

strength, patience and persistence, and in doing so managed to succeed against the odds. As a result, not only did they achieve a positive determination of native title for their people, but:

*"Uncle Jack Kennedy and his supporters have demonstrated something of even greater importance, namely, that the tide of history has not washed away all entitlements to native title in the South-Eastern part of Australia."*³

Hopefully the tide has turned.

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WHAT'S NEW

Legislation

NTA Reforms

Information about the proposed NTRB reforms is available at the OIPC website at http://www.oipc.gov.au/NTRB_Reforms/QA_NTRBarrange.asp [Questions and Answers - Changes to Native Title Representative Body \(NTRB\) Arrangements](#)

Attorney-General's Dept. Claims Resolution Review homepage (Review to improve the Resolution of Native Title Claims) Just added: [Guide to Making Submissions To The Claims Resolution Review](#) Please visit <http://www.ag.gov.au/agd/WWW/agdHome.nsf/Page/RWP4DD89B50F9EB64A8CA2570A> for more information.

See also the [Attorney-General's](#) site at <http://www.ag.gov.au/nativetitlesystemreform> for:

Technical amendments to the Native Title Act 1993 Discussion Paper; and Guidelines on the provision of financial assistance by the Attorney-General under the Native Title Act 1993: Consultation draft

Other

[Aboriginal Heritage Bill \[FINAL\] Exposure Draft/Victoria](#) is available for download from http://www1.dvc.vic.gov.au/aav/heritage_bill/Final%20Exposure%20Draft%20for%20distribution%20071005.pdf

Recent Cases: Australia

[Sampi v State of Western Australia \(No 3\) \[2005\] FCA 1716](#) ABORIGINES – native title

determination – final determination following contested proceedings – determination covering mainland area, offshore intertidal zone and adjacent reefs and islets

[Wakka Wakka People # 2 v State of Queensland \[2005\] FCA 1578](#) The application to be joined as a party in these proceedings be dismissed.

[Henry & Ors v Shellharbour City Council & Ors \[2005\] NSWLEC 600](#)

Aboriginal :- whether alleged disturbance of artefacts amounts to a breach of the National Parks and Wildlife Act - not proved

[Sampi v State of Western Australia \(No 2\) \[2005\] FCA 1567](#)

French J, 4 November 2005, Perth. NATIVE TITLE - determination of native title rights and interests - application for joinder of additional respondents post-hearing and judgment - application for separate and additional determination posthearing: proposed terms of draft determination - definition of Determination Area - offshore areas; intertidal zone - areas beyond intertidal zone; definition of native title rights and interests; definition of other interests.

[Clarke on behalf of the Wotjobaluk, Jaadwa, Jadawadjali, Wergaia and Jupagulk Peoples v State of Victoria \[2005\] FCA 1795 \(13 December 2005\)](#)

FEDERAL COURT OF AUSTRALIA
Clarke on behalf of the Wotjobaluk, Jaadwa, Jadawadjali, Wergaia and Jupagulk Peoples v State of Victoria [2005] FCA 1795

[Walker \(Eastern Ku - Ku Yalanji People\) v State of Queensland \[2005\] FCA 1517](#)

Allsop J, 2 November 2005, Sydney. From the judgment: " On 20 September 2005, I published my provisional views in reasons for judgment on a notice of motion brought by Rodney George Parker to be joined as a party to these proceedings under s 84(5) of the Native Title Act 1994 (Cth) (the "Act").

[Peter Hillig in his capacity as administrator of Worimi Local Aboriginal Land Council v Minister for Lands for the State of New South Wales \[2005\] FCA 1712](#)

Bennett J, Sydney, 28 November 2005. NATIVE TITLE – non-claimant application – unopposed – no native title exists in relation to the land

[Peter Hillig in his capacity as administrator of Worimi Local Aboriginal Land Council v](#)

³ *Clarke on behalf of the Wotjobaluk, Jaadwa, Jadawadjali, Wergaia and Jupagulk Peoples v Victoria* [2005] FCA 1795, [12] (Merkel J).

[Minister for Lands for the State of New South Wales \[2005\] FCA 1713](#)

Bennett J, Sydney, 28 November 2005. NATIVE TITLE – non-claimant application – unopposed – no native title exists in relation to the land

[Little and Others on behalf of the Badimia People v Oriole Resources Pty Ltd \[2005\] FCAFC 243](#)

French, Stone & Siopis JJ, 5 December 2005, Perth. NATIVE TITLE – future acts – act attracting the expedited procedure – grant of Miscellaneous Licence: whether an act 'likely to involve major disturbance to any land or waters concerned'; whether likely to 'create rights whose exercise is likely to involve major disturbance to any land or waters predictive assessment of likely major disturbance required; Tribunal proceeding on assumption that rights granted under Miscellaneous Licence could be exercised to full; construction unduly favourable to appellants; Tribunal finding no likelihood of major disturbance – erroneous finding; evaluative judgment; court in position to make substituted judgment; on predictive assessment no major disturbance likely; appeal dismissed

[Henry & Ors v Shellharbour City Council & Ors \[2005\] NSWLEC 600](#)

Aboriginal :- whether alleged disturbance of artefacts amounts to a breach of the National Parks and Wildlife Act - not proved

(Sourced from NNTT Judgements and Information email alert service)

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Native title-holding groups and native title societies: Sampi v State of Western Australia [2005] by Dr Lisa Strelein. Land, Rights, Laws: Issues paper No. 4, Volume 3.

This paper is available for free download at <http://ntru.aiatsis.gov.au/ntpapers/ip03v4.pdf>

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Hocking, Barbara Ann (editor) *Unfinished constitutional business?: rethinking indigenous self-determination* Canberra: Aboriginal Studies Press, c2005

Aboriginal Studies Press Aboriginal Studies Press invites you to visit http://www.aiatsis.gov.au/aboriginal_studies_press where you can order copies of ASP titles,

read about the latest news and events, and Join Our Mailing List.

ISBN 0 85575 467 2, pb, 210x150mm, 48 pp, b/w &

Other

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edited by Prof Martin Nakata & Prof Marcia Langton, has now been published by the Australian Academic and Research Libraries as AARL, Vol. 36, No. 2, June 2005; vi + 216pp; ISBN 086804 563 2 & ISSN 0004-8623; price AUD29.95. Copies can be purchased from: Australian Library and Information Association Ltd.

PO Box 6335
Kingston, ACT, 2604

Australia

Email: enquiry@alia.org.au

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CAEPR

277/2005 [Tracking change in the relative economic status of Indigenous people in New South Wales](#) J. Taylor Since its formation in 1990, CAEPR has produced a series of research papers tracking progress in the relative economic status of Indigenous people in New South Wales using mostly census data. Viewed in sequence, the findings have indicated a rise over time in the Indigenous employment rate and a slight decline in the unemployment rate, but with both of these remaining substantially below equivalent rates for the State's non-Indigenous population. This paper can be downloaded from:
<http://www.anu.edu.au/caepr/277>

278/2005 [Capacity development in the international development context: Implications for Indigenous Australia](#) J. Hunt Capacity development has become a key concept in international development in recent years. Older approaches involving technical cooperation, in which knowledge and skills were to be transferred to developing countries, have been unsuccessful. In contrast capacity development is viewed as an endogenous process within organisations and communities which are themselves embedded in wider systems. Understanding the features of these systems which might support rather than inhibit capacity development is therefore important. This paper can be downloaded from
<http://www.anu.edu.au/caepr/277>

National Native Title Tribunal

[Native Title Hot Spots Issue 16](#) includes summaries of cases about:

- * the appeal in the Murchison Davenport case
- * the determination of native title in the Blue Mud Bay claim
- * authorisation of the applicant in a claimant application
- * an interim decision in the Rubibi case on communal v group native title
- * what constitutes a 'major disturbance' in expedited procedure matters
- * future act determinations dealing with questions of consent. This newsletter can be downloaded from:

<http://www.nntt.gov.au/newsletter/hotspots/issues/16.html>

[NNTT Indigenous Fishing Bulletin November 2005](#) This bulletin can be downloaded from
<http://www.nntt.gov.au/media/Projects.html>

[Guide to future act decisions made under the Commonwealth right to negotiate scheme as at 30 September 2005](#) Compiled by Deputy President of the National Native Title Tribunal, the Hon. C.J. Sumner. This guide can be downloaded from:
<http://www.nntt.gov.au/facasesguide/index.html>

Talking Native Title

Produced quarterly, *Talking Native Title* presents the latest news from the Tribunal and includes current events, latest agreements, emerging issues for all stakeholders and updates about Tribunal services and staff. Added to the national issues are region-specific information updates ('extras'). [December 2005](#) and [South Australia extra](#) These publications can be downloaded from:
<http://www.nntt.gov.au/publications/newsletters.html>

[What's New in the Library, Issue 12](#), December 2005. This bulletin can be downloaded from
http://www.nntt.gov.au/Library/files/Library_Bulletin_Dec_2005.pdf

NNTT Annual report 2004–2005


The Annual Report 2004–2005 has been tabled in Parliament and contains detailed advice on the Tribunal's financial performance, accountability to clients, mediation, arbitration, assistance and other statutory functions. The NNTT Annual Reports can be downloaded from
http://www.nntt.gov.au/publications/annual_reports.html

Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission

[Rights of Passage: A Dialogue with Young Australians about Human Rights](#)

Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission, Sydney, November, 2005. This report is available from:
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['Voices of Australia' - The Good And Bad Faces Of Race Relations In Australia Over The Past 30 Years](#) 31 October 2005 Acting Race Discrimination Commissioner Tom Calma and the Attorney-General, The Hon. Philip Ruddock MP, launched the 'Voices of Australia' project in Canberra to mark the 30th anniversary of the



Racial Discrimination Act - Australia's first anti-discrimination law.

Visit: <http://www.humanrights.gov.au/voices/index.html> to download.

HREOC Race Discrimination Commissioner: [Face the Facts - countering myths about refugees, migrants and Indigenous people 2005 edition](#). This report can be downloaded from: http://www.humanrights.gov.au/racial_discrimination/face_facts/

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Australian Securities and Investment Commission: [Dealing with bookup: a guide](#)

2005. This paper can be downloaded from: <http://www.fido.gov.au/bookup>

[Joint Committee on Native Title and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Land Account 21 November 2005 Transcript of the public hearing in Brisbane](#); witnesses were: Russell Bellea, Charles Budby, Martin Dore, David Galvin, Tony Johnson, Graeme Neate, Marnie Parkinson, Trevor Robinson, Peter Whalley, Murrandoo Yanner, and Justine Yanner. The transcript can be downloaded from <http://www.aph.gov.au/hansard/joint/commtee/J8919.pdf>

Senator Amanda Vanstone: [Address](#) to Australia and New Zealand School of Government, ANU Canberra - 7 December 2005. This speech is available from: http://www.atsia.gov.au/media/speeches/07_12_2005_ANZSOG.htm

Other

[2004-2005 Review Of The Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983 Issues Paper 2: Structure, Representation, Governance And Benefits](#). Prepared for the New South Wales Aboriginal Land Rights Act Review Task Force 9 November 2005. The review can be downloaded from: <http://www.alc.org.au/news/ala/>

No. 19: [Deaths in custody in Australia : National Deaths in Custody Program annual report 2004](#) Jacqueline Joudo and Marissa Veld. Australian Institute of Criminology, 2005. This paper can be downloaded from: <http://www.aic.gov.au/publications/tbp/tbp019/tbp019.pdf>


Democratic Audit. The Political Science Program in the Australian National University's Research School of Social Sciences is conducting an Audit to assess Australia's strengths and weaknesses as a democratic society. Recent contributions include Larissa Behrenht on ['The End of ATSI'](#) Visit <http://democratic.audit.anu.edu.au/> for more information.

[Traditional Knowledge Recording Project](#) Balkanu Cape York Development Foundation. Visit this website at <http://www.tkrp.com.au/>

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Upcoming Events

[The Makers and Making of Indigenous Australian museum collections](#)



Thursday 9 February to Saturday 11 February 2006, Melbourne Museum. For more information visit the website at: <http://www.museum.vic.gov.au/whatson/show.asp?ID=562031&venue=1000&type=101>

24-25 February 2006: [Rhizomes: Re-Visioning Boundaries a conference for postgraduates](#), University of Queensland For more information visit the website at: http://www.uq.edu.au/slccs_postgradconf/index.html

26 Feb 2006 [Sharing the Fish - Allocation Issues in Fisheries Management](#) Fremantle Australia. For more information visit the website at: <http://www.fishallocation.com/>

27-30 September, 2006 AAS Annual Conference 2006 Beyond Science and Art: Anthropology and the Unification of Knowledge James Cook University, Queensland, Australia. For more information contact the AAS at: <http://www.aas.asn.au/default.htm>

20 Apr 2006 [Community Development in a 'Global Risk Society'](#) Deakin University, Melbourne, Australia. For more information visit the website at: <http://www.deakin.edu.au/arts/cchr/CD/>

15-18 August 2006 [The International Conference on the Arts in Society](#) The University of Edinburgh, Scotland. To be held in conjunction with the Edinburgh International Arts Festivals, the conference will include leading artists, arts practitioners and theorists through paper presentations, workshops and colloquia. The conference venue, the University of Edinburgh, is located near the heart of the various Edinburgh Festival activities. For more information visit the website at: <http://a06.cgpublisher.com/welcome.html>

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Opportunities


Call for Papers: [The International Conference on the Arts in Society](#) The University of Edinburgh, Scotland, 15-18 August 2006. To be held in conjunction with the Edinburgh International Arts Festivals, the conference will include leading artists, arts practitioners and theorists through paper presentations, workshops and colloquia. The conference venue, the University of Edinburgh, is located near the heart of the various Edinburgh Festival activities. For more information visit <http://arts-conference.com/>

Call for papers: "Africa's Indigenous Science and Knowledge Systems" Location: Nigeria October 24th -27th, 2006. Deadline for abstract is April 28, 2006. Full paper should be submitted by September 29th. Venue of the conference is Nasarawa State University, Keffi, Nigeria. Keffi is about 45 minutes drive from Abuja, the national capital of Nigeria. Registration for foreign participants is \$100 and participants from Africa is N5000. All correspondence should be directed to: Adayi Onoja, Secretary, Local Organizing Committee. E-mail conferenceoctober@yahoo.com

Call for papers: [Empowering Individuals and Families in the Human Services](#) National Policy Conference Melbourne 16/17 May 2006 Abstracts of 200 words are invited for papers and other presentations for the SEP National Policy Conference on Empowering Individuals and Families in the Human Services, Darebin Arts and Entertainment Centre, Melbourne, on 16/17 May 2006. For more information visit: <http://www.partnerships.org.au/PolicyConference2006.htm>

Call for Proposals: The Centro Incontri Umani, in Ascona, Switzerland, seeks to encourage understanding, respect and peace internationally through cross-cultural and collaborative thought on significant aspects of human experience. A new residency fellowship is being offered for 2006-2007 at the Centro's 19th century villa in Ascona, on Lake Maggiore, on the border between Switzerland and Italy. Scholars from the humanities, arts and social sciences are primarily welcomed. A travel stipend, October to May lodging in a comfortable apartment in the villa, and a fellowship of \$20,000 will be offered. Full details are available from Laura Simona Email: giovanni.simona@aspti.ch

The Foundation for Young Australians is calling for applications from young Indigenous Australians for the Indigenous Youth Leadership Programme (IYLP). The IYLP is a new national initiative funded by the Australian Government Department of Education, Science and Training (DEST) that will offer up to 250 scholarships and leadership opportunities during 2006-2009 to young Indigenous Australians aged 12-25 undertaking secondary or tertiary studies within Australia. The IYLP is aimed at creating opportunities for young Indigenous people generally from remote



communities who have demonstrated potential leadership capability and want to develop their leadership skills with the support of both family and community. The first five Indigenous young people who will receive tertiary scholarships will be selected in March 2006. The tertiary scholarships will offer \$6000 per year to cover costs such as tuition, course fees and educational resources required for Indigenous tertiary students. A National Indigenous Advisory Committee will work with The Foundation for Young Australians on processes for the selection of IYLP scholars. Potential applicants can find out more by logging onto <http://www.youngaustralians.org.au> or by calling 03 9670 5436 or 1800 252 316. Applications close Friday 20th February 2006.

Call for Papers: Health Outcomes 2006: Managing health and disease in today's society 12th Annual National Conference. 9 - 10 August 2006, Rydges Lakeside, Canberra, Australia. For more information visit: <http://www.uow.edu.au/commerce/ahoc/upcomingconference.html>

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Employment AIATSIS

Finance Officer
APS 3/4 Non-Ongoing commencing asap
\$39,850 - \$48,224
Classification: APS3/4
Program: Corporate Services
Local Title: Finance Officer
Supervisor: Business Manager
For duty statement and selection criteria please visit the AIATSIS website or contact Jeff Hobson on ext. 138 (6246 1138), email jeff.hobson@aiatsis.gov.au.
Written expressions of interest, together with an application cover sheet and the names and telephone numbers of two recent referees should be emailed to: jeff.hobson@aiatsis.gov.au
The closing date for applications is COB 23 January, 2006.

National Museum of Australia

[Curator \(Repatriation\)](#) Mitchell, Canberra
Classification: Australian Public Service Level 6
Status: Non-ongoing contract position (up to 18 months subject to negotiation)
Location Mitchell, Canberra
Section: Collections and Content
Project code: 19-1111-100-51100
Immediate supervisor:
Repatriation Program Director
Closing date: 5.00pm, 27 January 2006

[Senior Curator \(Repatriation\)](#)

Classification: Executive Level 1
Status: Non-ongoing contract position (18 months) with possible further option of 18 months
Location Mitchell, Canberra
Section: Collections and Content
Project code: 19-1111-100-51100
Immediate supervisor: Repatriation Program Director
Closing date: 5.00pm, 27 January 2006

Call for Expressions of Interest for PhD Research Scholarships (2 available) Archaeology, Anthropology, Geoarchaeology/Geomorphology Expressions of interest are called for two PhD research scholarships in archaeology, anthropology and/or geoarchaeology/geomorphology to work on an interdisciplinary ARC Discovery Project investigating Aboriginal cultural patterns in the Wellesley Islands region of the Gulf of Carpentaria. We encourage applications from candidates whose interests bridge these disciplinary areas. Applicants should have a good honours degree or research masters in archaeology, anthropology, earth sciences or a related field. Current Australian Postgraduate Award (APA) applicants from one of the universities of the project investigators are also invited to express their interest. The scholarship pays a tax-free stipend at APA rates with further funding for project operation costs, field expenses and relocation. Further information is available from the Project Director A/Prof. Paul Memmott on (07) 3365 3660 or p.memmott@uq.edu.au. A description of the project is available at: www.aboriginalenvironments.com. Closing date for expressions of interest 16 January 2006 to p.memmott@uq.edu.au or by post to A/Prof. Paul Memmott, Aboriginal Environments Research Centre, PO Box 6114, St Lucia QLD 4067.

Australian Cultural Heritage Management is seeking written expressions of interest for a suitably qualified and experienced Consultant Anthropologist. This is a full-time consultant position. The position will be responsible for providing anthropological services in South Australia and Western Australia. The Consultant Anthropologist will be involved in a range of matters including;

- conducting field trips in South Australia and Western Australia

- project management of small scale projects
- high level report writing, production and assistance
- Traditional Owner identification, consultation and cross cultural communication
- promotion of community development principles
- provision of cultural heritage advice
- determining, protecting and documenting cultural heritage
- liaising with government and industry.

A reasonable remuneration package has been developed which includes generous overtime conditions for field trips. Further details can be obtained from Fiona Pemberton, Office Manager, Email fiona@achm.com.au or phone on (08) 8172 2111. Applications must state full qualifications and experience against the selection criteria, and include a Curriculum Vitae with three referees.

Australian Cultural Heritage Management
PO Box 452

MSC Torrens Park SA 5062 Or

Emailed to: email@achm.com.au

Closing date 30th January 2006.

Native Title Services Victoria

Native Title Services Victoria ("NTSV") is currently recruiting for the positions of Research Coordinator and Research Officer (Anthropology). NTSV is a small, dynamic entity with unique and challenging goals, providing professional services to native title claimant groups across Victoria. NTSV is committed to achieving real land justice outcomes for Indigenous Victorians, and is looking for two exceptional professionals to fill these critical research positions.

Position descriptions will be available on the NTSV website www.ntsiv.com.au after Tuesday 17th January. Until then, more information and position descriptions are available by contacting Pam McGrath on (03) 9321 5300 or pmcgrath@ntsiv.com.au. Applications close Friday, February 3 2006.

Queensland South Native Title Services

Consultants with native title research experience are needed for consultancies in southern Queensland. Please contact Robert Graham either by email at:

ergm@optusnet.com.au

or by telephone at 07 32215500.

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NATIVE TITLE IN THE NEWS

ACT

Comments invited to help 'fine-tune' native title act Attorney-General Philip Ruddock has announced that a discussion paper setting out proposals to fine-tune the operation of the Native Title Act has been released. Stakeholders are invited to comment on the technical amendments within the next eight weeks, and welcome further suggestions for amendment. Mr Ruddock also said that these amendments were aimed at achieving better outcomes for all parties involved and was not a mechanism in which to minimise native title rights. Media Release 22-Nov-05

Denying heritage status to Tent Embassy a flawed decision

The Australia Institute, a leftwing think-tank, has said that the decision of Federal Minister to overrule a recommendation from his own advisory board and not include the Aboriginal Tent Embassy on the Commonwealth Heritage List is flawed. "Once again, the Minister has politicised the listing process...This is the culture wars in action" said Australia Institute spokesman Andrew Macintosh. Aboriginal elder and Embassy resident Neville Chappie Williams said "We'll see where we go from here but we're going to stay and fight to the end". National Indigenous Times, pg 10, 10-Nov-05

Federal

A community experience Three years of negotiation finally came to a close recently when the Nyikina and Mangala People of the Kimberleys signed an ILUA with the Shire of Derby West Kimberley. The signing took place at Oonkalkada near Derby in the presence of the groups elders, community leaders and local school students. This ILUA was the first agreement in the Kimberley region between an Indigenous group and a local government authority. Koori Mail, pg 33, 30-Nov-05. WI2005/001 Case Manager Trish Sinclair-Jones. The Tribunal provided Assistance with the draft of this ILUA. It has yet to be lodged with the Tribunal for Registration

Aboriginal outposts funding threat communities crisis

The Federal Government, through Indigenous Affairs Minister, Amanda Vanstone, plans to cease funding to remote Indigenous outstations and relocate the people to the nearest large recognised community or township. Senator Vanstone asserts that outstations are not economically viable, and the cost of providing infrastructure to all communities in the long term prohibitive. This process will allow monies to be available which