

106A.2c* Yirgay ?

A hitherto unlisted language name which Dixon says possibly belongs with *Djabugay*.

107*. D. YALANJIC GROUP* (or FAMILY ?)

(Formerly Eastern Pama Subgroup)

Wurm (1970) has been followed in this reclassification of dialects originally classified by O'Grady et al as the Eastern Pama Subgroup, except that two other possible linguistic units have been added: *Djilin*, 107.4* on brief information supplied by Sutton, and a number of coastal dialects mapped by O'Connell and Tindale and not yet assessed for classification (107.6*).

Sommer's research (1969) revealed only 11% - 16% cognate density between *Gugu Yalanji* and ten other Paman languages. Hence Wurm's tentative classification as a separate group and his query as to whether in fact it ought not to be classified as a separate family.

The group exhibits most of what Sutton calls 'intact' language features: basic CVCV shape, three vowels, word initial stress, contrast in four consonant positions (bilabial, apical, laminal and velar) plus four other Proto) Paman consonants: *l, *r, *w and *y. In other words, a basic Proto-Australian phonology, except for the lack of vowel length. (Compare Djirbalic and Yidinic Groups).

Hershbergers (SIL) are continuing depth and literature studies in *Gugu Yalanji*, but the above facts indicate the need for a thorough survey of *Yalanji* dialects as well as possible depth study in some of them.

Dixon has touched the southern edge of the group. He verifies *Djunggun* as a link in the language chain with *Muluridji*. He also mentions *Wagaman* which is possibly *Wagara*, mapped by Tindale immediately north of *Wagaman* (now classified with Southern Pama languages).

107.1a* Gugu Yalanji * Mitchell River Y60 (AIAS Y78)
 (103.2c) from its junction
 with Elizabeth Creek,
 north to Palmerville (T's map)

Gugu Yalanji (SAW, WJO, Hershberger), *Koko Jelandji* (T, O'G,) *Jalandji* (AC, AIAS), *Koko-Yalunyu* (McC), *Koko-Yelandji* (McC), *Kuku Yalanytyi* (LMW), *Koko Yel-lanji* (R)

Hershbergers' study has produced the following publications: 'Sentence types in Gugu Yalanji'; 'Stress as related to the Grammar of Gugu Yalanji' (with E. V. Pike); 'Clause types in Gugu Yalanji' (n.d.); 'Monkey in the Bog' (literacy booklet); Scripture translation of an abridgement of the Book of Genesis and part of the Book of Acts.

'man' : *bama* (LFO)

107.lb* Gugu Njunggal **** Coastal area north (AIAS Y90)
(81Yr.) of Mt. Romeo to
mouth of Annan
River (McC)

Gugu Njunggal (AIAS, 'RLS', 81Yr.), *Gugu Nyunkul* (SAW), *Koko-Nyungal* (McC)

Only new information is Wurm's classification here.

107.lc* Gugu Waldja **** Daintree head- Y118 (AIAS Y98)
(103.2d) waters (McC);
Headwaters of
Bloomfield River
along mountain
range (T's map)

Gugu Waldja (AIAS), *Koko Waldja* (McC), *Wulpura* (SAW, O'G, 'RLS'), *Walpure* (T)

No fresh information.

107.ld* Gugu Walandja **** Normanby head- Y117 (AIAS Y81)
(103.2e) waters (McC)
Along mountain range
due west of *Bididji*
country (T's map)

Gugu Walandja (AIAS), *Koko Walandja* (SAW, McC, O'G, 'RLS'), *Koko Katji* (SAW), *Walandja* (AC)

No new information.