

## **WHO IS INVOLVED IN THE CAMP**

### **The Women Elders**

The Kapululangu Women Elders are Cultural Knowledge Custodians, Teachers, Tjarrtjurra Women Healers and Law Women. All were raised in the desert before the Whites arrived in their Country. They were socialised and educated into the Old Aboriginal Ways. They have invited you to join them in their home because they want to share some of their cultural knowledge with you.

### **Local Indigenous Tilitja Apprentices**

The Kapululangu Women Elders are supported by a group of 'Young Elders' who are apprenticed to the Women Elders in preparation to become elders themselves. They assist the Elders to implement Kapululangu's cultural activities and events.

### **Kapululangu Board of Elders and Directors**

Kapululangu is governed by a Board of Elders and Directors who meet on a regular basis to determine the direction and policies of their organisation. They are key in designing and implementing all of Kapululangu's programs, activities and events.

### **Camp Coordinator**

The Camp Coordinator's job at the Camp is to make sure that you get the most that you can out of your experience.

### **Counsellor**

A qualified counselor will be available to for anyone wishing to discuss any matter or concerns throughout your visit.

### **Tilitja Teams**

While at the Camp you will be working in Tilitja Teams. Tilitja is a local Kukatja word which means Culture Worker, or one who gives service. Each team will be led by a trained Non-Indigenous Tilitja. The teams will be responsible for making the Camp operate smoothly. This includes cooking all meals, washing up, getting firewood, cleaning up and ensuring that all the chores of the Camp are done efficiently. Responsibilities will be rotated through a roster system.

The Camp (and Kapululangu) operates on a premise of Service-Learning. Service Learning is a process by which one gives service to the Elders and women of Balgo as a gift. Your being of service is not motivated by guilt or by the desire to be helpful. It is about giving yourself to an intention which is worthy of your time, energy and life. It celebrates strength in yourself and in those you give service to and builds real relationships.