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UP-COMING EVENTS

- ◆ **Sun 5th August - BINGO**, 1.30pm at the Tuckabox
- ◆ **Sat 18th August - Book your team in for QUIZ NIGHT** fun
- ◆ **Sat 15th Sep - Pizza & Pasta Foodie Night**, with music, movie & more..

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Header: Clouds over Andamooka

Source: E Morris

AUGUST KICKS OFF HUB REVITALISATION

DURING 2017-18 many volunteer hours and donated skills were put into preparing the town hub spaces towards launching a raft of activities, programs and events as part of a major revitalisation of the town.

What the community has told us they consider most important, is to see more life, fun and laughter in our community with events encouraging greater social contact within and across-generations.

So collectively we have worked towards this, developing a growing raft of affordable events and activities that will be progressively introduced and managed ongoing, thanks to the efforts of dedicated community volunteers.

August will host a number of exciting new or revived popular past events as well as new community programs and activities including social fitness and casual muso get-togethers to offer new experiences and broader leisure opportunities.

Our new events calendar aims to encourage community participation and to inspire past residents to attend as well as to attract visitors.

BINGO is kicking off on 5th August at the Tuckabox with this popular community activity offered twice a month. Proceeds will support vital community projects initially going towards fitting out the new community kitchen/workshop.

Science Week launches with **The annual Camp-oven Cook-out** on 11th August and another past favourite, the **Andamooka QUIZ NIGHT** is happening on 18th August with guest Quizmaster, ABC Radio's Paul Culliver, promising a big night with great prizes and loads of fun. So get your teams together, book a table or team up with others as a table on the night.

Spring brings a variety of themed **Foodie nights** kicking off on **Saturday 15th Sep** with an Italian

themed **'PIZZA & PASTA NIGHT'** followed by an outdoor **'Asian Market'** themed Foodie Night set for October. The **Oct. Long Weekend Market** will also have a strong foodie theme.

Save the date for the official launch of the revitalised community hub, Saturday 29 Sep on the October Long Weekend. This will trigger the count-down to the 100yr Anniversary of Andamooka's first settlement in 1929 which will include an annual Decade By Decade Exhibit and celebrations commencing with 2019 featuring displays of life in the 1930s and our first 'decade' anniversary ball in October 2019.

To keep the music coming, a newly formed social Muso group are set to get strumming and hope to see more people dropping in to 'Muso's Corner' to give music a try or to just chill out. We should see pop-up casual music occasions happening at all sorts of venues around the town mixing with events such as stargazing and art exhibitions.

So, get out your glad-rags, break out, put a smile on your face, get involved and enjoy being part of this revitalisation, making Andamooka a great place to live and to visit!

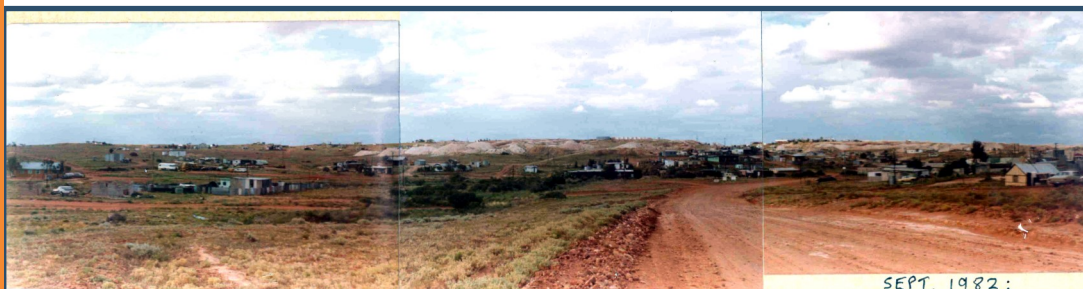
SALA IN ANDAMOOKA

COMMENCES THIS WEEK WITH **YOUTH 'JUNK ART' WORKSHOPS** AT THE COMMUNITY HALL & **AMAZING ART DISPLAYS IN THE COMMUNITY GARDEN** FEATURING LOCAL & GUEST ARTISTS.

ALL WELCOME

More details: Page 6

Or Facebook at: [artyamooka](https://www.facebook.com/artyamooka)



The drive into Andamooka in September 1982.

Source: Collage of photos, Chris from Pt Lincoln

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🌐 www.andamooka.sa.au

Community & Visitor Information

FOR ALL EMERGENCIES CALL 000

Your call will be directed to the right organisation to manage the situation.

Police: 86727072

SES/CFS:

John West: 0408807943
Stefan Bilka: 0427181752

Andamooka Community Health Service:

Hospital Road 86727087
See page 6 for daily clinic hours.

After Hours: Emergencies only.

Post Office: 86727007

Open 7 days.
Opal Creek Blvd.
- **Dukes Bottlehouse Motel**
- **Laundry-mat**
- **Opal Mining Claims Registration**
- **CCS and Avdata payments**
- **Underground Museum**
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11-3 weekends

Andamooka Powerhouse: 86727135
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Friendly Grocer: 86727034
Gas refills/Fuel
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Open: 9-6 weekdays, 9-3 Sat., 10-1 Sun.

OCA (Town) Office:
School Road 86727246

Andamooka School & Children's Centre: 86727018
Public Library: See notice on page 16.

Community Hall:

Enquiries contact APOMA
- **Kids Splash Pad & BBQ**
- **AYC Café:** 0408 621 228
Opal Creek Blvd.

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Bottle Shop: 86727183
Opal Creek Blvd Open 7 days

Roving Vet: 86423308

CWA: 86727044
Boo-Teek Op shop:
Top of CWA Road

Motor Vehicle Registration:
Roxby Downs Town Council

For More Details:

www.andamooka.sa.au

APOMA News

Preserving our past and planning for our future

Andamooka Town Office

One-stop-shop for OCA, APOMA & Town business

Open Monday to Friday

9.30am-3.00pm (closed 12.30-1.00pm)

PH: 08 8 8672 7246

Urgent Enquiries:

OCA: Byron Gough (m) 0427 687 772

APOMA: Gill Rowley (m) 0456 578 604

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Town Maintenance & Projects: admin1@apoma.com.au

Events & memberships: admin3@apoma.com.au

Newsletter: admin2@apoma.com.au

Points of Interest from June Committee Meeting:

- On-going discussion around progress of CARM Agreement and new office/funding arrangements.
- Follow up contact with Government / Ministers re issues around town funding and services.
- End of Month Balance for May at bank: Operations: \$39,096 Donations: \$1874. Allocated Funds:\$3000 Savings:\$15,490.
- Grant acquittals up to date. Smarty Grants closed till new financial year. Other grant opportunities discussed for projects and community programs
- Current projects completed for additional power for C&C ground and pedestrian lights. Materials ordered for community workshop.
- Events planning progressed, Proposed dates discussed for Bingo, Quiz night and other events.
- Next Open Community Forum – Sun 19th Aug. General meeting - budget/constitutional changes
- AGM set down for Sunday 14th October. Nominations open mid August close 14 Sep.
- Community – discussion re modifications to hall and surrounds, progressing fitness group, youth week 2019, community workshops, muso group requirements, arts and funding opportunities.
- Meeting to be arranged with SA Police to discuss increased rate of crime and thefts from cottages.

MINUTES & OTHER INFORMATION:

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

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

APOMA'S key objectives are to lead the community and protect miners rights; assist and promote social wellbeing; sustainably 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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Committee Meeting: Tue 21st July

Community Forum 19th Aug

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APOMA News & Notices

NEW TOWN OFFICE ARRANGEMENTS

New Town Office hours will officially commence from Monday 6th August with a new approach to town management, the office operating as a one-stop-shop for:

- Day to day community business and general information
- Community programs and activities,
- Facility enquiries and bookings including town water,
- APOMA business including memberships.
- Community facility and project management.
- OCA Town business, town maintenance and general enquiries.
- Visitor Information.

All queries including OCA business will be managed initially via the reception desk and if necessary will be directed as appropriate.

Office hours will be extended to 5 days per week, Monday to Friday, from 9.30am to 3.00pm with a half hour lunch break between 12.30 to 1.00pm.

In response to issues raised by the community and because of the crippling workload carried by volunteer committee members and other volunteers, APOMA undertook discussions and negotiations with the OCA towards more effective use of funds and time, resulting in a modified OCA town overseers contract being awarded to APOMA which provides much greater value to the community. Tasks will now be managed across a team of four locals sharing the extended weekly office hours, the workload and various roles.

Community Contribution Scheme (CCS) Payments and Avdata (water) payments will now be accepted at the Post Office, but any CCS or Avdata enquiries, queries or problems will be managed via the Town Office.

These new arrangements mean that the community will have easier access and extended hours for both OCA and APOMA/community business and also for making their CCS and water payments.

Contact phone number for the Office is 08 8672 7246 (see P2 for other options)

Email: APOMA: secretary@apoma.com.au

Town Maintenance and Projects, via: admin1@apoma.com.au

Community events & APOMA memberships, via: admin3@apoma.com.au

Newsletter via: admin2@apoma.com.au

Please feel welcome to drop in to discuss your issues, thoughts or ideas.

Don't Miss the Next



Open Members Meeting & Open Community Forum

Sunday 19th August 1.30pm

Topics for discussion & voting:

- ◇ 2017/18 Budget Outcomes
- ◇ 2018/19 Budget for adoption
- ◇ Proposed Constitutional Changes
- ◇ Progress with community projects and programs.

**Andamooka Community Hall
Meet n Greet BBQ 12.30pm**

**NOMINATIONS OPEN MID AUGUST
FOR A POSITION ON THE
APOMA COMMITTEE**

**NOTIFICATIONS & FORMS WILL BE
DISTRIBUTED TO MEMBERS &
FORMS WILL BE AVAILABLE FROM
THE TOWN OFFICE & POST OFFICE**

NOMINATIONS CLOSE MID SEPTEMBER

**APOMA AGM
SUNDAY 14 OCTOBER 2018**

APOMA MEMBERSHIPS

Some members have not yet paid the additional \$5 for individual or \$10 for family membership to take it through to 31 December 2018, this is due 1 July 18 to remain a financial member.

Concession members who have paid since July 17 are financial to 31 Dec 2018



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Keeping Up With Business

Progressing Andamooka Town Development

PROJECT UPDATE

PROJECTS COMPLETED:

A 4-way power outlet was installed at the Caravan & Camping Ground to cater to demand for powered sites. These have been kept busy with the marked increase in visitation and increased length of stays and this has returned additional funds towards the project cost and maintaining and improving the facility.

Work at the Cemetery: resurfacing of the entry gazebo has been scheduled and a list of future tasks will keep the facility better maintained for the future.

PROJECTS UNDERWAY:

There is a raft of small projects undertaken on a day to day basis to generally maintain community facilities.

Community Workshop / Kitchen is progressing to plan. (see p.11)

Community Hall Arrangements: These are subject to funding and progressively happening and prioritised in line with 'big picture' planning to accommodate a number of new activities and events being introduced over this financial year.

Hub Outdoor Space: Splash Pad about to undergo a re-surface with a new design and the 'missing' fish put back in place.

Garden beds have been installed in front of fencing separating the toilet block from the under-tree seating space privatising and improving aesthetics.

New table seating to be installed under shade shelter creating a picnic space.

The BBQ is in process of relocation adjacent to the shade shelter.

ANDAMOOKA - Open for business

***OK Andamooka,** we had a bit of a set back with many in our community caught out by the mining downturn and the abandonment of the Olympic Dam Expansion around 2008. There is no doubt that this had a devastating effect on the town's economy and on community optimism.*

But with our historic 'last great act of defiance' attitude, once we as a community had time to recover and to think more clearly, we realised that the invasion of mine workers had negatively altered the character and culture of our historic township and close community.

Gradually we have restored the quirky, open, friendly culture that is Andamooka and with a major investment of time, skills and effort from many volunteers assisted by the CDP crew, the town is revitalising, looking green, progressive and ready for business.

Local business has responded, supporting and getting involved with change. There are now new emerging businesses applying our 'unspoilt' approach to tourism and new employment and business opportunities within service and local cottage industries.

New or upgraded facilities will house a broad arts program supporting opportunities for our local artists to flourish, encouraging the community to learn and participate, and to harness new skills into expanding cottage industries, enriching both individuals and the community as a whole.

Andamooka will come alive with the count-down to Andamooka's '100years from Settlement' Anniversary in 2029 commencing in 2019, celebrating the 1930's as the first of an annual 'Decade by Decade' festival around our history & our culture. This will include a wealth of events and activities across the year culminating in a 1930's Anniversary Ball on the October Long Weekend, then moving into the 1940's in 2020.

This will not only lift the spirits of the town to a new high, but will also encourage new residents, past residents back to share their stories and to join in activities and celebrations year after year, and importantly for our town's economy, bring new visitors, extend stays and encourage 'be back' visits from tourists who fall under Andamooka's spell.

GRANT UPDATE:

The 'Smarty Grant' for the Portable Shade Canopies has been acquitted and a new submission will be made for funding for fitness equipment.

The 'Time for Wellbeing' submission successful with funds yet to be received to progress the community "Mind & Body Wellness" program with around \$2000 allocated to social fitness at the community hall.

Funding for power outlets at the camp ground unsuccessful. Waiting on news re AMSA submission for fit out of the community workshop.

Currently working on grants for Hall improvements, youth, and community arts programs.



R&H Roxby Downs RLA 208715

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Community News

2018-19 IS ABOUT ACTION PLANS & FUTURE PROOFING

Since the 2015 launch of a 5-year APOMA management plan to put Andamooka back on its feet, which commenced with a hard-line review of the then current situation, the APOMA Committee, volunteers and local business community have worked progressively towards creating a solid foundation upon which to build a sustainable future for Andamooka.

Having achieved much of this, 2018-19 is one of putting in place a sound and realistic business plan to develop our town into great place to live and to visit, ensuring smooth succession for continuity from committee to committee and building a sustainable economy for the future upon which to create new business opportunities and support emerging enterprise.

Success is not about any one group or another. It relies on a concerted and harmonious effort from the whole community, getting involved with town development and activities, supporting local business, community services, programs and projects, vitally lending support to the APOMA committee and volunteer individuals and groups who work on your behalf.

It has been pleasing to have such an active cross-section of the community attending community forums which we will continue to stage on a quarterly basis, discussing various community developments, assisting with prioritising and providing vital feedback on a wide range of issues & projects. Currently the proposed swimming pool, the establishment of community arts and wellbeing programs, also expanded events programs are progressing towards realisation with vigorous community consultation and active volunteer participation.

The new office arrangements will enable us to open new Facebook pages to keep the community regularly updated on focus events and provide for feedback, commencing soon.

The new community workshop and kitchen together with the community garden which extends across the township rich with bush foods and other produce, opens up opportunities for locals to establish cottage industries based around bush foods. This new facility will also provide a focal point for creative art & craft encouraging young people & others into cutting and polishing opals and gemstones, and into designing and creating jewellery or other artistic creations which can be sold at markets and other outlets.

This together with staging distinctive events that will attract participants, competitors and visitors to the town will in turn encourage new investment and emerging business, both assisting to boost the population, hence increasing numbers to support and maintain services to the town.

With the development of visitor accommodation options and services we are now poised to launch a more aggressive promotional approach to tourism. Visitation has increased significantly once again over the past financial year, so we hope to see both ends of the visitor season extend as a result of improvements together with the introduction of new events and attractions. All working to cement a future for the town.

The next Open Community Forum will be held on Sunday 19th August combined with an Open APOMA Members meeting at which the 2017-18 budget results will be presented and the 2018-19 budget put for discussion and adoption, voted on by the members.

Call out for volunteers!!!

We are seeking residents or visitors that have time and skills and can volunteer a few hours to assist with:

- A big clean-up of the hall & hub
- Work on construction of the Community Workshop

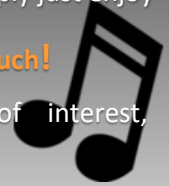
Contact Richard (m) 0418 855 165 E: admin1@apoma.com.au

Muso's Corner

Inviting anyone with an interest in music to join in, for an opportunity to express your passions, develop your talents, learn from others or simply just enjoy

Interested in participating? Get in touch!

For more information, or expressions of interest, please contact:
Wendy - 0447 170 607



Community Fitness Group

At Andamooka Community Hall

Join a casual group session or get a group together

Contact Chelsea on 0427 137 709 for more information

Or leave your details at the APOMA Office or Post Office



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e jenna.post@complete-personnel.com.au

w www.complete-personnel.com.au

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Pls phone 86423308 for appointments.



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Have your cat microchipped, de-sexed & immunised.

The Creative Corner

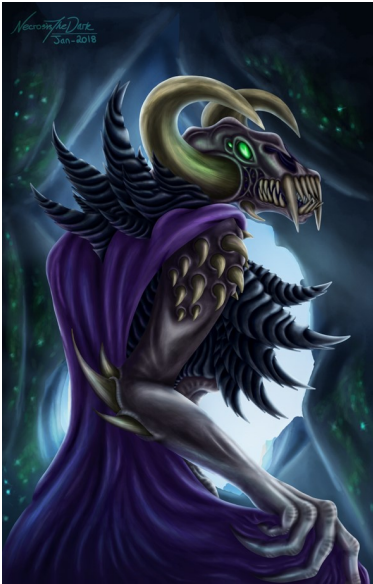
Showcasing Local Artists

Dark Arts

Artist Showcase: The dark fantasy art created by young local artist Emma Morris (also known as 'Necrosis The Dark').

"Grimlurker"

Digital Art, Photoshop



"Revenant"

Traditional Art, Acrylic Paint on Canvas Panel



"Bone Keeper"

Digital Art, Photoshop

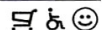


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Mixed Group
mixed media

Andamooka Yacht Club

Andamooka Community Hall 118 Government Rd,
Andamooka. 0418 505 553 / 0408 621 228



Art on the Fence

Debbie WARREN, Donna WATERS,
Heather GORDON, Kari ATZE, Melanie
JANE, Tia ATZE, Trish CURNOW, Yvonne
DALTON and Andamooka Youth Group

Art on the Fence

A group of locals, along with wannabe Andamookans,
exhibit their creative talents with metal, mosaic,
natural fibre and found objects.

1 - 31 Aug Sun 10am-3pm, Tue-Sat 9am-3pm

SALA Festival - 2018

Once again, SALA, the South Australian Living Artists Festival will be returning to Andamooka this August for a second year.

For the duration of the month local artists and many from around the state, will come together to exhibit their creative talents with metal, mosaic, natural fibre and found objects.

Don't miss the chance to drop by the Andamooka Community Garden, host venue for the exhibition located at the Community Hall, to marvel at the wonderful and creative works that will be on display 'on the fence'.

The Youth Group will participate in 'Junk Art' workshops over the last weekend of July and will have the opportunity to display their resulting creations during the Festival.

Follow Local Arts on Facebook: 'artyandamooka'

Calling all artists. Come share your art work and creativity with the community, and get your work showcased here.

Drop Us An Email: admin2@apoma.com.au

Or see Emma at the town office

Tue & Thurs 9.30AM-3PM

Music Tuition

edge2centre studio

- Individual Guitar
- Beginning keyboard
- Group Guitar
- Recording technique
- Group mixed instruments

Fee: \$15/30 minutes

Concessions for groups

Adults welcome

Registered teacher



Things To See And Do In Andamooka...

FREE NRM COMMUNITY

SNAKE AWARENESS WORKSHOPS

(24-28 SEPTEMBER)

Come along to a 3hr workshop on

“Things that Bite & Sting”

Thursday 27th September

5:30 – 8:30pm

Andamooka Community Hall

Full program for Roxby Downs, Woomera & Andamooka in July Newsletter.



NATIONAL SCIENCE WEEK 2018

Public Outreach Astronomy

Southern Cross Outreach Observatory Project

Andamooka, 13th August 2018

Experience the wonders of sky through telescopes at our mobile astronomical observatory, the Southern Cross Outreach Observatory Project, visiting Andamooka during National Science Week 2018

Andamooka Campgrounds

Event:
1:30pm - 4:30pm: Viewing of Sun
4:30pm - 6:30pm: Break
6:30pm - 9:30pm: Night sky viewing
(Planets, star clusters)

Viewing is free. Please dress appropriately for cold weather. The event will proceed regardless of weather. Sky viewing will be subject to the clarity of sky

Southern Cross Outreach Observatory Project is a non-profit community science initiative, and is free for public. However, any amount of donation is highly appreciated and will go a long way in keeping us on Australian roads.

Contact:
Dr Muhammad Akbar Hussain
Director, Southern Cross Outreach
Observatory Project
0478144483



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akbar.astronomer@gmail.com

Andamooka Caravan Park

Fossick for opal, fossils & many other minerals in & around this friendly, un-spoilt opal mining township. Get up close to its colourful history & take time to explore the unbridled horizons & fascinating town attractions.

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Weekend, short holiday or short-term rent

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DID YOU MISS THE RARE BLOOD MOON EVENT, EARLY MORNING SATURDAY 28TH JULY?

Stargazers and moon-lovers set their alarm clocks for 3.30am on Saturday morning, 28th July to witness a 'once in a century' lunar eclipse event.

The event was rare as it happened over a long duration due to the Moon's distance from the Earth being the greatest in around a century, with the total eclipse and deepest colour occurring at around 5.30am (AEST).

A lunar eclipse occurs when the Earth passes between the Sun and the Moon, this total eclipse will block sunlight from the Moon's face as the Earth's shadow gradually turns the Moon an orange/red colour, hence the term 'blood moon'.

Although weather predictions indicated that there could be reasonably dense cloud cover at that time which may have obscured the view, Andamooka's amazingly clear nights skies were at their perfect best with a brilliant view of the happening with the naked eye, giving everyone a chance to glimpse this historic event.

What's On In Andamooka
 Find us on
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**Welcome All Seniors
 Wacky Wednesdays**

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

10am - 12pm

At the CWA Rooms

**Andamooka
 Community Church**

Meets each Sunday at 4:00pm
 For music, worship & sharing
 of evening prayer

More Details: 8671 0270

**Andamooka/ R.D.
 Bible Church**

Worship Service 10:30 Sun
 Bible Study 7:30 Wed

Water Way, Andamooka
Contact: 8672 7004

**Andamooka Sports
 Shooting Assoc.**



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

Calendar of Events

Proudly sponsored by Andamooka Opal Showroom & Bottlehouse Motel

<p>January</p> <p>APOMA Membership Due 26th Australia Day</p>	<p>February</p> <p>14th Valentines Day</p>	<p>March</p> <p>Good Friday BBQ Easter Market</p>
<p>April</p> <p>Youth Easter Sunday Egg Hunt & Pancake Breakfast 25th Anzac Day</p>	<p>May</p> <p>ASSA Opal Classic</p>	<p>June</p> <p>June Long Weekend Winter Market</p>
<p>July</p> <p>Dog Registration Due</p>	<p>August</p> <p>11th: Camp Oven Cookout Science Week 11th-19th 18th QUIZ NIGHT 19th Community Forum <i>SALA Festival "Art on the Fence" Exhibition 1st-31st</i></p>	<p>September</p> <p>15th -Pizza & Pasta Movie Night 27th - Snake Education Workshop</p>
<p>October</p> <p>Long weekend MARKET <i>Official Opening Revitalised Hub</i> 14th APOMA AGM Halloween Family Fun Night</p>	<p>November</p> <p>Andamooka All Souls Day at Cemetery 11th Remembrance Day</p>	<p>December</p> <p>25th Community Christmas Lunch</p>



VISIT

**ANDAMOOKA OPAL SHOWROOM
 ANDAMOOKA DUKE'S BOTTLEHOUSE
 Motel**

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

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 &
 ACCOMMODATION**

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What's On In Andamooka

Italian Pizza and Pasta Movie Night

Saturday, 15th Sep

6:00PM @ Community Hall

\$10 pp, Limited Tickets

Available from APOMA Office & Post Office
And possibly at the door on the night.

Come along for food, films and fun!
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Main Feature:



Quiz Night

Hosted by ABC Radio's Paul Culliver

Saturday, 18th Aug

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Mind boggling fun. *Get your team ready & start practicing!*

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BBQ from 6.00pm, + coffee & cake.

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Save the Date!!

**Andamooka's First Decade
1930's Anniversary Ball**

Saturday 5th October 2019



**Sunday, 5th August
1:30PM at the TUCKABOX**

Proceeds raised going towards
the outfit of the new
Community Kitchen.

ANDAMOOKA COMMUNITY GARDENS PROJECT

Andamooka Community Gardens Project spans the hub, parks, creek-lines, school & camp-ground, and has 3 major aims that will provide great benefits to the town:

- 1:** to regenerate arid lands plantings that will green and beautify the township and create enjoyable leisure spaces, assist with alleviating raised dust and abating erosion of creek-lines, also providing habitat for beneficial insects, soil eco-systems that support and sustain healthy flora and for native fauna.
- 2:** to educate about, propagate and plant out within their natural environment and in town gardens, plants that will provide bush foods and medicines which can be harvested by the community and also create an opportunity for cottage industry within the town.
- 3:** to develop community gardening spaces for members of the community to share gardening skills and experiences and to grow a variety of foods including fresh herbs, vegetables and fruits that can be shared and enjoyed by the community to encourage healthy eating.

Thanks to the Time for Wellbeing community health program funding & NRM funding for the establishment of the hub gardens which continue to develop and thrive. With the introduction shortly of the aquaponics project, our community garden will be a demonstration site for a variety of growing methods also including wicking beds & propagation trials.

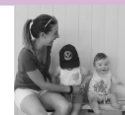
Planting of new vegetation along creek lines and in parks as well as replacement of those plants that haven't survived, has been completed by the CDP crew as part of the 'Greening of Andamooka' project, also funded by the NRM.

DROP IN AT THE HUB & TAKE TIME TO LEARN ABOUT & TO ENJOY THESE AMAZING GARDENS FLOURISHING IN OUR ARID ENVIRONMENT. (There's a selection of bush foods, fresh vegies and herbs ready for picking!)

Our thriving arid-lands garden offers the chance to discover a variety of plants indigenous to our region with suitability & usefulness for home gardens. Many offer bush food alternatives and wonderful flavours to experiment with in the kitchen.

Kids love to explore the gardens which harbour a range of small indigenous creatures that are beneficial to home gardens acting as pest controllers and soil improvers.

This healthy micro eco-system matures day by day.



Time for Wellbeing

Time for Wellbeing is a community health program to foster community awareness and support initiatives for mental wellbeing, physical health and early childhood development.

If you're interested in getting involved in a conversation about the health and wellbeing of your community, we'd love to hear from you.

To get involved or find out more, please contact us!

connect with us on facebook, facebook.com/timeforwellbeing

visit our website timeforwellbeing.com.au

or contact our coordinator Angela Lafferty on 0448690263



ANDAMOOKA COMMUNITY HUB PROJECT

The primary aim of this multifaceted project is to create a welcoming, accessible, multifunctional hub with flexible spaces that can accommodate a wide range of events and activities, which will increase and maintain community wellbeing and contribute towards a sustainable future for the township of Andamooka.

The current focus is on creating flexible activity spaces within the Community Hall and surrounds. The major project underway is the new community workshop / kitchen, which is replacing the old storeroom at the rear of the Hall. Salvageable materials from the existing structure will be re-purposed into more efficiently designed storage space and a carport to protect the community bus.

A concept plan for the layout of was presented at the February Open Community Forum and received great support from those present to move ahead with its construction. Deconstruction has been completed and reconstruction is now underway, with the structure expected to be ready for fit out by the end of August and functional before the end of the year.

This new and much needed community facility has been made possible by funding received from an ANZ Seeds of Renewal grant via the Foundation for Rural & Regional Renewal (FRRR) which supports projects that support regional development, enterprise and sustainability.

Once operational the workshop will support a wide range of workshops for arts & crafts and healthy living, as well as various activities to encourage all members of the community to enjoy new experiences and wider social engagement. Equally to provide for new cottage industry within the town and to regenerate interest in opal cutting & polishing and jewellery design. It will have lighting installed for fine skill activities such as needlework and quilting and will also provide for youth activities.

There are plans to integrate Men's Shed activities into the mix sharing skills across various community programs. A grant application to equip their activities is pending.

This financial year another grant application will seek funding for equipment for the social fitness group. Funding will also be sought to install flexible dividing walling that will effectively allow the main hall to be divided into two primary spaces, which in turn will have the flexibility to split into further spaces or areas as required to support a wide variety of activities and events.

Outdoor seating spaces are progressively being improved and made more user friendly thanks to donations from the community, volunteers and the CDP crew. This will not only attract more casual use from locals and visitors, but also better accommodate outdoor community activities and events. The splash pad is undergoing a facelift.

There are plans to open up and better define access-ways over this financial year which will also improve cooling and serve to avoid access conflicts around multi-use activities.



It's not a pretty sight, but the preparations are completed in readiness to commence the next stage to reconstruct & extend the structure to accommodate a community workshop/kitchen.

These vital projects will shape the revitalisation of the Hub space and will open the way for future projects to support on-going demands and to encourage more residents and young families into the community.



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Sun: 10-3

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Last month we farewelled another much loved Andamookan...

Harold Badman was born on 23rd March 1929, second child to Florence & Harold in Adelaide. Big sister Verna, now 92 and residing in Kaparra Glenelg, could not make the journey to farewell her brother who she fondly remembers as the little brother who used to delight in pulling at her red hair.

His final farewell at the Andamooka Cemetery was attended by family members Julie, Helen and Glenn (Graham absent) nieces & nephews of Harold and his cousin Rex with whom he shared much of his life, and their partners.

Harold did not marry nor had children of his own, but his family shared memories and stories of their Uncle Harold *"Whom they adored and he them"* they said *"Including early recollections of visits with Nanna on a Friday night when he would bring a large bag of lollies much to their delight but to the disapproval of their parents."*

Harold left school to join the armed services just after the WW2 where he served as a cook – a skill that became very useful as a bachelor. After leaving the army he learnt the trade of Stone Masonry and spent some time in England. He then returned to undertake projects for family members before setting off to travel around Australia, finding a love of the outback and spending weeks away in Lightning Ridge and Cooper Pedy where his love for opal grew.

"But it was Andamooka that captured his imagination. Each trip seemed to get longer. Around the 1980's, bitten by the get rich quick bug and the opal mining bug, but also by the very lifestyle itself, Andamooka became his home and the people his family for over 30 years." they said. Harold's self-built Andamooka home features his stonemason's skills.

His great sense of humour, (always one for a joke or a story), laid-back character and big friendly grin made him many friends. Harold was an accomplished piano-accordion player, but his favourite musical instrument was the harmonica. He was self-taught and loved to entertain.

Harold also loved his cars and all his life he had a love for animals, particularly dogs with his 'best mate' Mikey being very well known around Andamooka.

Harold was a generous trusting man and he always had a dream of striking it rich. As he aged, mining became too difficult but he could not bear to leave his beloved Andamooka. His health deteriorated, and he was so thankful for the care and support of locals and so much appreciated his family Helen & Roger in Adelaide where he could rehabilitate after surgery.

The family related how when he turned 80 he had a great night together with family and friends at the Tuckabox to celebrate his birthday.

"For that occasion, the community acknowledging the state of his wardrobe, fitted him out in new clobber and even cleaned up the beard. He hardly recognised himself and neither did we. As usual his humour was infectious the whole night, his wit entertaining."

Although Harold remained a bachelor it wasn't for the lack of pursuing the marriage question.

He was the life of every party, such was his zest for life – with a sense of humour that sat well with everyone.

Harold was laid to rest in the Andamooka Cemetery where around fifty friends and family joined together to share his final farewell.

Vale Harold Badman 1929—2018

Rest in Peace.

To our friends in Andamooka,

Huge thank you to everyone that contributed towards Harold Badman's farewell.

We loved meeting with you & sharing stories of our lives with him and your connections with him over the years.

You are a wonderfully close knit family yourselves and we really appreciated watching how your care is extended to everyone.

The hospitality shown by Margot and Peter was so, so appreciated.

Thank you so much.

We can all live on with the memories of lots of laughter & bantering we shared with Harold. We hope to spend some time with you all again soon.

Regards Verna, Jules & James,
Helen & Roger, Glenn & Jennifer,
Graham & Mí Mí, xxx.

Andamooka Life



Outrunning the storm

Watching thick red dust, mixed with rain, both driven by massive gale force winds... It was behind us, now about to envelope us..... tumbleweed flying past... sunlight blocked, day becomes dusk, we're bathed in an eerie purple-red glow... We drive on, tossing as if on water, hoping our humble man-made chariot will valiantly see us through this maelstrom. It did, three times, as the storm's fury criss-crossed the single road leading us home to Andamooka.... Once again it caught us, just as we entered our driveway... Home... what a trip! Amazing weather! A smile spreadsthis is why we live here... Gill Rowley, July 18

YOUTH NEWS:

JUDGING COMMENCES ON YOUTH MOVIE PRODUCTIONS:

In June members of the youth group attended an NRM Digital Storytelling Workshop learning to 'make your own movies & recordings'. Following this, they were given the challenge of producing their own movie and 6 of the group have entered theirs in a 'YOUTH MOVIE COMPETITION' which will now go through preliminary judging leading up to FINAL JUDGING by community teams and special guests at the QUIZ NIGHT, COMMUNITY HALL, SAT 18th AUGUST followed by PRESENTATIONS and PRIZES. Quiz Teams, be prepared to be amazed by some extra entertainment on the night courtesy of our youth.

YOUTH 'JUNK ART' CREATIONS FROM SALA WORKSHOPS, displayed at the COMMUNITY HALL & GARDENS throughout AUGUST:

Don't miss the opportunity to see these & other youth art exhibited together with works by other local and guest artists as part of this year's SA Living Artists (SALA) celebrations.

SENIORS NEWS:

LIMITED SEATS AVAILABLE ON SENIORS 3 DAY BUS TRIP TO HAHNDORF, END SEPTEMBER.

BOOK NOW. CONTACT: SYLVIA 0408 842 738

SENIORS & CONCESSION CARDHOLDERS: CHECK YOUR ADDRESS DETAILS ARE IN LINE WITH CENTRELINK RECORDS OR YOU MAY MISS OUT ON 'COST OF LIVING' CONCESSION FOR THIS YEAR.

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There have been a few things happening in Andamooka over the past few months. This is not great to hear, but it does give me something to write about.

On the 12th May an unlocked vehicle was entered overnight on Christmas Hill Road and cash taken from a handbag. On the 29th May a twenty five year old Andamooka male was arrested for assaulting a female, driving whilst intoxicated, without a license and in an unregistered vehicle.

On the 27th June a report was made to police of an attempt break in to a house on Absolom Lane. On the 6th June a male was arrested for disorderly behaviour due to an altercation in front of the liquor store.

The two males were granted bail with conditions to appear in the Roxby Downs Magistrates Court in August. If any person has any information about these offences or any other criminal activity in Andamooka they are asked to contact the Roxby Downs Police Station, or crime stoppers if you wish to remain anonymous.

Thank you

Senior Constable First Class Tristan Fantinel
Roxby Downs Police Station
South Australia Police
8671 4200




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APOMA & CDP CREW COMPLETE A SURPRISE PROJECT FOR ANDAMOOKA PRIMARY SCHOOL STUDENTS

When students returned to school after the mid-year holiday break they were greeted with colourful new play options painted onto the paved playground.

Brain child of Principal, Trish Williams and thanks to the design work of APOMA project manager, Richard Hawkins & detailed work undertaken by the CDP crew, students can have a go at 3-way hopscotch, snakes and ladders or 'board games' such as checkers or chess during breaks.

Great for fitness and for testing the brain cells, but also great fun... and good for honing social skills.



Games painted onto the school playground by the CDP Crew



Andamooka Primary School



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Andamooka Children's Centre taking Kindy enrolments now for 2018. Do you think your child would thrive in a smaller Kindy setting? We have excellent resources and very experienced Early Years educators.

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Seeking volunteer drivers

If you can assist with volunteer driving for Roxby Downs Thurs trips, please contact Richard at the APOMA Office on (m) 0418 855 165 or admin1@apoma.com.au



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