

UP-COMING EVENTS

- ◆ 25th December: Seniors **Christmas Lunch**
- ♦ 26th January: Australia Day - Don't forget to Nominate!
- ♦ Save The Date! March 21st 2020: Hot March Night Rock Concert
- ♦ Save The Date! 18th April 2020: Decade by **Decade 1930's Anniversary** Ball - Celebrating Andamooka's first decade of settlement.

Plus Other Easter Long Weekend Events! See pg13

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Header: Sunset behind a blower.

Source: M. Clifford, 2018

History - Decade by Decade

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Community Noticeboard

AS ONE DECADE CLOSES, ANOTHER OPENS AND WHAT A DECADE THIS **NEXT WILL BE FOR ANDAMOOKA**

2020 to 2030 will be a celebration of Andamooka with a countdown year by year & decade by decade, to our 100 years of Andamooka, Centenary Celebration in 2030.

Progressively, each year will celebrate a decade commencing in 2020 with Andamooka's first settlement and establishment across the 1930's. 2021 will celebrate the 1940's, leading on to the 1950's in 2022 and so on.

What a year 2020 will be. With exhibits of historic paraphernalia on display, themed events including the official opening of the Decade By Decade Countdown at the 1930's Celebrations Ball on Easter Saturday with all the glamour and elegance of that decade and all members of the community invited to attend and join in a night of entertainment reminiscent of the times.

This will be offset by exhibits of how it was in Andamooka during those years. Hard times, great finds, harsh and unforgiving environment, isolation, lack of food, water, medical assistance and very hard work.

But what amazing characters Andamooka boasted from those times.

The Albertini brothers, blacksmiths, who worked in such harsh conditions and with the most basic equipment to keep the miners going with fashioning equipment from all sorts, repairs and maintenance to keep hard worked picks and shovels sharp and intact. (photo)

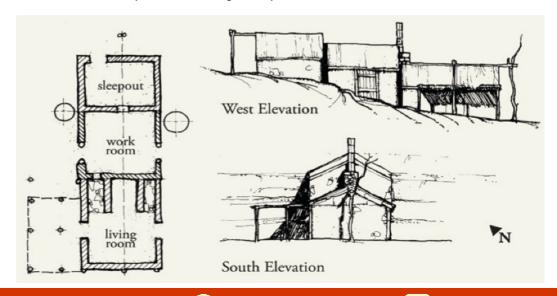
Minnie Berrington, who was the first woman to hold and work a mining claim in her own right, working alongside tough and driven men, hell bent at making their fortune at what-ever cost.

Others who went on to pioneer the town and raise families such as the Bartrams, Absolams, and Mrs Perry who ran a 'kitchen' which sustained many miners and most graciously provided 'tea service' to visitors to the town, which considering the harshness of the surroundings must have surprised many.

Our historic cottages, build as semi-dugouts are quite unique to Andamooka and constructed from all sorts of materials that could be salvaged or found, still stand in testament to the skills and ingenuity of those miners. Families were raised in these rough cottages which stood defiant on the banks of the mostly dry creek with its wells, through which floods raged when the big rains came, and from those few humble abodes the town spread out as new dug-outs were built and other structures began to appear to house the town's growing population as it headed into the 1940's.

This next decade is an ALL OF COMMUNITY project. A time that we can all work together to research our past, to find, record and collate historic items and stories, to create exhibitions, restore various buildings to their former glory and give recognition through historic trails with interpretive signage to tell the stories of significant sites, buildings or other items. We also plan to produce a movie each year relating to the particular decade and to make known on an international basis, the great stories and characters of our town. To preserve forever, the amazing and colourful history of Andamooka and its community.

So, please get involved. There is so much to do and so little time. Please bring in any items or stories or information that you may have relating to our history to the Town Office where we can record them and copy or photograph them or with permission, use them in our exhibitions. concentrating on the 1930's this year but any historic or items of significance right across the 100 years to present times is vital to our historic records and collections and will assist with all the activities as we work from year to year across the decades.



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COMMUNITY CONTACTS & INFORMATION

FOR ALL EMERGENCIES CALL 000

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

131 444 Police:

SES/CFS:

John West: 0408 807 943 Stefan Bilka: 0427 181 752

Andamooka Community Health Service: Hospital Road 8672

8672 7087 See page 6 for daily clinic hours

After Hours: Emergencies Only

Post Office: 8672 7007 Open 7 Days, Opal Creek Blvd. - Dukes Bottlehouse Motel - Laundry-mat

Laundry-mat

 Claims Registration Hours: 9am - 5pm Weekdays 11am - 3pm Weekends

Andamooka Powerhouse: 8672 7235 Power Cards @ Friendly Grocer

Andamooka Friendly Grocer: Opal Creek Blvd. 8672 Gas Refills/Fuel/Hardware Open 7 Days, 9am - 6pm Weekdays 9am - 3pm Sat, 10am - 1am Sun

Town Office: 0477 184 485

School Rd **Open:** Tue-Fri, 9:30am - 3pm

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

Andamooka Caravan Park & Playground: 0477 184 485 Opal Creek Blvd.

Tuckabox Hotel: 8672 7137 Takeaway available
Opal Creek Blvd. Open 7 Days

Bottle Shop: 8672 7183 Opal Creek Blvd. Open 7 Days

Roving Vet: 8642 3308

CWA: 8672 7044 Andamooka Boo-Teek Op Shop Open Fri & Sat, 9am - 12pm Top of CWA Rd

Motor Vehicle Registration: Roxby Downs Town Council

For more details, visit: www.andamooka.sa.au

ANDAMOOKA PROGRESS AND OPAL MINERS ASSOCIATION

Andamooka Town Office

One-Stop Shop for OCA, APOMA & Town Business

Open Tuesday to Friday

9:30am - 3:00pm (Closes 12 noon Fridays) Ph: 08 8672 7246

Urgent Enquires:

OCA (Byron Gough): 0427 687 772 **APOMA:** 0477 184 485

Town Maintenance: Richard Hawkins 0418 855 165 Address: Community Hub, School Rd, Andamooka

Postal: PO Box 246 Andamooka SA 5722

Email:

OCA: oca@sa.gov.au

APOMA/Town Office: secretary@apoma.com.au Town Maintenance/Projects: admin1@apoma.com.au Events & Memberships: admin3@apoma.com.au

Newsletter: admin2@apoma.com.au Ph: (08) 8648 5970 **OCA:** 12 Tassie St. Pt Augusta

CCS & Avdata payments now accepted at Post Office

Joint Quarterly Review Meeting OCA/APOMA:

- Review of budget and budget performance for first quarter indicated that it is operating to budget.
- Income collected from CCS for first guarter to be determined at end of October to allow for late payments anticipated to be in line with an overall collection of \$225,00 for year.
- Discussion around the actuals relating to outstanding payments for CCS and how that will be managed to repay overspends from past years. On-going.
- Assignment of parks and gardens contract to Town Office management is working well. Now titled Municipal Cleaning & Maintenance and included under over-arching budget item of Asset Maintenance together with CDP. These all relate to overall maintenance of the town.
- Discussion on community needs identified and proposed changes and major projects that will meet those
- Discussion on funding opportunities and assistance for community projects and major projects
- Discussion around developing APOMA income streams that will benefit the community by supplementing funding and grants for projects and programs. These include income from C&C ground, hall and café, and other developing programs such as lapidary and arts & crafts.
- Mid year review to be held February 2020.

At bank end of November 2019: Operations Acc: \$38,771+ \$87.58 in CC acc,

Allocated Funds: \$9,000 Reserve Funds: \$15,566 Asset Maintenance: \$5,750

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 the representing the miners, opal 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.

Chair: Peter Allen Vice Chair: Donna Waters Secretary: Rodney Mitchell Treasurer: Gill Rowley

PO Box 246 Andamooka SA 5722 Email: secretary@apoma.com.au

www.andamooka.sa.au

Next Member/Community Meeting: End Jan TBA to the Correspondence addressed Secretary due 7 days prior to meeting.

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Classified: \$5 or \$50 Annually

CONTACT: Gill Rowley

Email: treasurer@apoma.com.au



APOMA NEWS & NOTICES





AUSTRALIA DAY AWARD NOMINATIONS

Now Open: Closing on the 15th January 2020

You are encouraged to nominate persons from our community who have made a noteworthy contribution during the current year and/or have given outstanding service to the local community over a number of years.

Nominations open for:

- Australia Day Citizen of the Year Award
- Australia Day Young Citizen of the Year Award
- Community Event of the Year Award

Other awards may apply for special circumstances. Please don't hesitate to nominate an individual or group you feel deserves recognition.

To be eligible for nomination the following criteria applies:

Essential: An Andamooka resident or, for organisations/groups - based in Andamooka One or more of the following:

- Has Performed an outstanding action during the year
- Is actively involved with the community
- Contributes to the community
- Has contributed to the community over many years

Nomination forms available from Town Office, Post Office & the Bottleshop.

Lodge Completed forms at the APOMA Office or Post Office on/or before the 15th January 2020.

Wishing all the members of the

Andamooka community, our friends and visitors both past and present, and all those who have supported our towns community throughout the years,

a happy Christmas and all the best for the new year.

> Happy Fossicking and big finds! - From APOMA



Community Contribution Scheme (CCS)

Quarterly Payments Avdata Water Payments & Keys managed at the

Andamooka Post Office

Reminder that the next CCS **Contributions are due December**

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: Includina maior external access roads, outer tracks and town roads.

♦ CAT & DOG (Not feral) ISSUES: nuisance, Including attacks, wandering and other serious concerns.

♦ DUMP

Please call direct: **(08) 8648 5970** or after hours if necessary Byron Gough: 0427 687 772

Or visit the Andamooka Town Office who will assist your call to the OCA via the Office.

APOMA MEMBERSHIPS

RENEWALS DUE 1st JANUARY

For the year 1st Jan - 31st Dec 2020

> Individual/Single: \$10 Family: \$20

Concession Rate of \$5 applies to Concession card holders.

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All New Facilities ~

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Old Kingoonya Road, Pimba SA

Cash paid for all deposit-able items

Bottle Collection At the Tuckabox: TBA

KEEPING UP WITH BUSINESS

PROJECT UPDATES

GRANTS AND OPPORTUNITIES TOWARDS A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE & COMMUNITY WELLBEING

- 'Healthy Places Local Partners funding for community programs is in the process of acquittal. This grant has supported the purchase of equipment and workshops including fitness equipment and a youth 'junk art' workshop during SALA, which are aimed at supporting physical and mental health in our community. The outstanding artworks produced in the youth workshop are exhibited in a stunning installation of metal poppies in the Town Park gardens.
- Work is well underway on the planning processes for a locally produced documentary film on Minnie Berrington thanks to **Country Arts SA** seed funding. The director and production team, led by local Lara Lukich, visited Andamooka during November and met with locals to work through stories, historic records and photographs and to check locations to commence planning on a filming schedule and locations. A number of new and exciting facts were revealed in this exercise and this will very much be a community exercise with Andamooka Primary and many locals actively involved.
- In the process of ordering storage cupboards and new doors to increase space and improve access and visibility in the space currently occupied by Youth funded under **Grants SA Medium round**. Installation is expected to take place whilst the Hall is shut down for the summer break.
- Waiting on confirmation of funding for the **lapidary workshop** which will enable us to have the workshop up and functioning by the end of March with workshops commencing in April.
- Funding has been received via a grant under the federal 'Be Connected' program to assist with setting up the Community Internet Hub which will provide access to the internet to members of be community and also visitors. Regular workshops held to assist members of the community to learn how to get the best out of the internet to assist with day to day tasks, and also with connecting with family and friends. The Program is anticipated to commence end of February 2020.
- A submission was lodged seeking funding through the **RAA Regional Safety grants** to produce and install lot numbers on residential properties throughout the town. There have been several incidents where local emergency services or police call-outs have been delayed due to difficulty locating the property to which they have been called. Lot numbers, easily visible from the roadside, will greatly assist the safety, security and wellbeing of residents in the town in the case of an emergency, or simply for occasions such as bus pick-ups for seniors, community carers visits, or visits from family or friends. This unfortunately was not successful.
- Submissions for funding of major projects to meet critical needs of the town and community to build a strong economy and open up new business and employment opportunities will be lodged in December. Applications will be lodged in round 4 of **Building Better Regions Funding (BBRF)** infrastructure and business streams. Also with an extension to OCA funding received to support drought affected regional towns.
- Funding is being sought for the design, construction and fit-out of a **community recreation & sports facility** encompassing dedicated spaces for youth and fitness as well as activities such as gymnastics and martial arts, with shared social space and a multi-purpose modified sports court, supported by amenities, a basic kitchen, and children's play space.
- Further funding will be sought to upgrade access roads in Andamooka's surrounding environs to support the development of local tourism-based businesses, in particular tours both within the town and surrounding regions and to assist with the development of a cooperative marketing strategy to assist the establishment and growth of local business and employment opportunities associated with tours, which includes services and events.

GRANT UPDATES

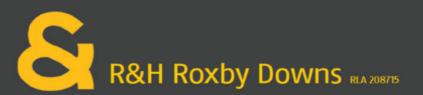
Grant SA medium grant for upgrade of community hall facilities. Mobile walling operational. Storage spaces being designed.

Country Arts SA submission for \$21,000 for Minnie Berrington movie successful.

Wellbeing Grant due for acquittal December 2019, in process of finalising expenditure.

Waiting on news of funding for lapidary project.

Opportunities for submissions for community facilities, projects and programs to be discussed re prioritisation at November APOMA Community Meeting.



Contact our R&H team if you're looking for

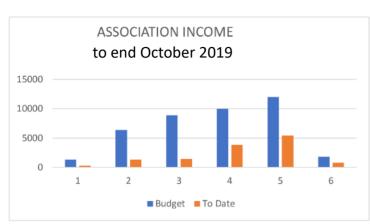
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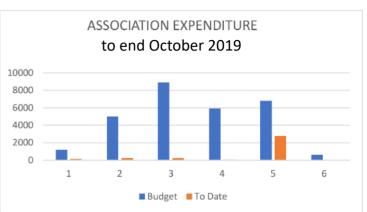
Shop 4/14 Tutop Street, Roxby Downs Telephone: 08 8671 3355 Fax: 08 8671 3366 Email: info@roxbydowns.rh.com.au

Raine&Horne.

rh.com.au

BUDGET UPDATES













Redgum Vet & Pet Boarding

Visit www.redgumboarding.com.au Ph: (08) 8642 3308

Dr. Roger Absalom, Redgum Vet, will be consulting in Roxby Downs

Please phone (08) 8642 3308 for appointments



Web: www.complete-personnel.com.au

1B 20-22 Tutop St, Roxby Downs SA 5725

COMPLETE

Jenna Post

Ph: (08) 8671 0621 Fax: (08) 8671 0481 M: 0418 807 450 Email: jenna.post@complete-personnel.com.au

group

Consultant

Thinking employment?

Think Complete

Do you know where your cat is at night?

For its own protection & for the protection of our native fauna. Have your cat microchipped, de-sexed & immunised.

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

CALL FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST – CONTRACTORS & LABOURERS ANDAMOOKA - MAJOR COMMUNITY PROJECTS 2020

Andamooka Town Office is seeking expressions of interest from local contractors and labourers for works for major community projects to be undertaken in Andamooka in 2020.

Please lodge your expression of interest for projects listed below and return to the Andamooka Office by Thursday 9th January 2020 via:

- email to 'admin1@apoma.com.au'
- post to Town Office Contracts, PO Box 246, Andamooka SA 5722
- personal delivery to Andamooka Town Office, Lot 281 School Road, Andamooka SA 5722
 - Electricals including connections, fit-outs and re-fits
 - Plumbing & gas fitting
 - Installation of Enviro- septic system
 - Carpentry renovations and installations
 - Cabinetry installations and refits
 - Rainwater tanks and installation
 - Concreting and paving
 - Landscaping and gardens
 - Construction of metal shelters & sheds
 - Construction of basketball / netball goal shooting court (modified quarter crt)
 - Installation of soft fittings
 - Earthworks and roadworks
 - Fencing
 - Graphic design- signage and pamphlets

Seeking Expressions of Interest

For local residents interested in becoming qualified as a

FITNESS INSTRUCTOR

To teach fitness classes in Andamooka under the Community Wellbeing Program

Please lodge your interest with the Town Office:

Via Email: admin1@apoma.com.au Via Post: PO Box 246, Andamooka 5722 Or In Person: At the Town Office







ANDAMOOKA YACHT CLUB

COFFEE, TOASTIES, SMOOTHIES, ART & JEWELLERY

COMMUNITY HALL SCHOOL RD, ANDAMOOKA

Email: andamookayachtclub@gmail.com www.andamookayachtclub.com

WED - SAT: 9am - 3pm SUNDAY: 10am - 3pm MON & TUES: Closed

FOR SALE

2 Bedroom self-contained villa, 13m x 4m, Open plan, kitchen/dine/lounge, Split system a/c, fully furnished, Located in Discovery Caravan Park, Roxby Downs - needs to be relocated











Great opportunity Contact Ken phone 0417 848 823 All offers considered



WANT TO SELL: PC60 Komatsu Excavator

Roughly 6 ton machine, digs well, all mechanically sound and well looked after, well greased so bugger all wear in the pins.

Comes with: Knuckle boom to allow for horizontal digging, bigger mud bucket, bucket with welded teeth and spare teeth, spare pins, spare arms going from boom to bucket.

Looking for \$15,000, open to offers.

Call 0427 831 032 or get a hold of Peter Allen for more info.

Unlimited nights at \$3 per person, per night Or \$10 per night with power (2 people) Pay at the Donation Column.

CNR. OPAL CREEK BLVD & WATER WAY

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- Undercover Playground
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Town Hub, Opal Creek Blvd

Find us on Facebook @andamookaportal

Welcome All Seniors Wacky Wednesdays

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

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 Contact: 8672 7004

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

21st: Hot March Night: Rock Concert

APRIL

Easter Long Weekend
Anniversary Ball
25th: Anzac Day

MAY

ASSA Opal Classic

JUNE

June Long Weekend
Winter Markets

JULY

Dog Registration Due

AUGUST

SALA Festival Exhibition Hospital Auxiliary Camp Oven Cookout

SEPTEMBER

OCTOBER

31st: Halloween.

NOVEMBER

2nd: All Souls Day

11th: Remembrance Day

DECEMBER

25th: Community Christmas Lunch



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

Ph 0886727007

275 Opal Creek Boulevard, Andamooka, SA. Email... andamookaopal@hotmail.com
Web... www.andamookaopal.com.au



Open 7 Days



WHAT'S ON IN ANDAMOOKA





Visit the Renowned

Tuckabox

Serving Miners Since 1960

Open 7 Days from 11:00am

Full A La Carte Menu

Lunch 12pm to 2pm Dinner 6:00pm to 8:00pm **Full Salad Bar**

Check the Board for Daily Specials

Ph: 08 8672 7137

Join in the celebrations at the

Andamooka

Australia Day Breakfast BBQ

26th January Andamooka Community Hall starts from 8.30am to 11.am

Australia Day Awards Prizes & give-aways Dress up as your favourite Aussie! Splash pad for the kids.

Fun for all the family





PM at the TUCKABOX

All proceeds go towards the new community kitchen

NEXT DATES TBA 2020

The Creative Corner Showcasing Local Artists



LIZ SCHULZ THE ART OF THE STITCH

Liz Schulz is a local textile artist. Her artistry includes lavish quilts, practical bags, opulent wall hangings and glamorous scarves.

During the Governor's (Honourable Hieu Van Le) visit to Andamooka in June of this year, Liz exhibited her artwork in the Andamooka Hall along with 11 other local artists. Liz was thrilled when Mrs Lan le, the Governor's wife, bought one of Liz's enchanting scarves.

Liz has taught 'the art of scarves' at interstate and intrastate workshops. Currently Liz's work is exhibited and available for purchase at Tansell Art Gallery and Emporium in Woomera's Champion Mall.

Private commissions are available.

Contact Liz via email (lizquilts5@gmail.com) to inquire.

Written by Heather Gordon.





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Group Guitar
 Beginning Keyboard

Fee: \$15 / 30 Minutes Concession for groups Adults welcome



CALLING ALL ARTISTS! SHARE YOUR ART IN THE CREATIVE CORNER

Come share your work and creativity with the community, and get your art showcased here. We're always on the look out for creative talents, whether it's painting, drawing, sculpting, metal, wood, opal, or anything really, we'd love to hear from you.

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

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















SALA Returning in 2020

Donna Waters and Heather Gordon have volunteered to co-ordinate Andamooka's entry in the South Australian Living Artists (SALA) Festival Exhibition held during August 2020. You're invited to participate.

Contact Donna 0476 298 992 or Heather 0414 318 829 early in the New Year to register your interest.



ANDAMOOKA LIFE

A Great Year of BINGO

Great turnout for the last bingo for the year. There was 30 in attendance. Thanks to all who have supported bingo since we restarted.

All up we raised nearly \$2000 for the community kitchen & \$1000 approx for the community fund raiser that we did to help out a local family in need.

The bingo sessions would not have been successful without everyone that came along for a bit of fun. A big thank you to you all, and thank you to the Tuckabox for their support.

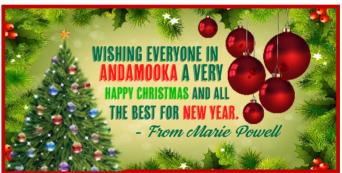
Wishing you all a merry Christmas and happy new year. Take care and see you in 2020.

- Tanya Simpson, Fundraising Coordinator









Australia Day Nominations

Are now open, running through to the 15th of January 2020.

Persons who have made a noteworthy contribution during the current year and/or give outstanding service to the local community over a number of years shall be eligible.

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RE-BUILDING ANDAMOOKA'S HISTORY - DECADE BY DECADE

Start Preparing for next Easter Long Weekend 10th to the 13th April 2020:

10th: Good Friday Night traditional BBQ also celebrating Margot's (60th?) Birthday

11th: Saturday - discovering 'Minnie's Trail'

Saturday Evening Cocktail Launch Official Launch of 1930's Decade Celebrations and Exhibitions

Saturday Night – 1930's Swing Ball

12th: Sunday Afternoon – Movie Makers Arvo

13th: Monday Markets & car-boot-sale





2020 UNCOVERS THE HISTORY OF ANDAMOOKA'S FIRST SETTLEMENT ACROSS THE 1930's

Launching this quest in 2020, we re-build 1930-39 and as we work through the history of those times we will work to identify and restore documents, photographs, buildings and sites of significance and items from those times, recording, preserving and storing this history digitally, photographically and physically.

All members of the community are encouraged to get involved with this exciting journey across 100 years of Andamooka. So much to do, so little time. So please get involved. Bring in your photos, stories, items to the regular open workshops that will start at the community hall from February next year.

Across the year there will be events and exhibitions as well as a documentary film made that will portray the life and struggles of those times for opal miners and others living so remotely in the outback.

The central figure of the movie is Minnie Berrington, born 1897 in England and a woman of inspiration, who was the first woman to own and fully work a claim in her own right in Andamooka. As we uncover more and more of Minnie's story leading up to and through the years she mined in Andamooka, going on to be Andamooka's first Postmistress working from the semi-dugout serving as the first post office, we cannot help but marvel at this amazing woman and her adventures and achievements in such tough times and circumstances.



Minnie with mailbag outside Andamooka Opal Fields Post Office c. 1948 - courtesy Lorna Cameron.

Minnie is the central figure as we rebuild our story of the 1930's, from the very first settlement of opal miners to the establishment of houses, families, businesses and services to support a gradually increasing population of pioneers of our opal mining industry and history. Each newsletter will update the story of the decade.

As we work through these times we are continually discovering so many other great stories and characters and this will also reveal where and how they lived, how they interacted with others and what other skills they bought to the settlement, or helped to build, and any significant occurrences, acts of heroism or skulduggery.

This amazing journey across time will then lead on to piecing together the 1940's in 2021.



Police Report

CRIME STOPPERS 1800 333 000

Between the 12th of October and 15th of November 2019 a house was broken into on Harlequin Road, and items stolen from this address. A house on Dunstan Drive that was partially built has also had a number of building supplies stolen from it over the past year.

This month two drivers in Andamooka have been stopped by police for being unlicensed, and had their vehicles impounded. Please ensure that if you are driving you have the correct licence that is current. Both have been reported, had their vehicles impounded for a period of 28 days and will be summonsed to court at a later date.

Police are not willing to release any further information at this stage about an incident that occurred on Bartram Street on Friday the 8th of November. If any person has information about the events leading up to this incident, or anything that assist with the investigation, please contact the police, either through the Roxby Downs Police Station or crime stoppers on 1800-333-000. If you are uncomfortable doing this please speak with me directly. Every piece of information is vital and can assist police.

My condolences go out to the Tanzer family.

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





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Lot 33 Hospital Rd, Andamooka

Attended by: Diane Bilka, Anne Alexander & Health Service Assistants

Opening Hours:

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Ph: (08) 8672 7087 Email: andamooka@flyingdoctor.net

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Surviving a Heat Wave

With the hottest months upon us, now is the time to be vigilant and aware of the dangers of heatstroke and dehydration. Drink plenty of fluids and keep out of the sun during the day. Take care of the elderly and the young, who are at higher risk from heat. Think of others as well, check on neighbours and those that are unwell.

LOOK OUT FOR SNAKES

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

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

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

Call 000 for emergencies





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Andamooka School

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

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

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

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

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

COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

MINING CLAIMS

REGISTRATIONS AND RENEWALS
7 DAYS A WEEK

ANDAMOOKA POST OFFICE

9am-5pm weekdays

&

11am-3pm weekends

For further assistance or information on the procedure contact:

Ashley Wood, Acting Registrar,

Opal Field Program.

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