

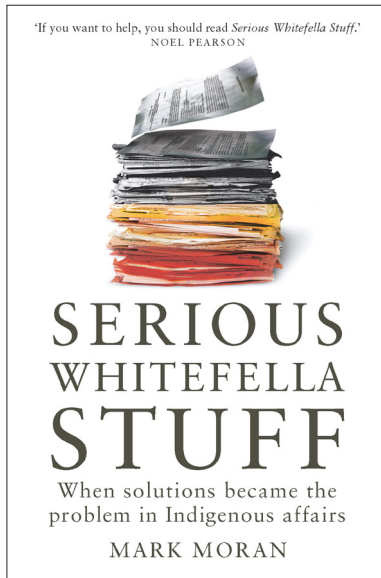
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SERIOUS WHITEFELLA STUFF

When solutions became the problem in Indigenous affairs

By **Mark Moran**; individual chapters by
Alyson Wright and **Paul Memmott**

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'Serious Whitefella Stuff provides a rare examination of practice in Australian Indigenous affairs—the complex reality of what happens on the ground when policy and politics intersect with particular people and places. The book is a testament to those working at the frontline in Australia's Indigenous communities to bring about hard-won change.'—NOEL PEARSON

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How does Indigenous policy signed off in Canberra work—or not—when implemented in remote Aboriginal communities? Mark Moran, Alyson Wright and Paul Memmott have significant and successful on-the-ground experience in this area of ongoing challenge. What, they ask, is the right balance between respecting local traditions and making significant improvement in the areas of alcohol consumption, home ownership and revitalising cultural practices?

Moran, Wright and Memmott have spent years dealing with these pressing issues. *Serious Whitefella Stuff* tells their side of this complex Australian story.

Professor Mark Moran leads the Development Effectiveness research cluster at the Institute for Social Science Research, The University of Queensland. His career spans academia, not-for-profit organisations, government and consultancy work. Mark has a unique background of technical and social science research with a degree in civil engineering and a PhD in governance and participatory planning. His primary research focus is the social science of adaptive development practice, understanding its capabilities, conditions, frameworks and accountabilities.

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