

Wiradjuri / Oceti Sakowin Cultural Exchange - D5610 South Dakota USA

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Australian D9705 Wiradjuri Team

Team Leader Lynette Bullen is a proud Wiradjuri woman from Orange, NSW. Lynette has been a member of the Rotary Club of Orange Daybreak for the last 16 years. She has held several board positions including President and District Training Officer.

Lynette has been working within the Drug and Alcohol Sector for nearly 30 years which has seen Lynette working in rural and remote Aboriginal community for six of those years. She has recent co-authored a research study looking at involuntary drug and alcohol treatment for First Nations People in NSW.

Lynette keeps herself busy with her Rotary work and spending family time with her extended family



Eddie Whyman is a proud Wiradjuri and Yorta Yorta man, living and working on his traditional land in **Wagga Wagga NSW (Wiradjuri Country).** Eddie has extensive experience in Aboriginal Cultural Heritage, working in various roles in Victoria and NSW. Currently Eddie works with the NSW Department of Planning and Environment as a Senior Aboriginal Cultural Advisor with Water Infrastructure NSW, leading complex engagement to First Nations communities, advisory groups, community groups, stakeholders, government agencies and private land holders in delivering informative direction and advice on projects and the conservation and protection of Aboriginal heritage and culture. Eddie is developing policies and guidelines for the department on the repatriation of Ancestral Remains, Secret and Sacred Objects, Artifacts, and other cultural property. These guidelines will coincide with the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage (Culture is Identity) Bill 2022, which Eddie has had been involved in.

Eddie enjoys spending time with family, travelling, sports, fishing, and camping.



Tennille Dunn - A proud Galari (Lachlan) woman of the Wiradjuri Nation. Born and raised in a small town in Central NSW, Condobolin. I am a single mother raising a warrior spirited 9-yearold girl Swayze and care for my Aunty and Uncle who live with us. I am currently employed by TAFE NSW as their TAFE services Coordinator. I feel privileged to hold this position as it allows me to offer education opportunities to the meet the community needs but also make a culturally sensitive learning space for the Aboriginal Community.



Michael 'Micka' Newman is a proud Galari (Lachlan River) Wiradjuri Gibir (man), living and working in **Orange** NSW. His career in Aboriginal service delivery and policy development spans seventeen years mainly in the NSW public service within the areas of Family and Community Services, NSW Police, Aboriginal Affairs and Education.

For the last three years, Micka has held the position of Chief Operations Officer at Orange Aboriginal Medical Service, an Aboriginal Community Controlled not-for-profit, which provides of health, disability, foster care and support services which employs ninety people and services over four thousand people.

Micka enjoys spending time with his family, playing guitar, and loves his Rugby League and Touch Football.



Ethan M. Williams is a First Nations Man of Galiyarr & Marrambidya (Lachlan and Murrumbidgee Rivers) – Wiradjuri as well as Ngiyampaa, Paakantji and Bangerang descent.

Ethan has professional experience in positions with the National Museum of Australia working with First Nations communities around Australia, Heritage NSW facilitating communities to repatriate Ancestors and protect cultural heritage values, and currently works with the NSW Department of Planning and Environment as a Team Leader with the Cultural Fire Management Unit, facilitating communities in NSW implementing the use of cultural fire and the cultural responsibilities of caring for Country.

His personal interests align with his professional experience and includes preservation of culture, cultural heritage and improving conservation of cultural landscapes and the environment.

In his spare time Ethan enjoys spending time with family, sports, the outdoors and travel to experience world cultures.