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Header photo: Sturt Desert pees among local dunes. Photo: G Rowley 2016

A WEIRD BUNCH MAYBE, BUT WE'RE SURVIVORS

This is our last edition for the year and reflecting on 2016, this has proven to be a year where Andamooka has found itself at the crossroads.

Yes there has been the usual ups and downs together with controversy and challenges, but as we point out to many visitors who find our town chock full of great characters, open friendliness and a fierce proud heritage, that Andamookans are like a family.....

We have our differences, jealousies, givers, takers, leaders, followers, and whingers, BUT.... Don't ever knock or upset any of us or you will find the ranks will close, because regardless of personal discrepancies, Andamooka always looks after its own.

However, with opal mining becoming more costly, opal harder to find, and more regulations being imposed, Andamooka as a community, now needs to decide in which direction it wishes to move to take our town into the future.

It is for this reason that the APOMA Committee has spent countless hours working through a raft of options to create income streams and employment including tourism and events, as well as developing a great lifestyle for residents.

We have worked back through historic records to rationalise and establish a viable asset base that can benefit the town into the future and

also put measures in place to protect them.

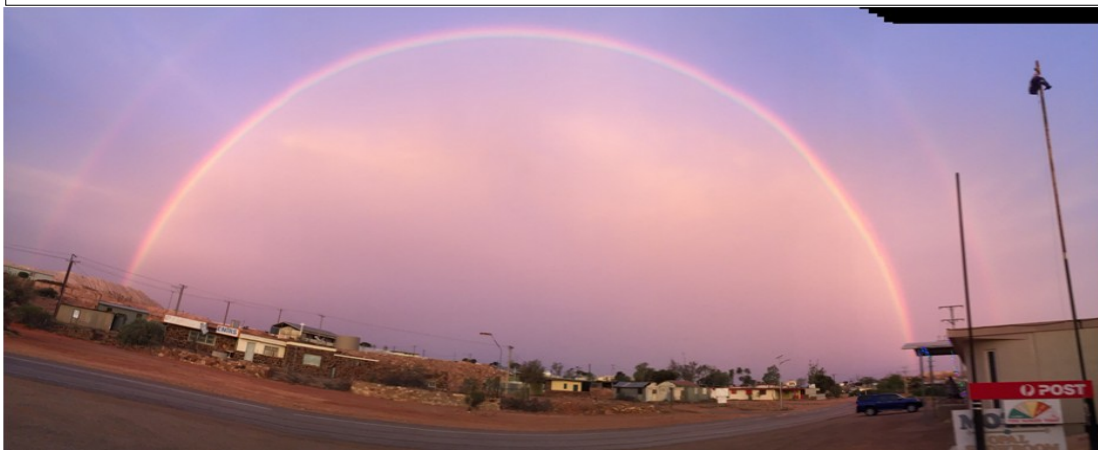
From this we can, as a community, look to build upon these with new projects that will require funding and volunteer support to bring them to fruition. Options will be put to the community at an open meeting in early 2017 so that the final designs reflect the needs of the community.

We have looked at historic events and assets towards recording these and also opening them up to both visitors and to the community through a comprehensive events calendar including exhibits and interpretive displays as well as a series of trails—all of which will be worked through with community working groups to ensure that the community retains ownership and that they are designed to meet our needs.

These new directions will bolster opal mining in the town, albeit perhaps with a new perspective, and they will create new employment and business opportunities as well as exciting new community projects that will give locals the chance to contribute back to the community.

So I see 2017 as a year of progress and change. How will we make this work you may well ask, but remember, we are Andamookans and if anyone can do this, we can!

Best wishes to you all and thank you for your support for the Newsletter during 2016. The Ed!



This months photo: An amazing phenomenon of a double rainbow, the halo captured on camera as it glowed above Andamooka on New Year's day, 2016. Photo: Angela Turner, 2016.

**COMMUNITY & VISITOR
INFORMATION****EMERGENCY:** 000
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John West: 0408807943
Stefan Bilka: 0427181752**Andamooka Medical Service:**
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After Hours: Emergencies only.**Post Office:** 86727007
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10-1 Sun.**OCA/ATMC (Town) Office:**
School Road 86727246**Andamooka School &
Children's Centre:** 86727018
Public Library: internet/Wi-Fi
8-10 & from 1.30 weekdays.
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School Road.**Community Hall:**
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Opal Creek Blvd. 8672 7246**Tuckabox Hotel:** 86727137
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Boo-Teek Op shop:
Top of CWA Road
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Roxby Downs Town Council

More details:

www.andamooka.sa.au**APOMA NEWS***Preserving our past and planning for our future***Points of Interest from November/December
APOMA Committee Meetings:**

- Priority issues re sustainability for the town and the Borefield Road connector were mooted at the meeting on the 20th as those most important to present to the Premier, Treasurer and Ministers at the Country Cabinet with a special meeting to progress outcomes held on the 23rd.
- The Committee welcomed John Wilby on to the Committee.
- Awaiting outcomes on issues around mining claims—ongoing.
- End of Month Balance at bank: \$35,970 with \$1082 in donations received during November.
- Work will commence on the Community Hall
- Work is progressing on the town asset review including insurance arrangements.
- Seeking members of the community to join an event planning group.
- Community Christmas Lunch progressing.
- Transfer of AYC license to new licensees.

MINUTES & OTHER INFORMATION:

Please visit the website to access minutes from APOMA meetings and other information. If unable to access the website please call APOMA to

APOMA ACTIVITIES

During the months of November /December APOMA committee members collectively volunteered around 400hrs to services, events and projects benefiting the Andamooka Community .

- SATC visit
- Attendance and follow ups around Country Cabinet regional visit and meetings.
- Assistance with events
- Work continues on new website and draft plan - administration systems
- Community Christmas lunch planning
- Work continues on new events calendar
- Grant submissions progressing & submitted
- CDP and OCA meetings

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Miners Association Inc.**

APOMA is the peak body representing the opal miners, residents, community and township of Andamooka.

APOMA'S key objectives are to lead the community and protect miners rights; promote social wellbeing; maintain and develop the township; develop and promote opal mining and opal markets; promote tourism, promote and facilitate social inclusion and equality within the township.

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Next meeting TBA Jan 2016

*Correspondence addressed to The
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APOMA NEWS



A Christmas Message from the Chairman

Many things have been achieved during the past year by the APOMA Committee working together with the community. I think that I can safely say that Andamooka has been built on its volunteers and that our volunteers continue to be the foundation on which the town continues to function day by day.

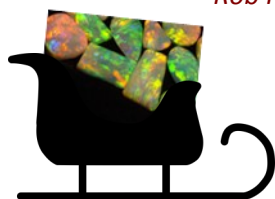
The town owes much to those working under the Community Development Program (CDP). This group of locals have put many hours into the excellent restoration work on the historic cottages and machinery display, as well as historic records.

They have also assisted with developing and maintaining the Caravan and Camping Ground and other community facilities, plus assisted with events. This work will return benefits to the community by attracting visitors to the town. So thank you to you all CDP workers and to CDP Coordinator, Trish.

There are the dedicated bands of volunteers that undertake so many vital roles day by day, such as driving the community bus or the ambulance, or ferrying residents from place to place, helping with gardens and household chores, and those working with community programs and events, or assisting at the school, or helping with youth programs, and those that singularly undertake day to day tasks that keep the town tidy and functional. There are those that volunteer with the SES / CFS and willingly attend various emergencies and tasks to maintain a safe living environment for the community. Thank you also to the hardworking local organisations that continue to contribute so much to the community, also local businesses that have put their support behind community activities.

Also, I must mention the members of the APOMA Committee and those that act as community consultants and others that do tasks to assist with the work load. On behalf of the community I express our gratitude for the hard work put in by them and those committee members who left during the year,

Rob Hancock, Ray Christensen and Peter Allen.



So I hope I have not forgotten anyone, so many to remember, and on behalf of the APOMA Committee I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

Stefan Bilka, APOMA Chairman



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ATMC



Andamooka Town Management Committee

Office Hours

**Monday to Thursday
8:30 am—1:30 pm**

- **Closed over Christmas New Year**
 - **Re-opening**

Please leave a message Ph: 08 8672 7246

Email: admin@atmc.sa.gov.au

Urgent enquiries:

Byron Gough (OCA) on (m) 0427687772

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Progressing Andamooka Town Development



UPDATE ON THE ANDAMOOKA HARD WASTE PUT DOWN AREA

Air monitoring of the area surrounding the earthworks between the Andamooka refuse pit and Lake Torrens Road has been completed and analysed. Results confirm it is safe to continue to access the fenced household waste dump area.

An alternative hard waste set down area has been identified within the fenced area and will be operational prior to Christmas. The alternative site will be sign posted and monitored. Any illegal dumping will be reported and actioned.

It remains imperative that members of the public do not access the exclusion zone. That area will also be monitored and any access will be reported to authorities. Access tracks to the affected area will be barricaded with clean earth mounds.

The OCA continues to work with the Dept. of Environment, Water and Natural Resources and the Dept. of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure on this matter. In the meantime the public are encouraged to be vigilant and pass on the details of anyone seen accessing the exclusion zone or undertaking illegal dumping to the OCA.

The hard waste area (and other areas within the exclusion zone) are not to be accessed for any reason. Heavy Penalties apply for unauthorized access to the site.

The public is reminded it is an offence to dump asbestos containing items anywhere other than a registered asbestos dump.

Enquiries on this issue including reports of illegal dumping or access may be directed to: Byron Gough, Governance Manager, OCA, on 0427 687 772 or byron.gough@sa.gov.au released: 7 December 2016

NEW 4WD AMBULANCE BOUND FOR ANDAMOOKA

Andamooka will have its new 4WD ambulance operational from the RFDS operated Health Service by Christmas, as one of 3 new ambulances located in remote areas, the other s will be based at Marree and Marla.

This will enhance the on-the-ground emergency care and capability and represent a significant investment by the RFDS into patient comfort and care and in the safety of remote area nurses based in their remote area clinics.



RFDS Central Operations Chief Executive Officer John Lynch, Health Minister Jack Snelling, RFDS Adelaide Base Senior Flight Nurse Michael Penno at the December 8 launch at RFDS Adelaide Base.

PROJECTS IN PROGRESS

UPGRADES TO COMMUNITY HALL & SURROUNDS:
STREET LIGHTS:
REGIONAL AND LOCAL DIRECTIONAL SIGNAGE:
 Work will resume on this in 2017.

COUNTRY CABINET VISIT, NOVEMBER.

APOMA representatives attended the Country Cabinet visit at Roxby Downs, on 22nd November lobbying on behalf of the Andamooka community, for support for two issues vital to the sustainability of our town.



From left: Chris Larkin, Kokotha; Ian Thompson, APOMA; Eddie Hughes, Member for Giles; & John Wilby.

A number of State Ministers were in attendance together with the Premier and Treasurer, who made themselves available for discussion on local issues.

Our representatives discussed the critical need for the Borefield Road extension to build regional tourism with Premier Jay Weatherill, which would create jobs and business opportunities for Andamooka and other towns in the region. Treasurer, Tom Koutsantonis, was approached about funding assistance to assist with establishing independent and sustainable town management in Andamooka.

Consequently, the next day we had a productive meeting with Minister Geoff Brock, who is responsible for regional development, in Andamooka and two submissions were forwarded to his Office and to Eddie Hughes MP, Member for Giles, who is keen to see both of these vital issues pursued.



From left: Byron Gough, OCA, John Smirnios, Minister Geoff Brock, Gill Rowley and Ian Thompson, APOMA.



australia day

ANDAMOOKA AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS

Nominate those that deserve our recognition

Do you sometimes think 'that person deserves a medal'

This is your opportunity to give recognition to someone or a group you know to have made outstanding contributions to our community or achieved something special in 2016.

Australia Day Citizen Award: - To be eligible the person must be 27 years or older on 26 January 16

Australia Day Young Citizen Award:- To be eligible the person must be under 27 years on 26 January 16

Community Event of the Year Award: - Presented to persons or a group for the most outstanding community event during 2016.

Consideration is given to persons /groups that are:

- Andamooka based
- Have performed an outstanding action during 2016
- Is actively involved within the community
- Contributes to the community
- Have contributed to the community over many years

Nominations close Friday 6th January 2017

Forms available from Post Office or ATMC Office, or by contacting Jill on 0427508075 or by email at: apomaprogress@gmail.com

NEW COMMITTEE FOR HOSPITAL AUXILIARY

Following the recent AGM the new Committee is now:

Chairperson: Tim Rigden

Deputy Chair: Bev Burge

Secretary: Janice Hall

Treasurer: Belinda Godden

Committee: Rogie Dally, Caroline Bell, Ann Nicholls & Claudia Mitchell.

\$700 DONATION TO THE HOSPITAL AUXILIARY:

A \$700 donation was gratefully received thanks to all those who participated in the Andamooka Footy Tipping Comp. and also the meat raffles at the Tuckabox. So thank you to Anna and John for passing on the donation.



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CORRECTION TO THE ARTICLE, “Andamooka looking forward to a progressive new year” PUBLISHED, THE MONITOR, 14 DECEMBER 2016.

The Monitor incorrectly stated that there was to be an ATMC ‘Administrator’ put in a ‘dedicated town office position in early 2017’. This unqualified statement also unfortunately put the rest of the article out of context.

As submitted and well down within the general text, the excerpt relating to the direction APOMA is working in for administration support, should have read: “Also, together with the OCA and working under an interim budget that has allowed for change to occur over the year as developments allow in a systematic and responsible manner, the Committee is anticipating that we will have an **administration assistant** in a dedicated town office in place early in 2017.”

COMMUNITY EVENTS & MARKETING GROUP

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**WHAT'S ON
IN ANDAMOOKA
DECEMBER 2016**

**Welcome All Seniors
Wacky Wednesdays**

*Join in the fun & activities or
just enjoy a cuppa & chat*

10.00-12noon
at the CFS Shed

SAVE THE DATE

26th January
Australia Day BBQ
Community Hall

**ANDAMOOKA COMMUNITY
CHURCH**

Meets 3rd Sunday of each month
1.00pm for lunch,
Communion 2.00pm
Next meeting: 20th March

**ANDAMOOKA / R.D. BIBLE
CHURCH**

Worship Service 10.30 Sun.
Bible Study 7.30 Wed.
Water Way, Andamooka
Contact: 8672 7004

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Proudly sponsored by Andamooka Opal Showroom & Bottlehouse Motel

DECEMBER	JANUARY	FEBRUARY
25th APOMA Christmas Lunch from 12 noon at the CFS Shed on Christmas Hill	26th Australia Day BBQ & Citizen Awards 28th Chinese New Year 30th Back to School	14th Valentines Day Proposed Quiz Night TBA
MARCH	APRIL	MAY
13th Adelaide Cup Day 17th St Patrick's Day	14th APOMA BBQ (scl holis) 15th Easter Market 16th Easter Egg Hunt & Pancake Breakfast 25th ANZAC Day (schl back30)	5th- 8th Andamooka ROCK FESTIVAL - mineral, stone & rock lovers big weekend - entertainment
JUNE	JULY	AUGUST
9th June Long Weekend BBQ ASSA Opal Classic Event	Dog registrations due Schl holidays—8-23 July Outback Trails Challenge Week	APOMA AGM
SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER
SPRING MARKET	Schl holidays—30 Sep—15th LONG WEEKEND ACTIVITIES Halloween Family Fun Night	2nd Andamooka All Souls Day at the Cemetery 11th Remembrance Day Schl holidays Dec 16th –28 Jan

Andamooka Sports Shooting Assoc.



For more information on activities & events
Contact: 0419 504 200

Seeking volunteers

- Australia Day Awards & Celebrations
- Rock Festival - many roles

*To register or for more information contact
Gill: 0427 508075
or apomaprogress@gmail.com*



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WHAT'S ON IN ANDAMOOKA

**ALL WELCOME
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CHRISTMAS LUNCH**

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**Join in the celebrations
at the**

**Andamooka
Australia Day BBQ**

**26th January
Andamooka Community Hall
starts from 10.00am till 2.00pm**

Australia Day Awards

Prizes & give-aways

Dress up as your favourite Aussie!

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**ANNUAL SKUNKS TOY RUN—
ROXBY DOWNS TO ANDAMOOKA Spreading Christmas Joy**

On Saturday 26th November, 17 motor-bikes of all types were magnificently decorated in sparkling tinsel and all types of Christmas paraphernalia, most with passengers on board, to take part in the annual Skunks Toy Run from Roxby Downs to Andamooka.

Also on board were donations of Christmas toys, many of them teddy bears riding into town as passengers, which were deposited with the Andamooka CWA to distribute to needy children.

After the Run the group stayed in town for lunch where they awarded prizes as part of the day. Once again, a great time was had by all and their efforts will bring joy to many children for Christmas.

So thank you to all that participated in the Run.



NEW 'HOME' FOR LOCAL YOUTH IN 2017

Youth Coordinator, Donna Waters, has been keen to secure dedicated space for local youth that would enable her to develop vital programs to assist youth development in Andamooka.

The APOMA Committee took on the task of finding space that could accommodate these needs, yet fit within the plan to create harmonious, multi-functional facilities for the community.

With other moves afoot in 2017, a dedicated space has been created within the Community Hall for the youth to move into in 2017 which will, as work is progressed provide them with both indoor and outdoor areas and also equipment for programs.

Owner/Rider Neil Burston aboard his Christmas decorated, fully restored 1954 Ariel motor bike which took part in the Run. Neil has a collection of bikes and acquired the Ariel which sports an original Dusty sidecar, in 2004 and lovingly restored the bike to its former glory.

ANDAMOOKA LIFE

Christmas in Andamooka.....

Andamooka Primary School Concert attracted a big crowd into the Community Hall where they were entertained by great performances by our local kids. It's a small school with a big heart! Thanks to all who helped to make the event so successful.



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LOOK OUT FOR SNAKES

Hot weather has brought out snakes & lizards so watch out for these creatures and make sure that you know what to do in the event of a snake bite.

This region is home to potentially deadly venomous snakes including the dark skinned Mulga and the Western Brown variations of which may be orange with a black head, or yellow head with greenish body, some have black bands. Don't confuse this with the harmless Desert Banded Snake which grows to only 40cm long, or the Ringed Brown which is venomous but not dangerous, growing up to 60cm.

A good practice is to keep a large, firm pressure bandage at hand in your car and home.



Call 000 for emergencies

Wishing all my good friends and the many folk that I see day by day in Andamooka

**A very Merry Christmas
&
A Happy & Prosperous New Year**

George Saunders
Horse Paddock Road

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December Police Report

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As we enter the summer months I want to take the chance to remind everyone that it is currently fire danger season, and there are restrictions in force. There will be a number of complete fire ban days in the near future in which no fires will be permitted regardless. If you need information on what restrictions are currently in force please contact myself, or if able to refer to the CFS website for further information.

2016 is now almost complete and 2017 is quickly approaching. It seems as though another year has flown by and it's Christmas time again. I am looking forward to what 2017 will bring and hopefully it will be a good year for Andamooka and all of its wonderful residents.

I hope everyone has a safe and Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, and I look forward to seeing everyone safe and sound next year.

Thank you

Brevet Sergeant Tristan Fantinel
Andamooka Police Station
South Australia Police
8672 7072




Eddie Hughes MP
Member for Giles
My office can help with issues related to services provided by the State Government.

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Email giles@parliament.sa.gov.au
f Eddie Hughes MP

DR SIMON LOCKWOOD re-commencing practice locally on Tuesday 24th January 2016.

Available Tuesday afternoons weekly at Andamooka Clinic, located at the top of Hospital Road.

Hours: from 1.00pm, Tuesday afternoons weekly.

Strictly by appointment—which must be made by 12noon on the Monday prior to the day you want the appointment.

Book through the Andamooka Health Service on 8672 7087 Or through the Roxby Downs Practice.

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Lock it up

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24/7 MEDICAL ASSISTANCE (in Outback SA)

Ask to speak with the on-call **RFDS Doctor**

1800 RFDS SA

1800 733 772

HF Radio
4010 kHz
6890 kHz
8165 kHz



Andamooka Health Service

Lot 33 Hospital Road, Andamooka.

Attended by: Diane Bilka & Vicki Finzel, Remote Area Nurses

Opening Hours:

9.00 –12 noon—2.00 to 5.00pm Mon/Tues/Thurs/Fri
9.00-12 noon Wed. **On call 24 hrs— emergency only**

Ph: **08 8672 7087** Fax: 08 8872 7222

Email: andaclinic@bigpond.com



Community Care

NEWS FROM CALVARY COMMUNITY CARE

Meals on Wheels:

Calvary is offering Meals on Wheels for Calvary Clients. This community service will commence in January 2017.

Don't forget to sign up.

Monthly Outings:

Calvary offers monthly outings to various locations which now includes regular monthly movie & lunch outings.

Transport & Social Support:

With the heat of summer upon us we urge more people to take advantage of the transport & social support services.

Please don't struggle with the heat when help is at hand.

To find out more about community care or outings, home care, transport or meals on wheels, contact:

Claudia at Calvary Community Care

Office hours Andamooka Clinic: generally from **9:00 am to 12:00 & 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm, Monday to Thursday.**

Best to ring 0418 973 502 first.

Calvary is a value based, not for profit organisation with a rich heritage of caring in the community.



Andamooka Primary School

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SURVIVING A HEAT WAVE

With the hot months upon us now is the time to not only look after yourself, keep hydrated & stay out of the sun during the day, but to also be vigilant with babies & children, make sure pets have plenty of water and shelter, and to think of others like elderly neighbours & those that are unwell. Keep a check on your neighbours & friends. *Don't hesitate to contact the Andamooka Health Service for advice or assistance if concerned.* Ph: 8672 7087

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Protect yourself against disease-carrying mosquitoes.



There is currently **NO CURE** and **NO VACCINE** to protect against Ross River or Barmah Forest virus so the only way to protect yourself and your family is to avoid being bitten.

COVER UP: Wear long, loose fitting, light coloured clothing, covering as much of the body as you can. Mosquitoes can bite through tight clothing including jeans.

REPEL: Use insect repellent containing DEET (diethyl toluamide) or picariden and always follow instructions on the label.

ELIMINATE: Stop mosquitoes breeding in water pooling around your home.

For more information call **SA Health on 08 8226 7100** or visit www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/FightTheBite

My Aged Care

Contact: **1800 200 422**

or visit: www.myagedcare.gov.au

Contact Andamooka Health Service if you need assistance.

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For further assistance or information on the procedure contact:

Ashley Wood, Acting Registrar,

Opal Field Program .

Ph: 08 8678 9058

Email: ashley.wood@sa.gov.au



Notice to Residents SES/CFS

A test will be conducted on the emergency warning siren

**Every Thursday at
7.00 pm**

Community Library

Internet/Wi-Fi available

**Open to public: 8-10am &
from 1.30 weekdays.**
Check for closing hrs.

Located: Andamooka School

Ring my office for an appointment next time I am in ANDAMOOKA



Rowan Ramsey MP

Federal Member for Grey

My office can help with Federal issues including Centrelink, Immigration, Communications, Veterans Affairs & many more

Please contact Rowan's Office 1300 301 742 or 8633 1744

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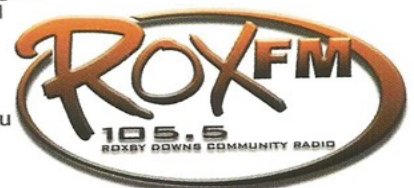
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