Crusader's trek walk of charity

A CANCER crusader has walked over 13,000km and worn through nine pairs of joggers trekking across Australia to raise money for charity.

Andrew Cadigan, 31, left Sydney in December 2010 on a journey that has taken him around Australia three times and raised $53,000 for the Cancer Council and The Leukaemia Foundation. His only companion on the road was a buggy carrying his food, water, camping gear and solar panel.

Mr Cadigan said he was walking in honour of his mate Chris Simpson who died in May 2010 of myelodysplacia, a cancer that affects the production of cells in bone marrow.

"I read a book called *Giant Steps* and that gave me the idea," he said. "The money I'm raising for the Leukaemia Foundation is going specifically to research on myelodysplacia."

Hailey Renault

ON FOOT: Fundraiser Andrew Cadigan Photo: ZAK SIMMONDS

Appeal lost over Thurston uncle's death

ANOTHER Samoan teenager who helped kill the uncle of rugby league star Johnathan Thurston has lost an appeal against their manslaughter conviction.

Vaai Saua Emelio was one of eight males who bashed Richard Saunders to death at a park south of Brisbane in 2008.

During the trial last year, the Supreme Court in Brisbane heard the group set upon Mr Saunders and his friends as they were drinking in the park. The group was armed with fence palings, a hammer, concrete blocks, stones and bottles.

The group was cleared of Mr Saunders' murder, but convicted of manslaughter and Emelio was also found guilty of one count of aggravated assault and sentenced to six years' jail.

Elections delay Jezzine remake

by Anthony Templeton

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THE Jezzine Barracks redevelopment has hit another snag with the tender process delayed for three weeks, until after the Townsville City Council election.

The council had chosen a preferred bidder for the $40 million project after it was put out to tender earlier this year

But as the council is in caretaker mode it can't sign any contracts worth more than $2.5 million without approval from Local Government Minister David Crisafulli.

Mr Crisafulli said in a statement he didn't approve the Jezzine Barracks contract because it did not meet requirements to lift restrictions on council spending during an election.

"The caretaker period is there for a good reason and despite the fact the council wants to proceed in good faith, I am bound to abide by the rules, unless there are extraordinary circumstances," he said.

"The shame is that council had mapped out its timeline in good faith, but the (former) Bligh government moved council elections back a month in a desperate bid to delay its own judgment day."

Retiring Mayor Les Tyrell, who presided over his final council meeting yesterday, said the delayed tender was not the council's fault, but was caused by the delayed local government elections.

"All of the major stakeholders agreed back in January to bring this matter to the new council in April, but the change of election dates has meant we are now in caretaker period and cannot proceed without ministerial consent," he said.

Cr Tyrell said the delay in awarding the contract would push back construction at least three weeks, with work starting in July.

Mayoral hopeful Cr Jenny Hill said work should have already started on Jezzine Barracks.

"No one could have really predicted the (former) state government would move the council election date, but this project has been on the books forever and a day," she said.

"The contracts should already have been awarded and work on the site started."

24 April 2012

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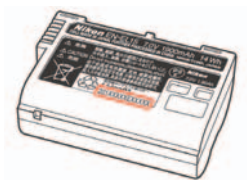

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