

the lawyers. We would prefer to sit down and talk about it." *Gippsland Times and Maffra Spectator*, 31 December 2002. Gurnai/Kurnai claim: VC97/4, VG6007/98.

South Australia

The Yunkuntjatjara people have had their native title land claim rejected by the Federal Court. The native title claim was lodged in 1994 and covered 1,800 sq km over the De Rose Hill Station, more than 1,000 km north-west of Adelaide. The Yankuntjatjara people's application was for rights to possess, occupy, use and enjoy the land and its waters and to maintain and protect places of significance. Justice Maurice O'Loughlin said that the Aboriginal people who had lived on the property had scattered to the four winds and no longer visited for traditional ceremonies. Justice O'Loughlin said that the group lacked a continuing relation-

ship with the land. Executive officer for the ALRM Parry Aguis said that the connection was felt in the hearts, minds and spirits of the Aboriginal people who would continue to practice their beliefs. *The Age* and *The Advertiser (Adelaide)*, 2 November 2002. Yankuntjatjara claim: SC94/2, SG6001/96.

The decision to reject the claim for native title by the Federal Court over the De Rose Hill cattle station in South Australia is to be appealed by the Yankuntjatjara People. Aboriginal Legal Rights Movement (ALRM) executive officer Parry Aguis says that the Yankuntjatjara people believe that the Court did not recognise Aboriginal cultures. *ABC News Online*, 25 November 2002. Yankuntjatjara claim: SC94/2, SG6001/96.

APPLICATIONS

The National Native Title Tribunal posts summaries of registration test decisions at www.nntt.gov.au. The following decisions are listed for November/December. The first number following the name is the NNTT Application Number, the second is that of the Federal Court. If an application has not been accepted, this does not mean that native title does not exist. The applicants may still pursue the application for the determination of native title. If an application does not pass the registration test, the applicant may seek a review of the decision in the Federal Court.

NTP 4440 Tennant Creek	DC02/29		Accepted
	D6030/02	Kalkadoon People #2	QC02/34
	Accepted		Q6032/02
The Wiradjuri People #2	NC02/10		Accepted
	N6015/2002	Cubbitch Barta People	NC02/12
	Accepted		N6017/2002
Newcastle Waters #2	DC02/32		Not Accepted
	D6033/02	Mithaka People	QC02/35
	Accepted		Q6033/02
Dulcie Ranges	DC02/33		Accepted
	D6034/02		