



# PORT MOOROWIE WHALER

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The Committee of the Friends of Port Moorowie  
wishes everyone a Merry Christmas and a  
Happy, Safe & Healthy New Year.

## Annual General Meeting

When: Sunday 25 January 2026  
Time: 10.00 am  
Where: 63 Marine Parade (enter via side gate)  
Voting: restricted to fully-paid members for 2026

## Volunteering - Committee

We understand that not everyone wants to be or is able to commit the time to be on a Committee but should you be interested in a casual position for one (1) year then please come along to the AGM or email [fifidaniels@optusnet.com.au](mailto:fifidaniels@optusnet.com.au) with your intention prior to the meeting.



As an ageing group of volunteers, we are desperately seeking some younger members of the community to become involved. There are approximately 7 Committee Meetings per year with the AGM in January and there will be a number of casual vacancies for one year only on our Committee for 2026.



**It is more than likely that the FoPM may have to disband in the very near future unless we can get more volunteers to become involved.**

## Town Speed Limit



There will be a number of visitors, possibly with children and/or dogs, over the summer holidays, so please observe the 30 kph for the safety of all concerned. Remember, this rule applies all year.



We ask that you please be respectful of your neighbours and your community - Port Moorowie prides itself on being a quiet residential and holiday spot and it is sad that some people believe that it is either amusing or their right to cause distress to others.

## Pt Moorowie Rainfall



1 August 2025 – 30 November 2025

**248.0mm**

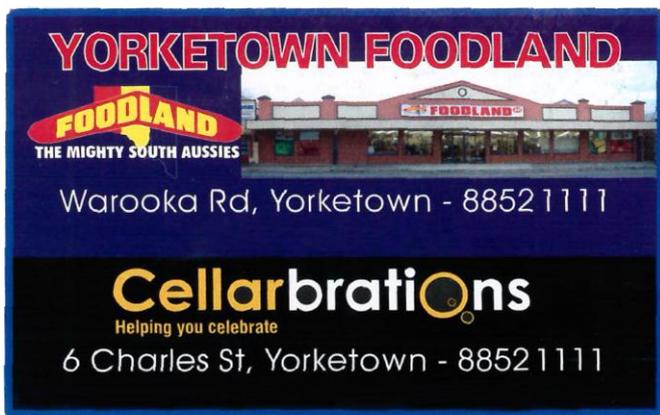
## Volunteering - Maintenance

The FoPM carry out a variety of tasks to keep the community clean and tidy. However, we have limited, ageing personnel who would appreciate an hour or two of your time whenever you are in Pt Moorowie. Tasks include:

amenity pruning, wiping down signs along the foreshore & BBQ shelter, weeding in the Native Coastal Display Garden, weeding around the Water Tank Mural, whipper snipping the cliff top edge, mowing or whipper snipping the roadside edge around the pine log fencing, etc, etc, etc

*Would you please be able to invest a small amount of time in your community to make it even more beautiful & well-cared for than it currently is – I know that Jan, our Maintenance Officer, would definitely appreciate your assistance.*

Please email: [fifidaniels@optusnet.com.au](mailto:fifidaniels@optusnet.com.au) with how you are prepared to assist Jan & some of her helpers who do endless hours of work to keep our town pristine.



## Whaler – major changes coming!!!!

At our meeting in September the Committee made the decision to still produce the Whaler three (3) times per year but we are only going to **post or hand out the December issue – this is due to the ever increasing costs of postage.** The April & August issue will be available by email, ie if you provide your email address, or you can read them on our Website when they are posted.

**We have 135 landowners receiving their Whaler & other notifications by email without any problems.**

**Please consider providing your email address - no private information is ever given out without your express permission.** Please forward your email address to [fifidaniels@optusnet.com.au](mailto:fifidaniels@optusnet.com.au) and join the ever increasing number to get their Whaler in colour.

## Membership Renewal - 2026

Our membership for 2025 was 91 but we would certainly welcome new members and old members back to our association. The cost per calendar year is still:

**\$25 per couple \$15 single**

**Please consider joining by:**

Directly Debiting FoPM A/c:

**BSB 105 159 A/c No 015487140**

or posting to: PO Box 189

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or handing it to a Committee Member

or bringing it along to the AGM

## Property Checks - 2026

At a cost of \$55.00 for the year (approximately \$1 per week) we will do a security check of your property **fortnightly**, but your bins will be put back inside whenever they are placed out for collection (boundary limits apply).



If you would like to participate please contact our Treasurer on 0411 072 836 or email us at [thefopm@gmail.com](mailto:thefopm@gmail.com) and we will arrange for an agreement form to be emailed/sent to you. This service will give you peace of mind for when you are not in Port Moorowie.

## Doggy Bag Dispenser

We have installed 4 doggy bag dispensers in Pt Moorowie – one each at the **boat ramp, Point Gilbert, Point Reef and McEachens Beach.** Please be mindful of other people's comfort, take along your own doggy bags or make use of the dispensers provided and then dispense of the waste matter appropriately. **Please note – in SA only compostable bags can go into green waste.**



**Please keep Pt Moorowie as clean as possible.**



**BURIAL SITE - Fence**

You may have noticed that the burial site fence on Section 75 (cnr of Marine Parade & McEachens Beach Road) has been removed. We had a licence with the current owners but that has now been revoked due to the sale of the land. We plan to reinstall the sign outside of the property boundary in the near future as that was approved by Council.

**Photo Gallery**

.....because every picture tells a story



The Port Moorowie boat ramp area has now been repaired and is ready for the summer influx of 'boaties'. Thank you to the Yorke Peninsula Council & others involved in its repair. Due to the impact of the ongoing Algal Bloom the State Government has temporarily reduced the boat & bag limits for recreational fishers from **1 November 2025**. Check the PIRSA website to see what limits apply in Gulf St Vincent.

**Inspectors will be out in force to make sure that the rules are being adhered to, even in Port Moorowie. Being caught or reported will result in major repercussions – don't for a moment think it won't happen to you!!! Bag and boat limits apply to a 24 hour period and boats are only permitted to go out fishing once per day regardless of who is on the boat.**

**Important things to remember**

**Defibrillator** – located at the boat ramp. The actual machine will talk you through the process. **Call Emergency (000) first – every minute counts.**

**Fragile Cliff/Stairs** – be careful because due to recent storms sections of the cliff have been undermined and other sections have fallen into the sea. The stability of the steps down to the beach varies according to the tides so please take care.

**Snakes** – with the warmer weather there will be more snakes around. Make sure that you know the first aid required if bitten by a snake.

**Fauna** – please be aware of fauna on our roads as summer approaches. Slow down to avoid lizards, geckos and kangaroos, in particular.

**Quad/Trail Bikes** - there are rules for the riding of quad & trail bikes on roads and beaches in Pt Moorowie. Please check the rules as hefty fines do apply for illegal use.

**Drones** – you must not fly a drone, no matter how high, in a populous area, ie 'anywhere people are living or gathered for a purpose' and drones must only be used during daylight hours. (CASA)

**Hooded Plovers** – there are presently 3 hooded plover chicks on the beach that have come from the nest that was on the boat ramp beach. They are only a few weeks old and will not be able to fly properly until another couple of weeks. Please do not disturb them and keep your pets away from them.



## Recycling Centre – Camperdown Terrace & other recycling bins

**THESE ARE NOT RUBBISH DUMPS**

**Please be considerate towards our volunteers.**

We accept bottles and cans **ONLY** which are marked **10c SA deposit**.

Please be community minded and if you create waste take it away with you or arrange to use neighbours' bins ready for weekly/fortnightly and/or monthly collection. All money collected benefits your community and we thank you for your continued support.



**ROCKA'S RENOS**  
& HOME MAINTENANCE

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## IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

### BOATING/MEDICAL/VETERINARY/POLICE

Sea Rescue (Edithburgh) 0700 – 1900hrs 365 days Radio VMR 16 (1 <sup>st</sup> ), 21 or 80	8852 6599 0429 000 966	
Yorke Medical Practice Yorke Hospital	8852 1002 8852 1200	
YP Vets - Minlaton Clinic (Monday, Wednesday, Friday) Vet 2 U (After hours)	8853 2474 8853 7273 0458 730 751	
Yorke Police General Enquiries Emergency	8852 1100 131 444 000	

## DARK SKY POLICY

A presentation was made to the YP Council at their meeting on 10 September regarding the need to preserve the dark sky at Port Moorowie. A report will now be prepared for inclusion at the December Council meeting where hopefully it will be passed before going out for community consultation. This will give our township (and others on the Peninsula) the opportunity to enjoy the benefits of our dark sky for years to come.

## Bushfire Survival Plan/Fire Danger Season

With the heat of summer descending upon us, it is incumbent for all residents/landowners to initiate their own **Bushfire Survival Plan**.

**Plan to leave early on days that are forecast as catastrophic or are of high fire danger. Discuss with all family members and agree to it. Pack important items that you'll need to survive eg photos, insurance, passport, banking details, medications, mobile phone charger, and personal treasures.**

**Do not attempt to leave if you are not sure of a clear exit or fire is too close.**

### Yorke Peninsula Fire Danger Season **1 November 2025 – 30 April 2026**

Check the website: [www.cfs.sa.gov.au](http://www.cfs.sa.gov.au) for rules on legal/illegal activities during the fire season.

## Congratulations.....

to **two** of our residents, Denise Jackson-Cook & Tim Cook, as well as our Councillor, Adam Meyer, who received awards for their outstanding photography at the 62<sup>nd</sup> South Australian Photographic Federation Annual Exhibition.

Denise won the Barbara Mullins Digital Image of the Year 2025 award, the Digital – Open Colour award as well as other acceptances for her work. Tim & Adam received merit awards & acceptances for their work.

Reproduction of the photos in black and white will not do them justice and so they will only be available to our email recipients.



- ✦ Gardening
- ✦ Irrigation
- ✦ Handyman
- ✦ Compact tractor backhoe

**YORKE GARDEN AND EARTHWORKS**

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