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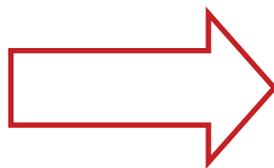
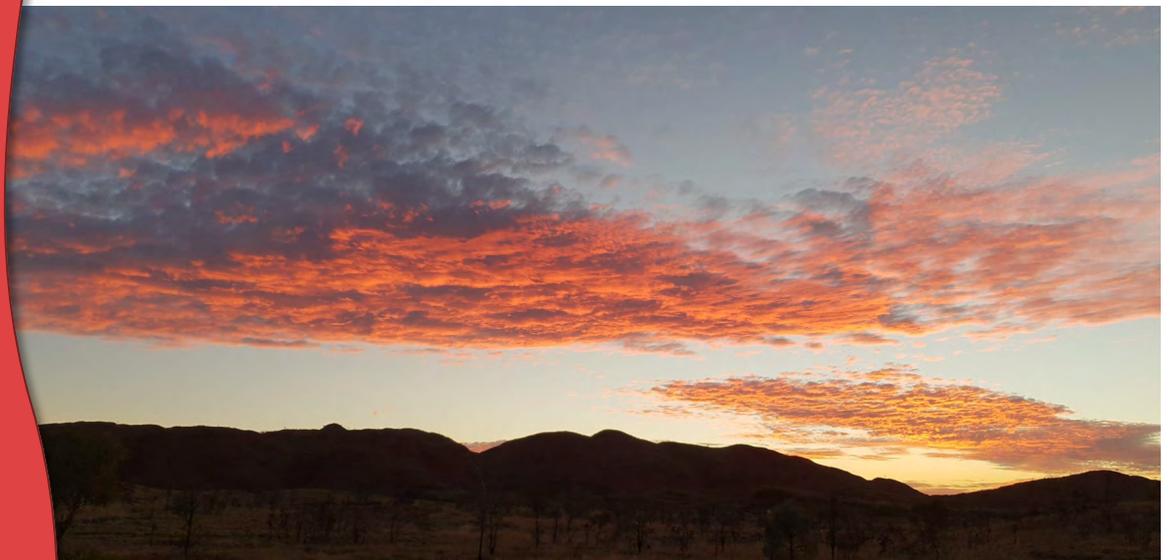
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session with staff, contact 08 9173 8401 to book your appointment.**

Light refreshments to be served.

Editorial

Hello,

There seems to be a bit of a theme with this edition as we welcome new three new coordinators to the Marble Bar Shire Office, Swimming Pool and at EPIS as well as an interview with the new(ish) Shire CEO, Steven Harding. It's going to be interesting to see what new strengths, skills and ideas these guys will bring to their roles over the next weeks and months - though we're certainly going to be missing our office neighbour of three years and frequent collaborator Lisa George!

It's been as busy as ever at the CRC lately, with plenty of travellers in the area keeping us busy and of course several events over the past few weeks, with a few more coming up - check out the RED Grants info session happening on the 21st (page 26.)

I'm looking forward to taking a break over the next few weeks, so go easy on Kylie if you come into the Centre while she's running things by herself 😊

I hope you enjoy this edition.

Cheers,

Amy Pfitzner
Coordinator,
Marble Bar CRC

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What's Cooking?

Passionfruit Cream Biscuits



Method

1. Preheat oven to 180 C. Line oven tray with baking paper.
2. Beat butter, rind and sugar in small bowl with electric mixer until light and fluffy. Add golden syrup, beat until combined. Stir in sifted dry ingredients and passionfruit pulp.
3. Turn dough onto floured surface, knead gently until smooth. Divide dough in half, roll each portion between sheets of baking paper to 5mm thickness. Refrigerate for 30 minutes
4. Cut 25 x 4cm fluted rounds from each portion of dough, place rounds about 2.5cm apart on trays
5. Bake biscuits about 10 minutes. Cool on trays
6. Meanwhile, for passionfruit cream, strain passionfruit pulp through fine sieve into a small jug, discard seeds. Beat butter and sugar in small bowl with electric mixer until light and fluffy. Beat in passionfruit juice.
7. Spoon passionfruit cream into piping bag fitted with 5mm fluted top. Pipe cream onto half the biscuits, top with remaining biscuits. Serve dusted with a little extra sifted icing sugar.

Ingredients

- 125g butter, room temperature
- 2 teasp. Finely grated lemon rind
- 1/3 cup caster sugar
- 2tblsp golden syrup or treacle
- 1 cup SR flour
- 2/3 cup plain flour
- 1/4 cup passionfruit pulp
- **Passionfruit Cream**
- 2 tbsps. passionfruit pulp
- 90g butter
- 1 cup icing sugar

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Local Government Election *October 2021*



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COMMUNITY BBQ

MARBLE BAR CIVIC CENTRE
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

Please come along to the Civic Centre on Thursday the 23th of September to enjoy a community BBQ for dinner.

Also use it as an opportunity to meet some of the Shire's Councillors and Executive Staff ahead of the Council meet at the Marble Bar Council Chambers on September 24th.

The time of the BBQ will be announced soon.



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Goodbye Lisa George (It's been a great three years!)

We're sad to say goodbye this month to Lisa George, who has been in the role of Coordinator Community Wellbeing - Rural at the Marble Bar Shire Office since late 2018. Lisa's last official day was Tuesday 31st August, marking just under three years in the job.

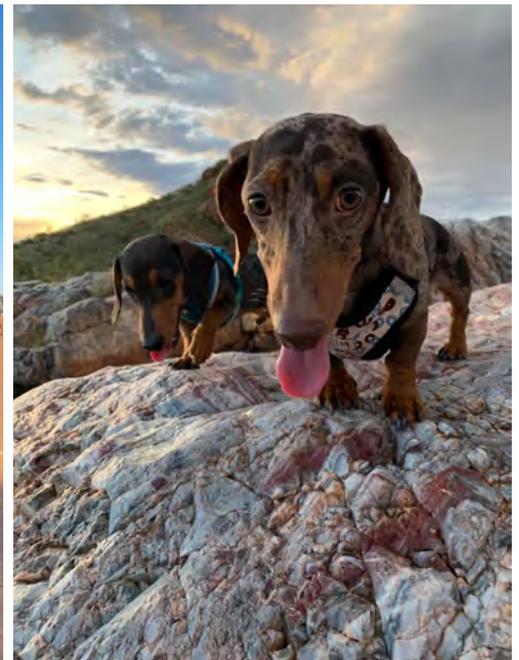
In her time in Marble Bar Lisa has worked hard to advocate for the regional communities within the Shire. In addition to her role as Rural Coordinator she also picked up the challenging role of Local Recovery Coordinator for Marble Bar and Nullagine, facilitating disaster recovery efforts for events including TC Veronica and the recent record-breaking flooding in Nullagine. As a Shire representative working with the Marble Bar Race Club, she has absolutely gone above and beyond the requirements of her role, both in 2019 and again in 2021.

Over the past three years the CRC have partnered with Lisa and the Marble Bar Shire office to deliver dozens of events, initiatives and opportunities for the community such as 4WD and first aid training with Mark Keogh, snake handling with Brian Bush and developing COVID-19 information and activity packs for the community back in the early days of the pandemic.

She's not 100% sure where life will take her next, but is looking forward to kicking back and relaxing for a while with her two adorable little dachshunds Lewy and Sunny (pictured) who we're all going to miss nearly as much as Lisa!

It's been an absolute privilege to work together Lisa, from Kylie and I here at the CRC - thanks for everything, we wish you all the best with your future and we're sure you'll do well in whatever you decide to tackle next!

- Amy Pfitzner,
Marble Bar CRC



Meet the new Coordinator at the Marble Bar Shire office: **Kristina Quince**

Joining Ronice in the office from now on will be Kristina Quince, the new 'Coordinator Community - Rural' at the Marble Bar Shire Office (those with a keen eye might notice the role has changed.)

There's some big shoes to fill, but we're sure Kristina will bring her own unique skills and talents to the position.

Kristina moved here a couple of weeks ago with husband Steven and two children Oliver (8) and Aimee (7) who will be attending Marble Bar Primary school next term.

Thoughts about Marble Bar so far?

It's a beautiful little town, very friendly, surprisingly busy at times!

Where are you from originally?

We are moving here from South Hedland, however we have lived all over the Pilbara including, Newman, Onslow and Karratha! We've also spent some time living and working in Cue.

What's your background/what were you doing before coming here?

My background is quite varied. I have come directly from Disability Services in Hedland. Before that I have worked as the Employment & Training Manager at Bloodwood Tree in South Hedland, I have worked in Oil & Gas at Woodside, I have experience with recruitment and staff retention and I have also worked as an Employment Consultant in the past. I have loved building organisations/community initiatives and watching them thrive!

What attracted you to travel to Marble Bar and take on the role?

We love small towns. This role offers us a great opportunity to get involved in a small community, still live the outdoors (camping, 4WD, rivers) lifestyle that we want to live whilst still being a mum and working all at the same time.

Do you have any interesting plans for the role you'd like to share?

I'm looking forward to learning more about the town and building positive community relationships for

myself and the Shire as well as building on the fantastic work that Lisa has done with community events, etc.

What are your interests & hobbies?

We love to go camping, 4WDing, quad bike riding and playing in the rivers when they are running.

Something interesting about yourself/notable achievements:

In 2018 I played a major role in the Hedland Gymnastics Club being named the Community Organisation of the year at the Town of Port Hedland Business of the Year Awards. In 2019 I was the recipient of the Town of Port Hedland Volunteer of the year award.

Thanks for chatting with us Kristina - we're looking forward to working together.

- Amy Pfitzner,

Marble Bar CRC



Interview with Shire CEO

Steven Harding

Mr. Steven Harding was officially appointed Chief Executive Officer for the Shire of East Pilbara at a special Council meeting on the 23rd of December 2020 before arriving in Newman to take on the role in March this year. We managed to snag a few moments of his time to ask some questions and see how things have been going.

A bit about yourself - what are your hobbies and interests?

I've moved here with my wife, and I have a son who lives over in Queensland. I like sports – sports in general, I play the piano and I like going out to dinner and enjoying that kind of thing.

Since arriving in the Shire of East Pilbara, I've been getting out and about for short weekend excursions to experience the natural landscape.

I've also been getting out to the events being held in the Shire, they're special and I know we want to keep improving them.

What is your initial impression of the region, have there been any surprises?

East Pilbara is a very beautiful area, it's very unknown to the rest of Australia. I think it's beautiful landscapes and cultural heritage that people aren't really aware of, compared to other regions in Australia. It's exciting being a part of such a beautiful part of the world.

Tell us a little about your background and where you are from?

I'm a qualified engineer. I have a Masters of Business, legal qualifications, and also company director qualifications.

I've worked in both private and public enterprise. In private enterprise, I've worked on water and wastewater all over the world in relation to treatment and construction.

In the public realm, I worked in New South Wales in Local Government for many years and I was involved in many projects including subdivision approvals, water and wastewater, roads, drainage,



Shire CEO Steven Harding

Photo provided by the Shire of East Pilbara

other infrastructure projects and general management; as well as other sophisticated and complex projects.

I've also been the director of Portland Coast Water in Victoria, as well as the acting CEO. I've worked in Broome, where I was in charge of improvement projects like Chinatown, sea walls and jetty designs. For the last three years I had been down at the Shire of Serpentine-Jarrahdale, which is the fastest-growing Shire in WA, with all its complexities and challenges.

What previous roles have you held, what do you consider your notable achievements?

I've built biogas plants in Asia and also throughout Australia, and certain sites are generating enough energy from their waste to run their operations and

run power generation.

In the public sector, one of the things I'm proud of at the Shire of Serpentine-Jarrahdale is successfully advocating the Government to fund road projects that made the roads construction possible.

I was involved in the jetty development and in Chinatown revitalisation in Broome.

I've built complete water systems and wastewater treatment plants for towns in New South Wales.

What drew you to the Pilbara and the CEO role?

In taking the role, I saw the opportunity to get involved in some large projects and make a big difference to this area. I think it needs a lot of attention around developing services, infrastructure and other areas so the community can get the most out of their life here.

Why did you get into local government as a career?

Having been in both private and Local Government roles, I've seen that private is very similar to Local Government in many ways.

I started my career in Local Government before I went into private, but I always enjoyed the community aspect of Local Government work.

Everything you do, you're doing for the community – and that's why I came back to Local Government, I enjoy doing something that's beneficial and sustainable for the community.

My vision when I'm in these Local Government roles is to leave the place better than when I arrived.

There's a lot of opportunity to have a big improvement relatively quickly, and I'd like to be part of that.

Do you have any plans for the Shire, particularly the regions i.e. Marble Bar, Nullagine and the remote stations and communities?

I see big potential for Marble Bar, given that there's a lot of mining there. We're looking at upgrading the airport, we're looking at future needs for Marble Bar which would be industrial land and more residential land – but in a way that retains the uniqueness in town.

We're also looking to see what other services we can provide by more interaction with the

community, which we're looking at rolling out very shortly.

Progress is also about working with the mining companies to make sure their mining operations don't impact the community in a negative way. If we work with those organisations and see what they can bring back to the community.

I also want to get a better idea on what the community issues are, and we'll be doing that through opportunities for meetings with the CEO over the next three to four months, to see what we can do to improve things in the region.

What do you think the future holds for the Shire? Marble Bar?

Mining is a given and it's growing – which it seems to do by its own momentum. So, we need to make sure that continues to happen in a way that doesn't impact the community. However, it needs to be done in a way that is an opportunity for the community to grow in certain areas and get more services, particularly in the remote locations.

I do think there is a very high level of tourism we could promote to the world, and I think we should.

We see tourism as a very big opportunity to balance out the mining. We're not just a mining Shire, we are a mining and tourism Shire, and all the wonderful things that go with that.

We have an incredibly unique natural geological landscape, it's nothing short of spectacular and we should be highlighting that with tourism.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

I am really excited and impressed by the community and volunteer organisations in the Shire, they are integral to the vibrancy of our region. They work incredibly diligently for the Shire's residents.

Community Resource Centres like the one in Marble Bar, are an integral part of the community in remote areas and we are incredibly thankful they exist.

Thanks for taking the time to chat to us Steve, it sounds like you've got some exciting plans for the region and we're looking forward to seeing how things shape up over the next couple of years.

***- Amy Pfitzner,
Marble Bar CRC***

COP'S CORNER

Marble Bar

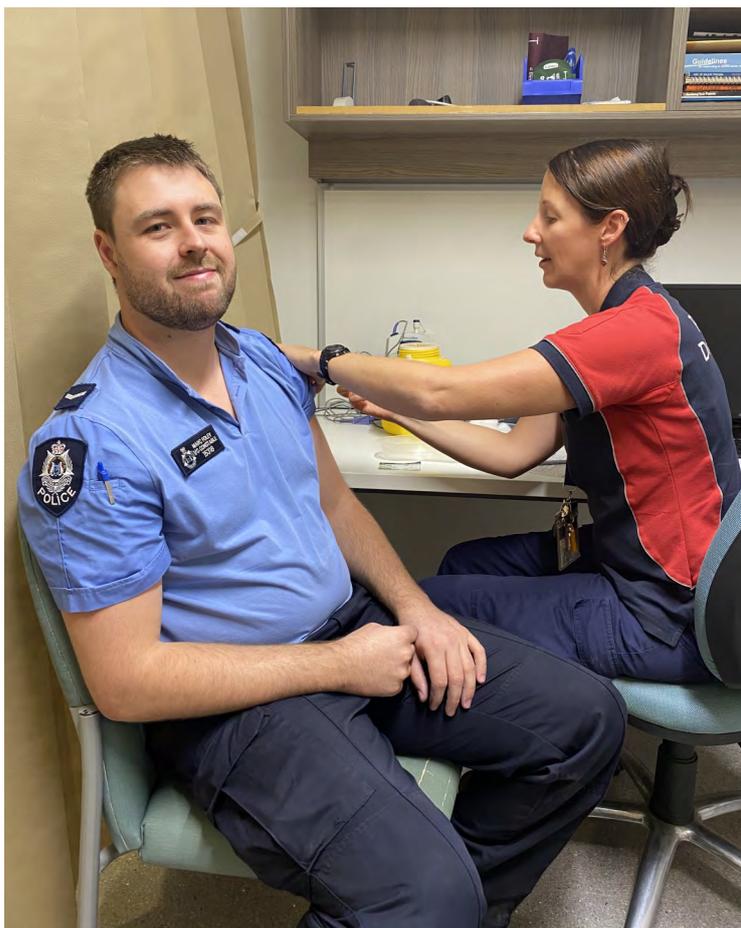
New Wheels

Some of you may have seen a different police car getting around town and wondered who was visiting! Marble Bar received a new police car around the middle of August, which is fitted out with all the latest bells and whistles. You can't miss it with the bright yellow stripes running across, so feel free to come and have a look! Morgan and I will be very happy to give you a quick tour and explain how everything works and what it does.

Already the new police car has racked up some serious kilometres, with a couple of trips to Nullagine and also out to Punmu and Kunawarritji, the kilometres rack up quickly out here!



The new police car - probably won't stay shiny for long!



Marc getting his first COVID-19 jab in August

COVID-19 Vaccinations

I just wanted to say a big thankyou to the Marble Bar Community for their enthusiasm and willingness to be vaccinated against COVID-19.

Over 100 people from Marble Bar and the outlying area turned up to receive their vaccination from the RFDS a couple of weeks ago. The RFDS will be back Monday 6th and Tuesday 7th of September so make sure you come in for your second shot. If you missed out last time you can also get your first shot so don't stress! The vaccine is available to everyone that is over the age of 12. No booking is needed and the vaccination is free to all people. I hope to see everyone at the clinic next time to help our community and each other reduce the spread of COVID-19

- Marc Foley

Acting Sargent

Marble Bar Police Station

MACA MINING RECRUITMENT SESSION

On the evening of Monday 23rd August the CRC hosted MACA mining for a recruitment session and BBQ. Recruitment Manager Rick Nardi travelled down from Perth for the session and was joined by an awesome crew who are currently working locally out at Sanjiv Ridge.

It was a great opportunity to have a chat with the MACA crew about their experience working on site, and MACA were grabbing contact details for anyone interested in picking up some flexible work out at Sanjiv Ridge and Pilgangoora mine sites. They're primarily looking for mobile plant operators and training is available.

It was a great evening and we're hopeful that some good outcomes will be coming from it.

For anyone who attended on the night and put their name down, Rick has advised that they're still working through the applications but you should hear back from them soon.

Thank you to Rick and the MACA crew for getting in touch and working with us to organise the session, Lisa George who helped out on the BBQ and everyone who came

along and got involved.

- Amy Pfitzner,
Marble Bar CRC

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WEDNESDAY		
NULLAGINE - MARBLE BAR	7AM	8:30AM
MARBLE BAR - STH HEDLAND	9AM	11:30AM
THURSDAY		
STH HEDLAND - MARBLE BAR	12 NOON	2:15PM
MARBLE BAR - NULLAGINE	2:30PM	4:00PM
FRIDAY		
NULLAGINE - NEWMAN	7AM	9:30AM
NEWMAN - NULLAGINE	12 NOON	2:30PM

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Marble Bar Primary

Stephen Michael Foundation

On Monday the 30th and Tuesday the 31st of August, Marble Bar Primary School welcomed the Stephen Michael Foundation (SMF).

Stephen Michael, Paul Mugambwa, Tahlia Gibbs, Darryl Sinclair and Andrew McCarrey were in attendance from the SMF and brought a wealth of enthusiasm and knowledge for the students to engage and thrive off.

The two days were to be action packed with plenty of activities and games for the students to participate in. Students, on the Monday,

practiced football skills and developed their technique with the SMF. After school the SMF ran basketball clinics and activities for the students at the Rec Shed and courts.

On Tuesday, Marble Bar, Warralong and Jigalong participated in a football carnival throughout the morning with over 50 students involved in the day.

The day was an overwhelming success with the student's attitude, behaviour and effort first class. To see the smiles and enjoyment on everyone faces was a joy to behold and we hope we can run another carnival next year. To see students having a go, trying their best and displaying sportsmanship and teamwork was excellent which was a highlight of the day. Well Done Students!

Events do not just happen, School Chairperson Stephen and teacher Ryan Sinclair organised and facilitated the event and hope this is the start of a long and prosperous partnership with the Foundation. A lot of time and effort was spent on bringing the oval up to scratch and logistics of communicating with schools venturing into this space.

We thank the Shire of East Pilbara who



Marble Bar Primary



contributed significant time and funding towards the school oval repairs, provided catering from the Marble Bar General Store, donated additional barbecues and administration support by Lisa George to ensure the event could get off the ground. Additionally the Shire provided the Rec Shed to visiting schools in order for them to shower and stay the night.



We thank Roy Hill, Gateway and South Hedland Swans who supplied additional catering, additional footballs and playing jumpers. We hope this new partnership will continue in the years to come. Furthermore, we thank the Iron Clad Hotel who accommodated the Foundation including Stephen Michael himself.



Lastly, we thank Mr Stephen Michael, CEO Paul Mugambwa, Tahlia Gibbs, Darryl Sinclair and Andrew McCarrey for their visit to Marble Bar Primary School.



A wonderful opportunity and effort displayed by participants and we look forward to facilitating the Foundation's return in 2022.

- Ryan Sinclair,
Year 5/6 Teacher & SIDE
Supervisor, MBPS



MARBLE BAR VFES BBQ IN THE PARK

On Wednesday the 18th of August, Kylie and I put on our VFES uniforms, grabbed the 3.4 fire truck and headed down to the RSL park where we were joined by staff and students of Marble Bar Primary School.

We started the session by speaking to the kids about what the brigade does around the place - more than just putting out fires! - and then had a look at all the equipment we carry around on our truck. Those interested got a chance to try on the helmets and jackets (after rolling up the sleeves a few times!) before we rolled out the hoses and fired up the pump.

The kids took turns on the hoses, with one holding the branch (spray nozzle) and the other 'backing up' and helping support the hose. Everyone had a go adjusting the spray and feeling the water pressure - even the smaller hoses pack a punch!

Eventually the water ran low and it was time to head over to the hydrant and refill the truck. A couple of our more enthusiastic new recruits got to jump up in the truck for a bit of a look while we set up the very leaky standpipe and proceeded to get everything nice and muddy!

While Mr. Sinclair and myself had been having fun supervising all the action, Kylie was on the BBQ (generously assisted by our new mate Kerry from Atlas Iron) and by this stage the BBQ lunch was ready to go. We all tucked in for a feed, then it was time for the kids to head off back to school.

All in all it was a great morning. Thank



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you to the staff and students of Marble Bar Primary for joining us and getting involved, to Wendy for handling the photography (great job Wendy!) and to Kerry for coming down to help out.

- Amy Pfitzner, Marble Bar VFES



Welcome Julia, the new Coordinator at EPIS

Adding to the list of new faces in town is Julia Rauli, who's taken over the role of Support Coordinator at EPIS.

Julia hasn't been in town long but is keen to get stuck in and be involved in the community. She's here by herself at the moment (hoping her husband will be joining her soon) so make sure to say hi if you see her around the place!

Thoughts on Marble Bar so far?

It's a nice place, and peaceful.

Tell us a bit about your background?

I come from a small island called Fiji. I've been an aged care worker for 10 years.

What attracted you to travel to Marble Bar and take on this role?

I wanna challenge myself. I took on this role so I can learn more and being part of the community is a great opportunity.

I put myself out there in the community to show my love, care and respect for the elderly.

What are your hobbies and interests?

I like interacting and meeting with people, also music, movies and cooking.

We're looking forward to working with you

Julia, thanks for taking the time to chat!

- Amy Pfitzner,

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Corunna Downs Airbase

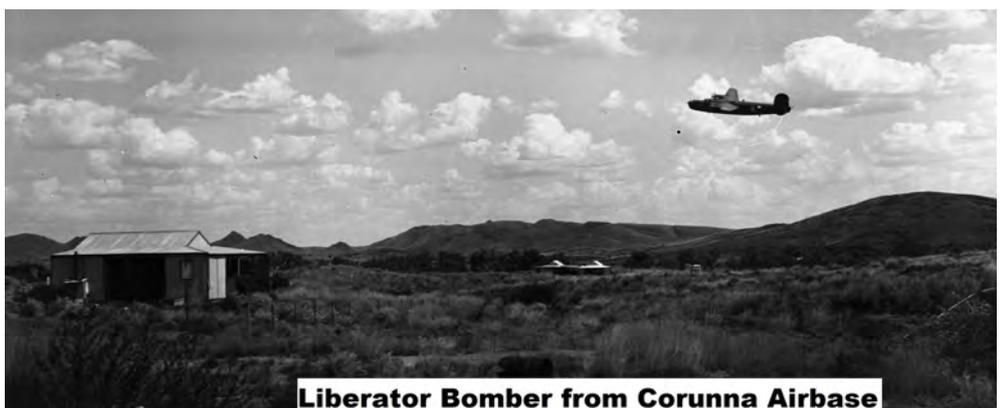
There is a very interesting book in the Shire Library at the moment recommended to us by Pip Nowland called 'Red Sun On The Kangaroo Paw' written by a bloke named Kevin Gomm. It is about air raids on Western Australia during World War Two and is well worth a read. There is a section devoted to the Corunna Downs Airbase in the book as well as Port Hedland that makes for some great reading.

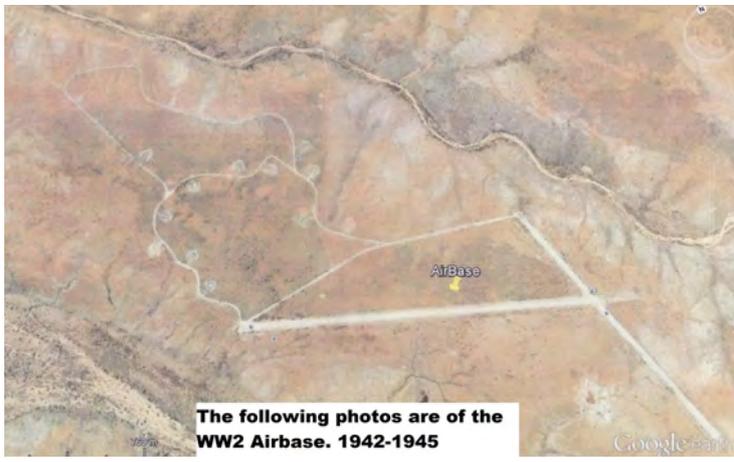
I was surprised to learn that there was a total of three air raids on Port Hedland, two in 1942 and one in 1943. The first raid was in the morning of the 30th of July 1942. It was the largest attack and caused the most damage. It was targeted directly on the airfield. Nine Japanese bombers dropped a total of fifty four bombs, some of which didn't explode and had to be later detonated by a special bomb unit from Perth. There was a camp set up in close vicinity to the airfield housing the 29th Garrison Battalion and sadly 19 year old Private John Adams was killed instantly by a flying piece of shrapnel whilst taking shelter under his bunk.

Dr Harold Dicks (one of the first Royal Flying Doctors in the region) was flying in from Marble Bar at the time of the attack and saw the dust and smoke. He was smart enough to figure out what was going on and kept his distance until it was all over! He then proceeded to land on the runway - carefully avoiding the burning craters and debris. This attack was considered a diversionary tactic to draw attention away from events happening in New Guinea and the South Pacific and to apply pressure on the

already thin-on-the-ground Northern defences. The next two attacks on Port Hedland in the ensuing months seemed ill planned and almost half-hearted. With bombers circling the town for hours before dropping poorly aimed bombs which mostly fell harmlessly into the ocean. It is thought these two missions were perhaps more about reconnaissance and monitoring shipping and troop movement.

By 1942 construction had begun on the airbase at Corunna. In May 1943 the first long range night time strikes against the Japanese began. The target was the port city of Surabaya, 1900 kilometres from Marble Bar by 7 Liberator aircraft from Corunna. The base enabled aircraft to complete such missions in the North on the fuel load they carried. The Japanese suspected their must be a airbase somewhere in the north of Australia to be able to carry out such missions and spent a lot of time searching for





The following photos are of the WW2 Airbase. 1942-1945

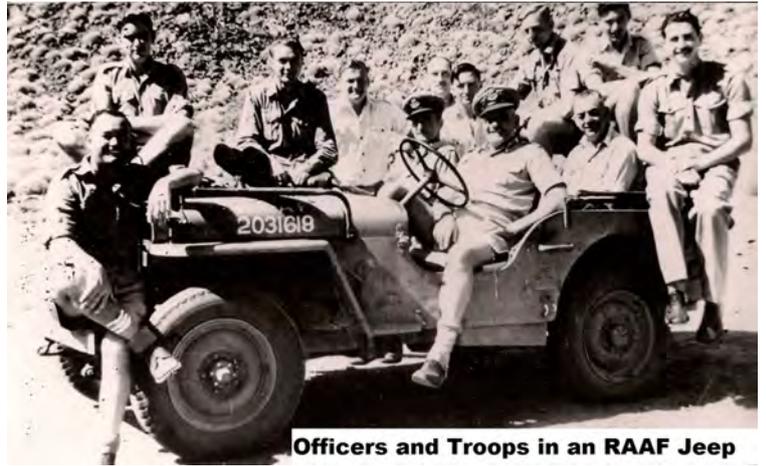


Night shift in the Signals Hut



Corunna Downs Airbase

Campsite tent lines & ablutions



Officers and Troops in an RAAF Jeep



Bombs, loaded by hand



Ground crews hand pumped Avgas

Photos sourced from trove.nla.gov.au and the State Library of Western Australia

it with no success. Even when it became obvious the war was lost to them they were still searching for the airbase!

So how did Corunna remain undetected? It was not only due to its remote location, shielded by sun baked hills, but also the total non-mention of it - a deliberate blackout by government and military authorities at the time. Maximum censorship was enforced and no reference was ever made to it over the airways or in the newspapers. Corunna was in fact so difficult to find that Australian pilots returning from missions got lost! It was not unusual for planes to have to be

escorted back into the airbase after running into difficulty locating it.

In total forty missions were flown out of Corunna, the last in December 1944. The airbase was then decommissioned and much of it scrapped, sold or abandoned. Legend has it whole aircraft, army jeeps and other equipment is hidden in under ground bunkers... I think we will leave it at that, nothing like a bit of mystery and myth to end a good story!

- Kylie James,
Marble Bar CRC

Welcome to town, Kristy Brown!

Continuing the theme of introductions, there's a new 'Aquatic Officer' at Marble Bar Pool; Kristy Brown. Kristy moved to Marble Bar a few weeks ago with her husband Hayden and two dogs, Franklin and Winston. I finally got around to catching up with her the other day and she was nice enough to answer a few questions.

Where are you from originally?

Perth – but lived in QLD for the last 14 years

Tell us a bit about your background?

I have worked in the Aquatic Industry for 14 years, specifically at a council run Aquatic Centre in QLD.

During this time I have been a Lifeguard, Swimming Instructor, Junior Squad Coach, Water Fitness Instructor and have been a part of the management team, where I was the Centre Coordinator for the last 3.5 years and still doing all of the above on a daily basis.

Thoughts about Marble Bar so far?

Absolutely in love with the town, but trying to get use to the red dirt.

What attracted you to travel to Marble Bar?

I have always been open to exciting new adventures where I can pass all my skills, knowledge and industry enthusiasm onto others.

Marble Bar is a beautiful rural town with a lot to offer to the community and I am very excited to be given the opportunity to help grow The Shire of East Pilbara Aquatic Centres' Water Safety Programs for all ages and to introduce Marble Bar to the exciting and wonderful world of Water Fitness and Healthy Lifestyle Programs.

Any thoughts on how long you'll stay?

We have a 5 year plan 😊

What are your interests/hobbies?

I am a great lover of Literacy and books – I have a library (although very small now) in my house.

Something interesting about yourself - what are your notable achievements?

I have won the AustSwim QLD State Teacher of Adults and WETS Instructor (water aerobics) in 2016 and 2017

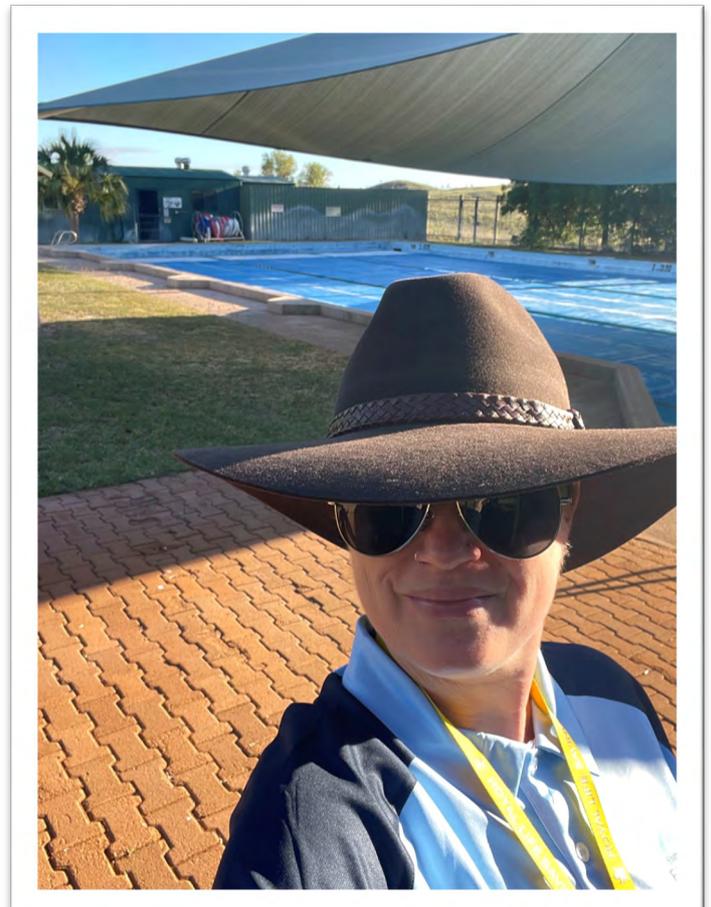
Anything else to add?

My life passion is Teaching Learn to Swim and Water Fitness, but I specialise in writing and executing individualised programs for Adults and the Culturally and Linguistically Diverse communities. There is something magical in seeing the transformation of a person's life when they thought it would be an impossible task.

Thanks for taking the time to answer my questions Kristy - I'm sure you'll get used to the red dirt eventually!

If you'd like to say to Kristy, make sure to head down on Saturday 4th for the pool opening party, sure to be a great time!

**- Amy Pfitzner,
Marble Bar CRC**



MARBLE BAR POOL PARTY

Come along for the opening
of the pool's season for a
free community pool party!

Barbecue from 12pm-1pm

Where:

Marble Bar Aquatic Centre

When:

September 3, 2021

10am to 6pm



Regional Economic Development Grants



Open to businesses, local government and non-profit organisations.

Up to \$250,000 in funding available for projects that stimulate job creation and economic growth in the Pilbara.

ONE-ON-ONE ADVICE AVAILABLE!

**Pilbara Development Commission staff will be in Marble Bar on
Tuesday 21 September 2021.**

**Come along to an information session about the RED Grants Round 4 at the
Community Resource Centre from 10am and if you would like a one-on-one
session with staff, contact 08 9173 8401 to book your appointment.**

Light refreshments to be served.

How to apply

Funding guidelines and application forms are available from pdc.wa.gov.au/REDgrants
For more information contact our Grants Officer on 08 9173 8401 or grants@pdc.wa.gov.au

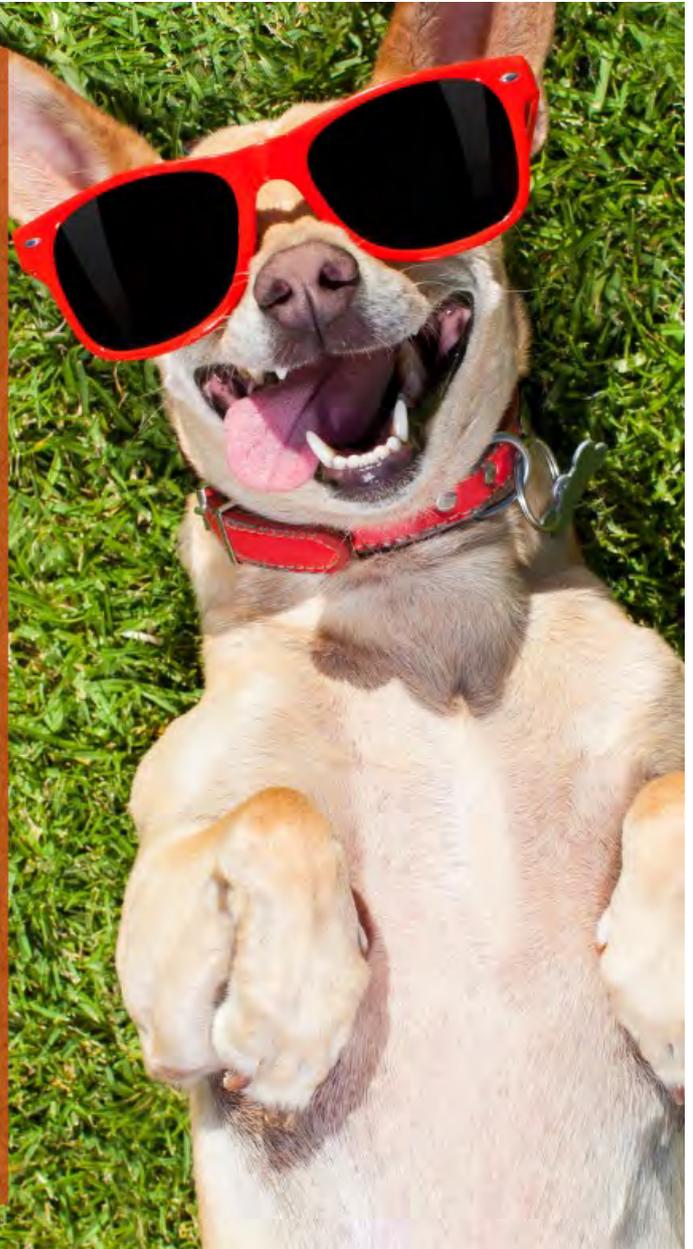
Applications close 5pm, 21 October 2021

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FREE TICK TREATMENT

Come into the Marble Bar
Shire office between
8:30am & 4:30pm with
your pooch to receive a
free Tick treatment!

Help stop the spread of
deadly viruses spread by
ticks and keep your loved
one safe.



Drop off your recyclables at the Marble Bar CRC

8:30am - 4:30pm
Monday - Friday



ELIGIBLE CONTAINERS

The Marble Bar Community
Resource Centre has signed
up with the Containers for
Change (CFC) scheme!

You can help out the Marble
Bar CRC by dropping off
your containers here.

Otherwise, you can make
sure the money gets to us by
quoting our scheme ID
(C10311686) or showing the
barcode pictured on the
right when you drop the
containers off at a Refund
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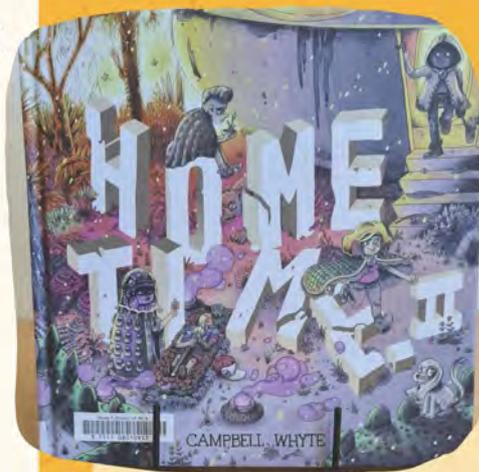
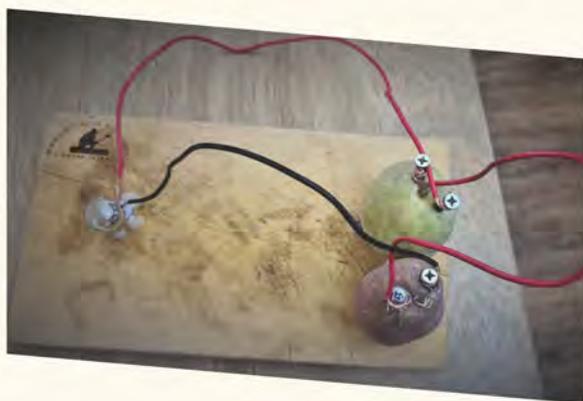


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Science Week Failure in August

Our attempts at turning on a light bulb using a potato battery were a total bust. However, as we all know, multiple science failures eventually lead to success as long as you don't give up. So...we're not going to give up and will continue to work with the humble spud in order to get the result all those others seem to have been able to achieve.



For Young Adults

Check out Home Time (Book Two) by Campbell Whyte.

It's like a graphic novel - the artwork is excellent and the stories are easy to read and so cool. It's almost like reading an online game, rather than playing it.

Most Popular Authors

We had two stand-out authors in August - C J Box and Fiona McCallum.

- C J Box - an American author of more than 30 books, including over 20 in the Joe Pickett series. Joe is a Wyoming Game Warden who attracts trouble like a magnet. He loves his family, has no emotional baggage and is committed to doing the right thing. Set in the Yellowstone National Park, Box manages to create enough suspense and excitement in his novels to have been on the #1 New York Times Best Sellers list multiple times.
- Fiona McCallum - after 10 years of rejection by numerous publishers, this Australia author has written 13 successful books with a self-discovery, heartwarming theme. Check out Making Peace and Trick of the Light to name a few.



This Month...

To coincide with Canberra's Floriade and Kings Park Festival 2021, our library is hosting:

Pilbara Flora & Fauna



COMPETITION

Make at least one flower with materials provided in the library.

Entries close
30 September

Fun Activities

1. Come along and make your own seedling pots out of newspaper; watch the seeds grow and take them home at the end of the month to plant in the garden
2. Make your own flower from tissue paper to hang in your bedroom; or make a bunch and give to someone you love in your family



What to Read?

- A is for Australian Animals
- The Koala Who Couldn't Sleep
- Find That Flower
- Backyard Bush Tucker
- In Bloom

PLANT WATCH:

MULLA MULLA (PTILOTUS)

Our beautiful Mulla Mulla! Known by a variety of names including fox tails, pussy tails and lamb tails, they are spectacular and there are some amazing displays around - particularly alongside the road on the way to Newman.

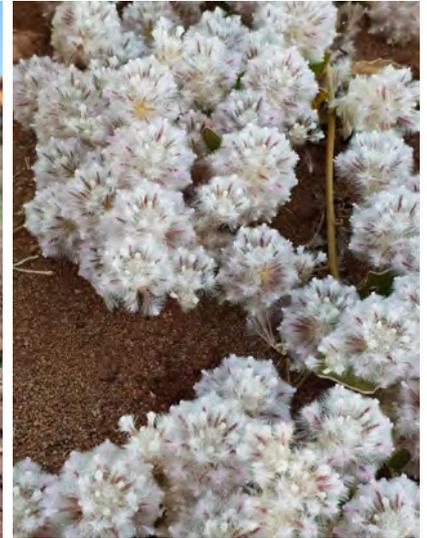
Ptilotus was first officially recorded by Scottish botanist Robert Brown in 1810. There are several different varieties in the *Ptilotus* genus, over 120 species in total and all but one exclusive to Australia (there's one in Indonesia.) *Ptilotus rotundifolius* (Royal Mulla Mulla) is the floral emblem of the Pilbara.

Ptilotus are 'herbaceous' which means they have green, fairly soft stems. Many of them are also perennial means they die down to the ground after each flowering season but their roots stay alive underground, ready to come up again next year.

Their silver-grey leaves contrast beautifully against the stunning pink-purple flowers. Mix that with some beautiful red dirt and spinifex topped hills at sunset and expect to have your breath taken away! One of my favourites, how about you?

- Kylie James, Marble Bar CRC

Info from Wikipedia, DPAW, the Australian Native Plants Society & Pilbara Native Plants. Photos by Amy Pfitzner.



COMMUNITY SKILLSHARE



Do you have a
skill or hobby?

The CRC are looking
to run community classes
in the training centre.

You supply the talent
we'll cover the costs.

Maybe a one-off photography session?

A series of knitting classes?

Let us know if you've got the skills

Or if you're interested in learning something new!



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Historical Marble Bar

~ ARTICLES FROM SEPTEMBER ~

Historical newspaper articles sourced from www.trove.nla.gov.au give us a glimpse into the recent history of the Pilbara, with stories of triumph and hardship from the past 200 years.

MARBLE BAR

~West Australian~
September 3 1901

The death occurred, at Muccan Station, last Wednesday, of Frederick Burkleman Guerin, one of the oldest and best known residents of the Nor-West. He was highly respected by all who knew him. It appears that after being ailing for only five days, the deceased succumbed to what appeared to be inflammation of the lungs. The deceased was stated to be 67 years old. He was born at Busselton, where his relations still reside.

Corporal Breen has received information from the Attorney-General's office that the charge of murder against Edwin Riddle, for killing a china man near Port Hedland, has been reduced to one of manslaughter. The accused will be tried at Roebourne on the 18th inst., instead of at the Criminal Sittings, Perth.

A PROSPECTOR MISSING. A Fruitless Search.

~Daily News~
September 15 1899

Reuben Robertson, while travelling from Port Hedland to Marble Bar, came across horses belonging to a prospector named Robert Chandler, who left Port Hedland last Tuesday week for Marble Bar. Some teamsters saw Chandler on the road. He was on foot driving the horses.

Robertson caught the horses, and followed Chandler's tracks until he came to a tree where he found his clothes hung on a bough. He had divested himself of every stitch of clothing. Robertson continued to follow

the foot prints until he reached hard country. He made efforts to pick them up again, but was unsuccessful. He came into Marble Bar to report the matter to the police, but on his arrival all the members of the force were absent, Constable Shekleton being out Woodstock way, Constable Hughes in Roebourne, and Sergeant Smyth and Constable Guest at Braeside.

A local resident sent out a black tracker to prosecute the search. A later telegram received from Port Hedland states:—"Re Chandler. -Kelly arrived on Wednesday night; reports having followed the tracks from where the horses were seen and finding the clothes, which are believed to belong to Chandler, hanging on a tree. After passing the tree the tracks led into stony country, where Kelly lost them, and could not again find any traces of the missing man."

MARBLE BAR

~Northern Times~
September 3 1941

WARM WEATHER: The promises of heavy rain last week were not fulfilled, the total registration being only nine points, and the weather for the last week has been very warm the daily maximum slowly but surely creeping towards the hundred mark, the last two days registering 98deg. The town is brightening up quite a lot lately too, there being something to do nearly every night this week mostly functions in aid of Red Cross funds. It looks as though we will have no pictures for a while, as the proprietor, unfortunately is having mechanical trouble with the engine.

RED CROSS CONCERT: On Monday night last a community concert was held in Davison and Smith's dining rooms in aid of Red Cross funds, and although the anticipated attendance was not as large as anticipated, a very enjoyable evening complete with supper was had by those there. Music was supplied by Mr Les Bailey with his piano accordion, and a collection was taken up, resulting in the sum of £1/6/9. The action of Mr Davison and Mrs Smith in giving the use of the room free and supplying the supper at cost is greatly appreciated, and it is hoped that the next concert will be a greater success.

ACCIDENT AT NULLAGINE: A serious accident at Eastern Creek, about 43 miles from Nullagine last Monday morning, when Mrs W Gordon sustained injuries to her chest and head. From information gathered it appears that the truck driven by Mr W Gordon, who had with him Mrs Gordon and Mr Abotmomey was proceeding up a particularly steep incline to load ore when the engine stalled and the truck commenced to roll backwards. The brakes were immediately applied but failed and Mr Abotmomey jumped out and tried to check its progress by placing a rock behind the wheel. Unfortunately the truck gained too much momentum and jumped the rock and continued its downward rush gaining speed quickly and hitting a boulder turned over several times throwing the driver out some distance from where it came to rest. The two men immediately rushed to the assistance of Mrs Gordon and had to lift the truck off her. She was bleeding freely from a deep cut on the back of

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her head, and her chest appeared to be crushed. Stopping the bleeding as best they could they then carried her to where there was another old truck and made haste to transport her to Nullagine. When they reached the Twenty Mile they transferred the patient to another truck belonging to Mr McPhee as it was a more comfortable vehicle and continued on towards Nullagine. Before they had covered many miles, however, Mr McPhee's vehicle broke down but, fortunately, Mr Frank Stevens, who was at the Twenty Mile when they transferred the patient to the present vehicle, had decided to follow them in case anything happened, so leaving the patient in the more comfortable conveyance they proceeded to tow it into town. In the meantime Mr Simpson had been sent on ahead on a motor cycle to advise Mrs Hill, of the Conglomerate Hotel, who had been a trained nurse, of the accident and also to send word to the doctor in Hedland. But as he did not arrive until after five o'clock, by the time the doctor had received word it was too late for him to proceed to Nullagine and attempt a landing in the dark. By seven o'clock in the evening the party had not arrived and Mrs Hill, becoming anxious set out in a utility with Mr Kay, the owner of the vehicle, and met them seven miles out, and once again the unfortunate woman was transferred to another car, arriving in Nullagine at nine o'clock, just eleven hours after the accident had occurred. Mrs Hill gave all the possible attention and watched the patient until the doctors arrival at 7.30 the next morning, when he made an examination and

found that Mrs Gordon had suffered a wound on the back of the head, a broken collarbone, and injuries to the chest, the full extent of which he could not determine definitely until he had made an X-ray. The patient was transferred to the plane and taken immediately to Port Hedland, at which hospital she is now an inmate. Had there been a doctor stationed at Marble Bar, he could have arrived in Nullagine an hour after the patient and eased her pain through those long hours of the night. Perhaps one day something will be done in the matter.

SOCIAL: After ten days holiday at Pilga Station, Mrs W Phillips returned home last Saturday.

Mrs A J Pook is an inmate of the local hospital, suffering from dengue fever, of which quite a bit has been going around lately.

Quite a large party of the Buffaloes journeyed to Hedland over the weekend, returning in the early hours of Monday morning. From all accounts it was a most pleasant outing, though a tiring one by the appearance of many on Monday.

A MENACE TO THE COMMUNITY

~Northern Times~
September 14 1935

There was a sensation in Marble Bar on Thursday, when Clarence Charles Watson, an employee of the State Battery, ran amok. After visiting the State Battery boarding house, assaulting the proprietor and smashing crockery and other articles, Watson proceeded onto the town. On the way he

assaulted and used threatening language to several citizens.

Finally, armed with a beer bottle, Watson made an attack on the Ironclad Hotel, taking possession by forcing his way behind the bar counter and putting the wife of the licensee to flight.

He began smashing bottles, glasses and other articles standing on the shelves, and continued with the wrecking before he was arrested by Constable Marshall, and lodged on the local lock up. Glasses, bottles of beer, whisky, brandy and other spirits to the value of £28 had been destroyed, and the bar floor was flooded with beer and mixed spirits. Broken bottles and glasses were scattered everywhere.

Watson was brought to the Police Court on Friday, and, on the application of the police, was remanded until today, when he appeared before Messrs. Green and Woodgate on six charges.

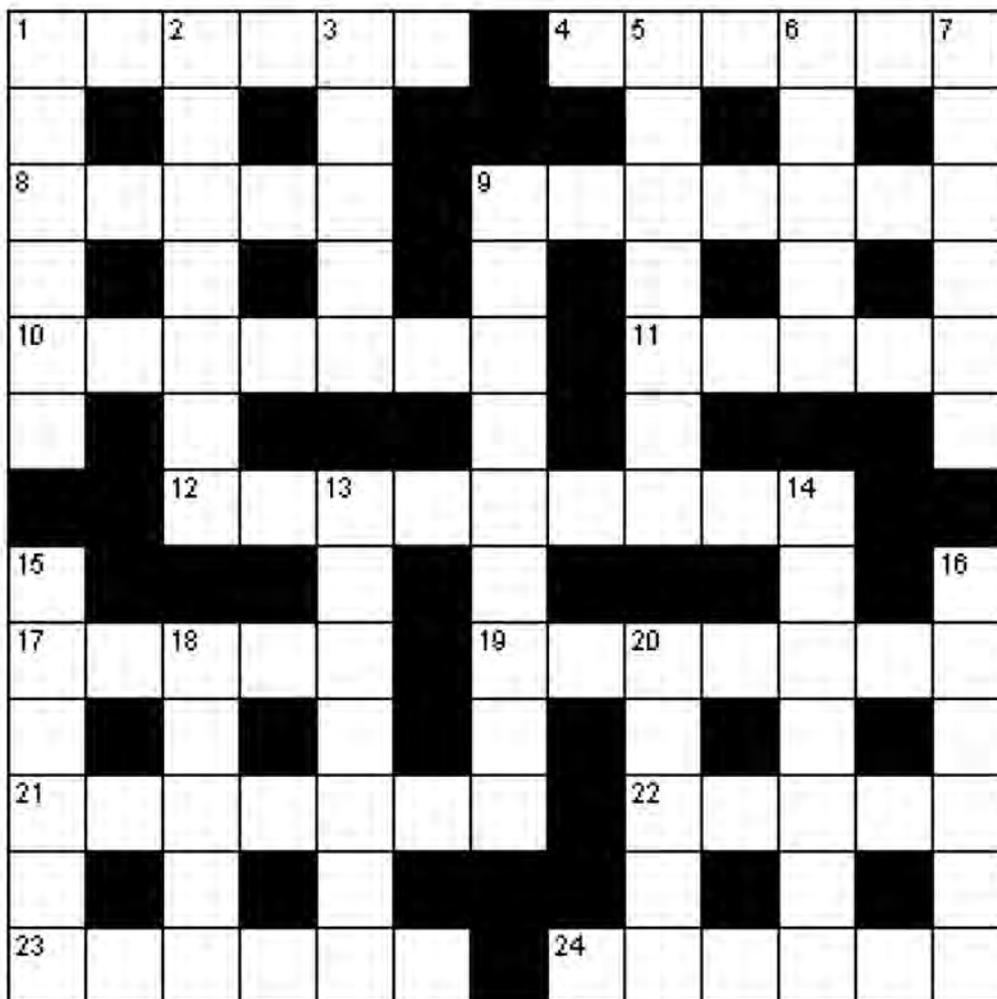
The evidence showed that Watson was intent on doing all the damage and bodily injury he could.

Having a previous record he was considered a menace to the community and was sentenced to a total of one year 113 days imprisonment with hard labour.



Daily Quick Crossword

16 August



Across

- 1. Hypnotic state (6)
- 4. Unruffled (6)
- 8. Poised for action (5)
- 9. Water tank (7)
- 10. Country formerly part of Yugoslavia (7)
- 11. Horrify (5)
- 12. Toady (9)
- 17. Electronic communication (1-4)
- 19. Wagered (7)
- 21. Bishop's territory (7)
- 22. Truehearted (5)
- 23. High regard (6)
- 24. Archer's missiles (6)

Down

- 1. Three times (6)
- 2. Nonplussed (2,1,4)
- 3. Underground chamber (5)
- 5. Milan opera house (2,5)
- 6. Move furtively (5)
- 7. Hang freely (6)
- 9. Bubbly (9)
- 13. Educational institution (7)
- 14. Hunting cry (5-2)
- 15. Interfere (6)
- 16. Grown-ups (6)
- 18. More or less (5)
- 20. Middle-distance runner (5)

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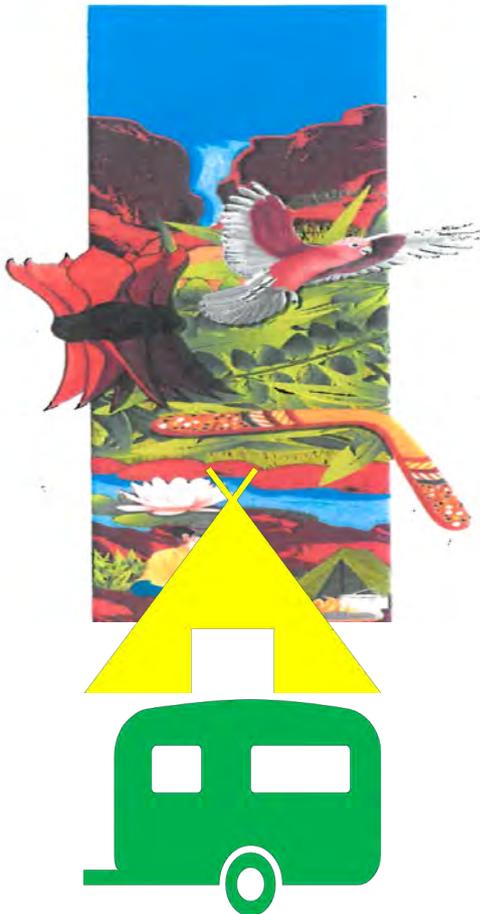
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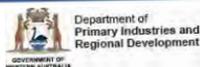


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Department of
Primary Industries and
Regional Development

Marble Bar Volunteer Fire & Emergency Services (VFES)

Volunteers Wanted!
Training 7th & 24th September

Contact Amy: 9176 1375
Paul Maddern: 0409 174 042

ALLIED HEALTH 2021

Visiting Speech Pathology,
Occupational Therapy, Physiotherapy
Wednesdays at Marble Bar Nursing Post

13th October

WA Country Health Service: 9174 13521
WACHSPB_AlliedHealth@health.wa.gov.au

COVID VACCINATIONS:

Monday 6th & Tuesday 7th
September - no appointment
necessary!

STAY UP TO DATE

Find us on facebook
and hit that like button!



Do you have a community notice you'd
like included?

Call the CRC on 9176 1375

~ Funeral Notices ~

It is with the upmost respect to the deceased and their families that we pass on the following funeral notices.
More detailed notices can be viewed at the Marble Bar CRC.

Roberta Solomon

Funeral 10th September 8:00am at the Pilbara Church, Roebourne
Followed by graveside service at Roebourne Cemetery.

Jerry Maher

Funeral 4th September 10:00am Baptist Church South Hedland, Graveside 11:00am

Baker Lane

Funeral 25th September 9:00am at Jigalong

Billy Atkins

Funeral 26th September 9:00am at Jigalong

Doris Thomas

Funeral 11th September 3.00pm at Warralong Community, Graveside 4:00pm

Get Involved with the Marble Bar CRC

We're always looking for new people to join the Committee and elections are on the horizon!

If you've ever said the phrase "I wish the CRC would..." or "Why doesn't the CRC..." now's your chance to make it happen!

Join now as a member and you can participate in the next election!

Get in touch to find out more, or drop into the CRC to pick up a form.

A FEW HANDY NUMBERS:

Fire, Emergency & Ambulance
000 (112 locked/out of range)
(131 444 Police Non-Emergency)

Marble Bar Police Station:
9176 0500

Marble Bar Nursing Post
9174 1900 or 9176 1001

Main Roads Fault & Enquiry:
138 138

Water Corp Faults Line:
13 13 75

Horizon Power Faults Line:
13 23 51

Marble Bar Race Club
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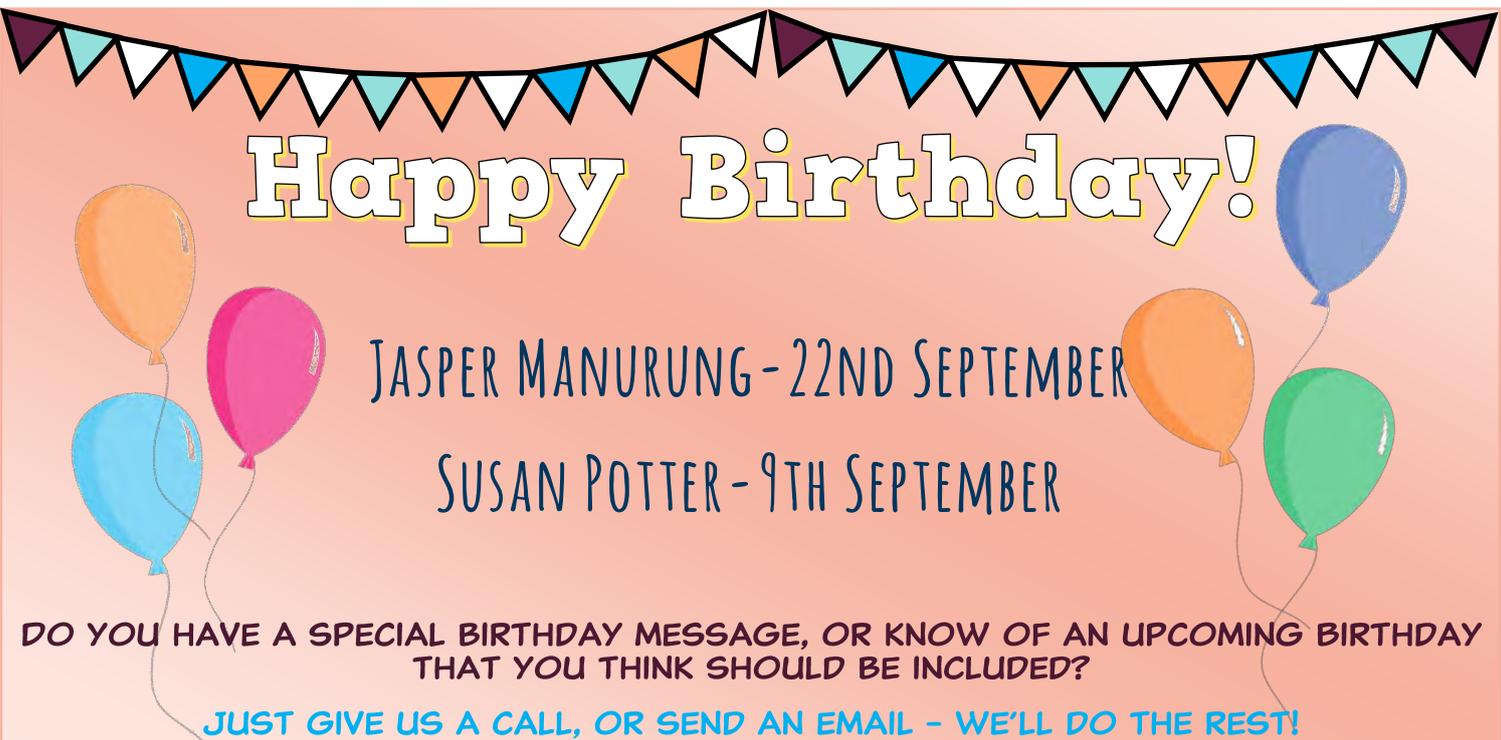
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(AAC): 9176 1832**



Happy Birthday!

JASPER MANURUNG - 22ND SEPTEMBER

SUSAN POTTER - 9TH SEPTEMBER

DO YOU HAVE A SPECIAL BIRTHDAY MESSAGE, OR KNOW OF AN UPCOMING BIRTHDAY THAT YOU THINK SHOULD BE INCLUDED?

JUST GIVE US A CALL, OR SEND AN EMAIL - WE'LL DO THE REST!

SEPTEMBER 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
			1 Global Lithium Info Session 5:30pm @MB Civic Centre	2 RFDS @MB Nursing Post	3 Be Connected 3:00-4:30pm @CRC	4
5	6	7 BIN DAY MARBLE BAR VFES 5pm @The Station	8	RFDS @MB NP Shire Election Voting enrolment & election nominations close today!	10 Be Connected 3:00-4:30pm @CRC	11
12	13	14 BIN DAY	15	16 RFDS @MB Nursing Post	17 Be Connected 3:00-4:30pm @CRC	18
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26	Public Holiday Queens Birthday	28 BIN DAY	29	30 RFDS @MB Nursing Post		
School Holidays						

OCTOBER 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
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