

KOKATHA KIDS NEWSLETTER



♥ **CELEBRATING OUR YOUNG PEOPLE, FAMILIES, AND COMMUNITY SPIRIT!** ♥

KAC Easter Day – April 13th 2025

Rotary Park came alive this Easter as KAC staff hosted a fun-filled day for our Kokatha kids and families.

Two exciting Easter egg hunts were held – one for the younger kids and one for the older ones – with everyone walking away smiling (and with plenty of chocolate eggs!). The golden eggs were a big hit, with two hidden for each age group and found by some very happy hunters!

Jarrad & Shonelle from the Community Development Team, along with Ada, Bonnie, Veronica & Joanne, ran a range of group games that brought out plenty of laughter and friendly competition.

A huge thank you goes to Leah, James, Cara & Kyzaihal for keeping everyone hydrated and fed with a delicious BBQ. It was such a wonderful day seeing families connect, kids having fun, and the community coming together.

Kokatha Sports Club – Crystal Brook Netball Carnival 2025

Kokatha Sports Club proudly took two teams – U/15s and U/17s – to the Crystal Brook Netball Carnival, led by Joanne Strangways and Kristen Besant.

Before the big weekend, Joanne and Kristen organised a successful Bake Sale to raise funds supporting families and kids to attend. With early starts and great teamwork, both teams gave it their all on court.

Special thanks to Mandy Shulze from The Polly Farmer Follow the Dream Programme (SA) for volunteering her time and driving the team bus – your support was truly appreciated! Thank you also to Emily Hall and Kerri Skinn for umpiring on the day – without your help, this event wouldn't have been possible.

 Congratulations to our standouts:

-  Annie Allen – Top 10 U/15s (from 80 participants)
-  Aliesha Kennedy – Runner-Up in U/17s and Top 10 (from 70 participants)

Quorn U/9's Football & Netball Carnival - 2025

For the first time ever, Kokatha Sports Club proudly represented at the Quorn U/9s Carnival – bringing two teams to compete in both football and netball!

Many of these kids played their first-ever carnival games, and they gave it their absolute best. Coaches Travis and Adrian guided the footballers, while Veronica, Emily, and Sherrie supported the netballers.

The day was full of smiles, laughter, and new friendships – a true celebration of community sport.

Kokatha Sports Club is now seeking grants and sponsorships to purchase brand-new uniforms for both football and netball – uniforms that will proudly represent Kokatha for generations to come. Watch this space! 🌟💛💙

SA Nunga Netball Carnival – October 10–11, 2025

Months of planning, fundraising, and teamwork came together as Kokatha Sports Club took six teams to the SA Nunga Netball Carnival this year!

Thanks to Kokatha Aboriginal Corporation's \$45,000 contribution, the Club was able to support families with:

Accommodation | Registrations | Meals | First Aid Kits | Uniforms | Court Hire.

This support made a huge difference for families travelling and staying during the event – and the results speak for themselves!

Team Highlights

- 9 & Under (Coaches: Tiffany & Tonya):

Played 9 games – won 6, lost 1, and drew 2! A fantastic debut effort!

- 11 & Under (Coaches: Priscilla & Brenda):

After 10 games, the team went on to win the Grand Final against Kalateeya by 5 goals – taking home the Debra Walker Trophy for the second year in a row!

 Best on Court: Ayana Reid

- 13 & Under (Coaches: Georgia & Lauren):

Finished 7th overall – a strong effort in hot conditions!

- 15 & Under Orange (Coaches: Vicki & Sarah):

Finished 6th, with a special mention to Tahnay for being selected in the SA Nunga Netball Rising Sisters Program! 🌟

- 15 & Under Black (Coaches: Veronica & Antonia):

Placed 3rd and played a tough knockout match against NT – great effort, team!

- 17 & Under (Coaches: Joanne & Trizarna):

Finished 5th after 8 strong games, showing skill, teamwork, and great sportsmanship. Congratulations to Tamira Lindsay who was selected for Yakanarna First Nations State Team trials!

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 Club Trophy Winners

11 & Under:

- Best & Fairest – Ayana Reid
- Runner Up – Jacob Warren

13 & Under:

- Best & Fairest – Aaron Reid
- Runner Up – Timothy Gepp

15 & Under Orange:

- Best & Fairest – Ciara Weetra-Besant
- Runner Up – Lahtika Ware

15 & Under Black:

- Best & Fairest – Summer Warre
- Runner Up – Josephine Dodd

17 & Under:

- Best & Fairest – Shenae Wilton
- Runner Up – Tyiesha Taylor

A massive thank you to all coaches, volunteers, umpires, and families who made this event a success. Your hard work and spirit make Kokatha shine! 

School Holiday Fun – Movie Day!

On October 8th, Leah & Shonelle hosted our KAC Cinema Day featuring The Bad Guys 2! Families enjoyed free tickets, popcorn, and drinks – and the kids were amazing throughout the movie. It was a fun-filled morning for the Port Augusta community!

 Stay tuned – our KAC team has more exciting school holiday events planned for later this year. Keep your eyes peeled for details!

Thank You, Kokatha Community!

From netball courts to footy fields, parks to movie days – our Kokatha kids and families continue to show amazing spirit, teamwork, and pride in who we are.

  One People, One Country, One Dreaming.  





