

## Why is a Noongar Website important?

Currently, there is no authoritative website that showcases Noongar history and culture. This makes it difficult to access accurate information about Noongar people. With support from Lotterywest, the South West Aboriginal Land and Sea Council is developing a website that aims to share aspects of Noongar history and culture with the wider community.

## Building Partnerships & Sharing Information

The project team is keen to build partnerships that will work towards an authoritative website. In the longer term we would like to be linked with collecting institutions such as libraries, archives and museums, who are willing to share information and allow access to collections.



Noongar men photographed at Guildford in 1901 during a visit to WA of the Duke of York and Duchess of Cornwall  
The photographs (above and right) are reproduced courtesy of the Batty Library

## Objectives

- To promote understanding of the richness and diversity of Noongar heritage, culture, stories, arts and history, through authentic and authoritative sources.
- To create a user friendly electronic archive.
- To encourage participation, feedback, and foster collaborative relationships.
- To maintain and strengthen Noongar communities by ensuring access for present and future generations.

## Cultural Protocols, and Copyright

Material provided to the project will only be used if consent is given by the copyright owner. Strict cultural protocols will be adhered to in the course of the project. No sensitive or private information will be placed on the website.

## About the Kaartdijin Noongar website

The website will provide a wealth of online resources about Noongar history, people, country, arts and culture. Users can search via an interactive map for specific towns and sites, or conduct word searches to find information about significant Noongar people, stories, oral histories, photographs, and more. The project team is preparing a pilot version of the website, featuring information from six towns: Guildford, Albany, Narrogin, Northam, Moora and Margaret River. Each town is located in one of the six Noongar native title claim areas.



The New Norcia band photographed in 1943

The team is also researching historically significant Noongar people, such as Yagan, Midgegooroo, Bessie Flowers, Mokare, as well as more contemporary figures like Jack Davis and Ned Mippy.

If you would like to contribute to the project, feel free to give Ann, Denise, Mel or Brendan a call on 9358 7400 or email [kaartdijin@noongar.org.au](mailto:kaartdijin@noongar.org.au)



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## Sharing Noongar Culture



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