

WHAT'S NEW AT THE KOORI CENTRE



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Congratulations

Congratulations to Jimmy Little who will be receiving an Honorary Doctorate from the Department of Music at the University of Sydney, on Friday 3 June 2005. The ceremony will take place in the Great Hall starting at 2pm. Following this, at around 3.30pm, afternoon tea will be held at the Koori Centre and everyone is very welcome to come along. Jimmy was nominated by the Koori Centre for this award.

Indigenous Student Games

This year the Indigenous Student Games are taking place at Newcastle University. They start on Wednesday 14 September and run through until Sunday 18 September.

The Committee will be conducting trials for the team and hope that block-mode and mainstream students will be interested in participating. Please check the whiteboard in the Computer Lab for notices and/or contact Fiona Webb via email: fweb0732@mail.usyd.edu.au to let her know when you are available over the next couple of weeks.

The Committee is keen to get things started as quickly as possible to maximise training time. Please contact Fiona by the end of next week (10 June).



Dean Widders surrounded by kids at the 2004 National Indigenous Tertiary Education Student Games

Congratulations

Congratulations to Jack Manning-Bancroft for all his efforts in putting together the Inaugural Indigenous Carnivale – it was a huge success. Everyone we have spoken to had a fabulous night, and some were still feeling it the next day!

Although Jack will say that he had lots of support, the event really only happened because of his hard work, commitment and determination.

Reconciliation Week

The Koori Centre together with the University Student Union have organised the following events for Reconciliation Week:

27 May 11am Flag Raising – up at the Main Quad followed by morning tea at the Koori Centre.

30 May 1pm Launch of the Sea of Hands – on the lawn between the Main Quad and Fisher Library – free soup.

31 May 4.30pm Indigenous Short Films – Manning Bar.

1 June 6.30pm Trivia Evening – Grand Stand Bar – prizes and finger food.

2 June 5.30pm Indigenous Health Forum – Stephen Roberts Lecture Theatre.

3 June 4pm The Sea of Hands comes down this afternoon, so this will be the last chance for everyone to add their hand to the design.

Scholarships

Congratulations to the following students who have been awarded Chancellor's Committee (HECS) Bursaries for 2005: Maria Tattersall, Laura McBride, Toni Tyson.

Congratulations to the following students who have been awarded Chancellor's Committee (Fees) Bursaries: Eran Ben-Avraham, Adam Ridgeway, Nygarie Roberts, Crystal Claveria, James McAllister, Sharnee Townsend, Naomi Cook, Jennifer Tillet, Melinda Legge, Jessica Higgins, Luke Toohey, Greg Spice, Laura Galbraith, Jasmin Stewart and Georgina Johnston.

The scholarships for the College of Humanities and Social Sciences and for the College of Sciences and Technologies will be determined in the week beginning 30 May. Students will be notified of the outcome shortly after.

Around the Koori Centre

Work continues in the Naked Lady courtyard, but things look like they are drawing to an end. We hope that in a couple of weeks, we will be able to access the courtyard again. There have

been rumblings of a celebration barbeque, we will keep you posted.

The corridors on our level and the level above have been ear-marked for refurbishment. We haven't heard when work will begin on this, but you can be assured that banging and drilling will continue around us for some time yet.

Students on campus will have noticed that construction on Manning Road has also started. The timeframe for this work will depend on the weather, so we don't have an end date.



Re-installing the Naked Lady

Thanks

Thanks to Phillip Orcher who attended an information session for schools in his local area in Lismore, along with Pat Davison and Diana Day.

The Koori Centre hopes to invite more students and graduates to be involved with our Student Ambassador program. If you are interested in taking part, please speak with either Pat Davison on (02) 9351 7003 or Deborah Kirby-Parsons on (02) 9351 2922 – Toll Free call: 1800 622 742.