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Header photo: Andamooka Lillies blooming after recent rains.. Photo: G Rowley 2017

#### ANDAMOOKA.. A GREAT PLACE TO LIVE & VISIT!!

The major aim behind the APOMA Management Plan, draft presented at the AGM in August 2016, is to make Andamooka a great place to live and visit. Thanks to the efforts of so many in the community as we move towards formal adoption at the 2017 AGM, we have been steadily progressing towards achieving that aim.

Not only has Andamooka experienced sound visitor numbers, but we are also noticing an increase in the length of their stays which brings great economic and social benefits for the town.

We have also seen greater participation by locals at local events and in planning and action groups and with providing community feedback.

The Andamooka Portal notice board Facebook page has shown an ever-increasing following and we anticipate that the new Andamooka Forum Facebook page soon to be open for comments and feedback will also develop a good following with constructive feedback and discussion around projects and events to assist planning.

The new Andamooka website will finally be up

and running by the end of the month. This has experienced hold-ups for a number of reasons but is being completed with the dedicated assistance of young local Emma Morris who is working under a Youth Working for Community program focussing on marketing and events. Emma will be working on the Decade By Decade Historic Exhibit with a launch planned pre-Easter in 2018 for which we welcome any assistance, or donations or loans of photos or historic items from the 1930's in Andamooka. We anticipate the exhibit will be a special opportunity for both visitors and locals to learn so much about Andamooka's historic beginnings...

More community participation & greater support for various projects and events has inspired the events group to look at reviving or revisiting some great past events as well as to move forward with planning for new events and activities.

We hope that you are as excited as we are with this new sense of the old Andamooka fighting spirit towards putting our town well and truly back on the map.



This months photo: The Bottlehouse stands at the entrance to the Andamooka Post Office incorporating Dukes Bottlehouse Motel and the Andamooka Underground Opal & Mineral Museum. Photo: G Rowley 2016

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## **COMMUNITY & VISITOR** INFORMATION

INFORMATION				
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<b>SES/CFS:</b> John West: Stefan Bilka:	0408807943 0427181752			
Andamooka Medical Service:Hospital Road86727087See page 6 for daily clinic hours.After Hours: Emergencies only.				
Post Office: Open 7 days. Opa - Dukes Bottleho - Laundry-mat:				
- Claims Registration: Hrs: 9-5 weekdays 11-3 weekends				
Andamooka Pov Power cards: Frie	86727135			
Friendly Grocer				
Gas refills/Fuel Opal Creek Blvd. Open: 9-6 weekd 10-1 Sun.	<b>/Hardware:</b> Open 7 days			
OCA/ATMC (Tow School Road	n) Office: 86727246			
Andamooka Sch Children's Cent Public Library: i 8-10 & from 1.30 Check for closing School Road.	re: 86727018 internet/Wi-Fi weekdays.			
Community Hal Enquiries contact - Kids Splash Pad - AYC Café: Opal Creek Blvd.	APOMA			
Caravan Park/ F Opal Creek Blvd.	Playground: 8672 7246			
<b>Tuckabox Hotel</b> <i>Takeaway availal</i> Opal Creek Blvd	ble.			
Bottle Shop: Opal Creek Blvd	86727183 Open 7 days			
Roving Vet:	86423308			
<b>CWA:</b> Boo-Teek Op sho Top of CWA Road Hrs: 9-12 Wed/Fr	Ī			
Motor Vehicle Registration: Roxby Downs Town Council				
More details: www.andamooka.sa.au				

#### APOMA NEWS Preserving our past and planning for our future

#### Points of Interest from April APOMA

#### **Committee Meeting:**.

- Community Bus maintenance schedule up to date. No problems reported.
- Budget Planning progressed for 2017 –18
- End of Month Balance at bank: \$28,526 with \$633 in donations received during March.
- A full quarterly financial report reflecting the new budget related headings will be prepared by Up-to-Date Consultancy.
- Work progressing on the Community Hallopen space works progressed - work on roof currently being scoped and progressed.
- Temporary repair sorted for storm water intrusion from hall roof.
- Discussion on outcomes of March Open Community Forum and directions set for next forum.
- Waiting on visit from assessor for town asset review re values and insurance arrangements.
- New APOMA office operational new APOMA IT system to be progressed.
- APOMA Office Report from Richard Hawkinspleasing number of community and visitor enquiries managed or logged for action.

#### **MINUTES & OTHER INFORMATION:**

Please visit the website to access minutes from APOMA meetings and other information. If unable to access the website, copies available at APOMA Office or please call APOMA Secretary to arrange an alternative.

## APOMA ACTIVITIES

During the months of April/May APOMA committee members collectively volunteered around 400hrs to services, events & projects benefiting the Andamooka Community.

- Addressing issues around community care
- Open Community Forum follow ups
- Meetings with focus and community groups & community representatives
- Work continues on development planning, funding opportunities and also grants.
- Work continues on project management for new events calendar, services, marketing and facility development and management.
- Budget and administration planning for 2017/18

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## Andamooka Progress & Opal **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 28th May 2017 Correspondence addressed to The Secretary due COB Fri 26th May

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## **APOMA NEWS**

#### NEW APOMA OFFICE KEPT BUSY

Recently appointed APOMA administration assistant, Richard Hawkins has hit the ground running taking on a variety of tasks and proving himself to be a valuable asset to the town. There have been many visits from members of the community with suggestions, queries and to register concerns, also various queries from visitors, all of which have been logged on an action list from which he and the Committee will work together for follow up, inclusion in planning, or resolution.

On top of his regular 8 hours, Richard has also spent many volunteer hours utilising his expertise and experience project managing the yet to be completed works at the Community Hall to assist with meeting the extended grant funding acquittal conditions.

From his discussions with community members Richard has identified that there is some confusion within the community around which projects are current and decided and those which are proposed and still going through the process of community consultation and seeking funding. So with so much going on, we have separated reports on the current and proposed projects on pages 4 and 5 to make it easier to follow.

We have had great constructive feedback since the last forum including a number of excellent ideas, and these will be incorporated into the concept plans as they develop and progress into scoping and funding stages. So please keep it all coming.....

## **APOMA COMMITTEE POSTION VACANCY**

Due to work and personal commitments, Peggy Tuip has resigned from the APOMA Committee and we thank her for the efforts that she has put in to the benefit of the town over the past few years.

This has left a vacancy on the Committee and so we are seeking expressions of interest to immediately join the Committee as a seconded member to be put forward for formal election at the 2017 AGM proposed for a date to be decided in August 2017.

If you are keen to contribute towards Andamooka as a great place to live and to visit, please contact The Secretary (details P2) or drop into the APOMA office to register your interest.

## ANDAMOOKA TOWN OFFICE

### **ATMC Office Hours**

Andamooka Town Management Committee Monday to Thursday

8:30 am-1:30 pm

Ph: 08 8672 7246 (please leave a message)

Email: admin@atmc.sa.gov.au

**Urgent enquiries:** 

Byron Gough (OCA) on (m) 0427687772

oca.sa.gov.au/atmc

## **APOMA Office Hours**

10.00am to 2.00pm

**Tuesdays & Thursdays** 

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#### **KEEPING UP WITH BUSINESS**

Progressing Andamooka Town Development

#### **UPDATES CURRENT PROJECTS & ISSUES**

**BOREFIELD ROAD EXTENSION:** - With so much happening on this front, the proposed Borefield Rd connector will be a key topic of discussion at the Open Community Forum set for Sunday 18th June which will be attended by Eddie Hughes MP, Member for Giles, who has put his support behind the project. Invitations will also be sent out to other politicians to attend the next Forum.

Hub toilet block facelift: work will commence on painting and minor repairs over the next month with labour provided by the CDP group. The broken mirrors have been removed and will not be replaced.

Website & Facebook: The new APOMA website and Facebook page will be up and operational by the end of May with the assistance of young local, Emma Morris who is working part time in the APOMA office under the funded Youth Working for Communities program with a focus on Marketing and Events. Emma will also be working on the Decade by Decade historic project.

#### **DECADE by DECADE HISTORIC EXHIBITIONS**

A prospective pre Easter launch has been set for the first of this series of ten exhibitions leading up to 2027 which will concentrate on the decade spanning the discovery of opal in this region up to 1939. A number of volunteers are keen to progress the project and they are seeking photos, stories or items of interest, so if you have any of these that you can donate or loan, your help or your participation will be very much appreciated.

**CDP Aquaponics Project:** This exciting project which is funded and manned under the CDP program is progressing under the supervision of APOMA project manager, Richard Hawkins together with CDP super visor Trish Curnow, with a prospective delivery date for the kit in mid to late June.

Andamooka Community Care Issues: Following the issues associated with the relocation and changes to the town's community care services, a date is currently being determined for a community consultation meeting with Calvary Community Care which is likely to be at the end of May. As this service is a federal government issue, the OCA will also have a representative in attendance to assist with resolving issues. We will advise the Community as soon as a date has been fixed.

# PROGRESSING SUGGESTED & PROPOSED PROGRAMS & PROJECTS DISCUSSED AT OPEN COMMUNITY FORUMS

#### ANDAMOOKA COMMUNITY GARDENS PROJECT:

NRM SA Arid Lands grant applications have been submitted by APOMA and also Andamooka Primary School principal, Trish Williams, in a coordinated approach towards the Andamooka Community Gardens Project which if successful will see the school working with the community on revegetation and education projects around bush foods and native plants in community open space, community gardens and also home gardens within the town.

Funding will provide for an exciting extension to the community gardens project by developing a Arid Explorers Garden in the currently under utilised open space at the western end of the Hall based on the very successful arid lands discovery garden located at the Arid Lands Botanic Park in Port Augusta which was recently visited by AYC proprietors Pip and Charlie who bought the concept to the attention of APOMA and who will be putting their time and energy into seeing the project come to fruition. They will also assist on-going with its maintenance and with education programs.

The Explorers Garden will feature a natural play area and planter boxes containing native plants including those used by indigenous peoples for food and medicinal purposes, together with interpretive signs indentifying the plants and outlining their care and use.

Supporting school projects the Explorers Garden will create a great open space for visitors, children and adults alike and not only provide educational play space for children but also examples of indigenous plants that can be grown in local home gardens and open spaces to regenerate flora to beautify the town and support native fauna including birds, beneficial insects and small reptiles.

The school native planting project will work in conjunction with this and also the proposed native propagation project proposed to be located and developed together with the CDP Aquaponics project which will provide for on-going development of native plantings and bush foods and potentially create an income stream for the town.

The Community Gardens Project will progress in conjunction with on-going community consultation via Open Community Forums and working with the school and other community groups. Members of the community are encouraged to contribute their time, plant cuttings or knowledge to assist with the Community Gardens project.

To learn more about arid land plants and gardening don't miss the NRM Arid Lands Plant ID and Gardening workshop on Tues 23 May between 10.00am and 5.00pm at the Andamooka Community Hall. *More details on Page 9.* 

**HALL INDOOR DIVIDING WALL** – several suggestions have been received since the March Forum which are being investigated as part of the scoping for this project. Ideas together with funding opportunities will be put up for discussion at the June Open Community Forum.

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#### **COMMUNITY NEWS**

#### **PROGRESS ON COMMUNITY HALL WORKS:**

Hall Roof repairs— the project to replace the damaged roofing on the west end back of building has posed quite a challenge with the discovery that the Hall is indeed a rare building of historic significance being fully clad in aluminium which was done for experimental purposes on the Maralinga site.

However, this discovery has further delayed the project whilst the replacement roofing materials are specially manufactured. With the funding deadline for completion granted an extension to early June, all stops are out to finish this project on time and preparation work has commenced in readiness for delivery of the roofing materials. In the meantime temporary repairs should prevent any further water intrusion from rain events.



Hall outdoor recreation space - feedback for screening off the toilet block from the recreation space has been very positive with all agreeing that it has made the area much more aesthetically pleasing.



Work continues on the shelter which will provide all weather cover over the BBQ and a 'grassed' area for seating providing a well located outdoor BBQ / picnic space for the youth group, families and other community members which is also suitable for activities such as children's birthday parties and family /group gatherings. Work is anticipated to be completed around the end of May.



## **COFFEES, TOASTIES, SMOOTHIES** ART & JEWELLERY

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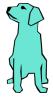
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## LOOK OUT FOR SNAKES

The cooler weather will see snakes gradually go to ground but please keep a watch out during warm days around Andamooka. 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.

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



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## Call 000 for emergencies

### WHAT'S ON IN ANDAMOOKA Find us on Facebook @ andamookaportal

## Welcome All Seniors

### Wacky Wednesdays

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

> 10.00-12noon at the CFS Shed

#### **NEXT OPEN**

#### **COMMUNITY FORUM**

Sunday 18th June 1.30pm Community Hall

#### All welcome

#### 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

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS Proudly sponsored by Andamooka Opal Showroom & Bottlehouse Motel				
JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH		
26th Australia Day BBQ & Citizen Awards	14th Valentines Day	Adelaide Cup Day		
Chinese New Year		St Patrick's Day		
Back to School	MAY			
APRIL	17th: Dukes Guesthouse ,	JUNE		
Good Friday BBQ Youth Easter Sunday Easter Egg Hunt & Pancake Break- fast	50th Anniversary 23rd: NRM arid land plant ID & gardening workshop 25th Oz Minerals consultation	12th June Long Weekend Volunteer Day BBQ 30th APOMA 2017-18 Mship renewal due.		
JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER		
Dog registrations due	APOMA AGM	SPRING MARKET		
School holidays—8-23 July	Annual Hospital Auxiliary Camp Oven Cookout			
OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER		
Schl holidays—30 to Nov 15th LONG WEEKEND ACTIVITIES	Andamooka All Souls Day at the Cemetery 11th Remembrance Day	25th Community Christmas Lunch		
Halloween Family Fun Night	Schl holidays Dec 16th –28 Jan			

### Andamooka Sports Shooting Assoc.



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

## You're invited..

## **Celebrating 50years**

Dukes Guesthouse/Bottlehouse Motel Drinks & Nibbles on 'the Patio' Wed 17th May, 5.00pm to 7.00pm



# VISIT ANDAMOOKA OPAL SHOWROOM ANDAMOOKA DUKE'S BOTTLEHOUSE Motel

Opal Opal Jewellery Opal Cutting and Demo's ( by appointment )

## INFORMATION & ACCOMMODATION

## View our ANDAMOOKA OPAL MUSEUM Underground Worldwide Opal & Mineral Display

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## WHAT'S ON IN ANDAMOOKA

## ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT WITH ANDAMOOKA YOUTH GROUP

Easter Bunny was busy keeping up with demand with over 1000 Easter eggs hunted out by over 70 excited kids at the annual Easter Egg Hunt held down at The Cottages on Easter Sunday. The Pancake Breakfast kept the cooks busy on the BBQs

with around 100 hungry locals and

visitors to feed.

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After the recent big rain events the weather turned on its best with a beautiful autumn day which kept everyone out enjoying the sun and fun for the morning.



After such a big morning of hiding Easter eggs and entertaining so many kids, poor old Easter bunny took a bit of time out to sit down and recover.

Thank you to all who assisted with making this annual event so successful and a special thanks to Donna and her crew from the youth group for putting on such a great day. Visit the Renowned TUCKABOX HOTEL Serving miners since 1960

## **Open 7 Days from 11.00**am

## Eat in or take-away

Lunch 12-2.00 full menu Plus Hamburgers & Toasties Happy Hour from 5.30 nightly Dinner 6.00-8.30 Full salad bar

Check the Board for daily specials

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Community Affairs Resourcing & Management (CARM) Agreement & Community Contribution Scheme Andamooka

COMMUNITY FORUM for discussion on THE YEAR 2017-18

6.00pm MONDAY 29th May 2017 ANDAMOOKA COMMUNITY HALL (see page 11 for OCA advice)

DON'T MISS THE NEXT APOMA OPEN COMMUNITY FORUM Your chance to have your say & to find out more about what is happening in our town.... 1.30pm Sunday 18th June Andamooka Community Hall

## Celebrating 50 years of Duke's Accommodation Establishment....

Dukes Accommodation Establishment was opened by Rudi and Inge Duke in 1967 as a Guesthouse in the main street of Andamooka. Today, daughter Margot together with partner Peter offer the same wonderful, but extended hospitality.....

#### Inge's Story of the Building of the Bottlehouse

In 1972 we had a guest who was a glassblower from Hungary, his name was Bela. He could make anything you want out of glass. As he was very skilled a lot of people came and ordered figures, mainly animals and they filled the animals with nice opal chips and sell them or keep themselves. Bela has his set-up in our big entertainment room and people came in and watched him. As the gases were very smelly and not good next to the kitchen and dining room where we serve food to our guests, my husband suggested we should do something. As we had in that time no pub and only 2 restaurants to sell beer in bottles and hundreds of bottles lay in the rubbish dump and around the town, my husband thought of using these stubbies and the idea of building a bottle house was born.

First we ask the Tuckabox next door if we could pick up the bottles every morning, Steve the owner agreed but we also had to pick up the rubbish from the kitchen. A few mornings we picked up the bottles, washed them and started to build the bottle house. After a week or so, there were only 2 or 3 dozen bottles and the kitchen rubbish. One smart fellow picked most bottles up late in the evening as he started to build with bottles too. After that we collected our bottles from the rubbish dump, a whole carload at once and we found out that the bottles didn't smell & the labels were easier to take off if they were still on.

In the beginning when we build we find every morning, some bottles were broken and every day my husband fixed the broken bottles, after a while whoever did this, stopped. In that time there was no cherry picker or crane available and as we had to go higher and higher we cemented an old telephone mast from Woomera in the middle of the bottle house to hold on to. It had holes on either side and we put a strong stick through to hold us like a scaffold while shaping the top like a stubby. I had to clean the bottles, my husband made the concrete and Frank, a Yugoslav handed the bottles to Bela. If we wouldn't have to wait after 2 rows until the concrete set, the bottle house could be built in one week. Every evening 2 rows get dry overnight, if we put more on the bottle would roll away.

We had an entry door at the front and one door at the entry to our big entertainment room. One morning we find 2 holes in the door, somebody shot some bullets through and luckily nobody was inside.

After the bottle house was finished the glassblower didn't come any more, he went to Queensland and established a shop in the bird sanctuary where a lot of tourists visited the Park daily and he made good business.

The bottles were a good building material and we made a swimming pool out of bottles, a veranda, a laundry and 3 big bathtubs we built into a bottle wall. We drilled a well and had daily fresh salt water to fill the pool—the bathtubs were covered with black plastic sheets and when our guests came home from the mining they could have a warm bath and a swim in the pool. *Extraction from "My life in Andamooka. The story of Ingeborg Duke" provided courtesy of Margot* 

#### **Today's Bottlehouse Complex**

Today the complex includes an Underground Opal and Mineral Museum built by Margot's partner Peter Taubers, as he would say as a 'labour of love'

The Museum has samples of opal from all over Australia and surprisingly other countries, as well as local minerals and fossils together with fascinating historic photos of Andamooka's past and operational historic opal cutting gear with in-house demonstrations of opal cutting.

The complex also has an amazing display of opals and jewellery and offers information on mining & fossicking as well as hire or purchase of fossicking equipment.

Not to mention a wealth of knowledge on Andamooka..

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Not to be missed .....

#### **ANDAMOOKA LIFE**

#### New Andamooka Events Group firing up for next 12 months events

The initial meeting of the newly formed Andamooka Events Group met on 3rd May for a debriefing exercise on events commencing from November 2016 to Anzac Day 2017.

Various ideas and issues were raised for discussion with some great ideas put forth to add to the success of regular events. The group included Youth coordinator Donna Waters and Australia Day coordinator Bec Johnson together with other volunteers that assist regularly with community events. Some new event ideas were discussed.

Outcomes include the suggestion that the Good Friday BBQ has a seafood focus, also that the June long weekend BBQ celebrates SA Volunteers Day in recognition of the contributions made by Andamooka's many volunteers, and also that we run an annual Spring Market around September on a date to be decided for 2017 currently being rationalised to avoid other local events and the footy finals.

The next events meeting will be held end of May to finalise arrangements for the June long weekend event and to progress others, We welcome anyone interested in assisting with future events & activities. Call 0427 508075 to register your interest.

## DON'T MISS THIS GREAT OPPORTUNITY

## SA Arid Lands NRM Plant Identification & Pest Plant Workshop Andamooka Community Hall Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May,10:00am - 5.00pm WITH NEVILLE BONNEY ON PLANT ID & ARID LAND GARDENING

Don't miss the opportunity to participate in the day

- bring in a plant to be identified by an expert
- practice identifying plants
- learn about weed spread and control
- what natives grow best in arid land gardens
- hear about growing edible wild native foods
- consider the declared weeds in the Kingoonya NRM District Weed Strategy
  - collect some free native plants

Guest presenter Neville Bonney is a renowned South Australian author of books on plant propagation, seed collection, identification, edible wild foods, Aboriginal plant uses and more.

For more information or to register for catering purposes, please contact Kingoonya NRM District Community Engagement Officer, Sarah Voumard on 0437 795 792



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SOUTH AUSTRALIA POLICE KEEPING SA SAFE

# **April Police Report**

It was great to be part of another Easter celebration, and Anzac Day in Andamooka. I'd like to thank those who organised and helped with the events and made them as enjoyable and memorable as they were.

Unfortunately the Easter period didn't go crime free. The toilet block outside of the town hall was damaged over this period, which is unfortunate to see, as now money that could go towards better things within the town will now go to repair this. If anyone has information in regards to this they are asked to contact the police station.

On April 26<sup>th</sup> a thirty two year old Andamooka man was arrested in relation to traffic and other matters. His vehicle was clamped for a period of 28 days, and he was granted bail to appear in the Roxby Downs Magistrates Court in June. Please ensure that you obey all road rules and ensure that vehicles are registered before they are driven. If you have any questions in regards to this please contact the police station.

#### Thank you

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

Eddie

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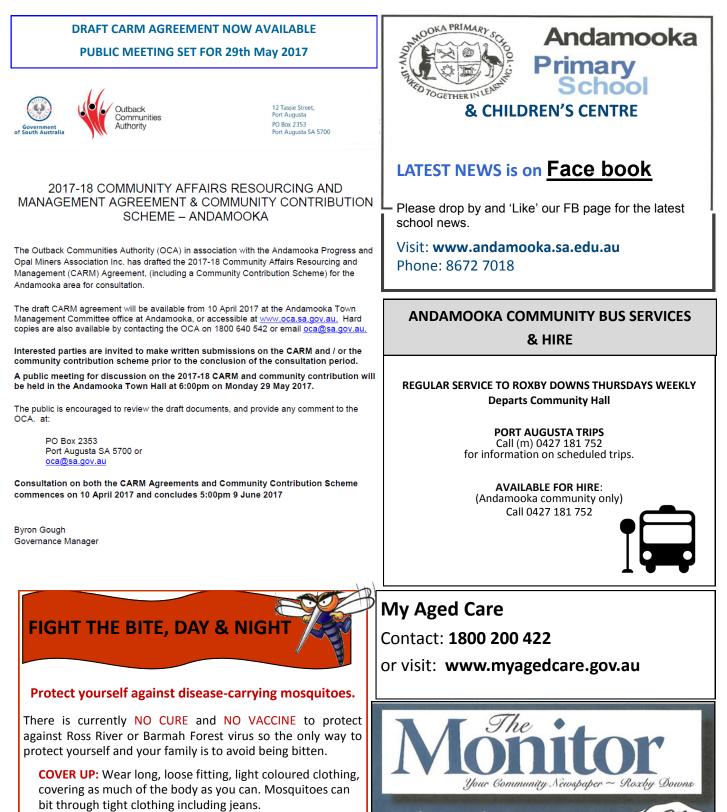
## **Opening Hours:**

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Thursday 25th May

Andamooka Community Hall

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Federal Member for Grey

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