#### SHAPING UP FOR AN EXCITING EASTER WEEKEND

## What's on

(more details inside)

- RFDS fundraiser BBQ -Sunday 20 Apr - Cottages
- Easter Long Weekend:
- Fri 18 Apr Welcome BBQ
- Sat 19 Apr Hub Market
- Sat 19 Apr Trivia Night
- Sun 20 Apr Easter Egg Hunt
- Sun 20 Apr Bingo
- Mon21 Apr Workshops
- Lap Shed Activities all w'end
- Art Exhibits at the Hub
- & More

### Be Involved in your **Town's Future**

**APOMA Member & Community** 

Meeting, Sunday 30th March, 2.00pm, Community Hall

**OPAL MINERS MEETING** - 6pm Tuesday 8th April, Community Hall

#### Easter is traditionally a "Welcome Back" weekend in Andamooka.

It's a great weekend for visitors with so many events and activities to enjoy as we welcome in 'the season opening'.

Crammed with social events it is also the time that many of our residents return from their cooler 'over-summer' sanctuaries to enjoy a warm sunny autumn and winter in their Andamooka home.

So for many its catch-up time with friends and family sharing time together, kicking off with the traditional Good Friday night "Welcome BBQ", then Saturday night it's dinner at The Dine-a-mite Café with Trivia starting around 7pm, and on Sunday night there's the monthly social BBQ with great food and fun, raising funds for the RFDS. Daytime there's lots to explore at the Saturday market, kids catch-up at their annual Easter Egg Hunt, and there's Easter Sunday Bingo at the Hall and workshops planned for Monday.

The Lap Shed is open all weekend to visitors to join in activities, as is the Andamooka Post Office complex with so much to see... the Underground Museum, art gallery and huge display of Andamooka opal, and other places to visit such as the Observatory and Cal the Stoner's studio, and Arts Collective exhibits and artwork for sale at the hall that can't be missed.

The 2025 'season' will see new developments offering both visitors and locals new leisure opportunities adding to Andamooka being a great place to live and visit!

#### **NEED AN APPLIANCE UPDATE?**

SEE INSIDE FOR DETAILS ON SECURING A WASHING MACHINE, FRONT OR TOP LOADER, CLOTHES DRYER, OR BAR FRIDGE FROM SURPLUS GOODS DONATED BY THE ADF/VENTIA, WOOMERA.

#### MONTHLY COMMUNITY FUNDRAISING BBQ'S AT "THE COTTAGES" OFF TO A GREAT START.

Everyone is in for a great feed and loads of fun at the APOMA social monthly community fundraising BBQ's.

Held every second Saturday of the month at The Historic Cottages Reserve, to raise funds for vital services in Andamooka. This includes the RFDS, and local Emergency Services including the Ambulance service.

After just three events over \$1300 has been raised. Thank you to all who have organized and prepared the events, donated salads and assisted with cooking, serving, set up plus clean-up and pack-up, and collectively presenting a great Saturday night out for locals and visitors to enjoy.

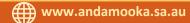
The Cottages are getting a facelift in 2025 - Work is starting soon on a facelift for The Cottages over 2025. Funding is being sought to install hard shade covers to seating areas and BBQ upgrade, and thanks to a donation from the ADF & Ventia in Woomera, installing stainless serving benches to the catering point. Next BBQ , Easter Sunday, 20 April. See you there!



Header: Kingfisher - Yurlu in Kuyani Language Source: Ally Smoker









#### **COMMUNITY CONTACTS** & INFORMATION.

#### **FOR ALL EMERGENCIES CALL 000**

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

Police: 131 444

Stefan Bilka 0475 347 905 David Roe-Simons 0429 192 215 Storm Damage 13 25 00

Dave Bastian 0419 924 696 Luke Corner 0418 403 616

Andamooka Community Health Service: Hospital Road 8672 7087

Or 1800 773 772 After hours: Emergency only

Andamooka Snake Catcher contact Wildlife Hotline 0497 808 315

Post Office: 8672 7007 Opal Creek Blvd. - Dukes Bottlehouse Motel

Laundromat

Claims Registrations

Open 7 days Hours: 9am - 5pm Weekdays 11am - 3pm Weekends

Andamooka Powerhouse: Faults & Emergencies 1300 151 935

Andamooka Town Office:

10.30am to 1.30pm Tues to Thurs. School Rd, 0477 184 485 andamookatownoffice@gmail.com

**OCA:** 8648 5970 CCS & Avdata payments accepted at Andamooka Post Office

Andamooka School & Children's Centre: 8672 7018

Andamooka Community Hall:

Enquiries contact Town Office - Kids Splash Pad & BBQ Area - Book Exchange & Art Exhibitions

Dine-A-Mite Café: 0409 512 692 Located at the Community Hall Hours: Mon - Tues: Closed Wed - Thurs: 9am - 2pm Fri: 9am - 2nm & 5nm - 8nm Sat - Sun: 9am - 2pm

Andamooka Caravan Park & Playspace: 0477 184 485 Opal Creek Blvd, Rec Precinct

Celebrations: 0488 033 387 Dodgy Drive. Town hub Phone: Open 7 days Phone: Open 7 days
Hours: Mon - Sat 9am - 8pm
Sun: 10am - 8pm

CWA: 8672 7183 Boo-Teek Op Shop:

CWA Rd

Hours: Fri - Sat: 9am - 12pm

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

#### March and April is grant season

and APOMA is lodging a series of grant applications to fund facility upgrades and to equip & improve community programs.

Fast and Easy Surveys provided vital feedback and succeeded in reaching more members of the community to have their voice heard on town development.

This has assisted decisions such as installation of outdoor fitness equipment to enhance the undercover Pump Track complex as a family leisure space. And to reinvigorate the Town Memorial Park supporting wildlife such as birds & to display local artworks.

Also, The Historic Cottages Park upgrade to encourage more events, together with work to restore and increase security for the heritage listed Cottages.

Work continues on the hall and hub. This upgrade was delayed over summer due to continuous extreme heat events, but autumn will see work resume on interior paintwork, children's play spaces, greening, and outdoor seating spaces,

Funding has been received from the BHP Community Giving program to fence perimeters for the Community Produce Garden at the Rec Precinct, with other submissions lodged to fund infrastructure and equipment.

Be part of these exciting developments as a volunteer..Lodge your interest at the Community Hall.

#### Andamooka Progress and Opal Miners Association Inc

Preserving our past and planning for our future

#### All invited

## **APOMA Member & Community Meeting** 2.00pm, Sunday 30th March 2025

Andamooka Community Hall, School Road, Andamooka.

All members of APOMA & the Andamooka Community are encouraged to come along to this vital March meeting and be part of planning and progressing the future for Andamooka Township.

#### Updates and proposals:

- Overview of budgets as at mid-year 2024-25
- Overview of projects & funding what's happening and what's next.
- Updates on Community Programs and Services development
  - o Procurement of Andamooka Mines Office
- Andamooka Town & Community Plan 2024-27 progress update

#### 2024-25 Andamooka CARM Agreement - recommendations for 2025-26

• Resolution for APOMA to proceed towards 2025-26 CARM Agreement

The annual Community Asset and Resource Management (CARM) Agreement with the Outback Communities Authority (OCA) lays out how APOMA will work with the OCA to generally manage community services, maintenance and development in Andamooka.

Funded by the Community Contribution Scheme (CCS) applied to property and business owners in Andamooka, plus a modest allocation of federal government funds applied to our region and divided across the communities by the OCA.

Annually in March, APOMA present their recommendations for the next CARM budget for approval to commence negotiations with the OCA for the next financial year. The resulting CARM budget and Agreement goes to OCA community consultation in May. with the view for this to be adopted by APOMA for local management on behalf of the community in June for commencement as of 1 July.

As we enter a time of consolidation, building on what we have...Be there and keep informed.

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The Facebook group supporting and sharing local artists and creatives:



Join Us On Facebook:

# @ARTYANDAMOOKA

Register your interest in SALA 2025 Contact Andamooka Town Office Text: 0477 184 485

Email: andamookatownoffice@gmail.com

#### **NEED A DOMESTIC APPLIANCE UPGRADE?**

APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN TO ANDAMOOKA RESIDENTS FOR DISTIBUTION OF SURPLUS APPLIANCES THANKS TO THE AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE FORCE & VENTIA, WOOMERA.

#### THESE INCLUDE:

- **BAR FRIDGES**
- **WASHING MACHINES TOP LOADERS AND FRONT LOADERS**  $\Rightarrow$
- **CLOTHES DRYER**  $\Rightarrow$

PICK UP AND FILL IN AN APPLICATION FORM AVAILABLE AT CELLARBRATIONS, COMMUNITY HALL, **TOWN OFFICE** 

OR DOWNLOAD A FILLABLE FORM FROM: Andamooka.sa.au — Community Page



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# Leadership Development **TRAINING**

This Leadership Development Program requires 7 days of face-to-face training in Port Augusta and is open to anyone living in the Far North region who is part of a community group or organisation.

Workshops will be held: 15-16 May; 11-12 August; 22-24 October 2025 Cost to participants: \$100 per person

**Training Covers:** 

Understanding Leadership Styles

Governance

Strategy & Finance

Media. Public Relations & Presentation Skills How to be a successful leader into the FUTURE!

**REGISTER YOUR INTEREST NOW!** 



**ONLY 20 SPOTS AVAILABLE!** 

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**Easter Sunday 20 April** 

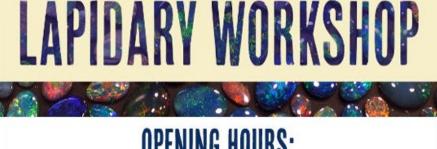
RAISING FUNDS FOR ANDAMOOKA RFDS





For Snake Catcher in Andamooka call WILDLIFE HOTLINE 0497 808 315





OPENING HOURS:

SATURDAYS, 10AM - 2PM SUNDAYS, 12PM - 4PM

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**BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL** 

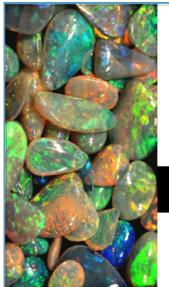


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### ANDAMOOKA OPAL SHOWROOM ANDAMOOKA DUKE'S BOTTLEHOUSE Motel

Opal Jewellery
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( by appointment )

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SES:

Stefan Bilka: 0475 347 905 David Simons: 0429 192 215

CFS:

Dave Bastian: 0419 924 696 Luke Corner: 0418 403 616

# Fire Emergency Call 000





Phone: 0409 512 692

## DINE-A-MITE CAFE

Open Wednesday - Sunday 9am - 3pm

Including Friday Night until 8pm

Located in the Andamooka Community Hall

# 24/7 OUTBACK MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

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**HF Radio:** 

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6890 kHz

8165 kHz Ask for

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- · Range of frozen foods
- Pantry items
- General information...
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