

# LEIGH CREEK NEWS



## COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT MEETING

The final community engagement meeting for the year was held on Thursday 18th November followed by a complimentary BBQ provided by the OCA and ably cooked by Kath and George. The Leigh Creek Community Progress Association sold soft drinks which were very welcome given the warmer weather. The appointed Head Contractors for Fencing - Birubi and Large Demolition works - Delta were present to meet with the community, to provide information also answer any initial questions. Other topics included an update on the on the Sales Program and the salvage process. Should anyone wish to meet with any Implementation Committee member separately, please call Vicki Beard on 0438850059 or by email to [LeighCreekTransformation@sa.gov.au](mailto:LeighCreekTransformation@sa.gov.au). The next meeting in Leigh Creek will be on Thursday 27th January 2022.



### Leigh Creek Transformation update

The best source of up to date information is the OCA dedicated transformation webpage <https://www.oca.sa.gov.au/communities/leigh-creek-transformation> including local works opportunities, previous presentation slides and the high-level schedule of transformation milestones calendar.

## OUT AND ABOUT - NILPENA



Taking a rest and enjoying the amazing views at Nilpena

### **Flinders Ranges World Heritage Community Reference Group Meeting**

The Community Reference Group recently met at Nilpena for both the meeting and an opportunity to see some of the amazing works that have been undertaken. Guests included Steve Hore from the Geological Survey of SA who provided a presentation about his involvement in the Flinders Ranges World Heritage nomination, Mike Hamilton delivered a community engagement update and Ann Marie Lush both from Department of Environment and Water with Ross Fargher led the tour around Nilpena outlining progress of works. A fabulous luncheon was served by Jane and her incredible team at the Prairie.

To learn more [flindersrangesworldheritage.sa.gov.au](http://flindersrangesworldheritage.sa.gov.au)

# BELTANA

End of Year Celebration



Featuring music by  
**John O'Dea**

Come and celebrate the Festive Season  
and the end of 2021!

**Friday 3 December**

**7:30pm to 10:00**

@ Beltana Town Hall

No cover charge

Bar open for the night

Light refreshments served free of charge

merchandise available - wonderful gift options!

Camping available - book on Hipcamps.com to  
avoid disappointment

NO BYO

[www.beltana.org.au](http://www.beltana.org.au)



**COPLEY & LEIGH CREEK  
PROGRESS**

## CHRISTMAS PARTY

**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> of December  
From 4pm  
at the Leigh Creek Town Oval**

Join us for a free BBQ.  
Farther Christmas will once again bring  
gifts for the children.  
Waterslide and games  
for the kids.



Kindly supported by  
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**Please join the combined  
Churches and Progress for  
Christmas Carols in the Park  
following the Christmas Party  
On Saturday 4th December  
From Approximately 6.30 pm  
at the Leigh Creek Town Oval**

## 2021 EVENTS

All events are subject to COVID 19  
restriction requirements at the time of  
the event

Pfizer and AstraZeneca Vaccination  
Clinic's at Leigh Creek Health Clinic  
To book an appointment at the next visit  
call 8668 7470

### Copley Market

Friday 3rd December 5pm to 9pm at the  
Copley Hall

### Beltana End of Year Celebration

Friday 3rd December 7.30pm to 10pm at  
the Beltana Town Hall

### Christmas Celebrations and Carols

A Leigh Creek & Copley Progress event  
combined with the local Churches  
Saturday 4th December from 4pm

### LCAS End of Year assembly for 2021

Wednesday 8th Dec 11.30am - 1.00pm

If you have an event that you would like  
to be included in this calendar please  
call Tracy on (08) 8675 2126



### Christmas Worship Service

*You are invited  
to join us  
on Sunday morning  
5th December  
9:30 am at the  
Church of the  
Good Shepherd*

**COVID Restrictions apply.  
Sign in - Sanitise hands  
Masks must be worn.**

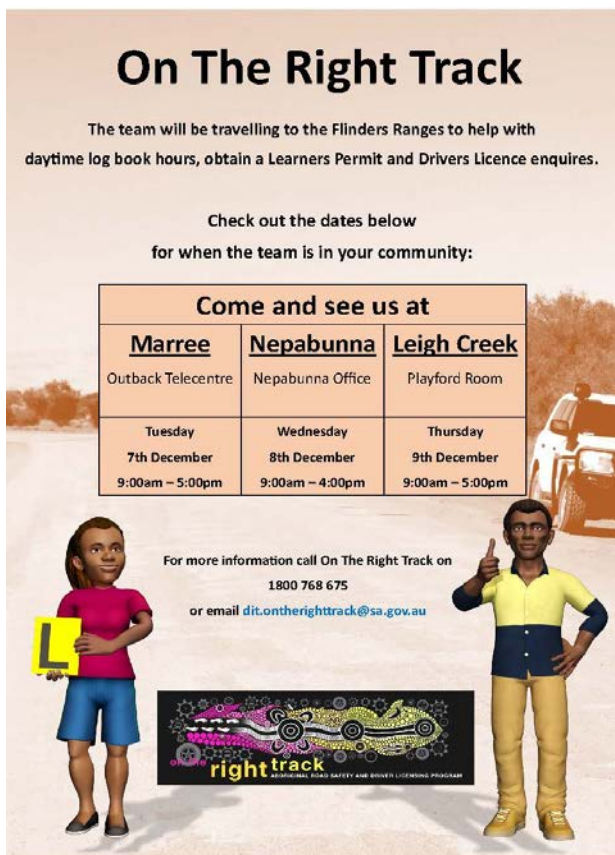
# LEIGH CREEK TRANSFORMATION

The next Community Conversation will be on Thursday 27th January from 5.30pm - 7.30pm in the Leigh Creek auditorium/cinema, all welcome.

Following the meeting the OCA and Leigh Creek Progress will host a complimentary BBQ in the Playford Room.

Drinks will be available for purchase.

This sessions is an opportunity to review the existing format, date and times and ask questions and be updated on works happening within the township.



**On The Right Track**

The team will be travelling to the Flinders Ranges to help with daytime log book hours, obtain a Learners Permit and Drivers Licence enquires.

Check out the dates below for when the team is in your community:

Come and see us at		
<u>Marree</u>	<u>Nepabunna</u>	<u>Leigh Creek</u>
Outback Telecentre	Nepabunna Office	Playford Room
Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
7th December	8th December	9th December
9:00am - 5:00pm	9:00am - 4:00pm	9:00am - 5:00pm

For more information call On The Right Track on 1800 768 675 or email [dit.ontherighttrack@sa.gov.au](mailto:dit.ontherighttrack@sa.gov.au)

**right track**  
COMMUNITY ROAD SAFETY AND DRIVER LICENSING PROGRAM

## Salvage items update

On 30 November, the Leigh Creek Task Force wrote by email to the community people that have already responded to the salvage process by identifying their interest against a list of items earlier this year. The salvage process is now being finalised with the safe removal of identified salvage items and with fair sale opportunities.

A recent inspection of the salvage items by the Department for Infrastructure and Transport's demolition project team has revised the items available to the free-standing gabled sheds and free-standing carports that were considered:

- safe to dismantle,
- to have no part structurally compromised, and
- to have no physical connection to the residences.

With the demolition process about to commence, there is a very limited timeframe to complete the salvage items process.

The communication sent on 30 November provides information on the 'next steps', about what is required and the timeframes that will need to be met in early December 2021. There is no ability to extend the timeframes due to the upcoming demolition.

Any questions, please phone Tracy Neldner, Town Manager Phone: (08) 8675 2126.

Don't forget to visit the Leigh Creek Community Progress Association web site at <https://visitleighcreek.com.au/>

## Contact us

Outback Communities Authority

- Leigh Creek Office

E: [oca@sa.gov.au](mailto:oca@sa.gov.au)

Phone: (08) 8675 2126

# Leigh Creek Early Works Fencing



Birubi  
Leigh  
Creek  
Fencing  
team



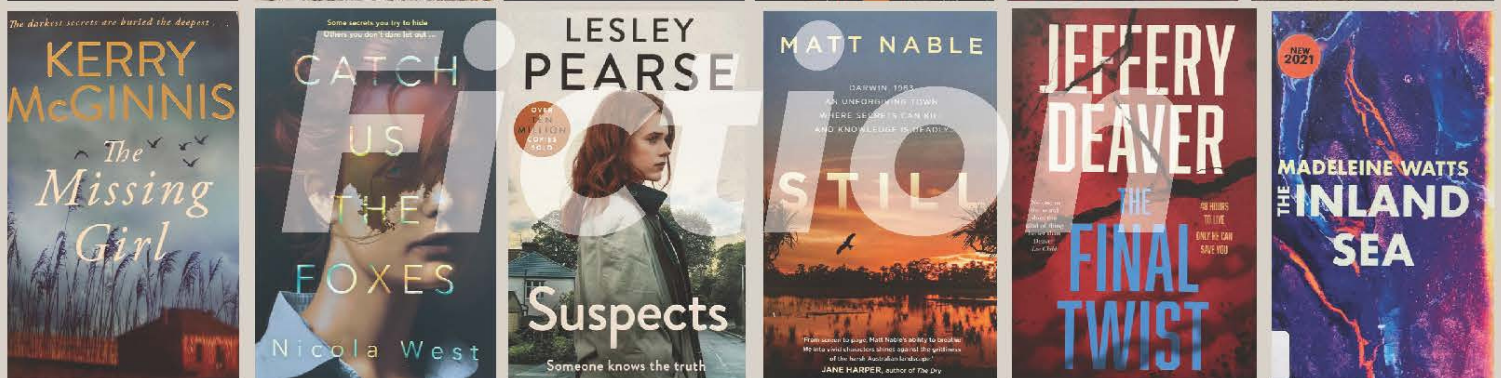
Birubi Australia is an Aboriginal owned and operated civil construction company.

- Each project we undertake has a core focus on Aboriginal employment and upskilling
- We have offices in both Glenelg and Whyalla
- We are a commercially licensed builder with extensive experience in civil construction projects as a head contractor in metropolitan and regional South Australia
- Most recently completed project for Defence in the Cultana area and for DIT on the Strzelecki Track



# LEIGH CREEK SCHOOL COMMUNITY LIBRARY

- Web [www.libraries.sa.gov.au/leighcreek](http://www.libraries.sa.gov.au/leighcreek)
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**CURRENT COMMUNITY  
OPENING HOURS**

**School Terms** Monday - Friday 8.30am - 5pm \* Saturday 9 - 1.30  
**School Holidays** Monday - Friday 1 - 5 \* Saturday 9 - 1.30



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**What's in it for you?**

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## Sophie's amazing trek

Excitement builds as Sophie Matterson's journey nears its end. Sophie and her five beloved camels have journeyed from coast to coast. The trek began at Australia's most western point in Shark Bay WA in 2020 and will culminate at the most eastern point in Byron Bay NSW in December 2021. Over the last few months our own "celebrity" Jimmy Banfield of Copley Bakery fame has joined Sophie on part of her trek. Since meeting Sophie as she stayed and travelled through our region many of us have been following her amazing story online.

Good Luck Sophie

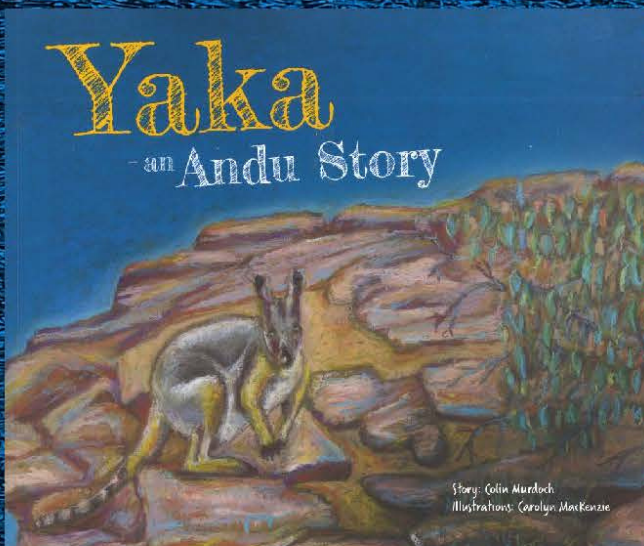


Sophie and Jimmy and the camels

# Yaka - an Andu Story

Andu were declared extinct at Aroona Dam in 1982. Environmental work coinciding with the new township of Leigh Creek South created the ideal circumstance for ZoosSA and ETSA and the community of Leigh Creek to work together to reintroduce Andu in 1996.

This is their story, through the eyes of a little Andu called Yaka.



\$17.00

Contact Mel at Leigh Creek Area School for ordering and payment options!

08 8675 2062

## About Carolyn and Colin

Carolyn spent her childhood in Baroota and Wirrabara before shifting to Adelaide. Once she completed her tertiary studies, Carolyn travelled to New Zealand, married and had a family. In 2014, she came to Leigh Creek, the community nearest to Arrunha Awi, to teach, and her husband was the local policeman. Carolyn was able to view the Flinders Rangers through artistic lenses.

Colin has lived and worked in country South Australia almost all his life. He moved to Leigh Creek Area School around the time the Andu Project made its first reintroduction. Believing young people learn more from experts than textbooks he strived to involve local students. Student help and education grants extended the scope of the project which became a benchmark and guide for numerous other community-based environment projects. Being "there" to ensure students rubbed shoulders with Zookeepers, Vets, Doctors, Professors, Yura and international volunteers meant Colin had a very close view.