

From Brian Manning

29 April 2010

Hi Bill,

I was introduced last week to a person, very large part coloured guy whose name I have forgotten already.

He claims he is the 'manager' of the Minmarama Park development. He claims his relationship is that he is married to Topsy's daughter.

He proceeded to tell me how he started the claim whereupon I said to him

" Oh you would know Bill Day then .)

I proceeded to tell him about some aspects of the struggle where I participated.

He looked at me and said " What's your name again"?

When I told him who I was, he realised I was alert to his outrageous claim.

He excused himself and took off before I could confirm his name.

The point of me writing is to suggest you put together a history of the Larrakia claim and subsequent take-over of the heritage by persons not entitled to make decisions alienating sections of the legacy and exposing what is an obvious fraud.

Ciao, Brian

From William B Day

30th April 2010

Hi Brian

I think you met the fat Maori, Mr Albert Treves who drives a taxi. He was married to Topsy's daughter, Kathy Secretary and fathered several of her children. They have pretty well stitched up the constitution with the help of their lawyer Michael Chin so that only the residents of the little community behind Woolies in Nightcliff can be members, including their spouses or widowers like Albert. He is mentioned in my book, Bunji. He is the last surviving signatory of the lease. He and his wife continually criticised me for 'using' her uncle in protests, 'doing the wrong thing', 'making trouble', 'robbing the funds' etc (you've heard it all before yourself) but as soon as the land was granted they moved in and took over from the old people and have been there ever since (his wife Kathy was hit by a car on Bagot Road and died in 1986, the only person I can honestly say I did not grieve over). Of all the Aboriginal groups the Kulaluk mob should be the most grateful but have remained bitter enemies.

Whereas I continue to work with One Mile Dam, Knuckeyes Lagoon etc. I agree with your suggestion and at last the media is taking some interest (Barry Doyle has written some good stuff).

By the way it is interesting to go through the list of Wards (attached) and see how many of them that we knew as friends would be our age if they were still alive today. It is tragic.
Bill

28.4.2010

dear Bill,

thank you for that clarification.

At the DCA hearing, a man who spoke apparently on behalf of the group said that he was the last living signatory. Wouldn't this perhaps point to the need for the Kulaluk land coming under an instrumentality that manages Aboriginal lands ? Otherwise, how would succession actually be worked out? I thought that Tibby Quall is part of the Dunggalaba Clan.

Yes, I think coming up with a solution for the NTG in the form of a management plan could help our case to gain traction.

Margaret

Fwd: New Gwalwa Daraniki proposal

From:  brigid oulsnam (brigid.oulsnam@gmail.com)

Sent: Thursday, 29 April 2010 9:15:36 PM
To: William Day (bartlettday@hotmail.com)

Hi Bill,

Sorry to be the bearer of bad news again, but GDA are now looking at another rezoning application, See email below. Margaret Clinch rang me about it also.
Brigid.

----- Forwarded message -----

From:

Subject: New Gwalwa Daraniki proposal

To: Brigid Oulsman <brigid.oulsnam@gmail.com>

this afternoon I was called (at work) by Vicki from Elton Consultants. She requested an opportunity to give me a briefing about a development proposal (I think - I couldn't clarify as I was in the middle of a work conversation) that Gwala Daraniki (GDA) are putting up in the near future. She didn't give much detail so I assume they have taken an approach to consult and explain before they go to exhibition /submission notification. I also assume it is one of those along Dick Ward Drive that GDA's lawyer told the Development Consent Authority at the recent hearing re the rezoning on Kulaluk lease, or it could be something closer to the Minmarama / fill waste hill area.

I agreed to meet Vicki for a cup of coffee at Ducks Nuts next Wednesday after work hours at 5pm.

The work that we and all others have contributed over the past year has been strengthened by the basis of us talking and working together, and this should be reflected in any such meeting. My work position (particularly with GDA) may require me to declare conflict of interest.

At that meeting next Wed I am happy to listen to whatever the consultant has to say and to clearly reflect the broad church nature of the work we do, and that any decisions or commitments that we make, are made through discussion and agreement. BUT I also think it would be a good idea if at least one of you attended if you can.

Could you please let us all know if you are available, and I am more than happy to discuss a general approach to the meeting. Perhaps if you can make it to our working bee Sunday morning we can talk more then. Otherwise send me some comments or call.

thanks

Re: Kulaluk

From:  Margaret Clinch (margaret.clinch@bigpond.com.au)

Sent: Thursday, 29 April 2010 10:04:05 PM

To: William Day (bartlettday@hotmail.com)

29.4.2010

Thanks Bill,

In my presentation to the hearing, I also said that I had personally done research in the archives. I reiterated that this confirmed for me that the purpose of the Gwalwa Daraniki lease was to preserve a place free from developmental encroachment for the GD to live. Today I was rung by a young person working fro Elton and Associates which is a consultancy firm for developers. (A

sneaky firm from past experience.) She said that she was doing very preliminary consultations on a new proposal for rezoning. They are asking people to go along to say what they think of the proposal. I will go, but only to find out what is now planned.
Margaret

On 29/04/2010, at 12:36 PM, William Day wrote:

Yes fat Albert is the last signatory and not even an Aboriginal at that. The constitution would seem to bar Tibby and others who have not lived at the village for 12 months, although members of the Danggalaba clan like Donna and many others. You are right - further ammendments to the GDA constitution could mean the land is held by a bikie gang or whatever if there is no rule of succession. My plan based on the original intentions (attached) has been widely circulated and submitted to the senior Planner during the rezoning objections period
Bill

From: margaret.clinch@bigpond.com.au

Subject: Re: Kulaluk

Date: Thu, 29 Apr 2010 00:53:55 +0930

To: bartlettday@hotmail.com

28.4.2010

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Margaret

On 27/04/2010, at 9:12 PM, William Day wrote:

The Kulaluk village (town camp=prescribed area) is hidden behind Woolworths and Sunset Cove on the beach in Nightcliff/Coconut Grove. There is a narrow road from Cocnut Grove Road leading into the village - from Coconut Grove Road you can see the big blue intervention sign at the end of the road. I have suggested in letters to several MLAs previously that the Gwalwa Daraniki Association (GDA) village and Minmarama (two separate areas) be excised from the lease and the rest of the Kulaluk lease be held by an Aboriginal Trust as was originally intended (the Trust to include other interests).

At present the GDA constitution states that GDA members (the leaseholders) must be members of the Danggalaba Clan or their spouses who have lived in the Kulaluk village for no less than 12 months and be residents of the same.

Bill Day

27.4.2010

Dear Brigid,

The letter to Bill [from Gerry McCarthy] is very promising. It seems to have potential for the cancelling of the lease. It needs working through step by step by a legal person. However, I wonder what would happen if the lease was cancelled. Would it go back to plain Crown land ? Would the Gwala daraniki be given a smaller piece to live on? I am not sure where they actually live now. At fish camp or in ordinary houses somewhere ?
Margaret

On 26/04/2010, at 9:20 AM, brigid oulsnam wrote:
Hi again Margaret,
Attached is a copy of the letter Bill Day received from the Minister re dumping. There were some articles in the NT News about it a week or so ago.
Brigid.

On 25 April 2010 03:22,
Margaret Clinch <margaret.clinch@bigpond.com.au> wrote:

25.4.2010

Dear Brigid.

If you have a copy of the Darwin Town Plan 1990 (late 2006 version, you might like to look at clause 14 A, I think it is). On a quick run thorough I did not see anything relating to dumping, or stockpiling, but there are many clauses on vegetation clearing which may have some relevance.

It is about Minmarama Housing Estate ? and may or may nor be seen to be relevant to the dump. Sorry i cannot seem to lift it for yoy.

Whatever esle the dump is a breach of the Conservstion Zoning.

There is a copy of the DTP on the internet, but I am not sure which version by date.

Margaret C

New rezoning proposal at Kulaluk

From:  **brigid oulsnam (brigid.oulsnam@gmail.com)**

Sent: **Wednesday, 5 May 2010 8:07:05 PM**

To: **William Day (bartlettday@hotmail.com); Margaret Clinch (margaret.clinch@bigpond.com.au)**

Dear Margaret & Bill

A new raft of rezoning proposals will be advertised this Friday. The proposals are to rezone existing Restricted Development to Specific Use. The proposed use for the land is light industrial and residential, but the Specific Use zoning allows for controls to be placed on future development as the sites are either under the flight path or in storm surge zones. The sites are all on the Bagot Rd side of Dick Ward Drive and are:

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Anyway, the full proposal should be up on the Lands and Planning website on Friday.

Here we go again

Brigid

Re: New rezoning proposal at Kulaluk

From:  Margaret Clinch (margaret.clinch@bigpond.com.au)

Sent: Thursday, 6 May 2010 2:23:47 PM

To: **brigid oulsnam (brigid.oulsnam@gmail.com); Chris Capper (chris.capper@aapt.net.au); Bill Day (bartlettday@hotmail.com)**

6.5.2010

Dear Brigid,

I met also with Allan Jape and Vicki from Elton. The proposal does not make much sense.

My impression is that, except for the residential proposals in the communal living areas, on Dick Ward Drive, there is no sense in the proposals except as very long term land grabs by Jape.

This is extra-ordinary considering Jape's slow and incomplete development of its present Bagot Road site. Some of Jape's buildings are vacant. The thrust in home improvement DIY and furnishing is moving towards Palmerston.

SU devices are not controlling devices in a protective sense. They are used to abuse, because they do not comply with the NT Planning Scheme. They allow for special deals to be negotiated by developers with government.

I do not believe the plans they espouse are genuine in the short term, just a way of getting control of a very large area of flat land.

We already have more than enough light industrial land in this area, and the Airport will be in a better position to provide more. Jape was very vague about light industrial uses, apart from storage.


I am not sure how much of the land is low, even on the Bagot side of Dick Ward Drive, and if there is special vegetation.

I do not know what the reaction of Bagot people will be.

Looks like a mess to me.

Regards ,

Margaret

Re: Hurry! hurry! Aboriginal land for sale - bargain rates.
From:  teacadj@gmail.com on behalf of donna jackson (donna@teaca.org)
Sent: Thursday, 6 May 2010 7:59:12 PM
To: William Day (bartlettday@hotmail.com)

Hi Bill. I will of course draft an objection on behalf of LNAC.....ASAP. I am off to the Sovereign New Way Task Force Summit in Sydney this weekend, will follow it up when I return. Your email was tabled at the LNAC Board mtg tonight. Cheers for keeping us updated/informed. DJ

On Thu, May 6, 2010 at 12:30 PM, William Day <bartlettday@hotmail.com> wrote:
I guess the developers are just going to keep trying until we are all exhausted. Something must be done rather than death by a thousand cuts.

Bill Day
0408946942

NEWS FROM FRIENDS OF KULALUK BUSHLAND

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Here we go again, Brigid

Date: Tue, 27 Apr 2010 22:18:50 +0930
Subject: Proposal to name park
From: brigid.oulsnam@gmail.com
To: bartlettday@hotmail.com

Hi Bill,

The Place Names Committee are the people to write to with regard to naming the park in Ostermann St after Fred Fogarty. This is the website, if you scroll down you will see a link.

<http://www.nt.gov.au/placenames/>

If you want to start preparing something, I will see about getting some support from the local residents.

Brigid.

From: William Day <bartlettday@hotmail.com>
To: Brigid Oulsnam <brigid.oulsnam@gmail.com>
Sent: Sat, 8 May, 2010 12:58:55 PM
Subject: Fred Fogarty

It has taken me a while to get on to this. thanks. Interesting web site. I will certainly send a list of names. I don't think there is much hope of getting Fred's name remembered in Ostermann St, maybe a historical plaque, but anyway I am saving his name for greater things in connection with the 'Kulaluk Wilderness, heritage and education Park'. Something like rebuilding his house and getting the name Fish Camp on the map. However I will submit Fred and Violet's names and a few others to the committee and make an information pack for them - I have been busy writing a report on Aborigines and Wittenoom. The WA Govt is spending \$55 million wiping Wittenoom off the map and I have received a few crumbs from that (\$772 for 3 days work - supposed to be one day). At least that is more than I ever got for my Darwin work! But we are all in that same boat. Looks like another 12 months of almost full-time work ahead opposing this Kulaluk rezoning sell-out to Jape affair. what I would like to do is declare the lease an independent country. We might charge a toll on Dick Ward Drive for driving through the Peoples Republic of Kulaluk!

I attach a wonderful photo taken by Oliver Strewe of Fred confronting the late Bernie Kilgariff MLA (Speaker of the House) and Vern O'Brien (director of the Lands Branch, behind) at the Bagot meeting with the Larrakia in 1975. Bernie had a map of Emery Point laid out and was asking sweetly if it was OK to build Parliament House there, when Fred threw tea, sugar and beads on to Bernie's map and shouted, 'You took our land for beads, tea and sugar, now take them back and we will keep our land!'

It was quite unpleasant actually, but effective. I doubt that Parliament House would have been built at Emery Point anyway. And Ken White writes in his book that Fred was unintelligent! The protest was a fairly spontaneous gesture. I went to Fred's camp that morning to introduce Olive Strewe and to ask Fred to come to the meeting. Fred immediately grabbed a few things from his house and stuffed them into his backpack - spur of the moment, as they say. Oliver was as surprised as anyone at what followed but he had his camera out and captured the moment. I only recently got in touch with Oliver again, and although he is now a photographer of some note, he kindly emailed the photo, which I did not have but remembered well.

Bill

Hi Bill,

Just letting you know what has been happening with regard to Kulaluk. After your letter from the Minister I got talking to a barrister, Tony Young, who is invloved with Friends of East Point. We discussed my being told that the Department of Planning and Infrastructure had given permission to stock pile soil and realised that if this did happen, it was in breach of the Planning Act. Attached is a copy of the letter we prepared and will send out on Monday - it is for your information only.

Then, after I ran into Tony, I saw Richard Noske who is a bird expert from CDU who has been doing research in the Kulaluk mangroves for years. We agreed to write to the pollies calling for a Plan of Management for the Kulaluk lease so that we can put a stop to ad hoc rezoning proposals and get the Government to start thinking about more sympathetic development. Attached is the first draft

of the letter that I have just sent off to Tony and Richard. Your input would be good, and as you can see I have put you down as a potential signatory.

I expect it will take a few weeks to work up a good draft and speak to interested parties. Do you have a contacts in Larrakia Nation and Bagot that you or I could speak to? If they were on board it would really add weight to our case, but I also understand that cultural protocols might prevent this.

Best wishes

Brigid.

PS. the dry is finally arriving and life here is becoming enjoyable again.
