

*Unveiling of signage
Commemorating and recognising
The Four Elders
Who represent
The Monero Ngarigo
18th of May 2019*

As a sign of Appreciation to our Ngarigo Friends,

the Traditional Custodians of Mt Kosciuszko

from the Polish Community

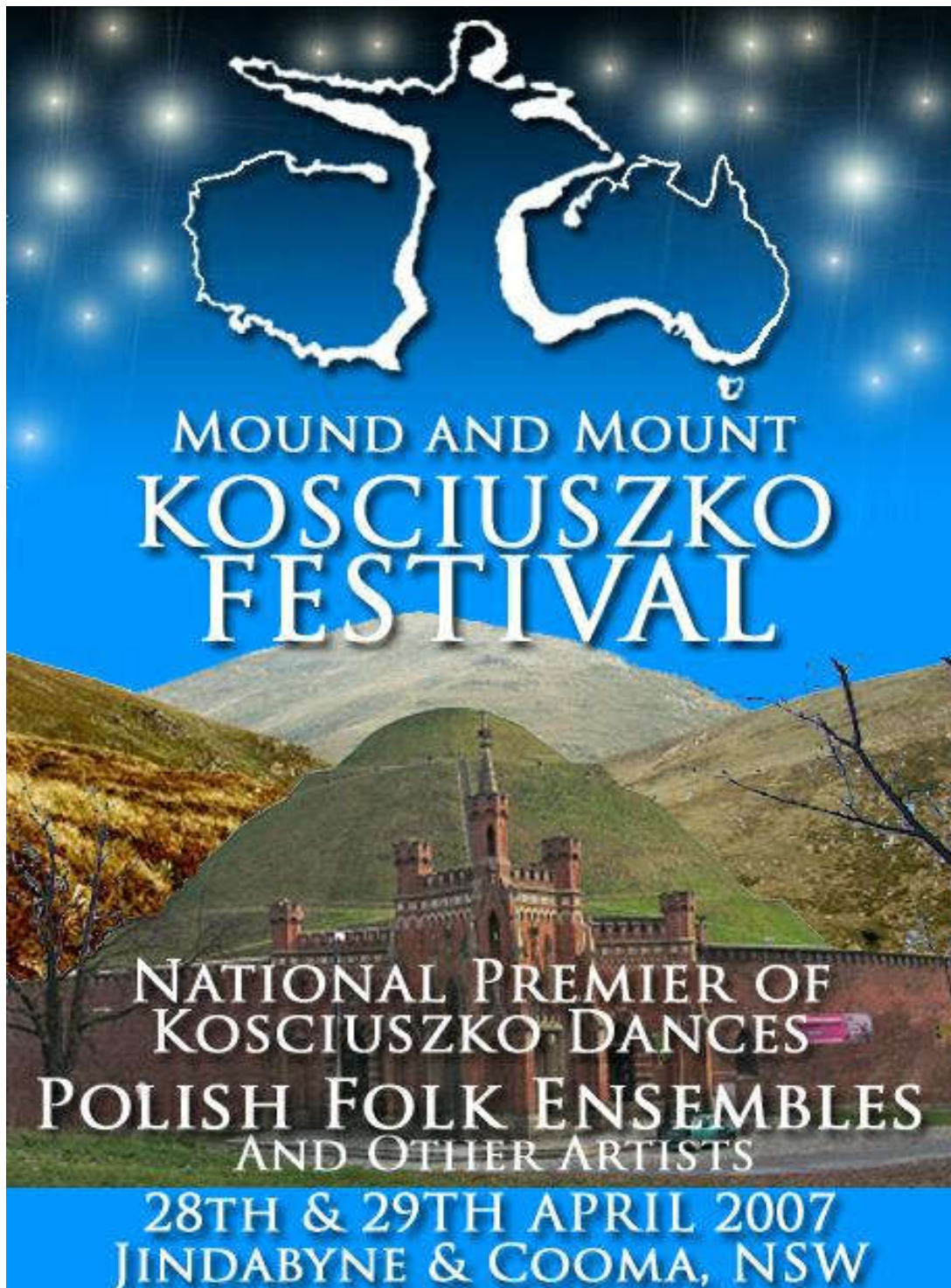
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Kozzie Fest Jindabyne, 2009 – Lajkonik and Monaro Dancers



Aunty Rae Solomon Stewart Family visiting Kosciuszko Heritage, 15 January 2012. From left: Aunty Rae, Sharon, Ernestyna, Matthew, Colleen.



Over the Moonbah Festival 2012, from left: Ernestyna, Doris Paton, Matthew, Aunty Rachel with a great granddaughter, Dylan, Aunty Rae Stewart, Evan, Fr. Wiesław Wójcik.



NAIDOC DAY, Jindabyne 2014



NAIDOC DAY, Ngarigo Families, Jindabyne 2014



Sydney 2013, Ernestyna Skurjat-Kozek with Roy Eaton, a legendary pianist and Kosciuszko enthusiast from the USA visiting Aunty Rae.



Jindabyne 2012, Over the Moonbah Festival, from left: Doris Paton, Aunty Rachel Mullett, Aunty Rae Stewart, Sharon Anderson.



Jindabyne 2012, Over the Moonbah Festival, from left: Aunty Rachel Mullett, Sharon Anderson, Roy Eaton, Aunty Rae Stewart.



Fraternity Flights, Over the Moonbah Festival 2012, Jindabyne Aeroclub.
Aunties Rachel and Rae.



Aunty Rae Stewart touching the earth after the flight over Mt Kosciuszko.
Over the Moonbah Festival 2012. K'Ozzie Fest Fraternity Flights.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X_64qHCUGeI



Dorris Paton with her granddaughter in flight over Mt Kosciuszko. Over the Moonbah Festival 2012



Aunty Rachel Mullett with her great granddaughter, Ernestyna and Vicky Hospodaryk. Over the Moonbah Festival 2012



Aunty Deanne Davison with Belarus and Ukrainian Ambassadors.
Kosciuszko Year 2017, Jindabyne.



Polish Christmas at Darling Harbour, Sydney 2016. Dancing: Sally Lavalley,
Tanaya, Dylan and Carissa Edwards.



Professor Mieczysław Rokosz, A Honorary Custodian of Mound Kosciuszko in Cracow, Poland visiting the Ngarigo Exhibition in Kosciuszko Parks Visitors Centre, Jindabyne July 2017.



Aunty Iris White presenting a message stick to Maria Koc, the Deputy Marshal of the Senate of the Republic of Poland. Kosciuszko Competition Gala Concert, Rhodes 3rd October 2017.



Maria Koc, the Deputy Marshal of the Senate of the Republic of Poland with Aunty Iris White and her Cousin. Rhodes 3rd October 2017.



Aunty Iris White and her Cousin with Lajkonik Dancers. Rhodes 3rd October 2017.



Ngarigo Friends arriving in Warsaw for the Kosciuszko Bicentenary Celebrations 2017. From left: (hidden) Dianne Jerrard, Michelle Dixon, David Dixon, dr Leszek Krzeński, Jessie White, Ernestyna Skurjat-Kozek, Aunty Iris White, Magdalena Szulia, Cheryl Davison, Felix Molski and Leszek Szulia.



Aunty Iris White at Mound Kosciuszko, Cracow 2017.



Ngarigo Friends at the Kosciuszko Conference room of the Council of Cracow.



Kosciuszko Conference, Cracow 2017. Aunty Iris addressing the assembly.



Dr. Betsey Blakeslee (left), a custodian of Kosciuszko Garden at West Point Military Academy (USA) with Auntie Iris White. Kosciuszko Conference, Cracow 2017



International Kosciuszko Conference participants in front of the Cracow City Council, 2017



Kosciuszko Year celebrations in Cracow: a welcome to Aunty Iris White at the Cracow Market.



Jessie White and Andrzej Kozek celebrating Kosciuszko Year, Cracow 2017.



A traditional Cracow Cab ride over ancient streets. This one carrying the Dixon family.



Aunty Iris White and Jessie White in a cab passing Kosciuszko monument at the Wawel Castle. Cracow 2017.



Aunty Iris White (left) and Cheryl Davison (at the centre) at the Wawel Royal Castle Cathedral. Ernestyna Skurjat-Kozek and Acacia Rose are in the second row.



Aunty Iris White and Andrzej Kozek with a wreath queuing up to the Kosciuszko tomb.



The American delegation at the Kosciuszko tomb at the Wawel Castle, Cracow 2017.



A photo with the President of Poland, Dr Andrzej Duda and the First Lady, Agata Duda-Kornhauser (at the centre).



A farewell photo with Custodians of Mound Kosciuszko: Leszek Cierpiałowski (left) and Professor M. Rokosz (top right).



Back in Australia. David Dixon offering a didgeridoo gift to Andrzej Kozek. Jindabyne 2017.



Dr Leszek Krzesniak of Polish Kosciuszko Foundation with Aunty Colleen Dixon. Jindabyne December 2017.



Jindabyne, 9 December 2017. From left: Colleen Dixon, Aunty Iris White, Dianne Jerrard, Ernestyna Skurjat-Kozek, Evan Anderson, dr Logina Ordon (representing Kosciuszko Schools in Poland), Tamika Townsend and Andrzej Kozek.



Polish Christmas Festival 2017, Plumpton. From left: Tamika Townsend, Ernestyna Skurjat-Kozek and Michelle Dixon.



From left: Iris White, Ernestyna Skurjat-Kozek, Ursula Lang, Tony Lang and David White. Nowra 2018.



Ernestyna Skurjat-Kozek (left) and Doris Paton. Nowra 2018.



Aunty Rae Stewart (left), Tanaya Edwards (centre) and Ernestyna Skurjat-Kozek (right). Nowra 2018.



From left: David Darlington (retired Manager of Kosciuszko National Park),
Aunty Doris Paton, Ernestyna Skurjat-Kozek, Pat Darlington, Aunty
Deanne Davison and Aunty Iris White. Jindabyne, 2019.



Kosciuszko Mound, Bicentenary Kosciuszko Year Celebrations, 2017.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZjMFgwx3POg&t=6s>

KOSCIUSZKO'S LAST WILL

TRACY H. SUGG

KOSCIUSZKO AND AGRIPPA IN WEST POINT



I, Thaddeus Kosciuszko authorize my friend Thomas Jefferson to employ the whole of my property thereof in purchasing negroes from among his own as any others and giving them liberty in my name & an education in trades (...) teaching them to be defenders of their liberty and country and of the good order of society and in whatsoever may make them happy and useful.

Philadelphia, 5th May 1798

Kosciuszko's Last Will. At the top right is Jefferson's portrait. Bottom left is Kosciuszko and Agrippa Hull sculpture by Tracy Sugg, an American artist.

Agrippa Hull was a free African-American who served Kosciuszko during the Independence War as an orderly. The two became fast friends.

There are over 200 monuments of Kosciuszko in many countries. Mt Kosciuszko is considered as the most magnificent one and at the same time reminding about the aspirations of the Indigenous People in their traditional land.



Blessing from Bishop Julian Porteous to Australia from the top of Mt Kosciuszko in 2013. The Centenary of the first Mass at Mt Kosciuszko.