

Newmont Jundee Wiluna Ranger Demonstration Project November 2011

The Wiluna Martu Rangers and Newmont Jundee Environment and Community staff worked alongside each other to demonstrate skills and capacities and to identify future work programs and training opportunities for the Rangers. The Ranger team plan to work as environmental contractors on the Jundee mine site, one week per month next year. This will compliment our other Ranger work in the Wiluna area.

The demonstration project involved a 'return to country' style camp-out with Traditional Owners and the Rangers from Wiluna and Newmont Management, Community and Environment staff. This provided an informal opportunity to exchange and develop relationships through shared experience and mutual understanding. This is pivotal to the development of culturally responsive economic and social opportunities for Wiluna Martu.

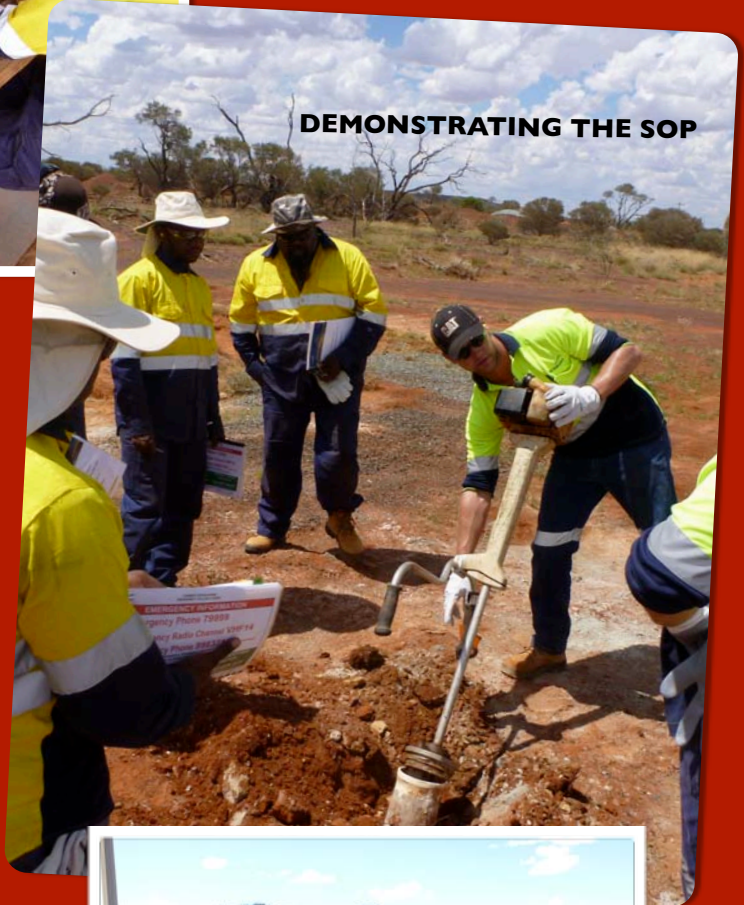
The next day the Ranger team worked alongside Newmont Environment staff to skill up in Collar Plugging (see overleaf). This was a great chance for the Ranger team to demonstrate their enthusiasm and competency as future environmental contractors.



COLLAR PLUGGING



TALKING THROUGH THE SOP



DEMONSTRATING THE SOP



LET US AT IT



THE RANGERS FELT A GREAT SENSE OF ENGAGEMENT IN THE WORK, FELT WELCOME BY A WHOLE RANGE OF NEWMONT STAFF AND ARE EXCITED ABOUT THE WORK AND TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES NEXT YEAR.

A BIG THANKS TO CARRIE BENDEICH FOR ALL HER WORK PULLING IT TOGETHER AND FOR CHRISTOPHER ABBOTT, MATTHEW MASTERS AND ALL THE ENVIRONMENT TEAM AT JUNDEE. THANKS ALSO DUE TO THE MANAGEMENT STAFF THAT ATTENDED THE CAMP-OUT, IT WAS GREAT TO HAVE THEIR COMMITMENT TO THE RANGER PROGRAM.

MARTU WILUNA RANGERS

