



May 2009 Newsletter

Events:

Kulturejam - Highway to Human Rights Fundraiser – Friday 1 May. Come and enjoy a great night of live music and support a worthwhile cause at the same time! All proceeds from ticket sales will go to the Deaths in Custody Watch Committee WA Inc Campaign for Justice and Human Rights for Wongai Elder Mr Ward.

Live music from:

The Bartlett Brothers, Gang of Three, Old Flames Band, Candice Lorrae and Warangka Band!

All the artists performing on the night have graciously donated their time to supporting this campaign and fundraising event.

Friday 1 May @ Charles Hotel, North Perth
\$20, doors open at 7pm

Enquiries: 9444 1930 or dicwa@iinet.net.au or info@kulturejam.com

Rally for the Kimberley - Saturday 2 May. The Kimberley is under serious threat from the proposed industrial gas site on the pristine coastline, north of Broome. If you live in Perth, the Wilderness Society needs your support this Saturday. It is community action that will stop this outrageous plan, and with your help we can make Woodside, and the joint venture partners, rethink this proposal.

When: Saturday 2nd May @ 11am sharp

Where: Perth foreshore, Riverside Drive (near the Belltower, and Ferris Wheel)

What: Be part of a human chain, which will spell out a giant message - 'No Kimberley Gas Hub'. An aerial photo will be taken from the Ferris Wheel, and used for media publicity of this campaign.

There's no cost involved, however, please wear a red t-shirt if you can, and bring something to lie on. You can let the Wilderness Society know you're coming by joining their event on Facebook, or emailing wa@wilderness.org.au [Visit their Facebook page](#)

Fair Trade Chocolate Fountain – Thursday 7 May. The SWB Action Group is bringing a chocolate fountain onto campus! **Why?** To raise awareness of child trafficking in the chocolate industry, at the same time as showing/reminding you just how yummy Fair Trade chocolate is!! We will be selling skewers of fruit and/marshmallows to dip into the chocolate fountain. **When?** Thursday 7 May from 11am

Make a Stand – Thursday 7 May. The uranium miners are coming...Come along to the Fremantle Esplanade Hotel and make a stand against uranium mining. 8am – 9am.

Rob Riley Memorial Lecture – Friday 8 May. *Celebration or Commiseration: Post Apology Blues* presented by Jackie Huggins AM, Deputy Director of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders Studies Unit at the University of Queensland and former Co-Chair of Reconciliation Australia.

Friday 8 May 2009, 6pm
Haydyn Williams Lecture Theatre
Building 405
Curtin University of Technology
Kent Street, Bentley

Refreshments will follow the lecture. Please RSVP on 08 9266 2563 or email events@curtin.edu.au by Monday 4 May.

Soldiers of Peace – Friday 8 May. Film night in support of the International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons. 7.30pm at The Astor cinema in Mt Lawley – wine and nibbles from 6.45pm. Tickets \$20 or \$15 concession. Pre-purchase online at www.moshtix.com.au. To view the trailer visit <http://www.soldiersofpeacemovie.com/>

Fair Trade Fiesta – Saturday 9 May. The Fair Trade Collective WA and City Farm invite you to make and beat a drum for fair trade. Come along and buy a fair trade present for Mother's Day or just enjoy the market stalls, entertainment, food, and kid's activities.

Saturday 9 May at City Farm, City Farm Place, East Perth
10am - 3pm
More info at www.fairtradeaustralia.com.au

Big Bang!! Beat Poverty, Beat Climate Change, Beat Financial Crisis, Beat a Drum, A Big Fair Trade Solution to Poverty. **09 May 09 - A Big Day for the Planet**

Uranium Mining & Nuclear Power: A Brave New World – Monday 11 May. Peaceful rally at the Parmelia Hilton during the arrivals for a debate on the WA government's policy on uranium mining. 8.30 – 9.30am.

Information evening for students coming out – Thursday 14 May. An information, support services, and social networking evening for the gender and sexually-diverse students of WA. Sir Walter's Cafe (downstairs in the library), 5 – 7pm.

Reconciliation Film Night – Friday 22 May. Free screening of 'Footprints in the Sand', 'The Forgotten' and 'Gnulla Katitjin Quoppadar Boodjar', films directed by Kulbardi's Glen Stasiuk, which provide insights into WA Aboriginal experiences and viewpoints.
7.30pm, Melville Conference Room, Civic Centre, Booragoon.
Phone Gail Beck on 9364 0657 during office hours to book your ticket.

Mental Health & Wellbeing Conference – Friday 22 May. This conference, to be held at UWA, will feature 13 internationally acclaimed speakers along with 6 optional workshops, all of which will be emphasising positive solutions to many of the mental health issues faced in schools. The event will be opened by Dr Fiona Wood, 2005 Australian of the Year. For more information visit www.positiveschools.com.au or contact enquiries@wisesolutions.com.au or 9388 8843.

Women in the World – Tuesday 26 May. Workshop for primary or secondary school teachers (or student teachers), investigating the situation of women around the globe. Register before 19 May. \$20 OWC members or students, \$30 non-members. For more information contact the One World Centre on 9371 9133 or education@oneworldcentre.org.au, or visit www.oneworldcentre.org.au
Register by Thursday 14 May.

News/Updates:

SWB T-Shirts

Students Without Borders International has actioned collared t-shirts, of a high quality, with STUDENTS WITHOUT BORDERS and the SWB logo embroidered on yellow and on turquoise coloured short sleeve shirts. They are great for anyone involved with Students Without Borders to wear at SWB events and campaigns and in general. They help to get us out there as this developing national student volunteer organisation making a difference with local, national and global social reach. They are only \$25. If you would like one please contact swb@guild.murdoch.edu.au with your size and for further details.

Volunteering/Paid Positions:

Are you interested in volunteering with refugees?

Would you like the opportunity to use your own initiative and timetable to make a big difference to the lives of refugees in Perth? At the Metropolitan Migrant Resource Centre we are looking for volunteers to provide social support to newly arrived refugees and humanitarian entrants in the North metro area, and we'd love to have you on board.

At MMRC we offer a volunteer program that is organised, understanding and flexible. We hold regular events and specially designed training days to provide you with the skills to work with migrant families.

If you're keen to make a meaningful contribution to refugees arriving in Australia, and can spare a few hours per week, get in touch with Nikkola: 9345 5755 / nikkola.pickering@mmrcwa.org.au for more info.

The Anti Nuclear Alliance of WA are seeking a volunteer. In order to know who is making applications for mining someone needs to check through the West Australian paper on Wednesday morning (about one page) and compare the info with ANAWA's mining register (supplied), scan the relevant columns of that page, then OCR them for

distribution to ANAWA and the other relevant Anti Nuclear organisations. This is to alert their campaigners of upcoming mining possibilities and in turn they can alert the communities involved. **The process takes about 1-2 hours on Wednesday morning.** ANAWA would really appreciate it if someone could take over this really important but time-consuming task. For enquiries please contact the office:

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Volunteer Opportunity – Western Ground Parrot

The Department of Environment and Conservation is looking for volunteers for Western Ground Parrot (WGP) surveys in the Fitzgerald River and Cape Arid National Parks. The WGP is critically endangered and current estimates place numbers at less than 140 birds. The trips are mostly 9-10 days, from (approximately) 5th-14th May, 25th May- 4th June and 16th-25th June. Volunteers need to be fairly fit with good hearing, as listening for WGP the hour before sunrise and the hour after sunset and walking a few kilometres through the scrub is involved.

The locations are quite remote and so accommodation is basic camping, all food is provided, as is the gear required for the survey. Interested parties can contact: Abby Berryman, DEC Albany, 9842 4519 or 0429 842 451.



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