



## Town re-stabilises damaged sand dunes in conservation effort



**Left: Before and after images of the sand dunes along the Goode Street foreshore, Cooke Point.**

The Town of Port Hedland has repaired damages to sand dunes along the Goode Street foreshore in Cooke Point, which were caused by strong storm surges associated with ex-Tropical Cyclone Narelle.

The Town and project partners BHP Billiton Iron Ore, with assistance from local Indigenous contracting group Marapikurrinya Pty Ltd and Greening Australia, completed a sand dune stabilisation project in August last year, which would aid the rehabilitation of natural flora on the dunes.

It was encouraging to see that plant growth had occurred after the storm, and the Town's staff continues to water the dunes in between rain events to nurture further growth.

The Town has appointed planning and design consultants Cardno Pty Ltd to undertake a geomorphological study (the study of natural environment and landscapes) to develop a long-term sand dune and sand hill stabilisation strategy for Cooke Point and Pretty Pool.

**Community members are asked to stay off the dunes and refrain from participating in sand boarding activities as it may result in further damage and erosion of the sand dunes.**

## Celebrity Solstice cruises into Port Hedland on Monday 18 February

Port Hedland will play host once again to over 4000 passengers who will be passing through the Town for the day on the cruise

### Latest Media Releases

- 2013 season at Matt Dann to push audience expectations and experiences [Read More](#)
- Town works towards conserving natural environment and surrounds [Read More](#)
- Local skaters invited to feature in skateboarding short film [Read More](#)
- Update on vandalism at Wanangkura Stadium [Read More](#)

### Mayor Howlett's and Council's Calendar Online

See Details of Mayor Kelly Howlett's calendar and Councillor's Moving Calendar [online](#) for the week ahead. If you (or your organisation, business or community group) would like to make an appointment to meet with Mayor Howlett, please [email](#) or call the Executive Assistant on 9158 9313.

### Community News

Pilbara Stories: First exhibition of the year at the Port Hedland Courthouse Art Gallery **TONIGHT**

- The first exhibition of the year, 'Pilbara Stories', will be having its opening night tonight, with Regional Development and Lands Minister Hon. Brendon Grylls MLA and BHP Billiton Iron Ore General Manager Port, Matt Dowd, officially opening the



ship, Celebrity Solstice, which will arrive on the morning of Monday 18 February.

The day's activities will be focused in the Courthouse Gallery Gardens (16 Edgar Street, Port Hedland) with

market stalls, performances by the Hedland Senior High School band and live, interactive painting sessions with the Spinifex Hill artists.

The ship will arrive at approximately 7am, with the best viewing point being Marapikurrinya Park in the West End; and will leave at approximately 6pm, with all community members invited to wave our guests off.

For more information, please contact the Port Hedland Visitor's Centre on 9173 1711.

## Matt Dann Cultural Centre Season Launch - Thursday 21 February



Don't forget to attend the 2013 Matt Dann Cultural Centre (MDCC) Season Launch next Thursday, where the team at the MDCC will reveal the stellar program of live shows they have organised for Port Hedland audiences.

The team will also discuss the technical upgrades taking place at the MDCC and of the benefits to the community.

The Season Launch will commence at 6pm at the MDCC

on [Hamilton Road, South Hedland](#) and light finger food and refreshments will be provided. [RSVP](#) is preferred, for catering purposes, and is required by Tuesday 19 February.

If you are unable to attend the season launch, a Season Brochure will be available for download the following day from the [MDCC website](#) or [Town of Port Hedland website](#).

## New Fire Danger Rating boards to inform residents



The Town of Port Hedland has installed three new fire danger rating boards around Port and South Hedland, to help inform and prepare residents for any potential fire emergencies. The boards have reversible placards, with one side stating 'Prepare Act Survive' and the other side having 'Total Fire Ban Effect'. The 'arrow' used to indicate the fire danger rating will be updated every morning based on information provided by the Bureau of Meteorology, and changed accordingly.

exhibition. The evening commences at 6pm and all community members are invited to attend.

### Other News

#### Unsubscribe

Don't want to receive these emails any more? Please [unsubscribe](#).

- View [Minutes of past Council Meetings](#). Ordinary Council Meetings are held on the fourth Wednesday of the month. These Meetings are open meetings and people of all abilities are welcome to attend. The most recent Agenda for the next Meeting, together with Council's procedures for Questions from Members of the Public and associated Form are available [here](#).
- See regular updates of the Pilbara Underground Power Project . Visit the [Horizon Power Website](#)
- Check out the latest fitness program and events on the Port Hedland Leisure [website](#).
- Stay up-to-date on upcoming residential, commercial and industrial land releases throughout the Town of Port Hedland. Visit the [LandCorp Website](#)
- Visit the [Pilbara Cities website](#) to learn about the latest developments in the Pilbara.
- [Report Pot Holes Online](#) or call the Town's Engineering Officer on 9158 9700.
- [Report Faulty Street Lights online](#)
- [Subscribe](#) to the Matt Dann Centre's E-Newsletter

McGregor Street, Port Hedland WA 6721

Design by