

Notes on documentary records, Mulga Downs - death certificates.

Banjo (born 1881) according to my information was a partner of Artu (born about 1895) and may have been the father of Artu's daughter Ida Wally (Artu had six children). According to Henry Long his Aboriginal name was Barlungawanningga which may mean 'fell off a cliff'. According to my information, Banjo was also a partner of Naidjong (born 1893). If Palmer has Banjo as a partner to 'Ivy Tucker @ Naijong', then he has confused Naijong with her sister Ivy Nulingu Tucker who was the partner of Spider (no children). Naijong was definitely the mother of Harold etc as you list them. Nulingu @ Ivy had no children.

It was Naijong who had children to Gayuna, Harold Mayer, Spiro Cosmos and MacArthur. Naijong is also recorded partner of Hickey Bung and Banjo.

Re: Death Certificate of Ivy who died 9/3/1960 (not 1963). Note Ivy Nulingu Tucker is not Naijong Tucker (sisters). Ivy and Naijong are two separate people.

Death Cert. 18/1956 Sally Dundy. I presume that this is Sally Djanjina @ Janti, mother of Naijong etc and wife of Jacob Tucker. Palmer says she was born on Juna Downs ("Percy's [mother] was Bandjima, born on Juna Downs") but the death certificate says born Mulga Downs. If so this would be a new fact. Strangely there are no children listed or a spouse but this could have been an oversight, like the spelling of her name.

From various birth certificates, obviously Horace Parker did not wish to be known as the son of a Chinese employee of Mulga Downs as recorded by O'Connor. However, Horace Parker was not the son of Ronald Wyborn Parker. The Parker surname was given later to the brothers Wobby and Horace, by Herbert Parker who received his surname from his biological father, Ronald Parker. All three brothers had the same mother, known as Whitehead, from Mulga Downs station. Ronald Parker became the owner manager of Warrie Station. Police reports 19-2-1944, No. 952/44 suggest Herbert Parker was in his twenties in 1944, making his birth year about 1925.