



Calendar 2014



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Breakaway in weathered Archean granite, west of Leinster

January 2014



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
		New Year's Day 1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	Australia Day 26
27	28	29	30	31		

January

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Deeply weathered profile in Archean granite produces white kaolinitic clay. Core stones are evident in the right of the photo, resulting from fluids percolating through joints in the granite



February 2014

The 34th International Geological Congress field excursion to the Eastern Goldfields included a visit to the Leviathan openpit at St Ives Goldfields' operations near Kambalda

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
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17	18	19	20	 GSWA Open Day 21	22	23
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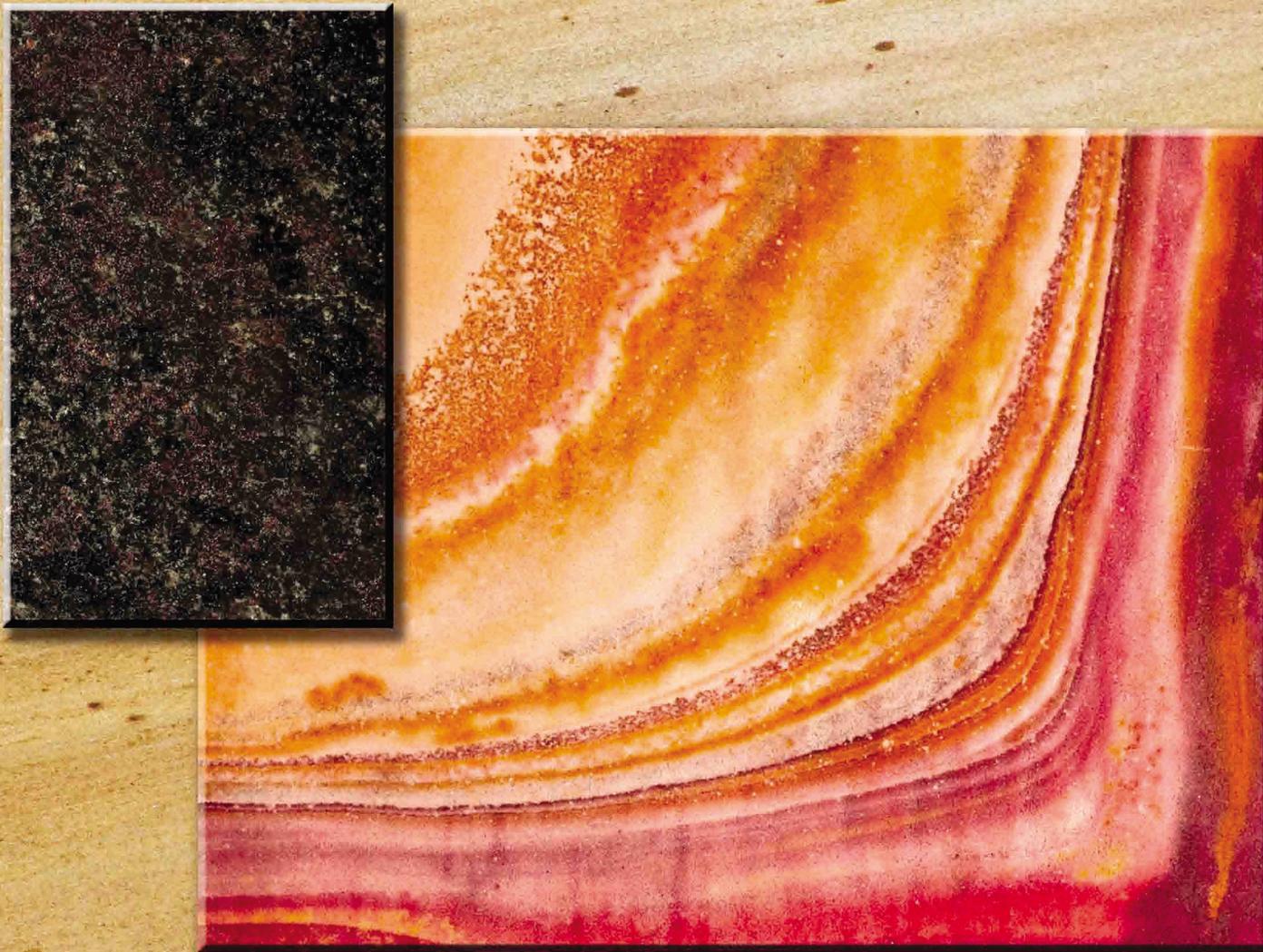


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February

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The southwest wall in the Leviathan pit exposes the northeast-dipping, mineralized Repulse Fault and Flames Porphyry within mineralized Archean mafic and ultramafic rocks. GSWA's field guide (Record 2012/11) with schematic diagrams aids excursion participants with real-time geology in the field. Historical workings (centre right) provide geotechnical difficulties with mining and demonstrate the longevity of mining in the goldfields



*Trio of dimension stones mined
in Western Australia*

March 2014

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
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17	18	19	20	21	22	23
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Dimension stones are used across the Perth cityscape for cladding, flooring, statuary, and road paving. From left: Early Cretaceous Donnybrook Sandstone fronts 2 St Georges Terrace Perth; magenta-tinted pyroxene granulite from Phill's quarry, Fraser Range area; spectacularly banded Kimberley Sandstone is a quartz-rich, hematitic sandstone enhanced by Liesegang banding. Find out more from GSWA Mineral Resources Bulletins 23 and 24



Geologists at work in the Kimberley



April 2014

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
	1	2	3	4	5	Geologists' Day 6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	Good Friday 18	19	Easter Sunday 20
Easter Monday 21	22	23	24	Anzac Day 25	26	27
28	29	30				

April

Geologists measuring bedding and annotating samples from a creek on Bedford Downs station, East Kimberley. Marooned debris shows flood height during the wet season

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May 2014

Gwalia can lay claim to having the first Government-owned hotel, built in 1903 for £4800. Gwalia and Leonora were rival settlements about 5 km apart, with the Sons of Gwalia mine the major employer

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May

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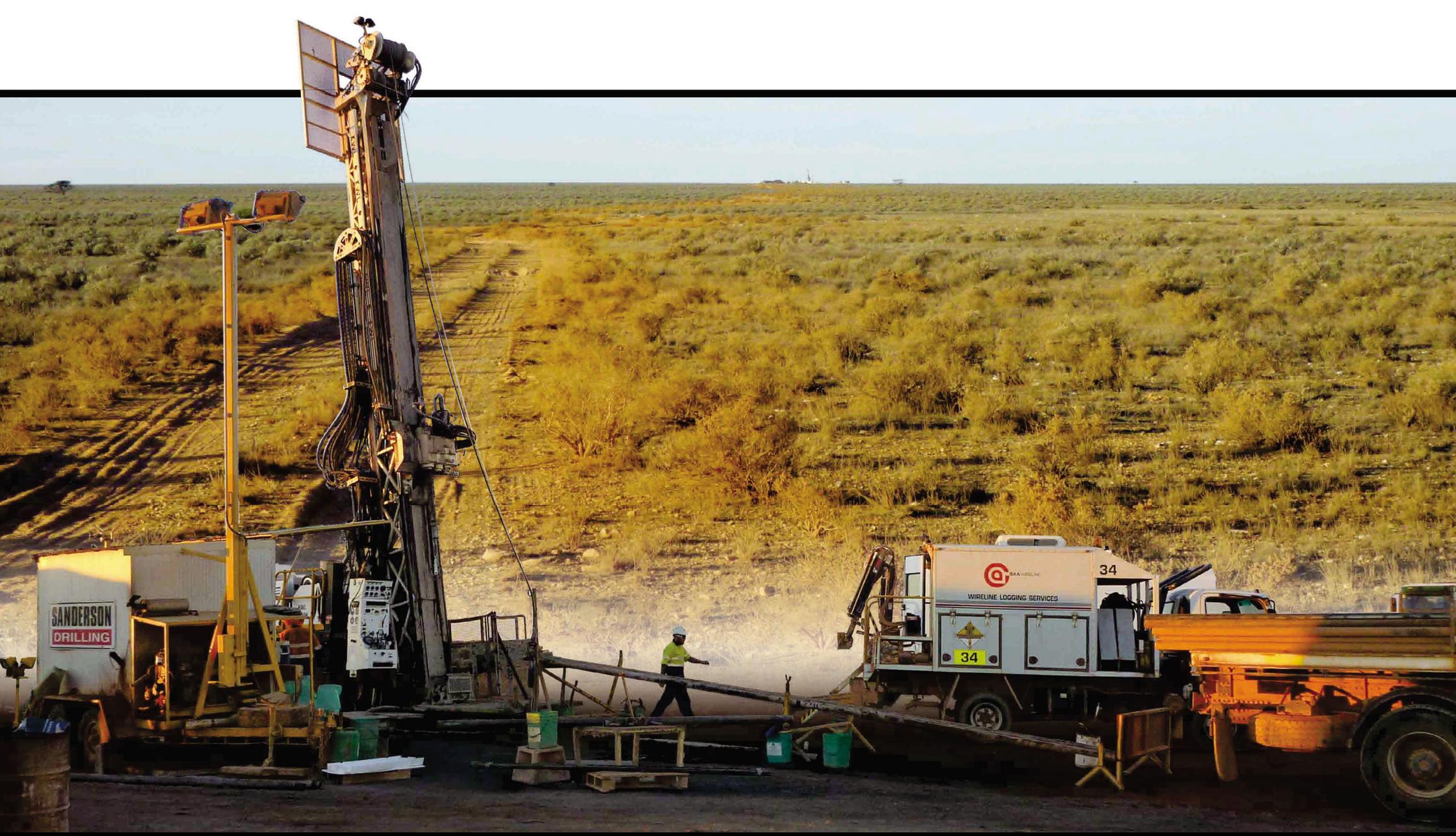


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Although Gwalia was not a gazetted town, some 1114 people lived there. Illegitimate liquor trading was rife, and in 1903 the Government experimented with a State-run hotel — managed by the Department of Mines! The fortunes of the hotel and the mine were closely entwined; thus in 1963 when the mine finally closed Gwalia's population disappeared almost overnight, leading to the demise of the hotel by 1964. Gwalia's historic buildings and mining heritage now make it an attractive tourist destination



Foreground photo of drill rig is superimposed onto Nullabor Plain vista (actual rig on the far horizon)



June 2014

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23	24	25	26	27	28	29

June

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Downhole geophysical survey being set up at drillsite (visible on the horizon) in remote country on the Nullabor Plain, about 60 km west of the South Australian border. The aim of the drilling — funded by the Geological Survey and the Western Australian Government's Exploration Incentive Scheme — was to intersect unknown basement rocks beneath the Eucla Basin



Complex folding pattern in the Dales Gorge Member of the Brockman Iron Formation, Pilbara region



July 2014

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July

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Complex folding pattern that may include soft-sediment deformation in banded iron-formation within the Dales Gorge Member of the Brockman Iron Formation at Ando's Crack, eastern Ophthalmia Range, Pilbara



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Mount Pierre in the Kimberley region (then and now)



August 2014

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18	19	20	21	22	23	24
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August

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Top: Sketch of Mount Pierre (right) by geologist ET Hardman in 1883, part of a series by Hardman during his expedition to the Kimberley region with John Forrest, future Premier of Western Australia

Below: The same view of Mount Pierre and adjoining hills photographed in 2003. Mount Pierre is capped with Famennian limestone of the Piker Hills Formation, over Virgin Hills Formation



*A classic Western Australian beach scene —
Tamala Limestone along the Burns Beach foreshore*



September 2014

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	Petroleum Open Day, Fremantle 11	12	13	14
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29	30					

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Quaternary Tamala Limestone (about two million years) outcrops along the Western Australian coast around Perth. Note the smooth calcium carbonate-lined rhyzolith at the western top edge of the cliff and another holding up the cliff. Rhyzoliths are cylindrical structures formed around fossilized tree roots



Deformed pillow basalts of the Maggie Hays Formation in the Archean Lake Johnston greenstone belt outcrop on the western edge of Lake Johnston, 150 m east of Maggie Hays Hill

October 2014



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
EARTH SCIENCE WEEK <small>International Women in Geoscience Day</small>						
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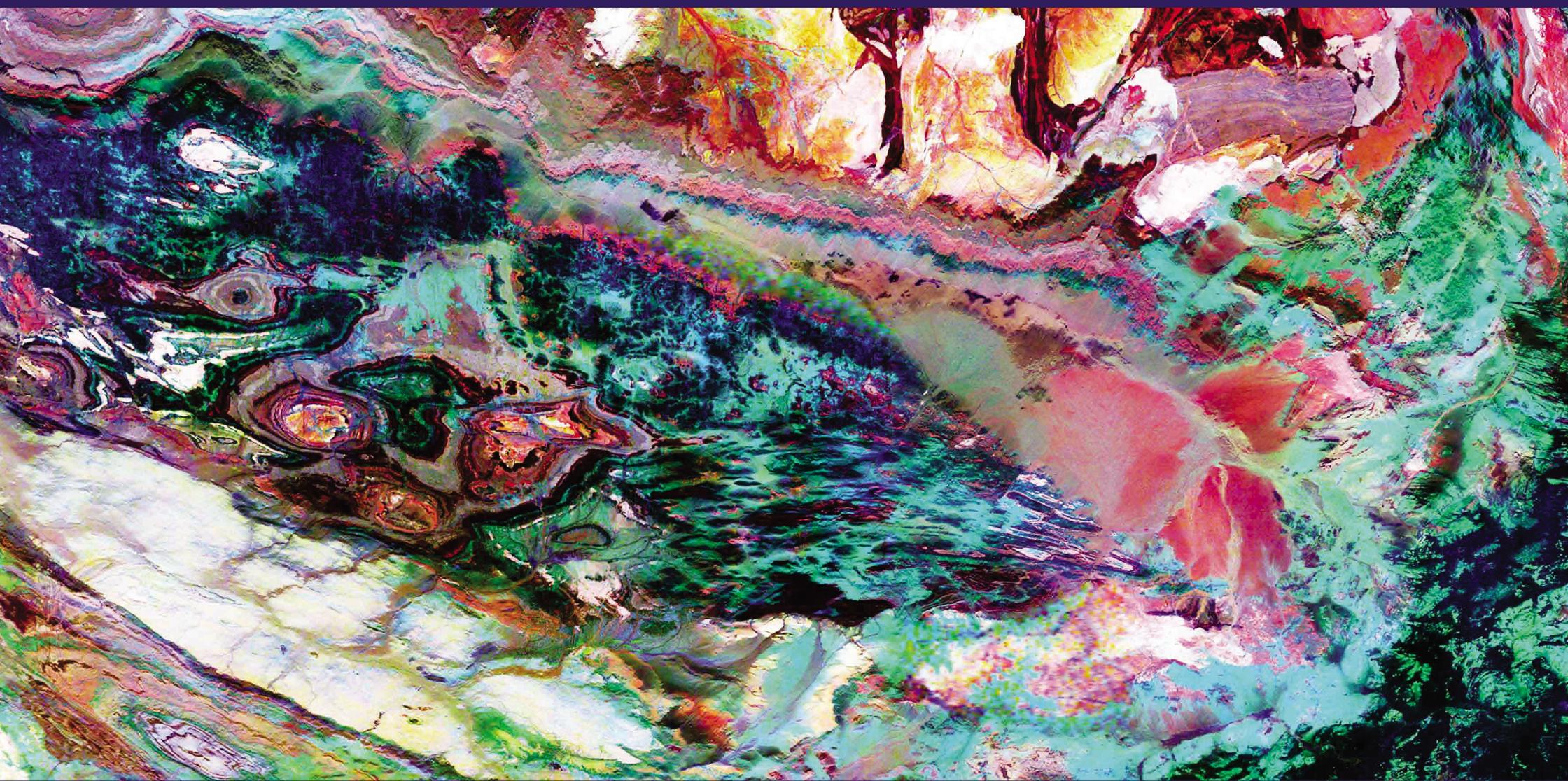
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Ductile deformation textures and features in deformed pillow basalts and early-stage felsic veins and dykes are coincident with granite emplacement at about 2715 Ma

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Radiometric image, southern Pilbara region, shows a strong correlation with outcrop geology and regolith. Compare this with the December image of Total Magnetic Intensity

November 2014



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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	GIS Day 12	13	14	15	16
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November

Potassium, Thorium, Uranium (KTU) combined Ternary Radiometric image picks out the elongated triangular Fortescue River valley (pink) south of the oval-shaped granitic complexes (cream, yellow) of the Pilbara Craton

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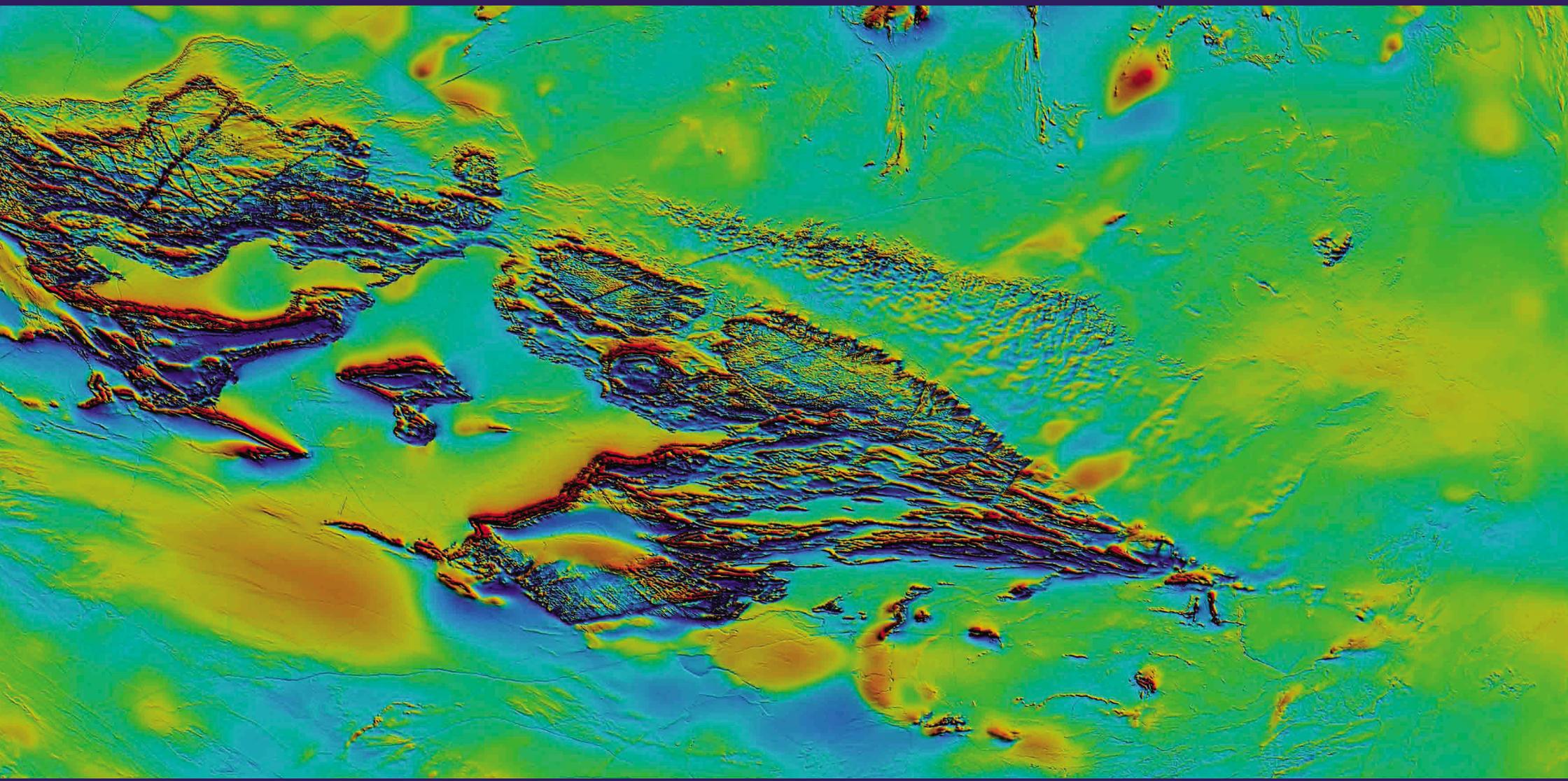


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This Total Magnetic Intensity (TMI) image captures the magnetic properties of the bedrock at depth, in contrast to surface features shown on the Radiometrics of the same region (November)

December 2014

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
1	2	3	St Barbara's Day* 4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	Christmas Day 25	Boxing Day 26	27	28
29	30	31				



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*Total Magnetic Intensity image of the southern Pilbara.
The red patterns on the image equate to highly magnetic
rocks, which are the extensive banded iron-formations of the
Hamersley Group*

** Saint Barbara is the patron saint of miners*

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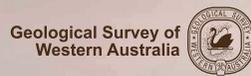
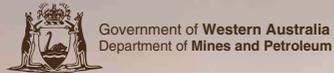
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GSWA manages the Exploration Incentive Scheme (EIS), a State Government initiative to encourage exploration in Western Australia for the long-term sustainability of the State's resources sector.

This \$131 million initiative, funded over eight years, will stimulate increased private sector resource exploration and ultimately lead to new mineral and energy discoveries. Most of the activities in the EIS are focused in under-explored greenfields regions.

More information on EIS is available at: <www.dmp.wa.gov.au/EIS>



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Front cover image: Storm brewing over a GSWA field excursion to visit a ridge marking a synformal fold hinge at the southern end of the Edamurta Range in the western Yilgarn Craton, southwest of Yalgoo

Back cover image: Granite tors of the Bald Rock Supersuite (c. 2630 Ma) at Nannowtharra Hill near Yalgoo

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