

REMEMBERING JUPITER

While Jupiter Mosman's find marked the discovery of gold in Charters Towers and heralded in a major windfall for the people of Queensland, it was with this same jubilance a century later in 1983, due to his historical role in shaping the northern state, that Jupiters Limited was incorporated and resulted in the establishment of the Jupiter casinos in Queensland's, Gold Coast and Townsville, keeping the spirit and historical significance of Jupiter Mosman alive.

This pinnacle in Queensland's mining history, when Jupiter plucked that first gold nugget from the stream in Charters Towers, has also been captured on canvas by renowned Australian artist Marji Hill in her original oil painting 'Jupiters Lucky Strike' which for many years hang in the Jupiters Townsville Hotel and Casino). Marji Hill has been involved in many aspects of Aboriginal affairs which have provided much of the inspiration and influence for her artworks.

The largest reported gold nugget found at Charters Towers was in 1920 (after the goldfield ceased production), weighing an impressive 143 ounces (4,450 grams) by Tom Hoy, a Chinese prospector.

