

UP-COMING EVENTS

◆ **4th - 7th October:**
October Long Weekend

◆ **Friday 4th October:**
Long Weekend BBQ at the Cottages.

◆ **Saturday 5th October:**
Family Fun Day at the Andamooka Community Hall. **Official Splash Pad Opening.**

◆ **Saturday 5th October:**
"Frankly Elvis" at the Tuckabox.

◆ **Sunday 6th October:**
BINGO! 1:30pm at the Andamooka Community Hall.

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Header: Cacti in bloom.

Source: C. Christensen, 2018

ANDAMOOKA HEADING FOR A BUSY OCTOBER LONG-WEEKEND

Weather for the October long-weekend is traditionally 'dodgy'. Ranging from very cold to very hot and even enduring flooding rains and thunderstorms. So, events are now planned with contingencies for indoor participation as much as possible.... But it wouldn't be Andamooka if we didn't take a defiant stand and try for some outdoor social interaction!

The busy weekend kicks off with a FRIDAY NIGHT 'LONG-WEEKEND' BBQ commencing from 6.00pm at the Cottages. All locals and visitors are welcome. BYO snacks and beverages.

This is followed up Saturday morning with a FAMILY FUN DAY at the Community Hall from 9.30 with market stalls, sausage sizzle the official opening of the SPLASH PAD,

a bouncy castle, face-painting and games.

Saturday night, is going to a great night of entertainment with "Frankly ELVIS" at the TUCKABOX starting at 6.00pm and promising an affordable evening of song and laughter with proceeds going towards community facilities and programs, including the Youth Group and Emergency Services Cadets.

On Sunday, there's a fun afternoon of BINGO at the Community Hall from 1.30pm, and proceeds will go towards the community kitchen/workshop fit-outs. BYO drinks and nibbles.

Monday, is recovery day.... Time to kick back and relax with family or friends and contemplate just what a great town we live in.



Official Opening of the Splash Pad on Saturday 5th October as part of the long-weekend Family Fun Day.

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Town Office: 8672 7034
School Rd
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Andamooka School & Children's Centre: 8672 7018
Public Library Hours, See Pg 15

Andamooka Community Hall:
Enquires, contact APOMA
- **Kids Splash Pad & BBQ Area**
- **Book Exchange & Art Exhibitions**
- **Andamooka Yacht Club Cafe**
Opal Creek Blvd.

Andamooka Yacht Club Cafe:
Opal Creek Blvd. 0412 264 168
Located at the Community Hall

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Opal Creek Blvd.

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Roving Vet: 8642 3308

CWA: 8672 7044
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CCS & Avdata payments now accepted at Post Office

Points from August Committee Meetings:

- Discussion on first draft of new Town Plan and related Business Plans which will support grant submissions and development planning
- Also within the Plan – development of alternative income streams for community/town funding that will benefit the town, create employment and take pressure off property owners who are supporting the community via the CCS.
- October Long Weekend events
- Proposed Rock Concert in March 2020
- Interpretive signage replacements for the vehicle museum and the Cottages progressed
- SALA event successful with around 14 artists involved
- Lapidary project moving forward with around 25 people registered to participate – exploring accredited courses to be offered via the program.
- 2019-20 budget approvals in place for APOMA and CARM.
- **At bank end of August:**
Operations Acc: \$27,941, Dr Acc: \$88,
Allocated Funds: \$9,000
Reserve Funds: \$15,562
Asset Maintenance: \$8,250
- Grants current status and new opportunities for 2019-20.

MINUTES & OTHER INFORMATION:

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

APOMA'S key objectives are to lead the community, protect miners rights & build a sustainable future for the town; maintain & develop the township; assist the development of opal mining & promote opal markets; promote & facilitate tourism, promote & facilitate community wellbeing, social inclusion & equality within the township.

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Secretary: Rodney Mitchell
Treasurer: Gill Rowley

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**Next Member/Community
Meeting: 17th November.**

Correspondence addressed to the Secretary due 7 days prior to meeting.

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APOMA NEWS & NOTICES

APOMA Committee 2019-20.

Following elections at the AGM in early August two new members joined the APOMA Committee, and Officers for the Association have since been elected by the committee for the year 2019-20. Two in-coming officers will hold acting officer positions for a three-month hand-over process.

Chairman, Peter Allen brings many years' experience to this role and he will be well supported by Vice Chair, Donna Waters whose valuable contributions to the committee over the past two years have been much appreciated. Rodney Mitchell is stepping into the role of APOMA Secretary and Keith Bartram is taking up the position of Vice Treasurer to support Treasurer Gill Rowley as Ian Thompson stands down from this position due to work commitments, but remaining on the committee.

Other members on the committee are Julie Franklin, Anthony Johnson, John Smirnios continuing, and new to the committee is Ron Ashenden who has many years' experience in local government including with building development which will be of great value to the committee.

The committee meet monthly and a new schedule of meeting dates for committee and for member/community meetings has been developed to assist a more coordinated approach to management and information sharing and dissemination works across both the Association and the community. Commencing in November, there will be regular quarterly shared OCA / Committee review meetings which will assist with planning around CARM funding and development.

The Committee is supported by the Town Office which provides a first line of community contact for the committee and for APOMA and town business. Office personnel work as a team which includes administration manager, Gill Rowley; project and maintenance manager, Richard Hawkins; administration, publications and marketing support, Emma Morris; and fundraising and events coordinator, Tanya Simpson, who also assists with community liaison.

The office team share 38 paid hours per week and together they generally complement the shared workload with equally as many, if not more, volunteer hours each week. The office roles and responsibilities are developing along with the town management model as expectations of what the office provides continue to grow.

The next Open Member / Community meeting will be held in mid-November following the first shared quarterly review meeting between the OCA and the Committee, where outcomes and a progress report from the review meeting will be presented and discussed with the community.

Please do not hesitate to contact the Committee, via the Town Office if you have questions, issues or ideas that you would like heard and addressed, where it will be passed on for attention either urgently or raised at the next meeting as appropriate.

Community Contribution Scheme (CCS)

Quarterly Payments
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Reminder that the next CCS
Contributions are due September

MAKE SURE YOUR CONCERNS OR COMPLAINTS REACH THE RIGHT PLACE FOR ATTENTION

The OCA is the responsible body to manage and have addressed issues, concerns or complaints about:

◇ **ROADS:** Including major external access roads, outer tracks and town roads.

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◇ **DUMP**

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Gough: 0427 687 772

Or visit the Andamooka Town
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the OCA via the Office.

APOMA MEMBERSHIPS

RENEWALS DUE 1ST JANUARY

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KEEPING UP WITH BUSINESS

APOMA COMMITTEE LAUNCHING INTO A CHALLENGING 2019-20

In line with the 2016-20 Management Plan, which has created a stable foundation for the town to move forward, the Committee is busy preparing to introduce a new business and development focussed 'Andamooka Town Plan' to take the Town head on into the future, aimed at creating a progressive, dynamic and sustainable economic platform for our community to build businesses and lifestyles upon and to thrive from.

The end of 2018-19 found the Town in a sound financial position with steady growth in existing income streams and emerging new income streams which, as they develop during 2019-20 will deliver the benefits of a broader income base providing additional funds for the town and community without putting greater pressure on property owners.

Maintenance schedules are up to date, assets up to regulation with insurances in place, contracts in order, projects running in line with schedules, and grants meeting obligations. Importantly funds are being put into 'futures' for replacements and major repairs for our equipment and facility assets, including the community bus which is scheduled for replacement within 2 years.

This balanced position has been achieved by dedication, determination and the investment of many volunteer hours by the APOMA Committee and the Town Office crew. This positive outcome has opened the way for new community-based developments and will increasingly encourage emerging business and employment opportunities, providing certainty to encourage philanthropic support and investment into the town from major industry.

Andamooka is currently on the cusp of expansion and we predict that the residential population will reach a sustainable 700 by 2023. We estimate that it is currently at around 450 and moving steadily towards 500 by mid-2020 which goes against the current downturn trend for many regional and remote townships.

Already Andamooka finds itself too large to fit comfortably into the Outback Communities Authority management model, and although fiercely independent, it is too small to function as a local council. So, we as a township face an interesting challenge of developing a 'hybrid' town management model that is well supported by the residents. As a community we are entering interesting times in this regard.

The new Town Plan will act as a blueprint to address future challenges for the town, especially developments that will meet community needs of an expanding and demographically changing population moving from a predominantly aging population, re-balancing to incorporate more young families.

GRANT UPDATES

The Stronger Communities Programme grant for upgrading the old Grader Shed to a Town Workshop Facility has been acquitted now that the power has been installed and floor concreted.

This allows for progressing work to upgrade the 'CDP Shed' into a lapidary workshop and work will commence end of the month.

SA Medium grant to install storage and mobile dividing walls in the hall to assist multi-use of the spaces is progressing.

Grant opportunities to assist with fitting out the Town Workshop Facility are being explored.



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KEEPING UP WITH BUSINESS

It will create a dynamic 'big-picture' development plan which takes into account, maximising existing structures and re-purposing them to not only facilitate current needs but to also preserve their historic value and to maintain the character of the town.

Importantly the Plan also encourages the creation of consultative groups including a commerce-based group open to local business operators to address needs and challenges for local business and new local industry, and will explore expansion and training opportunities and cooperative advantages such as in marketing and investment.

A proposed events focussed group will collectively work on developing, supporting and managing a calendar of major events, and seeking sponsors and beneficial partnerships as well as encouraging participants and cooperative marketing strategies to maximise benefits and returns.

The emerging arts development group will work in sync with both, which will encourage local artists into seeking opportunities through events and/or cottage industry, and this will work hand in hand with opportunities around an emerging bush foods industry.

This approach will help broaden community involvement across the board and will ensure that developments and services are determined and managed with wide-ranging community input and support.

However, this approach can only succeed if individuals and factions come together and are prepared to share their ideas and energies, and to maybe compromise a bit from time to time, but most importantly to work together constructively towards shared goals and long-term vision. *So, let's all focus on a future for Andamooka, put aside differences, open our eyes to new opportunities, and rev up the spirit of the 'last great act of defiance' that we are famous for.*

BUDGET 2019-20

This year we are taking a new approach to financials and to presenting the budget reports so that community and APOMA funds are more separate, and this will make it clearer to the community where CARM funding is being allocated and how it is being spent and managed.

This new approach to financials will allow us to take better advantage of GST returns to the benefit of the community and will also show more clearly the considerable donation of funds into the community from APOMA, which occurs on an annual basis.

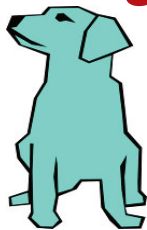
The new approach is in the process of being set up and so the first 'new look' budget report is planned to be published in the October newsletter and will be presented and explained at the open meeting in November, together with a financial report for the first quarter for 2019-20.

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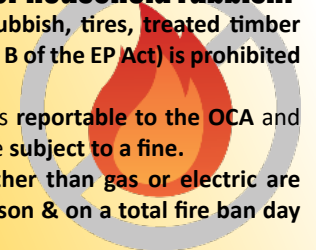


Can I burn plastic and other household rubbish?

No, burning plastic, household rubbish, tires, treated timber and listed wastes (Schedule 1 Part B of the EP Act) is prohibited under the Air Quality Policy.

Backyard burning in Andamooka is reportable to the OCA and people breaching the policy can be subject to a fine.

Remember that no open fires other than gas or electric are permitted during the fire ban season & on a total fire ban day without a schedule nine permit.



ANDAMOOKA COMMUNITY PROJECTS

FROM GRADER SHED TO TOWN WORKSHOP PROJECT FINISHED READY FOR FIT-OUT.

Thanks to funding from the Stronger Communities Programme supported by local MP, Rowan Ramsey, the old grader shed has been upgraded with power installed and a commercial grade concrete floor, and is now ready to be fitted out with dedicated metal work and wood work spaces as well as storage space for various items including outdoor seating, large items for events and project materials.

The workshop will be progressively fitted out and will be multi-functional with 'men's shed' activities and opportunities for locals who are interested in learning skills for creating artwork in metal and wood as part of Andamooka's emerging cottage industry.



In addition, there is interest supported by local industry, for programs for youth to learn metal and wood working skills for career pathways, with increasing prospects for youth employment as the mining industry ramps up in the region.

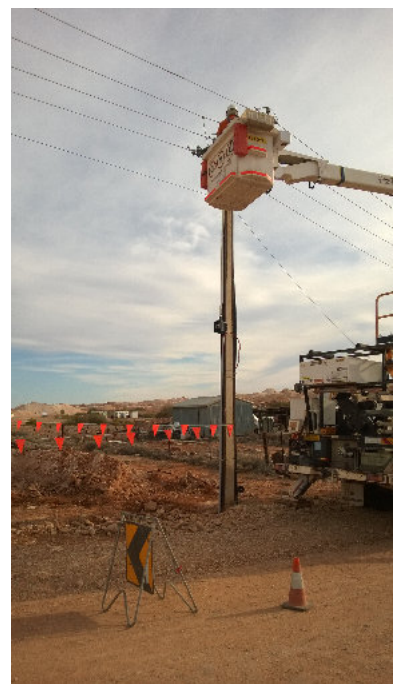
So a huge thank you to so many volunteers who have offered their valuable time, efforts, machines, vehicles and skills over the past six months to clear out, clean up, prepare and to concrete the shed or to assist with

having power connected to the facility.

Without this in-kind assistance this project would not be possible.

Also, thank you to the local businesses who have supported the project including Northern Engineering & Earthworks, Andamooka Power House, Mossy Electrical and Michael Petkovic, also the CDP for their amazing dedication to the project.

The next stage for the project is to move the CDP out of the centrally located workspace into their new 'headquarters' so that facility can be upgraded into a functional, well-equipped lapidary workshop and headquarters for the new Lapidary Program, which has around 25 people waiting to get started on learning or perfecting their stone cutting and polishing skills to become part of Andamooka's revival of our opal industry culture and of our growing business and cottage industries.



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THINGS TO DO AND SEE IN ANDAMOOKA

TAKE A VISIT TO THE ANDAMOOKA COMMUNITY GARDENS

Centrally located in the surrounds of the Andamooka Community Hall including the amazing Arid Explorers Garden, great for kids to investigate and play within this arid-land environment filled with indigenous plants which are edible or useful for medicinal or domestic purposes, so visitors and locals are encouraged to take a sample of the native herbage and try out with their cooking. The saltbush makes a wonderful accompaniment to lamb, fish or chicken and the native 'pig-face' adds a succulent crunch to salads.

Food producing beds border the rear shady courtyard where the sheltered environment allows for year-round production of tomatoes and salad greens. There is a seasonal variety of herbs including Asian and Mediterranean as well as spinach. Just now the grapevines are greening up for their summer crop also providing cooling shade throughout summer.



The Community Gardens then flow on throughout the township as a collective of bush foods are progressively planted along tree lines and creek lines and also within the Town Park which offers a quiet, green haven with stunning sunset views, a welcome shady rest spot for walkers and is the community gathering spot for occasions such as ANZAC & Remembrance Day services.



Over the next year the Andamooka Greening Project will fund the first stage planting of our bush food orchard with edible wattle-seed trees that will form the underground fabric for planting sandalwood and parasitic quandong trees which rely on the root systems of other trees to survive.

Once our bush foods are established and thriving, these will support our emerging bush food cottage industry and provide opportunities for locals to establish small business concerns around bush foods and cosmetics.

So, although these plantings and gardens provide a cooling, greener living environment, they will also critically be part of a sustainable future for Andamooka township and community.

Anyone who is interested in joining in with planting, propagation or care of the gardens is encouraged to contact the town office as we are keen to form a 'community gardeners group' to take this project into the future.



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10AM - 12PM

At the CFS / SES Shed

**Andamooka
 Community Church**

*Meet at Hall on Sun @ 3pm
 For music, worship & sharing
 of evening prayer*

More Details: 8671 0270

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

Worship Service 10:30 Sunday
 Bible Study 7:30 Wednesday

Water Way, Andamooka

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**Andamooka Sports
 Shooting Assoc.**



*For more information on
 activities & events*

Contact: Matt 0419 504 200

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Proudly sponsored by the Andamooka Opal Showroom & Bottlehouse Motel

JANUARY

APOMA Memberships Due
 26th: Australia Day &
 Citizen's Awards

FEBRUARY

14th: Valentines Day

MARCH

APRIL

Easter Long Weekend
 25th: Anzac Day

MAY

ASSA Opal Classic

JUNE

June Long Weekend
 Winter Markets

JULY

Dog Registration Due

AUGUST

Hospital Auxiliary Camp
 Oven Cookout

SEPTEMBER

1st: SALA Festival Ends

OCTOBER

4th -7th: October Long
 Weekend
 4th: Long Weekend BBQ
 5th: Family Fun Day
 5th: "Frankly Elvis" Concert
 6th: **BINGO! At the
 Community Hall**

NOVEMBER

2nd: All Souls Day
 11th: Remembrance Day

DECEMBER

25th: Seniors Christmas
 Lunch



VISIT

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WHAT'S ON IN ANDAMOOKA

BINGO

October Long Weekend

Sunday, 6th October
1:30 PM @ Andamooka
Community Hall

BYO Drinks and Nibbles.

Proceeds raised go towards the
new community kitchen



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LONG WEEKEND FAMILY FUN DAY

**SATURDAY
5TH OCTOBER
STARTING AT 9AM**

SPLASH PAD OPENING
MARKET STALLS
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BOUNCY CASTLE
FACE PAINTING

COME JOIN THE FUN!

With Local Supporting Acts

Raffle And Door Prizes

Saturday
5th October
From **6PM**

Entry
By Gold Coin Donation

Please book a table for meals

Frankly ELVIS

At The Tuckabox Hotel

Part proceeds go towards the Andamooka Community Recreation Facilities, SES Cadets and Youth Group.

BINGO

Every Third Sunday

1:30PM at the HALL

All proceeds go towards the new community kitchen

NEXT DATES
6th October

The Creative Corner
Showcasing Local Artists

Metal Art

A showcase of local artworks crafted from metal.



Metal art by Ben Roberts.



By Bill Addington.



Sculpture by Stew MacIntyre.



By Chado Addington.

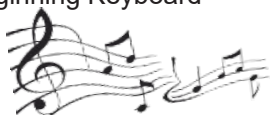
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Or see **Emma** at the **Town Office:** Tuesday & Thursdays, 9:30am to 3pm

WINNERS WERE GRINNERS AT ANDAMOOKA'S QUIZ NIGHT

The Quiz Night, led by Quizmaster ABC Radio's Paul Culliver, turned out to be a lively night of fun and brain-draining competition with seven teams vying to take out the 2019 Andamooka Quiz Winners Trophy.

With a closely contested finish of only five points between 1st and 5th place, in a strong finish the "Brainy Bunch" scraped through as winners in a 'Tie Breaker' wrenching the trophy from the "Misfits" who had employed a little help from 'Switch-a-roos' & 'Lifelines'. The "Moonies" finished closely in third place after consistently holding 3rd place in each round. The Brainy Bunch, living up to their title, had taken out 1st place throughout the night with 2nd place shared between two teams, "Rat Baggers" in rounds one and three, and 'Top of the Hills' in round two.

The night kicked off with contestants tucking into 'Construct-YarOwn' Burgers and Donna's signature Yiros, and teams gearing up with a warm-up round to get the thinking caps tuned in before launching into round one.

All teams performed well and with little more than 5 points separating all the teams in each round, each team put their collective knowledge together to respond to a broad range of questions, some of which were quite challenging and some responses even more creative to say the least. The most contentious question of all was a about the year of the last BIG flood in Andamooka.. The answer: *Overnight of April 8-9th 2010*.

As always, one team wins the coveted "Wooden Spooners" Award. For 2019, 'The Classics' worked hard all night (even though in equal 3rd place after round 1) to win this highly prized award which was well received by all with huge smiles wide enough to fit their oversized wooden spoon trophies into.

Final scores were The Brainy Bunch (47.5), The Misfits (44), Moonies (43.5), Rat Baggers (42.5), Top of the Hills (42), Desert Oracles (41.5), and The Classics (35.5).

This popular event is now cemented in the annual events calendar and we look forward to reviving the 'Tri-Town Challenge in 2020 where historically, teams from Woomera and Roxby Downs attempt to take home the title of 'Champions of the Andamooka Quiz Night'.

We thank ABC Radio North & West's breakfast host, Paul Culliver for once again acting as Quizmaster 'extraordinaire' for the night, also the CDP, Parks & Gardens and local volunteers for their over & above help setting up the night, local businesses for their support, with prizes donated by the CWA and Cellarbrations and accommodation for our host provided by Andamooka Miners' Shacks. Also, thanks to the Town Office crew who put many hours into preparations for the night, most especially our effervescent events coordinator, Tanya Simpson, and also to the APOMA Committee members and to Rose McKenzie, who slaved over hot BBQ's to provide dinner for around 60 people.

The Quiz Night is a relaxed, crazy night of fun and games for all ages, so if you missed out this year, start thinking about getting a team together for 2020. Teams will be busy practicing and watching TV quiz shows to make sure they are ready to join in the contest for the winner's trophy in August 2020.

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Andamooka Farewells Much Loved Pioneers . . .

James "Jim" Safta,

27-8-1947 to 3-3-2019, forever our Andamooka heavenly Opal Mines Officer.

Jim was the Mines Department Officer in Andamooka for many years during the heydays of Andamooka, and his ashes were scattered to mingle with those of many others who would have been his friends, at Trigg Bluff on 24th August 2019.

Tribute to Jim.. by Juliet Carpenter, 2019

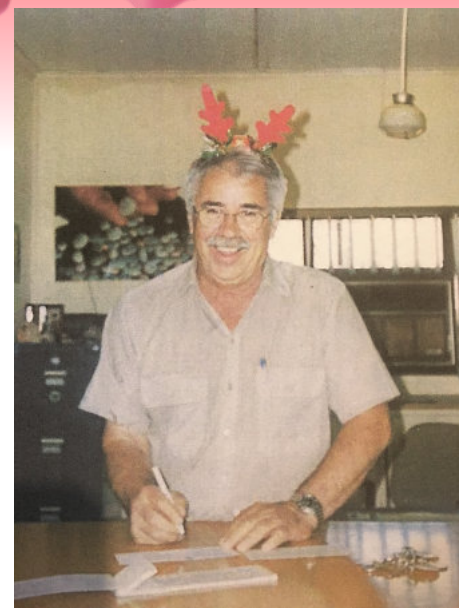
*Ah the joys of the outback, the vast open spaces to explore, Andamooka a country town nothing it lacks, people digging for opal and looking for more
In this place the folks are strong, living their lives sometimes underground, looking for the treasure that they long, deep in the earth they are to be found
Jim loved this place, of hard work and toil, the folks become family in a while, the beauty of the a barrenness a foil, for the driving for miles upon country mile*

The people are all characters of a sort, with nicknames and others such colourful ones, where claims were staked and digging wars fought, yet all banded together when tragedy comes

The sun shines down hot, day by day, the moon casting eerie shadows at night, the landscape harsh yet beautiful in its own way, the rocks hard, strong, showing off their might

Green trees eucalyptus and other bush flowers, dry creek beds and insects galore, all nestled into this incredible nature filled bower, Australian bush, sacred land and so much more...

Rest in peace Jim nestled in the dirt you loved so much.



Wolfgang (Wolf) Schwob

Died peacefully at home, 23 September 2019.

Wolfgang was born on a farm in Germany and his dream was always to become a farmer, but his father told him there was no future in farming and made him become an engineer.

He, like many others came to Australia in the 1960's seeking a new life, where he married and had two sons. The family would come to Andamooka for holidays and also like many others, Wolfgang caught the opal mining bug.

When his marriage broke-up he moved to Andamooka permanently and he became a regular member of the daily 'bonnet of knowledge' men's gathering in the carpark of the local shops.

Wolf's love of opal mining and this remote mining town never left this tough old miner.

William Arthur Harrison,

William Arthur Harrison, 'Arthur', born Staffordshire UK in 1940 died 23rd July 2019. Arthur and his wife Val, first came to Australia in 1966 but due to their son's health problems returned to the UK. In 1996 they returned to Australia following their daughter Sharon who had moved here earlier.

They lived in Adelaide and then during a tour of Australia in their caravan they ended up in Andamooka. Intending to stay for two weeks, only Arthur got the mining bug and never left, eventually buying their house here.

Arthur loved life here, the community, the fresh air, the lack of rat race but most of all the mining. He was never happier than when on his claim whether he found opal or not. For him it was the perfect lifestyle.

He is survived by his wife, Val, Children Paul and Sharon and many grandchildren. Arthur may have been a man of few words but his actions left a deep impact on those who knew and loved him. VALE ARTHUR.



Joseph (Joe) Devenyi

27-9-1933 to 6-7-2019, creator of the most beautiful garden in Andamooka.

Born in Hungary, Joe was one of seven children. In WWII Joe was a Freedom Fighter for his country and so had to flee after the war, first getting a job as a baker in Austria and later deciding to try for a new life in America. This proved very difficult, so at the advice of a friend he jumped aboard a boat bound for Australia instead.

Here in the 1960's he met and married Elizabeth and they had 3 children, Eva, Tibi and Atila, and the family would make regular visits to Andamooka, with Joe getting progressively more hooked on opal mining, so eventually they stayed, taking up permanent residence.

Joe's garden was amazing. Filled with roses, geraniums and other beautiful plants that others would never dare attempt to plant. He lost Elizabeth in 2000 and his children moved away from the town. So, he took in a stray cat for company, and how he loved that cat, it's plump countenance attesting to how much he spoilt it.

Joe is now at rest in the Andamooka cemetery next to his beloved Elizabeth.

Margaret Buzza

Died 10th September 2019 A true pioneer of Andamooka, Margaret will always be remembered among so many other stories, as the resilient 'Andamooka Post Mistress' in the legendary 1979 movie shot in Andamooka, "Last of the Knucklemen"

Laid to rest in the Andamooka Cemetery, 17th September 2019.

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On the second of September police from the Roxby Downs Police Station and officers from the Crime Gangs Task Force attended at the White Dam settlement. Police searched a number of houses and seized a number of items in relation to outlaw motorcycle gangs. Investigations into these premises are continuing.

There have been a number of minor anti-social incidents which have also been reported to police. This is a reminder that police and the community will not tolerate this kind of behaviour. If any person has any information, please contact the Roxby Downs Police Station, or for police attendance please call 131-444.

Thank you

Senior Constable First Class Tristan Fantinel
 Roxby Downs Police Station
 South Australia Police
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We would like to thank all community members who joined us for our Women's Health Day on Friday the 6th of September with a total of 25 Women from Andamooka and Roxby attending. We are also very pleased with the success of our Men's R U OK afternoon on Friday the 13th of September with a total of 15 Men. We would like to thank all community members for your support and attendance for our first community event of the year. An extended thankyou to the Tucker box for catering for the event and Sonny Succulents, Roxby Pharmacy, Roxby Tavern, The Club and Port Augusta Meat Store for your donations for your prizes.

- Clinic staff



BIG THANK YOU TO OUR ANDAMOOKA RFDS HEALTH SERVICE CREW!

On behalf of our community, the APOMA committee thank the staff of the RFDS clinic here in town for their fabulous work organising and presenting the WOMEN'S and the MEN'S HEALTH BBQ'S recently.

These two great afternoons were very well attended by locals, with a number of others keen to attend the days next round. Well done!!

Aggressive Behaviour in Dogs and the Dog Owners Responsibility

Dog owners are reminded that if their dog attacks another person or animal the owner is likely to be expiated. A dog's aggressive behaviour including harassing or chasing can also be expiated

All dog owners have a responsibility to ensure their dog is registered, desexed and microchipped, shows good behaviour and is well looked after; desexing your dog has proven to reduce aggressive behaviour in dogs.

The Dog and Cat Management Act 1995, Section 44(2) clearly states that:

"A person who owns or is responsible for the control of a dog is guilty of an offence if the dog attacks, harasses or chases or otherwise endangers the health of a person or an animal or bird owned by or in the charge of another person (whether or not actual injury is caused)."

Penalties apply:

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You can register your dog:

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If you're unsure or require clarification about dog attacks, aggressive behaviour or how to register your dog, contact the Outback Communities Authority (OCA) on **1800 640 542**.



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