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Children on Poruma with their messages of ailan pawa (island power) last week. Torres Strait Islanders are facing climate impacts including king tides, erosion, inundation and coral bleaching. Picture: Daniel Billy

Anger levels rise



PASTOR Ray Minniecon had a message for the Morrison Government following COP26, the United Nations climate change conference held in Scotland last week.

"For Australia's Indigenous peoples, the Australian Government has totally shattered any hopes we had of repairing and healing the deep wounds and scars of our lands and people," Pastor Ray, who travelled to Glasgow on behalf of the Indigenous Peoples Organisation, said.

"We leave COP26 deeply ashamed and embarrassed by the Australian Government's behaviour and attitudes to the deep concerns we have about

the climate crisis. We are angry that their solutions are based on the premise of a 'business as usual' mentality, which will continue to harm our peoples and all Australians on the lands and waters we all love.

"Shame! Shame! Shame!"

The talks ended on Saturday with a global agreement that aims to keep hopes alive of capping warming at 1.5C to prevent catastrophic climate change.

"Digging up our country, all the coal mines we have are a major factor in heating up the Earth," Pastor Ray told the Koori Mail from Glasgow.

"We know the incredible changes in climate are a direct result of the ways we are not looking after Country.

"We're seeing sea rises in the Torres Strait and Pacific islands."

For the duration of COP26 Torres Strait Islanders across Zenadh Kes (the Torres Strait) staged a wave of community-led #AilanPawa (island power) photo actions.

Daniel Billy is a member of the Torres Strait 8, a group of traditional owners who have lodged a complaint with the UN's Human Rights Committee, alleging that Australian Government has failed to uphold its human rights obligations and that its inaction on climate change has led to violations of their rights to culture, life and family.

"The oceans are rising, and so are we," he said.

"Our people are strong in our culture

and connection to land, sea and sky. We are showing up on beaches across Australia to demand the Australian Government, and world leaders, take immediate strong action to address the climate crisis.

"We are shining the global spotlight on the consequences of the Australian Government's inaction on the Torres Strait right now – rising sea levels, king tides, coastal erosion, coral bleaching and water shortages.

"The Australian Government has failed to uphold their commitments to our right to practise culture on our land, so we are fighting back."

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MY FAMILY Elverina Johnson (Gungganji, Yarrabah)



Sonjah, Joel, Benjamin, Elverina, Thaddeaus, Dorita and Levi.

After many years of separation, proud Yarrabah-mum Elverina Johnson's family are together again after number three son Joel Murgha finished his legal studies and moved back to the north with his family. He was admitted to the Bar last month in Cairns.

IN the picture on the left is Joel with his partner, Sonjah Stewart, who is from Innisfail.

Then my oldest son Benjamin, then me and my second oldest son Thaddeaus.

Then there is my mum Dorita Wilson and my youngest son Levi Johnson.

I have three grandsons. Joel has two boys and Benjamin has a four-year-old, Benjamin Jnr.

Joel's boys are Boaz, 3, and Luca, who is five months old.

Being Gungganji means everything to us.

It's about who we are as Yarrabah people, as Gungganji people, and First Nations people, and it stems right back to our ancestors.

As a family, we try to get together as

often as we can because Joel just moved up from Brisbane to Cairns.

So he spent a lot of years away from all of us. That's the sacrifice you make at uni and at boarding school.

And he only just moved back, so we're making up for lost time, I guess, coming together as a family unit with him and his family here.

We try to catch up and go out to dinner as much as we can, or get together as a family.

We have some good discussions around the table. We have some very strong ideas about things individually, but it's good.

As a family unit, we try to make sure we encourage each other and be there for one another as much as possible.

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OUR CHILDREN



Children from Warraber Island in the Torres Strait were part of an online action to bring attention to climate change. More photos, pages 6-7. Picture: Daniel Billy

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Deadly Choices crew joins pleas for mob to get the jab



ABORIGINAL and Torres Strait Islander health advocates are pleading with their communities to get vaccinated against

COVID-19, ahead of an expected case surge when states reopen for travel.

With Indigenous vaccination rates well below the levels seen in the broader community, health officials in state and territories are leading a renewed push to boost immunisation levels.

While more than 80% of the population aged over 16 is fully vaccinated, that figure is just 54.5% among Indigenous people.

In Queensland, officials and government members are heading to remote communities in Cape York and the Torres Strait Islands as part of a vaccination drive.

The state's health minister Yvette D'ath said the increase in Indigenous vaccine rates was necessary ahead of the Queensland border coming down when an 80% double dose target is reached.

"The virus is coming, and we know when the border reopens, the virus will come into every single community," she said.

While the Indigenous vaccine rate in NSW, the ACT and Victoria is 80% first dose and 70% second, it's below 55% second dose in Queensland, South Australia and Western Australia.

Those under 40 also account for a majority of cases in Indigenous communities.

Steve Renouf from Indigenous health organisation Deadly Choices said it was important for



Deadly Choices ambassadors Steve Renouf, Bo de la Cruz and Petero Civoniceva.

Indigenous communities not to be left behind.

"It's our mob and we want to protect them," he said. "We've got to realise COVID is coming and we need to be vaccinated."

In the Northern Territory, Australian Health Department records show first dose rates among eligible Territorians over 16 at 82% and double doses at 68% but only 69% of Indigenous people over 16 have had their first vaccine dose and 50% are fully vaccinated.

The Aboriginal Medical Services Alliance of the NT (AMSANT), along with the Northern and Central Land Councils, called for better collaboration between levels of government, Aboriginal health organisations and other stakeholders, including regarding data.

"Above all, our urgent priority is to accelerate the vaccination rollout across the NT and particularly in Aboriginal communities, as the best

protection we can provide", AMSANT chief executive John Paterson said.

"But to do this we need a close partnership and collaboration between the NT Government and the ACCHS (Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Service) sector, as well as the Land Councils and other key stakeholders.

"In many respects this is happening, but we are falling short in critical areas, particularly in collaboration on decision making."

The Royal Australian College of General Practitioners has warned of more positive cases among Indigenous people as people move across the country during the summer holiday period.

The college's chair of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Professor Peter O'Mara said as restrictions ease across the country, more cases will be seen in the Indigenous population.

"As Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people already face considerable health inequalities and higher rates of chronic diseases, they are more at risk of severe illness and death from this virus," Prof O'Mara said.

"The fact that there remains a serious gap in vaccine coverage between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and other people in our country is a national shame."

Prime Minister Scott Morrison admitted that more was needed to boost Indigenous vaccine rates, especially in WA and Queensland.

In a three-month period, 7000 COVID cases were detected among the Indigenous population, which included 700 hospitalisations and 16 deaths.

Prof O'Mara has called for greater communication to Indigenous communities to boost immunisation rates.

"We need to know where the biggest gaps are in vaccine coverage and target these areas," he said.

"This requires working together with communities and leaders to tackle the scourge of health misinformation." – with AAP

Uncle Colin Watego asks that we act to protect each other during Sorry Business



PROUD Bundjalung man Uncle Colin Watego is asking anyone who has Sorry Business to please be COVID-safe and look after one another.

Uncle Col said that COVID-19 is still spreading and putting communities at risk.

"If someone has COVID-19 at a funeral, they can spread the virus to other communities and make lots of our mob sick," he said.

"That's why you should never attend a funeral or wake if you feel unwell, even if you have been fully vaccinated.

"If you have only mild symptoms, you still need to get tested straight away for COVID-19 nearby.

"Then, to protect others, you must self-isolate until you get a negative test result.

"I know this is hard if you want to gather to say goodbye to your loved one, but it will protect everyone around you."

The NSW Health Department has advised that if everyone attending a funeral or wake is fully vaccinated for COVID-19, there is no restriction on numbers as long as the rules for capacity limits are followed.

In NSW, if you are not fully vaccinated, you can only attend funerals or wakes with a maximum of 10 people.

Practising Sorry Business in COVID-safe ways is a concern for many communities.

Getting vaccinated as soon as possible and following the health rules will help to keep our communities and ourselves safe during Sorry Business, Uncle Col said.

"Always check in using the NSW Government QR code or let the organisers know your name and phone number," he said.

"This is so they can reach you with important information if someone with COVID-19 has attended the Sorry Business gathering."

Uncle Col also reminded everyone that, if you are having gatherings at your home during Sorry Business you need to keep a record of visitors and promote COVID-safe behaviours.

"Even when we don't know we have the virus, we can still spread it to others," he said.

"This is why, when we gather for Sorry Business, we need to wear a mask indoors as well as keep a safe physical distance from each other, where possible.

"And, we must remember to wash our hands well and often, and keep some hand sanitiser with us in case there is no tap and soap close by.

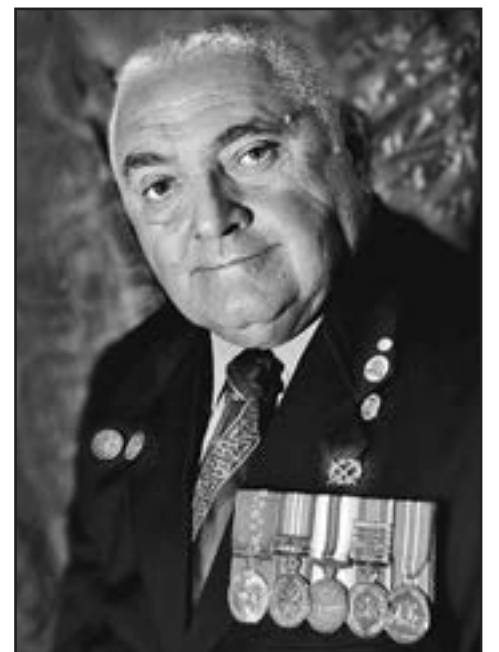
"Everyone should encourage and support mob to go and get tested immediately if they notice anyone with COVID-19 symptoms either during Sorry Business or after returning home."

Uncle Col also noted how important it is to keep up with the latest information on COVID-19 from reliable sources, especially about vaccination.

"It is only when we protect ourselves from COVID-19 by being fully vaccinated, that we are able to protect our family, community and culture," he said.

For further information and resources about how to stay safe during Sorry Business, or COVID-19 vaccination, visit: nsw.gov.au

The impacts of COVID-19 can be distressing for communities. If you are worried about how you or someone close to you is dealing with stress during this time, call 1800 512 348 to speak with a counsellor (24-hour helpline).



Uncle Col Watego: "It is only when we protect ourselves from COVID-19 by being fully vaccinated that we are able to protect our family, community and culture."

From little things big things grow



LAST weekend Kev Carmody was inducted into the National Indigenous Music Awards (NIMAs) Hall of Fame, as part of the 2021 awards ceremony in Darwin.

"I'm absolutely so proud, humbled and honoured to accept the award on behalf of all of us," Kev said. "Past, present and of course future, because it's a collective way of thinking in my opinion, that we all go together and no one gets left behind."

"I'm so proud of the young ones! It might be rap, it might be hip hop, it might be reggae. We're still expressing ourselves through the oral cultural traditions, which is songs and storytelling; it's just in a musical sense."

"I'm so proud of our young mob with the music, and with dance – that's an interpretation too – and art. That's our way of passing on our oral tradition and I think it's fantastic. I can sit back now. I've played my four chords and that's it."

Proud Kamilaroi artist the Kid Laroi took home the coveted Artist of the Year Award. Laroi has garnered international acclaim with hits like *Stay* (featuring Justin Bieber), which recently logged 10 weeks at US No 1 on Billboard's Pop Airplay chart and *Without You*, with Miley Cyrus.

Bundjalung rapper JK-47 won Album of the Year with his bold debut record *Made For This*. Angangu/Torres Strait Islander artist Miiesha's deeply personal single *Damaged* (written with Stephen Collins) took home the award for Song of the Year, while



Electric Fields performs *From Little Things Big Things Grow* as part of a tribute to Kev Carmody at the NIMAs on Sunday in Darwin.

Coodjinburra musician Budjerah won Best New Talent, and the fresh prince of Arnhem Land, Baker Boy, swooped in to score Best Film Clip for *Ride* featuring Yirmal.

Guwanbal Gurruwiwi and Netanela Mizrahi scored

Indigenous Language Award of the Year for the Djari Project, while Community Clip of the Year went to Kakadu Collective and Victor Rostron for *Mayali*.

Electric Fields performed a rendition of Kev Carmody's anthem

From Little Things Big Things Grow as a tribute to his legacy and in honour of his induction.

NIMAs creative director Ben Graetz said it had been an incredible night.

"Although it wasn't the NIMAs

we had planned, I'm very proud of all the team who worked together on such a wonderful event," he said. "Hopefully next year we will be back on Larrakia Country, under stars, celebrating all together once again."

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AN Aboriginal man wrongly accused of being the abductor of Cleo Smith in Western Australia is

planning to sue 7NEWS. Terrance Flowers, who is also known as Terry Kelly on social media, was wrongly identified as the kidnapper on social media following the girl's rescue.

After being misidentified, Mr Flowers was bombarded with death threats, including that he would be speared in a traditional Aboriginal punishment.

The social media posts were removed, but not before they had been picked up by 7News, which showed images of Mr Flowers. The network published an apology on its website.

"Earlier on Wednesday 7NEWS wrongly showed images of a man that were incorrectly labelled as the person under arrest over disappearance of Cleo Smith," it read.

"These were removed promptly, but 7NEWS apologises for the error."

Cleo, 4, was found by

detectives in a locked house in her hometown of Carnarvon, 18 days after she disappeared on October 16 from a remote campsite while on holiday with her parents.

The man accused of abducting Cleo, Terence Darrell Kelly, appeared in Carnarvon Magistrates Court on November 4 on charges including forcibly taking a child under 16.

The accused is now being held at the maximum security Casuarina Prison until his next court appearance in December.

Meanwhile, Sydney-based firm O'Brien Criminal & Civil Solicitors is representing Mr Flowers, and has been instructed by him to pursue a defamation claim against the network.

"A Concerns Notice was issued against the Seven Network yesterday afternoon requesting a comprehensive public apology and compensation," they said in a statement. "The publications by the Seven Network led to Mr Kelly/Flowers being made the subject of hate and derision around the nation and the world

and resulted in him being hospitalised with a severe panic attack."

Terry Flowers told Ngaarda Media that, after being notified of the story on the 7NEWS website, he was deeply distressed and that it caused him to have a panic attack, following a visit to a local police station.

"That stuff is not acceptable," Flowers told Ngaarda Media.

"What they did was go straight on Facebook. The first person they seen got through my photos and uploaded on social media, and spread it around, not just in Australia, this is worldwide."

The firm previously took action against the Seven Network after its *Sunrise* program aired images of members of the Yirrkala community, who were filmed for a health campaign, as overlay for a panel discussion about the abuse and neglect of children.

The broadcaster settled the defamation claim and issued a public apology to the community in January 2020.

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No end in sight to rise in deaths in custody



AN Aboriginal man was shot dead by police outside a suburban Sydney home last week, making him the second Indigenous person in NSW to die in custody in three days.

Officers visited a home in Seven Hills to arrest Gomeri man Stanley Russell at about 11.20am on Tuesday, November 9, when police claim he approached them armed with a knife and an axe before "a physical confrontation ensued" and he was shot.

Stanley Russell was staying with his aunt Pam in the Sydney suburb of Seven Hills when police arrived to serve a warrant on Tuesday morning.

Mr Russell was out on bail, but missed his court attendance, which led to a warrant for his arrest.

He is the second person in his family to die in custody. His brother Eddie Russell was found dead in Long Bay Jail in 1999.

Both were sexually abused as children, according to their mother, Helen Russell.

Ms Russell and her husband Ted issued a statement saying they were shocked and appalled by the shooting.

They have questioned police reports their son was armed with a knife and an axe and want to see the police body-worn camera footage of the incident.

"We found out about the killing of our son Stanley when we were watching the news," they said.

"Pam told us about hearing shots inside her house soon after police told her to go outside. Pam said that, when the police arrived, Stanley had only recently woken up.

"We have heard the police who went to Pam's house say they had an arrest warrant for Stanley.

"There is a very big difference between an arrest warrant and shooting a man."



Police at the scene after officers shot dead Stanley Russell in Seven Hills in the western suburbs of Sydney, on Tuesday, November 9.
Picture: AAP Image/Mick Tsikas

Mr Russell's uncle Don Craigie told NITV that, if the shooting were deemed unlawful, "those officers should face the full extent of the so-called laws of this country".

NSW Acting Assistant Police Commissioner Julie Boon said four officers were in attendance and the shots were fired inside the home. But she was unable to confirm how many officers discharged their weapon or how many times the 45-year-old man was shot.

"Officers let out a number of shots, unfortunately the man collapsed," Ms Boon said.

They conducted CPR until an ambulance and paramedics arrived, but Mr Russell could not be revived.

The Law Enforcement Conduct Commission is independently monitoring a review by the NSW Police Professional Standards Command.

An Indigenous man also died in

custody on Sunday, November 7.

The 26-year-old was found unresponsive at Shortland Correctional Centre in Cessnock on Sunday morning and pronounced dead, Corrective Services NSW have confirmed.

Corrective Services and police are investigating the incident.

Both deaths will be subject to a coronial inquest.

The NSW Government defines a death in custody to include prison inmates, people under arrest or anyone attempting to escape custody or arrest, mirroring the parameters set by a 1991 royal commission that investigated indigenous deaths in custody.

Greens MLC David Shoebridge, who spoke to the family of the man killed by police on Tuesday, said the fatalities are the latest reminder that the number of Indigenous deaths in custody is a "national crisis".

"This is the second Aboriginal

death in custody in just three days and it sends another wave of pain and hurt across communities," he said.

"It never seems to have an end.

"Indifference, platitudes and empty gestures from politicians who could create change only allow these killings to continue."

Aboriginal Legal Service (NSW/ACT) acting chief executive Nadine Miles expressed shock and anger at the two deaths in three days.

"So far this year, 11 Aboriginal people have died in custody or in a police operation in NSW alone.

"We are absolutely devastated by this high loss of life. We are working with many of the families that have been left behind, providing support and advice," Ms Miles said.

"April 15 marked 30 years since the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody, and yet, as the months pass by,

more and more of our people have lost their lives.

"Almost 500 of our people – our brothers, sisters, cousins, parents, children. All the while, governments continue to stall on urgent action to end these injustices. We have had the answers for over 30 years, and we want to see change now."

The distress at Stanley Russell's death by police shooting came a week after marches to remember the 29-year-old Yamatji woman JC, who was shot dead by police in Western Australia in 2019.

A first-class constable was charged with her murder – the first WA police officer to face a murder charge for a death in custody in 93 years.

After a three-week trial, the jury, which had no Aboriginal members, deliberated for three hours before finding the constable not guilty of murder or manslaughter. – with AAP

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The department is committed to growing the number of Aboriginal teachers in the NT, and we particularly encourage existing Aboriginal educators to apply.

For information on how to apply, please visit the Scholarships section on the Teach in the Territory webpage.

Applications close on Friday 3 December 2021.

If you have any queries, contact the Aboriginal Workforce Development team at aboriginalschola.doe@education.nt.gov.au or 08 8901 1321.

The term Aboriginal is inclusive of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.





Wadawurrung Country (Torquay) show solidarity with the Torres Strait. Picture: Jarrah Lynch

Inaction on climate draws angry protest

By RUDI MAXWELL



WHEN Pastor Ray Minniecon saw the Australian pavilion at COP26, the United Nations climate change conference in Glasgow, Scotland, he was devastated.

It was dedicated to big businesses, with oil and gas giant Santos – which has secured government approval to frack for gas in several states and territories, despite opposition from traditional owners – front and centre.

“When I saw the Australian pavilion, I gave a deep silent scream,” Pastor Ray told the *Koori Mail* from Glasgow.

“Australia was using a climate change crisis as a trade show. These companies are digging up and destroying Country and trying to convince us that they have plans to fix our country and fix climate change.

“What hypocrites, what deceitfulness.

“It’s the White Australia policy all over again. It’s terra nullius in action. We don’t exist and it’s open season on our Country.

“Where is our voice?”

Dr Virginia Marshall, from the Indigenous Peoples Organisation Australia and the Australian National University, also attended COP26.

“The Pacific and islands across these oceans are experiencing rising sea levels that are forcing ancient cultures to soon abandon their homes and livelihoods, to become stateless refugees,” she said.

“Indigenous peoples are sovereign, in spite of the lies of the doctrine of discovery, terra nullius and aqua nullius, we demand that our human rights are met.

“The impact of climate change is killing our peoples.”

The talks ended on Sunday with a global agreement that aims to keep hopes alive of capping warming at 1.5C to prevent



Kids on Gumbaynggirr Country (Coffs Harbour) share their messages. Picture: Bindimu



Nekina Whap in Townsville. Picture: Claire Galvin



On Gumbaynggirr Country (Coffs Harbour) Uncle Barry Hoskins and others organised a surf gathering.



Gumbaynggirr Country (Scotts Head) in Northern NSW. Picture: Emma Gentle

catastrophic climate change.

But there was a last-minute change to the wording of the UN agreement around coal at the insistence of India.

A clause was amended to accelerate “efforts to phase down unabated coal power and phase out inefficient fossil fuel subsidies”, weakening what had been “efforts to phase out”.

“Just look at the giant coal

mine by Indian company Adani in Queensland,” Pastor Ray said.

“We need to put an end to extractive capitalism.

“When Scott Morrison turned up he had a lump of coal in one hand, a failed 70 billion dollar submarine program in the other and a secret microchip in his back pocket that’s going to solve climate change.

“The man is an idiot.”

Australia has set out a net zero emissions by 2050 target. It also set a 2030 target of minus 26-28% emissions, but with a projection of minus 35% per cent.

The UN agreement also calls on all countries to return the negotiation table for COP27 in Egypt next year to set stronger 2030 targets.

Meanwhile, Torres Strait Islander people showed ailan

pawa (island power) to the world last week. For the duration of COP26, Torres Strait Islanders across Zenadh Kes (the Torres Strait) and Far North Queensland staged a wave of community-led #AilanPawa (island power) photo actions.

The actions were part of a global campaign of action for climate justice and called on the Morrison Government to do more



Bruce Shillingsworth protests in Sydney. Picture: Dianne Brooks Photography



Kids on Poruma (Coconut Island). Picture: Daniel Billy



Protesters took to the water in Gadigal Country (Sydney). Picture: Dianne Brooks Photography



Surfers for Climate support the action on Dharawal Country, Nowra.



A group joined the protest on Gubbi Gubbi Country (Noosa). Picture: Lucia Santiago



Protesters on Gameygal country (Brighton Le Sands Beach). Picture: Ghenoa Gela

to combat the climate crisis.

The grassroots actions took place at Warraber, Masig, Poruma, Boigu, Cairns, Townsville, Darwin and featured Torres Strait Islanders and supporters holding signs and banners bearing the messages "oceans are rising, so are we" and "protect our island homes".

The actions also had a message for North Queensland Federal MP Warren Entsch, calling on him to accept an invitation to travel to Warraber Island to meet with Kabay Tamu and other local community members, who are facing climate impacts including king tides,

erosion, inundation and coral bleaching.

Daniel Billy is a member of the Torres Strait 8, a group of traditional owners who have lodged a complaint with the UN's Human Rights Committee, alleging that Australian Government has failed to uphold its human rights obligations and that its inaction on climate change has led to violations of their rights to culture, life and family.

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Allies across the coasts of Australia also organised paddle protests and beach gatherings in

solidarity with the Torres Strait's fight for climate justice on Sunday, November 7.

350.org Australia campaigner Lisa Viliamu said they were supporting the people of the Torres Strait.

"If their landmark Torres Strait 8 UN case is successful, it sets a precedent for Indigenous people around the world including climate vulnerable Pacific Island nations," she said.

Pastor Ray said that the Australian Government needed to listen to Indigenous voices and suggested taking a Tent Embassy to Egypt next year.

"Aboriginal people looked after

Country for 60,000 years and kept it in pristine condition," he said.

"Just 200 years after these Whitefellas arrived, we have a climate crisis, with bushfires, floods, rising sea waters and different kinds of seasons.

"Our waters are being sold.

"It was truly humbling to represent the people here in Glasgow.

"I know when I get back it will be business as usual, too many of our people in jail, dying in custody, COVID stuff happening.

"How do we fight climate change when there is so much oppression and so much suffering?"

Declaration is a call to protect our kangaroos



YUIN Elder Uncle Max Dulumunmun Harrison, who gave evidence to a recent NSW parliamentary inquiry, has now made a kangaroo declaration to save kangaroos.

"We declare that there exists a living ancestral relationship, uniquely bound between Indigenous Australians and kangaroos, which shall be preserved historically, spiritually, culturally and environmentally for all times," the declaration says.

"The declaration acknowledges the kangaroo preceded Indigenous culture more than 80,000 years ago and has both the land and living rights above all other introduced species. The right to live without cruelty and exploitation," Uncle Max said.

"Kangaroos are a valuable totem to our people. Kangaroos are a part of ceremony and we hunt them for food.

"My people have lived beside these animals for thousands of years and we never considered them a pest.

"Bright lights are blinding defenceless animals and then bullets put into them. To me, that's not culling, that's slaughter."

Wildlife experts are calling for an overhaul of the strategies used to manage kangaroo and wallaby numbers after millions of them died during the last drought.

A statement, endorsed by 25 ecological, conservation, animal welfare and Aboriginal agencies, calls for a National Kangaroo Taskforce made up of governments at every level, private landowners, agriculture and conservation bodies and Indigenous communities.

Maintaining stable kangaroo populations would help to prevent millions of inhumane deaths during droughts, the researchers say.

Australian National University Professor George Wilson said about six million kangaroos and wallabies died of starvation during the last drought.

"It's not only extremely distressing for the kangaroos that get bogged in limited water supplies during droughts, but it also has a huge mental health toll for



Yuin Elder Max Dulumunmun Harrison and joey Dulu, his namesake. Picture: Peter Sharp

the graziers who have to deal with these starving kangaroos that are on the brink of death," he said.

There are about 40 million kangaroos on private land, many of whom are culled as a form of 'pest' control.

"We want to see private landowners bring in professional shooters to ensure roos are put down humanely," Professor Wilson said.

"They take the carcass back to a chiller where shooter accuracy can be checked and the meat and skins harvested instead of going to waste."

Professor Wilson proposes increasing the value of kangaroo meat from \$20 to at least \$70 a carcass.

"Indigenous communities now own significant areas of pastoral land and we hope they too can become involved with this initiative, particularly in South Australia

where properties are flooded with kangaroos," he said.

"They have used kangaroo for millennia and the opportunity exists for them to be employed as professional kangaroo shooters in a sustainable harvest."

A graphic Australian produced advertisement, highlighting cruelty in the commercial kangaroo trade was recently released in Europe.

The ad, created by Second Nature films on behalf of animal welfare advocacy group Kangaroos Alive, has been released in four languages in France, Belgium, The Netherlands and Italy and is already getting widespread coverage in European newspapers and online. Kangaroos Alive co-founder Mick McIntyre says the advertisement has been motivated by findings of an October NSW parliamentary inquiry into the health and wellbeing of kangaroos and other macropods which

highlighted that kangaroos are shot at night in remote areas. If females are killed, their dependent joeys endure a cruel and violent death, including being bashed over the head, or are left to starve or be taken by predators.

Animal rights advocates including former Test cricketer Jason Gillespie have ramped up calls for a moratorium on kangaroo culling in NSW.

A report on the health and wellbeing of kangaroos and other macropods, tabled in the Upper House last month, casts doubt on the accuracy of kangaroo population estimates used to set cull quotas.

Greens MLC Cate Faehrmann said the findings had convinced her that culling kangaroos is "unnecessary, unsustainable and cruel".

Echoing the concerns, Mr Gillespie labelled the killing of

wildlife depicted on the coat of arms "a national disgrace".

"The kangaroo is a native species. It belongs to our land," Gillespie said.

"How can we continue to allow its commercial killing?

"It's time to stand up and show the world Australians care about the protection of the kangaroo."

The NSW inquiry heard of inadequacies in the monitoring of kangaroo populations and oversight and scrutiny of non-commercial licences granted to landowners to shoot them.

Ms Faehrmann is urging state Environment Minister Matt Kean to consider the evidence before signing off on a new five-year Commercial Kangaroo Harvest Management Plan before the end of the year.

Kangaroos Alive executive director Mick McIntyre said members of the public weren't aware of how kangaroos are killed in NSW.

"As a result, kangaroo killing has been allowed to occur without scrutiny or the kind of regulation that covers the commercial slaughter of all other animals for meat," he said.

Australia's record when it comes to protecting native species has been criticised as lamentable.

It has the world's highest rate of mammal extinctions and some 400 native animals listed as threatened.

"Many Australians are appalled by Japan's slaughter of whales and dolphins or Canada's killing of fur seals, but what we are doing to our kangaroos is far worse than that," Mr McIntyre said.

"Contrary to what many may think, kangaroo numbers are rapidly declining.

"It's hard to criticise farmers for trying to protect their land – it's like someone criticising the Anzacs – but the reality is the way kangaroos are being slaughtered for their meat and skin is horrific."

Kangaroo body parts are sold across Europe and the US for pet food, sausages and soccer boots, yet overseas there is already push back against the way the animals are killed.

The US proposed a ban on the sale of kangaroo products earlier this year.

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High Court overturns 'good faith' defence in Rolfe trial



AUSTRALIA'S highest court has ruled that a Northern Territory police officer cannot argue that he acted in 'good faith' in the alleged murder of an Aboriginal man.

Prosecutors successfully challenged in the High Court the key tenet of Constable Zachary Rolfe's defence in his pending trial for the alleged murder of 19-year-old Kumanjaji Walker.

Kumanjaji Walker was shot three times and killed when Constable Rolfe went to arrest him in the remote NT community of Yuendumu in November 2019.

The full bench of the High Court last week unanimously ruled in favour of prosecutors seeking to stop Rolfe relying on an immunity clause contained in the Territory's *Police Administration Act*.

It provides a protection from civil and criminal liability for actions performed in 'good faith' during the exercise of police power.

"The common law and statutory powers are subject to constraints, such as doing only that which is reasonable and necessary," the High Court said.

It overturned an earlier NT Supreme Court decision clearing the way for Rolfe to use the immunity clause before the jury, saying that decision was



Constable Zachary Rolfe

"overbroad and erroneous".

Prosecutor Philip Strickland argued that if the good faith defence were allowed, the jury might not have to consider whether Rolfe's actions were reasonable.

"If they found there was a reasonable possibility that the respondent fired the fatal shots in good faith to protect (his colleague's) life then that would be sufficient to grant an acquittal,"

he said. "They would not, therefore, need to consider the standards of reasonableness either at statute or common law."

Rolfe is charged with murder, and the alternative offences of

manslaughter and engaging in a violent act causing death.

Acting for Rolfe, barrister Bret Walker maintained the possibility of an acquittal was not a sufficient reason to allow the appeal.

He did not want Rolfe's case to be fragmented and stressed the immunity clause provided protection for officers tasked with making split-second decisions.

The High Court acknowledged Bret Walker's concerns.

It said it had "emphasised on many occasions how rare it is to make orders which would have the effect of fragmenting the ordinary course of criminal proceedings".

"The reasons why it is highly undesirable to do so are obvious. They include delay and its effects. That is why the hearing of this application was expedited," the court said.

The High Court ruled that the good faith defence could be used, but that it would be subject to constraints, such as "doing only that which is reasonable and necessary".

Rolfe's trial has been pushed back multiple times including pending the determination of the immunity clause.

The case is due to return to the territory's Supreme Court this week and a trial is scheduled for February. — with AAP

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Lone protester holds up coal



LAST week, Wilkarr Kurikutahr, a Ngemba and Wangan and Jagalingou man, climbed up a tripod to blockade the world's largest coal port in Mulubinba/Newcastle, under the 'Blockade Australia' banner.

He stopped all coal trains on the rail network for more than four hours before being removed from the tripod and taken into police custody.

Wilkarr said he took this action to resist the destruction of land, water and people carried out by Australia. He was arrested and charged by Waratah Police.

Wilkarr was suspended from a 9 metre tripod, which was set up over the rail line, stopping all coal trains from coming in or out of the world's

largest coal port.

He hung a banner from the tripod that said "Australia needs to be stopped".

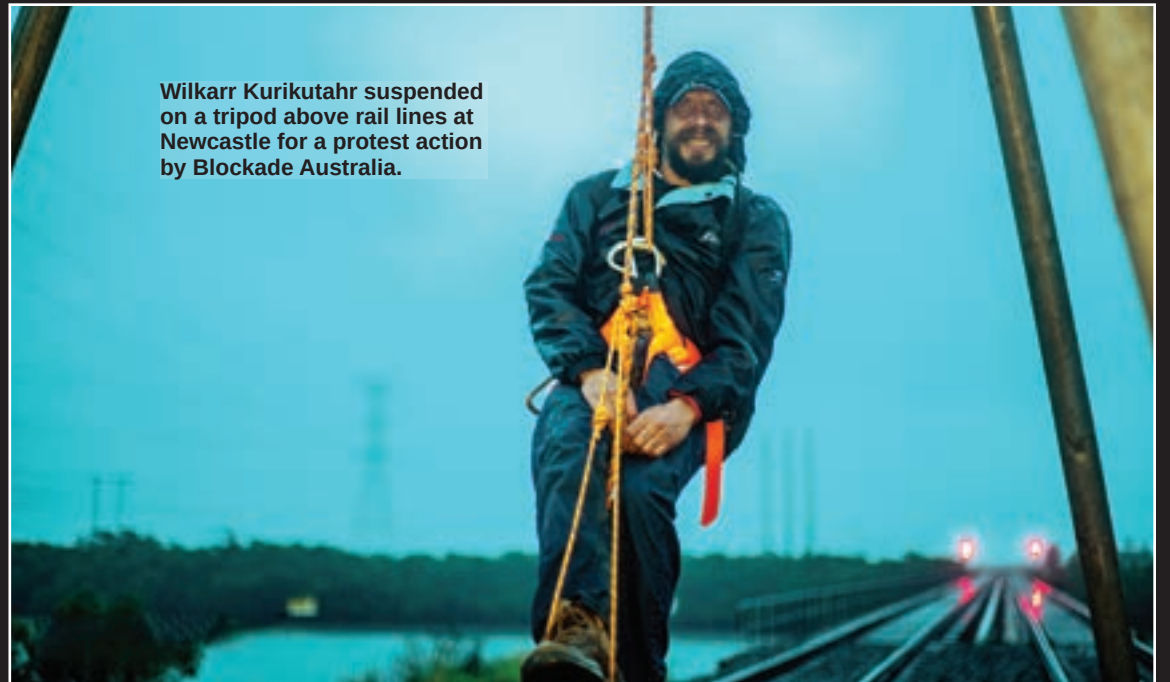
"I'm a Ngemba and Wangan and Jagalingou man standing in solidarity with Awabakal and Worimi mob by blockading the rail line at the world's largest coal port in Mulubinba," he said.

"I'm sick of Australia destroying country and sacred sites to get their resources.

"That's why I am here doing this action today to put a stop to it myself."

Blockade Australia is a network that organises direct action mobilisations in response to the climate and ecological crisis.

Organisers said that for decades Australia has blocked meaningful climate action to protect the profits of extractive and exploiting industries.



Wilkarr Kurikutahr suspended on a tripod above rail lines at Newcastle for a protest action by Blockade Australia.



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Koa people draw strength from native title determination



WESTERN Queensland's Koa people have had their identity strengthened following a Federal Court decision in Winton.

Koa traditional owner Pamela Hegarty said the native title determination of nearly 865,000 hectares of land and waters near Winton would help provide justice for her ancestors.

"Holistically, this will strengthen Koa people to move forward not only on Country but for the very essence of their Koa identity," she said.

"It will diminish myths about Koa people and rectify misconstrued thoughts and opinions once and for all about Koa traditional land ownership of Country in its entirety."

Koa traditional owner Robert Duncan Sr said the determination was one step towards reclaiming Koa Country again.

"It will let our families know where our Elders and ancestors come from," Mr Duncan said.

"I am very happy now, but in the beginning it was a struggle."

Native title is recognised over about 491,850 square kilometres of land in Queensland, with claims to another 428,150 square kilometres currently subject to native title claims.

Prison numbers drop but First Nations still overrepresented



THE number of people in NSW jails has dropped by almost 10% in the past two years due to the impact of COVID-19.

In September, there were 12,254 adults in NSW jails – a drop of 1268 from 13,522 in the pre-pandemic period of September 2019 – according to new figures from the NSW Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research (BOCSAR).

During that period, the number of male prisoners fell by 8.6% and the number of women prisoners dropped by nearly 20%.

However, the number of Indigenous male prisoners fell 2.3% and the number of Indigenous female prisoners fell 9.2%.

BOCSAR executive director Jackie Fitzgerald said that the prison population was now at its lowest level since 2015.

As offending levels and the criminal justice system return to normal, BOCSAR anticipates the adult prison population will return to pre-COVID-19 levels during the next 12 months.

"Unfortunately, the COVID-related fall in the prison population has been less significant for Aboriginal men and women," Ms Fitzgerald said. "This means that the problem of Aboriginal overrepresentation remains very concerning." –AAP

Planting blitz to save honeyeater



Regent honeyeater in long-flowered mistletoe.
Picture: Mark Simpson



TRADITIONAL owners in the NSW Hunter Valley are partnering with conservationists to launch a mistletoe-planting blitz in an effort to save the critically endangered regent honeyeater.

The flowering perennial, which typically attaches itself to the upper canopy of larger trees, is a vital food and nesting source for the flagship woodland bird of which there are thought to be fewer than 400 left in the wild.

However repeated bushfire incursions in the NSW Hunter Valley have severely diminished stands of forest red gum, spotted gum, ironbark and other native

trees, which host the mistletoe.

The project involves BirdLife Australia partnering with traditional custodians and the Mindaribba Local Aboriginal Land Council to facilitate a knowledge-sharing workshop with landholders, government staff and volunteers.

The knowledge-mix of Country, ecology, bush regeneration and land management is expected to help source the mistletoe, collect its fruit and store its seeds.

BirdLife Australia project officer Kristy Peters said that it's hoped the program, which has secured \$50,000 funding from Landcare Led Bushfire Recovery Grants, will generate enough stock for arborists to plant into burnt areas.

The target is to plant at least 1000 long-flowered mistletoe seeds into host trees by the project's completion. In theory, they could function as habitat within three to four years, so the benefit can be achieved far sooner than planting trees.

The project site, Tomalpin Woodlands near Kurri Kurri, is one of the most important contemporary honeyeater breeding areas.

Regent honeyeaters have declined from 1500 in 1992 to current estimates of 350 adult birds, largely due to habitat loss and predation.

Since 2008, nearly 300 have been bred in zoos and wildlife parks and released into the wild.

Funds for homeless



ABORIGINAL people experiencing homelessness or at risk of homelessness will receive better support under a \$12 million NSW Government plan to boost the capacity of Aboriginal Controlled Community Organisations (ACCOS).

Minister for Families, Communities and Disability Services Alister Henskens said the Aboriginal Homelessness Sector Growth project will lead to more ACCOs delivering quality services and support to vulnerable people.

Priority groups for the initiative include Aboriginal people experiencing street sleeping, Aboriginal women and children who have experienced domestic and family violence, and young Aboriginal people who are experiencing or at risk of homelessness.

New inquiry to look at business practice



A NEW parliamentary inquiry will look at how Australian businesses can better serve Indigenous customers.

Liberal MP Julian Leeser, who will chair the new parliamentary committee looking into the matter, said recent high-profile cases prove major Australian companies are failing Indigenous consumers.

Telstra was fined \$50 million earlier this year after staff sold over 100 Indigenous people multiple phone contracts they did not understand and could not afford.

"This and other cases indicate that significant gaps still remain in the corporate sector's understanding of the needs of Indigenous people and the barriers that many of them face," Mr Leeser said. "This is true even among businesses that have ... done some good things in relation to Indigenous engagement."

Submissions to the committee are now open and it will hand down its final report by the end of March 2022. —AAP



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Entsch gets sweet invitation to view TSI's unfolding devastation



TORRES Strait Islander organisers of the Our Islands, Our Home campaign have delivered a

sweet invitation – in the form of a novelty, special edition Ben and Jerry's ice cream pint – to Federal Coalition MP Warren Entsch, calling for him to come to the Torres Strait to witness the impacts of climate change firsthand.

Waniki Maluwapi, a Zenadh Kes and Papuan storyteller and community organiser with the Our Islands Our Home campaign, delivered the ice cream personally to Warren Entsch at his electorate office in Cairns.

The invitation came as the global spotlight was focused on the Morrison Government's climate policies at the COP-26 climate talks in Glasgow, Scotland.

The pint carried a message calling on Mr Entsch to accept an invitation to travel to Warraber Island to meet with Kabay Tamu and local community members, who are facing climate impacts including king tides, erosion, inundation and coral bleaching.

Kabay Tamu is one of eight Torres Strait Islanders who



Our Islands Our Home campaigners Talicia Bolea, Gina Romano, Waniki Maluwapi and Sené Maluwapi.

have made a human rights complaint to the United Nations against the Australian Government, and are calling for stronger action to address the climate crisis.

"Warraber is a tight knit community," Kabay said.

"We sit together, we eat

together, we dance together, we sing together, and we fight together. Climate change is affecting us every day, and we are fighting to ensure our kids can continue to practise our culture and always have a place to call home.

"The Government must do

more on climate change, and that's why I'm inviting Warren Entsch to come and see the impacts of climate change being experienced on a daily basis on Warraber, and listen to the community's demand for climate solutions."

Waniki Maluwapi said that

the Torres Strait is on the frontlines of the climate crisis.

"Rising sea levels, king tides, erosion, inundation and coral bleaching are threatening the homes and cultures of Torres Strait Islander people," she said.

"We want to encourage Warren to meet with the Torres Strait Islander community."

Activism manager for Ben & Jerry's Steph Curley said the ice cream company was pleased to be able to help the Our Islands Our Home campaign.

"This is a delicious and chunky pint, packed with a serious message for Warren Entsch: Please accept Kabay Tamu's invitation to travel to Warraber to listen to Torres Strait Islanders who are calling for climate justice," she said.

Our Islands Our Home is a campaign led by Torres Strait Islanders to protect their island homes.

As part of this, eight claimants from Zenadh Kes (Torres Strait Islands) also known as the #TorresStrait8 have brought a human rights complaint against the Australian Federal Government to the Human Rights Committee of the United Nations over the Government's inaction on climate change.

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

Description of the nature of the act

The Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional NSW intends to grant an exploration licence under section 22(1)(a) of the *Mining Act 1992* (NSW) on land subject to native title.

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

Note: If the licence is granted, the renewal, re grant or re-making (including partial renewals or partial transfers) or extension of the term of the licence may be valid pursuant to section 26MD(1) of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) without further notification, provided the requirements in section 26D(1) are satisfied.

Kali Metals Pty Ltd (ACN 653 279 371) is the applicant for Exploration Licence Application 6357 which, if granted would authorise the prospecting for Group 1 minerals for an initial term of up to 6 years.

Description of area that may be affected

The entire area of Exploration Licence Application 6357 that covers an area of about 386 units situated approximately 39 kilometres east of the town of Culcairn, in the State of NSW as shown on the diagram below.

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

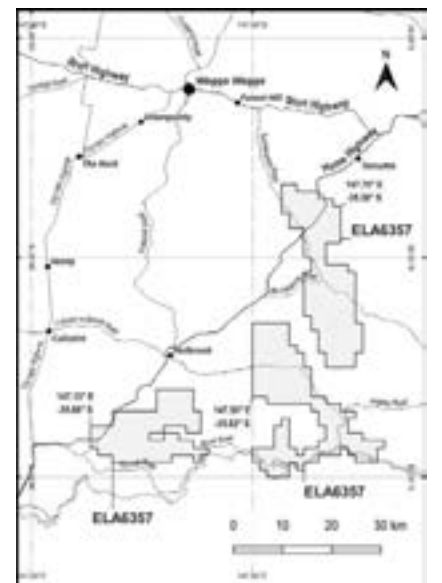
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How further information about the act can be obtained

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

Notification Day

For the purposes of Section 29(4) of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) the notification day is 2 December 2021. Under Section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.



Indigenous perspectives set to revolutionise the academy



INDIGENOUS researchers at Charles Darwin University are set to re-envision their research fields

thanks to two new projects in Indigenous archaeology and digital Yolŋu living maps, funded by the Australian Research Council (ARC).

Lead researchers for the two projects, Wiradjuri academic Dr Kellie Pollard and Yolŋu academic Gawura Wanambi from the College of Indigenous Futures, Education and the Arts, have both been awarded funding for their respective projects as a part of the prestigious 2022 ARC Discovery Indigenous grants.

Dr Pollard will lead a joint CDU and Flinders University Indigenist archaeology project investigating how Indigenous philosophies of knowing, being and doing archaeology in Australia can honour Indigenous worldviews in research.

Dr Pollard's CDU colleague Dr Nicolas Bullot will make critical contributions to the reshaping of Indigenous archaeology, drawing from Western philosophy and digital media as a part of the 'Indigenist Archaeology: New



Yolŋu academics Gawura Wanambi and Joy Bulkanhawuy at CDU's Northern Institute are part of a research team bringing traditional owners and managers together.

Ways of Knowing the Past and Present' project.

Dr Pollard's team will develop a new Indigenist epistemological model (system/basis of knowledge) for archaeological practice in Australia that more accurately reflects the ontologies (ideas about the nature of being)

of First Nations people and their history and heritage.

"Based on case studies undertaken with six Aboriginal communities in the Northern Territory and South Australia, we will use Aboriginal conceptualisations of rigour, time, space, relationality, colour,

presence, absence, materiality and spirituality to rethink current archaeological theory and practice in Australia," Dr Pollard said.

Dr Pollard's Flinders University colleague on the Award Professor Claire Smith said the project offers a generational change in Australian archaeology.

"This project will shape Indigenous archaeology so that it reflects Indigenous ways of seeing the past and present, rather than it being interpreted almost exclusively through a European or Western epistemological framework," Ms Smith said. "Australian archaeology will never be the same."

The second project will see a team of Northern Institute research colleagues including Yolŋu academic Gawura Wanambi, Professor Jennifer Deger, Professor Michael Christie, Dr Michaela Spencer, Paul Gurumuruwuy Wunungmurra, Joy Bulkanhawuy and Benjamin Ward bring traditional owners and managers together with Yolŋu digital media experts, rangers, and artists.

The research project, 'Caring for Cosmologies: Making Living Maps for West Miyarrka' was also awarded funding under the ARC

Indigenous grant round, which will develop a new genre of digital mapping, one that draws on unique Yolŋu knowledge practices.

"The project aims to expand Indigenous research capacities and digital expertise, access to novel resources for a new generation of Indigenous leaders," Professor Deger said. "We aim to create maps that care for Yolŋu cosmologies, for deep knowledge, connections, and responsibilities to country."

"By taking its bearings from country itself, the mapping can help us chart a path to the future in the face of ongoing challenges to Yolŋu people and their lands."

Yolŋu project leader Gawura Wanambi said Yolŋu had complex cultural mapping systems which showed ways to look after country.

"These maps show us paths and patterns about where to go in life, what steps to take next, how everything is connected and how everything makes sense," Mr Wanambi said.

"There are many, many kinds of Yolŋu maps – the time has come to bring them to the surface, to make them visible. Not just dry records of place names on paper – living maps, maps for the future."

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Childhood dream comes true for talented Aboriginal student

Outstanding Aboriginal students have been recognised at this year's 2021 TAFE NSW Gili Awards. In its 31st year, this prestigious Award celebrates the achievements of TAFE NSW's Aboriginal students as well as recognise the dedication of TAFE NSW staff that help empower Aboriginal people.

The recipient of the 2021 Higher Education Student of the Year, Charles Kennedy is a proud Aboriginal man from the Yolngu people of Arnhem Land. From an early age, Charles had a fascination for fashion design. Little did he know, TAFE NSW would make his dream a reality, allowing him to exhibit at the Australian Afterpay Fashion Week.

With the support of his parents to pursue a career in fashion, Charles started his TAFE NSW journey by doing a Certificate III and Certificate IV in a related discipline. Charles wanted to develop foundational skills and test his ability in a high-pressure environment to prepare himself for a career in fashion.

Charles knew immediately that the TAFE NSW environment was right for him, "I'd fallen in love with TAFE NSW, the campus culture, the students, and the incredible staff were all amazing, and I couldn't have imagined studying anywhere else by that point."

As soon as he completed his Certificate IV, Charles applied to study Bachelor of Fashion Design at TAFE NSW. "At TAFE I felt like I was not just another enrolment number and I know this is true for all students within my graduating year. There is a beautiful balance between teacher professionalism, and personal familiarity. The staff really take

the time and effort to get to know you, understand you, your work ethics and your personal values, in order to allow all students to achieve to the highest of their own capabilities," he says.

Charles feels like he could bring a well-rounded balance of skills, relevant to the contemporary nature of fashion design within Australia. Relevant education and training across Digital Design platforms such as the Adobe and Microsoft suites, a strong ability in hand and technical illustrative work, a deep knowledge of garment construction, and textile fabrications and a solid knowledge of business operations.

The positive campus culture at TAFE NSW and the wonderful connections that Charles has made along the way has allowed him to thrive as an individual and to feel both comfortable and confident within himself, stepping forward into my new career.

Earlier this year, Charles presented, along with four other students in his graduating class, at the Australian Afterpay Fashion Week this year, as a part of 'the innovators show'. This has been a childhood dream of his from a very young age, and so to be fulfilling something he has dreamt about so much is really quite surreal. "I was so unbelievably proud to be representing both TAFE NSW and my family at such an iconic Australian fashion event and can't wait to see where we go from here."

Find out more about the achievements of all 2021 TAFE NSW Gili Award winners at <https://www.tafensw.edu.au/gili-awards>



Agreement on water for Yamatji Nation



WA Water Minister Dave Kelly has announced that the first lease agreement for access to water from the Yamatji Strategic Aboriginal Water Reserve has been executed between Yamatji Southern Regional Corporation (YSRC) and Perpetual Resources Limited.

The agreement provides Perpetual Resources access to a 560,000 kilolitre per annum water allocation from the Yamatji Strategic Aboriginal Water Reserve to support their proposed Beharra Silica Sands project near Dongara.

The lease agreement creates an opportunity for YSRC to generate economic revenue from the reserve and will support the implementation of its strategic plan and water business through Yamatji Enterprises Limited.

In an historic first, the Yamatji Nation Indigenous Land Use Agreement (2020) provides members of the Yamatji Nation access to and rights to trade the use of 25.8 gigalitres of groundwater under the Yamatji Strategic Aboriginal Water Reserve, across a range of aquifers in the Arrowsmith groundwater area, 200km north of Perth.

The Yamatji Nation will also receive \$21.3 million to help develop water resources under the reserve for use or trade.

Perpetual Resources' Beharra Silica Sands project will require environmental approvals before commencement.

The removal of first mortgages welcome



VICTORIAN Aboriginal Affairs Minister Gabrielle Williams has announced that five properties owned by Aboriginal organisations have had their first mortgages removed as part of the First Mortgage and Community Infrastructure Program.

These properties are: Aboriginal Housing Victoria's head office in Fitzroy; Wathaurong Aboriginal Co-operative's main office, which includes their health service, in North Geelong; and Winda Mara Aboriginal Corporation's office – plus two other properties housing their services in Heywood.

Ms Williams said that the removal of these mortgages gives Aboriginal communities rightful control of their assets and brings the total number of properties with mortgages lifted under the program to 30.

When the program was established in 2017, there were 59 properties owned by Aboriginal organisations that were subject to a first mortgage held by the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, as part of the funding agreement that allowed the organisations to initially purchase the properties.

While the organisations remain the full legal owners of these properties, a first mortgage means they could not use the capital for future growth.

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Awards showcase high achievers in natural resource management



AN inspirational program helping to develop the next generation of Indigenous rangers, farmers leading the way in sustainable practices, and those excelling at educating the community are among the finalists of the 2021 Northern Territory Natural Resource Management (NRM) Awards.

The awards recognise people and organisations that look after land, water and biodiversity.

From the Karrkad Kanjdji Trust and Aboriginal ranger programs working together to care for country and culture in

West and Central Arnhem Land to the Nakara Primary School Eco Warriors, each of the finalists has championed an NRM cause in their local area.

The Mimal Land management's Learning on Country program is run as a collaboration between Bulman School, Mimal Rangers and Elders to deliver culturally relevant learning and land management knowledge to school students. It's a finalist in the Next Generation NRM award.

NRM chief executive Karen May said that she was in awe of the remarkable contribution of so many people who work hard and excel in their efforts to look

after our natural resources.

"There is strong representation from Indigenous ranger groups and schools, along with business implementing sustainable practices and innovating in the face of COVID-19, and scientists addressing some of Australia's most pressing conservation issues," she said.

All finalists will be entered into the People's Choice Award. Voting closes at midday today, Wednesday, November 17, and the People's Choice Award winner will be announced at the gala dinner tonight, together with all other award category winners at the Darwin Convention Centre.



Mimal Women Rangers conduct bird surveys at Weemol Spring.

New NT Agreement offers hope for a fair justice system



THE Northern Territory has released its long-awaited Aboriginal Justice Agreement (AJA), with hopes the reforms will reduce crime and Indigenous imprisonment rates.

The NT Government and

Aboriginal and community organisation leaders signed a plan to make the justice system fairer for Aboriginal Territorians.

The seven-year agreement aims to improve the way the justice system responds to Aboriginal Territorians by supporting their leadership.

It also provides courts with more sentencing options to better address Aboriginal offending and reoffending, Aboriginal Affairs Minister Selena Uibo says.

The reforms include establishing local law and justice groups, introducing community courts and expanding access to programs that address the root causes of offending.

The NT Government developed the AJA with Aboriginal organisations and NGOs.

Over three years, the Aboriginal Justice Unit visited more than 160 communities to talk with stakeholders.

About 30% of the NT's 246,500 strong population are Indigenous.

In 2018, 84% of the NT's adult prisoners were Aboriginal.

This is the largest proportion of Aboriginal prisoners in any state or territory.

The NT has the highest imprisonment rate of any jurisdiction with 955 prisoners per 100,000 adults.

The national average is 221 prisoners per 100,000 adults. – AAP

Qld Reconciliation Award nominations are open now



NEXT year will mark the 20th anniversary of the Queensland Reconciliation Awards and 20 years of recognising businesses, community organisations, educational institutions and

government agencies going above and beyond their core business to foster reconciliation.

And the Queensland Government is calling for nominations in the five categories of business, community, education, health and wellbeing, and partnership.

An overall Premier's Reconciliation Award will also be awarded to a nominated initiative demonstrating innovative strategies and exceptional outcomes towards advancing reconciliation in Queensland.

The 2022 Queensland Reconciliation Awards recipients will be announced during National Reconciliation Week, held from May 27 to June 3, and will receive a share of \$30,000 in prize money.

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Sydney coast is a spectacular backdrop for storytelling art



YAEGL artist Frances Belle Parker has been chosen to ground Aboriginal art and stories along the spectacular Sydney

Northern Beaches coastline walk.

Spanning 36km of coastline between Manly and Palm Beach, the Northern Beaches Coast Walk is a continuous path that passes beachfronts, spectacular headlands, residential communities and coastal villages.

The Aboriginal Art & Storytelling Project is the first major commission for the Coast Walk Public Art Program.

"This is an amazing opportunity to be able to create public artwork that tells a deeper part of the coastline's story," Frances said.

"Through engagement with the Northern Beaches' Aboriginal community, I hope we can tell stories that are relevant, as well as convey the underlying messages of the country and the people who walked this land before us.

"I plan to explore the themes of middens and the whale songlines through the artwork.



Yaegl artist Frances Belle Parker plans to engage with the Northern Beaches' Aboriginal community to create a public artwork telling the deeper stories of the coastline.

"I'll also be using some elements of my cousin's work, the late Jessica Birk, who lived on the Northern Beaches and loved everything about it.

"In a sense the work becomes a tribute to the

amazing artist she was."

Frances has been a practising artist for the past 20 years, coming to prominence after winning the Blake Prize in 2000 at just 18, making her the youngest-ever winner and the

first Indigenous recipient in the prize's history.

Her art practice spans painting, sculpture and installation and she has exhibited in locations as diverse as Beijing, Andorra and at Sculpture by the Sea in Sydney's eastern suburbs.

For the Aboriginal Art & Storytelling Project, the Northern Beaches Council invited Aboriginal artists to submit proposals for a series of contemporary public artworks and visual storytelling systems to highlight the significance of Aboriginal culture and place along the Coast Walk.

Frances grew up in Maclean in the Northern Rivers region of NSW and is deeply inspired by her Mother's land (Yaegl land) and the island in the Clarence River that her Mother grew up on, Ulgundahi Island.

"I am inspired by the Yaegl landscape and those stories which were shared with me and passed down from our old people. It is my responsibility to document these stories and to map our landscape. In doing so I am making a valuable resource for my children and all of the younger Yaegl mob," she said.

Since winning the prestigious

Blake Prize, for art that explores spirituality, she has exhibited nationally and internationally.

From 2005 to 2011 Frances was a finalist in the NSW Indigenous Parliament Art Award. She was also a finalist in the prestigious 2006 Telstra National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Award.

Recently Frances designed and screened her digital work *Angwirri* on the sails of the Sydney Opera House on 26 January 2021.

Frances completed a Bachelor of Fine Arts through UNSW in Sydney. She later relocated back to Maclean to study at Southern Cross University, where she completed a Bachelor of Visual Arts (Honours) and a Master of Indigenous Studies (Wellbeing).

"Completing my Visual Arts Honours and Indigenous Studies degrees through Southern Cross University has helped inform my art practice in many ways, such as my storytelling combined with mapping the landscapes which I paint," she said.

She has also been an arts administrator, working as the Indigenous Arts Development Officer at Arts Northern Rivers from 2008 to 2010.

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Human rights at stake for people with disability



DISABLED people and their representatives are facing a "brick wall" in advocating for their human rights because

a UN convention Australia has ratified is yet to be properly implemented into legislation, the disability royal commission has heard.

The two-day hearing is examining how the UN's Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD) is implemented in Australian law.

People with Disability Australia senior policy officer Frances Quan Farrant says the UN convention provides a benchmark but is also "just the beginning".

She says the organisation refers "to it constantly" but it becomes "more of an education exercise" when used for individual advocacy "because the CRPD has not been fully implemented" in the law.

"We are faced with barriers because we have got these interpretive declarations which no one has any appetite to remove," Ms Quan Farrant said.

"If we don't have it in the law, we can't operationalise it. We are just faced with a brick wall."

Senior counsel assisting the royal commission Kate Eastman SC said before the Australian Government reports to the CRPD committee on its implementation, it receives a "shadow report" from disability advocacy groups.

First Peoples Disability Network chief executive officer Damian Griffis led the delegation that delivered the Government its most recent shadow report, which involved "significant coordination" by advocates and organisations to identify issues to take to the committee.

He says the work is "not resourced" and does "take quite a commitment on the part of all the organisations".

Mr Griffis said the UN committee was "very disappointed, in fact you could argue quite scathing in terms of the lack of progress on a couple issues in particular" when delivering its most recent concluding observations.

Those issues included the indefinite detention of First Nations people with disability in Australian prisons, where Mr Griffis said there had been no progress.

There was also "significant commentary" on the lack of progress on the sterilisation of women and girls and about the way organisations



First Peoples Disability Network chief executive Damian Griffis.

representing the disabled are structured and funded.

He said a lack of Indigenous voices was to blame for there being no specific article on the rights of disabled Indigenous people in the CRPD, and although this is being "increasingly recognised" his organisation "worry that is still a shortcoming of the convention".

He suggests elevating disability rights through a similar mechanism to the Closing The Gap strategy.

"Even though we can certainly critique it, at the very least, one day in every year the Prime Minister has to elevate Indigenous rights. It's on the national agenda," Mr Griffis said.

"Something like that, in consultation with people with disability and their representative organisations, really has merit as a way to get more focus on disability rights."

Earlier on Monday, Equality Lawyers founder and principal lawyer Natalie Ward told the hearing "the broader community" does not currently regard ableism as detrimental to the provision of human rights as much as racism and sexism, which "makes it incredibly difficult to defend

human rights" for people with disabilities.

Ms Ward says she cannot mount cases based on the UN convention because Australia has not "truly incorporated it into our laws".

UN Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities chair and UNSW academic Rosemary Kayess told the hearing the country needs "a charter of human rights to ensure they are taken seriously". - AAP

"The situation for many First Nations people with disability in regional and remote Australia, to be blunt, is one of abject poverty."

– Damian Griffis, First Peoples Disability Network chief executive officer

Mr Griffis said there is a "very serious lack of awareness" about the the convention and educating community members about their rights is a priority for his organisation.

He said there needs to be greater capacity for advocates to get to regional and remote areas.

"The situation for many First Nations people with disability in regional and remote Australia, to be blunt, is one of abject poverty," Mr Griffis said.

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Deadly design is a winner



YOUNG Darkinjung woman Aleta Wassell's beautiful design featuring a wedge-tail eagle has won the over-18 people's choice award in the **ARTDECKO** exhibition, a show of skateboard art by young people in Sydney's Northern Beaches.

Aleta, 19, was one of 350 young people aged 12-24 who entered. And her entry *Burumerring Yanung (Wedge-Tailed Eagle Looking/Watching)*, pronounced boo-roo-meh-ring yah-noo-ng, tells a story.

Aleta, from Cromer, said she was proud to share her story and her culture as a Darkinjung woman. "This work is about the Burumerring that guides me

through life and supports me through my decisions and lessons," Ms Wassell said.

"The spirit of a bird that soars so free will always be an inspiration of mine that sits close to my heart.

"It is a constant reminder to take a second away from my busy day to check in on my loved ones, to help a stranger out, show some kindness and most of all do something small for myself."

Northern Beaches Mayor Michael Regan said the annual event is a very popular youth program producing some incredible designs from emerging artists.

"**ARTDECKO** allows young people to express their creativity, display their artistic ability and then exhibit their finished piece

alongside established and emerging artists across the Beaches," he said.

"This program came at a pivotal time during Mental Health Month, when young people were doing their best in what was a difficult time.

"Skateart is more popular than ever with the number of entrants almost doubling on previous years. The exhibition was made possible with a new online platform due to lockdown which is a first in the program's history.

"And a special shout out to the Northern Beaches Youth Advisory Group who were heavily involved in the concept, delivery, and promotion of the event which was vital to its success.

"Congratulations to all the winners, enjoy your prizes and we look forward to seeing what amazing designs our local young people produce next year."

The People's Choice winners will receive five customised skateboard decks with their prints on them, courtesy of Skater HQ, who are long time partners with Council on this event.

"I hope to give away a few of the skate decks to young Aboriginal kids learning to skate," Aleta said.

Mayor Regan said Council would like to thank local partner organisations, One Eighty, SkaterHQ and Surf Paints for their collaboration in making this exhibition successful.



Aleta Wassell was named the over-18 people's choice winner in the **ARTDECKO exhibition.**



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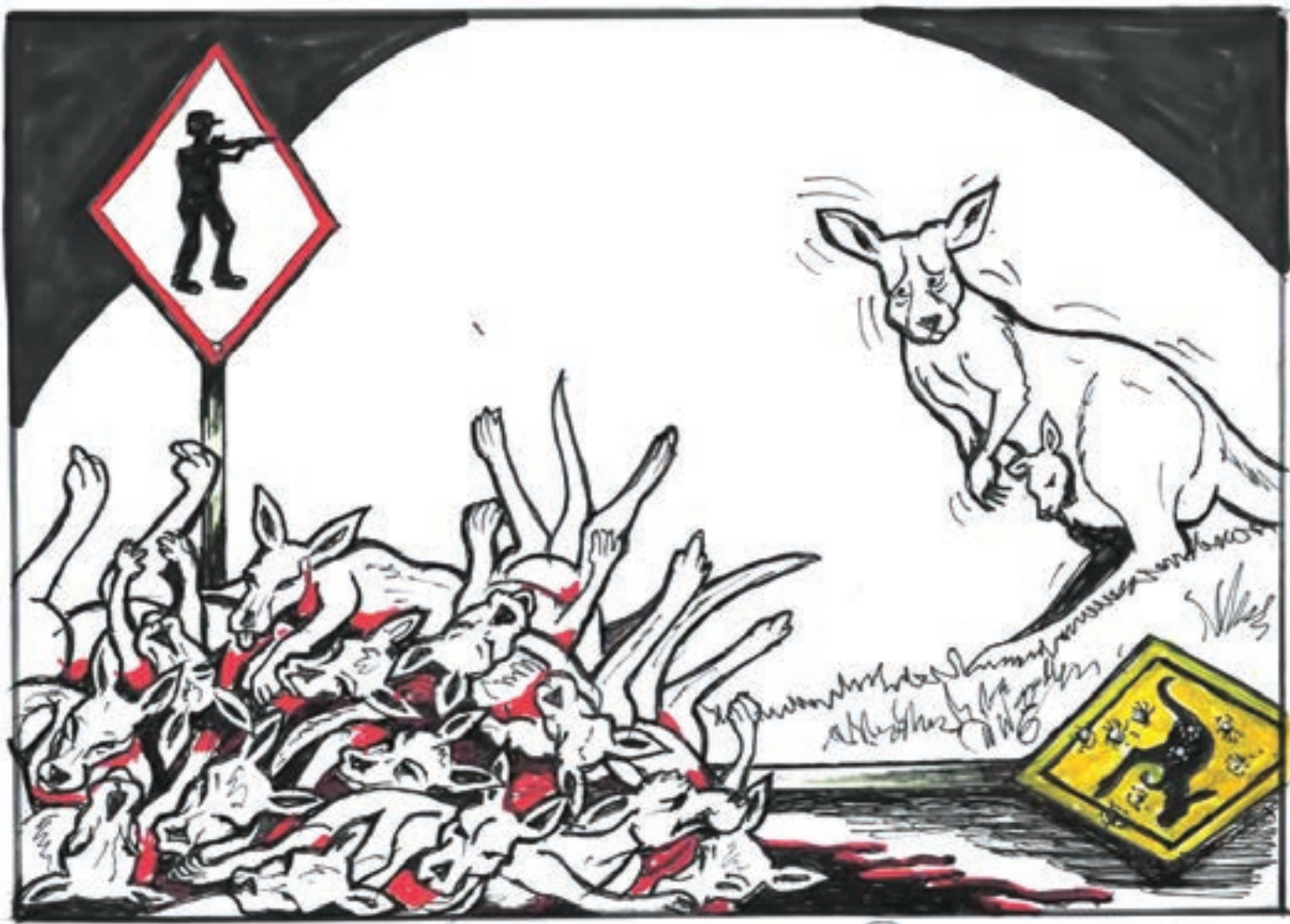
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Danny Eastwood's view



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Susan Anderson

Numbahjing woman of the Bundjalung nation

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Pippies and fish.

Favourite other food?
Nuts and fruit.

Favourite drink?
Mainly water.

Favourite music?
Country music and rock.

Favourite sport?
I watch the NRL and go for South Sydney.

What books do you like?
I like crosswords.

What do you watch on TV?
True stories and documentaries.

Holiday destination?
My dream holiday would be to go to Hawaii.

What do you like in life?
Fishing and walking.

What do you dislike?
Nasty people.

Who or what inspires you?
My grandfather, mother and uncles, and the stories they tell.

Which people would you invite around the campfire?
All my friends.

What would you do to better the situation for Indigenous people?
Give them back their land and sites to look after.

Quote



“When Scott Morrison turned up he had a lump of coal in one hand, a failed 70 billion dollar submarine program in the other and a secret microchip in his back pocket that’s going to solve climate change.”

– Pastor Ray Minniecon

● See pages 6-7

Unquote

Be responsible on social media

THE rise of social media has transformed the way information is spread. Mostly gone are the days when the ‘news’ would be gathered by eager young reporters, checked by crusty sub-editors, and finally published after being given the go-ahead by the wise old proofreader.

All types of things would be taken into consideration – correct spelling and grammar, along with ethical and legal considerations. Photographs would be attributed to the actual photographer, or the source supplying them.

These days, any person can simply log onto their preferred social media platform and publish whatever they like, regardless of whether it is accurate or even true.

Photographs can be ‘sourced’ from other people’s social media accounts, and republished with little or no regard.

This is what happened to Terry Flowers, shortly after news broke that four-year-old Cleo Smith had been found by detectives after being missing for 18 days in Western Australia (see story, page 4).

Mr Flowers, who is also known as Terry Kelly on social media, was devastated to learn that someone had mistaken him for the person who had been apprehended and charged by police. Somehow the name ‘Terry Kelly’ had begun circulating on social media and some bright spark, who no doubt did a quick google search and found



pictures of Terry on his Facebook page, decided to republish his photos.

As a result, Mr Flowers and other family members were inundated with abusive messages and threats, with one person going so far as to threaten that he would be speared.

And while the original social media posts were taken down, it was too late for the Seven News network, which had gone ahead and republished the photos, without permission and without checking that they were indeed the person being accused of Cleo’s abduction. Upon being notified of its error, the network quickly removed the offending photo and issued an apology, as you’d expect.

But it is unlikely to be the end of the matter. In fact, Mr Flowers has engaged lawyers and has said he will be taking defamation action.

Of course, accidents and mistakes happen in any fast-paced media environment.

The trick is to not rely on social media as a news source. Indeed, any responsible media company should have proper checks in place to ensure it’s not writing defamation cheques.

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The Koori Mail is owned by five Aboriginal organisations on Bundjalung country in northern NSW – Kurrachee Cooperative (Coraki), Bunjum Cooperative (Cabbage Tree Island), Nungera Cooperative (Maclean), Buyinbin Cooperative (Casino) and the Bundjalung Tribal Society (Lismore).

Controversial statue turns to pillar of truth

By JILLIAN MUNDY



LIKE towns and cities across Australia, Nipaluna/Hobart is littered with statues, plaques, and place names honouring the lives of colonial White men, all the while ignoring their brutal, murdering, racist, thieving or body-snatching ways.

In Nipaluna's leafy inner city park, Franklin Square, there are three bronze statues. One offends more than the others – that of William Crowther, whose most enduring memory is his 1869 mutilation of Aboriginal man William Lanne's corpse, theft of his skull and battle with other colonialists to claim the body of the falsely named 'last Tasmanian Aboriginal man'.

Despite outrage and losing his medical job at the local hospital, Crowther's political buddies protected him from prosecution. A decade later he became premier for 10 months and in 1889, four years after his death, the statue was erected.

Inscribed in stone beneath the nine-foot bronze statue are the words: 'erected by a grateful public, and sincere personal friends to perpetuate the memory of long and zealous political and professional services rendered in this colony by William Lodewyck Crowther'.

For decades Tasmanian Aboriginal people have expressed the humiliation, insult and hurt the statue causes.

The name Crowther is synonymous with grave robbery. His grandson went on to rob the dozens of Aboriginal graves at putalina (Oyster Cove). In a further indignity to the persecution these people were dealt in life, remains became collectively known as 'the Crowther Collection', not released from the clutches of White men and laid to rest again until 1985.

This year, a series of four temporary public art installations were commissioned by Hobart City Council, provoking discussion on this "complex part of Australia's shared history" and the statue's future. The council hopes to take the lead nationally in its commitment to visibility and truth-telling across the city.

Allan Mansell transformed the statue, coating its head and hands in red rubber to symbolise the decapitation, an Aboriginal flag placed in one hand for the strength of the Aboriginal people of Lutruwita (Tasmania), a meat cleaver in the other and a bone laid at its feet for the Tasmanian Tiger – also abused and driven out by colonists.

Mansell covered the



Tasmanian Aboriginal artist Allen Mansell with *Truth Telling*, which reinterpreted the Crowther statue from April to June, calling on someone – whoever – to come and collect the statue.



Detail from Allen Mansell's interpretation, *Truth Telling*

inscription with a new panel (pictured).

The second work, *The Lanney Pillar*, by Greg Lehman and Roger Scholes, turned the focus to King Billy's life, rather than his death and the indignity

inflicted upon his corpse.

(There are varied spellings of Lanne's name. His birth name is not known.)

The wooden pillar was decorated in replica tools and artefacts symbolising Lanne's



William Lanne, (also known as King Billy). There is so much more to the story of his life than the story of his death.



Detail of *The Lanney Pillar* featuring a spear, whale harpoon and other replica artifacts that would have been a part of William Lanne's life.



Art historian, curator, essayist, poet, University of Tasmania pro vice-chancellor and descendant of the Trawlulwuy people Greg Lehman stands beside the *The Lanney Pillar* he created with Roger Scholes.



The third installation, *Breathing Space* by Julie Gough protects passes by from the statue's 'arrogant gaze' by covering it up.

tribal life and years as a respected seaman and whaler. Inside was the film *The Whalers Tale*.

The film tells how Lanne was one of the last Tasmanian Aboriginal children born on their

traditional country, before his and his family's exile to Flinders Island, how he joined the crews of the whaling ships sailing the Southern Ocean and beyond, his

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shipmates calling him 'King Billy', how he sailed to England to meet Queen Victoria and met the Duke of Edinburgh in Hobart to advocate for his people.

It is the story of an independent man, respected by seaman and the people of Hobart Town.

The third installation, *Breathing Space* by Julie Gough, featured in the previous edition of the *Koori Mail*, saw the statue and inscription covered in a wooden crate.

Gough's work aimed to allow people protection "from his arrogant gaze, to realise we don't need to see the face of evil to know it is always there, haunting and testing the measure of society".

The crate was removed last week to make way for the next installation. Like nearly everyone I have discussed it with, I wished it had stayed.

The final installation is mine (Jillian Mundy) and will be launched tomorrow (Thursday).

My work, a short film, *Something Missing*, is a collection of vox pops from people who use the public space near the statue, which will be screened in a black box for the next two months. People are invited to add further (respectful) comments, information or views to the box with chalk.

I guess I was expected to collect the voices of Aboriginal people – which is what I usually



Koori Mail journalist and photographer Palawa woman Jillian Mundy's installation will be launched tomorrow. She recorded the opinions of people who use the public space near the statue. "There is very little support to leave the offensive statue here, and in my opinion I have not heard one good reason for it to stay. It has been treated like a sacred cow for 132 years too long."

do, of course. But we have made it clear for decades what we think of the statue and until recently it's largely fallen on deaf ears.

So I captured the views of people who hang out, meet, eat their lunch, wait for the bus, sit in the shade (or sun depending on the weather) or skateboard near

the statue. I turned up at random times asking if they knew who the statue was of, did they know the full story, what it represented to them, if they also felt the same way Aboriginal people did about the statue's presence.

Many people did know who the statute was of, and if they

did, many knew of Crowther's deeds.

I did not share my opinion before I collected theirs or steer their answers (it felt like I said there was no right or wrong answer a million times) and gratefully received opinions that differed from mine.

What I was unprepared for was that the vast majority of people who knew the history, or when they did, wanted the statue gone. Only two or three people out of around 100 interviewed had a strong view on it staying – but they wanted the truth added.

People told me they were ashamed and embarrassed that the statue remains, that it should have gone long ago or it should be toppled.

I had complacently believed that moving the statue was polarising to the citizens of Hobart. Every time it is mentioned in local media one or two strong voices in opposition are deemed to be reflecting the majority.

But, if you ask, the wider Nipaluna (Hobart) community are more compassionate and strongly supportive of truth-telling than I had given them credit for.

During the course of making the short film, I thought about unconscious and structural racism, how the voices of my people, the Tasmanian Aboriginal people, are so often ignored, and if those who inhabit the colonial ruling structures will find it easier hearing predominantly non-Aboriginal voices on this matter.

My hope is that they will have the humility to listen to the voices in the black box and act accordingly.

As Allan concluded on his panel in the first installation: 'COME COLLECT YOUR STATUE! WHOEVER!'.

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Conflict with China not in our interest

The ethical transparency of a falsehood, leading us all on the road of fabrication to a path of lies or distortion of the truth.

Where are we heading Australia?

Seeming to all be manipulated into being focused on the negative aspects of any given situation, as a pendulum swings. One must question why does our nation need a submarine that travels three times around the world underwater, when the target is sitting five kilometres off our country? Or are we being blinded by bulldust? Is our government trying to create a problem when there is nothing to see here? I'd like to know the firing capacity of these large underwater beasts before I went any further, because I, like Mr Keating, have no misgivings about China. Because if China wanted us they most certainly would have had us by now. The fluctuation of truth must be questioned.

Our current PM Morrison should heed the advice of Paul Keating, an extremely wise and brilliant man who wasn't able to reflect his generous, compassionate, and very honourable individual charms to most of Australian voters.

Scomo must realise and accept he wins by default every time he has been to an election! Why? Because there are too many ex-LNP lining up as independents, reaping in the votes only to redirect our votes back to the LNP. How is this a democracy?

It's not, and Scott let the illusionist's trick out of the bag last week when he said "Can-do capitalism but won't-do government!"

Are we currently standing here not as a free country but as jesters in a courtyard? Scott Morrison is signing



Letter-writer Jane Nutley wants people to listen to the wisdom of former Prime Minister Paul Keating, pictured here delivering the 'Redfern Address' in 1992.

himself up as president elect without the vote of the people.

As it presently stands the LNP is full of millionaires, the ALP is full of LNP-thinking people and where is our compassion for the poor who suffer in silence?

Step to the sidelines jesters because Riccardo Bosi is coming through.

The shift of a pendulum swings again. Is this man and his party prepared to fight for our democracy in the political arena? Protect it from the corruption of the current trend of a capitalistic nation?

A war on words, but who took our right to vote on a referendum against

a democracy? Where are we heading as a country?

pWhy does our homeland need eight nuclear subs that have the ability to travel three times around the world without surfacing? Some would state naively, that it's because they need to travel undetected and the more they come to the top the easier they are to find. We have no ammunition.

We haven't got the ability to fix what is broken.

Why didn't the LNP take up Japan's offer to take 100 people from our country and teach them how to manufacture one

or two of our own submarines over there? Then send them home with the capabilities of generating the other six or seven that we need?

Which again brings up the question of why does Australia need that many underwater vessels?

With Hong Kong living on borrowed time because of the 99-year lease being rescinded and Taiwan trying to state they are not part of China, even though they are both part of Chinese shores, we as individuals need to look at exactly where Australia is being directed.

Because Paul Keating is a tremendously wise individual with just as much integrity. If this man states in an interview at the National Press Club that Australia should not become involved in the Chinese dispute with Taiwan, because it's like throwing a handful of toothpicks into a fire being fuelled by petrol, then as a society we should pay attention!

Especially since every time you hear America is siding with China over climate change and remember the disgrace of the subs contract being moved from France to America. Everyone must question who exactly is America trying to impress.

The future is definitely bleak for us! Especially when our own government has the manners of hogs at a pig trough, throwing insults and allegations without facts to back them up. There was no pressure put on the LNP or intimidation from China, so why did our government – the people we put into power – feel the need to insult and degrade a country that is normally at peace with Australia?

Jane Nutley
Miles, Qld

Stop, think about how we represent on social media

We, as Aboriginal people and communities, are resilient.

Everyday living in modern Australia is filled with different variables and different obstacles that make life in most circumstances difficult for us as a 'Modern Indigenous People' to survive. However, we, as a people and community, have always found a way to survive and maintain our culture in modern Australia.

We, as Aboriginal people, have embraced modern technology to share our cultural experiences, our families, businesses, and communities with the rest of the

world using social media platforms such as Facebook, Tick Tok and Twitter.

Most of the knowledge shared is positive and does not share hate or division.

Most of these promotions of cultural activities, dreamtime stories, learnings and sharing of knowledge are positive, inclusive and uniting.

However communities are seeing more sinister uses of social media, portraying our communities as dangerous and desperate ghettos with us actively having physical altercations in the main street, usually encircled by

large crowds of our community encouraging people to fight each other over something that is usually so trivial and small.

It really takes a simple five second internet search on Google or Facebook to get videos or live streams of "Aboriginal people fighting each other".

Press enter and you can watch literally hours of community members across the country in one-on-one fights, brawls, or just general assaults on each other, further dividing small communities.

Some of our mob find it hilarious that our people are

fighting and brawling in the main street for their own personal entertainment, and videotaping it on whatever device they have and uploading it to social media platforms.

This needs to stop.

Why are community members videoing these types of brawls and uploading them to social media platforms? Where are the police in these types of situations? Why is this seen as normal behaviour?

When other communities see or are exposed to this type of behaviour it gives us all in the community bad names.

It takes our credibility as safe, strong and proud communities away.

It diminishes everything that we all have collectively worked together to achieve and improve our lives.

And frankly, we as individual Aboriginal people, both past and present, have worked too hard to improve our collective standard of living to have the eyes of the world watching us literally "in live time" fight each other over nothing.

Ray Wilson
Queanbeyan, NSW

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Indigenous business grows strong

A BUSINESS that plans to use the technology behind cryptocurrencies to authenticate Indigenous art and make sure artists are paid fairly.

A social media platform to connect university graduates and deliver ongoing learning.

A unique rope system that makes it safer for workers in dangerous environments at height.

These businesses are all connected by one common factor: They were all started by Indigenous entrepreneurs, having a go in Australia's growing Indigenous business sector.

We know that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander businesses are expanding at a powerhouse rate, with research by Melbourne University suggesting the industry is now worth almost \$5 billion.

Much of this has been due to Indigenous Procurement Policies among governments and large corporations. For example, the Commonwealth Government has awarded over \$5.3billion in contracting opportunities to over 2,000 Indigenous businesses since 2015. In the private sector, Fortescue Metals Group is hot on their heels, with over \$3 billion spent with Indigenous businesses, including recent announcements of a \$500 million contract awarded to Wintawari Guruma Aboriginal Corporation, plus a \$350 million contract awarded to engineering firm Warrikal.

What is incredibly pleasing is we're now seeing more and more Indigenous entrepreneurs choosing to follow their dreams to turn a unique idea into a successful enterprise.

This enthusiasm for entrepreneurship was powerfully on display during Indigenous Business Month in October, when Generation One, an initiative of Minderoo Foundation, hosted a showcase event for Indigenous



Shelley Cable and Leslie Delaforce

businesses looking for the skills, mentorship and capital to scale.

Ten finalists got the chance to pitch to investors at the Dream Venture Showcase, following the three-month Dream Venture Masterclasses program that featured 85 Indigenous-owned businesses primarily across New South Wales, Victoria, and Queensland.

The Dream Venture Masterclass program is unique because it focuses on the worlds of angel investment and venture capital, in which less than a handful of Indigenous businesses have ever succeeded.

The masterclasses also break typical investor stereotypes, equipping Indigenous businesspeople with the tools to become investors themselves.

Often, our mob see multi-millionaires and billionaires on Shark Tank investing hundreds of thousands into new businesses. But in reality, we know that an investment of \$10,000 can be all the break a company needs, and this is becoming increasingly within reach for

Indigenous businesspeople.

It's a chance for established Indigenous business owners to share their success and give a hand up to the next generation by facilitating new opportunities for our mob.

And it's not just Indigenous investors who are keen to back the next generation. Some of the world's biggest companies are supporting these Indigenous business endeavors. Present at the showcase were Google, Atlassian and Chartered Accountants, as well as venture capital firms Airtree, Blackbird and TDM Growth Partners.

It's also incredibly pleasing how varied Indigenous businesses are.

Doris Pty Ltd is the technology platform to license art that we mentioned earlier. It's run by Alisha Geary, who has already started one business, Faeballa, that seeks to place Indigenous art on the global stage and earn worldwide respect for the world's oldest surviving culture. Doris is a web platform that helps Indigenous artists increase their revenue streams by promoting and protecting their intellectual property rights.

Corina Muir, from Melbourne, founded Amber Days, an Aboriginal-owned ethical children's wear label that uses organic materials and collaborates with Indigenous artists to produce original, dreamy, fabrics.

Bonita Byrne is a Wiradjuri Elder who is empowering Aboriginal communities to take responsibility for their emotional and mental health. Her NSW business, Deadly Minds, provides training in Emotional Assertiveness and resilience and has the goal of putting a stop to the effects of intergenerational trauma.

In Queensland, BlackBirds Culture is an Aboriginal and Māori social enterprise that leads culturally appropriate mental health first aid, self-care, life coaching and workshops.

And then there's the Indigenous food and drink sector that's using knowledge of bush

tucker, herbs and botanicals to deliver unique products.

So why is this growth in Indigenous entrepreneurship so important? It's important because it creates new opportunities for our mob, and it generates much more than financial returns.

Research has shown majority-owned Indigenous business are up to 100 times more likely to employ Indigenous workers than other Australian businesses, and every dollar spent with an Indigenous business generates \$4.41 in social returns. Other research also indicates that these non-financial measures are often the main reason our mob go into business.

Economic self-determination is also critical for communities. There is no good reason that Indigenous Australians, with the longest history of hard work and economic participation anywhere in the world, should experience higher unemployment than other Australians, or be left out of the growing startup sector.

We're excited about the future of Indigenous business, how far it has already come and how much growth potential remains. Most of all, we're inspired by all the Indigenous entrepreneurs having a crack at their own enterprises, and the groundswell of Indigenous businesspeople ready and able to invest in them.

● *Shelley Cable and Leslie Delaforce run Generation One, an initiative of Minderoo Foundation, which aims to create employment parity with and for Indigenous Australians in one generation, and was formed by Andrew Forrest, who also founded FMG. If you have a business that you need help to grow or you're a successful business owner looking to invest in the next generation of Indigenous entrepreneurs, Generation One will be running a new series of Dream Venture Masterclasses next year. More information at: dreamventure.com.au*

Climate crisis and *Native Title Act* different sides of one (colonial) coin

RECENTLY presented a Researcher Education and Development (RED) talk for Griffith University, titled: *Gamilaroi, Santos, Native Title, Water and Truth Telling*.

Our native title claim, for which I am an applicant, was recently referred to the National Native Title Tribunal.

There has been little to no success in the past for our mob, with decisions overwhelmingly favouring mining.

The Australian pavilion at the COP26 UN Climate Change Conference, in Glasgow, Scotland, is sponsored by Santos.

Gamilaroi-Irish Australian woman columnist and researcher Aimee Mehan wrote a piece headlined 'No legal right to say "No" – COP26 Glasgow'.

Aimee's article is one of the most, informative, and insightful articles I have read for some time. Aimee states – quite rightly – that "our *Native Title Act* does not give Indigenous Australians the right to refuse development on our ancestral lands".

I remember when we were voted onto the Native Title Applicant on a wave of emotion with a strong consensus in our commitment to fight mining on our country.

From our very first meeting native title lawyers explained that the *Native Title Act* does not allow you to fight. The only option is to negotiate the best possible land use agreement.

The smoking gun, or better the loaded gun, in the room is that after six months, a mining company or



Woolombi Waters

other proponent wanting to negotiate an Indigenous Land Use Agreement can commence proceedings in National Native Title Tribunal that may lead to the project going ahead with no compensation or benefits to the native title holders.

Consider that within our traditional kinship systems our land is carrying the very DNA of our ancestral Dreaming, as is provided the same love and respect as a much-loved family member.

An Indigenous belief system is now recognised as law in Aotearoa (New Zealand) after the Whanganui River was granted the same rights as a legal person.

New Zealand's third-longest river can now be represented in court and has two guardians appointed to

speak on its behalf.

What makes Aimee's article so innovative is the way she reasons such belief systems within the *Native Title Act*, when such a trauma is committed upon our ancestral lands. Aimee puts this in such a personalised way I wanted to acknowledge her.

It's so important that when our lands are being taken for such selfish reasons as the pursuit of economic growth, over and above ongoing connection, bloodlines established over tens of thousands of years, that we find ways to express our hurt and despair.

Aimee does this in such a way to communicate outside our own Aboriginal communities, demonstrating engagement, apathy, and connection within a non-Indigenous audience. The truth is that our mob are not the ones contributing to greenhouse gas emissions and causing vulnerable millions to suffer the destructive consequences across the world.

If we don't find ways to communicate effectively within this non-Indigenous audience nothing will change and our Torres Strait Islander brothas and sistas will lose their homes, inundated by rising sea levels and our people will continue to live in third world conditions on the mainland as these extraction companies continue to build wealth.

Aimee likens the trauma to the #metoo movement, including boundaries, rape with a non-consensual sexual act physically occurring by asking non-Aboriginal people: "... imagine that you are told

about the impending trauma to a relative. Now you, together with your extended family, must 'negotiate' its event. You cannot prevent the event. You do not have the right to refuse the trauma; you do not have the right to stop its occurrence.

"The Australian Government and people who vote for it have decided that you must not only endure the trauma but that you must sit month after month at the table to negotiate the future occurrence of it with a tribunal. Also imagine watching your close relative's perpetrator being promoted by the Australian government on the world stage in Glasgow."

All of which triggers the trauma and pain we carry as Aboriginal people, the true caretakers of our sacred lands. We walk with our ancestors every day, as the earth is our body and the water is our blood, and the trees and rocks are our brothers and sisters, and this is what we hold on to.

The Moree Ecological Holistic Information (MEHI) Centre, representing Gomeroi outside of native title, joined with First Nations representatives from all over the world at COP26 Glasgow, to speak out to save our Mother Earth. The people of the Gomeroi Nation and MEHI are working with the Indigenous People's Organisation Australia to have Gomeroi views about climate change heard at the UN conference.

Wiradjiri Nyemba woman Virginia Marshall, representing Australia's First Nations community, took with her reports and statements from MEHI to tell the world about the

industries causing hurt and pain to our people.

Gomeroi traditional owner Aunty Polly Cutmore stated: "Santos Gas has been spotted at the conference – and yes, it's true – they are sponsoring the Australian Pavilion, trying to say that 'Australia can lead the world in carbon capture and storage'. This shows the partnership that fossil fuels have with our government, putting at risk our futures, our environment and ancient Aboriginal culture."

Gomeroi traditional owner Karra Kinchela said: "The values of the Pilliga Forest, its foods, medicines, ancestral pathways, water and Dreamtime stories, none of these are valued in Australian law but are Gomeroi lore, irreplaceable and a part of our identity."

Australia's *Native Title Act* is a residue of colonisation, a demonstration that those with influence in government will always act to their immediate advantage rather than using their influence to help others. We all remember the "How good is coal?" performance by Scott Morrison in Parliament.

Does anything better embody ScottyFromMarketing than political grandstanding about mythical technological solutions to climate change, ensuring that the lifestyles of those in affluent communities do not have to change, no sacrifices need be made, gross injustices can continue, selfishness lives, and freedom means 'do as you like' as those most vulnerable suffer?

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



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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

The AbCF is a member of the Indigenous Carbon Industry Network (ICIN), Carbon Market Institute (CMI) and is a Founding signatory to the Australian Carbon Industry Voluntary Code of Conduct.



INVITATION FOR PUBLIC COMMENT Willandra Ancestral Remains Reburial 2021

Notice of Publication of Preliminary Documentation under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act* 1999 (EPBC Act).

The following notice is published pursuant to section 95(2) of the EPBC Act.

Heritage NSW (NSW Department of Premier and Cabinet) is consulting on the proposal to rebury 108 Aboriginal Ancestral Remains (including Mungo Man and Mungo Woman) in the Willandra Lakes Region World Heritage Area.

It is proposed that the Ancestral Remains will be reburied at 26 sites across Mungo National Park and four Western Land Lease properties in NSW. The reburial project is the final stage in the return of the repatriated Ancestors that are currently held in secure storage at Mungo National Park (reference: EPBC 2021/8951).

The proposed action was determined a Controlled Action under the EPBC Act with a Preliminary Documentation level of assessment. The controlling provisions are World Heritage properties (sections 12 & 15A) and National Heritage places (sections 15B & 15C).

As a part of this consultation, the NSW Government wants to hear from local communities, and the public, on an option of a permanent Keeping Place for those remains of Mungo Man and Mungo Woman. Such a Keeping Place could involve reburial in a retrievable, controlled environment to provide for further scientific research. The NSW Government would like to canvass community views on options for a Keeping Place.

The EPBC referral documents (including attachments) will be available for public review until 31 January 2022 at the following locations:

- Buronga Library - Midway Service Centre, 6 Midway Drive, Buronga NSW 2739
- Wentworth Library - Murray Street, Wentworth NSW 2648
- NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment - Corner of Sturt Highway and Melaleuca St, Buronga, NSW 2739.

If a member of the public cannot access the document on the website, a copy of the documentation can be supplied either by email by calling (02) 6022 0631.

An electronic version of the documentation may be viewed or downloaded: heritage.nsw.gov.au/protecting-our-heritage/willandra-lakes-ancestral-remains-reburial-invitation-for-public-comment

The submission of written comments must be either mailed to: Heritage NSW, PO Box 1040, ALBURY NSW 2640 or emailed to: willandra.repatriation@environment.nsw.gov.au

All comments must be received by C.O.B (5pm AEST) 31 January 2022. Persons with special needs (e.g., for whom English is a second language or who has a vision impairment) may contact Heritage NSW for assistance on (02) 6022 0631.



Bowraville Central School captains Jayminya Duckett and Zahra Kete.

Strong cultural connection is key to learning



IF an Aboriginal student feels culturally connected to their school environment, they are more likely to

finish high school, according to a key finding identified in the Supporting Aboriginal Students to Attain the HSC report.

The report was developed using data from the NSW Department of Education's 'Tell Them From Me' survey, one of the biggest educational surveys in the world published by its Centre for Education Statistics and Evaluation.

Almost 40,000 NSW secondary students participated in the survey, of whom 3686 were Aboriginal. Bowraville Central School, on on Gumbaynggirr Country on the NSW North Coast, has made cultural connectedness a priority.

Executive principal David Taylor said that the school is extremely proud of its 61 Aboriginal students, which include seven who are sitting their HSC exams.

Mr Taylor said Bowraville school is a 'Connected Communities' school, part of the Department of Education's strategy to address the educational and social aspirations of all students, and particularly Aboriginal children and young people.



Zahra Kete, Alexi Reynolds, Tiarra Taylor-Flanders, Martina Wellington and Jayminya Duckett show their enthusiasm on a visit to Southern Cross University.

"To help us achieve the goals of the strategy, we have in place a range of culturally appropriate initiatives to support connection to culture," Mr Taylor said.

"The school has developed a partnership with the Bowraville Healing Project working with Indigenous Narrative Therapist trainees.

"We also have a head teacher coordinating Bowraville Education Campus, a school-

funded senior tutor, an Aboriginal education officer, a student support officer who is also Aboriginal, and a year adviser. All of these people work with our students one-on-one to support them.

"Both of our school captains for 2021 are Aboriginal students. They're great role models for the younger students. One of the captains has accepted early entry to university."

Land transfer largest in NSW history



LAST week the Orange Local Aboriginal Land Council (LALC) and NSW Water, Property and Housing Minister

Melinda Pavey announced an historic Aboriginal Land Agreement over land and land claims in Orange.

The agreement negotiated between the NSW Government, Orange LALC, Orange City Council and the NSW Aboriginal Land Council (NSWALC) will see 86 hectares of land returned to the Aboriginal community providing both cultural and economic benefits.

Ms Pavey said more than 390 hectares of land would be transferred from the NSW Government to Orange City Council and Orange LALC, making it the largest land transfer in the state's history.

"This historic agreement is an Australian first that will be a model for future Aboriginal Land Agreements and land transfers, that balances the rights of Aboriginal people and essential community infrastructure like



Parliamentary secretary to the Deputy Premier Sam Farraway, NSWALC chairperson Anne Dennis, Orange LALC chief executive Annette Steele, Orange LALC chair Jamie Newman, Orange Mayor Reg Kidd, NSW Property Minister Melinda Pavey and Melanie Hawyes, deputy secretary Crown Lands.

showgrounds and open space," Ms Pavey said.

Orange City Council will have 312 hectares of Crown land transferred to its ownership giving

it greater ability to manage parks, sporting facilities and other recreational and cultural activities, as well as generate economic opportunities.

NSWALC chairperson Anne Dennis said she was proud to have supported Orange LALC in this important achievement.

Ms Dennis said that Aboriginal

Land Agreements have the potential to see multiple claims resolved and in a collaborative way.

"This Aboriginal Land Agreement shows what can be achieved when the Government works in partnership to deliver economic, social and cultural outcomes for our communities," she said. "We hope there are many more such agreements to be announced."

Orange LALC chief executive Annette Steele said this is another significant step forward for the self-determination of the Orange Aboriginal community.

"This land will create business opportunities to increase Aboriginal employment and allow Aboriginal people to participate equally and equitably in the growth of Orange, which will build greater inclusiveness for the whole community," she said.

"It will also allow us to pursue other priorities, like an Aboriginal regional tourism plan, and a program for young girls modelled on the Ngurang-gu Yalbilinya program, which is achieving great educational outcomes for young boys in Orange."

Cultural parents recognised



THE narrow way in which family relationships are legally certified has been reformed in Queensland to recognise traditional child rearing practices of Torres Strait Islander people.

After decades of campaigning, applications are open for cultural recognition orders enabling new birth certificates to be issued naming 'cultural parents'.

"This removes the legal barriers, allowing your cultural identity to reflect your legal identity and your lived experience," Meriba Omasker Kaziw Kaziwa (For Our Children's Children) Commissioner C'Zarke Maza said.

"With a true legal identity, you can now access opportunities for education, access government support and thrive.

"Torres Strait Islander people are expert astronomers; they've observed the skies for a millennia. They're master mariners who have navigated the most treacherous seas. But above all, Torres Strait Islander people are family people.

"We're fiercely unified by our strong family values and our complex extended family structures.

"I believe today is more than just an application process. I believe today will be part of this country's future conversations and history books."

The legislation meaning 'children and adults who have grown up with traditional adoptive parents will finally have their legal identity match



Commissioner C'Zarke Maza.

their cultural identity' passed the State Parliament in September.

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

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

It took years for the Government to understand Torres Strait Islander practices, Kupai Omasker Working Group chair Auntie Ivy Trevallion said.

"I want to thank (Attorney-General Shannon) Fentiman, because she heard our cry," she said.

After the passing of the laws, Ms Fentiman said Torres Strait Islander people will be able "to have and do things that most of us take for granted, such as having a passport in their own name or being able to obtain a drivers licence". —AAP



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Call for applications for appointment to the health profession Accreditation Committees

Applications are now open from interested persons for appointment to the following health profession Accreditation Committees (the Committees):

- Chinese medicine
- Paramedicine, and
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The role of the Committees is to:

- develop accreditation standards for approval by the relevant National Board
- assess, accredit and monitor education providers and their programs of study, and
- make recommendations and give advice to the relevant National Board.

Who should apply?

Applications are sought from registered health practitioners, educators and individuals with relevant skills and experience in the delivery of higher education, clinical teaching of students, or accreditation within the National Scheme or the health sector.

Applicants must also have a demonstrated ability to work collaboratively with stakeholders.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people

The National Registration and Accreditation Scheme is committed to increasing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples' leadership and voices in the regulation of health professions across Australia. Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people with relevant skills and experience as outlined above warmly invited to apply.

Applications close Sunday 16 January 2022 at 5:00pm, Australian Eastern Daylight Time.

To find out more about the roles, eligibility requirements and the application process, visit <https://statutoryappointments.ahpra.gov.au/nb/en/listing> or email statutoryappointments@ahpra.gov.au

Academy graduates

By PETER ARGENT



THE South Australian Aboriginal Secondary Training Academy (SAASTA) students enjoyed a graduation dinner, which included their annual awards night, on November 4 at the Adelaide Convention Centre, on Kaurna land.

The SAASTA programs comprise 50% class room activities and 50% sports training and games, with more than 120 students graduating from the 2021 program.

SAASTA started in 2005 and is a unique opportunity for teenage Aboriginal students, which works in conjunction with their sporting passion.

Each SAASTA specialist academy has a strong partnership with a key South Australian sporting organisation.

The AFL male and female academies are aligned to the Tjindu Foundation, the Basketball Academy works in conjunction with the Aboriginal Basketball Academy, the North Eastern MetroStars Soccer Club partners with the Aboriginal World Football (Soccer) Academy, and Netball SA is the Aboriginal Netball

Academy colleague.

Nick Drury, a SAATSA teacher, presented the Curriculum Awards, while various coaches came up to honour the elite performers in the five programs.

The first Aboriginal person to score a goal for the Socceroos, Travis Dodd, and Stevie Pepper, who played football for five years in Spain and Belgium, presented the soccer awards.

Heidi Sanderson from Netball SA honoured the Aboriginal Netball Academy award winners.

Aboriginal Basketball Academy mentor and coach Joey Wyatt entertained the crowd at the hoops presentations, helped by ABA coach Scott Whitmore and coaching staff member, Joe Jackson.

Adelaide Lightning listed player Jasmin Fejo and Chloe Purvis presented the women's awards.

At the end of the Basketball Awards section, a special perpetual award was presented by the Ah Matt family, with daughters Michelle and Kirsty presenting the inaugural trophy for Outstanding Community and Program engagement to Temaana Sanderson-Bromley.

Michael Ah Matt was the first Aboriginal person to represent his country in basketball, at the 1964 Tokyo Olympics.



Aboriginal AFL Academy male squad.



Aboriginal Basketball Academy Female Sportsperson of the Year Ilari Wanganeen, third from left, with coaches Jasmin Fejo and Chloe Purvis and mentor Joey Wyatt.



SAASTA teacher Nick Drury presented the Aboriginal AFL Academy 2021 Aboriginal Studies Curriculum Excellence Award to winner Courtney Bouzikos.



Aboriginal Basketball Academy Male Sportsperson of the Year Akira Cain, with mentor Joey Wyatt and head coach Scott Whitmore.



Tjindu Football boys Callum McKenzie and Byron Pickett junior



Ebony Noack receives the Aboriginal Netball Academy Coaches Award from Netball SA's Heidi Sanderson.



Aboriginal Basketball Academy female squad.

celebrate full time



Aboriginal Football Academy Footballer of the Year Levi Wilson with coaches Travis Dodd (left) and Steven Pepper.



Women's Aboriginal AFL Academy members.



The SA Aboriginal Netball Academy squad.



Temaana Sanderson-Bromley (centre), winner of the Aboriginal Basketball Academy inaugural Michael Ah Matt award, with Michael's daughters Kirsty and Michelle.



SAASTA Aboriginal World Football Academy members.



OMG. "OMG! This is actually heavier than it looks!" Alaina.



Road Play. "She told Mum she was taking me for a ride down the road but she not." Laine.



Banned. "I'm banned from that store for a week... I don't care! I'll just keep riding past to the next shop." Amos Jnr.



Free Lollypops. "Donna's selling lollypops, frozen cups and popcorn. I got my lollypop and Marky's for free and she didn't even notice." Puchaanu.



Daley's Bike. "Ms. Daley, the kindergarten teacher has a flash black bike; it's them olden-style one. Every time I drop Erica off at kindy, I always check it out." Kayla.

Untold stories of young mob caught in the lens



NAOMI Hobson's series of evocative photographic portraits of young Aboriginal people from her community of Coen, *Adolescent Wonderland* is set to tour regional South Australia.

"Today photography needs to push the boundary," she said.

"I'm using the medium to tell real stories that I feel don't get told or haven't been told. I want people to see who our youth really are: fun, playful, smart, savvy, proud, adventurous and witty."

Naomi Hobson is a southern Kaantju/Umpila woman who lives in Coen, a small town of 360 people in the centre of Cape York Peninsula in far north Queensland.

A multidisciplinary artist, she regularly works across the mediums of painting, ceramics and photography.

Through her work, first seen by Adelaide audiences in Tarnanthi 2020, Hobson references her family's political

and social engagements as well as her own personal engagement with her Country and community.

In her *Adolescent Wonderland* series, Hobson is working to empower young people, to encourage them to be themselves and to celebrate their uniqueness.

The title *Adolescent Wonderland* is inspired by the classic children's novel *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland* by Lewis Carroll.

Themes of youth, playfulness and childhood memories are evident in Hobson's photographs, where the brightly coloured figures and their props lure the viewer into a dream-like reality.

"I think young people are getting crazy adventurous with all the apps and photo settings in their mobile phones," she said.

"They're just really connecting with how they want to share their story.

"Young people are so advanced in using technology and they also love getting their photos taken, but let them show you their story, their way; that's

what *Adolescent Wonderland* is all about."

Presented by the Art Gallery of South Australia and Country Arts SA with support from the South Australian Government, the tour will launch in Port Pirie on December 11 and extend to 11 venues across the state until October 8, 2023.

Venues across South Australia will also invite their community to participate in a photography competition. Titled *Where's Your Wonderland*, the competition invites participants to capture their own everyday worlds for a chance to win. These photographs will also be displayed digitally as part of each touring venue's exhibition.

The *Adolescent Wonderland* series was first commissioned by the Cairns Art Gallery with funding from the Queensland Government through the Arts Queensland Backing Indigenous Arts initiative.

The current, expanded exhibition was initially created for the Tarnanthi *Open Hands* exhibition in 2020.



Naomi Hobson, Coen River, Cape York. Picture: Tim Fryberg.

Model helps mob to find their way about vaccines

By DARREN COYNE



A NEW resource called 'Finding Your Way' has been developed to help First Nations people to make informed decisions about COVID-19 vaccines.

The shared decision-making model was developed following yarning sessions with Aboriginal community members and health workers.

Bundjalung man David Follent, a member of the Chronic Care for Aboriginal People team at the NSW Agency for Clinical Innovation, was the co-lead in developing the model along with Yuin woman Catherine Kostovski.

Mr Follent told the *Koori Mail* that the model was based on some of the existing models of shared decision making using an 'eight ways of learning' system developed by the Western NSW Aboriginal Education Team and James Cook University.

"We were already working on a project about shared decision making but when Delta hit we were asked to pivot and develop a model that supports conversations around the vaccine," he said.

"The model encourages people to have conversations with their GP or other health professionals to ensure that whatever decision they make is well informed.

"There has been a lot of misinformation and disinformation around, especially on social media. In some of the conversations we've had, where people have been reluctant to go down the vaccine path, we've related the risks to them and their family and they've decided to have the vaccine.

"The model also gives an



David Follent, a member of the NSW Agency for Clinical Innovation.

avenue for those deciding not to have the vaccine to at least still have a conversation with their GP about ways to minimise risks."

Mr Follent said the model works in a number of ways. It encourages yarning between Aboriginal people and their health professionals and also provides a culturally appropriate model, based on culturally appropriate messaging.

"We recognised that we had to move fast, particularly in western NSW and western Sydney because sadly we've lost a few mob through COVID now," Mr Follent said.

"We worked quickly to develop an interactive website and developed posters and prompt

cards which can be downloaded from the website.

"We have also been working with NSW Health and Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisations to print out the posters and send them out."

Resources are available for support people using the model, including a sheet of questions, a series of posters, and videos.

Mr Follent said it was apparent that many people had been overwhelmed as COVID cases began to surge through the country, and that sometimes it was difficult to decipher what was good information and what was bad information.

"If we can get the mob who are sitting on the fence and start these conversations, once they understand clearly the benefits they are more than likely to get it," he said. "But the best way to do that is to have those conversations. It's not about telling people what to do.

"We didn't want to just put out a pretty model and pat ourselves on the back. We created a mini-series of ongoing yarn sessions."

Mr Follent said a health scare last year had enabled him to experience shared decision making first hand.

"I was in hospital for two and half months after I picked up a bug that wrecked two of my heart

valves," he said. "I've worked in health for more than 20 years and my mum, Sue Follent, was one of the first Aboriginal health workers. I've also got lots of uncles and aunties involved in the Aboriginal community-controlled health space so I knew the system and the lingo.

"So in my own personal journey my only power in hospital was being able to have those conversations with doctors and the nursing staff.

"Stepping out of my own journey, I realised that many of my mob don't have that, and I thought here's something that I could do that goes back into the system to help mob have these conversations.

"When people are empowered it leads to better health outcomes."

Mr Follent said the 'Finding Your Way' resource could also be used in other spaces, not just dealing with COVID.

"This model could be used in mental health, palliative care, drug and alcohol counselling and family care," he said.

Mr Follent paid tribute to Dr Lyndal Trevena, a GP and professor in the Faculty of Medicine and Health at the University of Sydney.

"She is a leading Australian expert in shared decision making who graciously and passionately supported this work in her own time," he said.

"The shared decision making model and practical resources were culturally adapted with Aboriginal health workers and community living and working on Eora, Wilyakali, Gandangara, Wiradjuri, Bundjalung, Darug and Yuin lands.

"Also, I would like to acknowledge our artist Belinda Coe, who provided all the deadly artwork."

New research project to look at stillbirths in Aboriginal families



RESEARCHERS will carry out the first large-scale examination of stillbirths among Aboriginal families as part of a new Curtin University-led project.

The research project, led by Associate Professor Carrington Shepherd from the Curtin Medical School, will work in partnership with Aboriginal Elders, communities and service providers.

Curtin Medical School Dean Professor Sandra Eades, who is also working on the project, said the research was designed to offer new insights to help reduce the number of Aboriginal stillbirths.

"Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women are two to three times more likely to experience the heartbreak of a stillbirth than other women in Australia," Professor Eades said.

"By working with Aboriginal Elders, communities and the relevant service providers, this research will undertake



Professor Sandra Eades

the first large-scale examination of stillbirths among Aboriginal families with the ultimate aim of helping to reduce these devastating outcomes."

Associate Professor Shepherd said the project aimed to enhance our understanding of the risks of Aboriginal stillbirth and develop Aboriginal-specific intervention strategies to support

stillbirth education and awareness.

"The project will generate critical new knowledge to help prevent a significant number of Aboriginal stillbirths including culturally effective health promotion and education interventions," Associate Professor Shepherd said.

"While the work will primarily engage with, and focus on, communities on Noongar Boodja (south-west of Western Australia), the findings and outcomes have the potential to help Aboriginal families across WA and nationally."

The project also includes Professor Rhonda Marriott from the Ngangk Yira Research Centre at Murdoch University and Aunty Millie Penny as the lead Aboriginal Elder, as well as other researchers from Curtin University, the Telethon Kids Institute, the Centre of Research Excellence in Stillbirth at the Mater Research Institute, Still Aware and the Department of Health.

The project received Federal Government support through the National Health and Medical Research Council's Ideas Grants.

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Fatherhood inspires Goodes to share First Nations past in a children's book

By DARREN COYNE



BARKINDJI artist David Hardy is not a huge fan of AFL football, but he jumped at the chance to work with former AFL

great Adam Goodes on a series of children's books.

The first book in the *Welcome to Our Country* series, co-written by Goodes and Ellie Laing, a political advisor and former journalist, has just been released.

Called *Somebody's Land: Welcome to Our Country*, the book is aimed at children aged between 4 and 8, and invites them to "imagine themselves in Australia's past, to feel the richness of our First Nations' history, and to acknowledge that our country was never Terra Nullius".

Adam Goodes said he and Ellie Laing wanted to create a resource for parents and younger children.

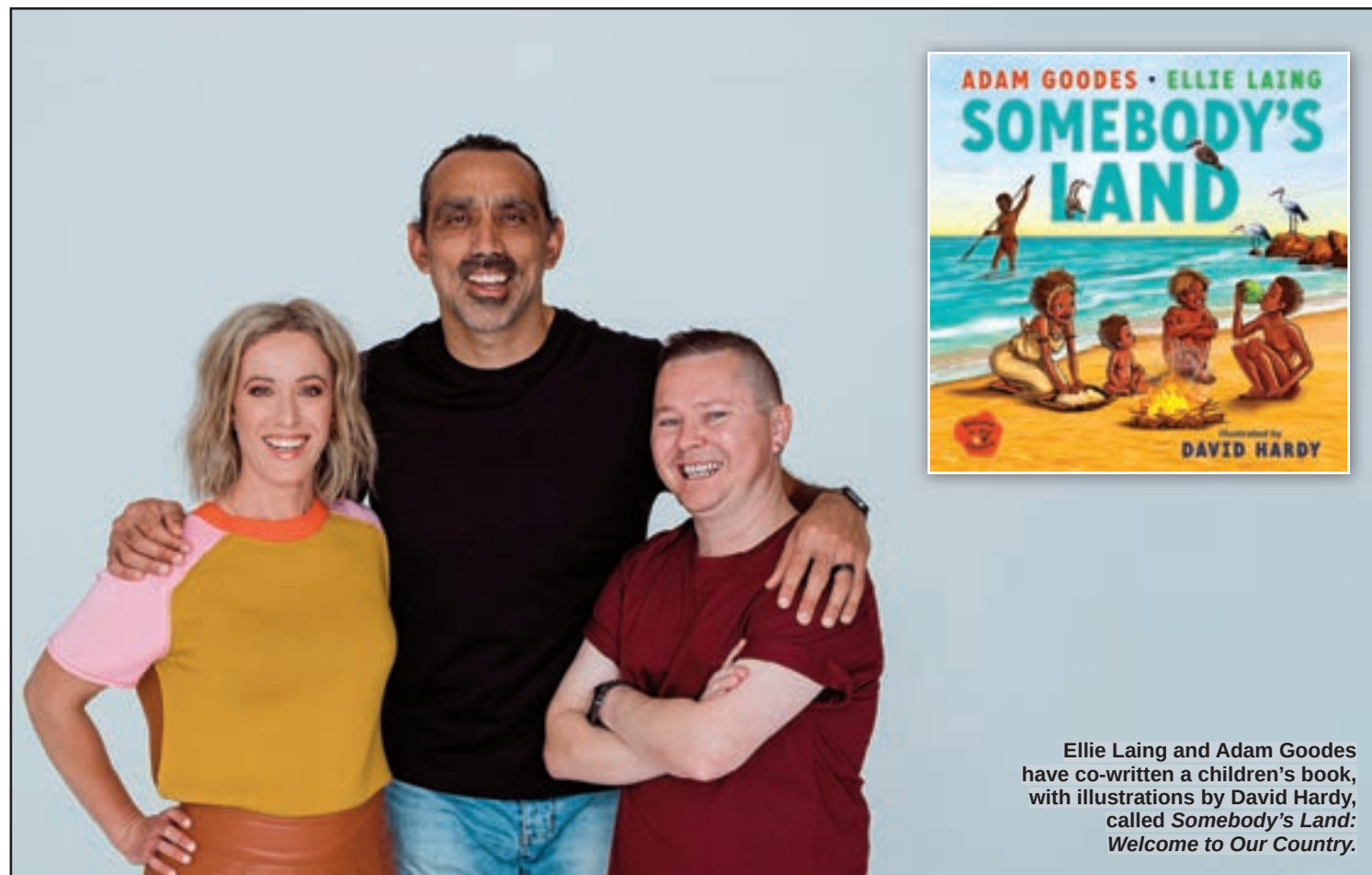
"As a new father, with my daughter now approaching the age where she will start school, I'm so proud to be publishing a series of books about Australia's Indigenous history," Mr Goodes said.

Ellie Laing said one day her eldest son came home singing Indigenous lullabies and reciting an Acknowledgement of Country.

"I was so moved. I wanted to continue the conversation with him, to learn more and to ask questions," she said.

"We would love this series to become a conversation starter for people young and old, to understand the importance of acknowledging Country, the truth about Australia's history, and the rich culture of the traditional custodians of the land we live in."

And while the story provides a lovely insight into life in Australia



Ellie Laing and Adam Goodes have co-written a children's book, with illustrations by David Hardy, called *Somebody's Land: Welcome to Our Country*.

before colonisation and during first contact, it is the images by David Hardy which truly bring the book to life.

When asked when he started illustrating, Mr Hardy told the *Koori Mail* that he had been drawing his whole life.

"I started off drawing at school and when I left I landed a job at Walt Disney doing hand-drawn animation," he said.

Working in 'character teams' he had a hand in illustrating characters from movies including *Peter Pan*, the *Lion King* and *Tarzan*, before being asked to direct two films in the Philippines:

The Fox and Hound 2, and *The Littlest Mermaid: Aerial's Beginning*.

"Once that was finished and the Sydney Disney studio closed, I decided to start books and illustrating them," he said. "I've written two, *Alfie's Big Wish* and *Alfie's Search for Destiny*, and illustrated about seven."

He is currently the senior illustrator and manager for the gaming company, Lightning Box Games, but when a call came from publishers Allen & Unwin to illustrate the series with Goodes and Laing he jumped at the chance.

"It has been really important to me because Mum was part of the Stolen Generations and culture means a lot to me.

"And knowing Adam helped write it helped."

For inspiration for the characters, Mr Hardy did not have to look too far, using his two children Caden and Summer.

"Both of them appear in *Somebody's Land* as do Adam's and Ellie's kids," he said.

"The publishing company sent me pictures of their kids and I worked on the book for about four months, start to finish.

"After doing all the rough

concepts and designs, sending those to the publisher and Adam and Ellie, I then moved on to the final art work.

"I'm working on the second book in the series now."

Mr Hardy said the writers had managed to create a "happy kids book" despite the impact of colonisation on Australia's First Nations people.

"It was tricky at first but we treat it as a celebration of the culture at the time," he said.

"This one was the most serious. The next one is about ceremony and there is a lot of fun stuff that happens."

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Applications open for visual arts scholarship



ARTS Northern Rivers has announced the continuation of the First Nations Visual Arts Scholarship

delivered in partnership with the Byron School of Art (BSA).

Applications are now open for the scholarship, which will sponsor a First Nations artist to participate in a year-long Visual Arts Foundation Course. Designed to provide an extensive grounding in the visual arts, students will gain knowledge, skills and experience needed to form an integrated understanding of contemporary visual arts ideas and practices.

Attuned to the needs of individual students, the course is suitable to both emerging artists who wish to establish their practice and established artists

who wish to refine or expand. The school's structured studio programs equip students with a range of competencies from practical skills including drawing, painting, printmaking and 3D studies, to installation practice, digital media, design principles, colour theory, art history and critical thinking.

2021 Scholarship recipient Belle Budden is a Wakka Wakka woman living and working in Bundjalung Country. Belle has spent the past year working with diverse forms to expand her practice, including paint, printmaking, ceramics and multimedia.

"Studying with BSA has provided the opportunity to concentrate on practical art skills, deepening my artistic and cultural expression," she said.

"While COVID and multiple

lockdowns have affected and interrupted the course, the BSA team have been so supportive and adaptable. I am so grateful for the experience."

This scholarship will be supported by Arts Northern Rivers Indigenous Visual Arts Industry Support funding as well as the Arts Northern Rivers Gift Fund.

Intake for this preliminary course does not require previous experience, however examples of artistic ability and evident interest in visual art can be beneficial during the process.

The 2022 BSA Visual Arts Foundation course will run for a total of 30 weeks on Tuesdays and Wednesdays at the Byron School of Art in Mullumbimby.

Applications close on December 15. To apply visit artsnorthernrivers.com.au



Kathleen Toomath and Michelle Broun inspect some of the Carrolup artworks.
Picture: Sam Proctor

Children's artworks illustrate truth of Stolen Generations



ABORIGINAL artist Kathleen Toomath will continue her late mother's legacy to help safeguard the treasured collection of artworks created by Nyungar children who were part of Australia's Stolen Generations.

Ms Toomath, the daughter of the late Alma Toomath (nee Cuttabutt), the last-known surviving Carrolup artist who passed away earlier this year, has been appointed the Carrolup manager at the John Curtin Gallery.

Her appointment coincided with the opening of a new interim exhibition, titled *Carrolup Coolingah Wirn*, meaning the spirit of Carrolup children, which is the first exhibition curated by Michelle Broun, the curator of Australian First Nations Art at the John Curtin Gallery.

John Curtin Gallery director Chris Malcolm said he was delighted to welcome Ms Toomath to the Gallery to protect and promote the Carrolup collection, including the significant work her mother started as a child living at the Carrolup Native Settlement in the 1940s.

"Auntie Alma was a Stolen Generations survivor, taken from her family as a young child who entrusted her own artwork, alongside others repatriated from Colgate University in the US, into the care of the John Curtin Gallery," Mr Malcolm said.

"An artist and advocate in her own right, it is only fitting that Kathleen joins the John Curtin Gallery to ensure these precious artworks remain protected and accessible to Aboriginal and other people throughout Western Australia and beyond.

"Kathleen will be deeply involved in the development of the Carrolup Centre for Truth-telling, which will



The Golden Road, c1949, by once known child artist. The Herbert Mayer Collection of Carrolup Artwork, Curtin University Art Collection.

become the dedicated new home for the Herbert Mayer Collection of Carrolup Artworks within the Curtin University Art Collection."

Ms Toomath said she was honoured to play a key role in safeguarding the precious stories of Nyungar children who were taken from their families.

"Each of these works tell a unique story from every child's experience and I embrace my new role in nurturing and sharing these remarkable works for generations to come," Ms Toomath said.

After an incredible 65-year journey circumnavigating the world including a 40-year hiatus in the US, where the works lay undiscovered in storage, Colgate University in New York granted Curtin University's John Curtin Gallery custodianship of the Collection in 2013, where the works are cared for under the guidance of the Carrolup Elders Reference Group.

Carrolup Elders Reference Group chair Tony Hansen said the new interim exhibition focused on a cohort of stolen children whose artworks and stories provided opportunities for truthful conversations

about the impacts of colonisation, the Stolen Generations, and the rights of children today.

"This engaging exhibition is built around a selection of artworks from the Herbert Mayer Collection of Carrolup Artworks and will offer an interim home until the Carrolup Centre for Truth-telling opens in 2023," Mr Hansen said.

"The interim exhibition will create opportunities for schools and other interested groups to visit the works and learn about the children's stories in a culturally safe space."

Carrolup Coolingah Wirn opens to the public from today, Wednesday, November 17, at the John Curtin Gallery.

Kathleen joins Curtin from the WA Museum of the Great Southern in Albany as a strong advocate for Aboriginal artists and musicians within the community.

Kathleen is a practising artist with extensive experience in the arts and community arts and development sector, having worked for Abmusic and the Department of Culture and the Arts administering grants as well as an assessor for the Federal Arts Ministry.

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Students continue to Follow the Dream as renewed partnership shores up funds



BHP and the Polly Farmer Foundation (PFF) have renewed their partnership, totalling \$3.2 million over one and a half

years.

For nearly 20 years, BHP has supported PFF and its suite of educational programs for Indigenous students, with the partnership first launching in 2003.

Since that time, thousands of Indigenous students have achieved positive school outcomes and embarked on meaningful post-school pathways, including university, apprenticeships, traineeships and direct employment.

Many PFF students have also had the opportunity to join BHP as interns, graduates, apprentices, and full-time employees.

Through the renewed partnership, BHP will continue to provide financial and in-kind support to PFF's suite of early years, primary and secondary programs in Newman, Hedland and Kalgoorlie (Western Australia).

BHP also provides funding for two of PFF's interstate Follow The Dream programs, in Muswellbrook, NSW, and Port Augusta, South Australia. And, as part of PFF's partnership with the WA Department of Education, BHP also contributes towards extra-curricular experiences and operational expenses for all Follow The Dream programs run across WA.



A Year 8 student at the Hedland Follow The Dream program run by the Polly Farmer Foundation, Camilla Steer says the program provided support with schoolwork and has helped to build her confidence.

Camilla Steer is a Year 8 student at the Hedland Follow The Dream program.

Camilla transitioned into the Follow The Dream program at Hedland Senior High School after taking part in the Polly Farmer STEM Centre while at primary school.

She is following in the footsteps of her older twin sisters who both took part in Follow The Dream and who are on the cusp

of graduating school and heading into their chosen career paths.

"Follow The Dream provides us with lots of amazing opportunities and guidance for what we want to do in the future, which for me means going to university to become a lawyer," Camilla said.

"I would really recommend to other students to get involved with Follow The Dream.

"I receive so much support

with my schoolwork from the specialist tutors and I have had the opportunity to take part in two of the program's amazing career camps in Perth and Broome.

"Overall, the program helps me with my confidence and I have built a lot of friendships."

Marty Skiadas, an electrical engineer at BHP in Hedland, is a big supporter of PFF's programs and regularly visits the Hedland STEM Centre to help students

take part in STEM challenges and focus on their problem-solving skills.

"It is so rewarding to support young, bright Indigenous students who are excited about STEM, while also helping them to connect with their cultural heritage and traditional knowledge," he said.

BHP manager communities Chris Cottier said that BHP is proud to celebrate nearly two decades of partnership with PFF.

"This funding will help drive better educational outcomes in the Indigenous community by supporting Indigenous students through early years and primary and secondary programs that will prepare them for successful careers," he said.

PFF chief executive Cate Sims said that, currently, more than 2500 Indigenous students are enrolled in PFF's 57 primary Learning Clubs and STEM Centres, and secondary Follow the Dream programs around the country.

"With BHP's support over nearly two decades, we have been able to expand our footprint, develop new educational programs, and, most importantly, empower thousands of students and alumni to achieve their potential at school and beyond," she said.

As well as guiding and shaping study choices and career aspirations, PFF's suite of programs offer experiences and opportunities that promote leadership, develop confidence and celebrate Indigenous culture.

Funds aim to give early learners the best start



ABORIGINAL children and families in NSW will have additional support to participate in 600 hours of quality early childhood education

in the two years prior to school.

NSW Education and Early Childhood Learning Minister Sarah Mitchell said that over 50 eligible early childhood education services will receive grants that will allow Aboriginal preschool students to engage and learn in their earliest years.

"Participation in early childhood education is fundamental to ensure children have the best possible start to their educational journeys," she said.

"This is about making sure that Aboriginal children and their families are supported and have easy access to quality early learning.

"These grants will enable services to provide educational activities that will strengthen the foundations of children's learning in those crucial

years before school."

Grants of up to \$10,000 are available for a range of initiatives to support access to quality preschool education for Aboriginal children that will benefit and enrich the development of culture in the community.

"The funding can be used for initiatives such as transport services to help families access the preschools, development opportunities for staff to learn how to further support Aboriginal children and engagement with Aboriginal community members," Ms Mitchell said.

"Services will have the opportunity, for example, to engage with local Aboriginal community members to conduct dreamtime storytelling sessions or explore Aboriginal art.

"They'll also be able to provide access to specialised staff to deliver targeted support to Aboriginal children and their families."

Katoomba Leura Preschool in the Blue Mountains is a community-

based preschool with more than 100 children, around 10% identify as Aboriginal.

The preschool has been successful at applying for a community grant of \$10,000, aimed at enhancing their engagement of Aboriginal children and families at their service.

A couple of years ago, the preschool had Aboriginal artist Leanne Tobin work with them to create a mural on one of the walls – they intend to use the new grant to engage the artist to come in and create a larger mural on the exterior walls of the preschool so the whole community can enjoy it.

They will also be establishing a bush tucker garden on the exterior of the preschool – not only for the children to learn about bush tucker, but for the wider community's enjoyment and use as well.

The preschool will also be utilising the grant funding to purchase high quality resources, instruments and story books for the children to enjoy.



Aboriginal artist Leanne Tobin worked with the Katoomba Leura Preschool to create a mural.

SupplyAus recognised as business that goes above and beyond for community



AN Indigenous Queensland company that supplies personal protective equipment has been honoured by the Queensland Government at the Buy Queensland Awards.

The annual awards recognise Queensland companies that create jobs for locals, use local materials and contribute to better social outcomes for disadvantaged Queenslanders.

Procurement Minister Mick de Brenni announced SupplyAus Pty Ltd as the winner of the major Buy Queensland award at last week's ceremony in Brisbane.

Ormiston-based SupplyAus supplies PPE and office supplies and also has a strong social commitment, working to assist the Indigenous community.

SupplyAus chief executive Adam Williams, a Wiradjuri man, said winning the award was inspirational for the company and its workers.

"Winning recognises the efforts we have put in and inspires our employees and the extended communities they support," he said.

"We are incredibly proud to support the social outcomes for Indigenous communities, especially the children and the youth."

Mr de Brenni said that



SupplyAus chief executive Adam Williams receives the Buy Queensland major award from Queensland Procurement Minister Mick de Brenni.

SupplyAus was an exceptional business with a strong commitment to the community.

"SupplyAus is an outstanding example of a local company providing jobs for locals while at

the same time having a firm focus on achieving tremendous social outcomes," he said.

"This small company is doing big things and being able to hand them the major award of

the day, The Minister's Buy Queensland Award, is an honour.

"While SupplyAus provides PPE, workwear, uniforms and office equipment to both

government and private industry, it's the behind-the-scenes work in Indigenous communities that really sets them apart.

"Not only are they creating jobs for Indigenous workers but they're actively working in the Indigenous community to improve lives."

During the pandemic, SupplyAus has provided masks, hand sanitiser and PPE to Aboriginal medical centres from Yarrabah to Woollongabba.

When food supplies became short on Palm Island and Stradbroke Island during the worst of the pandemic, they provided care packs of fresh fruit and protein to Indigenous communities there.

Mr de Brenni said SupplyAus also sponsors basketball at Redlands, allowing children whose parents can't afford uniforms or registration to sign up.

Mr de Brenni said SupplyAus partnered with the Gold Coast Suns, visiting remote communities in the Northern Territory, providing children with books and colouring-in pencils.

"And when a Yarrabah community member asked for help with the unplayable Yarrabah Aussie Rules field, SupplyAus resurfaced it and now maintain it, allowing the local kids to have the chance to play in the Cairns AFL competition," he said.

Grants from nbn helping businesses to innovate

By Che Cockatoo-Collins

executive manager,
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Jason Davis, chief executive of WUNA (HoldAccess), who won last year's Indigenous Business category, and the overall Innovate with nbn Grants Program.

Business category and overall Innovate with nbn Grants Program winner was WUNA (HoldAccess) with their Digi-Wallet app.

Jason Davis, WUNA (HoldAccess) chief executive and proud Kalakungu and Waanyi man, knows firsthand how important access to critical personal information, such as identification, certificates, cultural heritage, and health and family lines documents, are for our nation's First Peoples. But he also knows how difficult it can be to hold such access in a safe and secure manner, especially for those who live regionally or in remote areas.

Solving this problem is what motivated Jason to create Digi-Wallet and eventually led him to win the Innovate with nbn Grants Program in 2020.

Digi-Wallet is a WUNA (HoldAccess) disruptive digital solution in the form of a digital wallet, which provides instant access to information and enables First Nations people to swiftly control their identification at any time. It's also built for employers and workers to streamline recruitment, onboarding, and industry compliance instantly, allowing users to be work-ready at all times.

"Winning the Innovate with nbn Indigenous Business Award category and overall award was the catalyst I needed to support an ongoing problem," our proud brother said.

Jason has since witnessed his innovative technology-led idea stimulate further growth and development for community.

This year there will again be seven categories for regional and remote businesses to enter including: Agriculture, Arts, Education, Health, Indigenous Business, Tourism and Women in Business.

The winner of each category will receive a \$10,000 grant, and then each category winner will go into the pool to become the overall winner and receive an additional \$25,000. For Jason, winning \$35,000 in grant

funding allowed him to take his Digi-Wallet concept to the next level.

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Jason Davis will join Naomi Moran, Koori Mail general manager and First Nations Media Australia chair, on an expert judging panel for this year's Innovate with nbn Grants Program.

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Greg, who has cerebral palsy, is a talented artist. His work has featured in the Koorie Heritage Trust and in a number of exhibitions. He has a studio space conveniently located a couple of doors down from his home.

Greg is also part of a Melbourne theatre group, plays balloon football, enjoys getting out and about, COVID permitting, and loves to introduce his support workers to his Aboriginal culture.

"Without Lisa and my other support workers I would feel isolated and helpless," Greg said.

"But with their support I feel calm, relaxed, understood and good inside.

"I think it would be great to have more Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people as support workers because our culture encourages us to care for family, community and other people."

Lisa said she enjoys a high level of job satisfaction.

"Supporting Greg in all his activities brings me joy and satisfaction, and I feel good because I know I am helping him," she said.

"Each time I see him, it's more like catching up with a friend than doing a job."

Both Greg and Lisa agree that it's vital to take the time to build the relationship and rapport between the worker and the person they support, so they



Greg and disability support worker Lisa enjoy working together to achieve Greg's goals.

understand each other and develop the trust necessary for a successful partnership.

"When I first started in this role I had to really listen to Greg and tune in to who he is, what is important to him and what he hoped to achieve with my support," Lisa said.

Every person is different

"Every person you support is different and taking the time to get to know them makes all the difference between being able to adopt a genuine person-centred approach to the role or simply being task focused."

It's important to Greg that his support workers take an interest

in the same things as him and that they want to learn about Aboriginal culture.

"I think it's important to get to know each other and that your support worker enjoys what they do, otherwise the relationship won't be good," he said.

"Lisa is a good support worker because she has the right nature and loves the job.

"She is kind, helpful and very patient, and she understands me and what I need to help reach my goals."

Apart from helping Greg with day-to-day personal care and his creative pursuits, Lisa supports him to visit family in Echuca and Geelong.

For the past few years, she has also taken him to family Christmas celebrations in Geelong.

"I do a wide range of activities with Greg, so no two days are the same and we are flexible so that if something comes up that impacts our scheduled time together, we adapt," Lisa said.

Personally rewarding

"For me, the time I spend with Greg is so personally rewarding.

"I love to see the look on his face when he is creating his art and performing, but what I enjoy most about my work is that he is able to do all the things he wants to do."

Greg and Lisa agree that the best relationships come from matching the right support worker with each person, and where there is a commitment to the relationship over the long-term to build the necessary trust and understanding so that the experience is mutually rewarding and fulfilling.

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The Aboriginal identified Consumer Peer Worker will work within the MyStep to Mental Wellbeing Program to provide appropriate and effective support to consumers accessing or considering connecting with the MyStep to Mental Wellbeing Program. Advocacy and consultation to local Aboriginal people residing in the Western and Border Murrumbidgee region will be an essential part of this role.

Stepping Up aims to assist Aboriginal job applicants by providing information about applying for roles within NSW Health. For more information, please visit: steppingup.health.nsw.gov.au

Department: Murrumbidgee LHD

Applications Close: 25 November 2021

Follow MLHD on FB, LI and Instagram and visit mlhd.health.nsw.gov.au/careers

To learn more please visit: jobs.health.nsw.gov.au/mlhd/jobs and search for **Requisition ID REQ268140**

NSW Health Service: employer of choice



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**Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer
Central North Police District, Brewarrina**

- NSW Police Force
- Clerk Grade 3/4
- Ongoing Full-time (2 roles)
- \$90,361 pa. Package includes salary (\$74,117 to \$81,158), employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading

About the Role

We have an opportunity for two (2) **Aboriginal Community Liaison Officers (ACLO)** to be part of our Central North Police District team. The Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer is responsible for providing advice and support to commands in the management of local Aboriginal issues. They assist in establishing and maintaining close personal rapport with Elders, Leaders and the members of the Aboriginal community by developing network contacts to strengthen co-operation and communication and to assist community members in their dealing with local policing issues and their contact with other statutory bodies.

The roles are based in Brewarrina, NSW and are in a Special Remote Location (SRL) with fortnightly payment of SRL allowance.

As part of this role, applicants must hold a current driver's licence with no traffic offences recorded on their driving history within the last six (6) months.

A Working With Children Check (WWCC) is a prerequisite for this role.

If you identify as a person with disability and require further information on the role or you require specific arrangements to participate in the recruitment process, please contact HR Diversity Team on 0429 275 709 or by email at HRDiversity@police.nsw.gov.au

If you identify as Aboriginal and would like assistance with your application or have any enquiries, please contact the NSWPF Aboriginal Employment & Engagement team at haboriginal@police.nsw.gov.au

Applications Close: Sunday 28 November 2021, 11:59 pm AEST

If you require any further information about this opportunity, please contact the hiring manager Ainslie Smith via (02) 6870 0800.

Applications can only be submitted electronically via the I Work for NSW website at iworkfor.nsw.gov.au and search Job Reference: 00008M8I

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Senior Commissioning and Planning Officer

- A role that benefits the community
- Attractive salary ranging \$99,431 to \$110,064 plus super and leave loading
- Industry leading training and career development
- Generous leave entitlements including flex leave

Summary

- Lead and provide advice on the delivery of Aboriginal services and contracts
- Plan, manage and coordinate team's workload, priorities and deliverable
- Aboriginal cultural competency

About us

The Department of Communities and Justice (DCJ) is the lead agency under the Stronger Communities Cluster. DCJ works to enable everyone's right to access justice and help for families through early intervention and inclusion, with benefits for the whole community. Stronger Communities is focussed on achieving safe, just, inclusive and resilient communities by providing services that are effective and responsive to community needs.

About the Role

The Senior Commissioning and Planning Officer works within the Commissioning and Planning Team within the district. The work is dynamic, fast-paced, and requires a sophisticated range of skills and experience.

The primary purpose of the role is to manage local teams to influence engagement with the sector and the local supply of service and to improve relationships which contribute to better outcomes for individuals, families, and communities, with a focus on Aboriginal supports and services.

This role will provide direct support and supervision to 2 Aboriginal Commissioning and Planning Officer roles within the team.

Applications close 1 December 2021 at 11:59pm

Enquiries: please contact Tina Wessel on 0458 243 955 or at Tina.Wessel@dcj.nsw.gov.au

To apply for this role you need to submit an application online via careers.dcj.nsw.gov.au and search for Job Reference Number REQ32483

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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



AOD Transition Workers First Nations Identified and Non-Identified positions available

Location: Canterbury

Full time 38 hours per week

Contract to 30th June 2022

**\$79,807 gross per annum + super +
generous salary packaging**

**First Nations Identified and Non-Identified
positions available**

Are you a dedicated, passionate AOD Counsellor with experience in providing culturally safe and trauma informed counselling and support? Want to make a real difference in assisting people exiting prison to address problematic drug and alcohol use? We want to hear from you!

- Play a key part in a program with proven results, and contribute to long-lasting change for our clients and the community
- Join a diverse and passionate team in a flexible and supportive organisation

We want to hear from people from all backgrounds, including those with lived experience of the criminal justice system and substance use. The skills and experiences of First Nations people will be particularly valued.

Why work for us?

- Support programs that aim to break entrenched cycles of disadvantage, homelessness and imprisonment
- Be part of a community-based agency that has been delivering effective services in our field for 70 years
- Join a dedicated, energetic team with a culture of flexibility, trust, integrity and respect
- Access the support of Cultural Supervision for First Nations staff

How to apply:

CRC considers being Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander is a genuine occupational qualification as specified under section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW).

We are committed to achieving a diverse and culturally safe workforce, and strongly encourage applications from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and people from CALD backgrounds for the non-identified positions.

APPLY NOW! <https://www.crcnsw.org.au/about-us/work-with-the-crc/>

For more information and a copy of the Position Description please email recruitment@crcnsw.org.au.



Aboriginal Case Worker - Ballina

Would you like to make a real difference in people's lives? If so, come and join the team at Momentum Collective.

This is an Aboriginal Program empowering the Aboriginal Community in the area. This position will provide flexible and tailored case management to support housing, wellbeing and safety to Aboriginal people experiencing or are at risk of homelessness in the Ballina area.

Momentum Collective is committed to creating social change and inclusive opportunities for everyone. We promote diversity when recruiting our team and are guided by our core values of trust and respect, wellbeing, innovation, working well together and being gracious. We respect the special place our nation's first people hold in our communities and value the differences in everyone.

To apply: please visit our website www.mymomentum.org.au or call Janet on 1300 900 091.



Indigenous Futures and Teacher Education

- An Identified Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander who has track-record in teacher education and Indigenous education.
- Lead and give voice to Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people engaging in coursework and research in the field of Education.
- Demonstrate leadership and advise others on best practice in Indigenous pedagogy, design innovative approaches to curriculum design that highlight Indigenous knowledge across undergraduate and postgraduate subject in Education.

Full time, continuing position with a salary range \$98,510 - \$137,724 per annum + up to 17% superannuation. This position is open to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants only.

To be successful in this role you will possess:

Completion of a PhD or equivalent accreditation and standing recognised by the University/profession as appropriate for the relevant discipline areas. Demonstrated advanced understanding of Indigenous pedagogies & teacher education policy reform at undergraduate and postgraduate level.

If you would like to inquire or apply, please visit latrobe.edu.au/jobs and search for Job no. **561562** under current vacancies.

Applications close 11:55pm Sunday 28th November 2021.



chief executive officer

This is a First Nation Australians targeted position

- **Empower and support First Nations young people to thrive at school and beyond**
- **Lead NASCA in the delivery of culturally connected learning & support programs**
- **Suits a youth, education or community sector leadership background**

The Organisation

NASCA is an Indigenous governed and led national youth organisation that has facilitated education for thousands of First Nations young people since 1995.

While having a history of community development through sport and recreation, NASCA now works across sectors, including the creative arts, education, health and well-being, delivering culturally connected evidence-based programs and learning support to improve educational outcomes and empower First Nations young people of all genders to fulfil their potential.

The Benefits

- Unique and proven model of cultural empowerment and community engagement
- Generous salary with tax effective packaging
- Strong financial position with secured funding
- Respectful, values driven, culturally sensitive environment

The Role

You will continue the strong leadership and operational delivery of the outgoing CEO of 10 years, working with the board to influence strategy and develop initiatives for growth, innovation and improvement to ensure NASCA's future, culture and continued achievement of organisation goals.

In addition to day to day leadership, representation and overall management of the organisation, you will:

- Increase the public profile of NASCA including across media networks
- Build on corporate partnerships and develop opportunities for philanthropic funding
- Increase capacity and structure around systems, policies and procedures
- Manage relationships with sponsor, partner and government agency stakeholders
- Provide consistent high level advice to the Board on operations, policy and planning
- Support the efficient functioning and governance of the Board, including skills diversification

Skills Required

You will identify as an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person and you'll have developed your career and reputation as an inspirational leader within the not for profit, education, youth work or community sectors.

With unwavering focus on social equality for First Nation Australians, your executive management experience and proven capability to lead through ongoing reform, growth and increasing competition will be key to your success. You'll be able to demonstrate your experience in:

- Strategic leadership and organisational or sector development
- Maintaining a positive workplace culture of high productivity, engagement and inclusion
- Advocacy and building brand and reputation
- Building relationships and working in partnership with stakeholders & community groups
- Sustaining and developing new corporate partnership networks
- Negotiation and management of government and non-government funding
- Ensuring organisational governance, risk management and financial sustainability

If you're motivated to make a real difference in the lives of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people, please send your CV together with a cover letter telling us about yourself, as well as providing your responses to the 'Skills Required' section above.

Submit your application to cv@ngorecruitment.com quoting ref #813985. Alternatively, to discuss or if you have specific questions, please call Louise Furlong on 02 8243 0570.

Please note there is no formal closing date for this role, we encourage you to apply as soon as possible.



Employment Opportunities

Bendigo & District Aboriginal Co-Operative is an Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisation located in North Bendigo, offering a range of health and social services to community across Dja Dja Wurrung country.

**We currently have the following
vacancies open!**

**Kindergarten Manager
Full Time, Fixed Term**

**Koori Families as First Educators
(identified role) x2 Positions
Full Time, Fixed Term**

**AFPRR Cultural Advisor (identified role)
Full Time, Fixed Term**

**Aboriginal applicants are encouraged to
apply.**

**For more information, further job
opportunities, closing dates and details
on how to apply, please refer to our
website www.bdac.com.au or contact the
HR team on **5443 4947** or
recruitment@bdac.com.au**



**First Peoples'
Assembly of
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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Research Officer

We are recruiting for a Research Officer, to join the Assembly's Research, Policy and Negotiations team. This role is responsible for developing research methods, data management systems and supporting community engagement projects. This includes working across organisational teams to support the delivery of core Assembly services whilst identifying emerging risks and challenges.

As part of the Research, Policy and Negotiations team, this position will report to the Manager of Research, Policy and Negotiations.

Salary range: \$85,000-\$120,000 per annum.
Flexible WFH Options

Key Duties

- Lead the design and implementation of data/information collection, analysis and reporting systems including survey design and analysis in partnership with external collaborators
- Develop data management process in accordance with Indigenous Data Sovereignty principles across the organisation.
- Prepare written and verbal advice to the CEO, Co-Chairs, and the Management team of the Assembly.
- Work collaborative across teams in a respectful manner
- Other duties as requested by the CEO, Co-Chairs, and the Management team of the Assembly.

For more information about this role, please contact Keshia Wanganee on: 0427 710 389 or via email at KeshiaW@firstpeoplesvic.org

Applications close: Wednesday 24th November 2021.

This is an exciting opportunity to be part of history as we work for justice and rights.

Applications for both positions will close on Wednesday 24 November 2021.

Apply now by submitting your CV and a cover letter outlining your qualifications and suitability to: people@firstpeoplesvic.org

For more information about this role, please contact Keshia Wanganee on: 0427 710 389 or via email at KeshiaW@firstpeoplesvic.org



Manager

State Library Victoria is seeking a Manager to lead our new Victorian Indigenous Research Centre, the first centre of its kind in Australia. You will work closely with our inaugural Elder-in-Residence, Maxine Briggs, who brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to the Library and provides high-level Elder advice and support for Aboriginal cultural activities across the organisation.

Further information is available on our website: www.careers.vic.gov.au/jobs/state-library-of-victoria.

For a confidential discussion, please contact **Gemma Topic** on (02) 6230 7666 or gemma@fprs.com.au.



PRACTICE LEAD

Aboriginal Health Workforce Development
Bathurst or Dubbo, NSW

Strategic leadership role with a leading not-for-profit healthcare organisation.

We're looking for someone who will develop and coordinate our Aboriginal workforce initiatives including the development of cultural capability and capacity across Marathon Health and drive innovative practice across all areas of service delivery.

If you're interested in a career with real development opportunities, attractive benefits and support, please email us at hr@marathonhealth.com.au to find out more!

Grants Manager

Maternity Leave Position

- Rare and exciting opportunity to manage a small grants program supporting organisations across 26 countries
- Full-time maximum term role until 30 June 2022, with possibility of extension
- Salary packaging options available (conditions apply)
- Melbourne based with a start date of early January 2022

Position Requirements

- Managing and implementing a range of grant rounds, with a number of internal and external stakeholders
- Effective management of multiple concurrent projects and competing priorities
- Developing and implementing good practice across the grant program.

The position works as part of the Operations team and reports to the Compliance and Procurement Manager. This role is Full-Time; however 0.8 FTE (4 days per week) will also be considered.

Application Procedure:

For a full outline of the position and applicant requirements please see the Position Description on the AVI website www.avi.org.au/careers and submit a cover letter and a current resume to Alex Fitzgerald, People and Culture Business Partner.

Applications close: 11.59pm Sunday 28 November 2021



HISTORIAN

This position is identified for Aboriginal people

Coast History & Heritage ('Coast') are looking for a passionate History graduate to join our team and work on a range of exciting and interesting Aboriginal history and heritage projects. We are based in our office and display space at Alexandria in Sydney and work with Aboriginal people and communities as well as public and private sector clients to help research, document and raise awareness and understanding of the Aboriginal histories of places in the Sydney region and beyond. We are also developing an Aboriginal history display space at our office and a searchable archive of historical materials relating to Sydney's Aboriginal history.

You will be working with Coast Director Dr Paul Irish and Senior Historian Dr Michael Bennett, who are keen to assist with your professional development. You will also be working with Aboriginal community members and our heritage team. Ideally you will have a History Honours degree or equivalent, but we will also consider graduates or final year students majoring in History or Indigenous Studies with a history focus, who are planning to complete a History Honours degree. Salary commensurate with experience.

If this sounds like you, have a look at the position description and application details at www.coasthistory.com.au/careers.

Applications close 30 November 2021.

Coast History & Heritage has been granted an exemption under section 126 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW) in relation to this position. For further details please contact admin@coasthistory.com.au.



Coordinator Northern Rivers Tenants Advice and Advocacy Service

The Northern Rivers Community Legal Centre (NRCLC) is seeking to recruit to the role of Coordinator Northern Rivers Tenants Advice and Advocacy Service (NORTAAS) based in Lismore. The Coordinator is responsible for the overall service delivery of the NORTAAS.

NORTAAS operates on the principle that affordable and secure housing is a basic human right. We are committed to providing high quality free advice, particularly for low income and disadvantaged renters. Our services include telephone advice, advocacy and representation (including at the NSW Civil and Administrative Tribunal), community education, and providing input into policy and law reform in tenancy and housing related issues.

Permanent role 28 hours per week with the capacity to work 35 hours per week as required.

The position is banded from SACS 5 / SCHADS 6 to SACS 5 / SCHADS 7 with a salary range of \$90,682 to \$104,173 per annum pro rata (dependent upon qualifications, skills and experience), plus superannuation and leave loading. PBI Salary Packaging is also available.

NRCLC is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Aboriginal and Torres Strait peoples and people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds are strongly encouraged to apply.

Applications close at 9am on Thursday 2 December 2021.

Enquires should be direct to Nicole Jenkins at centremanager@northernriversclc.org.au

Applications are to be submitted via our website www.northernriversclc.org.au



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Identified

Aboriginal Suicide Prevention Outreach Team Professional

Location: Maitland Hospital

Enquiries: Bron Rose at

Bron.Rose@health.nsw.gov.au

Closing Date: 29 November 2021

Reference ID: REQ254010

Towards Zero Suicides in Care - Yimamulinbinkaan Aboriginal Mental Health Service are looking for an Aboriginal Clinician to join the Suicide Prevention Outreach Team based in Maitland Wonnarua Country.

This position is graded as a Social Worker Level 4, Occupational Therapist Level 4, Clinical Psychologist/Clinical Psychologist in Training and Clinical Nurse Consultant Grade 2. Graduates from the Bachelor of Health Science Mental health (Djirruwang Program) may be appointed as a Counsellor Level 4.

Targeted

Administration Officer Aboriginal Mental Health Service

Location: Hamilton Campus

Enquiries: Bron Rose at

Bron.Rose@health.nsw.gov.au

Closing Date: 30 November 2021

Reference ID: REQ246250

Yimamulinbinkaan Aboriginal Mental Health Service & Workforce has an exciting opportunity for a passionate Administration Officer to join their team on a permanent part time basis. You will provide efficient and effective administrative/ clerical support for the service including the provision of regular reports in regards to care, potential risks and recommended actions to the Manager of Aboriginal Mental Health Service & Workforce and the Aboriginal Allied Health Cadetship Coordinator and participation in research and quality improvement under the direction of the Manager of Aboriginal Mental Health Service & Workforce to improve social and emotional wellbeing issues for Aboriginal communities in the Hunter New England Mental Health Service geographic area.

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



Greater Sydney Local Land Services is recruiting a Trainee Environmental Officer

We have an exciting opportunity for a **Trainee Environmental Officer** to join the **Greater Sydney Local Land Services** (GS LLS) team.

We are looking for a passionate First Nations person keen to kick start their career in Conservation and Ecological Management to learn skills across our business through a new traineeship program.

In this role you will work closely with Aboriginal Communities to enhance the values of managing Country by protecting the natural environment and Aboriginal Cultural Heritage.

The successful applicant will gain experience in environmental management, agriculture, and pest animal management as well as Aboriginal community support. On the job training will be combined with a formal certificate in Conservation and Ecosystem Management.

So, if you're keen to learn and prepared to study for a qualification on the importance of Country, traditional and contemporary management skills in land and waterway sustainability, supported through formal education and on the job training, we want to hear from you!

PLEASE NOTE: To be eligible for this position applicants must be of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander 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 NSW Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

Applications for this role close 11:55pm, Sunday 12 December 2021

For more information you can contact

Brad Moore on 0439 048 428.

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: **496446**.

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Greater Sydney Local Land Services is recruiting an Aboriginal Community Support Land Services Officer

Greater Sydney Local Land Services (GS LLS) has an exciting opportunity for a part-time **Aboriginal Community Support Land Services Officer** to join the **Greater Sydney Local Land Services** (GS LLS) team in either our Penrith or Gosford office.

We are looking for an enthusiastic and committed employee to be part of and support the Aboriginal Communities team. This is a great opportunity to engage with First Nations peoples and businesses from the GS LLS region and assist with the delivery of strategic directions including Caring for Country / natural resource management projects.

In this role you will be working closely with Aboriginal Communities to enhance the values of managing Country by protecting the natural environment and Aboriginal Cultural Heritage.

Our ideal candidate will have project support and Aboriginal community engagement experience and be able to assist with the ongoing enhancement of linkages between First Nations groups and key land managers. You will work to strengthen relationships between GS LLS and First Nations Peoples and identify opportunities for First Nations businesses.

A current NSW Driver Licence, and capacity to travel throughout the region are essential.

PLEASE NOTE: To be eligible for this position applicants must be of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander 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 NSW Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

Applications for this role close 11:55pm, Wednesday 8 December 2021

For more information you can contact

Brad Moore on 0439 048 428.

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: **496438**.

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Manager Strategic Development

You are an advocate for First Nations empowerment and is well known for your leadership skills and innate ability to build and manage relationships in the First Nations cultural and creative industries. Your cultural expertise go hand in hand with your experience and knowledge in indigenous arts to deliver key projects that will strengthen Council's commitment and recognition toward First Nations Arts and Culture. To obtain further information about this position, please visit our careers page at <http://australiacouncil.gov.au/about/careers/>
Applications close 29 November 2021 at 1:00 pm (AEST)



First Nations Worker AOD & Harm Reduction, Youth and Homelessness Services

The First Nations Worker will engage with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People to provide cultural support, information, referral and advocacy to those who attend our services located in St Kilda. You will work collaboratively with our fantastic First Nations team and be encouraged to build relationships with existing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander stakeholders and workers in the local area.

Please visit <https://www.salvationarmy.org.au/get-involved/employment-opportunities/> and search for job number R12574 for further information and to apply.



CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Flexible location
Not for profit organization

First Languages Australia is the peak body for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Languages. We are seeking a Chief Executive Officer to drive the organisation in working with language centres, Government bodies and external partners to develop and execute the organisation's strategic operations and national projects.

A key responsibility of this role is advocacy to Government at all levels to achieve the reinstatement of the rights of access and use of first languages to all communities.

For more information on this role please email jenny@effectivehr.com.au



EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Are you interested in studying/working in Mental Health?

Alfred Health (in South East Melbourne) will soon be recruiting an Aboriginal Health Worker (Mental Health) Trainee in the Child and Youth Mental Health and headspace programs. Trainees gain first-hand, on the job experience, while studying the three-year Bachelor of Health Science (Mental Health) through Charles Sturt University Wagga Wagga Campus. This includes four week-long residential teaching blocks and clinical placements.

The Bachelor program is tailored to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students, with scope to build networks with others aspiring to work within the mental health field. Throughout the traineeship you will work with a diverse group of people and learn skills in supporting children, young people and families toward recovery.

If this opportunity sounds like it could be a good fit for you –

Please call or email Glenda Pedwell for a confidential discussion

P: 03 8552 0555

E: g.pedwell@alfred.org.au



Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cultural Educator – Murrumbidgee and ACT

Unique opportunity to join the leading provider of vocational general practice education and training in ACT/NSW

- Contribute to training of the future health workforce
- Full-time position - maximum term contract until February 2023
- Position can be located at either Wagga Wagga or Canberra office
- Flexible working arrangements available
- Competitive salary with additional salary packaging options and wellbeing initiatives on offer
- ASAP or negotiable start

The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cultural Educator will provide region wide support for the training of GP registrars in Aboriginal health by implementing key priority areas defined in the GP Synergy Aboriginal Health Strategic Plan and will plan, develop and implement strategies that support GP Registrar training in Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Services (ACCHSs) in NSW and ACT.

The position will consult, liaise and negotiate with key stakeholders of GP Synergy and in the ACCHS sector including CEOs and or staff (clinical and management). In addition, the Cultural Educator will represent the interests of GP Synergy and advocate in forums and committees at state and national levels. This may include representing GP Synergy on committees related to GP training and recruitment and consult with agencies associated with the provision of these services (and related services) in NSW and ACT.

GP Synergy has designated this position as an identified Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander position. Only Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are eligible to apply.

Please visit our website for further information including the selection criteria, how to apply and other opportunities.

<http://gpsynergy.com.au/about-us/employment-opportunities/>



Policy Officer

Location – Marrickville NSW 2204

AbSec are seeking a motivated and suitably experienced person to join the AbSec team in the position of Policy Officer. This role is responsible for supporting the Governance Team on a range of policy projects while representing the views of AbSec's members and the sector to contribute towards better outcomes for Aboriginal children, young people, families and communities. The role will provide policy advice and support research and strategies in consultation with stakeholders to develop policy and drive reform to support the achievement of AbSec's organisational outcomes.

The Policy Officer is a maximum 12 month fixed term position – salary range of \$90-\$95K commensurate with experience, 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 Tuesday 30 November 2021.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply.



NSW Manager, Indigenous and Social Inclusion

CPB Contractors is a leading international construction company and a member of the CIMIC Group.

We combine the construction track record and expertise formerly delivered by Leighton Contractors and Thiess, and we also include the people and projects of Leighton Asia.

Based in North Sydney and reporting to the HR Manager, this role will provide strategic direction and operational support in the area of social procurement for tenders and on projects.

Supporting the NSW and ACT Business Unit, this critical position will:

- Develop and implement social inclusion initiatives for the NSW/ACT BU in line with the corporate CPB strategy
- Manage and lead all tenders and bids regarding the Indigenous and social procurement requirements;
- Manage client engagement and expectations throughout the tender process;
- Lead early engagement strategies with community leads and key stakeholders.

Our minimum requirements for this role are:

- Extensive experience in diversity and inclusion programs or similar role;
- Extensive experience in Indigenous employment, training and community engagement;
- Experience in social procurement, supplier diversity or similar roles.

We support diversity in the workplace. Women, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders and people with a multicultural background are strongly encouraged to apply.

Please note: This role is being sourced through CPB Contractors directly and we will not accept applications via external recruitment agencies.

For further information about this position and a link to apply see our ad on the Koori Mail website under JOBS & GENERAL WEB ADS



Health
Justice Health and
Forensic Mental Health Network

Aboriginal Mental Health Clinical Leader

Location: The Forensic Hospital, Malabar NSW

Employment Status: Permanent Full-Time

Salary: \$100,107 to \$118,735 per annum

Enquiries: Kevin Brown on
Kevin.Brown@health.nsw.gov.au

Closing Date: 22 November 2021

Applications must be lodged electronically at iworkfor.nsw.gov.au and search Job Reference Number REQ268240.

NSW Health Service: employer of choice



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Aboriginal Development Consultant

Location: South Eastern Sydney Local Health District

Employment Type: Permanent Full-Time

Position Classification: Health Manager Level 2

Remuneration: \$100,107 to \$118,735 per annum

Hours Per Week: 38

For role related queries or questions contact: Franca Jobling on
Franca.Jobling@health.nsw.gov.au

Closing Date: Sunday 12 December 2021 at 23:59

Applications must be lodged electronically at healthnswgov.referrals.selectminds.com Search for Job Ref Number REQ268489

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WaterNSW

Southern Recharge Groundwater Source

WaterNSW has received an application from **David Allan Lane and Gregory George Lane** for an approval for a **Water Supply Work**, a bore with a capacity of 500 ML/year at Lot 152 DP 792224, Parish of Brigalow, County of White. The application relates to the Southern Recharge Groundwater Source, subject to the NSW Great Artesian Basin 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 **A027931**. 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.

KH1840

WaterNSW

Lachlan Fold Belt MDB (Other) Management Zone

WaterNSW has received an application from **Richard Corcoran** to amend an approval for a **Water Supply Work** by adding a new bore with a capacity of 200ML/yr at Lot 136 DP2493. The application relates to Lachlan Fold Belt MDB (Other) Management Zone subject to the Water Sharing Plan for the NSW Murray Darling Basin Fractured Rock Groundwater Source.

Objections must be submitted in writing to Water NSW P O BOX 291 Forbes NSW 2871 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 A027725. Objections must be lodged with WaterNSW within 28 days of this Notice, please refer to the NSW Water Register ("closing date" column) for the final date to lodge an Objection. For enquiries contact **Abbie Howell Water Regulation Officer** on 0457 174 965 or by email customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au

KH1837

WaterNSW

Macquarie River Above Burrendong Water Source

WaterNSW has received an application from **Michael Anthony Cook and Stephanie Louise Cook** to amend an approval for a **Water Supply Work and Water Use** by adding a work, 50mm pump with a capacity of 25l/s, replacing existing 100mm pumps, with 125mm pumps with a capacity of 90l/s an increase of 71l/s at Lot 14 DP 621531, Lot 142 DP 771779 and Lot 1 DP 771779, Parish Bathurst, County Bathurst, and adding land for the purpose of Irrigation, on Lot 1 DP 152929, Parish Bathurst, County Bathurst. The application relates to the Macquarie River above Burrendong Water Source, on the Macquarie River, subject to the Water Sharing Plan for the Macquarie Bogan Unregulated Rivers Water Sources 2012.

Objections must be submitted in writing to WaterNSW, PO Box 1018, Dubbo NSW 2830 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 **A027822**. 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 **Tracy White, Water Regulation Officer**, on 1300 662 077 or by email customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au

KH1853

WaterNSW

Southern Recharge Groundwater Source

WaterNSW has received an application from **Owen Arthur Lane** for an approval for a **Water Supply Work**, a bore with a capacity of 500 ML/year at Lot 32 DP 757104, Parish of Gorman, County of White. The application relates to the Southern Recharge Groundwater Source, subject to the NSW Great Artesian Basin 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 **A027934**. 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

KH1839

WaterNSW

Upper Lachlan Alluvial Groundwater Source

WaterNSW has received an application from **Rodney & Amanda OVENDEN** for an approval for a new **Water Supply Work and Water Use**, for a bore with a capacity of 600ML/yr at Lot 85 DP 752950, Parish Nanima, County Forbes and water use for Irrigation of 54 Ha at Lots 82 & 85 DP 752950. The application relates to Upper Lachlan Alluvial Groundwater Source – Zone 3 Management Zone, subject to the Water Sharing Plan for the Lachlan Alluvial Groundwater Sources 2020.

Objections must be submitted in writing to P O Box 291 Forbes NSW 2871 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 **A028220**. Objections must be lodged with WaterNSW within 28 days of this Notice, please refer to the NSW Water Register ("closing date" column) for the final date to lodge an Objection. For enquiries contact **Abbie Howell, Water Regulation Officer, Forbes** on 1300 662 077 or by email customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au.

KH1835

WaterNSW

Hunter Regulated River Water Source

WaterNSW has received an application from **Maxwell Reay Wake** to amend an approval for a **Water Supply Work and Water Use** by replacing a work, with a 65mm Centrifugal Pump with a capacity of 25 l/s, an increase of 18 l/s, and by adding a 125mm Centrifugal Pump with a capacity of 70 l/s located on part road west of Lot 10, Section A, DP 10096, Parish of Whittingham, County of Northumberland and adding lands for the purpose of irrigation, located at Lot 8, Section A, DP 10096, Lot 41, DP 561683, Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, DP 1150992, 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 **A027917**. 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.

KH1838

WaterNSW

Lachlan Regulated River Water Source

WaterNSW has received an application from **Derek, Melissa, Adrian, and Anna DAVIS** to amend an approval for a **Water Supply Work** by replacing a work, with a 500mm Centrifugal Pump with a capacity of 580L/s an increase of 195L/s at Lot 2 DP 1162020, Parish Uabba, County Dowling. The application relates to Lachlan Regulated River Water Source on The Part Of The Water Source Downstream of Lake Cargelligo Weir, subject to the Water Sharing Plan for the Lachlan Regulated River Water Source 2016, and adding land for the purpose of Irrigation 1606 Ha at Lot 36 DP 45371, Lot 66 DP 46461, Lot 672 DP718552, Lot 11 DP752350, Lot 12 DP752350, Lot 13 DP 752350 Lot 16 DP752350, Lot 17 DP 752350, Lot 22 DP 752350, Lot 2 DP 1162020 and Lot 1 DP1240965, Parish Uabba, County Dowling and Lot 37 DP 45371, Parish Brewer, County Dowling. Objections must be submitted in writing to P O Box 291 FORBES NSW 2871 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 **A027497**. 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 **Jayde Allegri, Water Regulation Officer Forbes**, on 1300 662 077 or by email customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au

KH1836



Notice Under Section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) Mining Lease Application 607 (Act 1992)

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

Description of the nature of the act

The Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional NSW intends to grant a mining lease under section 63(1)(a) of the *Mining Act 1992* (NSW) on land subject to native title.

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

Note: If the lease is granted, the renewal, re grant or re-making (including partial renewals or partial transfers) or extension of the term of the lease may be valid pursuant to section 26MD(1) of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) without further notification, provided the requirements in section 26D(1) are satisfied.

Boral Cement Limited (ACN 008 528 523) is the applicant for Mining Lease Application 607 which, if granted would authorise the mining for clay/shale and limestone for an initial term of up to 21 years.

Description of area that may be affected

The entire area of Mining Lease Application 607 that covers an area of about 749.5 hectares situated approximately 7 kilometres south, southeast of the town of Marulan, in the State of NSW as shown on the diagram below.

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

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

How further information about the act can be obtained

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

Notification Day

For the purposes of Section 29(4) of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) the notification day is 2 December 2021. Under Section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.



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NOTICE OF JARDU MAR PEOPLE AUTHORISATION MEETING

Federal Court number: WAD4/2021

National Native Tribunal number: WC2021/001

Application Name: Allison Dimer & Ors on behalf of the Jardu Mar People and State of Western Australia (Jardu Mar People)

Applicants: Allison Dimer, Dorothy Dimer, Leonne Velickovic, Yvonne Brownley, Donald Vincent Ballinger

Venue: PCYC - Police and Community Youth Centre
198 Egan Street, Kalgoorlie
Sunday 5th December 2021
Date:
Registration: From 9am
Meeting Time: 10am – 11am (approx.)

AGENDA

Purpose

Claim Update

Authorise the native title claim in the Federal Court of Australia WAD4/2021

Background

A Native Title claim is filed in the Federal Court of Australia. Those people who hold native title rights and interests over the proposed claim area must 'authorise' the applicants of the native title claim group to make the claim and to deal with matters arising in relation to it.

Decisions

- Claim group description: who are the people included in the claim
- Decision making process of the claim group
- Authorising the applicants
- Claim name
- Authorize the claim group boundaries (Map)

Those invited to attend

1. The biological descendants of one or more of the following apical ancestors

- a. Kadee
- b. Lady Jayne
- c. Kitty Bluegum

2. Those persons adopted by the biological descendants in accordance with traditional laws and customs. Adoption according to traditional laws and customs includes a child that is 'grown up' by a relative or someone that is a formal or informal carer. This applies regardless of whether or not the child has been formally adopted under the non-Aboriginal system.

3. In accordance with traditional laws and customs those that are incorporated, recognized and accepted by those biological descendants.

Limited seating. Bring your own camp chair.

MAP OF CLAIM AREA

Travel assistance: Travel allowance is not payable to attend this meeting however assistance will be provided to attend by electronic means.

Please contact Allison Dimer
0477 472 990

Or email dimerallison@gmail.com

Any questions: please contact
Allison Dimer 0477 472 990

Address for Service:

Wantrup & Associates Lawyers
Level 18
1801/8 Sutherland Street
Melbourne VIC 3000
Phone: 03 9670 2122

**Please note seating is limited.
(bring your own) camp chair.**



NOTICE OF AN AUTHORISATION MEETING OF THE WIDJABUL WIA-BAL NATIVE TITLE CLAIM GROUP

When: Tuesday 14 December 2021
9:30am – 10:00am – Meeting registration*
10:00am – Meeting opened
4:30pm – Meeting closed

Wednesday 15 December 2021
9:30am – 10:00am – Meeting registration*
10:00am – Meeting opened
4:30pm – Meeting closed

*Note: Registration will be open to members anytime throughout the meeting, but members are encouraged to register between 9:30am and 10:00am on both days of the meeting.

Where: Lismore Workers Club
231 Keen Street Lismore, NSW 2480
and via Zoom videoconference and telephone

Who should attend: The meeting is open to all members of the native title claim group in the Widjabul Wia-bal native title determination application (NSD1213/2018) ('Widjabul Wia-bal' and 'Widjabul Wia-bal Claim' respectively), being all the descendants of the following apical ancestors:

- 1. Bob de Bobbin (also known as Bob Deruhbin), died 1912 at Lismore;
- 2. Topsy Brown (also known as Topsy Larken), born 1849, died 1919 at Dunoon;
- 3. Johnny Bob (also known as Bob Roberts), born circa 1820;
- 4. William 'Billy' King, born 1878 at Lismore;
- 5. George Williams, born 1870;
- 6. Kitty Barry, born 1841, died 1911 at Blakebrook;
- 7. John 'Jack' Kapeen (also known as John 'Jack' Capeen), born circa 1860.

Background

The Widjabul Wia-bal Claim was registered in August 2013. The Widjabul Wia-bal Claim area is an area bounded by: Bagotville, Tuckean Nature Reserve and Tucki Tucki to the south; Bungabbee State Forest and Cawongla to the west; part of Mebbin State Forest, Lillian Rock, and a large part of Nightcap National Park to the north; and Montecollum, Possum Creek, and Alstonville to the east.

Reasons for the Widjabul Wia-bal Claim Group Meeting

1. Update on process for finalisation of the Widjabul Wia-bal Consent Determination and the proposed ILUA

At this Widjabul Wia-bal Claim Group Meeting, NTSCORP intends to discuss with the claim group:

- a summary of where the Consent Determination and ILUA negotiations are up to (including an overview of the State's revised offer); and
- the steps the Widjabul Wia-bal Claim Group needs to take in order to proceed towards a Consent Determination and finalise the proposed ILUA.

2. Amending the Widjabul Wia-bal Claim Area to remove the parcels subject to a roads dispute from this application to be dealt with at a later date

The Applicant and the State have been unable to reach agreement on the extinguishing effect of a number of types of crown roads within the Widjabul Wia-bal Claim area (the claim area). In order to progress the claim and avoid unnecessary delay, it is proposed to remove the parcels subject to a crown roads dispute from the claim area. The parcels subject to a crown roads dispute would then be dealt with in a second Widjabul Wia-bal native title claim.

The map to the right provides an overview of the parcels subject to a crown roads dispute (shown in bold black marking). The specific parcels proposed to be removed are also listed at Attachment A.

At this Widjabul Wia-bal Claim Group Meeting, the claim group will be asked whether or not they wish to authorise the proposed amendments to remove the parcels subject to a crown roads dispute from the claim area, as described in Attachment A.

3. Discussion of the Heads of Agreement

As you are aware, over the past year or so, the Applicant on behalf of the Widjabul Wia-bal Claim group, has been negotiating with the NSW State Government in relation to:

- i. the recognition of native title rights and interests by way of a Consent Determination (CD); and
- ii. securing benefits for the Widjabul Wia-bal Claim group through a proposed ILUA.

At this claim group meeting, the claim group will be asked to consider the key terms of both the CD and the proposed ILUA, which will form a summary document called the "Heads of Agreement" and give direction to the Applicant in relation to it.

The Agenda for the Meeting:

- 1. Welcome to Country and Introductions;
- 2. Update on process for finalisation of the Widjabul Wia-bal Consent Determination and the proposed ILUA;
- 3. Confirm the process of decision-making for the purpose of authorising the making of the Widjabul Wia-bal Claim and dealing with matters arising in relation to it, including authorising amendments to the Widjabul Wia-bal Claim;
- 4. Removal of the crown roads parcels
 - (a) Discuss the background to the Widjabul Wia-bal Claim and the process of making amendments.
 - (b) Discuss the reason for the proposed amendments to the Widjabul Wia-bal Claim, being the removal of the crown roads from the claim area.
 - (c) Following this discussion, the claim group will consider and make a decision on whether or not to authorise the Applicant to amend the claim area to remove parcels subject to the crown roads dispute, as described in Attachment A.
 - (d) The claim group will be asked to authorise the Applicant to make an application to the Federal Court for an order under section 64(1A) of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) that the application be amended and the crown roads parcels be removed.
- 5. Heads of Agreement
 - (a) Discuss where the Consent Determination and proposed ILUA negotiations are up to (including an overview of the State's revised offer).
 - (b) Discuss the steps the claim group needs to take in order to proceed towards a Consent Determination and finalise the proposed ILUA.
 - (c) The Widjabul Wia-bal Claim Group will be asked to give directions to the Applicant in relation to the Heads of Agreement.
- 6. Application of sections 47A and 47B of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)
 - (a) Discuss the responses received from the NSW State Government and Local Aboriginal Land Councils in relation to the occupation evidence provided by Widjabul Wia-bal Claim group members.
 - (b) Following this discussion, the claim group will be asked to make a decision in relation to the application of ss 47A and 47B of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) in the claim area for the purposes of a Consent Determination.
- 7. North Lismore Plateau
 - (a) Discuss the Lismore City Council resolution regarding the handover of three parcels of land on the North Lismore Plateau to the Traditional Owners, including discussion of the process by which to affect this handover.
 - (b) Following this discussion, the claim group will be asked to make a decision about the preferred process and the entity to whom the land should be transferred to take back to Council.
- 8. Tweed Byron Hinterland Trail
 - (a) Discuss the Tweed Byron Hinterland Trail project including potential names for the part of the trail falling within Widjabul Wia-bal Country and campsites 1 and 2.
- 9. Any other business as determined by Widjabul Wia-bal.



Attending the Meeting

Morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea will be provided on both days. If you wish to attend the meeting, either in person or via videoconference/ telephone, please contact NTSCORP Limited by no later than Monday 6 December 2021 so that all relevant arrangements can be made. If you are unable to attend the meeting in person, please call NTSCORP Limited and we will provide you with the videoconference or dial in details.

Our details are: Freecall 1800 111 844 or (02) 9310 3188
Post: P.O. Box 2105, Strawberry Hills NSW 2012
Fax: (02) 9310 4177
Email: CFC@ntscorp.com.au

Mileage assistance and accommodation may be available to persons attending this meeting in accordance with NTSCORP's meeting assistance policies, subject to reasonable adjustments due to COVID-19. If you require accommodation, you will need to provide NTSCORP with a completed meeting registration form, or telephone NTSCORP with confirmed details, by no later than Monday 6 December 2021.

Please note if you do not contact NTSCORP by Monday 6 December 2021 to confirm your request for travel and accommodation assistance, NTSCORP cannot guarantee we will be able to assist with travel and accommodation arrangements – although you would still be more than welcome to attend the meeting.

Should you have any queries or simply require further information, please do not hesitate to contact: Neville Kim, Community Facilitation Manager on Freecall: 1800 111 844 or ph: (02) 9310 3188.

Attachment A
Parcels subject to a crown roads dispute

The following 178 road parcels are proposed to be removed from the claim area in the Widjabul Wia-bal Native Title Determination Application.

For those parcels subject to a crown roads dispute, which do not have a Lot and Deposited Plan (DP) identifier, a CAD ID number has been provided.

CAD ID 105544319	Lot 24 DP 256783	Lot 2 DP 242254
CAD ID 105538635	Lot 3 DP 721329	Lot 2 DP 47033
CAD ID 105705497	Lot 1 DP 250076	Lot 1 DP 1166470
CAD ID 105477412	Lot 163 DP 41231	Lot 1 DP 1189818
CAD ID 105232662	Lot 1 DP 135355	Lot 2 DP 1191684
CAD ID 170094172	Lot 14 DP 242199	Lot 20 DP 1162349
CAD ID 105255676	Lot 6 DP 241962	Lot 1 DP 1196291
CAD ID 105567314	Lot 6 DP 247851	Lot 11 DP 1150046
CAD ID 107069414	Lot 5 DP 245679	Lot 1 DP 1187095
CAD ID 107069415	Lot 10 DP 253467	Lot 2 DP 1196297
CAD ID 105425682	Lot 7 DP 245679	Lot 384 DP 728132
CAD ID 105017116	Lot 4 DP 242254	Lot 48 DP 704280
CAD ID 105437000	Lot 3 DP 47033	Lot 2 DP 1181584
CAD ID 105431354	Lot 2 DP 241962	Lot 2 DP 242554
CAD ID 105147839	Lot 1 DP 250481	Lot 17 DP 45978
CAD ID 105451603	Lot 392 DP 728547	Lot 385 DP 728132
CAD ID 105601031	Lot 10 DP 253466	Lot 383 DP 728131
CAD ID 107065884	Lot 1 DP 1187922	Lot 2 DP 1027540
CAD ID 107065885	Lot 2 DP 43788	Lot 1 DP 1191684
CAD ID 105684628	Lot 1 DP 1191679	Lot 1 DP 1190635
CAD ID 105509847	Lot 2 DP 1189818	Lot 28 DP 45978
CAD ID 105238379	Lot 5 DP 242199	Lot 7301 DP 1158560
CAD ID 105255503	Lot 9 DP 253467	Lot 7001 DP 1063053
CAD ID 105074456	Lot 1 DP 243870	Lot 3 DP 242199
CAD ID 105402825	Lot 2 DP 1187095	Lot 1 DP 1186968
CAD ID 105595421	Lot 12 DP 242199	Lot 2 DP 250076
CAD ID 105631982	Lot 266 DP 728141	Lot 3 DP 1189425
CAD ID 105606668	Lot 6 DP 242199	Lot 21 DP 1162349
CAD ID 105601026	Lot 11 DP 253299	Lot 10 DP 1150046
CAD ID 105402719	Lot 1 DP 1187774	Lot 9 DP 253466
CAD ID 105612399	Lot 1 DP 242554	Lot 1 DP 1192318
CAD ID 105702599	Lot 3 DP 1194482	Lot 1 DP 1194679
CAD ID 105005863	Lot 1 DP 43788	Lot 1 DP 1193591
CAD ID 107066868	Lot 1 DP 1195058	Lot 1 DP 1196297
CAD ID 107066869	Lot 1 DP 1189429	Lot 1 DP 1188115
CAD ID 107066866	Lot 1 DP 1187586	Lot 4 DP 1187922
CAD ID 107066867	Lot 1 DP 1196674	Lot 3 DP 1191681
CAD ID 105011472	Lot 3 DP 250076	Lot 1 DP 1187129
CAD ID 167520556	Lot 1 DP 1187850	Lot 3 DP 43788
CAD ID 107018948	Lot 1 DP 1196290	Lot 7300 DP 1143525
CAD ID 105519878	Lot 2 DP 1187922	Lot 1 DP 1191180
CAD ID 105045712	Lot 1 DP 1173124	Lot 1 DP 1192319
CAD ID 105391233	Lot 148 DP 755729	Lot 2 DP 1187129
CAD ID 105419971	Lot 1 DP 1200024	Lot 2 DP 1189846
CAD ID 105706163	Lot 1 DP 820667	Lot 1 DP 1197615
CAD ID 106712960	Lot 2 DP 1196290	CAD ID 100244359
CAD ID 105356920	Lot 1 DP 1187042	CAD ID 105572682
CAD ID 105080329	Lot 1 DP 1196045	CAD ID 105203959
CAD ID 105074614	CAD ID 106690380	CAD ID 105520056
CAD ID 100278572	CAD ID 105215418	CAD ID 105679660
CAD ID 100278804	CAD ID 105312610	CAD ID 105296471
CAD ID 105175481	CAD ID 105612404	CAD ID 105362575
CAD ID 105261049	CAD ID 105062850	CAD ID 105702591
CAD ID 105425621	Lot 4 DP 1178608	CAD ID 105702606
CAD ID 105544317	Lot 1 DP 1181584	CAD ID 105601109
CAD ID 105232584	Lot 3 DP 1191390	CAD ID 105157666
Lot 8 DP 242199	Lot 1 DP 1176285	
Lot 23 DP 256783	Lot 9 DP 242199	
Lot 21 DP 256783	Lot 11 DP 253467	
Lot 25 DP 256783	Lot 16 DP 45978	
Lot 22 DP 256783	Lot 1 DP 1188714	
Lot 245 DP 728122	Lot 2 DP 1191680	



Notice under Section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* Exploration Licence Number 9264 (Act 1992)

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

Description of the nature of the act

Pursuant to the *Native Title (Right to Negotiate (Exclusion)–NSW Land) Determination No. 1 of 1996* (Cth), Exploration Licence 9264 includes a condition to the effect that the holder must not prospect on any land or waters covered by that licence in relation to which native title exists without the prior written consent of the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional NSW (the ‘Native Title Condition’).

The Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional NSW intends to:

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

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

Note: If the consent is granted, the renewal, re grant or re-making (including partial renewals or partial transfers) or extension of the term of the licence may be valid pursuant to section 26MD(1) of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) without further notification, provided the requirements in section 26D(1) are satisfied.

Holder’s details

Magnet Exploration Pty Ltd (ACN 623 568 918) is the holder of Exploration Licence 9264 for Group 1 minerals. The licence contains a condition that the holder must not prospect on any land or waters on which native title exists without the prior consent of the Minister administering the *Mining Act 1992*. The licence holder has sought the Minister’s consent to conduct prospecting activities across the licence area. If granted, the consent may result in the aforementioned condition being removed from the licence.

Description of area that may be affected

The entire area of Exploration Licence 9264 – that covers about 177 units situated approximately 60 kilometres north west of Condobolin, in the State of NSW as shown on the diagram below.

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

The Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional NSW,
PO Box 344, Hunter Region Mail
Centre, NSW 2310.

How further information about the act can be obtained

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

Notification Day

For the purposes of section 29(4) of the *Native Title Act 1993* the notification day is 2 December 2021. 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.



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WaterNSW

Bundock Creek Water Source

WaterNSW has received an application from **Philip Clive Norrie** to amend an approval for a **Water Supply Work and Water Use** by, adding a work, a diversion pipe with a capacity of 270 ML per day at Lot 11 DP 573304, Parish of Mollee, County of White. The application relates to Bundock Creek water Source, on Deadmans Creek, subject to the Namoi and Peel Unregulated Rivers Water Sources 2012 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 **A027805**. 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

Murrumbidgee Regulated River Water Source

WaterNSW has received an application from **Phillip Ronald Johnson** for an approval for a **Water Supply Work and Water Use**, for a 500mm Centrifugal pump with a capacity of 600l/s at 4/1102758, Tongul, Waradgery, and water use for irrigation at 72, 75-77/756736, Benduck South, Waradgery. The application relates to Murrumbidgee Regulated River subject to Murrumbidgee Regulated River Water Sharing Plan.

Objections must be submitted in writing to PO Box 156 LEETON NSW 2705 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 **A028021**. 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 **Sarah Smith, Water Regulation Officer** on 1300 662 077 or by email customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au.

KH1841

WaterNSW

Stockton Groundwater Source

WaterNSW has received an application from **Newcastle Golf Club Ltd** for an approval for a **Water Supply Work and Water Use**, for Excavation with a capacity of 160ML at Lot 4 DP 823114 Stockton, Gloucester, and a 200mm Centrifugal Pump with a capacity of 100 l/s at Lot 4 DP 823114 Stockton, Gloucester. The application relates to Stockton Groundwater Source, subject to North Coast Coastal Sands Groundwater Sources.

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 **A028213**. 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.

KH1846

WaterNSW

Murrumbidgee Alluvial Groundwater Source

WaterNSW has received an application from **George Roger Commins, Timothy Mitchell Commins and Kerry Jean Forbes** for an approval for a **Water Supply Work**, for a bore with a capacity of 100ML/year at Lot 104 DP751696, Parish of Dallas, County of Cooper. The application relates to Lower Murrumbidgee Deep Groundwater source subject to Murrumbidgee Alluvial Groundwater Source Water Sharing Plan.

Objections must be submitted in writing to PO Box 156 LEETON NSW 2705 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 **A027784**. 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 **Sarah Smith, Water Regulation Officer** on 1300 662 077 or by email customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au.

KH1843



Notice under Section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* Exploration Licence Number 9166 (Act 1992)

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

Description of the nature of the act

Pursuant to the *Native Title (Right to Negotiate (Exclusion)–NSW Land) Determination No. 1 of 1996* (Cth), Exploration Licence 9166 includes a condition to the effect that the holder must not prospect on any land or waters covered by that licence in relation to which native title exists without the prior written consent of the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional NSW (the ‘Native Title Condition’).

The Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional NSW intends to:

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

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

Note: If the consent is granted, the renewal, re grant or re-making (including partial renewals or partial transfers) or extension of the term of the licence may be valid pursuant to section 26MD(1) of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) without further notification, provided the requirements in section 26D(1) are satisfied.

Holder’s details

Magnet Exploration Pty Ltd (ACN 623 568 918) is the holder of Exploration Licence 9166 for Group 1 minerals. The licence contains a condition that the holder must not prospect on any land or waters on which native title exists without the prior consent of the Minister administering the *Mining Act 1992*. The licence holder has sought the Minister’s consent to conduct prospecting activities across the licence area. If granted, the consent may result in the aforementioned condition being removed from the licence.

Description of area that may be affected

The entire area of Exploration Licence 9166 – that covers about 100 units situated approximately 10 kilometres east southeast of Guyra, in the State of NSW as shown on the diagram below.

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

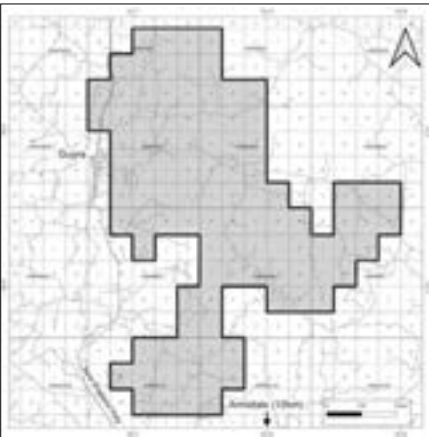
The Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional NSW,
PO Box 344, Hunter Region Mail
Centre, NSW 2310.

How further information about the act can be obtained

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

Notification Day

For the purposes of section 29(4) of the *Native Title Act 1993* the notification day is 2 December 2021. 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.



BLZ SB2809

WaterNSW

Lower Oxley River Water Source

WaterNSW has received an application from **Neil Godfrey Baker and Michelle Lynette Baker** for an approval for a **Water Supply Work and Water Use**, for a 75mm pump with a capacity of 11 l/s at Lot 4 DP705636, Parish Wollumbin, County Rous and water use for Irrigation at Lots 3 and 4 DP705636, Parish Wollumbin, County Rous. The application relates to Lower Oxley River Water Source, on the Oxley River, subject to the Water Sharing Plan for the Tweed River Area Unregulated and Alluvial Water Sources 2010.

Objections must be submitted in writing to 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 **A027980**. 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 **Melissa Hundy, Water Regulation Specialist**, on 1300 662 077 or by email customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au.

KH1849

WaterNSW

Mehi River Water Source

WaterNSW has received an application from **Jonathon Angus Guyer** for an approval for a **Water Supply Work**, for 1 x Off-River Dam with a capacity of 1.8 ML, 1 x Off-River Dam with a capacity of 2.3 ML, and 1 x Off-River Dam with a capacity of 2.3 ML, all at Lot 28 DP 750483, Parish of Monger, County of Benarba. The application relates to Mehi River Water Source subject to Water Sharing Plan for the Gwydir Unregulated River Water Sources 2012.

Objections must be submitted in writing to 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 **A027866**. 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 Griffith, Water Regulation Officer**, on 1300 662 077 or by email customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au.

KH1847

WaterNSW

New England Fold Coastal Belt Groundwater Source

WaterNSW has received an application from **Chris and Robyn Hodgson** for an approval for a **Water Supply Work and Water Use**, for a Bore with a capacity of 20ML per year and water use for Irrigation at Lot 4 DP1135407 Parish Redbank, County Macquarie. The application relates to the New England Fold Coastal Belt Groundwater Source, subject to the North Coast Fractured and Porous Rock Groundwater Sources 2016 Water Sharing Plan.

Objections must be submitted in writing to 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 **A027851**. 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 **Kristin Blain, Water Regulation Specialist**, on 1300 662 077 or by email customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au.

KH1851

WaterNSW

New England Fold Belt Coast Groundwater Source

WaterNSW has received an application from **Gurdial Singh Rai, Supinder Kaur Rai, Satvinder Kaur Rai and Resham Kaur Rai** for an approval for **Water Supply Work and Water Use**, for a Bore with a capacity of 10 ML/year at Lot 1, DP 533970, Parish Bonville, County Raleigh, and water use for the purpose of Irrigation at Lot 1, DP 533970, Parish Bonville, County Raleigh. The application relates to New England Fold Belt Coast Groundwater Source, subject to the Water Sharing Plan for the North Coast Fractured and Porous Rock Groundwater Sources 2016.

Objections must be submitted in writing to WaterNSW, 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 **A026131**. 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 at customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au

KH1852



NOTICE TO GRANT MINING TENEMENTS

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following tenement applications under the Mining Act 1978:

Tenement Type	No.	Applicant	Area	Locality	Centroid	Shire
Mining Lease	16/580	EVOLUTION MINING (PHOENIX) PTY LIMITED	199.34HA	19.9km SW'ly of Ora Banda	Lat: 30° 28' S Long: 120° 53' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Mining Lease	38/1299	GREAT SOUTHERN MINING LIMITED	576.0 HA	47.1km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 11' S Long: 122° 22' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Mining Lease	51/897	AUSTRALIAN VANADIUM LIMITED	1807.80HA	51.4km S'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 27° 1' S Long: 118° 41' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE

Nature of the act: Grant of mining leases, which authorises the applicant to mine for minerals for a term of 21 years from notification of grant and a right of renewal for 21 years.

Notification day: 17 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 **17 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. 17 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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WaterNSW
Tenterfield LGA

WaterNSW has received an application from **Sally and Antonio Policaro** to amend an approval for a **Water Use** – additional land for the purpose of Irrigation, located at Lot 2 DP 255661, Parish of Mingoola, County of Clive.

Objections must be submitted in writing to 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 **A027756**. 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 Griffith, Water Regulation Officer** on 1300 662 077 or by email customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au.

KH1845

WaterNSW

New England Fold Belt Mdb Groundwater Source

WaterNSW has received an application from **Robert Peter McGregor, Duncan Peter McGregor and Rhonda Daphne McGregor** to amend an approval for a **Water Supply Work and Water Use** by adding the following works. One bore, with a capacity of 100 ML/year on Lot 52 DP 754827, Parish of Delungra, County of Murchison. One bore with a capacity of 100 ML/year on Lot 1 DP 754834, and one bore, with a capacity of 100 ML/year on Lot 55 DP 754834, both Parish of Durham, County of Murchison, and adding land for the purpose of Irrigation, located at: Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4 DP 456606, Lots 10 and 11 DP 112807, Lot 1 DP330315, Lots 54 and 59 DP 754827 all Parish of Delungra, County of Murchison, and Lots 4 and 5 DP 113972, Lot 7 DP 456606, Lot 1 DP 754834, Lots 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 3, 30, 31, 32, 33, 51, 54 and 55 DP 754834, Lot 1 DP 1208896 all Parish of Durham, County of Murchison.

The application relates to New England Fold Belt Mdb Groundwater Source, subject to the NSW Murray Darling Basin Fractured Rock 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 **A027946**. 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

KH1844



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	08/3405	GOLDVALLEY BROWN STONE PTY LTD	1BL	30.7km E'ly of Onslow	Lat: 21° 32' S. Long: 115° 23' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	09/2577	FMG RESOURCES PTY LTD	157BL	120.1km N'ly of Gascoyne Junction	Lat: 24° 2' S. Long: 114° 48' E	CARNARVON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	09/2594	FMG RESOURCES PTY LTD	200BL	136.4km N'ly of Gascoyne Junction	Lat: 23° 52' S. Long: 114° 50' E	CARNARVON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	15/1780	LODED DOG PROSPECTING PTY LTD	1BL	53.1km S'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 31° 39' S. Long: 121° 50' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	16/583	OWEN, Tristan David	3BL	31.6km SW'ly of Ora Banda	Lat: 30° 35' S. Long: 120° 50' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	26/220	BLACK MOUNTAIN GOLD LIMITED	4BL	14.8km N'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 37' S. Long: 121° 29' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	28/3048	GOLDTRIBE CORPORATION PTY LTD	10BL	67.3km S'ly of Edjudina	Lat: 30° 23' S. Long: 122° 33' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	28/3053	GOLDTRIBE CORPORATION PTY LTD	5BL	61km S'ly of Edjudina	Lat: 30° 20' S. Long: 122° 32' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	28/3058	GOLDTRIBE CORPORATION PTY LTD	2BL	60.9km S'ly of Edjudina	Lat: 30° 21' S. Long: 122° 29' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	28/3060	RIVERSGOLD (AUSTRALIA) PTY LTD	6BL	61.6km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 37' S. Long: 122° 5' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	28/3128	79 EXPLORATION PTY LTD	61BL	135.9km E'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 31° 3' S. Long: 123° 5' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	28/3137	KULA GOLD LIMITED	39BL	114km SE'ly of Edjudina	Lat: 30° 41' S. Long: 122° 58' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	29/1136	COBALT PROSPECTING PTY LTD	43BL	65.1km W'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 39' S. Long: 120° 43' E	LEONORA SHIRE, MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/3653	CARAWINE RESOURCES LIMITED	149BL	249.7km E'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 38' S. Long: 124° 57' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/3658	DUKETON MINING LIMITED	70BL	132.4km NE'ly of Leinster	Lat: 27° 21' S. Long: 121° 53' E	LAVERTON SHIRE, LEONORA SHIRE, WILUNA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/3662	GREAT SOUTHERN MINING LIMITED	2BL	25.2km NE'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 31' S. Long: 122° 38' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	39/2194	M61 HOLDINGS PTY LTD	41BL	70km SE'ly of Edjudina	Lat: 30° 8' S. Long: 122° 58' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY, MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	39/2261	ANGLOGOLD ASHANTI AUSTRALIA LIMITED	6BL	27.9km N'ly of Edjudina	Lat: 29° 34' S. Long: 122° 24' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	40/407	IRIS METALS LIMITED	1BL	39.6km S'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 14' S. Long: 121° 18' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/5985	HAOMA MINING NL	11BL	59.3km S'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 40' S. Long: 119° 34' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/5986-7	WESTOZ GOLD PTY LTD	140BL	37.5km S'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 29' S. Long: 119° 52' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	46/1406	BLACK CANYON LIMITED	11BL	89.1km E'ly of Nullagine	Lat: 21° 58' S. Long: 120° 58' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	51/2066	G E RESOURCES PTY LTD	70BL	58.9km SE'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 27° 2' S. Long: 118° 48' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	53/2188	URANIUM X PTY LTD	74BL	51.4km SW'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 26° 55' S. Long: 119° 51' E	WILUNA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	57/1192	DALLA-COSTA, Melville Raymond	4BL	59.3km SE'ly of Sandstone	Lat: 28° 12' S. Long: 119° 51' E	SANDSTONE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	63/2088	JINDALEE RESOURCES LIMITED	47BL	97.9km SE'ly of Marvel Loch	Lat: 31° 53' S. Long: 120° 23' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE, DUNDAS SHIRE
Exploration Licence	77/2834	CLATWORTHY, Mark Roy	4BL	134.9km S'ly of Sandstone	Lat: 29° 10' S. Long: 119° 38' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	77/2867	MOHO RESOURCES LIMITED	20BL	135.1km SE'ly of Paynes Find	Lat: 29° 46' S. Long: 118° 57' E	MENZIES SHIRE, YILGARN SHIRE
Exploration Licence	80/5568	ODETTE TWO PTY LTD	40BL	6.9km E'ly of Halls Creek	Lat: 18° 13' S. Long: 127° 43' E	HALLS CREEK SHIRE
Exploration Licence	80/5645	DINGO EXPLORATION PTY LTD	90BL	87.7km NW'ly of Halls Creek	Lat: 17° 54' S. Long: 126° 54' E	HALLS CREEK SHIRE
Exploration Licence	80/5663	OMNIA PANTON PTY LTD	123BL	154.4km S'ly of Kununurra	Lat: 17° 9' S. Long: 128° 53' E	HALLS CREEK SHIRE
Exploration Licence	80/5664	OMNIA PANTON PTY LTD	179BL	130.5km S'ly of Kununurra	Lat: 16° 56' S. Long: 128° 50' E	HALLS CREEK SHIRE, WYNDHAM-EAST KIMBERLEY SHIRE

Exploration Licence	80/5672	LONGREACH NO 1 PTY LTD	179BL	143.8km S'ly of Halls Creek	Lat: 19° 31' S. Long: 127° 40' E	HALLS CREEK SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	15/6135-9	LIMELIGHT INDUSTRIES PTY LTD	853.23HA	11.8km SW'ly of Coolgardie	Lat: 31° 2' S. Long: 121° 6' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	15/6539	MT EDWARDS LITHIUM PTY LTD	121.33HA	34.1km S'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 31° 30' S. Long: 121° 34' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	15/6595	ZOCARO, Tonino Pasquale Joseph HEATH, Markham David	1.35HA	17.8km SW'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 53' S. Long: 121° 21' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	16/3287	GLASS, Mark William	86.85HA	37.4km SW'ly of Ora Banda	Lat: 30° 35' S. Long: 120° 46' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	20/2453	LAWES, Simon John	4.49HA	3.3km S'ly of Cue	Lat: 27° 27' S. Long: 117° 53' E	CUE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	20/2454	LAWES, Simon John	9.10HA	4.6km S'ly of Cue	Lat: 27° 28' S. Long: 117° 53' E	CUE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	20/2457	CAVAN, Patrick	29.70HA	49.4km NE'ly of Cue	Lat: 27° 9' S. Long: 118° 17' E	CUE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	24/5550	STACK, Christine Joanne	185.69HA	20.5km NW'ly of Ora Banda	Lat: 30° 15' S. Long: 120° 53' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	25/2719-20	BLACK CAT (BULONG) PTY LTD	242.50HA	36.2km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 52' S. Long: 121° 49' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	25/2721	MAJESTIC GOLD MINES PTY LTD	92.84HA	35.4km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 50' S. Long: 121° 49' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	25/2722	MAJESTIC GOLD MINES PTY LTD	120.10HA	36.9km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 52' S. Long: 121° 49' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	26/4647	MAJESTIC GOLD MINES PTY LTD	20.96HA	39.5km NE'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 30° 56' S. Long: 121° 57' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	51/3252	NEVE, Ross Alan	99.97HA	57km S'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 27° 6' S. Long: 118° 31' E	CUE 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: 17 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 **17 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. 17 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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Massar Briggs Laws convening a meeting for all Aboriginal People who assert Native Title Rights and Interests in the area of land and waters depicted in the map below. The meeting is being convened to discuss and authorise the making of a Native Title Determination Application for the Wamba Wemba People over the area described in this Notice. The area covered by the proposed Native Title Determination Application is depicted in the map below (**Proposed Claim Area**).

All Aboriginal People who assert Native Title Rights and Interests being descendants of the following Apical Ancestors (**Proposed Native Title Claim Group**) to attend a meeting to authorise a Native Title Determination Application (**Authorisation Meeting**):

- Ernest McGee (c. 1876)
- George Allen (c. 1882)
- Edward Joachim
- Richard and Sarah Wilson/Crow (daughter Agnes Edwards aka Queen Aggie Crow) (c. 1873 – 1928)
- Jemima Burns (c. 1854 – 1934)
- William Day (c. 1840 – 1900)
- Mary/Margaret Smith (married to John Ingram)
- Walin & Kathleen/Kitty (early 1800s)
- Robert Taylor (c. 1850 – 1915) and David Taylor (c. 1852 – 1929)
- Edward Firebrace (c. 1855 – 1921)
- Henry Edwards (c. 1866 – 1949)
- Sarah Smith (c. 1858 – 1941)
- Sarah Moore/Mayne (early 1800s)
- Mary Tattambo (c. early 1800s – 1874)
- Koombra Campbell (aka Alick) (c. 1848 – 1923)
- William Sampson (c. 1851 – 1926)
- John Moore
- Eliza Edwards

This Notice invites all members of the Proposed Native Title Claim Group as described above to an authorisation meeting. The authorisation meeting will be held by zoom videoconference, on the following date and time:

Date: Saturday 11 December 2021
Time: 10:30am
Venue: Zoom videoconference meeting

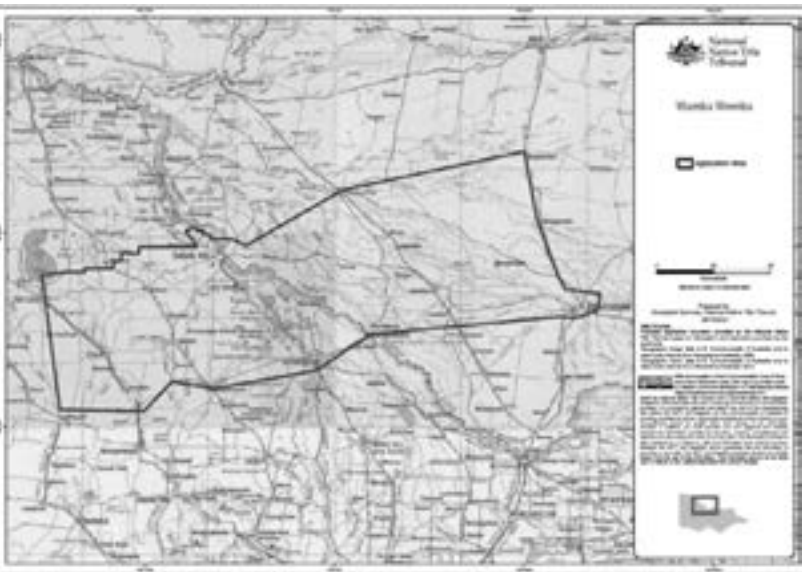
Those people who are and may be eligible to attend the meeting are requested to contact Massar Briggs Law to register their attendance and to complete a pre-registration form. The videoconference details and the agenda will be provided to the participant following receipt of the completed pre-registration form.

Registration should be confirmed **no later than 5pm on Thursday 9 December 2021**, so that all relevant arrangements to participate in the videoconference can be made.

Massar Briggs Law details are:
Level 27, 101 Collins St Melbourne VIC 3000
Ph: 03 9653 9040
Email: info@massarbriggslaw.com.au

Those people who are and may be eligible to attend but are unable to do so may request a proxy voting form from Massar Briggs Law.

The purpose of the Authorisation Meeting is to authorise a Wamba Wemba Native Title Claim.



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If you want to become a party to any of these applications, you must file a Form 5 (Notice of Intention to become a Party) with the Federal Court, **on or before 28 February 2022**. Further information regarding how to file a Form 5 is available from www.fedcourt.gov.au. After **28 February 2022**, you will need to seek leave from the Federal Court to become a party.

Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) there can be only one determination of native title for a particular area. If a person with native title rights and interests does not become a party to any of these applications, there may be no other opportunity for the Federal Court, in making its determinations, to take into account those native title rights and interests in relation to the area concerned.

These applications were filed on 4 June 2021:

Federal Court File Number	Application name	Description	Relevant LGAs	Registration Test Status
NSD525/2021	Jennifer Bates & Ors on behalf of the Malyangapa Part A Native Title Claim Group	The application area covers about 40,323 sq km, extending from Lake Callabonna to about 100 km east of Tibooburra	Pastoral Unincorporated Area (SA) and Unincorporated Far West (NSW)	The Native Title Registrar has <i>accepted</i> this application for registration
NSD526/2021	Jennifer Bates & Ors on behalf of the Malyangapa Part B Native Title Claim Group	The application area covers about 3,435 sq km in north west NSW around Tibooburra and extending south to Milparinka	Unincorporated Far West (NSW)	The Native Title Registrar has <i>not accepted</i> this application for registration. Although this application has not been registered, the Federal Court may still refer the application for mediation and/or make a determination in relation to it

For assistance and further information about these applications, call Dianne Drake on 02 8099 8500 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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A 'non-claimant' application has been made to the Federal Court of Australia (Federal Court) seeking a determination that native title does not exist in the area described below. The Applicant has a non-native title interest in the area, which is set out in their application and summarised below.

Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth), there can be only one determination of native title for an area. Unless there is a relevant native title claim, as defined in section 24FE, over the area described below on or before **28 February 2022**, the area may be subject to protection under section 24FA and **acts may be done which extinguish or otherwise affect native title**.

A person who claims to hold native title rights and interests in this area may wish to file a native title claimant application or become a party to this non-claimant application. These may be the only opportunities to have those rights and interests taken into account in the Federal Court's determination. Any other person may also wish to become a party.

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 28 February 2022**. Further information regarding how to file a Form 5 is available from www.fedcourt.gov.au. **After 28 February 2022**, you will need to seek leave from the Federal Court to become a party.



Applicant's name: Coonamble Local Aboriginal Land Council
Federal Court File No: NSD983/2021

Non-native title interest: The Applicant holds an estate in fee simple in relation to the areas comprising the application area but, pursuant to s 36(9) of the *Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983* (NSW), subject to any native title which existed in relation to the land immediately prior to its transfer to the Applicant

Order sought by Applicant: The Applicant seeks a determination that native title does not exist in relation to Lot 1 and Lot 2 in Deposited Plan 1036815

Description: The application covers an area of about 900 square metres in the town of Coonamble, located east of the Castlereagh River on the Castlereagh Highway

Relevant LGA: Coonamble Shire Council

For assistance and further information about this application, call Dianne Drake on (02) 8099 8500 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.



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
15/1447	HOGANS RESOURCES PTY LTD	634788	124.96HA	10.2km NE'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 31° 8' S Long: 121° 44' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE, KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
29/640	MT IDA GOLD PTY LTD	633448	49.30HA	78.5km W'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 58' S Long: 120° 32' E	MENZIES SHIRE
40/393	AZURE MINERALS LIMITED	627579	112.67HA	55.6km SE'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 20' S Long: 121° 33' E	LEONORA SHIRE, MENZIES SHIRE
40/393	AZURE MINERALS LIMITED	632411	5.04HA	44.8km S'ly of Leonara	Lat: 29° 15' S Long: 121° 30' E	LEONORA SHIRE, MENZIES SHIRE

Nature of the act: Grant of amalgamation applications which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals.

Notification day: 17 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 **17 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. 17 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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Artie's dream is now a reality

By KRIS FLANDERS



WITH excitement building toward the Dolphins entering the NRL in 2023 it is worth remembering the significant contribution at the Redcliffe-based club from the late, great Arthur Beetson.

Beetson is just one of many Queensland rugby league legends who played for Redcliffe, including Kevin Yow Yeh, Greg Oliphant, Chris Close, Petero Civoniceva and Brent Tate.

The man they called 'Big Artie' is recorded as the club's 71st player when he first played for them in 1964. The club was formed in 1947 and it was Beetson's first senior football club.

Beetson was part of Redcliffe's first Brisbane Rugby League premiership in 1965, the season in which he was also named as the Dolphins' player of the year.

Beetson left Redcliffe to play in the Sydney NSWRL competition with Balmain in 1966.

After a stellar career with the Tigers, two premierships as captain of Eastern Suburbs Roosters in 1974 and 1975, skipper of the first Queensland State of Origin team in 1980, and 29 games for Australia in which he became the first Indigenous person to captain a national team in any sport, Beetson returned to where it all began.

He took on the role as captain-coach at Redcliffe for the 1981 season and as coach the following year.

On the day Redcliffe were announced as the 17th NRL club, the

club paid homage to the great man.

"The Dolphins have produced some of the greats of the game including Arthur Beetson, a rugby league Immortal who wished for nothing more than a national-level Dolphins side that would one day play his beloved Roosters in the NRL," the club said in a statement.

"Artie's dream will now be a reality."

There are tentative talks between the Beetson family and the Dolphins to mark Artie's contribution to rugby league, which could include a potential cup match between the Roosters and Dolphins.

"It was his dream before he died to see the Dolphins play the Roosters in the NRL," Dolphins chief executive Terry Reader said.

"How wonderful now that we will be able to make that happen for him and especially for his family."

"That's something we pitched. We had conversations during the bid process with the Roosters that we'd love to talk about, how we do something with them, whether that be the Arthur Beetson Cup or something like that."

"In 1965, he was a skinny centre and he went on to be one of the greatest, an Immortal of the game."

The Dolphins have 10 first-grade premierships, the most recent in 2018, and have been runners-up on 12 occasions.

While the draw for the 2023 NRL season is over a year away, when the Dolphins and Roosters finally play, no doubt Artie will be watching over them with that big, warm smile.



The late, great Arthur 'Artie' Beetson. His original Brisbane Rugby League club Redcliffe Dolphins will enter the NRL in 2023. Picture: Getty Images



Yanga National Park Supply Measure Project

Invitation for registration of Aboriginal Cultural Knowledge Holders

Water Infrastructure NSW is currently investigating a range of infrastructure projects as part of the Murray and Murrumbidgee Valley National Parks Supply Project (the Yanga National Park Supply Project). Modernising and building infrastructure along waterways and at key wetlands in Yanga National Park will provide better tools for managing environmental water to deliver social, environmental and cultural outcomes for local communities.

The Yanga National Park Supply Project may involve ground-disturbing construction works at a range of locations within and adjoining the park, including waterways such as the Murrumbidgee River and Woolshed Creek, and wetlands such as Waugorah Lake and Tarwille Swamp.

In accordance with the *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements for Proponents* (Department of Environment, Climate Change and Water 2010), Water Infrastructure NSW is seeking registrations of interest from Aboriginal people who hold cultural knowledge relevant to this project area, as well as the cultural and spiritual significance of the Murrumbidgee River, Woolshed Creek and Monkem Creek.

Community consultation with Aboriginal people will assist us to prepare an Aboriginal Cultural

Heritage Assessment Report. Your feedback will also assist the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment in its consideration and determination of the project. Where potential impacts are identified, consultation will also assist the Secretary of the Department of Premier and Cabinet in the consideration and determination of any subsequent Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit applications (if required).

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

Meaghan Aitchison
Project Archaeologist, 3Rivers Partnership
Phone: 0490 142 766
Email: meaghan.aitchison@jacobs.com
Mail: PO Box 260, Tatura VIC 3616

Any general enquiries concerning heritage management at Water Infrastructure NSW can be directed to:

Maydina Penrith
Senior Aboriginal Cultural Officer,
Water Infrastructure NSW
Email: Maydina.penrith@dpie.nsw.gov.au

Registrations must be received by 5pm on 1 December 2021 (AEDT).

Visit industry.nsw.gov.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0011/368705/ap-murrumbidgee-murray-national-park-projects-fact-sheet.pdf for more information about the project.

Softball's national titles return in 2022



SOFTBALL Australia with its member states and territories have announced rescheduled dates for the 2022 national championships, and its first over-35s nationals.

SA consulted more than 600 people in a wide-ranging survey, the results of which shaped the dates and event formats for 2022.

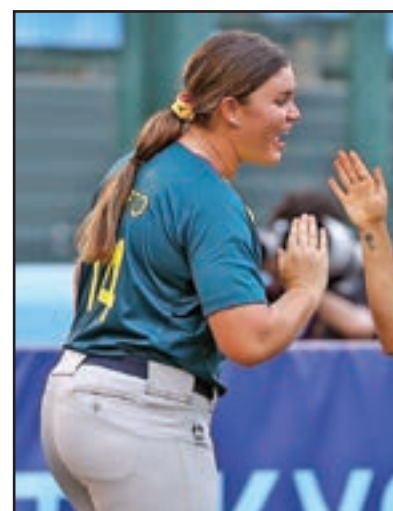
Based on current state and territory government roadmaps, Softball Australia is confident for full participation at the national championships and events within those states that have hosting rights.

From the survey results, the only championship where prospective participants would prefer each team to play three games per day is in the under-14s. Given this age group plays games of 80 minutes duration rather than 7 innings, it was felt by SA and member states that this was a manageable load for this age group.

To maintain consistency across all events, each national championship will be played over six days. Should only four or five teams enter a championship, an extended finals series will be adopted.

The following are the dates and locations of the championships in 2022:

Open Women's Nationals, April 5-10 at West Beach, SA;
Open Men's Nationals, April 5-10 at Hawker, ACT;
Under-18 Girl's and Boy's Nationals, April 12-17 at Mirrabooka



Softball rising star and Olympian, Tarni Stepto. Getty Images

(Perth), WA;

Under-14 Girl's and Boy's Nationals, April 19-24 at Hawker, ACT;

Under-16 Girl's, Boy's and Under-23 Men's Nationals, April 26-May 1 at Waverley, Vic.;

Under-23 Women's Nationals May 3-8 at West Beach, SA;

Over-35 Women's and Men's Nationals June 26-July 1 at Ipswich, Qld.

Softball Australia will work closely with its member states and host associations over coming months to deliver long-overdue national events in a COVID-safe manner.

Softball Australia has cautioned that there may be restrictions on interstate travel, particularly for those who are not fully vaccinated.



Among the greatest footballers to ever play Aussie rules was Nyoongar man Graham 'Polly' Farmer (centre), here as captain of a Western Australian side in the 1960s. Third from left, front row, is another Aboriginal football great, Barry Cable. *Picture: Supplied*

Cup event like an early 'AFL' 20 years before time



THE one-off Aussie rules tournament that honoured Graham Farmer's playing retirement in 1971 looked like a promising, early incarnation of an 'AFL', two decades before another version of that became a

reality.

Clubs from the then-WANFL (Claremont, East Fremantle, East Perth, West Perth) the SANFL (North Adelaide, Port Adelaide) and the VFL (Hawthorn, Richmond) played in the three-day tournament in Perth at Subiaco Oval over three days from October 9 to 11. Those teams were either premiers or finished in the top four of the 1971 season. The games were played in two 25-minute halves with time-on. In the grand final, VFL premiers Hawthorn defeated fourth-placed WA side Claremont by 46 points, 12.3 (75) to 4.5 (29), in front of a healthy crowd of 30,000 people.

Years later, from 1987-1990, the VFL had the money and the numbers to morph into the AFL we know today.

Polly's testimonial 50 years ago

By PETER ARGENT



THIS year marks the 50th anniversary since the greatest Aussie rules footballer of his era was farewelled into retirement by a national tournament played in his honour by clubs from three states.

The late, great Graham 'Polly' Farmer

retired as a player at the end of the 1971 season, having just guided West Perth to the WANFL premiership as captain-coach.

To mark the occasion, a one-off interstate club championship called the Rothmans Channel 7 Cup was organised for Perth and featured clubs from the WANFL, SANFL and VFL with a combined \$15,000 in prizemoney.

The tournament was held in October and

featured eight teams (see story this page).

Farmer was held in high esteem by his contemporaries in football for his brilliance and fair play. The Nyoongar man was the first Australian Football Hall of Fame – Legend Status inductee.

He played 356 games across three clubs – East Perth, Geelong and West Perth – played in five WANFL premierships and in Geelong's 1963 VFL flag.

The playing accolades he won are outstanding: three Sandover Medals – 1956, 1957, 1960; two Carji Greeves Medals at Geelong; eight fairest-and-bests at East Perth – 1954, 1955, 1956, 1957, 1959, 1960, 1961 – and at West Perth – 1969; the 1961 Tassie Medal for WA; three All-Australians – 1956, 1958, 1961; and two Simpson Medals – 1956, 1961 – across 31 games for the Sandgropers.



The new Australian Sevens women's and men's First Nations jerseys. *Picture: Rugby Australia/Harrison Wakeling*

Sevens sides embrace First Nations designs



THE Australian men's and women's Sevens team will don their own unique First Nations alternate jerseys, making them the first to do so at the Sevens World Series.

Kinta Korien is the design motif on the men's jersey and is inspired by the traditional First Nations practice of body painting, while the 'value of sisterhood' will feature on the Australian women's strip.

Designed by Gomerioi man Tyler Smith, 'Kinta Korien' translates to 'no fear' in the Awabakal language. As the players wear the artwork, it will give them an added sense of identity

and knowing that they have the entire country wrapped around them when they run out. The design will protect the players on their journey around the world and remind them they should have no fear when the game kicks off, and the battle begins.

First Nations artist Elle Binge Harrison's 'value of sisterhood' design depicts the strong and powerful connection of family ties, which will drive the women's campaign in 2022. Based on the story of the Seven Sisters, the design reflects the empowerment of women, showing the value of love and the bond between sisters, the connection to the land and through First Nations identity and culture.



Millewa Forest Supply Project

Invitation for registration of Aboriginal Cultural Knowledge Holders

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The Millewa Forest Supply Project may involve ground-disturbing construction works at a range of proposed locations within the forest, including along the Murray River, Little Edward River, Gulpa Creek, Aratula Creek, Moira Lake and Douglas Swamp.

In accordance with the *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements for Proponents* (Department of Environment, Climate Change and Water 2010), Water Infrastructure NSW is seeking registrations of interest from Aboriginal people who hold cultural knowledge relevant to this project area, as well as the cultural and spiritual significance of these waterways.

Community consultation with Aboriginal people will assist us to prepare an Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment Report. Your feedback will also assist the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment in its consideration and determination of the project.

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

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Registrations must be received by 5pm on 1 December 2021 (AEDT).

Visit industry.nsw.gov.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0011/368705/ap-murrumbidgee-murray-national-park-projects-fact-sheet.pdf for more information about the project.



The Indigenous All Stars will return in 2022.

All Stars camp will be a boost for our women

THE NRL All-Stars is on again next year and plans are already in place for the women's teams with three camps in three locations for December 11-12, where players will push for final selection in what is looking to be a very strong Indigenous side.

There will be over 60 players from all over NSW and Queensland and they will be joined by up to 10 players from Western Australia, South Australia and the Northern Territory where they will undergo testing in what is called a player-performance passport which looks at the physical aspects of elite women's rugby league.

Our squad has a lot of new talent coming through and I want to talk about some of the young ones who are first-timers.

Roosters pair Taneka Todhunter and Ilesha Duckett were part of the NSW City under-19s team at the national championships in Redcliffe this year. Both have the required toughness and physicality to play senior women's football already. This camp will give them a great experience where they will learn from the players around them and the coaching staff.

Former North Queensland front-rower Brooke Tongalea was a standout at the national championships with the First Nations Gems – the youngest player there, too. Her athleticism and leg-speed will be a bonus in the future. Another front-rower to impress with the Gems was Newcastle Knights' Kyra Simon. Mentored by the great Bec Young, Kyra is developing nicely and has such a calm presence about her that is older than her years. She has sacrificed a lot to play at the top level and hers will be a name you will hear more of in the future.

I signed Katrina Phippen to Parramatta when I first saw her play for Wentworthville in the NSW Women's Premiership. She is tough and speedy and has a real desire to succeed. Another player I rushed to sign and who has All Stars experience is Tomaya Kelly Sines, who is looking fitter than ever. She is ready for a big season.

Last February there were a lot of young players who debuted for the All Stars before even playing senior women's football; two were still in the under-19s: Jasmine Peters and Keilee Joseph, who will play in the NRLW. Also I believe these two are future Jillaroos.

Keep an eye out for these young players as they step toward a position in the Indigenous All Stars team next year.

**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

Nine-week campaign for 3 Nations

By DARREN MONCRIEFF



AN Aboriginal rugby league competition will break new ground in local football with plans for a three-team nine-week-long event next year.

The 3 Nations Rugby League Tournament will see a team each from the Bundjalung, Githabul and Yaegl nations play out a tournament that will begin on the second weekend in January and will end on the second weekend in March.

The three sides are Casino All Blacks – Bundjalung; Muli Warriors – Githabul; and Yamba Roos – Yaegl.

Each side has a team in junior, under-17s boys', women's and men's divisions – so 12 teams in total and four games each round.

All games will be played on a

Friday night. The tournament will be in the Northern Rivers region of NSW and will take in the towns of Casino, Kyogle and Lower Clarence.

The event was planned for last year, but issues surrounding COVID forced organisers to cancel. Mitchell Davis is one of those organisers and he said there has been strong support from the community.

"It's different, definitely, but we wanted to spread it out rather than just have it as a three-week tournament," he said.

"At the same time there will be more games over a longer time for the community so it will work out for the best, and the planning all seems to be running good."

Davis said organisers received several nominations for teams which was great, but that made for tough, final decisions on teams.

"We had consultations where a lot of communities put their hands up," he said.

"This was positive in a lot of ways, but it made it difficult to pick teams.

"We felt the best direction to go (for the third team) was the mob down in Yamba.

"We felt a lot of positive things pushing toward them. They were wanting to play rep footy again and we thought, as a small community, and with good people like Grant Brown who cares deeply for his community, for them to come in and achieve those goals was the way to go."

Crucially, 3 Nations has locked in support from high places.

"We've got the CRL and the NSWRL throwing a lot of support behind it," Davis said.

● The 3 Nations Rugby League Tournament will run from January 14 to March 11 next year.



Blockbusters, World Cups and plenty more

By KRIS FLANDERS



THE NRL has revealed details of the 2022 season with the release of the entire draw for next year, including State of Origin, the grand final and the NRLW.

The new season will kick-off on February 12 with the annual All Stars double-header featuring Australian Indigenous and New Zealand Maori men's and women's sides at a venue yet to be decided.

Penrith will begin their title defence against Manly in game 1 of the 192-game 25-round premiership season (plus finals) at home on Thursday, March 10.

Also in round 1, Gomeri man and Wests Tigers assistant coach Ron Griffiths alongside head coach Michael Maguire will kickstart the Tigers' season against Melbourne at Western Sydney Stadium.

League's longest-running rivalry will get another run on March 25 when South Sydney host the Roosters. The match will also signal the return of Latrell Mitchell, who was suspended following a head-high hit on the Roosters' Joey Manu toward the end of last season, sparking outrage from the eastside club.

Our mob living in regional areas will get their chance to witness live football with premiership matches in Dubbo, Wagga Wagga, Coffs Harbour, Bathurst, Mudgee and Tamworth in NSW, the Sunshine Coast, Bundaberg and Mackay in Queensland, and a game in Darwin.

The new-look six-team 2021 NRLW season* kicks off with a blockbuster triple-header on Sunday, February 27, in what will be a big year for women's football.

Dean Widders and Jamie Soward will make their NRLW senior coaching debuts in round 1 of the new season.

Dragons' 2010 premiership winner and Indigenous All Star Soward was appointed head coach at St George-Illawarra recently and his side will take on newcomers Gold Coast in round 1.

NRL champion and All Star Widders will make his debut when he guides Parramatta against Newcastle also in round 1.

The Indigenous league legends will face-off in round 2 when the Dragons and Eels meet in Wollongong on Sunday, March 6.

The four-team NRLW finals series will begin on Sunday, April 3, with the grand final the following week.



Cronulla Sharks' Will Kennedy – the Sharks' 2022 season will kick off in Canberra against the Raiders. Picture: Getty Images

The Women's State of Origin match will again be a stand-alone fixture and that will be played on a Friday night on June 24.

This will also mark a 'Origin' weekend with game 2 of the men's series played in Perth on Sunday, June 26.

Game 1 of the men's Origin series will be played in Sydney on Wednesday, June 8, with game 3 in Brisbane on Wednesday, July 13.

Next year will also see the postponed 2021 Rugby League World Cup play out in England in October, with the possibility of a women's World Cup also.

*The NRL said there will be two NRLW seasons in 2022. The 2021 season that was postponed due to COVID restrictions last year begins on February 27 next year. Details of the 2022 NRLW season have yet to be made public.

Football's top prospects head to draft

By PETER ARGENT



FOOTBALL'S national and rookie draft next week is likely to see several Indigenous talents landing at AFL clubs.

Nasiah Wanganeen-Milera, Jesse Motlop, Jase Burgoyne, Isaiah Dudley, Richard Farmer, Ronald Fejo and Arthur Jones, from the Krakouer clan and Claremont, are among the top prospects who could find a home at any one of the AFL's 18 clubs.

Wanganeen-Milera, who played in the Glenelg reserves premiership side this year, is seen as a potential top-20 candidate. He is a nephew of Port Adelaide and Essendon great Gavin Wanganeen.

Unlike a potential father-son selection like Burgoyne (see below) Jesse Motlop, son of AFL premiership player Daniel Motlop, has all the attributes to play in the AFL from his time in the Northern Territory, at South Fremantle in the WAFL and for WA in the under-19s representative team.

The 2021 AFL draft will be held on November 24 and 25, and the rookie draft on November 26.

Jase Burgoyne will land at Port Adelaide under the father-son rule at next week's AFL draft.
Picture: Peter Argent



When 'news' is personal it is not news

A READING of my previous column would have made clear that I am in support of the COVID-19 vaccine-mandate, and that I am also fully double-vaccinated.

I have encouraged and would love for all of my community to get vaccinated, but I also appreciate freedom of choice. There are valid reasons why some people cannot get vaccinated.

Under an AFL vaccination mandate that comes into effect on November 26, all AFLM and AFLW players and staff must have received their first vaccination by November 19 and be fully vaccinated, or double-dosed, by December 17 if they wish to continue to play and work within the industry in any capacity.

That's all fine. However, in recent weeks we have seen people's personal preferences laid bare for public consumption. In the mainstream media, two current players have been exposed as 'anti-vaxxers'.

A leak to the media revealed Adelaide's Deni Varnhagen's personal choice to not get vaccinated. Initially, the Crows stood by her and despite calls from the same media, refused to publicly name her. The media kept pushing, until they 'found' her at an anti-mandate rally in the Adelaide CBD. Adelaide later put her on their inactive list.

Closer to home, a media leak revealed that our very own Liam Jones at Carlton was also refusing to get the COVID-19 vaccine and that he holds strong views on it.

It is now possible that he will lose three-quarters of his \$400,000 salary in 2022 if he doesn't get vaccinated before training resumes in December.

Like I said, people are within their rights to make these choices, however those choices may be. What I am dead against here is the violation of their privacy. Will any of those who violated their privacy now care for their overall wellbeing?

We have named both Deni and Liam here for two reasons – they and their stance is now public knowledge, so that ship has sailed, and to put a human face to violations of personal privacy.

Deni has recently broken her silence, thanking everyone who stood by and supported her through what she said was a "very challenging time". Liam has closed his social media accounts and has been hot news in the media with everyone's opinion being voiced but his.

When you are writing about those who make the news, like we do with sportspeople here in these pages, I believe you have a certain responsibility for their welfare; that some of what you may know doesn't always have to be revealed.

I've been reporting on the AFL industry in almost every form of medium for 20-plus years and I take this responsibility very seriously.

Yes, living in the public eye comes with a level of scrutiny, but not everything is our business. I have lived by this rule and take seriously when sometimes I have been entrusted with a players' mental wellbeing and vulnerability. You can't work in this industry this long without making friends and forming trusted relationships. These relationships have allowed me to report and share stories of players and circumstances that have helped create positive change within the AFL.

That is more important than being first to a story if that story is harmful to people.

**Shelley Ware is a proud Yankunytjatjara and Wirangu woman from Adelaide. She appears on AFL.com.au's Colour Of Your Jumper.*



Shelley Ware

Father's son is a gun, destined for Alberton

By PETER ARGENT



JASE Burgoyne has nominated Port Adelaide as his AFL club of choice and will likely land at Alberton via the national draft next week.

The fleet footed 18-year-old will be joining the Power as a father-son selection as per AFL draft rules.

His dad Peter was an inaugural member of the Power from 1997 and played in the

club's first premiership in 2004 in his 240 AFL games. He is also a two-time Indigenous All Star.

The talented teenage half-back/midfielder from Woodville-West Torrens had actually spent a month at Port Adelaide this year; unusually playing three league games for the Magpies in the SANFL. In those three games he averaged upwards of 15 disposals and enjoyed victories in each.

He returned to the Eagles in early June

but was injured and unable to play in the under-18s grand final triumph.

"He came and played some league footy with me at the Magpies and I must say when he first came in we were thinking, 'Mate you're a bit small to be playing,'" Jarrod Lienert said in a recent interview.

"A few of the boys were a bit hesitant in chucking him into the deep-end, but the coaches said, 'Nah he can play.'

"He played probably three or four games with us and he was extremely talented."

Muk Muks, Buffs in Nungalinga Cup



WANDERERS and the Darwin Buffaloes played for the Nungalinga Cup during Indigenous

Round in Darwin last week after the NTFL made a welcome return from a week off due to a local COVID scare.

All NTFL clubs wore their specially designed Indigenous-themed guernseys during last weekend's round of matches.

Last Saturday, Larrakia TO Richard Fejo led a moving Welcome to Country before the Wanderers and Buffaloes men's Premier League game.

At stake was the Nungalinga Cup, which rightfully acknowledges the Larrakia people.

In Larrakia, 'Nungalinga' is



The NTFL held its 2021-22 season Indigenous Round last weekend.

described as the beginning and the end, where the spirit returns after life.

The clubs have been granted permission to use the term as they both hold important connections to Larrakia country.

Wanderers' women's Premier League captain Sophia Mauboy said Indigenous Round

recognised the strong connection between both football clubs.

"Our beloved game of footy has been played on Larrakia Country for over 100 years between the Muk Muks and Buffs," she said.

"Territory footy wouldn't be what it is today without the influence of our Aboriginal and

Australia in mix as a major

By HALIM MELLICK



THE 2021-22 NBL season is less than a month away and I can't help but think how excited I am feeling for not only this season but for basketball in Australia in general.

Just three months ago, the history-making Aussie Boomers announced themselves to the world when they won

their first Olympic medal, led by a record-breaking performance by superstar point-guard Patty Mills.

The Boomers' performance piqued increased interest from the NBA.

Mills earned a contract with the Brooklyn Nets, Jock Landale landed at San Antonio, Dante Exum scored a deal with the Houston Rockets and Matisse Thybulle's defensive abilities saw him gain more time on the floor with the Philadelphia 76ers.

Last season, Americans Lamelo Ball and 'RJ' Hampton were welcomed into the NBL, at the Illawarra Hawks and NZ Breakers respectively. Nothing unusual in that except that Ball and Hampton were exceptional talents destined for the NBA via the draft.

Ordinarily, players like Ball and Hampton land at the NBA via the well-worn path that is the US college system. Instead, these guys opted for the Aussie NBL. It proved to be a wise choice.

Ball was the NBL's rookie of the year and both he and Hampton were first-round selections at the 2020 NBA draft. Also taken in that draft was Sydney's Josh Green, who was selected by the Dallas Mavericks at pick 18.

A contender for NBA rookie of the year this season is Aussie star Josh Giddey, a former Adelaide 36er who was picked in the sixth round of the 2021 draft by Oklahoma City.

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Top talents and plenty at stake in new season

By HALIM MELLICK

**NBL
Brisbane Bullets
Tamuri Wigness**

"The best point-guard in Australia", "the next Kyrie Irving" have been just some of the descriptions bandied about when describing Tamuri Wigness. Known for his handles, his speed, his ability to shoot and to create space in the lane for others, Wigness is my player to watch this season. Born in the Torres Strait, and from Muralag Island, the 19-year-old already has years of experience at an elite level. At 14 he was chosen to represent Queensland at the 2016 under-16 national championships where he scored an average of 25pts/pg. In 2017, he earned an NBA Global Scholarship. He took home gold at the 2018 FIBA under-18 Asian Championships and has been a member of the NBA Global Academy in Canberra for the past three years. In 2020, Wigness announced his decision to forego the American college system and instead signed two-year contract with the Bullets as part of their Next Stars program. Wigness' wealth of experience as a point-guard will prove invaluable for the Bullets this season and he has shown he can excel at this level during last year's pre-season. It won't take long for this guy to become a fan-favourite. It's not often you come across a player with this level of ability at this age and I can't wait to see the effect he has to lift the rest of his team.

Prediction: Bullets to place in the top 5.

**Cairns Taipans
Nate Jawai
Keanu Pinder**

Veteran power-forward and centre Nate Jawai was drafted to the Indiana Pacers in 2008 and traded to the Toronto Raptors in the North American NBA where he signed a two year deal. Here he earned nicknames such as 'Aussie Shaq' and 'Outback Shaq' due to his resemblance to the look and bully-ball play-style of NBA great Shaquille O'Neal. Jawai also spent some time in Europe before signing with the Perth Wildcats in 2015. Now on a two-year deal with the Taipans, Jawai's experience in all levels and leagues will prove invaluable for Cairns who finished bottom of the ladder last year and can only improve from there.

Keanu Pinder is the son of two-time Perth Wildcats NBL champion Kendal 'Tiny' Pinder and Kimberley basketball legend Tracey Smith, and he was born and raised in Derby in WA's west Kimberley region among his Nyikina people. Pinder will be keen to make a name for himself at the far north Queensland organisation. He spent



Cairns Taipans veteran Nate Jawai leads a growing cast of Indigenous players across the NBL and WNBL ahead of their respective 2021-22 seasons. Pictures: Getty Images, Sydney Kings, Melbourne United, NZ Breakers, Brisbane Bullets

last season with the Adelaide 36ers but has signed a two-year deal with the Taipans. Watch out for Pinder under the rim, on both the offensive and defensive end, and where his height and vertical-leap will see him racking up big numbers in blocks, rebounds, steals and alley-oops that will surely make the highlight reels.

Prediction: Cairns Taipans will rise to place in the top 6.

**Melbourne United
William Hickey**

Joining Melbourne United on a two-year development player contract, William Hickey lands at his second NBL club; he was previously at South East Melbourne under the same arrangement. Hickey is originally from Sydney and he spent some time with the Melbourne Tigers and Ballarat in NBL1 from where United coach Dean Vickerman had kept a close eye on him. Hickey is an athletic guard whose speed helps him excel in transition. He can attack the paint and play above the rim. His length, speed, agility, intensity and ability to rebound the ball will be a great asset to an already strong Melbourne United team. Melbourne were NBL champions last season and I'm expecting Hickey to flourish with this organisation's culture and unselfish team-based system they are renowned for.

Prediction. Expect a top 2 finish from United.

**New Zealand Breakers
William McDowell-White**

The point-guard/shooting guard originally from Brisbane of Arrernte descent,



NZ Breakers' William McDowell-White.

and son of AFL legend Darryl White, McDowell-White began his basketball career with Sydney Kings as a development player in 2016-17. He has international league experience, having spent time in Germany's first and second division leagues where he was named ProA Young player of the year in 2018. McDowell-White played in the 2019 NBA Summer League for the Houston Rockets and spent two seasons in the NBA G-League with the Rio Grande Valley Vipers. He signed with the New Zealand Breakers at the end of last season where he became just the second player in the team's history to record a triple-double. McDowell-White wants to bring the Breakers back to a level of being in a position to win championships. He



Sydney Kings' Biwali Bayles.



Melbourne United's William Hickey.



Brisbane Bullets' Tamuri Wigness.

knows how to handle the ball and how to get to the basket, but where he really shines is his unselfish ability to find the open man, making scoring easier for everyone else on the floor.

Prediction: The Breakers should improve on their 8th place from last season.

**Sydney Kings
Biwali Bayles**

The 19-year-old point-guard/shooting guard from Redfern Biwali Bayles has proven to be an offensive all-rounder. In 2020, Bayles represented NSW at the under-20 Australian junior championships where he averaged an incredible 20.2pts, 6.7rebs and 6.8 assists per game including

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player in world basketball

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Giddey is making waves with his incredible play-making abilities which recently helped the Thunder in two of the best comeback wins of this season, against a veteran LA Lakers team, lead by former MVP LeBron James no less.

That Australian talent pool doesn't stop at the players.

Five-time NBL championship-winning coach Trevor Gleeson has joined head

coach Nick Nurse at the Toronto Raptors as an assistant coach.

All this points to a subtle shift in power in world basketball, which is also good news for the NBL.

The USA's dominance in basketball is rapidly declining. Many of the top players in the NBA are non-Americans like Giannis Antetokounmpo (Greece), Joel Embiid (Cameroon), Luka Doncic (Slovenia) and Nikola Jokic (Serbia).

NBA scouts are starting to turn away

from recruiting US college graduates. They are now looking outwards, to the world, for fresh, 'hidden' talent. And many of those eyes are focusing on our NBL, on the lookout for the next big thing.

Also, the NBL has just signed a record-breaking \$45 million broadcast deal with ESPN and Foxtel. This will see more money poured into basketball youth programs to develop the skillset of young, local talent. It will only be a matter of time before we begin to see more and more

local basketballers making it big and taking their skills to the world. We will also see more international athletes choosing to compete in the NBL as a viable stepping stone to the NBA or elsewhere. The knock-on effect of our growing presence within basketball is immeasurable, which is why I am super-excited for this season.

Statistically speaking, we could well be watching not only the next generation of Australian superstars, but the next generation of world-class athletes.



Cairns Taipans' Keanu Pinder.

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a 30-point triple-double against South Australia. He most recently played college basketball for the Hawaii Rainbow Warriors where he lead his team in assists per game where he had shown he knows how and when to score, averaging over 6pts per game including a game-winning three-pointer, proving his clutch abilities under pressure. Bayles is excited to be back home in Sydney where he will suit up in the purple and gold, something he has always wanted. He is a tough, team-first competitive player and defender and the Kings say they are privileged to welcome this skilled, young, proud Indigenous athlete into their program.

Prediction: A top 4 finish for the Kings.

Perth Wildcats.

Prediction: Expect the Wildcats to battle Melbourne United for a top 2 spot.

South East Melbourne

Prediction: Surprised if they make finals.

Illawarra Hawks.

Prediction: Hawks could end the season in 7th or 8th.

WNBL

UC Capitals

Abby Cubillo

Shaneice Swain

At just 22, proud Larrakia woman Abby Cubillo is already a national and world champion. She was the starting point-guard for the gold medal-winning Australian women's under-17s team at the 2016 FIBA World Championships. Cubillo joined Canberra in 2018 for her fourth season with the Capitals where she has already won two WNBL championships. Her trajectory has only improved. She leads as a vocal point-guard which increases her scoring output. Maintaining her defensive presence will be essential to the Capitals being able to sustain their dominance.



UC Capitals' Abby Cubillo could well win another WNBL championship this season.
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UC Capitals' new recruit Shaneice Swain won silver with the Aussie Gems at the under-19s World Cup in August.



Adelaide Lightning's Jasmin Fejo.

Born and raised in Cairns, Shaneice Swain started playing basketball when she was just five-years-old. Her skills and abilities were on show when she represented Australia at the recent FIBA under-19 world championships in Hungary as a starter. Here, she averaged 8.5pts and 4.5 rebounds per game that helped push Australia to the final where they won silver medal. Having just celebrated her 18th birthday, and as a recent graduate from the Basketball Australia Centre of Excellence program, Swain lands at the Capitals brimming with confidence. She has been described as a silky-smooth athlete with great ball-handling skills and who is fearless and capable of being a great defender with her length, athleticism and awareness.

Prediction: A top 3 finish for the Capitals.

Adelaide Lightning Jasmin Fejo

Proud Larrakia woman Jasmin Fejo will re-join Adelaide Lightning after taking time off last season to welcome her son, Brooklyn, into the world. Before signing with Adelaide in 2020, the 22-year-old had played with the West Adelaide Bearcats in NBL1 Central where she averaged 13.2pts per game, 2.6 assists and shooting at an incredible 41% from the field. Fejo is a product of the Australian Indigenous Basketball and the Aboriginal Basketball Academy in South Australia. She's an explosive, quick-thinking dynamic guard at both ends of the floor. She will use her speed and court awareness to blow past players and bring her teammates into the game. She's an aggressive, hardworking unselfish player who the Lightning are more than happy to have to strike twice.

Prediction: Adelaide to finish in the top 5.

Bendigo Spirit

Prediction: Not expected to make finals.

Melbourne Boomers

Prediction: A top 3 finish.

Perth Lynx

Prediction: A top 2 finish.

Southside Flyers

Prediction: Now without Leilani Mitchell, but still expect a top 4 finish.

Sydney Uni Flames

Prediction: Not expecting to make finals.

Key Wallabies return for Tests

By DARREN MONCRIEFF



KURTLEY Beale and Rory Arnold have marked their return to the Wallabies with a string of solid performances in two Tests recently.

The Aboriginal pair were on the outer following their respective sojourns into French club rugby following the 2019 World Cup, despite both meeting the 'Giteau's law' criteria that allowed selection for overseas-based Australian players.

Circumstance and recent good form in France saw both called up for national duties against Scotland and England this month.

Arnold regarded his selection as a personal "second coming" as a Test player.

The 31-year-old plays for Stade Toulousain, better known as Toulouse, alongside identical twin brother, Richie.

Toulouse are the reigning Top 14 and European Rugby Champions Cup champions.

He said he felt his Wallabies career was over following their quarterfinal exit

at the 2019 World Cup.

"I absolutely didn't think I would be back as I didn't fit the 60-cap criteria," he told reporters in Europe.

"I thought I was finishing my Wallabies career then. It's pretty surreal, and good to be back in the environment.

"There's a good vibe in the group at the moment and I'm happy and glad to be part of it.

"I'll always put my hand up to pull the jersey on but those things are up to the people above me and we'll see what happens."

The weekend's Test against England was Beale's 94th and Arnold's 28th.

The ARU's Giteau's law was a name given in 2015 to the practice to allow Australian rugby union players overseas to be eligible to play for the Wallabies, where previously those players were not considered for selection.

The policy change was informally named after 103-Test former Wallaby Matt Giteau, as it was the mechanism used to bring him back into the Australian side for the 2015 Rugby World Cup.

Giteau is the brother-in-law of the AFL's Lance Franklin.



Rory Arnold played his 28th match for the Wallabies against England at the weekend after earning a national recall.



Kurtley Beale returned to the Wallabies, and to the fullback position against England. Picture: Getty Images

CA leading the way toward a 100% vaccination rate



CRICKET is set to become the first major Australian team sport to declare itself fully vaccinated, with every professional player having already had at least their first dose against COVID-19.

In a major milestone, the last unvaccinated domestic player in Australia had their first dose against the virus last

week. It means by the end of this month, the entire cohort of around 300 men's and women's Big Bash and state-contracted players will be fully vaccinated.

Nationally contracted players were already fully vaccinated by September, while the domestic second-dose rate stands at 97%.

It comes as sports around the country face their own vaccination hurdles.

The AFL's November 26 deadline for Victorian-based players is fast approaching, while AFLW star Deni Varnhagen has already been moved to the inactive list after refusing the mandated jab.

The NRL has gone without a mandate, with clubs trying to determine if players can be sacked if they are unavailable to train with the rest of the group or play interstate without the vaccine.

Rugby Australia has confirmed that all Wallabies and Sevens players are vaccinated, but rates for Super Rugby clubs are less clear.

Around 5% A-League Men players remain unvaccinated while two NBL players lost their contracts last month after refusing the jab.

Super Netball's vaccination rates are kept confidential. —AAP

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Matildas' Indigenous trio (from left) Lydia Williams, Kyah Simon and Jada Mathysen-Whyman in the friendly international with Brazil at Western Sydney Stadium. Picture: Joseph Mayers

Matildas' trio an Aussie treat



AMONG the euphoria of the Matildas' return to home soil earlier this month was the selection of Jada Mathysen-Whyman as back-up goalkeeper in Australia's second international friendly with Brazil in Sydney.

And while Mathysen-Whyman was not required during the game, her selection to the national team is a vote of confidence for the 22-year-old.

The A-League Women's Sydney FC stopper came in for the injured Teagan Micah, who is back-up for incumbent Lydia Williams.



Indigenous cricketers (from left) Mikayla Hinkley (Brisbane Heat), Anika Learoyd (Sydney Thunder), Ashleigh Gardner (Sydney Sixers), Hannah Darlington (Sydney Thunder) and Ella Hayward (Melbourne Renegades) at the launch of the WBBL's First Nations Round in Adelaide last week. *Picture: Sarah Reed/Getty Images*

Thunder's dynamic duo finding their feet in WBBL

By KRIS FLANDERS



THE Sydney Thunder are the defending Women's Big Bash League champions and along with the trophies and the accolades comes attention, and a target on the back – everyone wants to beat the champs.

The seventh instalment of the WBBL has been a rocky one for the Thunder, a season where they're anchored at or near the bottom of the ladder.

The Thunder is also dealing with the loss of experienced players including Rachael Haynes, Heather Knight and Tammy Beaumont from last season's title-winning team.

All of which has been a massive learning curve for new Thunder captain Hannah Darlington, who was named as skipper in the absence of Haynes. At 19, that makes her the youngest skipper in the WBBL. A challenge she is taking on with open arms.

"It's been a tricky competition to get going for us," she said.

"But I think this group has embraced the challenge. We haven't spoken too much about being defending champions or anything like that; it's been more about how we grow as a young squad. We know that this side will take the Thunder well into the future."

The extra responsibilities of skipper hasn't distracted Darlington from her role as a bowler. So far the medium-pacer has taken over 10 wickets this season.

Despite her tender age, Darlington has the full backing of her Thunder teammates as captain. Indigenous teammate Anika Learoyd says she is doing a wonderful job, facing all the challenges thrown her way.

"I've been really impressed with how Hannah has taken on the responsibilities," she said.

"Knowing her so well and watching her grow as a person and it's helped her cricket game. So I'm not really surprised at how well she's going, she's a leader both on and off the field.

"Hannah has a very level head. It hasn't changed her – she's still able to be a good friend and be herself – but when it's time to switch on, she can flick that button easily too."

Cricket's first run for First Nations

By KRIS FLANDERS



THE Women's Big Bash League will hold its inaugural First Nations Round this week that will celebrate and honour the contributions of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island people to cricket.

Cricket Australia says the round will also acknowledge and pay respect to the traditional owners of the lands on which games of cricket are played across the country.

The WBBL First Nations Round will take place from November 17-21 on the lands of the Kauria people at Adelaide Oval and Karen Rolton Oval, and on the lands of the Yuwibara people at Great Barrier Reef Arena in Mackay in central Queensland.

There are five Aboriginal players across the WBBL this season: Hannah Darlington (Sydney Thunder), Ashleigh Gardner (Sydney Sixers), Ella Hayward (Melbourne Renegades), Mikayla Hinkley (Brisbane Heat) and Anika Learoyd (Sydney Thunder).

First Nations Round will begin with the Faith Thomas Trophy match between Adelaide Strikers and Perth Scorchers.

Faith Thomas was the first Indigenous woman to play Test cricket for Australia.

The second was Gardner, who said she is looking forward to First Nations Round and sharing that with her Sydney Sixers teammates.

"It's obviously going to be a huge week for us Indigenous players," she said.

"I think for the competition to celebrate our people and our diverse culture is so important. Also for the non-Indigenous players it's a great education for them, to learn about our culture and I know they're excited too about being part of this round."

Gardner has seen recognition of our mob in cricket grow in the past decade.

"Back from when I started in the Imparja Cup 10 years ago to now, seeing the growth of Indigenous cricket and the talented players now coming through is great to see," she said.

"We are growing that space and you can see that by the other four players in the WBBL and now young Indigenous cricketers have us to look up to, which hasn't happened before."

All matches throughout the round will showcase Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island culture and ceremonies. Along with the barefoot circle there will be a welcome to country and smoking ceremony.

Sydney Thunder captain Hannah Darlington says to be able to share this experience alongside teammate and fellow

Indigenous Thunder sister Anika Learoyd is special.

"It's really amazing to have Anika alongside me and together we are representing our people and also sharing that amongst our Thunder side," she said.

"Anika is a good mate of mine and I've known her for a long time now.

"We are really lucky that in our Thunder team that everyone wants to be part of this also and learn and embrace it all. I think it's very exciting that we can have it at more than one location too and spread those messages across Adelaide and Mackay."

Each of the eight WBBL sides will wear specially designed uniforms which tell stories of the traditional lands and connections.

The kits will be worn throughout the First Nations Round plus other selected matches in the competition.

Learoyd said she can't wait to pull on the green Thunder shirt for the First Nations Round.

"When Hannah and I got our playing shirts and we just couldn't get over how amazing they are and the work the artists have put into all of the teams kits," she said.

"To be able to wear them is something special and I know I won't be taking that for granted."

Ashes Aussies' pinnacle – Ash

By KRIS FLANDERS



THERE is no bigger rivalry in world cricket than when Australia and England play, and another chapter will be added when the two nations meet for the Ashes series this coming summer.

Australian all-rounder and proud Muruwari woman Ashleigh Gardner will be in the thick of the action in the Women's Ashes Series from January 27 to February 19 next year.

The multi-format series is a stand-alone Test match on Thursday, January 27, followed by three Twenty20 matches on February 4, 6 and 10, and three 50-over one-day matches on February 13, 16 and 19. The winner of the Ashes series will be by an accumulation of points from all these games.

Australia is the current trophy holder.



Ashleigh Gardner *Picture: Getty Images*

With COVID-19 restrictions easing across the country, Gardner expects big and vocal crowds for the series. She thinks

the team will benefit from having that home-ground advantage in the series.

"You only have to look at the history between the two teams in men's and women's cricket; there's always been a fierce competition," Gardner said.

"We match up against each other really well and a lot of the English players come out to Australia and play in the Big Bashes."

Test matches are rarely played in the women's game. Gardner was part of the Australian team that drew the one-off Test with India on the Gold Coast in September.

She made 51 in a stunning knock from 86 deliveries, which featured six boundaries. It was her first Test half-century.

Gardner also chipped in with her off-spinners, returning figures of 1-52 off 30 overs with 11 maidens in the first innings. She took another wicket in the second innings.

"We don't get to play in many Tests so

I want to be involved with as many as I can," Gardner said of the January 27 fixture.

"I'm really looking forward to the Ashes and hopefully donning that baggy green again, so I'm very excited about the prospect of taking part in the Ashes and of course keeping the Ashes here in Australia."

The 24-year-old says the Australian team took plenty from the Test with India.

"I think, tactically, we probably weren't that great with the ball. There were plenty of discussions about that," she said.

"For me personally, I wasn't expecting to bowl as many overs as I did (40 overall), but it was a great experience and great development for me to execute my skills and bowling plans.

"With the bat, I thought I did quite well. Again, it was a great opportunity to spend some lengthy time out in the middle and make some runs in a Test match."

FA set to accept timely advice



FOOTBALL Australia has joined the growing list of sports bodies with its own national Indigenous advisory group with theirs to include former and current Matildas, two former Socceroos, captains and national coach, and a former W-League captain.

The new board members also include those driving change in professional and grassroots football, and in media, academia and government.

It is part of FA's broad sweep of a planned engagement with the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community.

Anaiwan and Biripi woman Kyah Simon, fresh from playing against Brazil earlier this month, said the embrace of First Nations people in football will be beneficial for all.

"I would love to see the opportunities I have had in football provided to others across the game," she said.

"I am proud to be part of a collective



Tanya Oxtoby joins Football Australia's new Indigenous advisory board.

group that can assist in the elevation of their voices and help build strategies and processes to engage more First Nations people in our game."

Biripi man, former Socceroo and one-time captain, Jade North, believes the advisory group is an important continuation of football's connection and strengthening relationships with Indigenous Australia.

"Football is all about unity, diversity and equity and I believe it is important that First Nations people voices are part of the football conversation," he said.

"I would also love to see Indigenous culture deeply intertwined with Australian football, driving the respect and celebration of one of the oldest and continuing culture in the world."

FA's Indigenous advisory group is: Doctor Karen Menzies, Wonnarua woman, Matilda No 30 who in 1983 became the first Indigenous woman to play for the Matildas, and academic and senior research fellow at the Australian Centre for Child Protection;

Tanya Oxtoby, Yamaji woman, UEFA A coach licence-holder, sports psychologist and the first Indigenous woman to captain a W-League side (Perth Glory);

Kyah Simon, Matilda No 157, Olympian and the first Indigenous footballer to score at a World Cup;

Jade North, Socceroo No 466 and one-time captain of the Socceroos, Olympian and director of Kickin with a Cuz football program;

Frank Farina, Socceroo No 329, Indigenous captain of the Socceroos, Olympian, coach and educator;

Kenny Bedford, TO from the Meuram clan of Erub, member of the Torres Strait Regional Authority and of Reconciliation Australia;

Selina Holtze, Gurindji, Jingili (NT) and Yawuru (WA) woman, Football Northern Territory board member;

Narelda Jacobs, Whadjuk Nyoongar, ambassador for the WA Aboriginal Leadership Institute and presenter on Channel 10 and NITV; and,

Professor John Maynard, Worimi man, academic, chair of Aboriginal History at the University of Newcastle and director of the Purai Global Indigenous History Centre.

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Boland rockets into Ashes calculations



IN-FORM paceman Scott Boland has further pressed his case for Ashes selection after powering Victoria to a

174-run Sheffield Shield win over NSW.

Boland (5-56) claimed the final two wickets of the match at the MCG last week to give Victoria a second straight victory to begin the season.

The 32-year-old grabbed his seventh first-class five-wicket haul to finish with match figures of 8-89, doing it front of new Australian selector Tony Dodemaide, who was watching on from the stands.

It follows up Boland's outstanding match haul of 7-73 in the season-opening win over NSW in Sydney two weeks ago.

He now has 15 wickets at an average of 10.8 to start the summer to put him in serious contention for a call-up ahead of the Ashes. —AAP



Scott Boland has had a stellar month with the ball in the Sheffield Shield. Picture: Getty Images



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Black belt goal for Barkindji warrior

By KRIS FLANDERS



SHANTELE Thompson is a mother of five, a wife and a mixed-martial arts combatant who isn't ready to retire from the mat just yet.

The 38-year-old Barkindji woman and three-time jiu-jitsu champion wants more and within the next 18 months she will push to add a black belt to her list of achievements.

"I'm so excited about this next chapter and there are many questions," she said.

"Can I get my black belt? Can I build in my skill-set. Can I do that from a regional town (Mildura)? Can I be a champion again in my 40s?"

"I'm not ready to retire. I don't want to retire just yet and share that side of my story. I want to add to that story, that chapter.

"The girls that I

work with, I want them to come along that journey with me and see their leader following her ambitions."

And it's personal.

"My family and I sat down and spoke about it long and hard," she said of her plan.

"I told them that's unfinished business; this keeps me awake at night. That's how serious it is for me. That's how deep the hunger goes to compete again and get that black belt.

"What I've accomplished so far has always been about showing the world that I was good enough. It was a part of my healing. It was about showing my community that they can do it."

"But now the idea of becoming a black belt world champion, that's about me being able to answer that question of what am I really capable of.

"It's coming back to what my heart wants."

Shantelle Thompson has her eyes set firmly on a black belt in jiu-jitsu.

Trust science in sport, so why not in life?

TO corrupt an opener from a once-obscure English playwright: "To vax, or not to vax, that is the question." Indeed, what was once a straight-forward science-backed medical response to diseases has become a divisive topic that has literally cost friendships, relationships and, tragically, lives. Not even to mention potentially lucrative careers in sport, as we are seeing in Australia.

While I'm talking about this, let me relate a personal experience. Twenty years ago in Darwin, a behavioural specialist correctly diagnosed two of my sons, then aged one and three, as having autism. As the boys played with their little toys nearby, our immediate response was, "OK, so what can they take to cure this? Like, a tablet or something?" "Ah... there is no cure." Our world changed in less than a minute. The drive back home was pretty quiet. We had heard of this autism but not much else. Now we were to live it.

Later, we went online to find... something. We came across 'research that linked vaccines to autism'. We read through as much of it as we could understand. This was in 2001. Afterwards, and still coming to terms with our sons' diagnoses, we were ropeable. Why didn't they warn us? We needn't be stressing, however.

This 1998 study was later found to be fraudulent and was retracted. The 'researchers' had attempted to link 12 kids in England who had autism with their having had the measles-mumps-rubella vaccine. As critical thinkers, we asked questions and later came away satisfied that what our boys had was just how the genetic lottery fell for them. Whatever me and Jodie had within our make-up had manifested itself into our kids.

The damage from that 1998 report, however, has been done, where now otherwise rational folk including professional sportspeople with all the resources available to them are refusing to get vaccinated against the deadly COVID virus because of unrealistic fears of a total bodily meltdown or something.

Please, get the shot – keep yourself and your loved ones safe.



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SPORTS LETTER

Djilong and Wada Wurrung for the Cats?

Geelong is the only AFL club with an Aboriginal name – Djilong. The club is located at 'Kardinia' Park on 'Moorabool' Street – two more

local Koorie names. Wouldn't it be GREAT if the Greatest Team Of All names its new grandstand the Wada Wurrung Stand!?!

John Murray
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All Stars all good for 2022



THE annual cultural and sporting showcase that is the NRL's popular All Stars match will kick off the 2022 season on February 12 next year. The rugby league fixture sees Indigenous and Maori men's and

women's teams play out in a double-header football extravaganza.

The players are drawn predominantly from the NRL and NRLW competitions.

The fourth instalment of this series for the men is square at 1-1-1 – a win each and a draw. The women's games has the

Indigenous team holding a 2-1 series lead.

The 2022 host city and venue has yet to be made public by the NRL.

The All Stars rugby league concept match began in 2010, although games involving all-Indigenous teams goes back further.

The NRL released its entire 2022 draw last week in what will be a busy year for rugby league, culminating in the World Cup in England in October.

● **All Stars camp boost, NRL reveals entire draw for 2022; page 48**



The WBBL's Indigenous cricketers (from left) Mikayla Hinkley (Brisbane Heat), Anika Learoyd (Sydney Thunder), Ashleigh Gardner (Sydney Sixers), Hannah Darlington (Sydney Thunder) and Ella Hayward (Melbourne Renegades) at the First Nations Round launch in Adelaide last week. *Picture: Sarah Reed/Getty Images*

Big Bash celebrates First Nations



INDIGENOUS peoples and culture will take centre stage this weekend when the Women's Big Bash League holds its inaugural First Nations Round.

The round will acknowledge, pay respect and celebrate the hundreds of First Nations and traditional custodians of the land and waters where cricket is played.

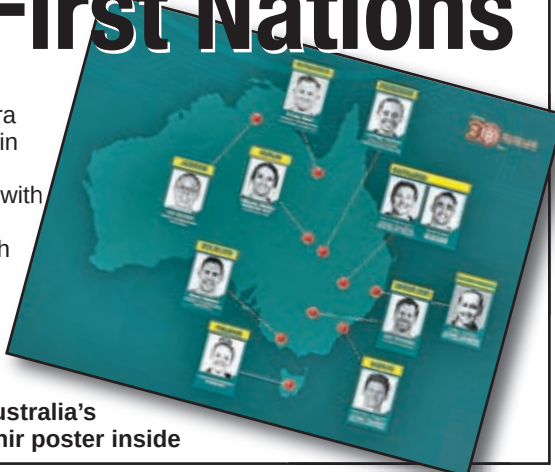
The WBBL First Nations Round will take place from November 17-21 on the lands of the Kaurna people at Adelaide Oval and

Karen Rolton Oval, and the Yuwibara people at Great Barrier Reef Arena in Mackay in central Queensland.

The celebratory round will begin with the Faith Thomas Trophy match between Adelaide Strikers and Perth Scorchers. Faith Thomas was the first Indigenous woman to play Test cricket for Australia.

● **Ashes series the Aussies' pinnacle – Gardner, page 53**

● **Find your copy of Cricket Australia's 2021-22 First Nations Map souvenir poster inside**



Queensland Firebirds' Jemma Mi Mi. The 2022 Super Netball season will begin in March next year.

Picture: Getty Images

Super start for netball next March



THE Super Netball season will start in March next year to accommodate the 2022 Commonwealth Games in Birmingham it was confirmed last week.

The 2021 season opened on May 1, but next year's campaign has been brought forward to begin on March 26, so Diamonds players are properly prepared for the Games, which begin in late July.

Australia were shock losers to England in the gold medal match at the 2018 Commonwealth Games on the Gold Coast.

The date for the Super Netball grand final as well as the fixtures is still to be finalised with the league continuing discussions with clubs and new broadcaster Foxtel after signing a five-year deal.

Netball Australia boss Kelly Ryan said the league had balanced its commitment to deliver a 60-game season in 2022 with preparation for the Commonwealth Games.

"We're thrilled that a start date has been locked away, now our clubs and stakeholders have a date to work towards and fans can start to get excited for the start of the season," she said.

"The Commonwealth Games is one of the biggest stages for our sport, and we have brought forward the season to ensure the Australian Diamonds and international athletes have the best possible preparation." – AAP



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