

Garguree Swampcare Gedumba (Katoomba)

The Gully – A Story of Community Resilience and Wellbeing

Spoken and Narrated by Gully Traditional Owner (GTO) David King.

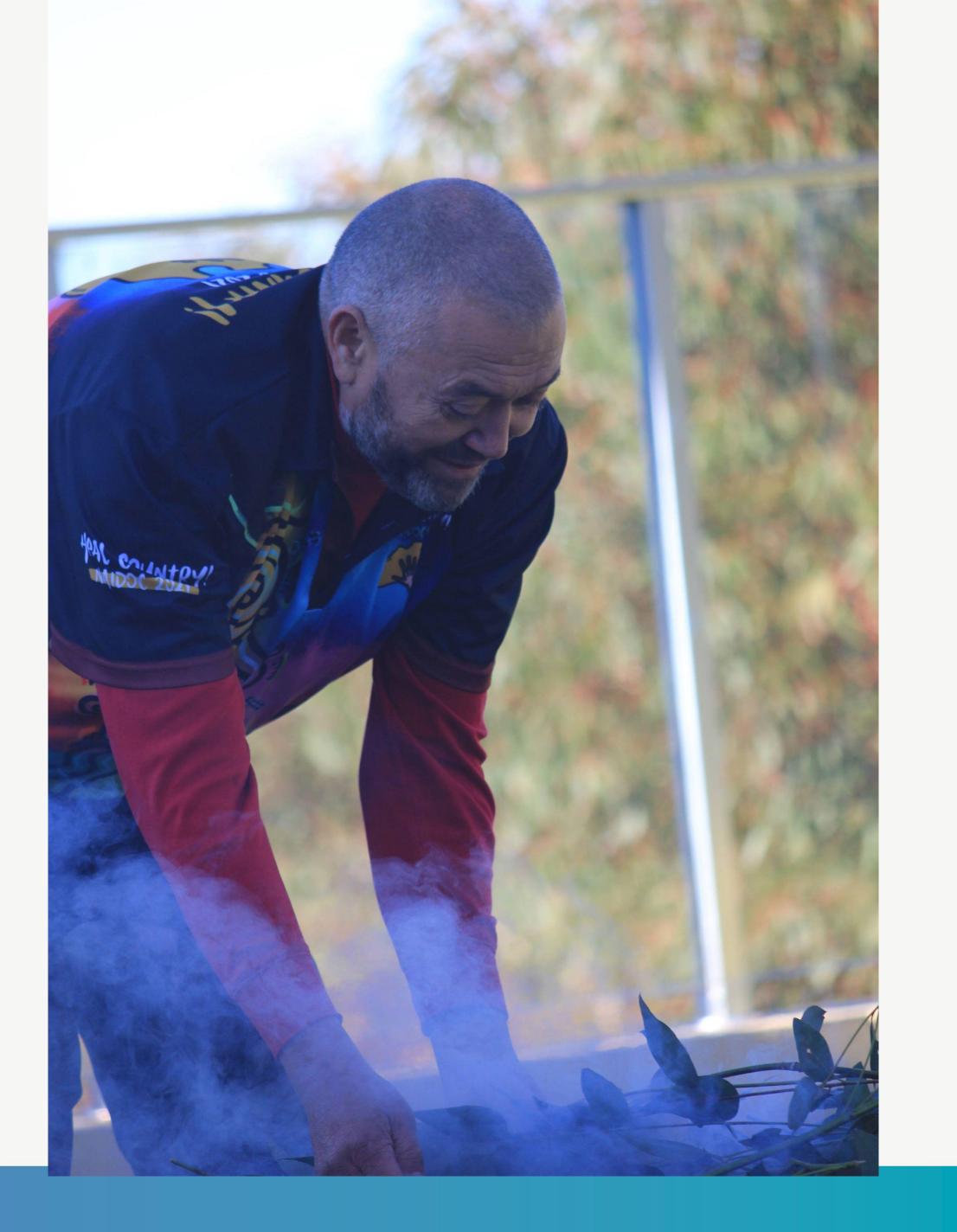




I pay my respects and acknowledge the elders past and present.









#### Garguree was an Aboriginal Campsite for thousands of years.







# Displacement from Country created a permanent campsite.









#### It was called the Gully as well as South Katoomba Mission.







South Katoomba Mission

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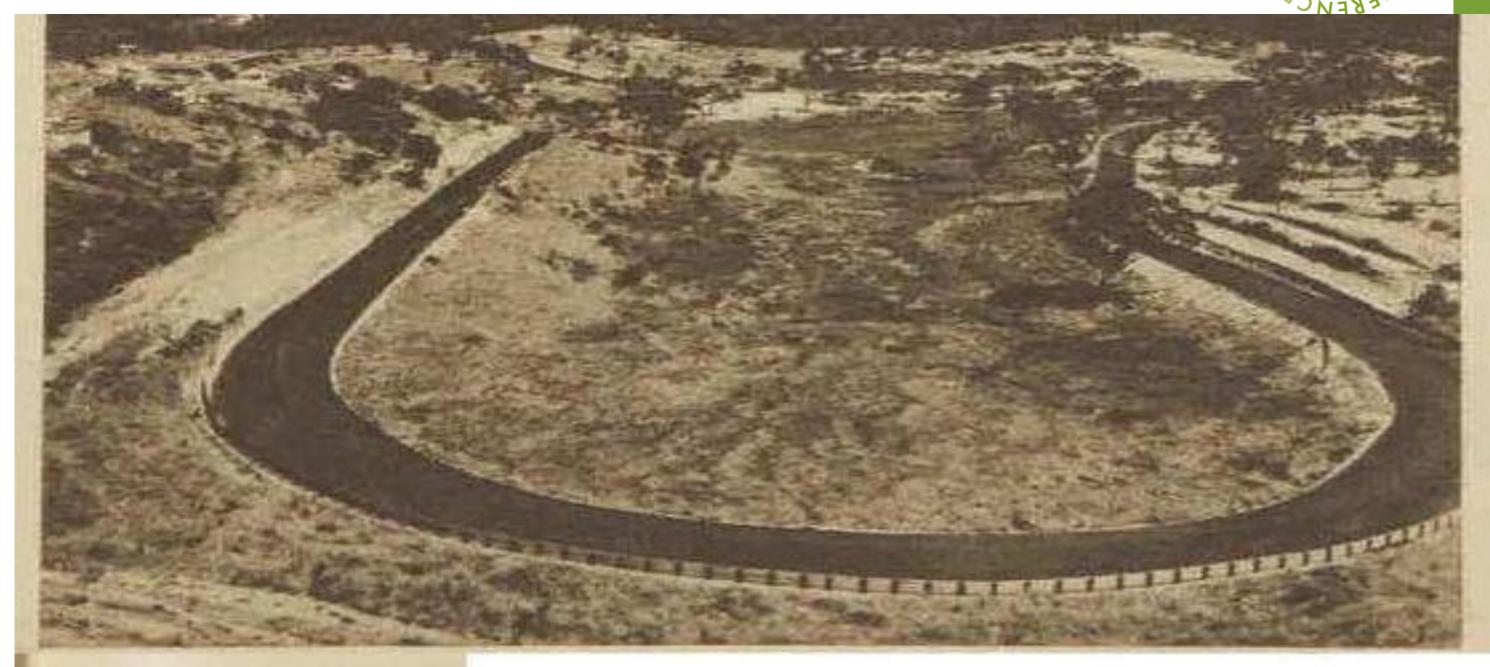
# My mother Aunty Mary King was born here in 1926.





In 1926 the Government decided to bulldoze the landscape.





CATALINA Racing Circuit in the Frank Walford Park, Katoomba, Local residents helped with building the track, with raising money, and actually working on the site. The track was completed and opened last February.

#### In 2002 it was handed back. In 2011 we started Swampcare.



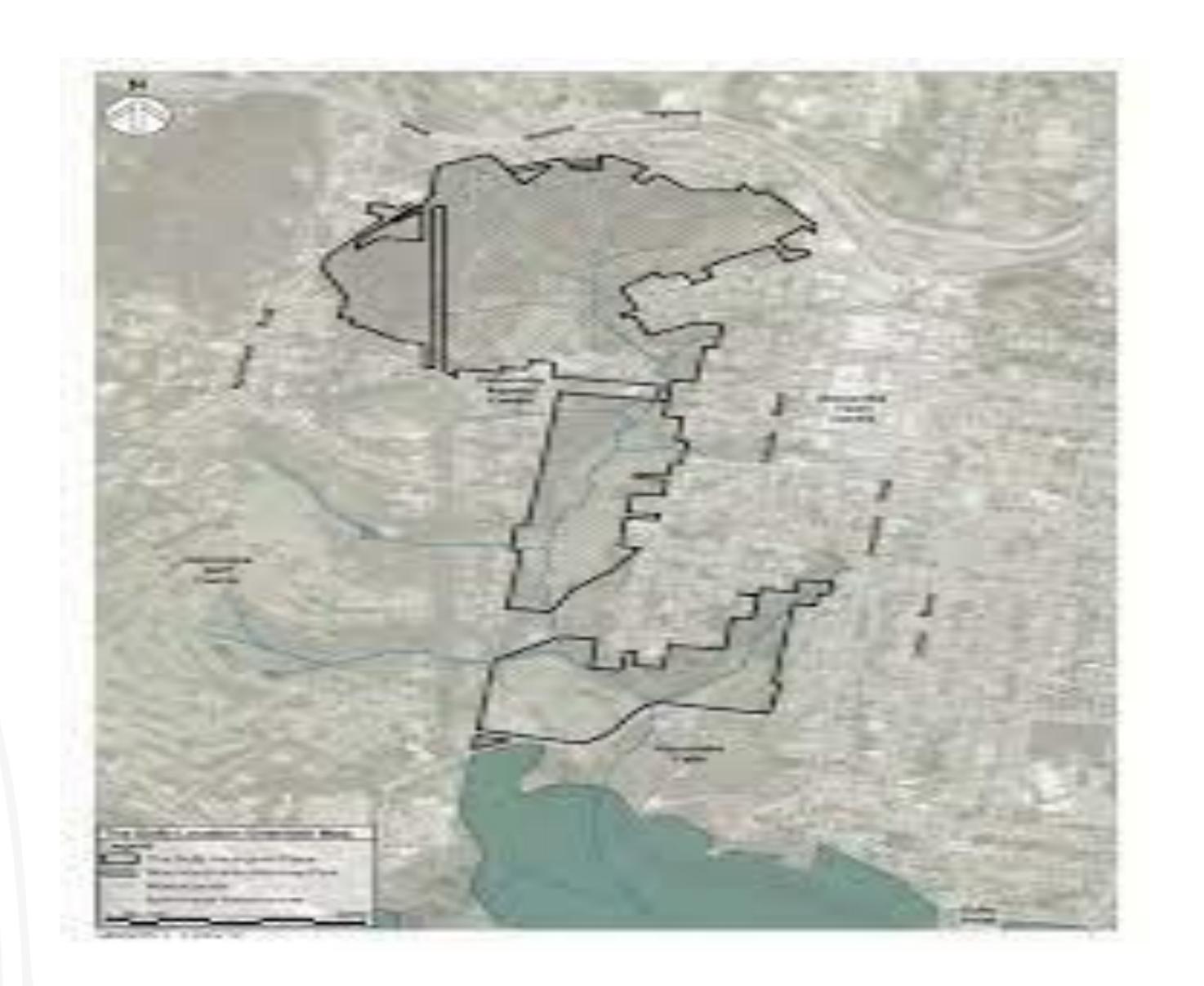




#### The AP covers an area of approximately 90 hectares







#### The health of the environment and perimeter impacts.







#### To bring this back to we started to remove the exotics







#### Then we looked at use and re-use







# We shared Country Culture Community







## We gathered a lot of people who desired strong Country



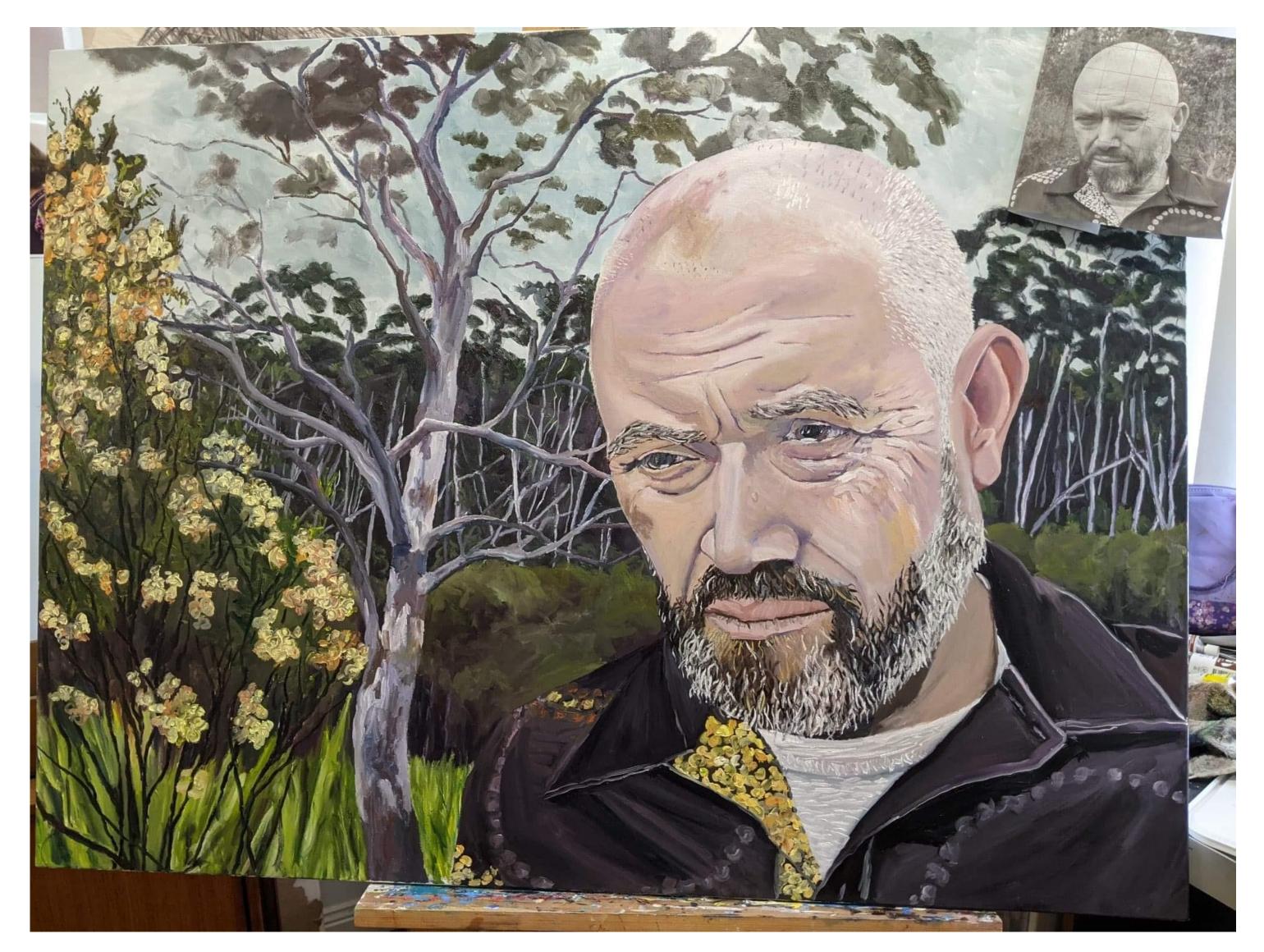




### It hasn't been easy but the stories and change came.









Culture
Community
Connection
Belonging
Tea
Food
Campfires
Regeneration?













# Yadhung Nyi from Dingo Darbo aka David King.



