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MAP MAKER	YEAR	TRIBES
NORMAN B. TINDALE	1938	IRUKANDJI, TJA:PUKAI, BULUWAI, INDINDJI, KONGKANDJI
URSULA MCCONNEL	1939	TJABOGAI-TJANDJI, NYAKALI, BULWANDJI, YIRKANDJI, YIDINDJI, KONKANDJI
NORMAN B. TINDALE	1940	IRUKANDJI, TJA:PUKAI, BULUWAI, INDINDJI, KONGKANDJI
<b>**KENNETH HALE</b>	1970	TJAPUKAI <i>LANGUAGE</i> , IDINJI <i>LANGUAGE</i>
NORMAN B. TINDALE	1974	IRUKANDJI, TJAPUKAI, BULUWAI, NDINDJI, KONGKANDJI
R.M.W DIXON	1977	DYA:BUGAY, NYAGALI, GULUY, BULWAY, YIRGAY, YIDIN, GUNGAY
ELIZABETH PATZ	1991	NYAGALI, DJABUGAY, GULUY, BULWAY, YIRRGAY, YIDINY
<b>**SUE ROBERTSON</b>	1989	JAABUGAY, YIDIN, GUNGGAY
TIMOTHY BOTTOMS	1992	DJABUGANYDJI, YIRRGANYDJI, NYAGALI, YIRRGULUY, BULUWANDJI, GUNGGANDYDJI
<b>**TIMOTHY BOTTOMS</b>	1999	YIRRGANYDJI, DJABUGAY <i>SPEAKERS</i> , YIDINY <i>SPEAKERS</i> , GUNGGANDYDJI
RHONDA DUFFIN, ROSETTA BRIM	1993	DJABUGAY, NYAGALI, GULUY, BULWAY, YIRRGAY, GUNGGAY, YIDINY
MICHAEL QUINN	1995	DJABUGAY, NYAGALI, GULUY, BULWAY, YIRRGAY, GUNGGAY, YIDINY
<b>**DAVID HORTON</b>	1996	DJABUGANJDI, YIDINJDI
<b>**KENNETH HALE</b>	2009	TJAPUKAI <i>LANGUAGE</i> , IDINJI <i>LANGUAGE</i>
MICHAEL QUINN	2012	DJABUGAY, NYAGALI, GULUY, BULWAY, YIRRGAY, GUNGGAY, YIDINY
TIMOTHY BOTTOMS	2018	DJABUGANYDJI, YIRRGANYDJI, BULUWANYDJI, YIDINYDJI, GUNGGANYDJI

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**KENNETH HALE**  
 1934-2001

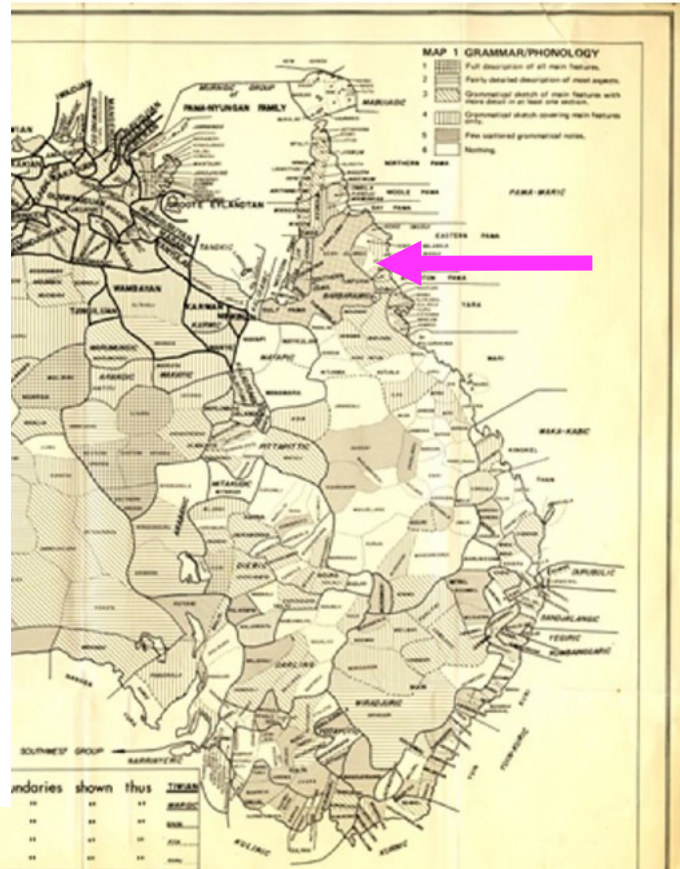
**MAP NAME**  
 ABORIGINAL LANGUAGES OF AUSTRALIA

**MAP PUBLISH DATE**  
 1970

**MAP MAKER**  
 G.N. O'Grady, S.A. Wurm, and K.L. Hale

- MAP NOTATIONS**
- Adapted from a [basic classification prepared in 1966 by G.N. O'Grady, S.A. Wurm, and K.L. Hale](#); drawn by R.M. Watt for the Dept. of Linguistics, University of Victoria, B.C., Canada.
  - This map shows the amount of grammar/phonology information that was available on aboriginal languages in Australia. This map is based on the [map prepared by Oates and Oates](#) and supplemented with information from the following source: "Languages of the World: Indo-Pacific Fascicle Six" by Geoffrey N. O'Grady and C.F. and F.M. Voegelin, as well as information from the [MultiTree](#) database on language relationships.

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**Willie Brim:**

- ★ HALE 1970  
 Buluwai is removed

From the notation on this map:

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And you can also see at the bottom key the Canadian linguists were looking for a certain linguistic structure:

*“Group  
 Subgroup  
 Language  
 Dialect”*

It is unclear why O'Grady, Wurm and Hale removed Buluwai from this map.

Where did they get their information for the *“basic classification prepared in 1966”*?

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This table is a summary of all historical maps that have been published for the Cairns area.

<p>BULUWAI YES</p>	<p>BULUWAI NO</p>
<p>TINDALE 1939,1974                      MCCONNEL 1939                      DIXON 1977                      PATZ 1991                      BOTTOMS 1989, 2018                      DUFFIN/BRIM 1993                      QUINN 1995, 2012</p>	<p>★ HALE 1970                      ROBERTSON 1989                      AIATSI 1996                      BOTTOMS 1999</p>

**Willie Brim:**

*The list on the left denotes Buluwai in its correct location.*

*The list on the right has removed Buluwai tribal lands.*

*I will contend these are aberrations from all other cultural mapping work undertaken in Far North Queensland and that Hale and team got it wrong.*

*I also contend the later work based on HALE, including the DIXON and AIATIS map, is incorrect.*

*Buluwai is a tribe and has its own people and language and is not a dialect of Djabugay.*

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Table below shows summary of usage of terms GULUY and NYAKALI in historical maps and texts

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PUBLISHER	YEAR	GULUY		NYAKALI		REF
		MAP	TEXT	MAP	TEXT	PG
EARLY WORK						
TINDALE	1938-9	NO, not on tribe index map	NO, not on tribe index	NO, not on tribe index map	YES, Tjapukai tribe: "Nyakali, Barron River <b>dialect</b> (Meston)"	5-12
TINDALE INDEX - MONA MONA / YARRABAH TRIBE LISTS	1938-9	n/a	NO	n/a	NO	13
MCCONNEL	1939	NO	None found as yet	YES, north Barron River, *half size font to tribe name	YES, "On the Mowbray River are the Tyabogai-tyanyi, a branch of whom on the Barron River are known as the Nyakali."	42
LATER WORK						
DIXON	1977	YES, approx. Redlynch	<i>alternative names for a single dialect/local group/tribe.</i>	YES, south side of Barron River spelt <i>Nyagali</i>	<i>alternative names for a single dialect/local group/tribe.</i>	55
PATZ	1991	YES, approx Mareeba	YES	YES, approx Port Douglas	YES	63
BOTTOMS	1992	YES, approx Mareeba	YES	YES, north of Barron River	YES	68
DUFFIN	1993	YES, approx Mareeba	YES	YES, north of Barron River	YES	72
QUINN	1995	YES, approx Mareeba	YES	YES, north of Barron River	YES	74
BOTTOMS	1999	NO	YES	NO	YES	69
BOTTOMS	2008	NO	YES	NO	YES	70
QUINN	2012	YES, approx Mareeba	YES	YES, approx Port Douglas (moved north from previous 1995 map)	YES	76