Baarlinjaan Directory

An information guide for Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Families in the Ballarat area



The Grampians Regional Aboriginal Justice Advisory Committee (RAJAC) together with the Koorie Engagement Action Group (KEAG) and the Local Aboriginal Network (LAN) has developed this guide for local Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander families with contact details and information on relevant resources in the Ballarat region including:

Aboriginal Organisations
Education & Training
Health
Justice & Legal
Accommodation
Culture & Land Management
Local Government

This directory was correct at the time of publication and while people in specific roles may change, contact numbers should stay the same.

This directory is an initiative and action that is significant within the Regional Aboriginal Justice Advisory Committee Regional Plan 2013-2018, Koorie Engagement Action Group Reconciliation Action Plan 2014-2016, and LAN Strategic Plan 2015-2017.



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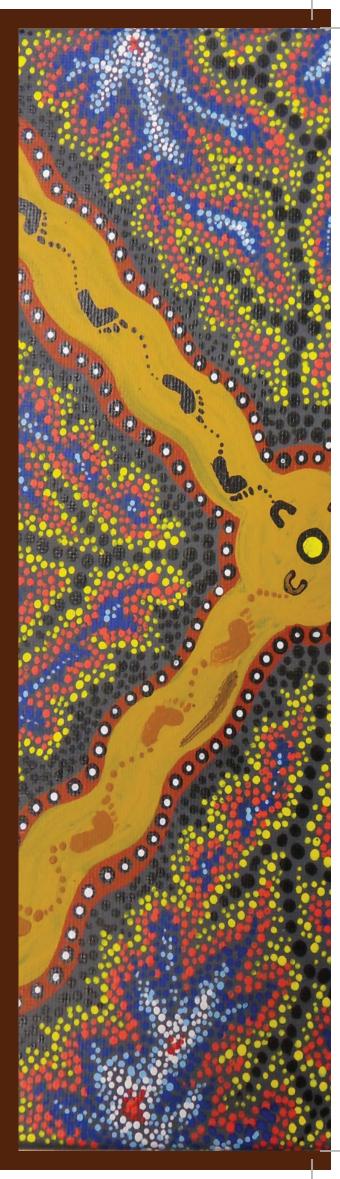


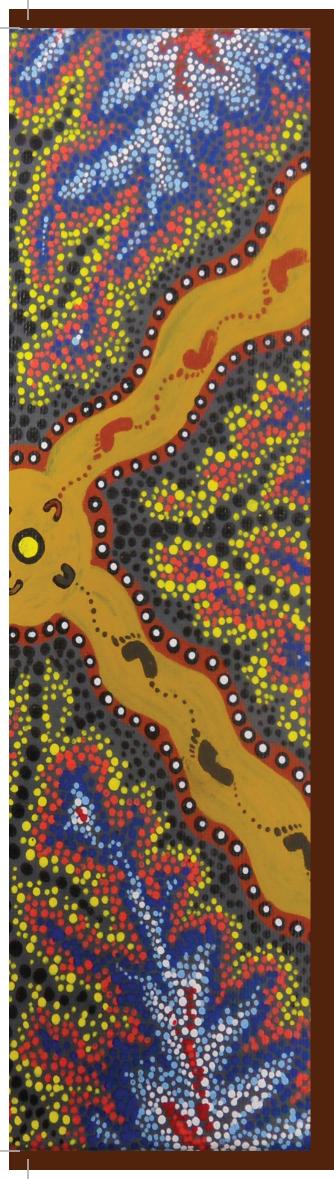
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All original artwork contained in the directory is created by Auntie Diana Nikkelson. Diana was born of a Koorie mother and a European father, at Horsham in Victoria, and is the mother of 9 children. Her beautiful paintings have found homes all over the world. Diana is a respected member of the Ballarat Koorie community.



Auntie Diana Nikkelson





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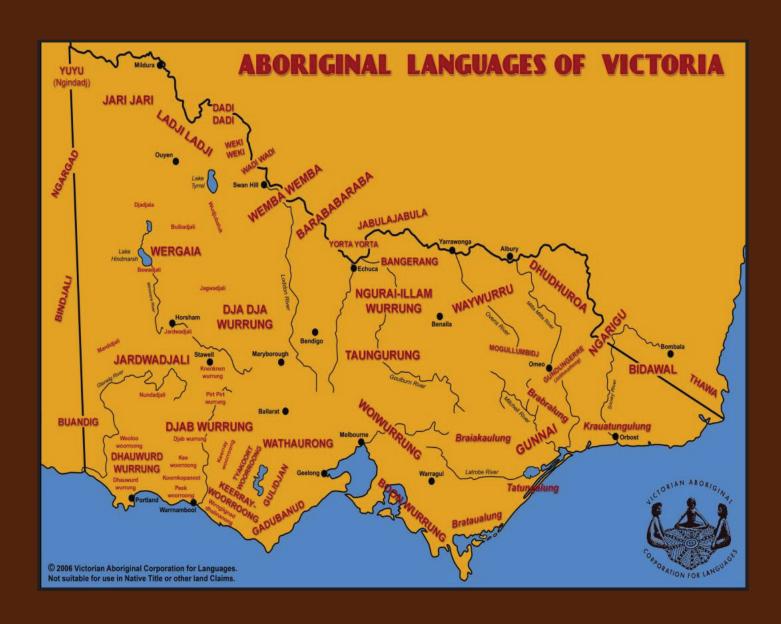


Ballarat & District Aboriginal Co-operative CEO Karen Heap

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

We acknowledge the Wadawurrung people as the Traditional Custodians of the land and pay our respects to Elders both past and present.

We also acknowledge the families and individuals that descend from other communities and areas of Australia that are currently residing on the land of the Wadawurrung people.



IMPORTANT DATES		
DATE	EVENT	
26 JANUARY	SURVIVAL DAY/INVASION DAY	
13 FEBRUARY	ANNIVERSARY OF THE PRIME MINISTER'S NATIONAL APOLOGY	
26 MAY	SORRY DAY	
27 MAY TO 3 JUNE	NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK	
3 JUNE	MABO DAY	
FIRST FULL WEEK OF JULY	NAIDOC WEEK	
4 AUGUST	NATIONAL ABORIGINAL AND ISLANDER CHILDREN'S DAY	

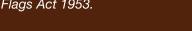


FLAGS

The Aboriginal Flag

The Aboriginal Flag was designed by Harold Thomas, a Luritja man from Central Australia. It was created as a symbol of unity and national identity for Aboriginal people during the land rights movement of the early 1970s. The flag was chosen as the official flag for the Aboriginal Tent Embassy and was first flown there in 1972.

In 1995, the Australian Government proclaimed the flag as an official 'Flag of Australia' under section 5 of the Flags Act 1953.



Symbolic Meaning

The symbolic meaning of the flag colours are:

Black - Represents the Aboriginal people of Australia

Yellow - Represents the Sun, the giver of life and protector

Red - Represents the earth, the red ochre and the spiritual relation to the land



The Torres Strait Islander Flag was created as a symbol of unity and identity for Torres Strait Islander peoples, designed by the late Bernard Namok from Thursday Island. The flag was recognised by the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission in June 1992 and given equal prominence with the Aboriginal flag.

In July 1995, it was recognised by the Australian Government as an official 'Flag of Australia' under the Flags Act 1953.

Symbolic Meaning

The symbolic meaning of the flag colours and design are:

Green - Represents the land

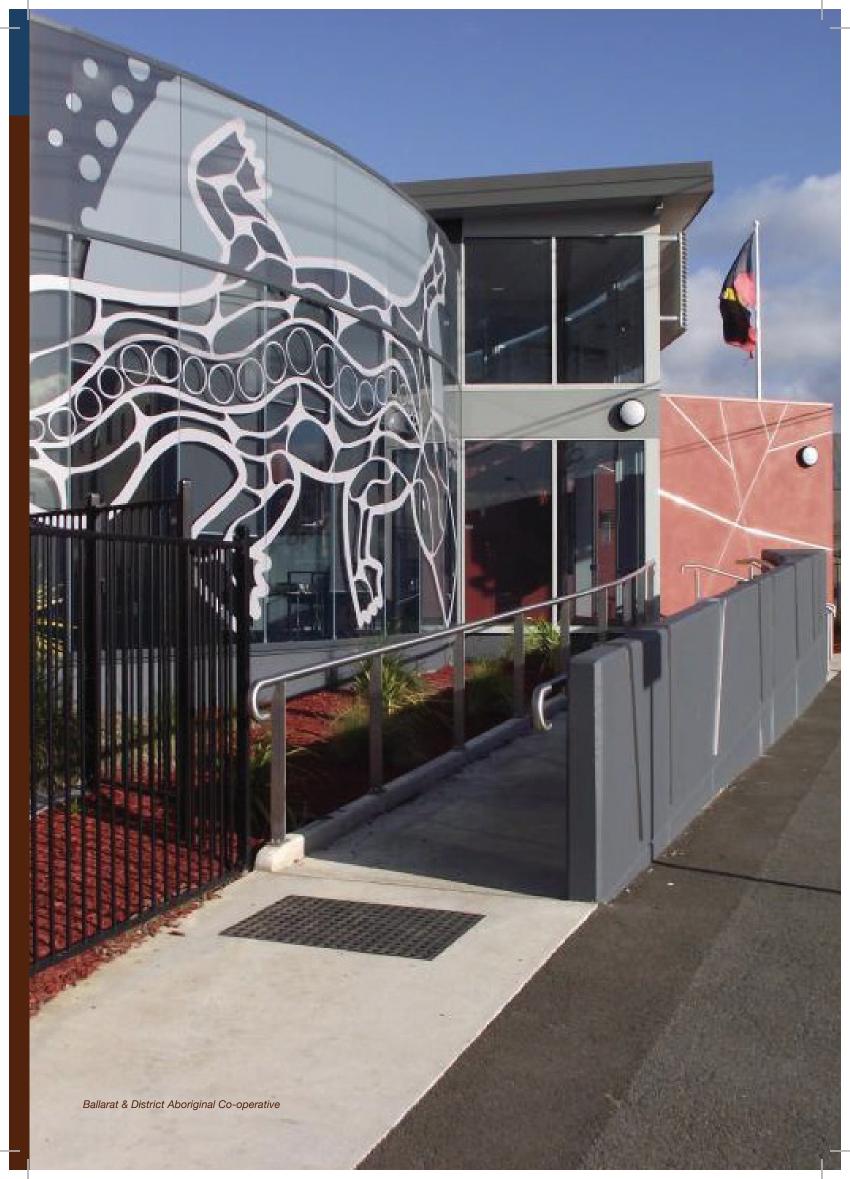
Blue - Represents the sea

White - Represents peace

Black - Represents the people







ABORIGINAL ORGANISATIONS

Ballarat and District Aboriginal Co-operative (BADAC)

5 Market Street, Ballarat Telephone: (03) 5331 5344

- Baarlijan Medical Clinic (more information in Health section)
- Stolen Generations Bringing them Home
- Koori Youth Justice Worker
- Local Justice Worker Program
- Home and Community Care (HACC)
- Aboriginal Family Decision Making (AFDM)
- Koori Family Services
- Kinship Care
- Integrated Family Services
- Housing and Emergency Housing
- Junior Youth Group
- Koori Playgroup
- Koori Pre School Assistants



Koori Services Hub

403 Main Road, Ballarat Telephone: (03) 4308 0781

- Victorian Aboriginal Community Services Association Ltd (VACSAL)
- Victorian Aboriginal Legal Service (VALS)
- Lakidjeka Program
- Victorian Aboriginal Education Association Inc. (VAEAI)
- Aboriginal Housing Victoria



EDUCATION & TRAINING

Department of Education and Training (DET)

109 Armstrong Street North, Ballarat Telephone: (03) 5337 8444

- Koori Education Co-ordinator (KEC)
- Koori Engagement Support Officers (KESO)

Victorian Aboriginal Education Association Inc. (VAEAI)

403 Main Road, Ballarat Telephone: (03) 43 080 780 Mobile: 0438 509 153

• Wurreker Broker

Catholic Education

5 Lyons Street South, Ballarat Telephone: (03) 5337 7108

• Education Office – Indigenous Education

St Patrick's College

1431 Sturt Street, Ballarat Telephone: (03) 5331 1688

• Indigenous Education Manager

Loreto College

1600 Sturt Street, Ballarat Telephone: (03) 5329 6100

• Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education Worker

St Alipius Parish School

106-108 Victoria Street, Ballarat Telephone: (03) 5331 1816

Koori Educator

Aboriginal Education Centre Federation University Australia TAFE and Higher Education

University Drive, Mt Helen

- Manager, Aboriginal Education Centre: (03) 5327 9795
- Aboriginal Education Liaison Officer
- Co-ordinator, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Employment: (03) 5327 9817





HEALTH

Baarlijan Medical Clinic (BADAC)

5 Market Street, Ballarat Telephone: (03) 5331 5344

- General Practice
- Chronic Disease Plans & Management
- Preventative Health
- Maternal & Child Health
- Women's Health
- Emotional Wellbeing
- Alcohol & Other Drugs
- Allied Health
- Exercise Physiologist
- Massage Therapist
- Podiatry



Drummond Street North, Ballarat Telephone: (03) 5320 4000 Mobile: 0421 898 906

- Aboriginal Hospital Liaison Officer
- Aboriginal Care Co-ordinator

Ballarat Health Services Mental Health (BHS)

Drummond Street North, Ballarat Telephone: (03) 5333 1637 Mobile: 0478 317 891

• Koorie Mental Health Liaison Officer

Ballarat Community Health (BCH)

12 Lilburne Street, Lucas Telephone: (03) 5338 4500

• Aboriginal HACC Development Officer





BADAC CEO Karen Heap and former BHS CEO Andrew Rowe continue a strong partnership to improve Indigenous health.



JUSTICE & LEGAL

Ballarat Police Station

20 Dana Street, Ballarat Telephone: (03) 5336 6000

• Police Aboriginal Liaison Officer

North Ballarat Police Station (non-24 hours)

734 Norman Street, Ballarat Telephone: (03) 5331 2816

• Police Aboriginal Liaison Officer



Launch of the Koori Family Violence Police Protocols in Ballarat

Victorian Aboriginal Legal Service (VALS)

403 Main Road, Ballarat Mobile: 0400 118 392

• Client Service Officer



Victoria Legal Aid (VLA)

Area A, Level 1, 75 Victoria Street, Ballarat Telephone: (03) 5329 6222

Department of Justice and Regulation (Grampians Region)

206 Mair Street, Ballarat Telephone: (03) 4301 7000

- Grampians RAJAC
- Sheriff's Office
- Community Corrections
- Births, Deaths & Marriages
- Consumer Affairs Victoria
- Dispute Settlement Centre

Grampians Regional Aboriginal Justice Advisory Committee (RAJAC)

206 Mair Street, Ballarat Telephone: (03) 4301 7012 Mobile: 0408 574 679

• Executive Officer

Sheriff's Office

206 Mair Street, Ballarat Telephone: (03) 4301 7000

• Sheriff Aboriginal Liaison Officer



Victoria Police and Wrisc members undertaking Koori Cultural Awareness Training

Ballarat and District Aboriginal Co-operative (BADAC)

5 Market Street, Ballarat Telephone: (03) 5331 5344 Mobile: 0484 379 167

- Local Justice Worker
- Youth Justice Worker

Aboriginal Community Justice Panel

Ballarat



ACCOMMODATION

Aboriginal Housing Victoria

403 Main Road, Ballarat Telephone: (03) 5331 6518

• Aboriginal Housing Officer

Child and Family Services (CAFS)

115 Lydiard Street North, Ballarat Telephone: (03) 5337 3333

Ballarat Uniting Care

105 Dana Street, Ballarat Telephone: (03) 5332 1286

PEPLOW House (Supported accommodation for men)

4 Webster Street, Ballarat Telephone: (03) 5332 4466

The Salvation Army (Karinya)

6 Crompton Street, Ballarat Telephone: (03) 5329 1100 Community House: (03) 5329 1101



Wadawurrung Elder Uncle Bryon Powell



CULTURE & LAND MANAGEMENT

Wadawurrung Aboriginal Corporation

99 Mair Street East, Ballarat Telephone: (03) 4308 0420 Mobile: 0421 158 944

RAP managerProject Officer

Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning

402 Mair Street, Ballarat Telephone: (03) 5336 6856

• Indigenous Partnerships Facilitator

Department of Economic Development, Jobs, Transport and Resources

111 Armstrong Street North, Ballarat Telephone: (03) 5327 2819

• Manager, Aboriginal Heritage Protection

• Cultural Heritage Officer



Amber Barker-Lovett showcasing our culture



Samara Muir showcasing our culture



LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Koorie Engagement Action Group (KEAG)

P.O Box 655 Ballarat 3353

Telephone: (03) 5320 5831 Mobile: 0438 205 620

- Cultural Partnerships Officer
- Youth Engagement Officer
- Place Names Officer

STATE GOVERNMENT

Department of Premier and Cabinet Aboriginal Victoria

111 Armstrong Street North, Ballarat Telephone: (03) 5327 2819 Mobile: 0400 168 668

• Aboriginal Community Development Broker (LAN)

Department of Health and Human Services

State Government Offices Corner Mair and Doveton Streets, Ballarat Telephone: (03) 5333 6530 Ballarat Office 35 Armstrong Street, Ballarat South Telephone: (03) 5333 6530

- Grampians Indigenous Family Violence Regional Action Group (GIFVRAG)
- Regional Aboriginal Health Officer
- Branch Administrator, Central Highlands Area (employment queries)
- Disability Information and Support: 1800 783 783
- Housing: Bond Assistance and Public Housing: (03) 5333 6530
- Victorian Patient Transport Assistance Scheme: (03) 5333 6530
- Child Protection Intake: 1800 075 599

Victorian Aboriginal Community Services Association Ltd (VACSAL)

403 Main Road Ballarat Telephone: (03) 4308 0781

- Aboriginal Community Services Officer
- Project Officer





For further information relating to this document please contact Jon Kanoa, Executive Officer, Grampians RAJAC on 43 01 7012.





