

# SHIRE NEWS



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## CHRISTMAS NEW YEAR CLOSURE TIMES

The Shire will shut down across the Christmas and New Year period. Please note the following times:

The Derby offices will close from 2pm on the 24<sup>th</sup> December and reopen at 8am on the 2<sup>nd</sup> January.

Fitzroy Crossing offices will close from 4pm on the 21<sup>st</sup> December and reopen at 8am on the 2<sup>nd</sup> January.

Please note that telephone calls to 9191 0999 during this time will forward through to the Shire's call centre support that will be able to assist.

## PLAYGROUND OPENING

Last Monday was the official opening of the Fitzroy Crossing Play Space where there were plenty of children on hand to put the equipment through its paces. Though judging by the activity behind him, there had already been a few practice runs.

The project was developed with input from community members, and organisations in a classic example of what can be achieved when while working together.

Below: Jadhah Davies Manager of the Marulu Unit



The stand out difference with this park is a symbol of strength, reflection to land and culture, which the Kids of the valley incorporated into the design.

The equipment was funded through the Kimberley Development Commission, Lotterywest and The Shire of Derby West Kimberley



Artists Hozaus Claire and Lavinia Letheby with Shire President Geoff Haerewa

## WHITE RIBBON DAY

The Shire would like to congratulate the organisers of the White Ribbon Day event held at the town oval on Sunday the 25<sup>th</sup> November.

The numbers in attendance ensured that the very important message reached a wide audience.

**I will stand up,  
speak out  
and act to prevent men's  
violence against women.**



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## WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST CITIZEN

On the 27<sup>th</sup> of September, Fitzroy Crossing welcomed Kwai Chi Tsang as a citizen of Australia with a host of people in attendance including of course, her partner Redbeard and their two sons William and Cohen.



President Geoff Haerewa with Kwai Chi, Redbeard and their sons William and Cohen

The Shire would like to warmly welcome Kwai Chi to the Aussie fold and are pleased that Fitzroy Crossing could be the place for this important occasion.

## CHRISTMAS LIGHTS COMPETITION

The lead up to Christmas is well and truly underway so on an evening walk or a drive around town you may start to see a little more colour than usual.

For some encouragement and a reward for those who like to adorn their gardens or homes, the Christmas Lights competition is on again in Derby and Fitzroy Crossing.

With cash and vouchers up for grabs, it worth putting in an effort to light up the streets and of

course to help guide Santa safely to your house..

Entries close on Wednesday the 12<sup>th</sup> December in both towns with the forms being available on the Shire's website or by visiting our offices.

The Shire would like to thank Horizon Power, Kimberley Home Electrical, Mitre 10, Jila Plumbing, Ray White, Toxfree and the Broome Advertiser for their generous support.

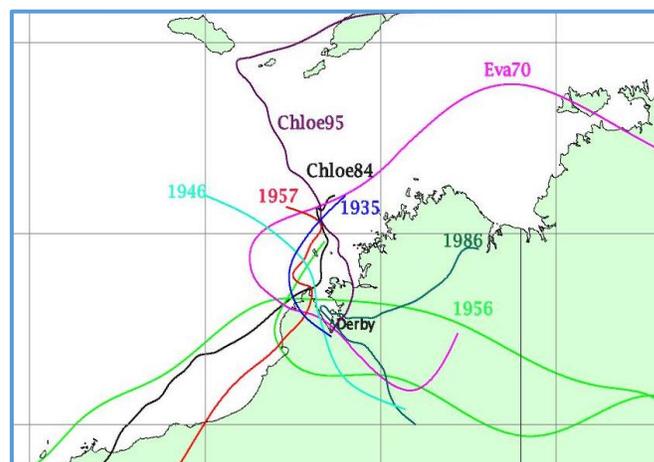
## CYCLONE SEASON

With the recent formation of Tropical Cyclone Owen off the coast of Queensland, it's a timely reminder to spend some time reviewing your preparedness for the season ahead of us.

Weather warnings and updates including cyclone tracking maps and alerts can be accessed through the Bureau of Meteorology website (BOM) at:

[www.bom.gov.au/australia/warnings/index](http://www.bom.gov.au/australia/warnings/index)

The Shire's website also has information and links to emergency services assist you at <https://www.sdwk.wa.gov.au/our-community/emergencies>



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