HA	31.8km SE'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 46' S Long: 122° 40' E	LAVERTON SHIRE

Nature of the act: Grant of amalgamation applications which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals.
Notification day: 3 November 2021
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 **3 February 2022**. 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. **3 March 2022**), 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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WaterNSW

Surat Groundwater Source

WaterNSW has received an application from **Brendon John Harris & Natalie Jocasta Samantha Jezard - Clarke** for an approval for a **Water Supply Work and Water Use**, for a bore with a capacity of 100 ML/year at Lot 2 DP 322334, Parish Coonamble, County Leichhardt, and water use for Irrigation at Lots 1 & 2 DP 322334, Lots 21 & 22 DP 112095 and Lots 75 & 226 DP 754199, Parish Coonamble, County Leichhardt. The application relates to the Surat Groundwater Source, subject to the Water Sharing Plan for the NSW Great Artesian Basin Groundwater Sources 2020.
Objections must be submitted in writing to Water NSW, **PO Box 1018 Dubbo NSW 2830** or to customer.helpdesk@waterNSW.com.au. Objections must specify the grounds of the Objection and contain the name, address and signature (or authentication) of the Objector. You may use the Objection form waterNSW.com.au/advertising-and-objections. All Objections should reference Application Number **A026885**. 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 **Angus Foster, Water Regulation Officer**, on 1300 662 077 or by email customer.helpdesk@waterNSW.com.au.

KH1773



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 32834 sought by PEGMATITE ONE PTY LTD, ACN 652 853 391 over an area of 191 Blocks (610 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the HOME OF BULLION locality.

Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No: 5754

Exploration Licence 32835 sought by PEGMATITE ONE PTY LTD, ACN 652 853 391 over an area of 179 Blocks (571 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the HOME OF BULLION locality.

Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No: 5754

Exploration Licence 32838 sought by PEGMATITE ONE PTY LTD, ACN 652 853 391 over an area of 151 Blocks (480 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the CRAWFORD locality.

Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No: 5655

Exploration Licence 32840 sought by PEGMATITE ONE PTY LTD, ACN 652 853 391 over an area of 53 Blocks (170 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the CONICAL HILL locality.

Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No: 5555

Exploration Licence 32842 sought by PEGMATITE ONE PTY LTD, ACN 652 853 391 over an area of 153 Blocks (490 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the TAYLOR locality.

Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No: 5755

Exploration Licence 32843 sought by PEGMATITE ONE PTY LTD, ACN 652 853 391 over an area of 185 Blocks (592 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the TAYLOR locality.

Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No: 5755

Exploration Licence 32844 sought by PEGMATITE ONE PTY LTD, ACN 652 853 391 over an area of 226 Blocks (717 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the REYNOLDS RANGE locality.

Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No: 5453

Exploration Licence 32845 sought by PEGMATITE ONE PTY LTD, ACN 652 853 391 over an area of 250 Blocks (790 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the REYNOLDS RANGE locality.

Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No: 5453

Exploration Licence 32846 sought by PEGMATITE ONE PTY LTD, ACN 652 853 391 over an area of 181 Blocks (572 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the REYNOLDS RANGE locality.

Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No: 5453

Exploration Licence 32847 sought by PEGMATITE ONE PTY LTD, ACN 652 853 391 over an area of 25 Blocks (80 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the TAYLOR locality.

Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No: 5755

Exploration Licence 32848 sought by PEGMATITE ONE PTY LTD, ACN 652 853 391 over an area of 83 Blocks (266 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the CRAWFORD locality.

Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No: 5655

Exploration Licence 32851 sought by PEGMATITE ONE PTY LTD, ACN 652 853 391 over an area of 205 Blocks (653 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the DENISON locality.

Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No: 5353

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 Centrepont 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: 3 November 2021

WaterNSW

Hunter Regulated River Water Source

WaterNSW has received an application from **Sean Anthony Dyson, Felicity Gail Dyson & ACN 609 495 196 Pty Limited** to amend an approval for a **Water Supply Work and Water Use** by adding a 125mm Centrifugal Pump with a capacity of 60 l/s at Lot 1, DP 1248719, Parish of Whittingham, County of Northumberland and adding land for the purpose of irrigation, located at Lot 3, DP 1248719, Parish of Whittingham, County of Northumberland. The application relates to Hunter Regulated River Water Source, on Hunter River, subject to Hunter Regulated River Water Source 2016 Water Sharing Plan.

Objections must be submitted in writing to **WaterNSW, PO Box 398, Parramatta NSW 2124** or to customer.helpdesk@ waternsw.com.au . Objections must specify the grounds of the Objection and contain the name, address and signature (or authentication) of the Objector. You may use the Objection form waternsw.com.au/advertising-and-objections. All Objections should reference Application Number **A027837**. 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 **Paula Douglas, Water Regulation Officer**, on 1300 662 077 or by email customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au.

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WaterNSW

Upper Namoi Water Source

WaterNSW has received an application from **Woolcott Group Pty Ltd** to amend an approval for a **Water Supply Work and Water Use** by replacing a work with a 200mm pump capacity of 116 l/s (no increase in the capacity of the Work) at Lot 2 DP 1101800, Parish of Veness, County of Darling. The application relates to the Upper Namoi Water Source, on the Namoi River, subject to the Unregulated Namoi and Peel Rivers Water Sources Water Sharing Plan.

Objections must be submitted in writing to **WaterNSW, PO Box 1251, TAMWORTH NSW 2340** or customer.helpdesk@ waternsw.com.au . Objections must specify the grounds of the Objection and contain the name, address and signature (or authentication) of the Objector. You may use the Objection form waternsw.com.au/advertising-and-objections. All Objections should reference Application Number **A027880**. 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 Specialist**, on 1300 662 077 or by email customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au

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GOVERNMENT OF
WESTERN AUSTRALIA

NOTICE TO GRANT MINING TENEMENTS

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following tenement applications under the *Mining Act 1978*:

Tenement Type	No.	Applicant	Area	Locality	Centroid	Shire
Mining Lease	25/375	MANSEN, James Karl	903.15HA	19.3km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 42' S Long: 121° 39' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Mining Lease	27/514	MAHONEY, Lyndon Scott	174.61HA	24.2km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 33' S Long: 121° 34' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Mining Lease	37/1364	KIN WEST WA PTY LTD	142.69HA	58.2km NW'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 27' S Long: 120° 59' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Mining Lease	37/1365	CREW, Christopher CREW, Ross Frederick MCKNIGHT, Russell Geoffrey	118.76HA	40.2km NW'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 35' S Long: 121° 5' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Mining Lease	40/351	DIXON, Trevor John	66.50HA	52.6km S'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 21' S Long: 121° 25' E	MENZIES 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: 3 November 2021

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 **3 February 2022**. 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. 3 March 2022**), 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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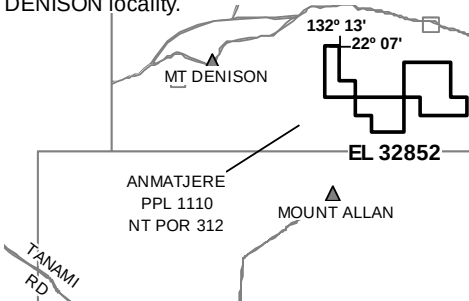
NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF EXPLORATION LICENCES

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.

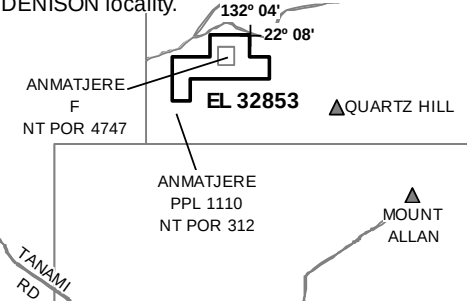
Applications to which this notice applies:

Exploration Licence 32852 sought by PEGMATITE ONE PTY LTD, ACN 652 853 391 over an area of 18 Blocks (58 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the DENISON locality.



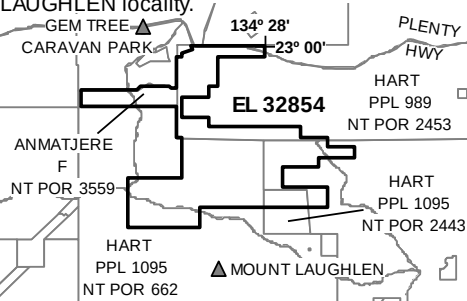
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Exploration Licence 32853 sought by PEGMATITE ONE PTY LTD, ACN 652 853 391 over an area of 8 Blocks (26 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the DENISON locality.



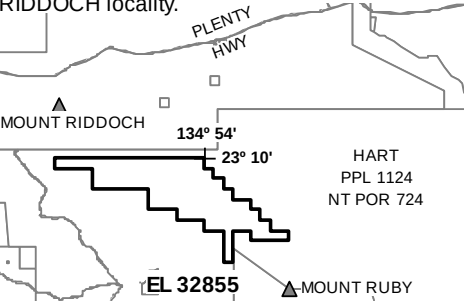
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Exploration Licence 32854 sought by PEGMATITE ONE PTY LTD, ACN 652 853 391 over an area of 206 Blocks (636 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the LAUGHLEN locality.



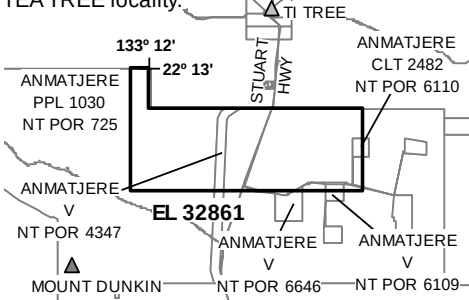
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Exploration Licence 32855 sought by PEGMATITE ONE PTY LTD, ACN 652 853 391 over an area of 86 Blocks (272 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the RIDDOCH locality.



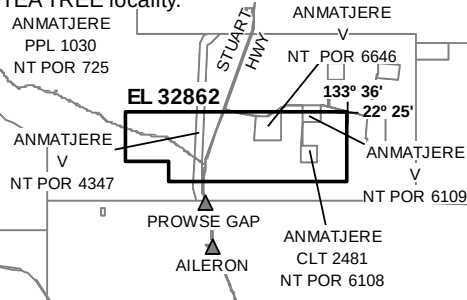
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Exploration Licence 32861 sought by PEGMATITE ONE PTY LTD, ACN 652 853 391 over an area of 208 Blocks (661 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the TEA TREE locality.



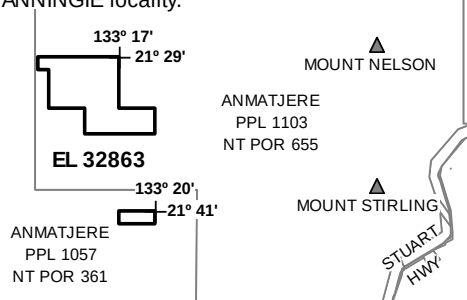
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Exploration Licence 32862 sought by PEGMATITE ONE PTY LTD, ACN 652 853 391 over an area of 165 Blocks (524 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the TEA TREE locality.



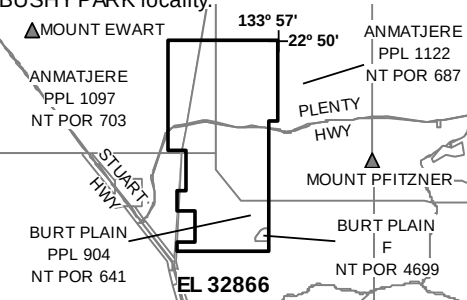
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Exploration Licence 32863 sought by PEGMATITE ONE PTY LTD, ACN 652 853 391 over an area of 40 Blocks (128 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the ANNINGIE locality.



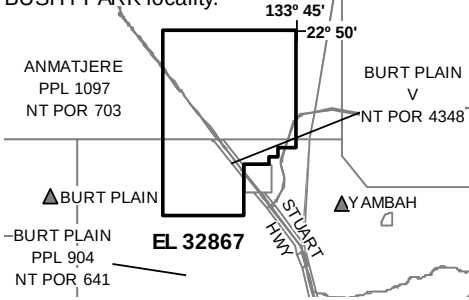
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Exploration Licence 32866 sought by PEGMATITE ONE PTY LTD, ACN 652 853 391 over an area of 219 Blocks (693 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the BUSHY PARK locality.



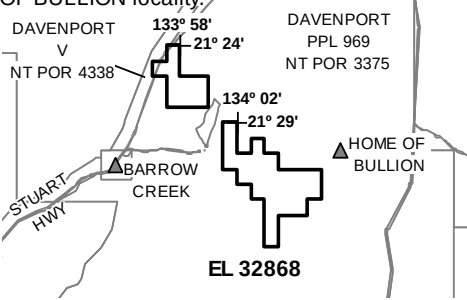
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Exploration Licence 32867 sought by PEGMATITE ONE PTY LTD, ACN 652 853 391 over an area of 250 Blocks (789 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the H BUSHY PARK locality.



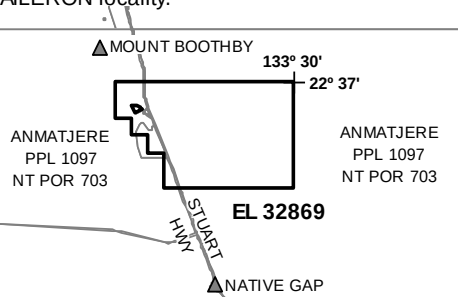
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Exploration Licence 32868 sought by PEGMATITE ONE PTY LTD, ACN 652 853 391 over an area of 32 Blocks (103 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the HOME OF BULLION locality.



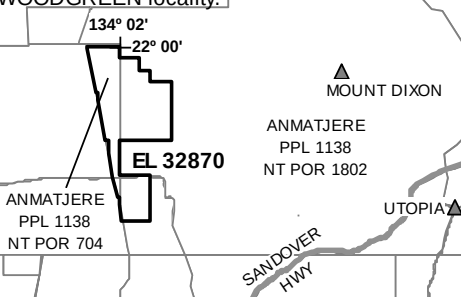
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Exploration Licence 32869 sought by PEGMATITE ONE PTY LTD, ACN 652 853 391 over an area of 57 Blocks (181 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the AILERON locality.



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Exploration Licence 32870 sought by PEGMATITE ONE PTY LTD, ACN 652 853 391 over an area of 67 Blocks (199 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the WOODGREEN locality.



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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.

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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: 3 November 2021

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Notice of a compensation application in relation to an area in Western Australia

Notification day: 17 November 2021

An application has been made to the Federal Court of Australia (**Federal Court**) seeking a determination of compensation for the loss, impairment, diminution or extinguishment of native title rights and interests in the area described below.

Details of the extinguishing act(s)

1. Compensation is claimed for the act or acts in paragraph 2 (**Compensable Act**) on the basis that the Compensable Act (including the exercise of rights under or pursuant to the Compensable Act) have affected (but not wholly extinguished) native title rights and interests in the Application Area, except that compensation is only claimed for that part of the Compensable Act which is within the Application Area.
2. The grant and any extensions of the term of the following mining tenement pursuant to the *Mining Act 1978* (WA) which the Applicant understands to currently be held by Kimberley Granite Holdings Pty Ltd: a. Exploration Licence E80/4934 granted on 12 April 2016.

Once a compensation application has been made under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth), and if there is no determination of native title in the area covered by the application, the Federal Court must make a concurrent determination about whether or not native title exists in that particular area. If the Federal Court decides that native title has not been extinguished, it must decide who holds the native title. If native title rights and interests are found to have been affected, the Federal Court must determine whether any compensation is payable.

If you want to become a party to this application, you must file a Form 5 (Notice of Intention to become a Party) with the Federal Court, **on or before 16 February 2022**. Further information regarding how to file a Form 5 is available from www.fedcourt.gov.au. After **16 February 2022**, you will need to seek leave from the Federal Court to become a party.



Application name: Malarngowem Aboriginal Corporation RNTBC and State of Western Australia

Federal Court File No: WAD203/2021

Date filed: 2 September 2021

Relevant Determination: *John on behalf of the Malarngowem Native Title Claim Group v State of Western Australia* [2019] FCA 697

Description: The application area covers about 45 sq km and is located approximately 45 km north of Halls Creek and 95 km southwest of Warman

Relevant LGA: Shire of Halls Creek

For assistance and further information about this application, call Claire Smith on 08 6317 5333 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.



WaterNSW Lower Bogan River Water Source

WaterNSW has received an application from **Stuart MacAlpine** to amend an approval for a **Water Supply Work** by replacing a work with a 660mm pump, with a capacity of 1,390 l/s, an increase 890 l/s at Lot 6062 DP 768919, Parish Tubba, County Cowper. The application relates to Lower Bogan River Water Source, on Bogan River, subject to The Water Sharing Plan for Macquarie Bogan Unregulated Rivers Water Sources 2012.

Objections must be submitted in writing to **WaterNSW, PO Box 10, WAGGA WAGGA NSW 2650** or to customer.helpdesk@waterNSW.com.au Objections must specify the grounds of the Objection and contain the name, address and signature (or authentication) of the Objector. You may use the Objection form waterNSW.com.au/advertising-and-objections. All Objections should reference Application Number **A027659**. 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 Specialist**, on 1300 662 077 or by email customer.helpdesk@waterNSW.com.au.

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WaterNSW Hunter Regulated River Water Source

WaterNSW has received an application from **Gordon William, Janice Marion, Grant Adrian & Michelle Louise Whatham** to amend an approval for a **Water Supply Work and Water Use** by replacing a work, with a 125mm Centrifugal Pump with a capacity of 70 l/s, an increase of 57 l/s at Lot 21, DP 1150585, Parish of Branxton, County of Northumberland. The application relates to Hunter Regulated River Water Source, on Hunter River, subject to Hunter Regulated River Water Source 2016 Water Sharing Plan.

Objections must be submitted in writing to **WaterNSW, PO Box 398, Parramatta NSW 2124** or to customer.helpdesk@waterNSW.com.au Objections must specify the grounds of the Objection and contain the name, address and signature (or authentication) of the Objector. You may use the Objection form waterNSW.com.au/advertising-and-objections. All Objections should reference Application Number **A027843**. 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 **Paula Douglas, Water Regulation Officer**, on 1300 662 077 or by email customer.helpdesk@waterNSW.com.au.

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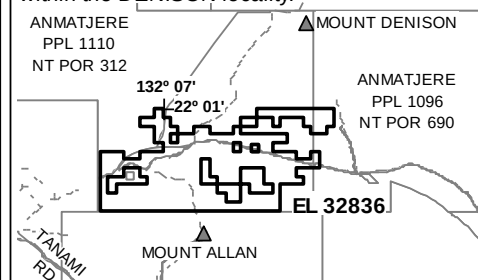
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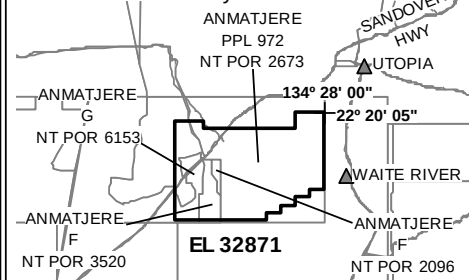
Applications to which this notice applies:

Exploration Licence 32836 sought by CONSOLIDATE LITHIUM TRADING PTY LTD, ACN 644 114 170 over an area of 205 Blocks (650 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the DENISON locality.



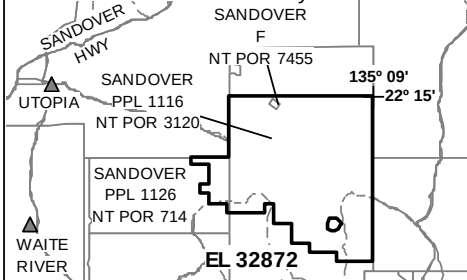
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Exploration Licence 32871 sought by PEGMATITE ONE PTY LTD, ACN 652 853 391 over an area of 244 Blocks (775 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the WOODGREEN locality.



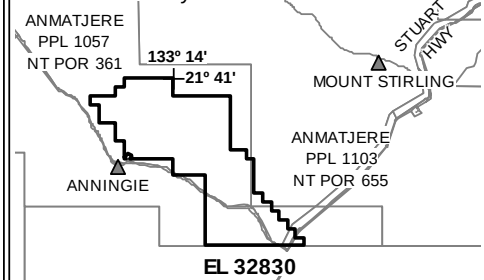
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Exploration Licence 32872 sought by PEGMATITE ONE PTY LTD, ACN 652 853 391 over an area of 244 Blocks (765 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the MACDONALD DOWNS locality.



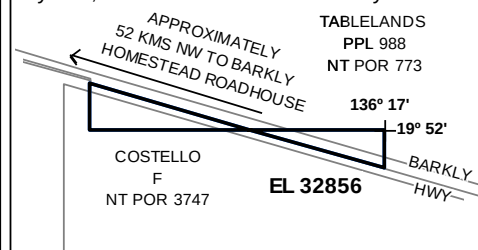
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Exploration Licence 32830 sought by PURE MINING PTY LTD, ACN 627 691 721 over an area of 207 Blocks (654 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the ANNINGIE locality.



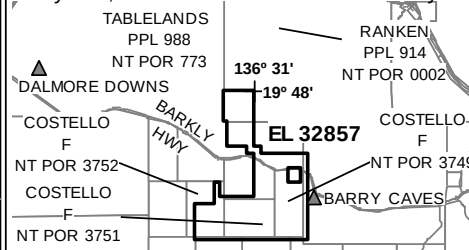
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Exploration Licence 32856 sought by JONATHAN WEST, INCA MINERALS LIMITED, ACN 128 512 907 AND MRG RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 614 946 164 over an area of 3 Blocks (1 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the WONARAH locality.



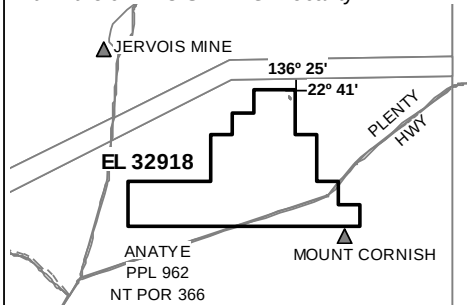
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Exploration Licence 32857 sought by JONATHAN WEST, INCA MINERALS LIMITED, ACN 128 512 907 AND MRG RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 614 946 164 over an area of 187 Blocks (586 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the BARRY CAVES locality.



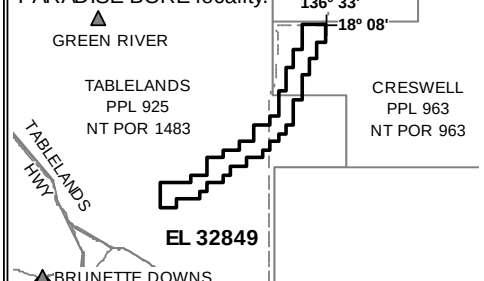
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Exploration Licence 32918 sought by ANTHONY WRIGHT over an area of 36 Blocks (15 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the JERVOIS RANGE locality.



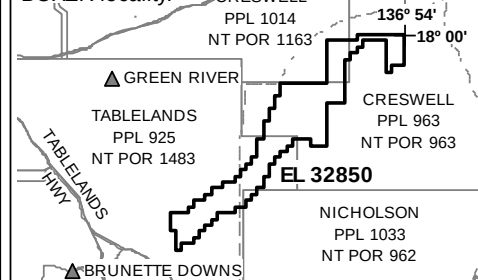
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Exploration Licence 32849 sought by XAVIER RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 623 262 304 over an area of 71 Blocks (232 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the PARADISE BORE locality.



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Exploration Licence 32850 sought by XAVIER RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 623 262 304 over an area of 249 Blocks (813 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the BOXER locality.



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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 Centrepont Building 48-50 Smith Street Darwin NT 0800, telephone (08) 8999 5322.

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Notification Day: 3 November 2021

WaterNSW

Mole River Water Source

WaterNSW has received an application from **David John Caldwell and Sarah Caldwell** to amend an approval for a **Water Supply Work** by adding a 65mm pump with a capacity of 6 l/s an increase of 6 l/s at Lot 3 DP751515, Parish of Gibraltar, County of Clive. The application relates to the Mole River Water Source on the Mole River, subject to Water Sharing Plan for the NSW Border Rivers Unregulated River Water Sources 2012. Objections must be submitted in writing to **WaterNSW, PO Box 829, Albury NSW 2640** or customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au. Objections must specify the grounds of the Objection and contain the name, address and signature (or authentication) of the Objector. You may use the Objection form waternsw.com.au/advertising-and-objections. All Objections should reference Application Number **A027529**. 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 **Stephanie Wight, Water Regulation Specialist**, on 1300 662 077 or by email customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au

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WaterNSW

Macquarie And Cudgegong Regulated Rivers Water Source

Water NSW has received an application from **David Burnett Ramsay** to amend an approval for a **Water Supply Work** by replacing a work, with a 900mm diversion pipe with a capacity of 1735 l/sec an increase of 225 l/sec at Lot 2 DP1238265, Parish of Bebrue, County of Gregory. The application relates to Macquarie and Cudgegong Regulated Rivers Water Source, on Bulgeraga Creek, subject to the Water Sharing plan for the Macquarie and Cudgegong Regulated Rivers Water Source 2016. Objections must be submitted in writing to **Water NSW, PO Box 829 Albury NSW 2640** or customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au. Objections must specify the grounds of the Objection and contain the name, address and signature (or authentication) of the Objector. You may use the Objection form waternsw.com.au/advertising-and-objections. All Objections should reference Application Number **A026265**. 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 **Stephanie Wight, Water Regulation Specialist**, on 1300 662 077 or by email customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au

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WaterNSW

Sydney Basin Central Groundwater Source

WaterNSW has received an application from **Regent Holdings Group Pty Ltd** for an approval for a **Water Supply Work**, for 4 X excavations and 4 X submersible 80mm pumps with a capacity of 0.6 ML / year at LOTS 17, 18, 19 AND 20 / DP15830, Parish of ST.GEORGE, County of CUMBERLAND. The application relates to The Sydney Basin Central Groundwater Source, subject to The Greater Metropolitan Region Groundwater Sources 2011 Water Sharing Plan. Objections must be submitted in writing to **WaterNSW, PO BOX 398, PARRAMATTA NSW 2124** or customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au. Objections must specify the grounds of the Objection and contain the name, address and signature (or authentication) of the Objector. You may use the Objection form waternsw.com.au/advertising-and-objections. All Objections should reference Application Number **A27861**. 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, Water Regulation Specialist**, on 1300 662 077 or by email customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au.

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WaterNSW

Gunnedah-Oxley Basin Mdb Groundwater Source, and Upper Namoi Zone 6, Tributaries of The Liverpool Range (South To pine ridge road) groundwater source

WaterNSW has received an application from **Annangrove Agriculture Pty Ltd** to amend an approval for a **Water Supply Work and Water Use** by adding works;

- a bore, with a capacity of 50ML/year at Lot 5 DP 1255766;
- a bore with a capacity of 50ML/year at Lot 6 DP 1255766;
- a bore with a capacity of 50ML/year at Lot 82 DP 1255767;
- a bore with a capacity of 50ML/year at Lot 391 DP 556635;
- a bore with a capacity of 50ML/year at Lot 58 DP 751033;
- a bore with a capacity of 50ML/year at Lot 61 DP 751033;
- a bore with a capacity of 50ML/year at Lot 79 DP 751033;
- a bore with a capacity of 50ML/year at Lot 170 DP 751033;
- a bore with a capacity of 50ML/year at Lot 171 DP 751033;
- a bore with a capacity of 50ML/year at Lot 180 DP 751033;
- a bore with a capacity of 50ML/year at Lot 181 DP 751033;
- a bore with a capacity of 50ML/year at Lot 202 DP 751033, all Parish of Warrah, County of Buckland; and
- two bores with a capacity of 50ML/year at Lot 3 DP 978937 Parish of Parsons Hill, County of Buckland and

Adding land for the purpose of irrigation, located at Lot 3 DP 978937 Parish of Parsons Hill, Lot 7 DP 1102933 and Lot 82 DP 1255767 Parish of Warrah, all County of Buckland. The application relates to the Gunnedah-Oxley Basin Mdb Groundwater Source, subject to The NSW Murray Darling Basin Porous Rock Groundwater Sources 2020 Water Sharing Plan; and the Upper Namoi Zone 6, Tributaries of The Liverpool Range (South To pine ridge road) groundwater source, subject to the Namoi Alluvial Groundwater Sources 2020 Water Sharing Plan. Objections must be submitted in writing to **WaterNSW, PO Box 1251 Tamworth NSW 2340** or customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au. Objections must specify the grounds of the Objection and contain the name, address and signature (or authentication) of the Objector. You may use the Objection form waternsw.com.au/advertising-and-objections. All Objections should reference Application Number **A027602**. 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 Specialist**, on 1300 662 077 or by email customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au

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WaterNSW

New England Fold Belt Coast Groundwater Source

WaterNSW has received an application from **Justin Jaspal Singh Hundle, Aditi Singh Hundle, Kuldip Singh and Abilash Kaur Singh** to amend an approval for a **Water Supply Work and Water Use** by adding a Bore with a capacity of 50 ML/year at Lot 2 DP 1254449, Parish Moonee, County Fitzroy. The application relates to the New England Fold Belt Coast Groundwater Source, subject to the Water Sharing Plan for North Coast Fractured and Porous Rock Groundwater Sources 2016. Objections must be submitted in writing to **Water NSW, PO Box 1400, Grafton, NSW 2460** or by email to customer.helpdesk@ waternsw.com.au . Objections must specify the grounds of the Objection and contain the name, address and signature (or authentication) of the Objector. You may use the Objection form waternsw.com.au/advertising-and-objections. All Objections should reference Application Number **A028272**. 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 **Mark Bonner, Water Regulation Specialist**, on 1300 662 077 or by email customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au.

KH1788

WaterNSW

Upper Hunter LGA

WaterNSW has received an application from **Dunnett Rural Property Pty Limited** to amend an approval for a **Water Use** – additional land for the purpose of irrigation, located at Lots 33, 34, 35 & 157 of DP750946, Parish of Nerobingabla, County of Brisbane. Objections must be submitted in writing to **WaterNSW, PO Box 398, Parramatta NSW 2124** or customer.helpdesk@ waternsw.com.au . Objections must specify the grounds of the Objection and contain the name, address and signature (or authentication) of the Objector. You may use the Objection form waternsw.com.au/advertising-and-objections. All Objections should reference Application Number **A027736**. 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 **Nicole Gleeson-Lendon, Water Regulation Officer** on 1300 662 077 or by email customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au.

KH1787

WaterNSW

NSW Murray Regulated River Water Source Murray Below Mulwala Water Source

WaterNSW has received an application from **Michael John Duggan and Angela Jane Duggan** for an approval for a **Water Supply Work and Water Use**, for a pump with a capacity of 13 l/s at Lot 3 DP704379, Parish of Mathoura, County of Cadell, and water use for irrigation at Lot 2 DP717676, Parish of Mathoura, County of Cadell. This part of the application relates to NSW Murray Regulated River Water Source on Gulpa Creek, subject to the Water Sharing Plan for the New South Wales Murray and Lower Darling Regulated Rivers Water Sources 2016, and Three (3) off creek storages at Lot 2 DP717676, Parish of Mathoura, County of Cadell. This part of the application relates to the Murray below Mulwala Water Source subject to the Water Sharing Plan for the Murray Unregulated River Water Sources 2011. Objections must be submitted in writing to **Water NSW, PO Box 453, Deniliquin NSW 2710** or to customer.helpdesk@ waternsw.com.au. Objections must specify the grounds of the Objection and contain the name, address and signature (or authentication) of the Objector. You may use the Objection form waternsw.com.au/advertising-and-objections. All Objections should reference Application Number **A027694**. 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 **Jenny Campion, Water Regulation Specialist**, on 1300 662 077 or by email customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au.

KH1790

Notice of an application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements in South Australia

Notification day: 10 November 2021



SI2021/001 Barngarla Determination ILUA (No. 2)

Description of the agreement area:

The agreement area covers approx. 80 sq km, located over Port Augusta and the northern reaches of the Spencer Gulf

Relevant LGA: Port Augusta City Council

Parties to the agreement and their contact addresses:

Attorney-General for South Australia c/- Crown Solicitor's Office GPO Box 464 ADELAIDE SA 5001	Barry Croft on behalf of the Barngarla People; Barngarla Determination Aboriginal Corporation RNTBC c/- Norman Waterhouse Lawyers Level 11, 431 King William Street, ADELAIDE SA 5000
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The agreement contains the following statements:
[Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal]
12.3 [To the extent (if any) that the Vesting, being the vesting of Adjacent Land and Subjacent Land in the Minister for Transport under the Harbors and Navigation Act 1993 (SA) (**HNA**), is an invalid Future Act, the Parties agree to its validity];
12.5 [To the extent that the Vesting is a valid Category A intermediate period act the Parties agree to change the effects that are provided for by s 36B of the Native Title (South Australia) Act 1994 (SA) in relation to the Vesting];
13.1 [To the extent it is a Future Act the Parties consent to the issue of a Certificate of Title pursuant to s 115A of the Real Property Act 1886 in relation to any Adjacent Land or Subjacent Land];
13.12 The surrender of Native Title pursuant to this clause will take place on the date of issue of the Certificate of Title and wholly extinguishes the surrendered Native Title.
13.13 [The Parties consent to any surrender of native title which may occur pursuant to clause 13];
13.15 [The Parties agree that Subdivision P of Part 2 Division 3 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) (**NTA**) (Right to Negotiate) is not intended to apply to the issue of a Certificate of Title or the surrender of Native Title pursuant to clause 13];
15.1 [To the extent that the following acts or classes of acts are invalid Future Acts, the Parties agree to their validity]:
15.1.1 [The grant of Certificate of Title volume 4401 folio 598 and of Certificate of Title volume 5435 folio 337 over allotments 84 and 85 in Deposited Plan 36449 to the City of Port Augusta in trust for Arid Lands Botanic Park Purposes (now comprised of Allotment 184 in Filed Plan 37165 and Allotment 85 in Deposited Plan 36449 held in Certificate of Title volume 5435 folio 337)];
15.1.2 [The grant of interests in the following parcels of land the Hundred of Copley: D74495A1, D74495A12, D74495A5, D74495A6, D74495A7, D74495A8, D74495A9, D113021A9];
15.1.3 [The construction or establishment of the Joy Baluch AM Bridge Duplication Project in respect of portion of Allotment 2 in Deposited Plan 67521 held in Crown Record Volume 5956 Folio 236 and unnumbered land which is Adjacent Land or Subjacent Land];
15.1.4 [The construction or establishment of Public Works, which is defined in the NTA and includes the land or waters referred to in s 251D, that were commenced to be constructed or established before the Execution Date];
15.4 [The Barngarla Determination Aboriginal Corporation RNTBC (**Corporation**) and the Barngarla People surrender to the State all of their Native Title in the land referred to in clauses 15.1.2 and 15.1.3; and the following parcels of land in the Hundred of Copley: D11374A49; D11374A50; D11374A54; T540201A790; T540201A791; T540201A792; T540201A793; T540201A794; T540201A795; T540201A796; T540201A797; T540201A798; T540201A799; T540201A800; T540201A801; T540201A802; T540201A803; T540201A804; T540201A805; D74495A10; D74495A11];
15.5 The surrender of Native Title pursuant to clause 15.4 will take place on the Registration Date and wholly extinguishes the surrendered Native Title.
16.1 [The Parties consent to the doing by the State of, or to any approval given by the State for the doing of, all Future Acts except those referred to in clause 16.2 after the Registration Date];
16.2 [No consent is given to an act which is a Future Act done pursuant to Mining Act 1971 (SA), Opal Mining Act 1995 (SA), Petroleum Act 1940 (SA) or Petroleum and Geothermal Energy Act 2000 (SA), or that otherwise creates a right to mine (other than for the construction of an Infrastructure Facility as defined in the NTA), or varies a right to mine to extend the area to which it relates; the compulsory acquisition of Native Title; or, except as provided for in clauses 13, 19, 20 and 21, an act that results in the grant or vesting of an interest in fee simple, the grant of easements, or the grant of a lease or licence under the Crown Land Management Act 2009 (SA) (**CLMA**)];
16.5 [The Parties agree that Subdivision P of Part 2 Division 3 of the NTA is not intended to apply to the acts or activities consented to];
19 [The Parties consent to Future Acts that are the grant of an easement over Native Title Land for the operation of infrastructure that is in existence at the date of the Port Augusta Determination, being the Federal Court determination of SAD6011/1998 (24 September 2021); the construction of facilities for services to the public of a type covered by s 24KA of the NTA; and to provide access to the land or waters subject to an easement or to other land or waters, as long as such right of way is for personal or domestic use];
20.1 [The Parties consent to the grant (including the renewal, extension or re-grant) by the State of leases over Native Title Land under the CLMA or any other Act where the lease (including any renewal, extension or re-grant) is granted for a total term of not more than 30 years; the lessee is the State or a Council or the lessee is an entity providing community health services or not-for-profit community services; and the lessee is not permitted to use the leased land solely or primarily for commercial or business purposes unless such activities are undertaken on a not-for-profit basis].
20.2 The Parties consent to the grant of a lease to the Corporation for any purpose and for any term.
21 [The Parties consent to the grant (including the renewal, extension or re-grant) by the State of licences under the CLMA or any other Act over Native Title Land where the term of the licence is not longer than three years and the licence does not allow for exclusive possession of the licenced land];
[Adjacent Land and Subjacent Land have the meaning given to those terms in s 4(1) of the HNA];
Native Title Land means the land and waters over which native title is determined to exist in the Port Augusta Determination and in relation to which Native Title has not been subsequently extinguished.

Responses to an application to register an ILUA—where the application has not been certified:
Any person claiming to hold native title in relation to land or waters in the area covered by the agreement may wish, in response to this notice, to make a native title determination application or equivalent application under a law of a state or territory in respect of any part of the area. **The application must be made by 10 February 2022.** If that application is registered on the Register of Native Title Claims, the registered native title claimants must be a party to this agreement before it can be registered.

Details of the terms of the agreement are not available from the National Native Title Tribunal. For assistance and further information about this application, call Dianne Drake on 02 8099 8500 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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WaterNSW

Lower Murray Groundwater Source

WaterNSW has received an application from **Morris Clifford Twigg** to amend an approval for a **Water Supply Work and Water Use** by adding two new bores with a capacity of 1500ML/year an increase of 220ML/year at Lot 251 DP545743, Parish of Sandy Ridges, County of Hume and adding land for the purpose of Irrigation, located at Lots 72 and 87 in DP753759, Lot 1 in DP114530, Lot 252 in DP545743, Lot 2 DP1044326 and Lot 4 in DP104327, Parish of Sandy Ridges, County of Hume. The application relates to the Lower Murray Groundwater Source, subject to the Water Sharing plan for the Murray Alluvial Groundwater Sources 2020.

Objections must be submitted in writing to **Water NSW, PO Box 829, Albury NSW 2640** or customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au . Objections must specify the grounds of the Objection and contain the name, address and signature (or authentication) of the Objector. You may use the Objection form waternsw.com.au/advertising-and-objections. All Objections should reference Application Number **A027953**. 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 **Stephanie Wight, Water Regulation Specialist**, on 1300 662 077 or by email customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au.

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WaterNSW

New England Fold Belt MDB Groundwater Source

WaterNSW has received an application from **Scarrabelotti Holdings Pty Ltd** for an approval for a **Water Supply Work**, for a bore with a capacity of 75 ML/year at Lot 6 in DP 751523, Parish of Jeffrey, County of Clive; and two bores each with a capacity of 75 ML/year at Lot 1 in DP 751523, Parish of Jeffrey, County of Clive. The application relates to New England Fold Belt MDB Groundwater Source, subject to the NSW Murray Darling Basin Fractured Rock Groundwater Sources 2020.

Objections must be submitted in writing to **WaterNSW, PO Box 1251 TAMWORTH NSW 2340** or to customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au Objections must specify the grounds of the Objection and contain the name, address and signature (or authentication) of the Objector. You may use the Objection form waternsw.com.au/advertising-and-objections. All Objections should reference Application Number **A027945**. 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 Specialist**, on 1300 662 077 or by email customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au.

KH1768

WaterNSW

GWYDIR REGULATED RIVER WATER SOURCE

WaterNSW has received an application from **Hugh Steven Coulton** to amend an approval for a **Water Supply Work** by replacing a work, with 2 x 65mm pumps, each with a capacity of 25 l/sec a total increase of 37 l/sec at Lot 1 DP617889, Parish of Clare, County of Burnett. The application relates to the Gwydir Regulated Rivers Water Source on the Gwydir River subject to the Water Sharing Plan for the Gwydir Regulated Rivers Water Source 2016.

Objections must be submitted in writing to **Water NSW, PO Box 829 ALBURY NSW 2640** or customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au. Objections must specify the grounds of the Objection and contain the name, address and signature (or authentication) of the Objector. You may use the Objection form waternsw.com.au/advertising-and-objections. All Objections should reference Application Number **A027408**. 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 **Stephanie Wight, Water Regulation Specialist**, on 1300 662 077 or by email customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au.

KH1762



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	08/3398	GOLDVALLEY BROWN STONE PTY LTD	60BL	52.5km E'ly of Onslow	Lat: 21° 44' S. Long: 115° 36' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	15/1744	KALGOORLIE MINING ASSOCIATES PTY LTD	26BL	16.9km NW'ly of Coolgardie	Lat: 30° 51' S. Long: 121° 1' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	15/1831	BELRES PTY LTD	56BL	50.4km SW'ly of Coolgardie	Lat: 31° 20' S. Long: 120° 53' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	15/1834	BELRES PTY LTD	50BL	74.3km SW'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 31° 38' S. Long: 121° 4' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	16/534	BULLETIN RESOURCES LIMITED	21BL	26.9km SW'ly of Broad Arrow	Lat: 30° 37' S. Long: 121° 8' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE, KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	28/3129	79 EXPLORATION PTY LTD	51BL	132km E'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 31° 13' S. Long: 123° 3' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	28/3150	JINDALEE RESOURCES LIMITED	3BL	113.7km S'ly of Edjudina	Lat: 30° 46' S. Long: 122° 47' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	28/3151	JINDALEE RESOURCES LIMITED	1BL	111.6km S'ly of Edjudina	Lat: 30° 45' S. Long: 122° 45' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	28/3152	JINDALEE RESOURCES LIMITED	1BL	109.4km S'ly of Edjudina	Lat: 30° 44' S. Long: 122° 44' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	28/3153	JINDALEE RESOURCES LIMITED	1BL	107.1km S'ly of Edjudina	Lat: 30° 43' S. Long: 122° 43' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	28/3158	MOONYOORA MINERALS PTY LTD	1BL	130km E'ly of Edjudina	Lat: 30° 12' S. Long: 123° 37' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	28/3161	ORECORP HOLDINGS PTY LTD	6BL	95.1km S'ly of Edjudina	Lat: 30° 39' S. Long: 122° 34' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	29/1135	COBALT PROSPECTING PTY LTD	69BL	70.8km W'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 53' S. Long: 120° 36' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	29/1137	COBALT PROSPECTING PTY LTD	45BL	77.9km W'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 41' S. Long: 120° 33' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	29/1140	NARRYER RESOURCES PTY LTD	27BL	14.2km E'ly of Menzies	Lat: 29° 39' S. Long: 121° 10' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	30/535	DALLA-COSTA, Melville Raymond	6BL	76.3km W'ly of Menzies	Lat: 29° 31' S. Long: 120° 16' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	30/536	GOLDZONE INVESTMENTS PTY LTD	12BL	75.5km W'ly of Menzies	Lat: 29° 40' S. Long: 120° 15' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	31/1265	STRADA D'ORO PTY LTD	50BL	22.9km SW'ly of Edjudina	Lat: 29° 57' S. Long: 122° 11' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	36/982	NORTHERN STAR (MKO) PTY LTD	3BL	63.9km NE'ly of Leinster	Lat: 27° 23' S. Long: 120° 58' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	36/998	GIARD PTY LTD	7BL	32km NE'ly of Leinster	Lat: 27° 42' S. Long: 120° 54' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	37/1388	AUSTRALIAN POTASH LIMITED	60BL	75.7km E'ly of Leinster	Lat: 27° 44' S. Long: 121° 26' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/3648	FORMIDABLE RESOURCES PTY LTD	2BL	40.6km S'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 58' S. Long: 122° 17' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/3661	FOCUS MINERALS (LAVERTON) PTY LIMITED	4BL	10.2km NE'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 34' S. Long: 122° 29' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	39/2265	MINING EQUITIES PTY LTD	5BL	38.6km N'ly of Edjudina	Lat: 29° 29' S. Long: 122° 30' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/5730	PACIFIC TRENDS RESOURCES PTY LTD	38BL	82.9km E'ly of Goldsworthy	Lat: 20° 30' S. Long: 120° 17' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/5731	PACIFIC TRENDS RESOURCES PTY LTD	16BL	59.1km E'ly of Goldsworthy	Lat: 20° 24' S. Long: 120° 5' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/5732	PACIFIC TRENDS RESOURCES PTY LTD	30BL	45.8km E'ly of Goldsworthy	Lat: 20° 20' S. Long: 119° 57' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/6010	FMG RESOURCES PTY LTD	200BL	222km NE'ly of Telfer	Lat: 20° 9' S. Long: 123° 35' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	51/2062	GREAT WESTERN EXPLORATION LIMITED	70BL	62.3km NW'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 26° 22' S. Long: 119° 39' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	51/2063	GREAT WESTERN EXPLORATION LIMITED	70BL	53.8km NW'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 26° 18' S. Long: 119° 47' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE, WILUNA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	63/2129	CHARGER METALS NL	8BL	113.2km SE'ly of Marvel Loch	Lat: 32° 0' S. Long: 120° 30' E	DUNDAS SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	24/5533-4	RENTON, Darrall James	206.45HA	7.3km S'ly of Ora Banda	Lat: 30° 26' S. Long: 121° 3' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	25/2716	METAL HAWK LIMITED	9.26HA	23.2km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 48' S. Long: 121° 42' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	26/4626	CHAPMAN, Morgan Leslie	184.63HA	10km W'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 43' S. Long: 121° 22' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	26/4627-9	CHAPMAN, Morgan Leslie	399.28HA	12.7km NW'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 41' S. Long: 121° 21' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	27/2499	EVOLUTION MINING (MUNGARI) PTY LTD	0.42HA	24.6km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 33' S. Long: 121° 34' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	37/9493	KEIR, Samuel Isaac	106.12HA	37.3km E'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 49' S. Long: 121° 42' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/9495	MT MALCOLM GOLD HOLDINGS PTY LTD	133.36HA	19.8km E'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 56' S. Long: 121° 31' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/9535-6	SHEEDY, Ryan Russell	382.96HA	38.1km E'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 58' S. Long: 121° 42' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/9537	FRIELING, Ronald	118.80HA	38.1km E'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 57' S. Long: 121° 42' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/9538	KRAMER, Jornden Dennis	133.14HA	38.5km E'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 59' S. Long: 121° 42' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/9539	AVENIRA LIMITED	17.63HA	61.7km E'ly of Leinster	Lat: 27° 52' S. Long: 121° 19' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/9541	NAVIGATOR MINING PTY LTD	179.12HA	32.7km NE'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 43' S. Long: 121° 36' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/9550	MURRAY-COX, Peter Mark	9.83HA	6.4km E'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 52' S. Long: 121° 23' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/9552-3	OZZ RESOURCES LIMITED	348.96HA	19.7km NW'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 43' S. Long: 121° 14' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	39/6264	14 MILE WELL GOLD PTY LTD	9.61HA	58.5km SW'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 58' S. Long: 121° 57' E	LAVERTON SHIRE, LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	39/6265	14 MILE WELL GOLD PTY LTD	0.70HA	57.9km SW'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 57' S. Long: 121° 56' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	39/6276	ORGOVAN, Misko Reginald	157.09HA	56.3km E'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 59' S. Long: 121° 53' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	46/2032	BANN PROSPECTING PTY LTD	199.97HA	28.6km NE'ly of Nullagine	Lat: 21° 46' S. Long: 120° 21' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	46/2033-6	BANN PROSPECTING PTY LTD	799.03HA	29.7km NE'ly of Nullagine	Lat: 21° 46' S. Long: 120° 22' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	51/3242-3 & 51/3247	SENSORE YILGARN VENTURES PTY LTD	441.95HA	12.9km SE'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 26° 40' S. Long: 118° 35' 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 exploration licences, which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals for a term of 5 years from the date of grant.

Notification day: 3 November 2021

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 **3 February 2022**. 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. 3 March 2022**), 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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The Indigenous XI cricket team that played in a tournament with the Croatian Mediterranean Cricket League side in Perth recently. *Picture: Supplied*

Middle stump initiative gaining traction



YAMAJI/Nyoongar man Clint Dann's initiative to bring traditional Aboriginal culture and art into all forms of cricket received a welcome boost in Perth recently.

Dann's Aboriginal Artwork Middle Stump Initiative (AAMSI) took centre stage

at a series of matches between Aboriginal and Croatian cricket teams.

An Indigenous XI and the Croatian Mediterranean Cricket League played a series of T10 (ten overs) games.

Dann's AAMSI is where the middle-stump of the wickets is painted with traditional Aboriginal artwork.

The tournament in Perth was weeks in the making.

Dann's ultimate goal is to see his plan taken up by Cricket Australia and, ultimately, the Australian team, domestically and in internationals, and in any of the current multiple formats of the game which include Tests, Sheffield

Shield, 50-over and ODIs and T20s in the men's and women's Big Bash Leagues.

Dann, who played over 100 A-grade games in the former WACA competition in Perth, began his venture in 2017.

AAMSI has since been adopted by various amateur cricket clubs around the country.

A-Leagues set for a new-look finals series



A REVAMPED A-League Men's finals series will feature a pair of semifinal ties played over two legs as part of an expanded four-week climax to the 2021/22 season.

The new format for the six-team finals series was unveiled last week along with the full 26-round regular-season fixture.

The league had previously only released the schedule for the first six rounds, to be played from November 19 in a conference system in order for clubs to work through existing state border closures and quarantine requirements.

Relaxed travel restrictions announced by most state governments, which will come into play before the end of the year have helped the league settle on the rest of the schedule.

However, question marks remain over Western Australia and New Zealand, with ALM officials hopeful Perth Glory and Wellington Phoenix will be able to play home games as normal from early in the new year.

Both clubs have schedules front-loaded with away fixtures.

Glory will host Adelaide United in round 1 and are scheduled to play home games in Perth again from January 15 onwards.

Phoenix, who played most home games in Wollongong last season, will again base themselves in New South Wales early this season.

It is hoped they will be able to play their home fixtures in Wellington from January



Western Sydney Wanderers' Tate Russell. *Picture: Getty Images*

29 onwards, but changes to the schedule may yet be required if WA and New Zealand travel restrictions are not eased.

"The draw anticipates border restrictions for WA and New Zealand being relaxed mid-January, but could be adjusted to facilitate earlier games in Perth and

Wellington if restrictions are eased sooner," the A-Leagues said in a statement last week.

Under the six-team finals format, third will host sixth and fourth will host fifth in one-off elimination finals.

The victors will take on the premiers and second-placed side over two legs in the semifinals, with the winners of those ties advancing to the grand final on May 28.

"The new format rewards the sides that finish first and second by eliminating the one-off semifinals, and it rewards the fans, who we know love finals football," O'Rourke said.

The 2021/22 season will feature the inaugural Club Championship, awarded to the clubs with the most success across both the men's and women's leagues.

It follows the merging of the two competitions, as well as the men's youth league, under a unified 'A-Leagues' banner.

"This season is a landmark moment for football in Australia," O'Rourke said.

"We are proud to be able to deliver another full and action-packed season for fans to access in more ways than ever before."

ALM matches will be broadcast on Network 10 and Paramount+ under a new broadcast arrangement this season.

Reigning champions Melbourne City have been given the honour of kicking off the regular season at home to Brisbane Roar on November 19, with Western Sydney and Sydney FC to do battle in a derby the following day. —AAP



Scott Boland

Boland batters Bluesmen



VIC speedster Scott Boland completed one of his finest innings with the ball in the Sheffield Shield cricket competition recently.

Boland claimed a combined 7/73 in the Vics' emphatic 204-run win over NSW in Sydney.

Boland had Blues opener Daniel Hughes out LBW for eight and the key wicket of Kurtis Patterson on 48.

He claimed two tailenders leg-before to wrap up the first innings.

In the Blues' second innings, Boland had Patterson again, this time for eight, and opener Matthew Gilkes who got a start at 20, before rattling the stumps of Jack Edwards for 11.

The two teams play again this week.

KO 50th-year exhibition gathering steam

ONE of the most exciting projects I am involved with at the moment is helping the state library celebrate 50 years of the Koori Knockout. I am on an advisory panel that includes some of the founding members of the Knockout, among others, and I must say I am loving sitting there and listening to some of these amazing stories the old fellas tell about the early days of the KO.

There will be a lot of opportunities for community to be involved and tell their stories and some of the researchers will be visiting various communities in February and March next year to gather items and information relating to the Knockout.

They will also have a videographer travelling with them who will be recording interviews and taking photographs to incorporate into the exhibition.

So basically they are gathering yarns whether you were a player, supporter or organiser with strong associations with the Knockout, or maybe you were a club representative. Either way, it's those stories and/or experiences from the Knockout that they want to hear. And they are after any memorabilia or photos from back in the day that they could borrow for the exhibition.

To start with, the places they plan to visit include Sydney, Walgett, Armidale, Dubbo, Tweed Heads, Newcastle, Kempsey, Nowra and Griffith. Other towns are on the list to be visited. It would be great to get everyone involved from all over the state.

Since I was young, I have great memories of the Knockout and what it meant to my hometown team, Narwan Eels.

My dad led Narwan to win the 1986 Knockout against Moree in one of the great finals of all time. We still worship that team back home in Armidale. They beat the highly fancied 'Rangs on their home turf in one of the gutsiest efforts in the Knockout.

The first 'super team' I could remember would be the great Walgett teams of the early 1990s that included Ricky Walford. They were an amazing team and won three Knockouts in a row.

The Redfern teams featuring Shane Phillips and the Nambucca team with Paul and Brett Davis were two teams I watched closely and learned a lot from. They were amazing to watch. Size and skill in abundance. Everyone would watch them wherever they played.

My favourite ever game was the Narwan versus Moree game at the Dubbo Knockout in 2000. We were a young and hungry side and the crowd at Apex Oval was packed! Two rival sides just went at it. We were kids coming through at Narwan with myself, Dennis Moran and Clarie Moran leading a young side. We came of age from that game. We had one of the biggest wins over the 'Rangs, too.

Of course my favourite KO win was with Narwan at the 2008 Knockout in Kingscliff. I was just so proud with what we achieved after tragedy struck on the final day.

I could go all day about KO football, but I hope this sparks everyone's interest in what will be a great exhibition and celebration of 50 years of the Koori Knockout.

**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.*



Dean Widders

GI plans a Macksville return with Sea Eagles

By KRIS FLANDERS



THE goanna-try celebration is returning to Australian rugby league with Greg Inglis set to make a

shock return.

NRL premiership winner Inglis has signed on to play with the Macksville Sea Eagles in the Group 2 competition on the NSW mid-north coast for the 2022 season.

The Macksville Rugby League club announced their marquee signing on social media.

"The Macksville Sea Eagles are proud to announce the signing of Greg Inglis for the 2022 Group 2 rugby league

season," the post read.

Inglis, 34, won premierships with Melbourne Storm in 2007 and 2009.

'GI' was awarded with the Clive Churchill Medal for his man-of-the-match performance in the 2007 decider.

From 2011-19 he played for South Sydney with whom he won a premiership in 2014.

The fullback/centre played 265 NRL games and notched up 32 matches for Queensland at State of Origin level where he was a try-scoring phenomenon, scoring 18.

Inglis represented Australia on 39 occasions for 31 tries and made four appearances for the Indigenous All Stars.

Following his retirement from the NRL, he played in the



Greg Inglis
Picture: Warrington Wolves

English Super League.

It's those types of stats that have the Macksville Sea-Eagles

faithful excited about what lies ahead.

"Greg looks forward to continuing his rugby league career in his hometown of Macksville," the club said.

"He is proud to once again play for the club as his father did back when he was growing up in the Nambucca Valley.

"It means a lot to him and his family to be playing for Macksville once again.

"The club and all its members would like to welcome Greg home and we are all looking forward to the 2022 season."

Macksville have won eight premierships in the Group 2 competition, the last in 2007.

Inglis' signing could help the Sea Eagles swoop toward a ninth title.

Erub United masters at Zenadth Kes

By ALF WILSON



FORMER NRL star Gideon Gela-Mosby and Queensland Cup hooker

Jayden Hodges combined to shine for Erub United in the grand final of the Zenadth Kes Rugby League carnival on Thursday Island recently.

United swamped Magun Warriors to win 20-8 in the

final to the delight of Erub coach Elia Ware.

"Magun Warriors played an aggressive brand of football and are a very physical team," he said.

"Their players have a real warrior mentality (but) my boys combined well as a team."

Gela-Mosby played 11 games for North Queensland in the NRL from 2017-19. His run with the ball from fullback in the final was relentless.

Hodges, who played 14 games in the NRL for the Cowboys and Manly from 2014-16, was crafty for Erub at hooker.

Ware pointed out wingers Marlow Saylor and Gibson Charlie, five-eighth Eddie Daniel, half-back Julian Christian, plus Gela-Mosby and Hodges, as standouts.

There was a noticeable buzz at the event, said Zenadth Kes Rugby League president Andrew Lui.

"There's always stories that start off with carnivals like this, such as great moments people will always remember and talk about for years to come," he said.

"How teams played, the comparison of teams and there's always a good atmosphere around during carnival time."

● Erub United RLFC men's team, the 2021 Zenadth Kes Rugby League champions.



Broncos embrace new arch-rivals



THE Brisbane Broncos will be up for the fight with the Dolphins, adamant that their admission into the NRL in 2023 can lift the club on and off the field.

Less than two weeks after their NRL existence was confirmed, Brisbane last week labelled the Dolphins as their new arch-rivals.

It comes with the Redcliffe-based Dolphins set to play their seven biggest games per year out of the Broncos' home at Lang Park.

The Dolphins' first chance for a raid on the Broncos will come this week, with 10 Broncos players off contract at the end of

2022 and effectively free agents from November 1.

Pat Carrigan represents the biggest-name Bronco free to approach from this week, with Jake Turpin, Keenan Palasia and Jamayne Isaako others on the list.

Brisbane's head of football Ben Ikin said with Wayne Bennet as coach, the Broncos-Dolphins rivalry will be there from the start.

"To think that Wayne Bennett is coming back to Brisbane and will coach the Broncos' arch-rivals is just tribalism on steroids," he said.

"It will energise the rugby league community in Brisbane, and we have a local rival which is like an elbow in the ribs.

"The Dolphins will be in our backyard and

led by one of the greatest coaches in Australian sport. We are going to have to be better than them and have a really local example of who we need to beat whenever we turn up to work."

The Dolphins' entry, however, could increase the Broncos' fanbase with Ikin pointing to evidence in Sydney when the Giants entered the AFL in 2012.

"When GWS were brought into Sydney, the Swans had a period where they went into a membership spike," he said.

"Because it was, effectively, a call to action for all the Swans fans who sat on the fringe, that there was someone else coming into town. They clearly felt they needed to show their loyalty in some way." – AAP

Petrenko finally wins that elusive premiership

By PETER ARGENT



AFTER 15 years of waiting, Jared Petrenko has finally enjoyed the sweet taste of a football premiership.

Petrenko and teammate Rigby Barnes shared in the spoils when their side Hahndorf defeated Uraidla Districts by eight points, 9.12 (66) to 9.4 (58), in the Hills Football League Division 1 grand final.

It was Petrenko's first football premiership after several near-misses throughout his career and this will be one to savour.

While at school, at Henley High, the All Schools knockout championship title eluded Petrenko and his team by less than a straight kick, although he did win the Colin Steinert Medal as best-on-ground.

In the 2006 SANFL grand final, he was first emergency as a 16-year-old for Woodville-West Torrens when they defeated Central District.

He didn't play in the Eagles' 2011 premiership (against Centrals again) because he was in the middle of his 76-game career with the Adelaide Crows in the AFL.

While at Adelaide, he was part of the Crows team that suffered a frustrating five-point preliminary final loss to Hawthorn in 2012. The Hawks would go on to lose to

Sydney in the grand final the following week.

Returning to the SANFL, Petrenko endured grand final heartbreak again when Woodville-West Torrens were jumped by West Adelaide in the 2015 grand final.

Twelve months later, and as favourites, the Eagles suffered a shock loss to Sturt in the 2016 grand final.

Petrenko retired from league football at the end of the 2019 season. He was among the happy crowd when the Eagles finally broke through to win the premiership when they North Adelaide in the 2020 SANFL grand final.

The Eagles backed that up again this year when they defeated Glenelg in the 2021 season-decider.

To make the HFL Division 1 premiership even sweeter, Hahndorf were behind at quarter-time, half-time and three-quarter-time before edging ahead by eight points at full-time.

Petrenko and Barnes were strong contributors in the victory, and across the season, with the former kicking 41 goals across 17 games and Barnes finishing the season in strong form.

Barnes, who played with South Adelaide in the SANFL, had perviously played in a pair of flag-winning sides for Encounter Bay in the Great Southern competition.



Jared Petrenko (left) and teammate Rigby Barnes, and children, happily show off their club's 2021 Hills Football League Division 1 premiership cup. Picture: Peter Argent

COVID hits close to home in the football world

THE AFL community in Melbourne was hit hard recently with the news that AFLW premiership coach and new Hawthorn coach Bec Goddard (and her partner) had tested positive for COVID-19. Bec said they did everything right before contracting COVID including wearing masks, washing their hands, social distancing and, here's the kicker, being double vaxxed.



Shelley Ware

They suffered for three long weeks and Bec said their survival was due to being double vaccinated.

They still have no idea how they contracted COVID.

Bec related what she went through: "I had uncontrollable fevers, lost my sense of smell and taste." Worryingly, she said her heart rate was irregular and that her blood oxygen levels were strained. "By about day 10," she said, "all of a sudden I started to improve." Her heart rate and oxygen levels settled, but even now she reports no sense of smell or taste. She said that she would dread to think what would have happened if she wasn't vaccinated.

This year and last year, AFLM players lived in club hubs to keep the season alive. At the time, the majority of the players were not vaccinated, due to vaccines being unavailable, unlike how it is now. Now that vaccinations are readily available, the AFL has mandated vaccinations for every single player and every single club staff member, otherwise they will be unable to perform their duties.

Bec has come out in support of the AFL's 'No jab, No play' stance. She said getting vaccinated saved her life. There are a handful of players who are considering not playing next season (read: anti-vax) but the majority of players have done the sensible thing and gotten themselves vaccinated.

Living unvaccinated during these COVID times would be nightmarish. Most airlines won't let you fly. Hotels won't let you stay. States won't let you in. These are things the AFL has no control over so the mandate is the right decision, both logically and from a personal and community health standpoint.

The law is not mucking around on this, too. Following the AFLM grand final in Perth, three Demons fans remain in gaol for, allegedly, using fake driver's licences and vehicle registrations, among others, to get to Perth from Melbourne via Darwin for the game.

Hayden Burbank and Mark Babbage are currently serving three months behind bars. The NT Government is after them, too. Caleb Cox allegedly snuck over the WA border for the game, too, and he is also looking at time behind bars.

These three people put the lives of nearly 60,000 people, and by extension, WA, at serious risk of catching COVID-19 with their selfish behaviour. Quite frankly, they deserve to be in gaol.

The COVID vaccines and emergency laws are literally saving people's lives. The COVID-19 vaccine saved the lives of Bec Goddard and her partner.

My family are fully vaccinated and I encourage you to talk to you local doctor. They will give you all the information you need and answer any questions you may have about vaccinations. It will keep you, your family and your community safe.

**Shelley Ware is a proud Yankunytjatjara and Wirangu woman from Adelaide. She appears on AFL.com.au's Colour Of Your Jumper.*

Betts set to fly high with Top End Magpies



RETIRED AFL star Eddie Betts is making a comeback of sorts, joining Northern Territory Football

League club Palmerston for a guest stint.

The 34-year-old champion will undertake community work in the NT over the coming weeks while playing an as-yet unspecified number of games for the Magpies.

Betts and his family have almost completed their mandatory quarantine at Howard Springs.

"The club is very excited and honoured to have Eddie and his family choose to be involved with our club this season," Palmerston coach Josh Heath said.

"We are very fortunate to have someone of his calibre on board, mentoring and developing our juniors and as assistant coach

of our senior group.

"We fully support his initiatives in engaging and working with Indigenous communities and people throughout the Northern Territory."

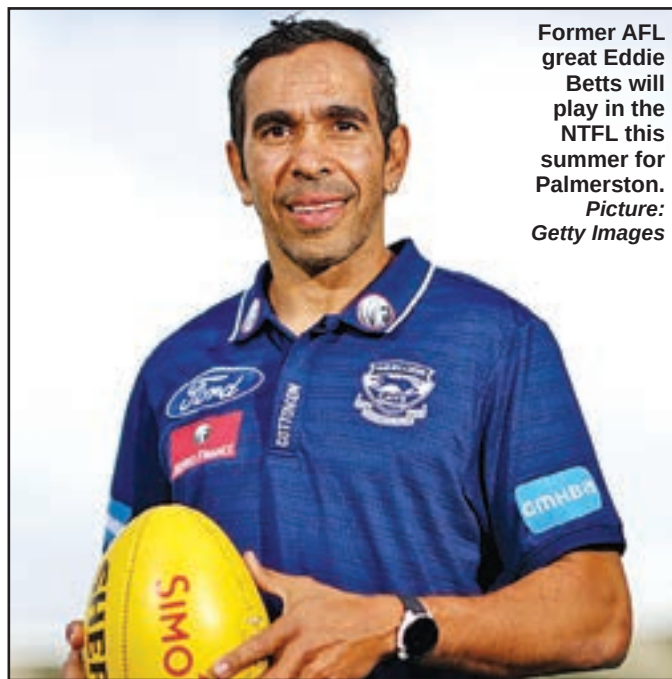
Betts retired from the AFL in August after 350 games with Carlton and Adelaide, having kicked 640 goals across a remarkable 17-season career.

He has been appointed as a part-time development coach at Geelong and will balance that role next year with a welfare job, where he will work with Indigenous liaison officers at other AFL clubs.

In October, Betts said he now has a bigger role to play in stamping out racism after calling time on his AFL playing days.

"I still want to make change here in Australia and that's what I'm passionate about," Betts said.

— AAP



Former AFL great Eddie Betts will play in the NTFL this summer for Palmerston. Picture: Getty Images

Warriors set early pace in the NTFL



IT'S too early to tell, but Waratah have made an early run in the battle for the Top End title as the 2021/22 Northern Territory Football League season completes its fifth round of fixtures.

The Warriors were sitting high up in the eight-team Premier League ladder, sharing

top billing with Nightcliff and St Mary's, last season's grand finalists.

The Saints started the season on the backfoot, copping a huge \$11,500 fine from AFLNT for breaches of the fly-in player rule and a walk-off by its Division 2 side last season.

Worse was a premiership points deduction of four points at the start of the

current season for the breach of the fly-in player rule.

This season, a number of Indigenous men are coaches of several of the Premier League clubs including James (Greg) McAdam at the Tiwi Bombers, Cameron Stokes at Darwin Buffaloes, Shannon Rusca at Southern Districts, Aaron Motlop at Wanderers and Chris Baksh at Nightcliff.

BOOK REVIEW



THE
BOY FROM
BIRDUM
BILL DEMPSEY
WITH STEVE HAWKE

Dempsey story a rollicking and honest tale



BILL Dempsey was a trailblazer in football and in life and this account takes us from under a tree in the bush to the bright lights of Perth.

Uncle Bill made a name for himself in over 300 games for West Perth in the WAFL, and at his beloved Darwin Buffaloes.

Told in his own words with Steve Hawke, Uncle Bill takes us through life as a child taken from his Mum and placed in a home in Darwin during the Second World War in which the city came under attack. Family, friends and football are woven throughout the 236 pages which comes with a surprising twist in the final chapters.

Revered in both WA and the Northern Territory for his football, Uncle Bill was sharp as a tack and he rebuilt his life three times over from events out of his control.

— Darren Moncrieff.

● *The Boy from Birdum* – Bill Dempsey, with Steve Hawke. Available from Magabala Books (2021).

Desert dash to the finish line in Alice Springs' midnight marathon



FROM zero experience in running to completing a desert midnight marathon in just six months – that was the strength, endurance, and

determination of a powerful group of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people in Alice Springs on Central Arrernte country recently.

In what was brutal and furnace-like conditions that saw temperatures rise to near 30°C even under a rising full moon, the 2021 Indigenous Marathon Project squad left everything they had on the 42.2km course, pushing through tears, pain, cramps and solitude to reach the

finish line at Simpsons Gap. It was the ultimate test for the 10 runners.

They join the growing list of IMP graduates, now up 119 since 2010 to have completed the IMP program consisting of a marathon, education, and public speaking and media training.

That number will grow over coming weeks as an additional three runners, who were unable to travel into the Northern Territory due to COVID-19 travel restrictions, will complete their marathon in Canberra later this month.

"They completed what they set out to do and I couldn't be more proud," IMP coach Damien Tuck said.

"I have watched the squad grow

immeasurably since our first camp in May and I'm so excited to see what their future holds.

"Now we just have to get our remaining three runners across the line in Canberra and I have no doubt that they too will finish strong."

For the record, the following are the times for each runner:

Matthew Axten – 4:24:50; Derrick Cusack – 4:44:00; Rachel Dean – 4:52:52; Tasma Rudeforth – 5:39:58; Waynead Wolmby – 5:46:03; Jye Roe Banks – 5:46:52; Sherice Ansell – 5:49:10; Cissy Johns – 6:01:00; Clinton Bennell – 6:08:40; Tristan Nelliman-Adams – 6:14:30.



IMP's midnight marathoners in Alice Springs: (from left) Jye Roe Banks (Nkinya and Yawuru), Matthew Axten (Western Arrernte), Derrick Cusack (Kalkadoon), Tristan Nelliman-Adams (Wuthathi, Meriam Mer, Kiriri and Baduleige), Sherice Ansell (Arrernte), Rachel Dean (Girramay, Gooreng-Gooreng), Waynead Wolmby (Wik Mungkan and Kugu Mimin), Cissy Johns (Ngaliwurru), Clinton Bennell (Wiradjuri and Noongar) and Tasma Rudeforth (Kamilaroi). Picture: IMP

Honour for an influential figure

By PETER ARGENT



THE AFL's No 1 draft candidate this month has formally acknowledged the ongoing love, support and direction from his stepfather, one of Aboriginal football's most dynamic talents.

Jason Horne-Francis is expected to be the first name called when the AFL's national draft gets underway later this month.

The Francis in Horne-Francis comes from Fabian Francis.

Francis grew up in Darwin and played Aussie rules and rugby league, and was good at both, winning premierships across the two codes.

He was a member of Port Adelaide's first AFL team in 1997 where he played 86 games over a five-year period. He had originally been recruited to Melbourne and also played at Brisbane.

Francis and wife Tricia have been together for 13 years, when Jason was about five or six. Phebe (10) and Fabian Junior (2) came along later.

Jason's football achievements are many and he is among the most sought-after young talents in the country.

He is expected to join North Melbourne

which has the first pick at the national draft.

Earlier this year, the 18-year-old, who is not Aboriginal, formally acknowledged the support of his stepfather by adding the Francis name to his original surname.

Francis talks of his connection with his stepson with unabashed pride.

"We have a unique father-son relationship," he said.

"When he was six, he asked me if he could call me Dad. I told him as long as he's comfortable with that then I'll be happy.

"When Jason turned 18 in June, he changed his name to Horne-Francis, telling me after he had completed the paperwork. It was a pretty emotional moment when he told me."

Francis has seen Jason develop into a top talent.

"He asked me to coach his team at Christie Beach and I coached him and his mates from under-10s to under-15s at that club," he said.

"They were a special group of lads. That was one of the best decisions I've made, coaching at grassroots junior level."

Francis said there has been some hard love at times with honest feedback and not shying away from mistakes in the past.

"We've had a number of honest conversations on footy and all aspects of life," he said.



Fabian Francis and his step-son Jason Horne-Francis who is expected to go No 1 in the AFL's national draft later this month. Picture: Peter Argent

Kalkadoon Warrior in first win

By KRIS FLANDERS



SHOUTS of 'Go Kalkadoon! Go!' could be heard from connections over the rails and from the Kalkadoon mob in Queensland when harness racer Kalkadoon

Warrior held on for its first victory recently.

Co-owner, trainer and driver, Scott Rains says it was exciting for the horse to finally break through.

The horse saluted the judges over 1609m at Cranbourne in Victoria.

"I was very proud of him on the day," Rains said.

"Obviously it was fantastic to finally get the win, but there was also a strong sense of relief as well.

"We got lots of congratulations from family, friends and from the Kalkadoon mob up north too. I don't know how many of them backed him at the short price he

was, but they certainly followed him."

The four-year-old gelding has now had seven career starts for a win and a second-placing.

Sent out at Cranbourne as a short-priced favourite, Kalkadoon Warrior didn't let the punters down, nor his growing legion of supporters.

Rains says the horse is still learning his craft, but proved he has a lot of ticker. Kalkadoon Warrior led the entire 1609m trip and fought on bravely when challenged in the straight.

"He gets a bit head-strong and can be aggressive in running so I've kept him to the shorter distances of late and races over the mile distance (1609m)," Rains said.

"We happened to get the number-one draw for it and he's got that good, early speed. We managed to lead and his destiny was in his own hands, really. We actually ran it quicker than we wanted to early in the race.



Scott Rains brings Kalkadoon Warrior in after their first win at Cranbourne recently. Picture: Claire Weston Photography

"He showed a lot of heart at the top of the straight and then he staved off the second horse."

Rains sent the first-time winner for a

short spell in the paddock, but said it was for a well-deserved freshen-up and that the warrior horse will be back racing soon.

"Looking ahead we are eyeing off the Vic Bred Series and those races are over longer distances of 2150m plus," Rains said.

"So we will give him a couple of runs at the mile in the next preparation and we are hoping that will lead into those longer trips. We just hope he settles. His main problem at the moment is that he gets too fired up.

"He's got that feeling that as a horse as he progresses and gets more mature and more racing, he can get more wins. Things are starting to fall in place for him. Mentally, he is learning what he needs to do. Physically, he is a big type of horse and is strong."

Now that the maiden victory is in the bag, the plan is for more and he will return to the track this month.



William Hickey (centre) shares a light-hearted moment with Melbourne United teammates Matthew Dellavedova and Callum Dalton. Picture: Melbourne United

Hickey happy to be landing on his feet at Melbourne United as tip-off nears



WILLIAM Hickey could push for a starting spot with Melbourne United this coming NBL season if his form in the pre-season is anything to go by.

The former development player at South East Melbourne joined United earlier this year in a similar role.

Assistant coach Rhys Carter said Hickey is feeling right at home with his new club.

"He's fitting right in. We're really impressed," he said.

Hickey, 22, is on a two-year development player contract with the club with the second-year a club option.

The proud Wiradjuri and Gamilaroi/Gomeri man joins United in line with the NBL's Reconciliation Action Plan initiatives.

Melbourne United are the current NBL champions.

They defeated Perth Wildcats in three (of five) of last season's grand final play-off series to take out the championship.

United are looking at players like Hickey to maintain that level of excellence. So far, they like what they see.

"We knew what he was good at, but I don't think we realised just how good he was," Carter said.

"His creation with the ball, his ability to get in the paint and not only score, but find

open teammates, have been really encouraging. We knew he was good, but for him to come in and be able to translate that success he had at the lower level to success at practice is huge.

"His shot was something we wanted to work on with him and his confidence is already growing with it.

"He's not hesitating with his shot, and shooting it with confidence.

"We want guys who can make an impact in our games, and that's exactly what he's bringing."

The 2021/22 NBL season will tip-off next month (December 3).

Games will be televised on the Ten Network and on pay-TV's Kayo Sports.

AIS program looks at careers beyond sport



WOMEN in sport are urged to apply for an AIS initiative that looks beyond their playing careers. The AIS' 2022 Accelerate Program

was launched this year to support the leadership development of women athletes pursuing career options in sport.

The inaugural intake involving 18 women from 17 different sports is nearing completion. Applications for the 2022 intake will be available November 9.

The program has a career and leadership development focus, but it enables women athletes to build a strong support network as they transition from their athletic lives and beyond.

The Accelerate Program is funded by the Australian government's office for women and supported by Sport Australia as part of the women leaders in sport program (WLIS).

WLIS is focused on helping women reach their leadership potential in sport, with \$3.4m over four years provided by the government.

● More information at: www.ais.gov.au/people-development/ais-athlete-accelerate-program



Shelby Britten is one of a number of women who have played at the top level in sport.



Patty Mills sinks a three-pointer for Brooklyn against Washington in the NBA recently.
Picture: AAP

It's nothing but Nets for our Bala in Brooklyn

By HALIM MELLICK



PATTY Mills has left fans, teammates and basketball stat-lovers alike stunned following a record-breaking start to the 2021-22 NBA season.

Mills began life with new team Brooklyn with a perfect 10/10 from the first two rounds.

Mills came out hot in game 1 against defending champions Milwaukee Bucks with an efficient 21 points of seven shots, 7/7 from behind the arc, the most scored by a Nets player coming off the bench.

He followed that up with a perfect 3/3 from deep in his team's win against Philadelphia.

Which all meant Mills had become the first NBA player in history to start a season 10/10 from 3, breaking his own record of 8 he set in 2013.

It wasn't just his efficient scoring either that had everyone excited.

Mills got it done on the defensive end with four rebounds, four assists, two steals and a block in less than a minute of possession, and in back-to-back games.

Mills spent nine years with San Antonio where he won a championship in 2014.

He cemented his name on the world stage when he led the Aussie Boomers to their first-ever Olympic medal, bronze, at Tokyo off of his incredible 42-point performance throughout the Games, the most points scored by any player in an Olympic medal round.

This led to a two-year \$16 million dollar contract with Brooklyn in a deal already being called the 'steal of the year'.

With teammate Kyrie Irving currently unavailable due to his stance on a COVID vaccination, Mills is getting more time and usage on the court. He has already proven he's ready to step up to the role with this near-on perfect start to the season.

The Brooklyn Nets are currently favourites to win the season this year and if Mills can keep up with this consistency he will be the pick for a sixth man-of-the-year award.

Jada's second bite at international football



SHE may have not actually stepped onto the pitch during any of the 90 minutes-plus in the friendly international with Brazil last week, but Jada Mathysen-Whyman's presence with the Matildas tells us she is on the periphery for further selection.

Mathysen-Whyman, 22, was called up as an injury replacement for Teagan Micah, the current back-up for Lydia Williams, for the match at Western Sydney Stadium last week.

It was Mathysen-Whyman's second call-up to the Matildas. In 2018, she was selected into the national squad ahead of two friendlies with France.

Mathysen-Whyman is no stranger to international football at youth level.

As a 13-year-old, she was first called up to the Australian under-17 team for the 2013 AFC under-16 championships.

Later, she made her debut for the Young Matildas in the group stage of the 2015 AFC championship against Uzbekistan which Australia won 2-0.

The emerging 'keeper has the No 1



Matildas back-up goalkeeper Jada Mathysen-Whyman waves to the crowd following the friendly with Brazil at Western Sydney Stadium last week.
Picture: Getty Images

custodian role on lock at Sydney FC in the A-League Women competition.

In last season's championship decider, a curling corner cross from Melbourne Victory found the back of the Sky Blues'

net with Mathysen-Whyman tangled up in a sea of bodies and unable to keep the ball out.

The 89th-minute goal saw Melbourne win, 1-0.



Matildas goalkeeper Lydia Williams is attended to by teammates as is Brazil's Debinha after the two collided during an entertaining match at Western Sydney Stadium last week. Picture: Getty Images

Williams rues errors after Matildas draw with Brazil in frenetic friendly



MATILDAS goalkeeper Lydia Williams has been left to rue a crucial error in game two of the friendlies with Brazil at Western Sydney Stadium last week.

The Brazilians reeled in a two-goal deficit to draw 2-2 with Australia after the Matildas were up 2-0 at half-time.

Brazil fought their way back after goals from Clare Polkinghorne and Sam Kerr had given the home side a lead on the Tuesday night match.

The first came when Erika headed home unmarked at a corner and the second was a result of confusion in the Australian goal mouth.

Tamires' intended cross fizzled towards

the Australian goal, with Williams backtracking.

Williams was only able to parry it onto the bar as she fell into the goal mouth, leaving Debinha the simplest of finishes to draw Brazil level from close range.

"I was set up for a cross and obviously it came off the boot and it was going into the top corner," Williams said.

"It turned into a save and I guess that's how it went.

"We'll look at the footage and stuff, but as a goalkeeper, you kind of roll with the punches I guess."

The result ensured Australia are left waiting for consecutive wins under coach Tony Gustavsson.

Gustavsson has stressed the importance

of being in a "preparation phase" for the Asian Cup which is likely to continue with a home match-up against the USA this month.

But despite being unable to string together wins under the Swede, Williams claimed the fact Australia were able to repel Brazil for the first 60 minutes and score twice was evidence of their growth.

"It's still a fairly new squad and we are building towards the Asian Cup," she said.

"I think the first half solidified where we were and they're a great team and they'll go out and perform well.

"It's disappointing (to draw), (but) from where we were it's a big step leading into January. It's a good test for us and an indication on what we need to improve on out there." – AAP



AFL draft hopefuls (from left) Jesse Motlop, Jase Burgoyne, Eric Benning, Isaiah Dudley, Arthur Jones and Blayne O'Loughlin. Picture: Peter Argent

Croweaters, Sandgropers on show ahead of national draft

By PETER ARGENT



SIX Aboriginal young talented footballers who showed their wares in the October 10 clash between South Australia and Western Australia in Adelaide are hopeful they could be selected in the AFL's national and rookie draft later this month.

Playing for the Croweaters were Jase Burgoyne, pocket-rocket Isaiah Dudley from Central District, and North Adelaide defender Blayne O'Loughlin.

The Sandgroper trio included Jesse Motlop, Eric Benning from the Waringarri Crows and Claremont and another Tiger Arthur Jones.

Of the group, perhaps Motlop, part of South Fremantle's football program, is

loaded with one of the richest family histories in football. His dad Daniel (North Melbourne, Port Adelaide), uncle Shannon (North Melbourne) and uncle Steven (Geelong, Port Adelaide) have carved out significant careers in football. At 17, Jesse played in last month's WAFL league grand final for Souths against Subiaco.

Benning and Jones played in the WAFL Colts (under-18s) grand final for Claremont against Swan Districts where their team fell short by eight points to Swans.

Burgoyne missed the Eagles' SANFL under-18s grand final triumph, but had already added his name to three generations of Burgoyne's to play league football. His three league matches with Port Adelaide in rounds 6, 7 and 8 saw him join grandfather Peter Senior, father Peter Junior, uncle Shaun and

older brother Trent to have worn the famous Magpies prison bar jumper. He is expected to join Port Adelaide's AFL team as a father-son selection.

Dudley, who has spent the 2021 season in the workforce, is a nephew of Eddie Betts and Shaun Burgoyne. He has true 'X'-factor and some have likened him to the Western Bulldogs' diminutive star Caleb Daniel.

Blayne O'Loughlin is a nephew of Sydney great Michael O'Loughlin and is a crafty small defender who stands at 173cm. He is tied to Adelaide through the Crows' Next Generation Academy. He was SA's star in the previous match against the Sandgropers, the AFL grand final curtain-raiser at Perth Stadium, where he was rewarded with best player honours after a polished performance.

Anika landing big blows for Thunder



ANIKA Learoyd is not one to take a backward step and despite Sydney Thunder's faltering title defence in the WBBL, she is not about to give in yet.

The middle-order bat, one of two Indigenous women in the

side, dug in for a solid 23 runs in Thunder's opening match against Adelaide Strikers.

Thunder have just had a busy weekend with back-to-back matches against Melbourne Stars in Launceston on Saturday and against home-state side Hobart Hurricanes at the same venue on Sunday.



Anika Learoyd lofts one to the on-side in a recent WBBL match for Sydney Thunder. Picture: Getty Images

Soward is new Dragons coach

By KRIS FLANDERS



THREE-time Indigenous All Star and 216-game former NRL player Jamie Soward will take the reins as coach of St George-Illawarra for the 2022 NRLW season.

Soward returns to the Dragons where he played 141 games from 2007-13, this time as coach.

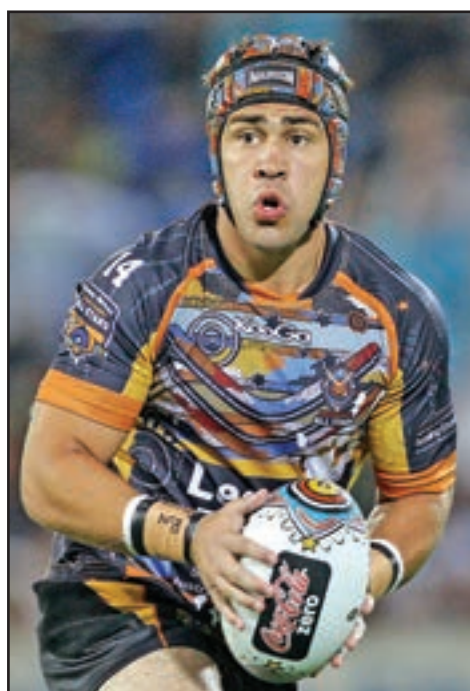
He replaces Mat Head who has been appointed assistant coach of the NRL side alongside Anthony Griffin who is head coach.

Soward brings years of knowledge, unique skillsets and tactful mentoring to the role.

The new coach was one of the best goalkickers throughout his NRL career and will no doubt use that knowledge to assist the Saints sharpshooters.

Along with Soward, the club's Indigenous playing personnel is also growing with Jaime Chapman, Mahalia Murphy, Shaylee Bent, Quincy Dodd and Taliah Fuimaono donning the famous Red V for the 2022 season.

And with Soward's appointment, it now means that there are two Indigenous men as head coaches in the NRLW, with Dean Widders at the helm of Parramatta. It sets up an intriguing showdown between the two



Three-time All-Stars and 2010 NRL premiership winner Jamie Soward. Picture: Getty Images

coaches and their respective sides.

"I am very proud and excited to be the NRLW head coach for Dragons in 2022,"

Soward said on social media following his appointment.

"I love being back in the Red V on a full-time capacity."

Soward's appointment was one of a raft of selections at the Dragons.

"We are extremely pleased with the quality personnel joining the Dragons' expanding football department," general manager of football Ben Haran said.

"These additions will all play crucial roles throughout the Dragons' football structure, ensuring a stronger connection between the NRL and NRLW programs, the NSWRL competitions we compete in and our junior representative pathways."

"The Dragons' dedication to our male and female academies and our vast catchment area will continue with the further allocation of resources toward our development programs."

Premierships, Super League

Soward has had a successful career.

The classy five-eighth made his NRL debut for the Roosters in 2005. However, he is best remembered as a St George-Illawarra player. It was in the Red V where Soward played the majority of his NRL games and he played in the 2010 premiership side.

He played his part in that grand final against the Roosters, too, kicking six from

seven goals in the 32-8 triumph.

Soward also played 53 games for Penrith from 2014-2016 where he led the club to the 2014 preliminary final.

Overall, in his 216 NRL games, Soward scored 52 tries, 27 field goals and 518 goals. He tallied over 1270 points during his NRL career.

The playmaker also had two stints in the English Super League with London Broncos in 2013 and 2016.

He has his name on three NSW Blues jerseys from the 2011 State of Origin series.

Representative accolades also came in the form of two appearances for NSW Country in 2009 and 2011.

In addition to his three All Star games, he played for the 2008 Indigenous Dreamtime side against NZ Maori, in which he converted five tries.

With the 2021 season postponed due to COVID, the NRLW is set for a bumper schedule in 2022. Earlier this year, new clubs were added to the competition that included Gold Coast, Parramatta Newcastle, joining foundation clubs Brisbane, Sydney Roosters and the Dragons. The other foundation club New Zealand Warriors withdrew from the competition this year, citing concerns over travel restrictions for many of its players and its entire operations.

The Dragons were runner-up to the Broncos in the 2018 grand final.

SA cricket's first Black Redbacks

By PETER ARGENT



BRENDAN Doggett's recruitment to the South Australian Redbacks has seen him team up with coach Jason Gillespie – which means the state team has two Aboriginal men in Sheffield Shield cricket for the first time.

The seeds of the Gillespie-Doggett relationship were sown in England in 2018. Doggett and his brother Sam, both Imparja Cup stars for Queensland, were members of

the Aboriginal XI touring side retracing the 150-year steps of the first cricket team from Australia to tour England in 1868.

Gillespie, the first Aboriginal man to play Test cricket for Australia, was playing county cricket there at the time. He was called on to address the 2018 team.

Doggett is seen as a key strike-bowler for the Redbacks.

After a horror, winless 2020/21 season, Gillespie conceded he needed to recruit some firepower and Doggett was the man, and he recently signed a three-year deal.



Brendan Doggett (left) and Jason Gillespie have teamed up at the South Australian Redbacks for the 2021/22 Sheffield Shield cricket season. *Picture: Peter Argent*

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Coach sounds out Beale for a Wallabies return



KURTLEY Beale has been sounded out for a Wallabies return as coach Dave Rennie grapples with the late Spring Tour withdrawal of Samu Kerevi, Sean McMahon and possibly Quade Cooper.

Australia play Scotland on November 7, and have won five straight Tests.

Rennie said he'd spoken with France-based Beale, who played the last of his 92 Tests for the Wallabies in 2019, about joining the squad as one of potentially several overseas-based reinforcements.

Tolu Latu, Rory Arnold and Will Skelton have already been recalled from their French clubs in further exemptions to the Giteau Law that were approved by the RA board.

Rennie said in-form winger Andrew Kellaway had the inside running to wear the No 15 against Scotland after filling in against Japan. – AAP



Kurtley Beale has been sounded out by the Wallabies coach for a possible return. *Picture: Getty Images*



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Art, culture lands at the feet of FIFA2022

By KRIS FLANDERS



GAMERS the world over can now suit up with an Aboriginal design football kit while playing EA Sports' FIFA22 thanks to a Gamilaroi/Wiradjuri man and artist.

Sean Kinchela put his hand up after learning that EA Sports were seeking expressions of interest from artists to design an Australian-themed jersey for their latest offering.

The 28-year-old received a positive response with his pitch.

Kinchela is a digital artist and has been painting and creating works since his mid-teens. He soon got to work for EA Sports.

"I researched and looked up soccer jerseys," he said.

"Most soccer jerseys can be quite plain so I wanted something that was subtle. It took me a day to design it."

Having completed his design, he sent it to his new contact at EA Sports.

"They loved the idea of having an Indigenous designed jumper and they loved the colour scheme of the red, black and yellow instead of the normal green and gold," Kinchela said.

"I wanted something that represented unity. Our country can be really divided at times and I wanted something that could bring us together."

"The jersey also represents different mobs, too, from around the country."

It took some effort to not share the news.

"I did the design back in March and I had to keep it all to myself until the games release in October," he said.

"That was the toughest part, not letting anyone know or see that design."

"I even had to keep it from my nan, who I visit a lot. I show her all my work."

The reaction when he

could share the news was priceless.

"My family and friends were very proud of me and were so excited for me," he said.

"That game will make sure that the design lives on forever. It will always be there."

FIFA22 has plenty of special features and realism which makes the gamer feel close to the action.

EA Sports (Electronic Arts Sports) is a world leader in digital interactive entertainment since its founding in 1982. This year

alone, there are over 450 million registered players on EA Sports' platforms. The FIFA series is one of its most popular games and is available worldwide.

Kinchela says to think that someone in Brazil, China or the Americas could be using his designed kit to play FIFA22 feels surreal.

"It's also given me a new appreciation of soccer," he said.

"I didn't really know just

how big the sport was around the world. People see the jersey and want to know more about it too, about the design and about Indigenous people from Australia.

"I'm a gamer myself. It gets me pretty hyped up. I've had friends and mob saying they've already got the game and are using the kit when they play."

When he's not creating designs for immensely popular video games, the artist is designing sporting jerseys for various football clubs at the grassroots level.

"I've done a lot of jerseys for Gamilaroi teams in knockouts and I've done a lot of jumpers for teams for local Indigenous Rounds," he said.

"I'm overwhelmed with pride when I see those teams run out in their jerseys that I've done. I've had nothing but positive feedback."

Kinchela lives in Nowra, on the NSW south coast, and was a proud man when local side Batemans Bay Tigers ran out in a strip he put together.

At next January's Battle of the Countries rugby league tournament in the Illawarra, the Western Sydney Warriors will wear a Kinchela-designed jersey.

He is also likely to have a few of his designs running around at the NSW Aboriginal Rugby League Knockout Carnival next year.

"I love doing the digital art medium because I can do it anywhere," he said.

"I don't need to wait on paints; I can pull out my laptop when I'm travelling or have spare time away from work. I can pick and change colours instantly to suit."

"I still paint traditionally at home, too. Painting connects with me and I'm able to tell stories."

Sean Kinchela's traditional Aboriginal design has made its way onto EA Sports' FIFA2022 football video game.



Any previously lush, grass-covered sports ground in the future, if climate change isn't taken seriously. Getty Images

Sport would be the last thing to worry about

OUTSIDE sport right now, talk of climate action is, umm, a hot topic right now (sorry), as it should. Inaction on climate and the very real prospect of irreversible change will adversely affect sport, too. I mean, by the time humanity realises it is too late to save itself sport will be the absolute last thing on anyone's mind. Thankfully, we're not there yet.

But if our so-called leaders continue to make announcements about an announcement for a plan they're planning on and we edge closer to that point of no return, can you imagine the dirty side-eye looks you'd get at games by using cliché terms like 'this team is red hot right now!' or 'such sizzling form' or 'put the heat on', even 'what a fizzer'?

Also, everyone will be looking over at Melbourne 'Storm', Sydney 'Thunder', Perth 'Scorchers', Gold Coast 'Suns' and Hobart 'Hurricanes' and be all like, 'What you mob thinking? How could you do this?' as if their names were a silent summons to the gods of earthly chaos.

Hilarity aside, I for one hope common sense prevails. The literal future of life and everything we love on this planet is at stake.

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Scott Rains and Kalkadoon Warrior (inside) hold on to win the Hygain Maiden Pace (1609m) over Go Accused (2) at Cranbourne recently.
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Kalkadoon Warrior holds on for maiden victory



THEIR shouts could be heard from beyond the rails at the track, and from the far north at Mount Isa – ‘Go Kalkadoon! Go!’ – as four-year-old gelding Kalkadoon Warrior

held on for its maiden victory in harness racing.

The horse that carries the name of a proud First Nations people, and with Kalkadoon man, Scott Rains, as co-owner, trainer and driver, saluted the judges to post its first winner in the

1609m race, the first of eight at Cranbourne, south-east of the Melbourne CBD.

“I was very proud of him on the day,” Rains said. “Obviously it was fantastic to finally get the win, but there was also a strong sense of relief as well.”

Kalkadoon Warrior was sent out at Cranbourne as a short-priced favourite and the big fella didn’t let the punters down, hanging on to win by a head from Go Accused.

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Matildas’ preview of home World Cup



IF the Matildas’ two-match friendly series with Brazil is anything to go by, the 2023 Women’s World Cup in Australia will prove to be a game-changer for the host

country.

Several years after the disappointment of missing out on the men’s 2022 World Cup, controversially awarded to Qatar, Australian football has the perfect opportunity to take the women’s game to another level in 2023.

Enthusiastic crowds and several hundred thousand television viewers saw the Matildas win 5-3 on aggregate against Brazil over two nights at Western Sydney Stadium.

It gave Football Australia positive signs of the growing popularity of the Australian women’s national football team and an appetite for more internationals at home.

The friendlies have also built on the growing rivalry between 11th-ranked



Matildas start Kyah Simon. Getty Images

Australia and fifth-ranked Brazil, one of the world’s leading nations with arguably the world’s best player in Marta, but who have yet to win the World Cup.

Australia is yet to pass the quarter-finals stage in its seven World Cup appearances.

The friendlies also provided manager Tony Gustavsson more food for thought as he searches for the best combinations and the personnel to take Australia to the next step.

Mainstays Kyah Simon and goalkeeper Lydia Williams, the Matildas’ two Aboriginal players, highlighted their class and professionalism for the Australians.

The pair were joined by another rising Aboriginal talent in Jada Mathysen-Whyman for game two as a back-up ‘keeper but was not called onto the pitch.

Whyman is the No 1 custodian for Sydney FC in the A-League Women.

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Kinchela’s striking design for EA Sports

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