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# US to partner with Australia, Papua New Guinea on Manus Island naval base

US will partner with Australia and Papua New Guinea to redevelop the Manus Island naval base amid rising anxiety about China's power in the region.

Last month Australia and Papua New Guinea announced both countries would upgrade the dilapidated Lombrum base in PNG, which has a strategically vital position overlooking key trade routes.

And during a speech to business leaders ahead of the APEC summit in Port Moresby officially kicking off, Mr Pence announced the US would also join the project.

"We will work with these nations to protect the sovereignty and maritime routes of Pacific Island nations," he said.

The scale of the US commitment is not yet clear as Mr Pence did not say how much money the Trump administration would contribute to the project, or whether US vessels would be permanently based at Lombrum.

But the announcement is likely to stir tensions with Beijing. Chinese and US vessels have come close to confrontation in the disputed South



China Sea and Beijing has accused the Trump administration of trying to contain its rise in Asia. Tensions clear between US, China  
The geopolitical tensions between the US and China were on clear display during the speeches given by Mr Pence and Chinese President Xi

Jinping, who addressed the same forum just before the Vice-President.  
China has been steadily building its influence in the Pacific, but Mr Pence again accused Beijing of using debt-trap diplomacy to coerce small nations.

## CIA believes Saudi crown prince ordered journalist's killing: sources



The CIA believes Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman ordered the killing of journalist Jamal Khashoggi in Istanbul, sources familiar with the matter said, complicating President Donald Trump's efforts to preserve ties with a key U.S. ally. The sources said the CIA had briefed other parts of the U.S. government, including Congress, on its assessment, which contradicts Saudi government assertions that Prince Mohammed was not

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## 40 martyred in new massacre by "Int'l Coalition" in Deir Ezzor countryside



40 civilians, mostly women and children, were martyred on Saturday in a new aggression launched by warplanes of the US-led "International Coalition" on al-Buqa'an village in the surrounding of Hajin town, about 110 km southeastern countryside of Deir Ezzor, local sources said. .  
The sources talked about continued heavy shelling carried out by coalition aircrafts since last night on Hajin city and the villages and towns affiliated

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## Frydenberg attacks Malaysian PM as embassy row escalates



Treasurer Josh Frydenberg has attacked the Malaysian PM for his history of anti-Semitic remarks and describing Jews as "hook-nosed" in an extraordinary response to Mahathir Mohamad's claim that moving Australia's embassy to Jerusalem could encourage terrorism. In a strong signal that some senior cabinet ministers continue to support the move, Mr Frydenberg, who is Jewish, said Australia should

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## Bill Shorten needs to pull Anne Aly into line: Dutton

Home Affairs Minister Peter Dutton has called on Bill Shorten to pull Labor MP Anne Aly 'into line' following her statements regarding Friday's terror attack on Melbourne's Bourke Street. Ms Aly criticised Prime Minister Scott Morrison's response to the incident, saying the biggest victims of violence in Australia are victims of domestic violence, not those impacted by terrorism. Mr Dutton says Scott Morrison was correct in saying the Bourke Street attack was an instance of extremist Islamist terrorism.



## Energy companies threaten High Court challenge



Australia's major energy companies are reportedly threatening to adopt the legal defence used in the film *The Castle* if Scott Morrison goes ahead with plans to divest their assets. The Australian Energy Council has flagged a potential High Court challenge, claiming the 'enforcement powers' being

considered by the Coalition could be in breach of the constitution, according to *The Australian*. The legal advice has been included in the council's submission to the Treasury after the government asked for feedback on the plan - including setting a price benchmark for retailers.

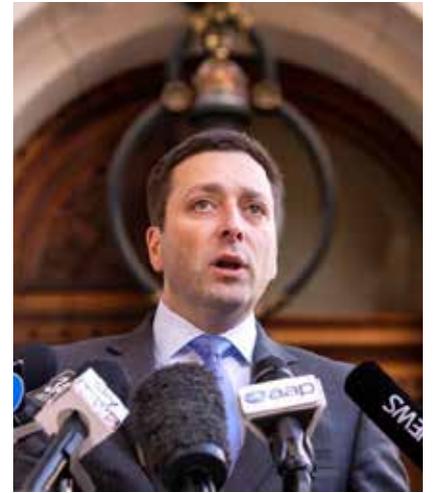
## Vic Libs' leader Matthew Guy: Vote for me if your want a cheap fridge

Opposition Leader Matthew Guy has defended his \$40 million plan to help fund electrical goods for battling Victorians, insisting it's not a gimmick.

Should the opposition win the November 24 election, low-income households will be eligible for a 40 per cent discount to replace energy-sapping and ageing fridges. A 50 per cent discount will also be applied to plasma or cathode ray tube televisions.

Mr Guy estimates it will save up to 85,000 households as much as \$325 a year. The program will require \$40 million over four years, as well as the support of a major retailer.

"We believe it's money well spent," Mr Guy told reporters while visiting Wendouree, near Ballarat, on Friday.



"This is a program we are proud of - proud to announce, proud to bring to Victoria and one that we know will help many Victorians cut the cost of living at the time they need it the most."

Retirees Arnie and Joyce Currie, who invited the opposition leader to check out their 13-year-old fridge, welcomed the program.

## White magazine shuts down after refusing to feature same-sex weddings



boycotted the magazine over its lack of LGBTIQ diversity.

Former contributor Lara Hotz, who photographed a number of covers for the magazine, told Hack it made her feel "extremely hurt".

"It appears they are happy to take money, content and photographs from LGBTIQ advertisers and contributors, but are yet to support and represent us in the same way as heterosexual couples are represented in the magazine," she said.

Magazine says 'we're not about sides, we're about love'

In a statement online, Luke and Carla Burrell said White was a secular magazine and they had no other agenda than "to love".

But when they were asked to show their support for the same-sex marriage campaign, they could not. "We started getting messages then [saying]: 'You're the only magazine in Australia that's not showing your support. Come on, guys. Jump on board. Move forward with 2018,'" Ms Burrell said.

"But there was always something that just stopped us because we just didn't want to enter into that conversation that wasn't a loving conversation, and add heat to a hot conversation."

One of Australia's leading wedding magazines, White, is shutting down following its refusal to feature same-sex weddings.

Founders Luke and Carla Burrell, who are Christian, say the magazine became the target of a damaging campaign after Australia voted to legalise same-sex marriage last year, and a number of advertisers withdrew their support.

"White Magazine is no longer economically viable," they said in a blog post.

"As much as we love what we do and are inspired by the positive impact it's had, we need to draw the curtain on this part of our lives."

Earlier this year, hundreds of wedding industry professionals



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## Be careful of scammers

One of our readers forwarded us a copy of a terrifying new email scam where attackers claim they stole his password and hacked his webcam while he was watching porn. Filled with concern and grief, he now wants to know if he should pay up.

The sender probably took the password from a publicly available database which may have been stolen from LinkedIn, Yahoo, and eBay, for example. You can check whether your password is in one of these leaked databases at the website Have I Been Pwned.

The sender claims to have put malware onto a porn site that the recipient visited and with some unknown “software magic,” turned his web browser into the ultimate spying tool!

What makes this threat so believable is the email includes a password you have used and has created videos of you using adult web sites. On top of that, they claim to have all of your contacts and they will release the video if you don't pay the bitcoin amount.

Basically, the attackers don't actually have a video of you or access to your contacts, and they haven't been able to install a malicious code on your computer. In reality, they're taking a password from a database that's available online, sending it to you, and hoping you're scared enough to believe their story and send them bitcoins.

Some scammers have even made over \$US 50,000 from the blackmail scheme, based on an analysis of bitcoin wallets, Bleeping Computer reported.

The good news is it's a scam. But it can be terrifying for some. One woman, who was “in tears,” called it “very frightening,” according to a report in Canada's CBC.

A typical email reads something like this: “Hello, my victim...I know your password” and “I write you in as much as I embed a trojan on the web site with pornography which you have viewed. My virus captured all your private information and switched on your webcam which captured you in the act. I will remove the compromising video and info if you send me 650 USD in bitcoin. This is the address for payment:

This, the scammers claim, gives them access to your display screen and webcam. Then they drop the hammer, usually something to the effect: “If you ignore this, I will send your video to all of your contacts.” Of course, they give you a way out, pay them money in an effort to delete the video.

Cyber security expert says about those emails:

\*Must ignore them and most importantly don't response to them and don't pay any ransom.

\*If you want to be completely confident that your computer is free from spying malware, make sure you have some sort of anti-malware or anti-virus protection in place and perform a deep scan, it is also a good idea to cover your web cam.

\*Be careful when you are using the social media or any kind, and always remember maybe there is a trick behind the screen.

\*If you receive any threatening email of this sort, please don't give in by paying the bitcoin ransom!

We believe that there are a number of victims out there who have not reported the matter for one reason or another.

Cryptocurrency trading scams have grown significantly in the past 12 months and are now the second most common type of investment scam offer pushed onto victims.

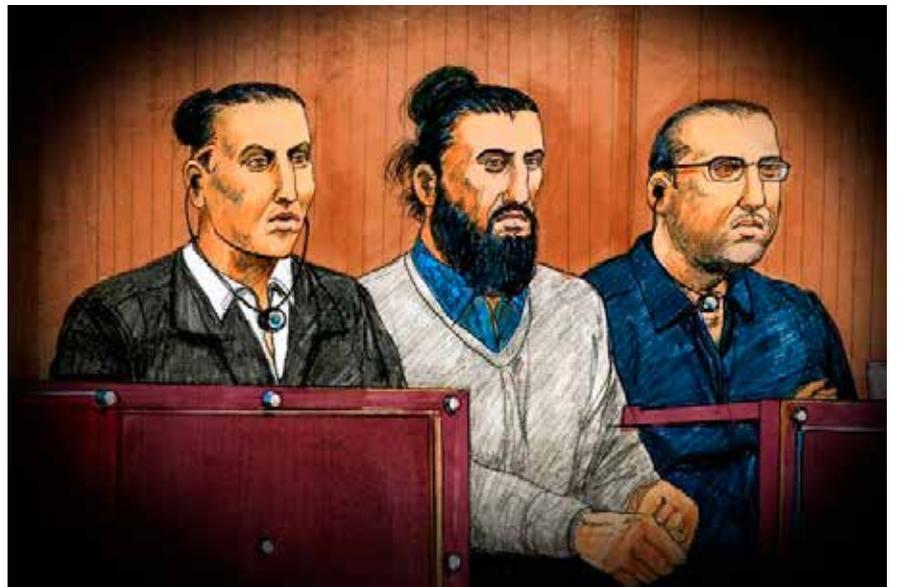
## Refugees in US ask to return to Nauru



Forty out of 300 refugees who left Nauru to resettle in the US have reportedly asked to return to the island nation because life in America was harder than expected. Nauru's President Baron Waqa says he was not surprised by the request because ‘there are a lot of catches’ to life in

America, while ‘the people on Nauru are welcoming and laid back’. His comments come after Home Affairs Minister Peter Dutton last month claims refugees resettled in the US have been complaining to friends in Nauru about the conditions they face in their new country.

## Three men found guilty of plotting Christmas terror attack in Melbourne CBD



Three men were found guilty of planning to conduct a terror attack in Melbourne's CBD over the Christmas period in 2016, in a verdict handed down earlier this month.

Abdullah Chaarani, 27, Ahmed Mohamed, 25, and Hamza Abbas, 23, face a possible sentence of life imprisonment for their roles in the plot.

The jury took just over six days to deliver their verdict on November 2, after a lengthy trial that heard the men had purchased machetes as well as metal pipes, light globes and batteries to make explosives, and had tried to obtain guns.

They had also conducted reconnaissance at Federation Square and in the surrounding area, where the prosecution alleged they wanted to carry out an attack in order to maximise casualties.

The men were unaware they were

being followed and monitored by police.

A series of telephone messages, emails and texts between the men were intercepted by authorities. Some of them detailed support for the Islamic State group and discussed their perceived obligation to join jihad.

The guilty verdict was initially subject to a non-publication order after an application to keep it secret was made by the men's defence lawyers.

Supreme Court Justice Christopher Beale denied that request, but suppressed the verdict to allow them time to appeal his decision in a higher court.

The appeal judges today rejected the application to have the verdict suppressed.

The reasons for the suppression order cannot be reported.



## 'Good Samaritan' stabbed trying to save 7yo from sexual assault in Kogarah dance studio toilet



A man is under police guard in a Sydney hospital, after he allegedly sexually assaulted a seven-year-old girl and stabbed a man who tried to intervene.

Police said the seven-year-old was sexually assaulted at a dance studio in Kogarah about 8:00pm on Thursday.

Her accused attacker, a 54-year-old man, was confronted by a younger man, 46, and a struggle broke out.

Police said the younger man was stabbed in the abdomen and neck before witnesses came to his rescue and detained the attacker.

The older man sustained facial injuries and bruising and was taken to St George Hospital. He remains

in a stable condition.

The younger man has received stitches to his wounds and been released from the same hospital.

Girl, alleged attacker not known to each other

Superintendent Julian Griffiths said the accused man had no links to the dance studio.

"It appears to be a random, isolated incident," he said.

"[He] will not be in a position to assist police inquiries until early next week or when we receive medical advice to confirm he's available to be spoken to."

Superintendent Griffiths also praised the actions of the man who intervened.

## 102-YEAR-OLD SYDNEY MAN ACCUSED OF SEXUALLY ASSAULTING WOMAN



POLICE have been forced to raid an aged care facility in Sydney's affluent eastern suburbs and slap a pair of handcuffs on a 102-year-old resident.

He will face court next month over an alleged aggravated indecent assault at an aged care facility in Sydney's east.

Police will allege the resident at the facility on Carrington Road, Waverley, indecently assaulted

another resident, a 94-year-old woman, at about 12.30pm yesterday. Officers from Eastern Suburbs Police Area Command were notified and attended the facility.

Following inquiries, a 102-year-old man was arrested and taken to Waverley Police Station and charged with aggravated indecent assault.

The man was granted conditional bail to appear at Waverley Local Court on November 20.

## Bourke Street 'trolley man' charged with burglary, bail offences after handing himself in to police

The homeless man who confronted the Bourke Street terrorist with a trolley, prompting an online campaign to raise more than \$140,000, has been charged with five offences.

Michael Rogers, the so-called "trolley man", drew widespread praise for pushing the trolley repeatedly at Hassan Shire Ali as the 30-year-old man attempted to stab police.

Shire Ali stabbed three men — fatally wounding Pellegrini's Espresso Bar co-owner Sisto Malaspina — before he was shot in the chest by police and later died in hospital.

On Thursday, it was revealed police wanted to question Mr Rogers over recent burglaries in the Melbourne CBD and St Kilda areas, and breaching bail conditions.

He was charged with two counts of burglary, two counts of theft, and committing an indictable offence while on bail.

The Melbourne Magistrates' Court heard Mr Rogers has homelessness



and ongoing drug issues, and may qualify for a special court program to help him receive treatment and access community services.

His matter was stood down, but it is expected he will make an application for bail later today.

Mr Rogers' actions on Bourke Street prompted an online fundraiser which has raised more than \$140,000.

Yesterday, Donna Stolzenberg, who set up the fundraiser for Mr Rogers, said she was with him on Thursday after he learnt through the media that police were keen to speak with him.

## Political cartoons: Behind the Lines exhibition examines the 'curiouser and curiouser' of Australian politics



It was a year that saw a tumultuous citizenship saga, a deputy prime minister's affair, and yet another change of leadership spill.

When the work of a cartoonist — to capture the heart of such an event with pith and bite — is almost outdone by the circus of reality, what is an artist to do?

This year's Behind the Lines exhibition, on display at Old Parliament House, showcases those who overcame that hurdle best.

Curator Libby Stewart said the collection threw into sharp relief what had really captured the nation's

attention.

"I think it is exposing the core truth, it really is going to the heart of what politics is about and what it is and isn't doing," Ms Stewart said.

"What is it about that issue that politicians maybe aren't seeing, missing out on, and just exposing it — having a go at it, having a bit of fun with it, but also holding politicians to account?"

Predictably, the Liberal leadership spill — in which Malcolm Turnbull was ousted by Scott Morrison — features prominently in the 2018 exhibition.



## Australian Arab Business council Dinner

### Genan Issa elected as President of Arab Business Council



Photos by Antoine Yammine

The Australian Arab Business Council elected a new Board of Management for 2019 at its Annual General Meeting (AGM) held at the Waterview Bicentennial, Homebush on Tuesday 13 November 2018. The meeting was chaired by Mr. Radwan Hamdan, of Hamdan & Associates and the Past President of the AABC.

The AGM received reports from President, Mr Hassan Moussa who provided a snapshot of the activities, achievements and challenges and a financial report by

Treasurer, Mr Amir Attia.

The New AABC Board

An election of a new Board was conducted by the Returning Officer, Mr. Ned Mannoun, Emeritus Mayor of Liverpool city Council, which was formed as follows:

- President: Genan Issa, Mortgage Choice – Burwood.
- Vice President: George Bousamra, Syncorp Consulting
- Secretary: Jay Sayed, Datcom
- Treasurer: Zak Refai, SE Timber

- Assistant Secretary: Reem Borrows, Dreem Consulting

• Board Member (5 positions):

- Hassan Awada, Kinderoos Australia
- Eddie Chehab, Advanced Timber
- Michael Azar, Hyten Engineering
- Sandra Abboud, Phoenix Group Pacific
- Firas El Kesm, Firanza Bathroom Collections.

The new President, Genan Issa, thanked the outgoing Board and congratulated the new one. She said the responsibility grows with every milestone in the development

of the organisation. “We are facing growing challenges ahead as businesses, as individuals and as communities and the AABC need to rise up to those challenges and to be in a position to adequately cater for its members and the community”. She acknowledged the support, active engagement and passion of most members and in particular the Foundation members.

Dr. Shane Geha, Managing Director of EG Property Group was the guest speaker for the AGM.



## Michelle Obama opens up about IVF and Donald Trump in new memoir *Becoming*

***Michelle Obama felt alone after a miscarriage 20 years ago, and she and Barack Obama underwent fertility treatment to conceive their two daughters, according to her upcoming memoir *Becoming*.***

In some of her most extensive public comments on her White House years, the former first lady also lets her fury fly over US President Donald Trump's "bigotry and xenophobia" — dangerous, deliberate rhetoric, she writes, that risked her family's safety.

"For this," she writes, "I'd never forgive him."

But it's her deeply personal account of her marriage to Mr Obama that sheds new light on the Ivy League-educated couple's early struggle with issues of family, ambition and public life.

"We were trying to get pregnant and it wasn't going well," Ms Obama, 54, writes in her memoir *Becoming*.

"We had one pregnancy test come back positive, which caused us both to forget every worry and swoon with joy, but a couple of weeks later I had a miscarriage, which left me physically uncomfortable and cratered any optimism we felt." The Obamas opted for IVF, one form of assisted reproduction that typically involves removing eggs from a woman, fertilising them with sperm in a lab, and implanting the resulting embryo. It costs thousands of dollars for every "cycle" and many couples require more than one attempt.

Ms Obama writes of being alone to give herself injections to help hasten the process. Her "sweet, attentive husband" was at the state legislature, "leaving me largely on my own to manipulate my reproductive system into peak efficiency," she said. Memoir lets loose at Trump

Confronting racism in public life — being the first black first lady, wife of the nation's first black president — was a bracing experience, in Ms Obama's telling. She agonised over what she feared was a cartoonish, racist image. She remembered being labelled "angry" and, by the Fox network, "Obama's Baby Mama".

In the White House, she knew she would be labelled "other" and would have to earn the aura of "grace" given freely to her white predecessors. She found confidence in repeating to herself a favourite chant: "Am I good enough? Yes I am."

In the memoir, Ms Obama lets loose a blast of anger at Mr Trump.

She writes that Mr Trump's questioning of whether her husband was an American citizen was "crazy



and mean-spirited" — and "dangerous". Mr Trump suggested Mr Obama was not born in the US but on foreign soil — his father was Kenyan. The former president was born in Hawaii.

"What if someone with an unstable mind loaded a gun and drove to Washington? What if that person went looking for our girls?" she writes in the memoir.

"Donald Trump, with his loud and reckless innuendos, was putting my family's safety at risk. And for this, I'd never forgive him."

As he left for Paris on Friday, Mr Trump chose not to respond to the former first lady, telling reporters, "Oh, I guess she wrote a book. She got paid a lot of money to write a book and they always insisted you come up with [controversy]."

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#### ***CIA believes ... From page 1***

involved.

The CIA's finding, first reported by the Washington Post, is the most definitive U.S. assessment to date tying Saudi Arabia's de facto ruler directly to the killing.

The Saudi Embassy in Washington rejected the CIA assessment.

Trump and top officials of his administration have said Saudi Arabia must be held to account for any involvement in Khashoggi's death, but they have also stressed the importance of the alliance.

#### ***40 martyred ... From page 1***

to it where dozens of houses were destroyed and hundreds of families were displaced.

The sources warned that the death toll is likely to rise due to the difficulty of evacuating civilians trapped under the rubble of houses destroyed by the airstrikes.

The new massacre committed by the coalition is added to a series of massacres committed last week in Hajin city, villages and towns of al-Shafah, al-Boubadran and al-Sousse, claiming the lives of more than 100 civilians.

#### ***Frydenberg attacks ... From page 1***

not take lectures from overseas leaders about our own foreign policy.

Later on Friday, Prime Minister Scott Morrison backed Mr Frydenberg, warning: "Australia sets foreign policy in Australia. Nobody else."

"I think what Josh said today was filling in the history of his record on various issues over time. I think those issues are well known and his contribution to the public record on those topics are well known," Mr Morrison said in Darwin.

"Australia decides foreign policy in Australia ... I do not resile one inch from the fact that I think this is an issue that the Australian government should be able to consider."

Mr Morrison said he had ordered a review into the idea. It will be complete by Christmas.



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# NASA set to get 'back in the game' in search for 'techno signatures' — signs of life beyond Earth

NASA could soon be resuming the search for life beyond our planet, with the US Government asking the agency to look into how it would expand the search for "techno signatures".

Techno signatures are signs or signals that could have been made by intelligent life, that could not possibly have occurred naturally, like AM or FM radio waves here on Earth.

Scientists think they are the key to determining whether or not we are alone in the universe.

"I think that when we finally discover something out there, it's not going to be contact," Jason Wright, an associate professor of astronomy and astrophysics at Pennsylvania State University, told The World Today.

"It's not going to be communication; we'll simply study them from afar."

Associate Professor Wright and his peers have recently gathered in the US for a NASA workshop to discuss ideas on how the search for life could be reinvigorated.

"Since the early 90s, NASA has spent almost no money looking for signs of extra-terrestrial technology or extra-terrestrial intelligence," he said.

"But it looks like in this year's budget, there might be some money for NASA to work on that."

Searching for a needle in a haystack

Alice Gorman, a space archaeologist based at Flinders University and a director on the board of the Space Industry Association of Australia, said techno signatures were built around the idea that a society or culture on



another planet would have been carrying out industrial activities.

"These industrial activities will produce a range of effects that it might be possible to detect by a space-based telescope, or an Earth-based telescope," she said.

While the search has been going on for decades, Dr Gorman said that was really only a short amount of time for a probe of this scale.

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## Jenna Dewan displays a hint of cleavage in angelic strapless jumpsuit at Baby2Baby Gala



*Stunner! Jenna Dewan showed up to the star-studded Baby2Baby Gala on Saturday evening in Los Angeles*

She's a dotting mother-of-one to daughter Everly Tatum.

So perhaps it's no surprise that Jenna Dewan showed up to the star-studded Baby2Baby Gala on Saturday evening in Los Angeles.

The 37-year-old Step Up star looked beyond angelic in her white strapless jumpsuit at the event.

## 'We are just passing through': Bindi Irwin, 20, shares inspirational Indigenous proverb... after the premiere of her family's new show

She regularly shares inspirational social media posts.

And it seems as though Bindi Irwin was going through a time of reflection over the weekend.

The 20-year-old conservationist shared an Indigenous proverb to Instagram on Saturday.

'We are all visitors to this time, to this place. We are just passing through,' the proverb began.

'Our purpose here is to observe, to learn, to grow, to love... and then we return home.'

The photograph made it appear as though the proverb was written on a sign, which was nailed to a fence in the forest.

The Aboriginal proverb is in line with what her father, Steve, taught her about respecting the wildlife.

Bindi and her family star in new show Crikey! It's The Irwins, which airs on Animal Planet, and it was quickly evident in the first episode that she and her father have similar beliefs.

During the show's premiere, Bindi admitted she wanted to be just like her father.



*Bindi Irwin, 20, shares inspirational Indigenous proverb... after the premiere of her family's new show*

## Worker who stole \$1.2m from employer to buy 'nice things' jailed for more than six years

A Perth office worker who has been jailed for stealing \$1.2 million from two small businesses, one of which subsequently went into administration, said she took the money because she "liked to go out shopping, have coffee with friends and have nice things".

Lynette Alison Corrie, 56, pleaded guilty in WA's District Court to 32 stealing as a servant offences, committed while she was employed as an administration manager at the businesses between November 2009 and June 2017.

The court was told she carried out 389 separate transactions over seven and a half years, transferring money from the businesses' bank accounts into an account she held jointly with her husband.

She stole a total of \$1.218 million which Judge Linda Petrusa said equated to Corrie paying



herself an extra \$160,000 a year tax free, on top of her \$40,000 annual salary.

The court heard Corrie started taking money from the first business, a family-run hardware wholesaler, about a month after commencing work, and continued stealing even after the company went into voluntary administration because of cash flow problems.

## Kylie Jenner

wears a diamond-encrusted ring on her wedding finger for dinner with Travis Scott amid claims she's not engaged

She's currently on tour with her rapper boyfriend Travis Scott.

And on Saturday, Kylie Jenner continued to spark engagement rumors after being spotted heading back to her Miami Beach hotel wearing a stunning diamond encrusted ring on her wedding finger.

The 22-year-old businesswoman appeared calm and collected while walking toward the building with best pal Jordyn Woods.

Kylie looked great in her ensemble, which consisted of a khaki trench coat with patent boots and an accompanying black handbag on her side. Her blonde tresses had been styled in multiple waves that ran all the way down to her ends while effortlessly sporting a flawless dusting of makeup. It wasn't long before Kylie had re-emerged – this time with her doting beau Travis.

he Texas native, who is currently on his ASTROWORLD tour, seemed rather shy as he exited the hotel and joined the leading ladies as they headed to Nobu for dinner.

Baby Stormi was also said to have been in tow.

Scott wore a printed shirt underneath his denim navy blue jacket while seemingly hiding his face behind his ASTROWORLD printed hat.

The 26-year-old further added a pair of black denim pants and Nike sneakers to his attire as he made his way to car service to join Kylie and her pal for the occasion.



Kylie Jenner continued to spark engagement rumors after being spotted heading back to her Miami Beach hotel wearing a stunning diamond encrusted ring

## Kylie Minogue

'It's really amazing to have someone to share the success in your life!'

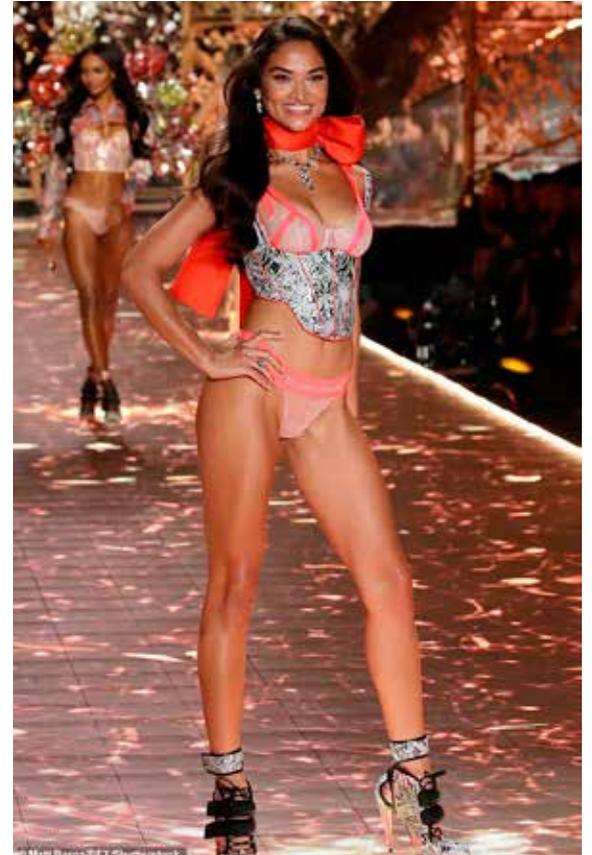
Kylie Minogue is opening up about her relationship with creative director Paul Solomons. In an intimate interview with Stellar on Sunday, the Australian superstar, 50, gushed over her new beau, 43, six months after confirming their romance.

'It's been lovely and wonderful to have someone who really is there. It's great to have success in your life - to have someone to share that with is really amazing,' the singer swooned.



Kylie Minogue spoke with Stellar on Sunday about finding love at 50 with her new beau Paul Solomons. They are pictured together in October

Victoria's Secret model **Shanina Shaik** reveals how she maintains her glowing complexion year round



Shanina stunned on the Victoria's Secret runway in New York this month, in a semi-sheer pink bra and matching underwear

She graced the Victoria's Secret runway for the fifth time this month.

And Shanina Shaik revealed how she maintains her glowing complexion year round, in an interview with Daily Mail Australia last week.

Alongside a dedicated skincare regime, the 27-year-old said that it all starts from within.

'I think it's really about looking after yourself from within. I notice with flying, when you have breakouts, you can map your face and understand the cause,' Shanina.

'For example if you have breakouts near your forehead it's related to your gut health, whereas if there's acne on the side of your cheeks it's more hormonal.

'So when that happens I think, "Maybe I need to drink more water or have more vitamins," the brunette explained.

Shanina's beauty product essentials include Dr. Barbara Sturm 'Skin Food' vitamins, retailing for \$130 and Mario Badescu's Acne Facial Cleanser \$22 .

The exotic beauty also applies a toner, morning and night, the Rose Deep Hydration Facial Toner from FRESH, retailing for \$62 .

'I use a lot of La Mer skincare products, as well as Dr. Barbara Sturm's Hydrating Glow Drops, but I also wear SPF everyday. My favourite is La Mer's SPF Lotion,' Shanina revealed.

'And I also think doing facials as well is really important to get rid of any clogging,' the Good American model added.

Shanina complements her skincare regime with a very clean diet of lean protein and vegetables, and an exercise plan based on Pilates and dance cardio.



## Even if you're a good girl, you're still going to cop it

**What have we learned this year from Australia's three most famous sexual harassment cases?**



It's simple: Even if you're a good girl, you're still going to cop it.

We all know what the "Bad Girl" sexual harassment complainant looks like from the movies; the hard-nosed chick who's taking her boss all the way to the bank because he put his hand on her knee. Or the office sourpuss who "can't take a joke".

The three women at the centre of the three cases that have transfixed Australia this year, however — Eryn Jean Norvill (Geoffrey Rush), Catherine Marriott (Barnaby Joyce) and Ashleigh Raper (Luke Foley) — have one thing in common. They all tried extremely hard not to be in an article like this one.

It's actually heartbreaking, the extent to which these women tried to play by the rules, or simply to suck it up and move on. All three were adamant that they did not want a public show trial of their complaints.

Marriott explicitly specified that her complaint was to be confidential, Ms Norvill asked that even the alleged perpetrator not be told (she just wanted better processes in place to protect women in future), and Ms Raper said clearly and repeatedly to anyone who asked that she didn't want anything done at all.

### Women's stories appropriated for political gain

How any person handles their own response when they believe themselves to have been subjected to sexual harassment is up to them.

One of the cruellest aspects of sexual harassment and assault is that the victim has to deal not only with the indignity of the offence itself, but also the subsequent flurry of attitudinal micro-donations as every Tom, Dick and his dog pops in their two cents' worth on whether that person Owes It To Others To Stand Up or should just Toughen Up Princess.

In all three of these cases, however, the personal decisions of the women were ignored.

The stories of what happened to them were appropriated by others for political or commercial gain.

None of them has gained a cent, nor benefited in any way, apart from knowing that around Australia there are millions of women who would stand prepared to give them a hug and buy them a drink.

Two of them can add "weird involuntary role as quasi-defendant in defamation case" to the list of things they did not ask for, which begins and ends with "having my very promising career totally tipped up by an event outside my control".

### MP will never face a public trial like Raper

Ms Norvill, Ms Raper and Ms Marriott, meanwhile, have all now faced the exact thing they didn't want — publicity, and the delight of knowing their names will always be associated with an unwelcome incident they didn't ask for and would rather forget.

Ms Raper now faces a defamation trial over the very allegation that she tried at length not to have made public.

And that's thanks largely to a bloke who wanted

to make political mileage out of it, New South Wales Liberal MP David Elliott, who — thanks to his parliamentary privilege — will never have to suffer the depredations of a public trial like that which Ms Raper, against her will, now contemplates.

Mr Foley, according to Ms Raper, said he was too drunk to remember clearly what happened on the night in question. Nevertheless, he likes his chances enough to sue.

During closing submissions this week in the Rush defamation trial, Justice Michael Wigney observed that it seemed "bizarre" that an actor like Rush, intensely committed to his craft, would put it all at risk to indulge a sexual impulse to touch a colleague.

Sure — that is bizarre.

What's more bizarre, though, is the idea that any of these women — who tried so hard to avoid a fuss, to play by the rules, to keep things confidential and to protect their professional reputations against the very circus in which they find themselves painfully centre stage — are here because they're *making it up*.

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# Young Australians hit by falling wages, surging house prices as wealth gap widens: HILDA report

*Australian households are stuck in a rut, and young people are confronting the double-whammy of stagnating incomes and surging home prices.*



Those are the key financial concerns that arise out of Australia's most comprehensive household survey. Known as HILDA — the survey of Household Income and Labour Dynamics in Australia — it has been tracking the economic and social situation of more than 17,000 people since 2001.

The key concern in the latest HILDA report is an alarming, persistent income stagnation.

"Household incomes have stopped growing — since 2012 we've actually had a slight decline in average household income," said the report's author, Professor Roger Wilkins from the Melbourne Institute. Earnings inequality also increased, there has been a marked shift to part-time work and underemployment has surged.

But Professor Wilkins said inequality had remained relatively steady despite those forces, due to progressive taxation and more low income people gaining employment. "Since the GFC that hasn't translated into increased inequality in incomes and that's very much because we've done a very good job of keeping employment-to-population rates quite high," he observed.

"We saw a rise in wealth inequality up to the GFC, but since the GFC there's been very little change in measures of wealth inequality."

Surging house prices locking under-40s out of ownership

However, while the gap between the rich and poor has not widened markedly in recent times, Professor Wilkins said the same cannot be said of the old and young.

"One of the more concerning trends is a growing wealth divide by age

group," he said.

"The difference in wealth between the older generations and the younger generations has been growing over time.

"It's very much connected to what's going on in the housing market."

Home ownership for those aged under-40 has plunged from 36 per cent to 25 per cent since 2002.

Things are even worse in the nation's most expensive property market — less than 20 per cent of young Sydneysiders own a home.

That means young adults are living with their parents longer.

In 2015, 60 per cent of men aged 22-25 and nearly half of women in the same age bracket were living with their parents — that is up from 43 per cent and 27 per cent respectively in 2001.

Young home buyers borrow more to 'fund living expenses'

The situation is not a lot better for those young people who have managed to buy a home.

They are now saddled with twice as much housing debt — in real terms, adjusted for inflation — as young people were in 2002.

Not only that, but they are not paying it off.

Between 30-40 per cent of these young home owners actually increased their debt over the previous year.

Graduate wages fall, childcare costs rise

There are some other major factors beyond surging property prices explaining why young people are struggling to buy a home.

The first is that they have been hit particularly hard by stagnating incomes — in fact, recent university

graduates are getting paid less than earlier cohorts.

Professor Wilkins said this is probably due to the massive increase in the number of students graduating, meaning there is a lot more competition for graduate positions across most professions.

There has also been large increases in the costs that affect many young people.

Aside from rising student debts to the Government, those returning to work after starting families are being hit with a 75 per cent rise in childcare costs for couples and a doubling in costs for single parents. That is if those families can even access services — 80 per cent experienced at least moderate difficulties with childcare, the most common problem being a lack of availability.

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