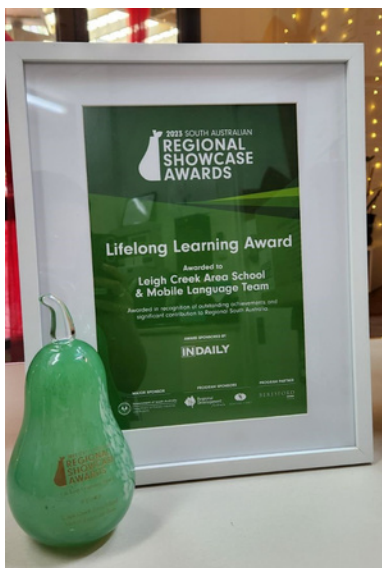


LEIGH CREEK NEWS

Regional Showcase Awards - Lifelong Learning Award

On the 9th November, at the Regional Showcase Awards the Leigh Creek Area School together with the Mobile Languages Team from the University of Adelaide won the Lifelong Learning Award in recognition of the commitment to honour and value the Adnyamathanha Culture through the signage on the Akurra Trail. The involvement of Adnyamathanha elders and community helps students to have an understanding and engage directly with elders as part of their learning.



The last Shared Community Dinner for this year

On behalf of the 2023 North Moolooloo Golf Classic Ian Fergusson presented a cheque to Ro Williams, President of the RFDS Auxiliary, for \$30,000.



On the right, the beautiful new exhibition at the Leigh Creek Community Library 8 gardens, 8 gardeners, 8 photos





8 gardens 8 gardeners 8 photos

We invited 8 local gardeners to share 8 photos of their piece of paradise.

Catch a glimpse of what's over the garden fence, and join us for the launch of the show on Tuesday 12th December, 3pm. Refreshments provided.

Exhibit will be featured on our **Wonder Wall** during December and January.

Library hours in the vacation period

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS OPENING HOURS

2nd - 23rd January

Monday - Friday 1:00pm - 5:00pm

Saturday - 9am - 1:30pm

LIBRARY CLOSURES

Christmas / New Year

25th December - 1st January

Australia Day Public Holiday

26th January

REGULAR OPENING HOURS

Resume 24th January

Monday - Friday 8:30pm - 5:00pm

Saturday - 9am - 1:30pm



NEW Community Seed Swap

Would you like to take part in our new
Community Seed Swap?
It's easy!

share what you can > take what you need



GIVE SEEDS - Start collecting seeds from your favourite plants. Clean away any seed husks and dry out your seeds. Make a note of plant name and size. Bring your seeds in to the library to share.



GAIN SEEDS - Seeds are freely available to everyone in the community. Pop into the library regularly to see how our seed collection is growing.



Tea on Tuesdays

Drop in for a cuppa
in the library

Browse, chill, connect,
take a break

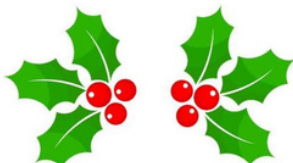
3pm Tuesdays
All welcome





CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR TRADING HOURS

Friday 22 nd December 9am – close	Thursday 28 th December 9am – close
Saturday 23 rd December 9am – close	Friday 29 th December 9am – close
Sunday 24 th December (Christmas Eve) 10am – 7pm NO MEALS	Saturday 30 th December 9am – close
Monday 25 th December (Christmas Day) CLOSED	Sunday 31 st December (New Years Eve) 10am – 7pm NO MEALS
Tuesday 26 th December (Boxing Day) CLOSED	Monday 1 st January (New Years Day) 10am – 2pm BOTTLESHOP ONLY NO MEALS
Wednesday 27 th December 9am – close	



Merry Christmas

Leigh Creek South Motors Opening Hours

Sunday 24th December - 8am - 6pm
 Monday 25th December CHRISTMAS DAY - CLOSED
 Tuesday 26th December BOXING DAY - 11am - 4pm
 Wednesday 27th - Sunday 31st December - 8am - 6pm
 Monday 1st January NEW YEARS DAY - 12noon - 4pm
 Tuesday 2nd January - normal trading hours 8am - 6pm

NO AFTER-HOURS FUEL AVAILABLE

LEIGH CREEK CHRISTMAS PAGEANT, ACCA/DACCA AND FIREWORKS



Organiser Jess Ford ably led the Leigh Creek Action Group, with close to 600 attending. The Leigh Creek community came out in force, joined by people and families from surrounding communities, many former residents, and other visitors and rocked the night away with cover band ACCA/DACCA, enjoyed the rides, numerous stalls and a fantastic firework display. The festivities commenced with a fun pageant lapping Black Oak Drive, featuring the Pageant Princess & Prince followed by the man in the red suit announcing that Christmas is almost here. Both the State and Federal Members Geoff Brock and Rowan Ramsey, joined in the festivities which was very much appreciated by all attending. Congratulations to everyone involved - a fantastic event doing Leigh Creek Proud.



Leigh Creek Medical Services Surgery & Pharmacy Opening Hours



Doctor Consulting Day

Monday 18th December 8am to 3pm

This is the final consulting session
for the Doctor in 2023

Pharmacy Hours

Thursday 21st December 9am - 12pm

Pharmacy reopens 4th Jan 2024



For all appointments please phone the
Health Service on 8678 6022

Leigh Creek Health Service

Is open 0830hrs- 1630hrs to 22nd Dec 2023.

The clinic will be closed on 25th-26th Dec 2023
and 1st of January 2024.

For all emergencies the on call service is
available please ring the clinic on 8678 6022.

Normal times resume from 2nd January 2024
0830hrs- 1630hrs.

Taryn, Veronica and Pam wish you all a safe and
happy festive season

OCA OFFICE CHRISTMAS HOURS

The Outback Communities Authority Office - Leigh Creek
will be closed from Monday 18th December
to Monday 8th January.

If the matter is urgent please call Katharine
on 0499 422 439.



Christmas & New Year Opening Hours

IGA Opening Hours

Monday 18th - Friday 22nd - 9am - 5.30pm
Saturday 23rd December - 9am - 1pm
Monday 25th - Tuesday 26th December - CLOSED
Wednesday 27th - Friday 29th December - 9am - 2pm
Saturday 30th December - 9am - 1pm
1st January - CLOSED
Tuesday 2nd January - normal trading hours 9am - 5.30pm

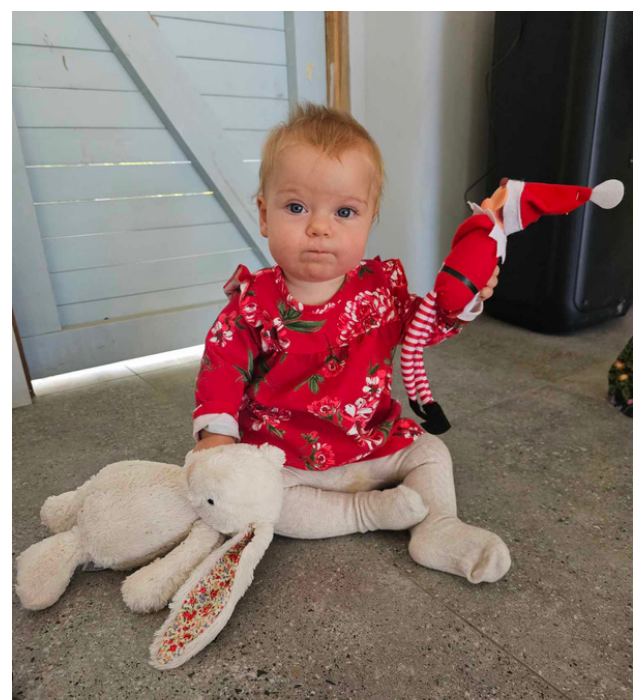
Post Office Opening Times

Friday 22nd December - 9am - 4pm
Saturday 24th - Tuesday 26th December - CLOSED
Wednesday 27th - Friday 29th December - 9am - 12pm
Saturday 31st December - Monday 1st January - CLOSED
Tuesday 2nd January - normal trading hours 9am - 4pm

LEIGH CREEK TOWN MANAGER SO LONG, FAREWELL, AUF WIEDERSEHEN, ADIEU

It is with some, sadness yet also excitement, that I let you know that have won and accepted a role with the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) as the Principal Adviser Community Engagement. As you know Leigh Creek has captured my heart and John and I will continue to own our property and visit the area. Thank you all for your friendship and guidance during my time in this beautiful country.

My own little precious Christmas Elf who has been a big part in my decision to head back earlier to Adelaide.



Merry Christmas wishing you and yours
a safe and happy festive season

CHRISTMAS BIN PICKUP TIMES



Over the Christmas period the OCA will be undertaking the household collection services on:

Tuesday 19th December 2023

Wednesday 27th December 2023

Tuesday 4th January 2024



From the Chair, Leigh Creek Task Force

Paul Case, Chair of the government's Leigh Creek Task Force and Vicki Beard, Project Lead along with all members of the Task Force wish to publicly thank Tracy Neldner for her outstanding support, contribution and commitment to the Leigh Creek transformation program and for her service to the community throughout the last several years as Town Manager. Tracy is an integral part of the Task Force, including with the Implementation Committee, meeting with project leads each and every week to ensure that every element of the work is carried out at Leigh Creek with the best support and to plan. The Task Force is close to finalising its work, and could not have achieved so much without her support and the support of Kath Lockwood.

The Task Force and the OCA Board acknowledge the importance of the Town Manager's ongoing role to support the community's Leigh Creek Residents and Ratepayers Association (LCRRA) as it guides the community with its greater role and responsibility for the future management of Leigh Creek.

The OCA has provided the Task Force with advice about working more closely with the LCRRA and the community as the Task Force gets closer to completing its work in June 2024. The OCA has provided the interim arrangements with Tracy's departure and will ensure ongoing consultation. Kath Lockwood, Assets and Works Officer will be covering aspects of the Town Manager's role under the direction of the OCA for the next several months while the OCA undertakes a recruitment process to fill the Town Manager role. Joe Calvert, OCA's Port Augusta based Community Development Officer will meet with as many members of the LCRRA as possible, and other community members, to continue with areas of support provided by Tracy and Kath.

The next Task Force meeting is **Thursday 15th February 2024 from 5.30pm - 7.30pm** in the Leigh Creek Community Centre.

We wish everyone a very safe and happy Christmas and New Year.



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