



"Aboriginal Affairs NSW congratulates the Walgett Aboriginal Medical Service on 25 years of service delivery for the communities of Walgett, Lightning Ridge, Collarenebri, Goodooga and Brewarrina.

We look forward to working with WAMS so we can achieve strong outcomes that close the Gap in Aboriginal disadvantage in health, education and economic participation. As a Department we are committed to working with Aboriginal individuals, families and organisations to Close the Gap.

We work in strong partnership with the Walgett Gamilaraay Aboriginal Community Working Party and the Australian Government to deliver the Remote Service Delivery in Walgett.

If you wish to contact us in Walgett, our number is 6817 9903





## Walgett Aboriginal Medical Service Cooperative Limited

### **Celebrating Twenty Five Years of service**

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"Celebrating gives an individual a time to reflect, to appreciate, and to be grateful for the successes and to also recall and be humble for rising to the challenges of the professional and personal barriers that have been placed along the road as we gather to savour this auspicious occasion.

WAMS are celebrating for two main reasons;

One - is to thank our clients and our community who are the foundation of our operations and our partners from

a local to a national level who support us each day to ensure we provide a quality health care service.

The second reason - is to recognise the efforts of the staff and the Directors who have all worked together since 1986 as WAMS now celebrate this silver anniversary.

For Aboriginal people - such a milestone of existence is a major accomplishment in surviving both the State and Commonwealth governments political changes around the livelihood for Aboriginal Affairs and Aboriginal Health."

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are warned that the following program will contain images of deceased people and some may find this distressing.

#### Cover:

Pictures featured are from the Walgett Community College Secondary Campus art competition 1st Kookaburra - *Tyson Teara-Jones* 2nd Goanna and WAMS - *Jodi Pollert* 3rd Snake and Kangaroo - *Bianca Dennis* 



Walgett Shire Council's vision is to maximise opportunities for the community to improve their quality of life whilst embracing their own culture and social diversity for the benefit of all.

Want to know what's going on in your community? Council's 'What's On' calendar can tell you. In addition residents can attend Council meetings held at 10.00am on the fourth Tuesday of each month, other than the month of January.

To find out what's up for discussion, download Council's Business Papers at www.walgett.nsw. gov.au or view a copy at the Administration Centre, Walgett and Lightning Ridge Libraries, Collarenebri Agency and Council's Depots at Walgett, Lightning Ridge and Collarenebri.

Below are Council Meetings details for the remainder of 2011:

MONTH	DAY	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
May	Tuesday	24	10.00am	Walgett
June	Tuesday	28	10.00am	Walgett
July	Tuesday	26	10.00am	Rowena
August	Tuesday	23	10.00am	Walgett
September	Tuesday	27	10.00am	Carinda
October	Tuesday	25	10.00am	Walgett
November	Tuesday	22	10.00am	Burren Junction
December	Tuesday	20	10.00am	Walgett

#### **Shire Libraries**

Have you seen what's happening in the Library lately? You may be surprised. Story time, Teen after school programs, Babies & Books – song and rhyme.





Sean Choolburra has developed into one of Australia's Finest Cultural Ambassador's. He's DEADLY, Dynamic, at times almost Hypnotic ... A Captivating Comedy & Cultural Performer. Sean is a huge inspiration to the youth of Australia. He is in constant demand as an MC, Comedian, Dancer, Hip Hop Didge Player & Traditional Workshop Performer.

Hailing from Townsville, Sean has an established career as a dancer and created the NGARU Dance Company and performed all over the world with the Bangarra Dance Company, including by invitation

for the Dalai Lama, Hale & Pace and Prince Charles. He is charming, captivating, cheeky, clever and charismatic. Perhaps his ability is to share the naivety of a small town aboriginal boy still coming to grips with the big city lights that make him all that much more inviting and engaging as a performer.

Sean's comedy is uniquely & truly Australian. His is a fresh new voice in a comedy scene inundated by white fellas. He blends popular culture, dance, comedy and hip hop in a high energy, feel good show. He is a rising star of not only the comedy world but also as an all round entertainer and guaranteed to raise your spirit while splitting your spleen.





# Bren Ryan

She is a deadly young R&B/Soul Artist and is renowned for her unique, soulful sound. Paving the way for herself and following in the footsteps of her great idols, such as Stevie Wonder and Beyonce.

Loren's repertoire is a collaboration of soul/funk, R&B and pop. A mixture of deadly sound that will attract an audience every time.

"This is me," Loren says as she delivers honest and passionate performances, music and performing is her lifestyle.

She has been involved in projects such as Yabun Festival in Sydney, The Talent Development Project at the Sydney Entertainment Centre in which she made top 10 young singers in Australia, The Tamworth Music Festival for three years running and just recently performed at the Salt Water Fresh Water Festival in Port Macquarie. Loren continues to deliver outstanding, energetic performances.

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# promotingyou

Rhino Promotions began in 1999, started by George and Sarah Richmond. The company has steadily grown to become a prominent and recognised brand in Regional New South Wales. The head office is located in Dubbo NSW and is also strategically based in Dubbo with overnight access to the main regional and metropolitan centres including Canberra, Brisbane, Adelaide, Sydney and Melbourne.

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Rhino Promotions have been supplying promotional items and uniforms for the Walgett Aboriginal Medical Service for the past 10 years. George, Sarah and the team would like to congratulate WAMS on their 25 years anniversary – a wonderful milestone to celebrate. We wish you all every success for the future.





Troy Cassar-Daley is at the top of the Australian Country Music scene. He has a reputation amongst his peers in the Australian music industry as being the most loved and respected singer/songwriters in country music. This is reflected on a mainstream level by the many industry awarded accolades for his work as a successful recording artist. His fans will tell you he is a fantastic guy, great entertainer, brilliant guitarist and the most amazing vocalist.

Troy's career spans 8 albums over 16 years. He has been awarded 4 ARIA's, he has won a total of 21 Golden Guitars. As a result, Troy has the honour of being the most awarded recipient of the Male Artist of the Year in Golden Guitar history. At the 2010 CMAA Golden Guitar awards (Australian Country music's highest

accolade), Troy won 6 out of the 6 categories he was nominated for with his album 'I Love This Place'. He won the 2008 and 2010 APRA — Australian Performing Right Association's Country Song of the Year.

Over his career he has been awarded numerous other accolades including 7 Deadlys (Australian Indigenous artist awards), 4 CMAA Entertainer of the Year awards, and the 2008 Country Music Association of America Country Music Global Artist Award.

## TROY CASSAR-DALEY

## STIFF GINS

On the verge of their anticipated third album release, Stiff Gins Nardi Simpson and Kaleena Briggs have much to celebrate. Eleven years ago, their moniker was a reclamation of an offensive reference to Aboriginal women, a banner to guide their music in the direction of strength and pride. Three albums and countless breathtaking shows later, the name has become synonymous with musical excellence.

They have travelled the world, received prestigious awards, and created a loyal fan base with their heart-songs and emotive performances. They've performed for troops in the Middle East and remote communities in Australia, and developed a musical friendship that has transformed them both. Now, with their new album Wind & Water, they have perfected a sound that honours the raw power of their voices and their history while leading them firmly into the future of Australian music.



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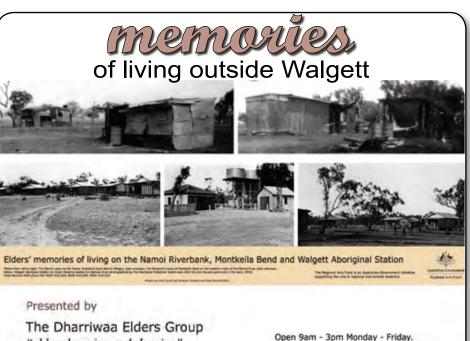
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Elders remember living at Namoi Riverbank, Montkeila Bend, Ginghi Aboriginal Reserve and Walgett Aboriginal Station.

> Exhibition at **Dhariwaa Elders Group** 47 Fox Street, Walgett 11-15 April, 2011



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The Walgett District Sporting Club is open from 10am daily & offers great sporting facilities such as golf, tennis & bowls or simply relax in a friendly atmosphere.



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Congratulations to the Walgett Aboriginal Medical Service and all its staff. Our Pharmacy has been honored to be part of your history during two and a half decades. We have experienced your staff's remarkable teamwork and dedication to mutual understanding and empowering.

We know it has taken leadership and commitment to envision your institutional work and its outreach. You have allowed an openness and willingness to navigate this pathway. How fortunate we are to be part of this journey which started in 1986 and continues into the 21st century.

We wish you the best in this new decade and hope that all your goals are realised. May your work with the community be successful for ever.

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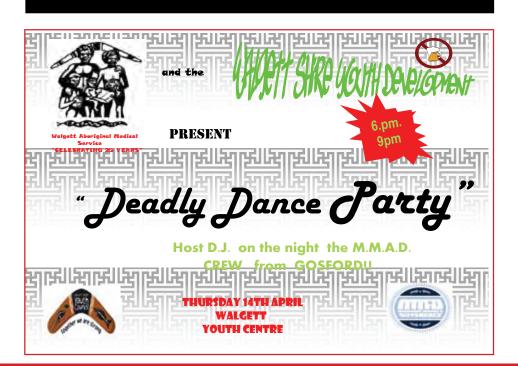
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**CDEP Employment Expo** 

**10AM** 

**Street Parade** 



1PM

**Baby Competition** 

**Fashion Parade** 

6.00-8.30PM

WAMS Jam Sessions Walgett Youth Centre





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# Wednesdety April 13

NSW Department of Human Services Aboriginal Affairs - Family Day

## Morning Schedule

**Planet Entertainment Activities** for youth and children

Sean Choolburra

Loren Ryan



Collie Kids



## Musicians Making a Difference

MMAD's purpose is to improve the lives of all young people, particularly disadvantaged and marginalised youth, through the power of music, the creative arts, and unconditional positive regard.

Over ten years, MMAD has developed programs with an aim to inspire, develop and empower young people. Their programs can break the cycle of negativity and help young people to reach their full potential.

Involvement from well known & up and coming Australian musicians, supporters, and the dedication of MMAD's talented and passionate team of youth workers, counsellors and professional facilitators, has allowed them to provide hope, resources and avenues for positive change in some of the most isolated and troubled, but beautiful, parts of Australia.



### Jimmy Little Jimmy Little began his recording career in 1956. His nationwide profile grew through regular television appearances, radio airplay and constant touring, so much so that by 1964 Australian national magazine Everybody's which was the bible of the teen scene in the early 60s' named Jimmy Australian Pop Star of the year. Jimmy is a very proud Australian who has something in his repertoire to entertain all age groups. In 2004 a public vote named him a "National Living Treasure" and Jimmy received an Australian Order (AO) for his life in the entertainment industry and his ongoing work with indigenous education and health. Queensland University of Technology have awarded Jimmy an honorary Doctorate and recently he received the Classic Rock performer MO award of 2004.

# Wednesday April 13

NSW Department of Human Services Aboriginal Affairs - Family Day

### Afternoon Schedule

Planet Entertainment Activities for youth and children

MMAD Project Activities for youth and children

**Troy Cassar-Daley** 

Raffle Drawn

**Jimmy Little** 

Stiff Gins

**Talent Quest** 

**Fireworks** 







### Mark Olive - "The Black Olive Chef"

Mark Olive, aka 'The Black Olive', has been a chef for over 25 years and has become a well known Australian celebrity with his charismatic style and creative approach to food, starring in his own television series 'The Outback Cafe' and a host of cooking, lifestyle and travel shows nationally and globally. Mark's passion for fusing native food and culture with contemporary lifestyle cooking has led to a huge international profile, and the creation of Black Olive Catering, an indigenous catering company and function space in North Melbourne, Victoria.

As a Bundjalung man, Mark's family originated from the Northern Rivers region in NSW. Born in Wollongong he became interested in cooking as a child, watching his mother and aunts prepare meals. He trained under a

European chef and has worked in a number of kitchens ranging from theatres, universities, health services, film sets and in a lá carte restaurants around the globe, before establishing his own business in 2008.

Due to his success, in 2010 Mark was chosen to be part of TA's 'Friends of Australia' program, which was "created to harness the power of bright and influential individuals who are making a name for themselves on the world stage, and who have a genuine affinity with Australia".

## WALGETT HISTORICAL EXHIBITION

See where you and your family have come from - recall the history of your community - remember when significant events occurred - see how fashion trends changed and the developing social growth of Walgett.





Exhibition at
WALGETT RSL HALL
11-15 April
from 10am to 2pm daily







# Thursday April 14



#### **11AM**

Euragai Goondi
Community Garden Launch
Mark Olive
(The Black Olive - Chef)



WAMS walk through

6.00 - 9.00 PM

Deadly Dance Party Walgett Youth Centre

**7PM** 

**Anniversary Ball** 



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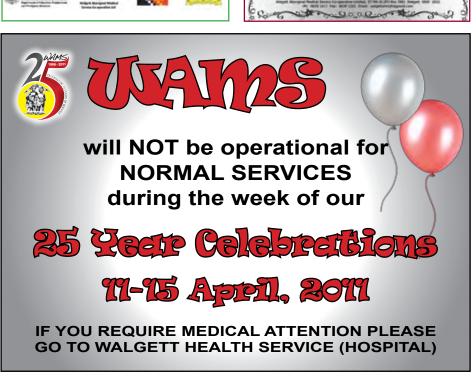












## WAMS - 25 YEARS OLD

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