

Yandeyarra Station

1978? – 1983?

Other Names:

- Yandearra
- Yandarra

Details

Yandeyarra Station, in the Pilbara across the Yule River, was run by a local Aboriginal community. From at least 1978 to 1983, the Department for Community Welfare sent Aboriginal boys and girls who had been convicted of offences to Yandeyarra so that they could receive practical training, support and guidance.

Yandeyarra Station was one of a number of pastoral stations that the Department for Community Welfare utilised to provide Aboriginal girls and boys who had been convicted of offences with an alternative to detention in Perth. In the 1981 annual report (*Signposts* 2004, p.585) the department explained what it saw as the benefits of this approach. Yandeyarra: 'offers care, supervision, training and employment in a relevant cultural setting where the vocational skills learned and the lifestyle is appropriate and attractive to youths and girls from the town where they face a more uncertain future'.

The span of years that young people were placed at Yandeyarra is not known.

More info

Related Entries

Related Organisations

- [Department for Community Welfare, State of Western Australia \(1972 - 1985\)](#)
The Department for Community Welfare placed male and female Aboriginal teenagers at Yandeyarra Station.
Date: 1978? - 1983?

Resources

- State Records Taskforce, Government of Western Australia, [Looking West: A Guide to Aboriginal Sources in Western Australia](#), 2004
- Western Australia. Department for Community Welfare, [Annual Report: Department for Community Welfare](#), 1973 - 1984

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