



**AACAI WA CHAPTER
PRESENTS A SUNDOWNER TALK**

**Is it from the Dreaming, or is it
rubbish?**

**The significance and meaning of stone artefacts and
their sources to Aboriginal people in the Pilbara
region of Western Australia***

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(Anthropologist at Ethnoscience)

Development of the Pilbara region has resulted in significant numbers of archaeological and ethnographic surveys, during which Aboriginal people are routinely asked to comment on the significance of artefact scatters, reduction areas and quarries. This talk draws on ongoing research with Aboriginal people and examines how meaning and significance are attributed to stone assemblages and their sources. The ongoing emergence of shared 'communities of practice' between archaeologists and Aboriginal people and how this process influences the latter's engagement with stone will be discussed.

*A paper on this talk was written by Dr Edward McDonald and Bryn Coldrick (Ancestral Voices Ltd, Ireland)



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