

**Marble Bar**  
January - February  
2021

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# Editorial

Hello again,

I hope everyone had a lovely Christmas and a great start to the new year. It's certainly been a wet few weeks since the last edition! All the rain has left the CRC Community Garden with a bumper crop of pumpkins so make sure to head down and grab one, (or two!) donations welcome!

There's a few things happening locally this February and March, including the local government election on the 24th of February - check out pages 14-15 to find out more including how to vote and profiles for the candidates.

We've also got International Women's Day here on the 9th of February so make sure to head down to the CRC for that one ladies! (more on page 16)

We've had a lot of enquiry about upcoming training here at the CRC and we've got some stuff in the pipeline so keep an eye out for updates on that, and don't forget if you're over 50 you're always welcome to head into the CRC for free computer training! Make sure to book an appointment if you want to make sure we're not too busy.

I hope you enjoy the special January-February double edition of the Mirage!

Cheers,

Amy Pfitzner  
Coordinator,  
Marble Bar CRC

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# What's Cooking?

## Lemon Custard Teacakes



### Method

1. To make the custard, place the custard powder and sugar in a small saucepan. Add just enough milk to make a paste then add remaining milk. Slowly bring to the boil over medium heat, stirring constantly. Reduce heat and simmer for 2 minutes. Set aside to cool completely, stirring occasionally. Stir through lemon curd and rind.
2. Preheat oven to 180C/160C fan forced. Grease a 12 x 1/2 capacity muffin pan.
3. Use electric beaters to beat butter, sugar and vanilla in a bowl until pale and creamy. Add eggs, one at a time, beating well after each addition. Beat in flour and milk until well combined.
4. Spoon 1 tablespoon of mixture into each muffin hole, spreading slightly up the sides of the pan. Fill with 1 tablespoon of custard and top with another 1 tablespoon of batter, trying to encase the custard in batter. Repeat with remaining muffin holes.
5. Bake for 22 to 25 minutes, or until golden and puffed. Leave to cool for 5 minutes before turning onto a wire rack to cool. Serve with dusted icing sugar.

*Hint: Bake in muffin papers so they don't stick to the pan!*

### Ingredients

- 150g butter chopped, at room temp
- 1/2 cup caster sugar
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 2 eggs
- 1 1/3 cups SR flour
- 1/3 cup milk, at room temp
- Icing sugar, to serve

### **Lemon Curd Custard**

- 1 1/2 tbslp custard powder
- 2 teaspoons caster sugar
- 3/4 cup milk
- 1/3 cup lemon curd
- Grated rind of 1 lemon

# NAIDOC CONTINUES...

## SUBMISSIONS WELCOME FROM ADULTS TOO!

We know that NAIDOC week is over, but we still have a whole pile of shirts here just waiting to give away.

Most kids have had an opportunity to do their drawings at school or at the Rec Shed, and activities will continue at the Rec Sed. If you're a big kid or an adult or you don't go to the Rec Shed, bring your artwork to the CRC and get your free shirt!

We have textas and colouring-in pencils here so don't stress if you don't have supplies at home!

**Step 1. On a normal bit of paper, draw what NAIDOC means to you.**

**Step 2. Bring your design to the CRC BY FEBRUARY 26th!**

**Step 3. Get a free shirt for NAIDOC 2020 with your design on it!**

# NAIDOC WEEK

## IN MARBLE BAR



Do you like design,  
fashion and culture?

Shire of EAST  
Pilbara  
AUSTRALIA'S LARGEST SHIRE

The Marble Bar Community Resource Centre has successfully received a grant and will work together with Julie from the Youth Centre to offer our community the chance to design their own NAIDOC themed shirts to wear and keep!

These shirts will be printed professionally using the Marble Bar CRC printing service and you will be left with an impressive piece of wearable art that displays your culture and creativity this NAIDOC Week!



**INTERESTED?**

Call the Marble Bar CRC  
on 9176 1375 to register!

**WHERE ARE YOU  
POSTIE?**



Thanks to COVID, post is a little slow which has pushed our plans back - this is why we can't give you any dates yet as our items haven't arrived!



# PUMPKINS

## Up for grabs at the CRC



The CRC Community Garden is positively overflowing with pumpkins at the moment!

Come and grab a pumpkin from the CRC, donations welcome.



Shire of EAST  
**Pilbara**  
AUSTRALIA'S LARGEST SHIRE

## Seeking Employment?

The Shire of East Pilbara are currently seeking Expressions of Interest for Casual Cleaners within the Community Wellbeing Team located in Marble Bar.

This position is accountable for cleaning Shire assets including but not limited to accommodation and recreational facilities within the Marble Bar town site.

To view the PD or if you have any further questions in relation to this opportunity, come in and see the ladies in the Shire Office or alternatively give us a call on 08 9176 1008. Those interested should ensure they are able to obtain a Police Clearance, along with other key selection criteria.

Please note that canvassing of Councilors will disqualify.

# MARBLE BAR CRC CONTAINERS FOR CHANGE



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

## What is the Containers for Change Scheme?

Through Containers for

Change, you can return your eligible empty containers for a 10-cent refund, which you can either collect yourself or donate to a charity, community group and not-for-profit registered with the scheme (such as the Marble Bar CRC!)

After your containers are returned, they join other recycled goods which are sold through an international online auction portal. Recyclers then turn your containers into raw materials like aluminium ingots and shredded plastic, which can be made into many useful products – from aircraft wings to shoelaces. You then get to continue the cycle by recycling the 'new' product.

Some items, like glass and aluminium, can be infinitely recycled this way without any loss of quality. This reuse of resources is known as a circular economy and is an important way we can reduce our impact on the planet.

## What are 'eligible containers'?

Most aluminium, glass, plastic, steel and liquid paperboard drink containers between 150ml and 3L are eligible for a refund. Anything with the refund mark (i.e. 10c "10c refund at collection depots/points in participating State/Territory of purchase") should be fine.

There are some drink containers that are not eligible for a refund. Generally, excluded containers are those that are less than 150ml and greater than 3L, including milk containers, glass containers which have contained wine or pure spirits and a few others. More info can be found on the Containers for Change website below:

<https://www.containersforchange.com.au/wa/>

## Where can I drop off my containers?

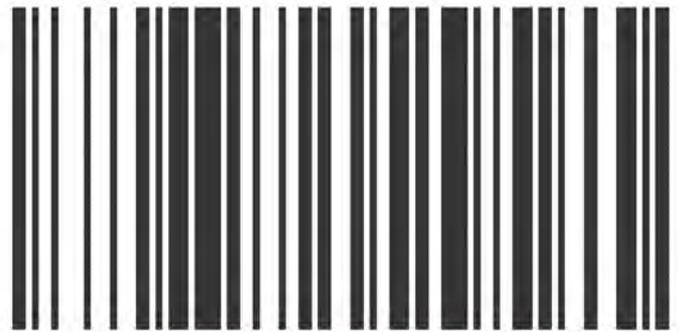
There's a Refund Collection Point at Care for Hedland in Wedgefield.

**The Marble Bar CRC will also accept containers during business hours.** Please make sure your containers are fairly clean i.e. not spilling, and that there's no rubbish mixed in with the containers!

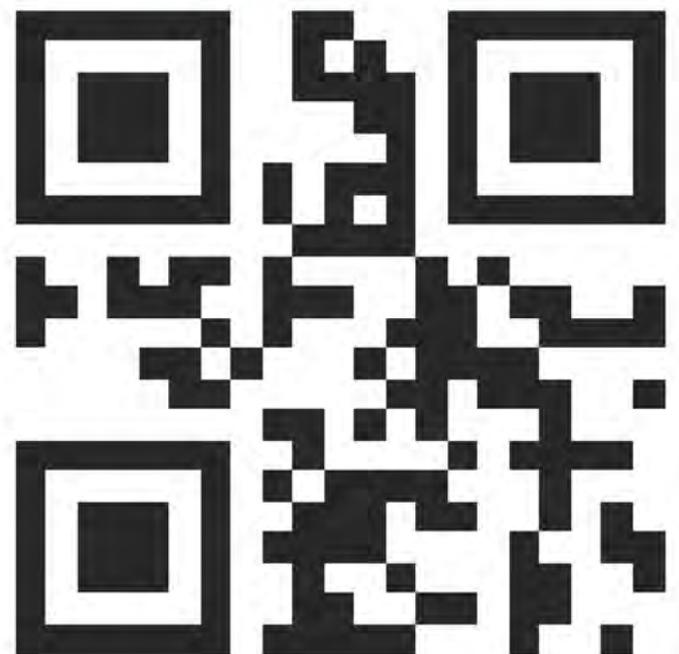
## How do I donate the money to the CRC?

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 Point.



C10311686



# ASSETLINK & MARBLE BAR CRC

## Working Together for Marble Bar

If you're not already aware, Assetlink are the company who have been contracted to manage the Atlas Iron Sanjiv Ridge (formerly known as Corunna Downs) mining village.

Assetlink Operations Manager Craig Fennell (pictured right) has spent a lot of time working with us to find out exactly how this 'Containers for Change' thing works and sorting out the logistics behind getting a mining village worth of recyclables to a depot every few weeks. Thanks to Craig and Village Manager Victoria Phillips (pictured) all the bottles and cans from the Atlas Iron mining village are now being recycled through Care for Hedland and the proceeds are going straight to the Marble Bar CRC!

Since September 2020 the funds from over 6,500 recycled cans and bottles have been donated to the CRC, a total of \$654.70, with more coming in every few weeks.

These funds help us to keep on delivering programs and services to the Marble Bar Community and one of the great things about it is that we don't have to spend it on any one project or program! It's that \$100 or so here and there that's needed to buy snacks for an event or buy seeds for the community garden and we couldn't be more appreciative.

Assetlink seem to be the sort of people who make things happen so we're stoked to announce that the Marble Bar CRC and Assetlink have recently entered into an Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) agreement. We're still waiting for the ink to dry and with the container recycling project well underway, Assetlink have already fulfilled a part of the commitment we've made to working together to further the interests of Marble Bar. We're looking forward to collaborating with them more projects in the future, so keep an eye out.

Huge thanks to Craig, Vicky and the team from Assetlink for doing all the legwork to set this up, Atlas Iron for coming on board and the team from Care for Hedland who facilitate the Containers for Change scheme in Port Hedland.

- Amy Pfitzner, Marble Bar CRC



In December last year Victoria Phillips and Craig Fennell from Assetlink presented us with a novelty cheque for \$420.20... another \$234.50 has come in since then! *Photo supplied by Assetlink*

**Drop off your  
recyclables at the  
Marble Bar CRC**  
**8:30am - 4:30pm**  
**Monday - Friday**



**ELIGIBLE CONTAINERS**

# HARMONY DAY



## MARCH



## MARBLE BAR LONG TABLE LUNCH

DATE: Wednesday, 17th of March  
TIME: 12:00pm  
LOCATION: Marble Bar Civic Centre  
RSVP: Ronice 08 9176 1008

We encourage you to join us to enjoy a Harmony Day Long Table lunch.

Enjoy a selection of dishes prepared for you to celebrate diverse culture within our town.



**Would you like to contribute some sweets?**

Contact the Marble Bar Shire Office on 9176 1008 to find out how!

# There's never been a better time to get online.

Get in touch with us at the Marble Bar CRC to book your digital literacy training - *FREE for people over 50!*

A wide range of courses are available - whether you're an absolute beginner or looking to improve your skills, Be Connected training covers everything from how to turn on a computer to online banking and researching your family history online!

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# ~ Marble Bar ~

# CITIZENS OF THE YEAR

*Congratulations to the nominees and winners of the 2021 Marble Bar Citizen of the Year. These exceptional individuals have been recognised by their community as citizens who make "outstanding contributions and community service."*

*Think someone you know is missing from this list? Don't forget to nominate them for 2022!*

## Marble Bar Citizen of the Year Nominees:

**Amy Pfitzner • Avanui (Arvi) Pekepo • Brian Higgins  
Chloe Coffin • Rodney Bruce • Sheryl Wilkins**

### Citizen of the Year: Sheryl Wilkins

For 20 years Sheryl has dedicated time to running the Post Office and General Store.

She and her husband work tirelessly to give the Marble Bar community friendly service and she has helped put the reputation of Marble Bar Town on the map - people go away with good stories of the town.

### Youth Citizen of the Year: Chloe Coffin

Chloe Coffin has been the WPL (Work Place Learner) at the Shire in 2020. She has been attending work each day professionally presented and actively engaged in the topics we are learning about - the quality of her work has been outstanding and her attention to detail is consistent.

Chloe has begun working at the Travellers Rest while completing year 12 studies and her units with the Shire; she is a role model in town for the other kids who see her commitment, effort and maturity and should be acknowledged for her drive.



The 2021 Marble Bar Citizen of the Year recipients were announced at the Australia Day breakfast

# AUSTRALIA DAY 2021

## & Citizen of the Year Awards



On Australia Day 2021 (26th of January) the Shire of East Pilbara hosted a morning celebration at the Marble Bar swimming pool.

Shire staff were assisted by local the WAPOL office's Nick and Marc to man the BBQs and cook up a bacon and egg breakfast for the community.

The weather was predictably warm so the kids happily took the opportunity to have a splash in the pool, and it wasn't long before pool manager Dave had the compressor running and the blow up pool toys went out.

After breakfast we heard from South Ward (Newman) Councillor Anthony Middleton, who

announced the nominees for the 2021 Marble Bar Citizen of the Year. Unfortunately most nominees, including the winners, weren't present to collect their certificates.

The award went to Sheryl Wilkins and the Youth category recipient was Chloe Coffin.

Congratulations to the nominees and recipients and thank you to the Shire of East Pilbara and everyone who assisted in putting together the Australia Day 2021 pool party and BBQ breakfast.

- Amy Pfitzner,  
Marble Bar CRC

# ARE YOU CYCLONE READY MARBLE BAR?



2020 has been an interesting year for us all. Our town has been focused on staying healthy during these COVID times but we must also remember, cyclone season is upon us! What can you do to better prepare your house hold for the next few months?

## BEFORE

### PREPARE YOURSELF, YOUR FAMILY & YOUR PROPERTY



**YOURSELF** - Water, toilet paper, food, medications, light and fuel



**FAMILY** - Activities for kids, support & responsibilities



**PROPERTY** - Remove debris, tie down loose items & repair broken assets

## DURING



Don't venture out during an extreme weather event; remember, on Red Alert, you aren't allowed by law to be out and about - nor are the police which means no one can come and assist you if you get into trouble.



Keep your devices charged to ensure you can continue to seek updates.



Seek updates from reputable sources like the BOM and DFES websites

## AFTER

**CHECK** - Check on your family, your property, your pets and your mates

**DRIVE** - Check road reports and main roads before venturing out

**LOOK** - Look down & look up for fallen power lines - report them to Horizon Power

**PROTECT** - Protect yourself before starting clean up, use gloves, boots & glasses



**TEAR ME OUT AND HANG ME ON THE FRIDGE**

**HORIZON POWER 13 23 51**

**TELSTRA** <https://outages.telstra.com.au/#/>

**BOM** <http://www.bom.gov.au/>

**DFES 13 3337 or** <https://www.dfes.wa.gov.au/>

**WATERCORP** <https://www.watercorporation.com.au/Outages-and-works>

**SHIRE ROAD REPORTS** <http://www.eastpilbara.wa.gov.au/Shire-Services/>

**MAIN ROADS** <https://travelmap.mainroads.wa.gov.au/Home/Map>

<b>POLICE/FIRE/AMBULANCE</b>	<b>000</b>
<b>MARBLE BAR POLICE STATION</b>	<b>9176 0500</b>
<b>NURSES STATION - BRIAN</b>	<b>9174 1900</b>
<b>MARBLE BAR SHIRE OFFICE</b>	<b>9176 1008</b>
<b>MARBLE BAR CRC</b>	<b>9176 1375</b>



There are two evacuation centres in Marble Bar:

- 1) The Marble Bar Rec Shed on Station Street. Those who live on Goodabinya side of the river should go here in the event of evacuation.
- 2) The Civic Centre on Francis Street. Those who live on the Travellers' Rest side of the river should go here in the event of evacuation.

**When:**

Evacuation is voluntary. Centers can open on yellow alert when an imminent threat has been established. These facilities are run by Department of Communities.

**Bring:**

You can bring yourself, your children; your family; own bedding if possible, as supplies are limited; and some essentials like medications and basic personal care items.

**Leave:**

You will need to leave your pets, alcohol, smokes and furniture behind.

# SHIRE OF EAST PILBARA CENTRAL WARD DISTRICT 2021 EXTRAORDINARY ELECTION CANDIDATE PROFILES

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**KIERNAN,  
STEPHEN**

Hi My name is Stephen Kiernan, I work for Horizon Power and have Operated and Maintained the power stations in Marble Bar and Nullagine townships for the last 11 years.

My wife and I have lived in Marble Bar for 18 years and have owned a business in the town that we recently sold. We have raised our children in Marble Bar and appreciate all the town and surrounding area has to offer.

I feel I would be a great candidate for representing the people of Marble Bar on council as I know the area and the current issues facing the people of our great town.

I have previously been a council member on the East Pilbara Shire but had to step down aside after 8 years for work related issues. So I would like the opportunity to represent the people of Marble Bar once again.

**Email:**  
stephenkiernan1969@gmail.com



**McWHIRTER-  
BROOKS, WENDY**

Wendy McWhirter-Brooks 58 years.

I am standing because I have watched my family suffer through the lack of infrastructure and services as good as anywhere else in WA and fair representation in our diverse Shire.

I am married for 31 years with four adult children who call Marble Bar home. I understand commitment.

I have always lived and worked in rural or remote places and found my community there. I understand the blessings and challenges of living far from cities.

I am a retired Maths teacher. My teaching background gives me an understanding of meeting the needs of others.

Extensive experience in committees, business and government processes has taught me strong communication and problem solving skills.

I have served on Community, State and National organisations. I am direct and tactful.

I look forward to making contact, earning your trust and representing you.

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PO Box 19 MARBLE BAR 6760

**Email:** brookswendy26@gmail.com

**Social Network Address:**  
wendymcwhirterbrooks



**KITCHIN,  
MICHAEL T.**

I have 4 years experience as Councillor, strengthened by "Elected Members Development Framework Training", contacting Community and Stakeholders extensively.

Additionally, I bring Senior Level Experience in Customer Service, Marketing, Project and Contract Management plus Financial, Human Resources and Asset Management.

2001 Ran Tree planting Chinaman's Pool.

2002 WIFE and I secured \$17000 Heritage Grant restoring MB Church.

2016 Attendance, Shenzhen, "Investment in Australia".

2017 Attendance Kununnarra "Develop the North" Seminar.

2017 Three weeks participating "East Beverley Borough" meetings, Yorkshire.

2018 Participation "State Development Seminar", Perth

2019 Member, JDAP \$100 Million, Addition NEWMAN Power.

Member MBVBFB, Heavy Plant Committee.

Innumerable Motions. ie "Limiting "Single Use Plastics"

**PRIORITIES:**

A well run Administration with Strategic Financial Management, good governance and improved ratepayer's communication

Development of industrial areas opposite new Airport

Budgeting for Tourist Scenario Developments

NO Rate Rises

Increased Local Employment

Increasing MBVBFB membership

**Home:** 9383 4911 **Mobile:** 0484 350 879

**Email:** michaelkitchen@hotmail.com

**DRAGE,  
CHERYL**

Cheryl Drage 55 years.

I am interested in sitting as councillor position to suppose women in the Pilbara community.

I am a small business owner, Soap Bush Soap for the last 1 1/2 years.

I have been involved with the local community for the past 1 years with my women's group established, last year, Niyaparli Womens Association. The NWA assist Aboriginal women & young girls in the community by way of support with social issues & micro enterprise for bush plants, through the soap shop.

I studied criminology & human service at James Cook University, Townsville I have had to leave for personal & family issues.

My ideas for the future is to get involved in the community to live in a free & safe environment, I am a member of the Newman Futures re-creating the planning of the town.

I am supportive of working with others in partnership.

**Email:**  
cheryldragesbs@outlook.com

**Candidate profiles sourced from the Shire website.**

# SHIRE OF EAST PILBARA CENTRAL WARD DISTRICT 2021 EXTRAORDINARY ELECTION YOUR VOTE MATTERS

## *From former Central Ward Councillor, Dean Hatwell:*

I would like to congratulate the candidates for the position of Councillor in the Central Ward (Marble Bar) of the Shire of East Pilbara, it is pleasing to see the number of people putting their hand up to serve on local government.

During my 7.5 years in that position, it was mostly a rewarding experience but also can be a bit frustrating.

Having lived and worked within the ward I felt a true sense of the needs and wants of the people, as you are there directly listening and communicating with residents and not relying on secondhand info. You are part of the community and take part in functions and events and feel the successful candidate should also be a part of the community.

I wish all candidates the best moving forward.

- *Dean Hatwell*

## What's so extraordinary about this election anyway?

Usually Local Government elections are held every two years, the next 'ordinary' election will be Saturday the 16th of October 2021.

On 3 November 2020, Councillor Dean Hatwell resigned from his position of Councillor for the Central Ward (Marble Bar), causing a vacancy in this seat.

The seat can't be vacant for that long so they have to hold what's called an 'extraordinary election' to fill the Marble Bar seat, that's what's happening on February 24th.

Whoever is elected on the 24th will hold the seat until the ordinary election in October. The Central Ward seat will be declared vacant again in October, and we'll vote again.

## Voting in the Election:

Before the election, election packages will be sent out to everyone who's enrolled to vote in the central ward district (enrollments closed in January)

You should receive your election package in the mail soon.

Road closures have caused delays but as soon as the roads re-open, a ballot box will be delivered to the Marble Bar Shire Office for people to drop off their votes.

Votes may also be submitted by post but keep in mind they must be posted early as late votes received after 6:00pm on the 24th of February won't be counted.

**Make sure to get your vote to the Marble Bar Shire office before 12:00pm Monday the 22nd of February** as the ballot box will be returned to Newman in time for counting.

If you don't get your vote in to the Marble Bar office in time, you can hand deliver it to an electoral officer at the Newman Office on voting day, 24th of February 2020. (Shire of East Pilbara, Kalgan Drive Newman) during business hours (8:00am - 6:00pm)

The election is run by the Western Australian Electoral Commission.

The Electoral Commission will commence vote counting at 6:00pm at the Newman Shire office.

### GET THE OFFICIAL INFORMATION:

Extraordinary Election information including candidate profiles sourced from here:

<http://www.eastpilbara.wa.gov.au/About-Us/Council/Local-Government-Extraordinary-Election-2021-Cen>

Election Notice:

<http://www.eastpilbara.wa.gov.au/About-Us/News-and-announcements/East-Pilbara-Election-notice>

WA Electoral Commission Website:

<https://www.elections.wa.gov.au/>

# #CHOOSE TO CHALLENGE



International  
Women's Day



## #IWD2021

**Celebrate International Women's Day in Marble  
Bar at the Community Resource Centre**

Date: Tuesday, 9th March 2021

Time: 11:30am - 12:30pm

Location: Community Resource Centre

RSVP: 3rd of March 2021

For RSVP's and to discuss any dietary requirements, please contact Kylie  
James at the Marble Bar Resource Centre on 08 9176 1375

In partnership with:

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Community  
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# WARRAWOONA GOLD PROJECT UPDATE



After a 2 week break over Christmas and New Year, the Rangecon camp construction team have hit the ground running in 2021 and have made outstanding progress given the many challenges they have been faced with.

The camp is on track to be completed and able to house 240 people by early April.

Communications are now possible out at Warrawoona using a high-speed microwave link, giving the site 100mb/s

- Article supplied by Calidus Resources



Communications infrastructure provides high speed internet to the site



Communications infrastructure provides high speed internet to the site

# RECORD BREAKING WEATHER

It's getting pretty close to old news by now but we felt it was well worth talking a bit about some of the weather we've experienced over the past month or two, given the extent of it - particularly the monsoon event in December!

According to the Bureau of Meteorology (BoM) website, we got 53.2mm on Friday the 11th December and 85mm on the Saturday - around 140mm in 48hrs, and that was just over Marble Bar. Certainly enough to make things interesting!

Record river levels were recorded for the Coongan

River at the Marble Bar river level gauge with a high of 8.416m on Saturday the 12th at 1:50am. We have it on good authority from BoM that this is the highest recording for this gauge since its installation in 1966! The next highest was 8.173 on the 15th of December, 1998.

(Thanks to Pip Nowland for sharing his correspondence with the Bureau)

Seems like the El Niño is living up to its reputation!

The season isn't over yet so make sure to keep an eye on the weather reports and remember not to drive in flood waters - a few people have had close calls this season so play it safe.

- Amy Pfitzner, Marble Bar CRC



Properties down on Garden Road copped the worst of the flooding when the Coongan came up overnight



The highest levels were recorded at just before 2:00am on Saturday morning, these photos taken on the Friday give show it coming right up to the road.



Debris high in the trees gives an indication of how high the river was flowing down at Marble Bar Pool



Impressively, the shelter is still there - it's just upside down.

# MARBLE BAR VFES CLEAN UP AT THE NULLAGINE BFB

As I'm sure you've heard by now, Nullagine copped some pretty serious flooding in December! The river was recorded at 5.2m before the gauge stopped working. The Marble Bar VFES saw first-hand how bad things had got when we headed down to help with cleanup at the Nullagine Bush Fire Brigade (BFB) station. Despite being on fairly high ground, water had inundated the shed damaging furniture and leaving appliances and equipment covered in mud and river silt piled up throughout the building.

With that in mind, vollies Kara Goodman, Kylie James and Amy Pfitzner from the Marble Bar VFES joined forces with Troy Hunt and Amanda Williamson from Newman VFRS and Paul and Kim Maddern from the Port Hedland DFES office to help out with the

cleanup operation.

While we're all fairly used to the heat, the high humidity was pretty rough as we set to work shoveling mud and hosing down the appliances - and credit to the Newman vollies who were already stuck in by the time we got down there!

In the end it was well worth the effort to help out the Nullagine Brigade. I'm not sure about Newman and Hedland but I know that the Marble Bar brigade took full advantage of the refilled creeks (now back to flowing nice and slow) for a refreshing swim afterwards!

- Amy Pfitzner,  
Marble Bar VFES



# Marble Bar Town Christmas Party

The 2020 Marble Bar Progress Association Town Christmas Party was held at 5:30pm on Saturday the 12th of December.

Significant rain the day before had resulted in flood damage to the RSL park where the party is usually held, and a last-minute decision was made to hold the party in the Civic Centre instead.

At 6:00pm the Marble Bar Volunteer Fire and Emergency Services (VFES) fire truck arrived with Father Christmas after having already completed several laps of the community with Father Christmas in the back seat and carols playing through the speakers. Plenty of lollies were distributed via the windows that afternoon, with

kids and adults alike running to grab their handful. Father Christmas headed in to meet up with his elf, who helped him to hand out presents for all the kids.

After the presents had been given out the community sat down for a yummy BBQ dinner.

Thanks to the Marble Bar Progress Association for putting the evening together. Huge thanks also to sponsors Calidus Resources, the Iron Clad Hotel and Atlas Iron, and to the Marble Bar VFES for dropping off Father Christmas.

- Amy Pfitzner,  
Marble Bar CRC





# Banned Drinkers Register

in effect in the Pilbara region



Everyone must now present approved photo ID\* each time they buy takeaway alcohol in the Pilbara.



The Banned Drinkers Register identifies people who are banned from purchasing takeaway alcohol and stops their purchase at the point of sale.



It aims to make communities safer by reducing access to takeaway alcohol for problem drinkers.



No personal details or information about your purchase is recorded.

\*A full list of approved ID is available online: [www.dlgsc.wa.gov.au/BDR](http://www.dlgsc.wa.gov.au/BDR)



The effects of alcohol misuse are often felt by the most vulnerable in our community, such as children and families subject to domestic violence.



Those identified as banned drinkers will be referred to appropriate community services to provide access to relevant support programs and initiatives.



The BDR is one of the tools designed to reduce alcohol-related harm to individuals, families and the wider community.



You can help with the transition by ensuring you are prepared and always carrying your ID with you when purchasing takeaway alcohol.

### More information

Contact the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries.

Email: [BDR@dlgsc.wa.gov.au](mailto:BDR@dlgsc.wa.gov.au)  
 Phone: (08) 6551 4820 (weekdays)  
 or 7 days 0448 359 758 or 0448 359 757  
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# LOCAL HISTORY

*Information and photos sourced from Sue Coppin and Trove*

## **Piri Smith**

*Forward: This story was originally sent through to us from Sue Coppin. Sue's write-up was super interesting and we found ourselves wanting to know more about Piri's story. As a result, this edition of 'local history' is a mixed contribution from Sue and the CRC staff.*

Marble Bar has had many characters who have left their mark on the town and the lives of those who knew them. The Piri Smith Retirement units are named after one of these identities.

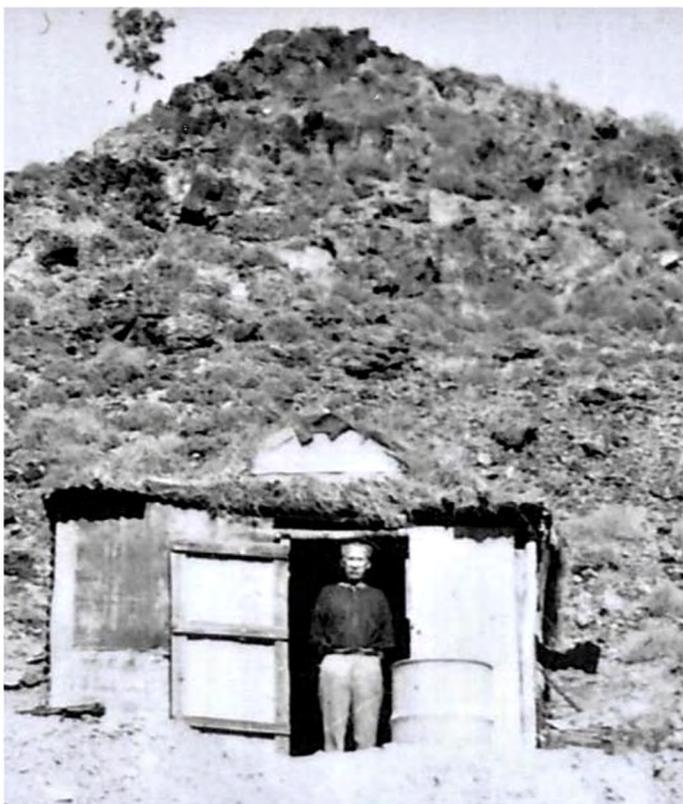
Piri was born Piroska Steiger in 1914 in Hungary to Jewish parents. She was one of five children and had a happy childhood and was active in many sports. By the late 1930's Piri could see the storm clouds gathering and was smart enough to make the move to England just prior to the start of World War two. She joined the women's auxiliary territorial corps but due to her Hungarian nationality she was confined to unqualified duties such as store person or cook.

Piri was adventurous for her time and in 1951 she boarded the P&O liner "Maloja" and left England bound for Brisbane, Australia. She loved the trip,

the social life and being waited on hand and foot. She made friendships which were to last a lifetime. Piri spent the next four years working throughout Queensland, mainly as a cook in country pubs. She arrived in Dongara WA in 1955. During this time she met a prospector named Harry Smith and they corresponded for a few years before Piri took the plunge and married him in Marble Bar in 1955.

The newlyweds moved Harry's home out at Bamboo Creek, where he worked a small gold mining show. Bamboo Creek's population at the time was just seven men. Their home was made of tin with a bough shed attached, just a short distance from the gold mine where Harry worked. She was soon the postmistress at Bamboo Creek, the post office being an unused mine shaft in the side of a hill. The dead letter office for undelivered mail being an old cyclone bed. She had only five customers and considered herself her own best customer, being an avid letter writer and reader of books. The only other communication at the time at Bamboo Creek was one telephone hooked into a basic party line, from which Piri would make daily calls to Marble Bar to check the line was up and receive any messages. Piri also kept herself busy crocheting and her little hut was soon very homely. She was known to deliver freshly baked hot cross buns to everyone of an Easter morning.

By 1959 Piri knew that Harry's way of life was not financially viable and that she had to move on. She was lucky enough to get the position of telephonist in Marble Bar. The evening shift on the plug and cord exchange left plenty of time to spare and before long she had picked up another role as a correspondent for the Northern Times. Piri also worked as a caretaker for Johnson's trucking business and manned the fuel bowser, a job which required her to hand pump the required amount of fuel up to the bowser and then to refuel



Bamboo Creek's first post office, an unused mine shaft in the side of a hill.



Piri would of used a similar pump to this to hand pump the fuel for customers.

the customers vehicle. One of the stories she told of that time was when a man pulled up to the bowser asked for fuel and then remained sitting in his vehicle. Piri, with her familiar Hungarian accent, asked "You wouldn't be German by any chance?" to which the man replied "How did you know, by my accent?" Piri's reply "No, by your bad manners!" She was never one not to tell it how it was! She later worked as a bookkeeper at the Ironclad Hotel with her good friend Wally Nicholls. Being very community minded she became secretary on both the local CWA and RSL groups, using her homemaking skills to transform the tin-shed CWA cottage, where she lived, into a place for out-of-town women to stop for a smoke and a cuppa.

In the 1970's she moved up to Moola Bulla Station out of Halls Creek to work as a bookkeeper and cook for a time, but eventually she returned to Marble Bar when the aged persons home was completed to become a resident. She had all the mod-cons with air conditioning, tv and radio. She surrounded herself with her collection of books, and wrote to her many pen friends from all over the world. She was a very heavy smoker and rolled her own cigarettes and kept them in empty strepsil tins. The regular doctor visits from the flying doctor, who held her in high esteem, knew Piri used cigarettes as her own form of medication.

She would say to the doctor, "What lasts longer, a smoked ham or a raw one?!" He had no reply and would just sit and enjoy her company.

By all accounts Piri was strong willed, intelligent, dry witted and great company as she could chat on any

topic. Unfortunately in her latter years her eyesight failed and she had to resort to listening to the radio for the news and her favourite sports; football and cricket. She was no longer able to keep up her correspondence with her pen friends. Failing health forced her into a nursing home in Perth in 2005. She lived until she was 91 years of age and is buried in the Jewish cemetery in Perth.

*Thanks Sue, we loved diving into the story of Piri Smith, what a wonderful lady!*

*- Story put together by Sue Coppin with further contributions from Kylie James.*



Piri Smith

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# HARMONY DAY

## RECIPEBOOK

You are invited to submit your recipe to be included in the Harmony Day recipe book!

Simply come into the Shire office or e-mail us with your favorite recipe that represents your culture on a plate, and we will include it in our recipe book available at our long table lunch held March 17 at the Civic Centre.

Submissions Close COB 11th of March 2021

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# *Pioneers and Pensioners* **CHRISTMAS LUNCH 2020**

On Friday the 18th of December the CRC hosted Christmas dinner for a very special bunch of people. Historical research showed that back in the 1950's the town put on a Christmas spread for the pioneers and pensioners of the district with local business contributing to help fund the event. Amy and I thought that was just the most wonderful thing to reignite and get happening again.

The amazing Marble Bar came up with the goods of course. Marble Bar Travellers Rest supplied the beautiful vegetables and dessert and Outback Beef donated the most delicious beef roast for the cause. Amy and I donated some beverages and the CRC picked up the slack with whatever other little bits and pieces we had forgotten! We sent out invites and got several enthusiastic replies, unfortunately quite a few people



## ***Marble Bar News***

**Pensioners and Pioneers of the Marble Bar District were treated to a Christmas Re-union Dinner on Saturday, December 22, by an enthusiastic committee. The Dinner was held at the Ironclad Hotel at 5.30 p.m. and Mr. Les Miller, Road Board Chairman, presided.**

Eleven old-timers sat down to an excellent meal of poultry, Christmas pudding, cakes, fruit etc., prepared by Mrs. Arnold of the hotel. The oldest pioneer present was 81-year-old Gus Larsen who came in from "Pilga" station for the first time in 18 months. Fred Wills made the trip from Bamboo Creek to be present. He was last in town four years ago.

Mr. Miller presented each pensioner present with an order on a local store valued at £3, and explained that a cheque for a similar amount had been sent to local pioneers at Sunset Old Men's Home and Nazareth House, Geraldton. Letters from several including Dave Geddes, J. H. Gould, Thomas McMurtrie, Billy Edmondson and Jim Saul, all of Sunset, were read.

Mr. Stuart Stubbs who ably assisted Mr. Miller said that over £100 had been raised by local subscriptions, and that after payment of expenses a small carry-over will remain towards a similar function next year.

After dinner some good old tales were told in the beer garden and a good deal more Ironclad Tonic consumed.

Northern Times  
"Marble Bar News" - December 1952

Sourced from <https://trove.nla.gov.au/>

couldn't make it due to other commitments but we ended up with a great bunch of people and had the best time!!

I cooked up a storm that morning, decorated the table to an appropriate festive standard and Amy put some beer and champagne on ice! Easy right? Well actually it took a fair bit of planning and I lost quite a bit of sweat slaving over the oven but it all went off without a hitch.

Everyone loved the food but the best part of the afternoon for us was the stories! Amy and I spent most of the time doubled over with laughter. There is no better feeling than putting on a event like this for people who where so appreciative and Amy and I finished the day feeling like we had won lotto! There was so much food everyone got to take home a doggy bag or two and also a voucher to spend at the businesses around town thanks to the Shire of East Pilbara's 'East Pilbara Dollars' scheme.

We couldn't have done it without the help from Travellers and Outback Beef so thankyou for being so generous to such a worthy cause. Thank also to our lovely guests you guys are worth your weight in gold both to the town and in pure entertainment value!

- Kylie James,  
Marble Bar CRC



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# ANIMAL WATCH:

## GECKOS

Is there a house in Marble Bar that doesn't have geckos?! I have a love/hate relationship with these guys! I put a fair bit of time and energy cleaning up after them at the CRC, but every morning when I come in they have left their calling cards... everywhere!! They don't really deserve a write up in the Mirage for being so disrespectful but it turns out they are quite interesting, and pretty much all of them are super cute too!

There are species that are unique to the Pilbara but Geckos are Australia wide and there are so many different ones, new species are being discovered all the time. They are reptiles, have scales and are nocturnal. They don't blink but use their tongues to clean their eyes regularly.

I didn't realise until I started doing this that there are two types of geckos that get into houses. There's a native gecko and there's Asian House Geckos, which have

invaded Northern Australia. It is believed they came over aboard cargo ships in the 1960's. There isn't much difference between these guys and the

native geckos, but the Asian ones make a loud "chuck chuck chuck" noise whereas natives tend to 'chatter' softly. They do look similar, but if you can get close enough the Asian gecko has tiny spines on either side of their tails. Both types of geckos are usually pale and colourless at night but turn dark with a distinct pattern during the day.

The Asian House Gecko can tolerate bright light and are very happy in their human habitat using the lights to grab an easy feed. Investigation is underway to figure out whether the Asian House Gecko is also invading native habitats but it's thought to be unlikely as they thrive in their human habitat amidst the bright lights and copious insects that are attracted to it.

The reason geckos can climb vertical and slippery surfaces is due to their fascinating feet, which do not work like suction caps at all! There are actually billions of tiny hairs on the bottom of their feet which help them stick to any surface. They act almost like microscopic hooks, scientists have invented gloves that can pick up tiny shards of glass and also Nano tape which is incredibly strong, all based around the same concept as a geckos feet!

Well, I guess they are good for something other than using my keyboard for a toilet!

- Kylie James,  
Marble Bar CRC



Pilbara Smooth Knobtailed Gecko



Asian House Gecko



Native Gecko - malcolmtattersall.com.au



Pilbara Barking Gecko

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Asian House Gecko



# MARBLE BAR RACE CLUB ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2021  
7:00pm, Marble Bar CRC Training Centre

## NEW MEMBERS NEEDED

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# Historical Marble Bar

~ ARTICLES FROM JANUARY & FEBRUARY ~

*Historical newspaper articles sourced from [www.trove.nla.gov.au](http://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.*

## A MISSING MAN

~ Marble Bar ~  
January 16th 1906

Several weeks ago a man names John murphy left the Cooglegong tin fields presumably not for more than a day. He has not since been heard of, though a party searched the surrounding district for him. It is considered certain that he has perished.

## DEATHS ON THE PILBARRA GOLDFIELDS

~ Marble Bar ~  
January 31st 1906

The remains of a human being have been found at Keep-it-Dark by natives. They are supposed to be those of John Murphy, who left Cooglegong early in December to be away two or three days, and was not afterwards heard of. Keep-it-Dark is about 30 miles from Cooglegong.

An old man named James Graham, well known at the Moolyella tin field, was working yesterday up to noon. He was found dead a little afterwards.

## RAINS IN THE NOR'-WEST

### *Splendid Downpours*

~ Marble Bar ~  
January 21st 1899

Saturday last apparently saw the thorough commencement of the wet season. From accounts to hand it would appear that a general rainfall prevailed over the whole Nor'-West. A very

heavy shower, with intermittent ones following, occurred on Saturday afternoon, causing the town creek to become uncrossable to pedestrians. At midnight the rain fell in earnest and continued incessantly until the morning, 1\*40 points being registered up to 9am. A dense scud travelled overhead with tremendous velocity, and the wind gradually increased towards the afternoon, when the rain fell in torrents, particularly in the evening, when the wind assumed a somewhat cyclonic force. Towards Sunday morning it changed from east to west, the rain meanwhile diminishing to a drizzle.

News received from various townships shows that splendid downpours occurred everywhere. Nullagine, as far as the information received shows, tops the list with 9\*50 points. Then comes marble Bar with 7\*14 points, 4.5 inches of which fell on Sunday night. Condon reports, received on Sunday morning, state that up to that time 6 inches had fallen and the telegraph line to Broome went down. Bamboo appears to have been the least favoured, the total registered there being 3\*75 points.

The Nullagine River ran a banker, the flood water approaching within 20 yards of the post office. So severe was the storm and the flood that for nearly a mile the telegraph poles were carried away. The operators have pitched a tent at the commencement of the break where they are transmitting messages by means of field instruments. The Chinamen's gardens on the banks of the

Coongan River where the new seasons crops of vegetables were just coming on, were swept clean, all the men's humpies, excepting one which was totally submerged, going down stream. The river has not to the knowledge of the oldest resident been so high before. The water rose higher than at any previous time as shown by the marks on the hills, huge trees being deposited chains beyond the oldest trunks which were lying there.

At 10 o'clock on Monday morning the line to Condon gave way. Yesterday linesmen were despatched to repair the damage, and it was reported that the wire was not broken, the interruption being caused by flood waters. On the Marble Bar side of the Doolena Gorge three poles went down, but the linesmen succeeded in restoring communication yesterday evening. Owing to the flooded state of the rivers it is improbable that the Port Hedland mail, which is due, will arrive within another week. The outgoing mails have also been delayed.

A few immersions of a very unpleasant nature are reported. Mr McGuinness, who was on his way from Talga, while crossing one of the creeks on Saturday on horseback, went under, horse and all. He had some difficulty in reaching the opposite bank. Mr J Spinney had a similar experience at Duffer Creek, where also Mr L Parker, who was yesterday journeying by buggy from Bamboo, had a very lively five minutes. It appears that the current had washed a hole in the road, and in crossing the stream

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the horse and buggy went clean under the water. Mr Parker tried hard to retain his seat, which was awash, but finding that it was impossible to do so, he jumped into the water and swam to the bank. The horses bought the buggy out, and the contents, which were flooded, were subsequently recovered.

Reports received yesterday morning state that the night before one and a half inches of rain fell at Nullagine. The river has dropped 15ft, but there is no possibility of the mail leaving there for Marble Bar for a few days. The weather has now settled, and a few days return of the tropical heat may be expected. The storm formed an appreciative break in the hot weather, and served to lighten the oppressiveness.

The next two months will be the most trying part of the year. Water is everywhere. Miners and pastoralists have abundant reason to rejoice at the copious rainfall, though it is hoped that no serious losses of stock have resulted therefrom.

## EXCITING EXPERIENCE AT COONGAN

### Hotel Demolished by Storm

~ Marble Bar ~  
January 30th 1906

The parliamentary party arrived today, after a rather trying trip as far as Coongan Hotel, 25 miles from Marble Bar. The thermometer at that place registered 115deg. in the shade

at one stage of the visitors stay there, but shortly afterwards a storm broke over the locality. Hailstones as large as hens eggs fell, and the wind blew with hurricane force, and practically demolished the hotel where the members were staying. The wind was so strong that it blew a heavy four wheeled coach (laden with luggage) with such force that it crashed into and smashed a stable.

The visitors were entertained privately here tonight. They will be publicly entertained tomorrow night. All the members of the party are in excellent health and spirits.

The shade temperatures at Marble Bar during the past seven days have been as follows: - 113, 113, 111, 113, 116, 115 and 113 degrees.

## MARBLE BAR NOTES

~ February 3rd 1911 ~

A thunderstorm passed over yesterday. 60 points of rain fell. A cow was struck dead by lightning. The railway line suffered slight wash-aways in many places. There always will be washaways at every decent fall of rain until the line is well ballasted. If a heavy general rain falls for one day there will be no train for many weeks. On Wednesday night, Frank Atkins, a miner of Bamboo Springs, was bitten by a snake. While he was hauling water, a snake came up around the handle of the bucket and bit his hand. Immediately he left for his camp which was not far off, but he had bitten out the piece before he reached it. Then with a razor he cut out more and

started for Marble bar. Yesterday morning, when he was in a pretty bad way, he was met by the doctor. He is now out of danger.

## DROWNED IN DE GREY RIVER

~ February 4th 1902 ~

A sad drowning fatality occurred in the De Grey River, according to a telegram received here today. It appears that two or three teamsters camped on one side of the river, and, something being wanted from Mulyie, it was decided to try and get across. None of the horses would face the swollen river, caused by the recent rains. William Rayner, a well known teamster, decided to swim over, and, when about halfway across, he was seen to turn suddenly round and sink. He has not since been seen. The river at the spot was about two hundred yards wide. The deceased was well known throughout the Pilbarra district and was highly respected. He was, perhaps the best all round athlete in these parts. Quite a gloom was cast over the town by the sad news.

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## The blur that was January

We had lots of lovely activities on offer over the school holidays and most days have seen a good turnout of kids and some terrific creations. By far, the most popular would have to have been the solar ovens (who doesn't love smores?) and the water bombs.



*Make a Date  
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14 FEBRUARY  
- LIBRARY LOVERS' DAY

Looking for something a little bit special on the most romantic day of the year? How about coming in to the library and going on a blind date with a book? Take your 'blind date' home, get to know each other - you could be totally smitten with a new genre or even find your future author.

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**Prosperous  
Chinese  
New Year**

**Call in to the library during the month of February to find out what the Year of the Ox has in store for you.**

**Make a wish and take home a 'good luck' Chinese Lantern.**

### New in this month:

#### Books

- Littlelight by Kelly Canby
- The Globetrotters Guide to Happiness by Kate Morgan
- Creative Watercolour & Mixed Media by Ana Victoria Calderon

#### DVD's

- Bluey - Dance Mode and Other Stories
- Capone (Tom Hardy)
- The Lost Husband (Leslie Bibb & Josh Duhamel)

# WHAT IS THIS?

**Have you seen any mysterious objects or strange artefacts around?**

*Let us know so we can include it in the next edition of the Mirage!*

**Any guesses as to what this thing is...?**

Two were found, one had corresponding holes/slots on the other side, as though they might fit together...

(No guesses have come through yet)

*Thank you to Lang Coppin who found the strange contraptions and bought photos in for us to share for our 'what is this' segment!*



## INVITATION TO TENDER

# GARDEN & YARD MAINTENANCE

**For the Marble Bar Community Resource Centre**

The Marble Bar CRC is seeking tenders for the provision of garden and yard maintenance.

Duties include: Weekly mowing and clean up of the back lawn area, whippersnipping and trimming of plants and yard area as necessary, ensure daily watering of lawn area (an automatic watering system is installed)

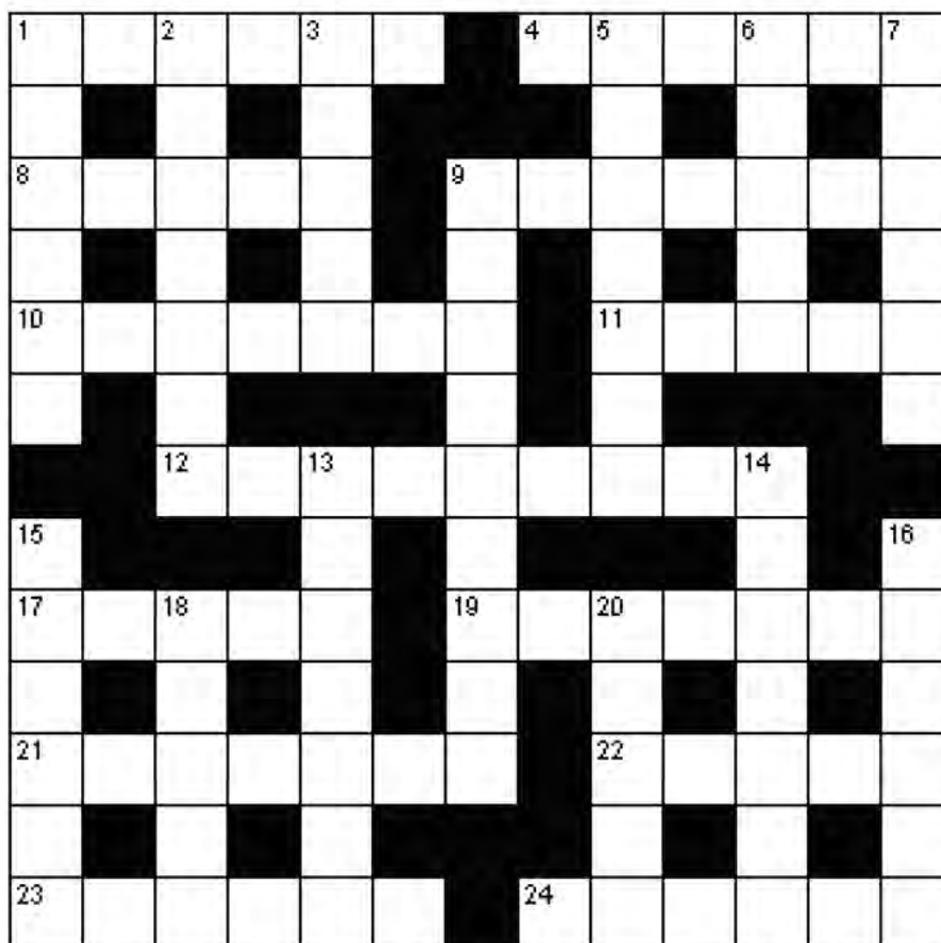
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## Daily Quick Crossword



### Across

- 1 Formal headgear (3,3)
- 4 Go aboard (6)
- 8 Concerning (5)
- 9 Violent whirling wind-storm (7)
- 10 Popular cheese (7)
- 11 Lifeless (5)
- 12 Uncivilised person (9)
- 17 Light purple colour (5)
- 19 Collection of books (7)
- 21 Marine animal (3,4)
- 22 Shoulder-wrap (5)
- 23 Main meal (6)
- 24 Slow down (6)

### Down

- 1 Roof of straw or reeds (6)
- 2 Adage (7)
- 3 Performed (5)
- 5 Gin and vermouth cocktail (7)
- 6 Hard stone (5)
- 7 Intricate (6)
- 9 Heavy waterproof cover (9)
- 13 Lie back (7)
- 14 North American falls (7)
- 15 Shut (6)
- 16 Rode a bike (6)
- 18 Gain knowledge (5)
- 20 Moisten with hot fat (5)

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# Community Noticeboard

**Ashburton Aboriginal Corporation**

Marble Bar, Goodabinya and Woodstock  
**AAC Appointment Day:**  
10th February

Warralong AAC Appointment Day:  
24th February

**Marble Bar Volunteer Fire & Emergency Services (VFES)**

**Volunteers Wanted!**  
**Training 2nd & 16th February**

Contact Amy: 9176 1375  
Paul Maddern: 0409 174 042

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

Perhaps an upcoming club or association meeting?

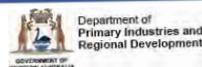
Let us know and we'll include it in the next edition.

**Call the CRC on 9176 1375**

 Marble Bar  
**Community Resource Centre**  
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Supporting the Marble Bar Community since 2001

Phone 9176 1375 Email [marblebarcrc@bigpond](mailto:marblebarcrc@bigpond)  
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## ~ Funeral Notices ~

With the upmost respect to the deceased and their families we pass on the following notices, more detailed notices at the CRC

### **Leonie Kelly**

Funeral 26th February, 3:00pm at Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic Church, Weld St. Broome  
Rosary 17th February, 5:00pm at SSJC Heritage Centre Broome

### **Maxine Evans (23/10/1982 - 03/01/2021)**

Funeral 29th January, 9:00am at 50c Hall Roebourne, Graveside 10:00am Roebourne Cemetary

### **Peter Stevens**

Memorial Service 29th January, 7:00pm at Koombana Park, South Hedland  
Funeral 6th February, 2:00pm at the Derby Civic Centre

### **Mr Anderson (Boy)**

Funeral 12th February, 10:00am at the Wiluna Recreation Centre (Hall)

### **Mavis Ida**

Funeral 19th February, 9:00am at Bidayanga Community Catholic Church

### **Sharon McPhee**

Funeral 13th February, 3:00pm at Baptist Church Kennedy St. South Hedland

### **Lewis Williams (06/11/1966 - 23/12/2020)**

Funeral 28th February, 8:30am at Jigalong

### **Baby Aerahne Willis (08/01/2021 - 08/01/2021)**

Funeral 19th February, 8:30am Pilbara Aboriginal Church, 9:30am Wickham Roebourne Cemetery

### **Karen Ann Jose (nee Brahim)**

Funeral 20th February, 2:00pm Saint Cecilia's Church Pt Hedland, 3:00pm Sth Hedland Cemetery

# A FEW HANDY NUMBERS:

**Fire, Emergency & Ambulance**  
**000** (112 locked/out of range)

**Marble Bar Police Station:**  
9176 0500

**Marble Bar Nursing Post**  
9174 1900

**Main Roads Fault & Enquiry:**  
13 81 38

**Water Corp Faults Line:**  
13 13 75

**Horizon Power Faults Line:**  
13 23 51

**Marble Bar Race Club**  
0455 236 028

**Marble Bar Shire Office**  
9176 1008

**Marble Bar Tourist  
Association/Museum**  
0484 857 576

**Marble Bar Progress Association**  
0438 761 078

**Marble Bar EPIS:**  
9175 5179 or 0407 374 812

**Marble Bar Ashburton Office  
(AAC):** 9140 1246



# Happy Birthday!

AMY PFITZNER - 12TH JANUARY

KAYLI-ARAH DHU - 16TH JANUARY

QUAWAYDEN WHALEBONE - 8TH FEBRUARY

SAMANTHA STREAM - 8TH FEBRUARY

DEKOTA WHALEBONE - 20TH FEBRUARY

SHARNA COFFIN - 23RD FEBRUARY



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!

# FEBRUARY 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> BIN DAY 	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> RFDS @MB Nursing Post	<b>5</b> BIN DAY 	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> BIN DAY 	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> RFDS @MB Nursing Post	<b>12</b> BIN DAY 	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b> Valentine's Day	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> BIN DAY 	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> RFDS @MB Nursing Post	<b>19</b> BIN DAY 	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> BIN DAY  Race Club AGM 7:00pm @MBCRC Training Centre	<b>24</b> Extraordinary Election Day	<b>25</b> RFDS @MB Nursing Post	<b>26</b> BIN DAY 	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b>						

# MARCH 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> BIN DAY 	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> RFDS @MB Nursing Post	<b>5</b> BIN DAY 	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> BIN DAY  International Women's Day 11:30am MBCRC Training Centre	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> RFDS @MB Nursing Post	<b>12</b> BIN DAY 	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> BIN DAY 	<b>17</b> Harmony Day Long Table Lunch 12:00pm @Civic Centre	<b>18</b> RFDS @MB Nursing Post	<b>19</b> BIN DAY 	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> BIN DAY 	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> RFDS @MB Nursing Post	<b>26</b> BIN DAY 	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> BIN DAY 	<b>31</b>			