



MURLPIRRMARRA Connection Ltd

DURAN PATCH: Graduate 2013

Meet Duran Patch, a proud Murlpirrmarra Connection graduate





Duran Patch

- School Year: Year 12, 2013
- Educational Institution:
North Albany Senior High
Commencement: Term 4, 2009
- Former School: Karalundi Aboriginal Education Community
- Achievements:
Vocational Educational
Training: Cert II Civil Construction, Albany Tafe
- Drivers Licence
- 2010, 2011, 2012 & 2013: Football Academy Fairest & Best
- 2011, 2012, 2013: NASHS Cross Country Champion & Interschool
Champ, 2011 & 2012
- Clontarf Football Carnival @ Patterson Stadium
Fairest & best on ground
- Mt Barker Football Club League Player



Overview

Duran (DP) has been a real credit to himself and the Wiluna community with his behaviour, leadership qualities, schooling and his football commitment. Duran is one of Murlpirrmarra Connections initial three Wiluna students to gain membership into the Great Southern football program and North Albany Snr High School and has shown great strength of character to persist. Duran is a very quiet boy, with a big future ahead. Duran has been identified and already been placed on the South Fremantle Football Clubs Colts squad list for 2014.

Duran has balanced his schooling, sport and cultural responsibilities very well over the past 4+ years and has re-engaged quickly and promptly after holiday periods. Duran has matured into a respectful young man who graduated in late November 2013 and don't be surprised to see Duran in a Fremantle Docker Guernsey one day soon.



Above:

Duran Patch receiving the 2013 GSA "Mooditj Marnum" Award from, John Woods.

**The Mooditj Marnum Award means "Good Young Warrior" and is a special award that recognises a young man who shows courage not only on the football field but in everyday life. Courage through listening, learning and to ask questions when things don't always make sense. This type of courage is what we recognise in somebody who we think has the potential to be a good leader in his community.*

2013 Outstanding Achievement Award

2013 League Debut, Mount Barker Bulls Football Club, Duran Patch



Above:

50 Games Great Southern Academy & Academy Graduates Robert Woods, Roy Miniter, Franklyn Teio & Duran Patch



Duran Patch, Great Southern Academy Senior Fairest & Best



Duran's proud family at Graduation



Tossing the coin at the South Fremantle v Claremont NAIDOC League WAFL match 2013



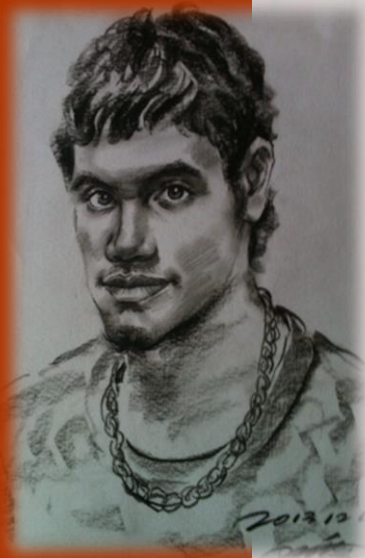
Duran pictured with NASHS Principle, Sharon Doohan and father Kelman



Duran and Paul Haselby



Duran and Stephen Michael



Moving forward:

Duran has been enrolled in the Nyaarla Projects (IYMP) Indigenous Youth Mobility Program for 2014. This program has just recently changed hands and will be under the operation of the (CEA Group) Career Employment Australia.

Under this program Duran will return and reside in Perth in early to mid-February 2014 and will look to complete his chosen paths in the metropolitan area for the duration of his post-secondary school educations.

Duran is looking to partake in a diesel mechanics apprenticeship as well as continuing his promising football endeavours with the South Fremantle Football Club.

Duran is currently in Wiluna with family and conducts heritage surveys in the region through the (CDNT) Central Desert Native Title Organisation.



Support:

To support Duran and other Wiluna / Murchison based Aboriginal children in their endeavours, please contact

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