

The Andamooka Press

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January 26th 2013 at the
Andamooka Community
Hall

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Dear Resident,

As the Andamooka Progress and Opal Miners Association (APOMA) Chairman, I take this opportunity on behalf of the committee to inform all Andamooka residents, landholders and APOMA Members of APOMA's support for the Andamooka Town Management Committee (ATMC).

APOMA's support will continue on the basis that the ATMC continues to receive State Government funding to a similar level as the \$250,000 provided this financial year. This will ensure the current level of administrative support remains ongoing. The support includes but is not limited to:

- employment of a Community Administrator
- employment of an Administration Services Officer who provides administration support for both APOMA and the ATMC
- all consumables required for the efficient running of the ATMC office and in support of APOMA
- payment of all invoices for utility services supplied the Community Hall and Cottages

APOMA supports the \$400.00 Community Contribution Scheme (CCS) providing:

- community infrastructure is maintained to an existing or improved standard
- improved and/or new community facilities are funded as per the Community Development component of the Andamooka Community Plan
- new community infrastructure projects are realized within the next 2 to 3 years after consultation with the community
- municipal services such as maintenance to roads, the refuse site and parks and gardens continues at a similar or improved level as this financial year

APOMA supports the building of a new office complex next to the Community Hall which will be the business premise of the ATMC. Funding for the erection of the office will be deposited into a bank account by the Outback Communities Authority (OCA) for this very purpose. Both the Andamooka Community Hall and the current ATMC office will then be available to the general public for use at the discretion of APOMA.

APOMA supports the ATMC on the basis that APOMA has direct input into the decision making processes of the ATMC via its committee members.

I would also like to encourage members of the community to become APOMA members and have your say in the future of Andamooka.

Should you have any feedback on this letter, please forward your written response by 15 February 2013 to:

Post: APOMA Chair
PO Box 246
Andamooka SA 5722

Or

Email: andamookaprogress@bigpond.com

Regards,



Stefan Bilka
Chairperson
Andamooka Progress & Opal Miners Association Incorporated



Members of the media are welcome to re-phrase the information contained in this media release, but the essential information at time of distribution is correct and should not be altered.

DATE 18/01/2013

TIME 11:22 AM

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Andamooka Police Station Media Release

Happy New Year, I hope you all had a great holiday season despite the hot weather.

From a Police point of view it has been fairly quite recently as a lot of people have been out of town however there has been a spate of damage caused to local facilities. Damage has been caused to the public toilets and the skate park on a number of occasions, this mindless vandalism costs the town a large amount of money and if the damage continues then they will have to be closed. Andamooka is very lucky to have these facilities and a lot of hard work has gone into their upkeep, if you know anything about the damage then please come and let me know.

On Monday 31st December 2012 a local resident was arrested a clandestine laboratory was located at an address in ANDAMOOKA. The male was remanded into custody and will appear in court at a later date. This is an important reminder that if you have any information about drugs then you can contact Crime Stoppers anonymously on 1800 333 000 Clandestine Laboratories are volatile and dangerous setups.

Also please remember for **Police Attendance ring 131444** or for an **Emergency requiring, Police, Ambulance, CFS ring 000.**



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OUTBACK COMMUNITIES AUTHORITY

Expression of Interest

Town Maintenance, Andamooka, SA.

The Outback Communities Authority (OCA), in partnership with the Andamooka Progress and Opal Miners Association (APOMA) Incorporated, established the Andamooka Town Management Committee (ATMC) on 1 January 2012 to manage municipal service delivery in Andamooka. The OCA is seeking an expression of interest from suitably experienced and skilled persons and/or companies to enter into a contract to provide a handyperson/caretaker service for the Andamooka Town Management Committee (ATMC) on behalf of the Andamooka Community.

The skilled handyperson will be responsible for performing basic repairs, carrying out scheduled maintenance, responding to adhoc requirements in and around the municipal buildings of Andamooka, providing a second line of support to the local SAPOL in dog management and assisting with feral animal and noxious weed control programs.

All basic handyperson equipment and tools will be provided by the contractor. Consumables and personal protection equipment will be supplied by the ATMC.

Expressions of interest should describe relevant experience and address the scope of duties provided in the position description.

The closing date for acceptance of an expression of interest will be Thursday 7 February 2013.

A complete position description is available by contacting the Community Administrator for the Office of the ATMC, Ms. Deb Allen on 08 86 727 246 or email deb.allen@atmc.sa.gov.au

Grants for Andamooka

Over the last three months there has been three grant applications totalling just over \$50,000 approved for our community.

The CWA started their Christmas celebrations early after being informed about a grant which will boost their very hard earned finances by the impressive amount of \$45,000. An application prepared and submitted to the for Communities and Social Inclusion was approved on the 7th December 2012. **The \$45,000 will go towards the CWA's \$65,000 project to develop Andamooka's Op Shop.**

A second successful grant application prepared and submitted to the Office **for the Ageing has seen \$4,950 deposited into APOMA's bank account.** These funds will be put towards an initiative that provides older community members with an opportunity to participate in social activities, remain active and be involved in their community. The Home and Community Care (HACC) co-ordinators will be consulted about how best to utilise the funding for the intended recipients.

A smaller grant of \$300 was funded by the Outback Communities Authority **(OCA) for a children's Christmas activity.** The organisers of the activity were Adam Swift and Friedrich Wipker. They ran two very successful sessions involving decorating ginger bread men and ginger bread house construction in the Community Hall on the 09th December.



The Opal hotel will be closing its doors as of close of business 26th January 2013.



26th January 2013, there will be a FREE BBQ from 11 am and ALL DAY HAPPY HOUR at the Opal Hotel.


Hon Lyn Breuer MP
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**The Andamooka Progress and
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**Stay updated with APOMA and
 ATMC news as well as upcoming
 events!**

The Andamooka Community Pool is closed until
 further notice.

For further information please contact the school on:
 8672 7018

The Andamooka Community Contribution Scheme can be
 paid at the ATMC office on Monday —Thursday 9 am—3 pm.
 The office has facilities to accept cash or cheque only.
 The next quarterly payment of \$100.00 is due
30 March 2013.



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APOMA Annual General Meeting

05 December 2012
Andamooka Town Hall

MEETING OPENED	5:00 PM
MINUTES TAKEN	C Rowett
PRESENT	S & D Bilka, P Allen, U Kahn, D Spargo, S & M Kerstan, M Dal Grande, D Allen, J Munchenberg, M & P Clifford, R Hancock, R Webb, B Christensen, K Christensen, P Hanson, R Christensen, B McFarlane, V & A Harrison, J & B West, L Christensen, R, Brine, L & R Barany, D Spargo, S Papp, E Modei, A & D Ziberna, J & B Rogers, M Gillings, S Groeschel, K King, R Pfitzner, J Lawrie, R Dally, M England, A Allen, S Hobbs, P Killeen, T White, C Powell, D Gillings, H Gillings, G Dobie, R Russell, T Rigden, P Tuip, C Guidolin, B Addington, R Collins, M Duke, P Uhlik, A Heath, B Musolino, C Rowett
MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS	Read and accepted Moved: R Hancock Seconded: P Allen All in favour
CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT	The Chair outlined his role as Chairman of APOMA and commented that the town has always had volunteers to run the town. The Chair also commented that APOMA will try to influence decisions made in conjunction with the ATMC. The Chair spoke about the Constitution change in 2010. Cecilia Woolford was not involved in the change of constitution, she just advised us on the legalities. A copy of the previous constitution can be accessed at the office. The Chair hopes there will be changes in APOMA. APOMA have invited the Government to come and talk to the town in February 2013. The Chair commented that APOMA will represent the APOMA members. The Chair spoke about the misprint regarding the Andamooka Levy in the local newspaper and commented that a retraction will be printed in the next issue.
TREASURER'S REPORT	The treasurer had nothing to report
GENERAL BUSINESS	<p>Paul Killeen addressed the APOMA committee and observers. Paul expressed concerns regarding:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opportunity to express views in the town • Deferring of Levy until BHP expansion decision has been made • Reduced land values • Amount of Levy • Rubbish Dump • Bitumen Roads • Street lighting • Reticulated Water • Power supply i.e. solar panel into grid • Access of mining machinery to town blocks • Other issues pertaining to town governance. <p>Alby expressed his concern about the Levy</p> <p>Bill Kapakalis expressed his concern regarding the Levy and the role the ATMC has in Andamooka</p> <p>Peter Hanson said – we all had or say to the Government – it is going to happen regarding Water Reticulation.</p> <p>John West commented that there is nothing in the pipeline for over the next 3 years with regards to Water Reticulation.</p>
Meeting Concluded at 7:30 PM	



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APOMA Committee Meeting

30th December 2012

5PM

MINUTES TAKEN	Cass Rowett
PRESENT	Stefan Bilka, Brenton Musolino, Cass Rowett, Peter Allen, Ray Christensen Guest: Kym Rowett (APOMA Office Manager)
1. APOLOGIES	Chris Allen, Luke Alder, Dave Spargo, Alan Heath, Rob Hancock
2. CONFLICT OF INTEREST	N/A
3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING	Read and Accepted Moved: Peter Seconded: Cass
4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES	N/A
5. TREASURERS REPORT	Not Complete
GENERAL BUSINESS	<p>Stefan will support the Andamooka Town Management Committee (ATMC). Letter read by attending members and agreed upon. To be distributed to Andamooka residents/land holders</p> <p>Cass read the Thank You card from Muriel Unic.</p> <p>Cass has received certificates for Australia Day awards as well as the frames.</p> <p>Peter Allen spoke to Chad Oldfield regarding the Caravan Park. SA Health have not approved as yet.</p> <p>Stefan to organize food for Australia Day BBQ.</p>
Meeting Concluded at 6:30 pm	



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days

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Motel

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