



Welcome to our friendly rural community which is made up of our small attractive township and the farming area of the District Council of Kimba.

The township of Kimba is predominantly a service centre for the surrounding farms. Lying in a low rainfall agricultural area our community has worked hard for over thirty years to court tourists and attract other enterprises to diversify this reliance. A stroll around our

streets will show the efforts that have gone into beautifying our public spaces and making the area more attractive for the local population and visitors. Or take a drive up to the top of White's Knob where our unique sculptures of Edward John Eyre and his aboriginal tracker watch over our town, and enjoy the great vista out over the farming land and towards the ranges and hills in various directions. You can even get a long distance view of our beautiful painted girl on the grain silos.

We generally have a 'can do' attitude, a willingness to contribute, and a strong community spirit. It is this which has enabled Kimba to provide the many services, facilities and activities that we currently enjoy.

Sport plays a central role in our community activities regardless of skill level. During winter our main sports are netball, football and golf, while during summer they include lawn bowls, tennis and cricket. These clubs provide significant social activities for members and the wider community. There are also yoga, Pilates, fitness, and dance classes, swimming during the summer months, and a well-equipped community gym.

For those more interested in creative ventures its worth taking a wander through Workshop26 – Kimba's Creative Quarter to check out the talent of locals and enjoy the exciting vibe of the 'ex-tractor' shop.

We have a strong 'service' mentality with Lions Club, Apex, and our Kimba Community Development Group all serving the community over many years. Add to these the many volunteer hours given by ambulance, country fire service, state emergency service, meals on wheels and other such services and Kimba has well earned its mantle of being a community with one of the highest rates of volunteerism in Australia.

This booklet has been put together by the Kimba Community Development Group. This Group was formed in 1988 and works to encourage economic and community development through a wide range of activities. These include; town beautification (street furniture, planter boxes, town entrance walls, community noticeboards, etc), workshops for business and community organisations, bimonthly Kimba newsletter, shop local campaigns and acting as a proponent for other bodies seeking grants or running events. New members are always welcome to participate in the Group's activities and we meet every two months.

The Kimba Community Development Group hopes that you find this booklet useful in your adjustment to life in our community. We trust that your time here is enjoyable and you come to feel that this is a place you could call home.

Kind regards

Heather Baldock

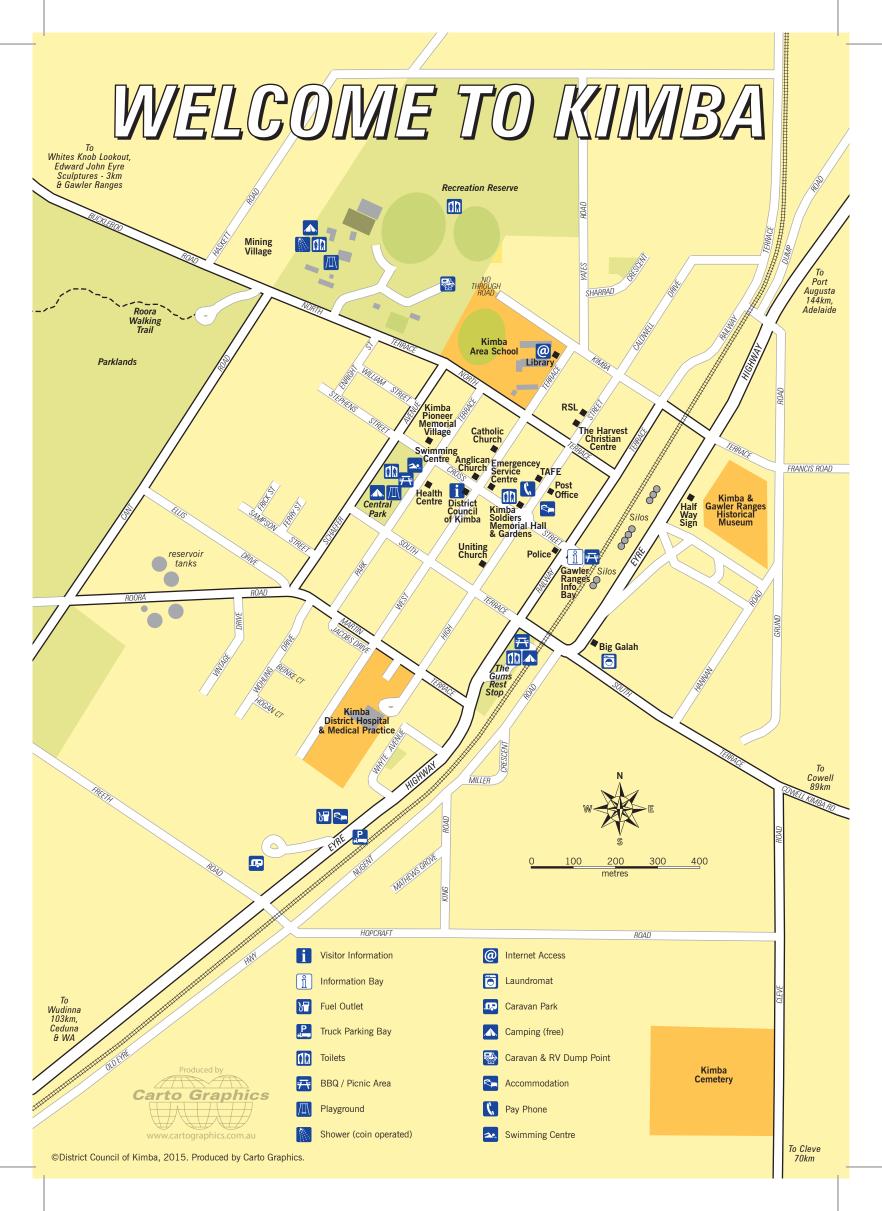
Chairperson Kimba Community Development Group Inc 0428 101 416

Other committee members:

Town History

Halfway across Australia on Eyre Highway and home to Australia's first silo art on the Eyre Peninsula, Kimba is a friendly, picturesque town. It is the Eastern Gateway to the spectacular Gawler Ranges, which are a 100-kilometre drive to the north-west, and offers visitors the chance to experience the open spaces and solitude of the outback. Pastoral leases were first granted around Kimba in 1872 and the first crops sown in 1908, leading to the district's reputation today as one of South Australia's major grain belts. Kimba is now a thriving community with most modern facilities including two supermarkets, a laundromat, free Wi-Fi in the town centre and other key locations, and a variety of accommodation and mechanical services. It is a beautiful rural community of residents who have chosen to live, work, raise families and retire in a safe environment. You will find the community friendly and relaxed; they are open to visitors and eager to help those in need. The town has all the amenities needed to assist the traveller. A community built on hard work, honesty and family values. Enjoy the relaxed environment that you will find in Kimba and district.

In 1839, three years after South Australia was declared a colony, the first white man known to pass through the Kimba district was explorer Edward John Eyre. For thousands of years prior to this, Aboriginal tribes from the Gawler Ranges tracked through the area until 1905, when the first settlers came. Leases were held over the 60 square miles (100 square kilometres). The hundred of Kelly, surveyed in 1898, was the first area settled. The railway line reached Kimba in 1913 and the township was declared in 1915. A vigilance committee managed district affairs until the formation of the District Council of Kimba in 1924. From 1924 to 1929, Kimba gained a hospital, institute, school, police station, post office, hotel, banks, shops, garages and the town and district prospered. Twenty-three one-teacher schools were erected throughout the settlement. The railway line extended north to Buckleboo in 1926. Permanent water had always been Kimba's biggest drawback until 1973, when water was piped from Polda. A separate pipeline was completed in 2007, which carries water from the River Murray. The first crop of wheat was sown in 1908 on 20 acres (8 hectares) of land which was ploughed with a horse-drawn, five-foot (1.5 metre) plough. Technology has continued to develop since these early days of agriculture, from axe to crawler tractor to clear the land, from horse teams to tractors in the 1940s to 1950s to pull machinery, and stump rakes replacing hand picking of stumps. Harvesting with stripper and winnower have been replaced by combine harvester. Today, crops are sown with sophisticated tractors and sowing equipment, using computers and GPS systems to not only steer the equipment, but also allow the farmer to vary inputs such as seed, fertiliser and other crop protection products. Modern machines are capable of applying these inputs precisely to varying soil types or production zones. Harvesters now monitor and record yield variances across paddocks, with this information going back to the farm office for evaluation and used in planning seeding inputs to maximise crop yields on varying soil types. Livestock, particularly sheep, have always been a big part of the districts economy, with many flocks seen as we travel around. Throughout the district's history, yields of crops and pastures have increased with the adoption of innovative practices and improvements in plant breeding and the area continues to prosper in a low and variable rainfall environment. Our farmers will continue to produce food so desperately needed throughout the world.





IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS - KIMBA AREA CODE 08

ALL EMERGENCIES PHONE 000

Kimba Police	000	86272013
Kimba Hospital	000	86272400
Kimba Ambulance	000	
Kimba CFS	000	
Buckleboo CFS	000	
Waddikee CFS	000	
Yalanda James CFS	000	
Kimba SES	000	

Mid Eyre Health – GP Appointments*	86272664	86282003 (Cleve)
Appointments can be made via Mid		
Eyre Medical based at Cleve		
Kimba Pharmacy	86272060	
Kimba District Council	86272026	council@kimba.sa.gov.au
Kimba Post Office	86272020	
Kimba Area School	86272074	
Kimba Community Kindergarten	86272321	

EDUCATION IN DETAIL

Kimba Area School 86272074

Reception to Year 12

Kimba Community Kindergarten 86272321

Kindy – Tuesday & Wednesday all day and Thursday mornings (half day) Children to be aged 4 to enrol in Kindy (or start school the following year)

Occasional Care – One session per week per family. Offered Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday for ages 0-4 years at approximately \$5.00 per session.

Playgroup with Mums – Friday 10am-12pm

Kimba Parents Group coffee mornings – every 2nd & 4th Thursday 10.30am-12pm (usually at the Kindy, see Facebook group for times and locations)

PRIVATE CHILDCARE

Jody Westhoff, North Tce 8627 2596



KIMBA COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Kimba School Community Library building and facilities are available to local groups to use for meetings held out of school hours. Service includes Inter Library Loans and free internet access including emails.

Baby Bounce held once a school term (generally week 5 & 6)

School term library opening hours

Mon	9.00am-4.00pm
Tue	9.00am-5.00pm
Wed	9.00am-5.00pm
Thu	9.00am-5.00pm
Fri	9.00am-4.00pm

School holiday library opening hours

Mon	Closed	
Tue	10.15-12.30	1.00pm - 4.30pm
Wed	10.15-12.30	1.00pm - 4.30pm
Thu	10.15-12.30	1.00pm - 4.30pm
Fri	10.15-12.30	1.00pm - 4.30pm

Library Services

Hostel Deliveries – Delivery of books is made fortnightly to the Kimba Hostel and Hospital Photocopying and Laminating

SPORTING, FITNESS AND RECREATION ACTIVITIES

Summer Sports

Tennis - Friday nights

Cricket - Saturdays, with trainings on Thursday evening

Basketball - Tuesday afternoons from 5.15 to 9pm

Swimming lessons are run by private instructors and the town pool operates during summer for the public between 4pm and 6pm.

Bowls - Thursday and Saturday competition with several tournaments ran over the season.

Winter Sports

Football and Netball – Saturdays with Thursday even trainings

Bowls – "Night Owls" is a social competition held over a short period on a Thursday evening. Golf – Saturdays – tee off at 12 noon (names in by 11.30am)

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All Year Round

Kimba Community Health and Fitness Centre – Memberships are available or one off use also permitted.

Dance, Yoga, Pilates and PT Sessions – These are all privately ran sessions – refer to the business directory.



SPORTING/FITNESS GROUPS

Buckleboo Tennis Club Buckleboo Cricket Club Community Fitness Centre

Dream Dance Studio (2 years to adult classes)

Kimba Districts Football & Netball Club

Kimba Tennis Club Kimba Racing Club

Kimba Basketball Association

Kimba Bowls Club Kimba Golf Club Kimba Pony Club Kimba Swimming Pool K & K Cricket Club

Private Swimming Lessons

Private Personal Trainer Sessions

Laura Kate Pilates Waddikee Tennis Club Waddikee Cricket Club Yoga with Katie

COMMUNITY & SERVICE GROUPS

Buckleboo Farm Improvement Group

Kids Klub

Kimba Ambulance

Kimba CFS

Kimba SES

Kimba Apex Club

Kimba Camera Club

Kimba Lions/Lioness Clubs

Kimba Christmas Tree Committee (street

party in December)

Kimba Community Development Group Kimba & Gawler Ranges Historical Museum

Kimba AH&F Show Society (show day in

September)

Kimba Vintage Car Club Kimba Hospital Auxiliary

Kimba Mental Health & Wellbeing Group

Kimba Parent Group Kimba Men's Shed Kimba Op Shop Probus

Sing Australia

Yesteryear Restoration Group



Kimba's All Abilities Playground situated at Park Terrace.



WASTE MANAGEMENT

A waste management fee is paid by Kimba township residents. The new Eastern Eyre Waste Management group operates in partnership with District Councils of Cleve and Franklin Harbour. This service visits Kimba on Thursdays. General waste is collected every week and recycling will be fortnightly (see calendar magnet schedule for dates).

General waste is deposited in the green lid bins – can be purchased at local hardware business at own cost.

Recycling waste is deposited I yellow lid bins – provided by Councils (1 per property)

The Kimba Refuse and Recycling depot opens on:

Sunday 9am - 12 pmTuesday 9am - 11amThursday 9am - 11am

Waste Voucher Tickets will need to be purchased from the Council Office prior to waste disposal at the refuse.

E-Waste

Council hold E-Waste collections twice yearly and advertise prior to inform residents. Approximate cost is \$1.10 p/kg

Toner & Printer Cartridges
Used toner and printer cartridges

Recycling – Refer to Councils Info sheet included.

Can and Bottles -

These can be deposited at Kimba Bottle Yard on 20 Vintage Drive. Contact site operator Brian Hunt on 0458 272 443 for further information.

- Fruit juice cans that have 10c deposit label they are returnable
- Glass any clean glass bottles and jars can be returned for crushing. White, brown, green
 and blue glass will all be accepted. Window glass cannot be accepted due to contamination
 to other glass. Window glass cannot be accepted due to contamination to other glass. All
 jars, bottles and plastic containers must have their lids removed.

Recycling

Only these items can go in your recycling bin (not wrapped in plastic bags)

- Paper
- Newspaper
- Magazines
- Catalogues
- Cardboard
- Aluminium Cans & Tins
- Milk Containers (rinsed with lids off)
- Plastic bottles & containers (rinsed with lids off)
- Shredded Paper (to be contained inside paper bag or cardboard box)





Non-Recyclable

Not to be placed in your recycling bin

- Plastic lids from jars & bottles
- Plastic bags & other soft plastics
- Food scraps & garden waste
- CDs, videos or cassette tapes
- Clothing & Fabric
- Polystyrene foam packaging
- X Nappies
- Packaging contaminated with food
- Tissues & paper towel
- Polystyrene foam trays & cups
- Crockery or drinking glasses
- Broken glass & light globes
- Glass bottles & jars (please deliver directly to Kimba Refuse Centre or Kimba Bottle Yard)

WASTE MANAGEMENT FEES			
GENERAL AND GREEN WASTE			
Weight fee if weight note available	per tonne	\$ 77.00	GST inclusive
Volumetric fee	per m ³	\$ 38.50	GST inclusive
Trailer (8x5)		\$ 20.00	GST inclusive
Trailer (8x5) - with hurdles		\$ 30.00	GST inclusive
Trailer (6x4)		\$ 15.00	GST inclusive
Trailer (6x4) - with hurdles		\$ 20.00	GST inclusive
Utility		\$ 15.00	GST inclusive
Car boot/station wagon		\$ 8.00	GST inclusive
240L mobile garbage bin (MGB)		\$ 4.00	GST inclusive
Minimum charge per delivery		\$ 4.00	GST inclusive
E-WASTE		·	
On specified collection days	per kg	\$ 1.10	GST inclusive

Kimba Business Directory

Accommodation

Chrissies Dongara 16 Sharrad Crescent, ph. 0400272395

Kimba's Travel Haven 7a Nugent Road, ph. 0400272395

Kimba Caravan Park Motel Eyre Highway, ph. 86272222

Kimba Gateway Hotel High Street, ph. 86272888

Kimba Units 53 High Street, ph. 0400272395

Olive House Bed and Breakfast Railway Terrace & West Tce, ph. 0428274008

Accountancy

Kessling & Associates High Street, ph. 86272663

Agricultural Supplies

Agsave Merchandise Martin Terrace, ph. 86272227

EP Ag n Fert Pty Ltd 1-2 Miller Crescent, ph. 86272233 or Troy 0499272544

Lienert Engineering 15280 Eyre Highway, ph. 86272506 or Matthew ph.0427292254

Nutrien Ag Solutions 55 High Street, ph. 86272181

Platinum Agriculture 28-32 High Street, ph. 86272788

Agronomist

Amy Wright, ph. 0467004555

Automotive Electrical

Venning Auto Electrics Buckleboo Road Quent, ph. 0428240755

CL & ME Milton High St ph. 86272556

Banks

ANZ High Street, ph. 76035100

Bank SA High Street, ph. 86272490

Bank SA Agency Kimba Friendly Grocer & Newsagency High Street, ph. 86272006

CBA Agency Kimba Post Office High St, ph. 86272020

ATM Facilities

ANZ – High St 24hr access

Kimba Gateway Hotel High St Business Hours, ph. 86272007

Kimba Caravan Park Motel Eyre Highway, ph. 86272222

Art

JH Art Kimba, Paint & Garden Art Julie Humphries, ph. 0427140140

Book-Keeping

Kristen Arcus, ph. 0427272446

Eyre Business Enterprises Pty Ltd, Kerri Cliff 45B High St ph. 0428272676 Made to Reconcile Bookkeeping Kyley Smart ph.0427977740 Reg BAS Agent 25581221

Bottle Collection

Kimba Bottle Yard B Hunt, ph. 0458272443

Builders

Davey Contractors, Pump, ph. 0428272408

Elite Hancock Constructions Darian, ph. 0400202104

J & C Kemp Constructions Jesse, ph. 0447840473

Butcher

Chestwood Meats 51 High Street, ph. 86272068

BPay Outlet

Kimba Post Office, ph. 86272020

Canvas Goods

Kev's Canvas ph.0448664970

Carpet Cleaning

ph. 0400272395

Chemist

Kimba Pharmacy ph. 86272060

Churches

Anglican Church Cross St ph. 86272175

Catholic Church West Tce ph. 86272467

Harvest Christian Church High St ph. 86272592 Uniting Church High St ph. 86272027

Cleaning

Crystal Haverland, ph. 0487721577

Anne Thompson ph. 0439804784

Clothing & Apparel

Blossoms Florist & Giftware, ph. 86272268

EP Embroidery Erica, ph. 0428759242

Uniting Church Op Shop 48 High Street, ph. 86272568

Computer Technician

Need Richards Help Richard, ph. 0403256621

Concrete & Construction

Venning Bros Allan ph. 0428272696

Crash

Repairs/Mechanics & Hire

Docking Mechanical Services & Crane Hire ph. 0427224624

Kimba Motor Body Repairs Caldwell Drive, ph. 86272444

Kimba Motor Service High Street, ph. 86272380

Ramsey Bros 3 Miller Crescent, ph. 86272371

Williams Bobcat Hire ph. 0427274049 Chris

Kimba Business Directory

District Council of Kimba

Open weekdays from 9am-5pm, corner West Tce & Cross St Ph. 86272026

Drilling & Exploration

Brett Lehman, ph. 0447272815

Earthworks

Thomo's Reefinating, Clay Spreading & Earthworks Peter, ph. 0427817019

Education

Kimba Area School West Tce, ph. 86272074

Kimba Community Library West Tce, ph. 86272510

Kimba Community Kindergarten Park Tce, ph. 86272321

Egg Suppliers

Woods Googs T Wood, ph. 86277206

Electrical Repairs

DC Electrical Dylan, ph. 0428784933

Davey Constructors Pump, ph. 0428272408

Rayson Electrical Dale, ph. 0427335415 Reece, ph. 0488296060

Embroidery

EP Embroidery Erica, ph. 0428759242

Fencing Contractor

Bill Lienert, ph. 0428274082 Danny Horgan, ph. 0438860399 Shane Jericho, ph. 0418800023

Financial Services

Craig Hornhardt ph. 0487272453

Florist

Blossoms Florist & Giftwares ph. 86272268

Fuel

Mogas - Bulk Lyall Scott, ph. 0429698690

Shell Roadhouse 24hr ph. 86272222

Big Galah, Eyre Hwy 24hr Self-service Diesel Only

Miltons – EPLGAS High St ph. 86272181 Lienert Engineering - BOC Eyre Hway ph. 86272506

Freight - General

Kimba Transport Grund Rd ph. 86272212

Quinns Overnight Freight Cleve ph. 86282036

Giftware and Souvenirs

Workshop 26 – Kimba's Creative Quarters, High St

Big Galah Halfway Across Australia Gem Shop Eyre Highway, ph. 86272766

Blossoms Florist & Giftware, Jacinta, ph. 86272268

Eileen's Café Cross St Ph. 0427272123

High St Vintage / W26 Heather Baldock, ph. 0428101416 Karawatha Home / W26 Barb Woolford ph. 0427274047

Kimba Friendly Grocer and Newsagency High Street, ph. 86272006

Kimba Pharmacy 46 High Street, ph. 86272060

Maggie & Dot / W26 Alyce Whitwell ph. 0437915518

Mud Pot / W26 Pat Beinke ph. 0428272064

Poppy Mae, High St Chloe, ph. 0447005699

Shell Roadhouse Eyre Highway, ph. 86272222

WORKSHOP 26 / W26 26 High St, ph. 0423393007 or Heather ph. 0428101416

ZoZo and Ace / W26 Danna ph. 0438825634

Gardeners

Mark Enright, ph. 0476162654

Grain Handling / Marketing

EPIC. ph. 86272304

Viterra, ph. 86272147

Grain Cleaning

Bill Lienert, ph. 0428274082

Grocery

Alive & Well Health Food W/26, Ellen Zibell, ph. 0428274096

IGA South Tce, ph. 86272015 Kimba Friendly Grocer & Newsagency High Street, ph. 86272006

Fresh fruit & vegetables instore on Tues & Thurs. Bread & Bakery items delivered every day.

Hairdressing & Beauty Care

Hair Around Town Jacqui Larwood, 27 West Tce, ph. 86272351

Kelly's Beauty and Nails & KBN Candles ph. 0428831175

Small Town Soap Company / W26, 26 High St Carmen Rayner ph. 0417831533

TK Kenny Hairdressing & Accessories Tara Kenny Tues-Thurs, ph. 0400615077

Hardware Stores

J & M Hardware 28 Cross Street, ph. 86272122

Health & Fitness

Kimba Community Health & Fitness Centre 0428974747 OR 0427272254

Dream Dance Studio Tap & Jazz Classes Kellie Ph. 0428572411

Happy Fit Healthy Personal Training & Health Products Gabi Ashmeade ph. 0428974747

Laura Kate Pilates High St, Laura ph. 0439854885

Yoga with Katie, North Terrace, Ph. 0428340255

Kimba Business Directory

Hospital

Kimba Hospital Martin Tce, ph. 86272400

Kimba Tours

Town & Farm Tours Brendan ph. 0488111249

Laundromat

Big Galah Eyre Highway ph. 86272766

Library

Kimba Community Library West Tce, ph. 86272510

Livestock Transport

Beingawa Props Xavier Beinke ph. 0427817066

JMAC Logistics John McMahon ph. 0458121993

Massage & Natural Therapy

Hair Around Town Sports Massage Jacqui Larwood 27 West Tce, ph. 86272351

Naturopath & Massage Courtney Wohling, ph. 0459031953

Medical Services

Mid Eyre Medical ph. 86272664 34 Park Tce,

Eyre Chiropractic West Tce. Wednesday fortnightly ph. 86450880

Eyre Hearing Park Tce ph, 86831415

Gulf & Ranges Optometrist Park Tce ph. 86422766

Soul Nutrition Laura Fitzgerald, Nutritionist, ph. 0439854885

Mental Health Counsellor Country and Outback Health ph. 0427252148

Inspire & Inform Erin Lister, Master **Practitioner NLP** Ph. 0498733479

Painter

PD & DM Barber Peter ph. 0409959373

SM Decorative Effects Shannon ph. 0433634925

Photography

Fresh Eyre Photography 45B High St, ph. 0428272676

Karawatha Prints Canvas Prints Barb Woolford, ph. 0427274047

Randall Cliff Photography Randall, ph. 0477222021

Police

Railway Tce, ph. 86272013

Post Office

B-Pay Outlet High St, ph. 86272020

Real Estate Agents

Phil Arcus Real Estate Phil, ph. 0448908363

Nutrien Ag Solutions Simon Arcus, ph. 0428272210

Platinum Ag Bronte Kenchington, ph. 0457740220

Roadhouse/Caravan

Park

Shell Roadhouse Eyre Highway, ph. 86272040

Rural Business Support

Libby Baldock (Servicing Eastern Eyre Peninsula & Upper North), ph. 0436 411 660

Takeaway & Meals

Big Galah Eyre Highway, ph. 86272766

Boongala Bakes Amy Koch, ph. 0429806445

Café Kimba High Street, ph. 86272010

Eileen's Café Cross Street, ph. 0427272123

Kimba Gateway Hotel High Street, ph. 86272007

Shell Roadhouse Eyre Highway, ph. 86272040

The Little Coffee Pot / W26 ph. 0428272337

Steel Fabrications

Bone Steel Fabrication Services, Dylan ph. 0488042288

KE & DM Pahl Cowell Road, ph. 86272028

Lienert Engineering Eyre Highway, ph. 86272506

Transport/Freight

Services

Beinke Haulage Don Beinke, ph. 0427974669 **Grant Harris Transport** Tige Harris, ph. 0428272212

J Mac Logistics John McMahon ph. 0458121993

Kimba Transport 1 Grund Road, ph. 86272212

Quinns Overnight Freight Cleve - ph. 0428282917

Tyre Outlets

Milton Tyre Centre 27 High Street, ph. 86272556

Consultants

Arbonne - Sarahanne Shipard, ph. 0422372263

Body Shop - Anita Seal, ph. 0401288838

Hair Around Town -Jacqui Larwood **Neora Products** Ph. 86272351

Herbalife Nutrition - Laura Gillett, ph. 0427511747

Herbalife Nutrition - Lisa Baldock, ph. 0429955399

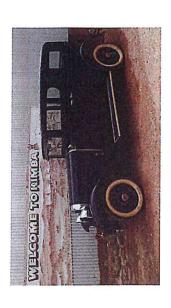
Herbalife Nutrition – Felicity Chinnery ph. 0459331803

Intimo Erin Johnson, ph. 0427777282

Norwex - Abbey Baldock, ph. 0428514821

Nutrimetics - Sue Woolford ph. 0427274058

Thermomix - Kirby Nottle, ph. 0439686143



SETTLERS HOUSE

Early settlers came to nothing but native vegetation, no fences, roads or water and usually too little money



WORKING & INTERACTION DISPLAYS

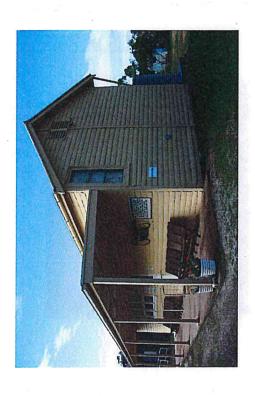


THE HISTORY CENTRE

Interpretative display and home of:
• Records, Photos & Documents

- Books & Reading room
- Oral History, tapes & projects
 - Registration
- Research Facilities

Spare some time to browse here



KIMBA

Kimba SA 5641 PO Box 71

Email: kimbamuseum@gmail.com

Wednesday to Friday 9.am to 2.pm

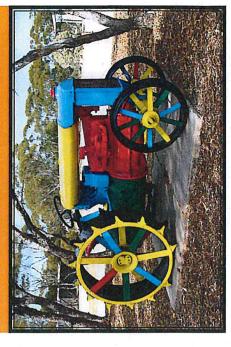
Appointments: 0419 277241

KIMBA

MUSEUM

15307 Eyre Highway

Kimba & Gawler Ranges Historical Society



KIMBA & GAWLER RANGES HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Kimba local museum tells something of the history of development of community, land use, lifestyle and farming technology.

THE PIONEER HOUSE



A pine and plaster home dating from 1908



THE ONE TEACHER SCHOOL

A portable timber building typical of the 23 small schools serving the Kimba district between 1918 - 1962

BLACKSMITH SHOP

Wheelwrights and Blacksmiths were as vital in the era of horse drawn equipment and transport, as are engineers and fabricators of today. Breakages, repairs and modifications were all in a day's work.



FARM MACHINERY

The big shed houses a variety of farming equipment that was used from early development of the district.

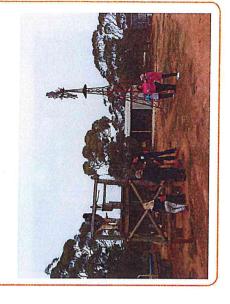


PIONEER SHOP

A general store much like the first to be established in Kimba in 1915.



WATER DISPLAY



SOUTH AUSTRALIA



HALFWAY ACROSS AUSTRALIA

Population: 1,061 (2016 Census)

District Area: 3,500 square kilometres

Average rainfall: 339.2mm

Temperature: Winter: 16.2°C

Summer: 30.63°C

Coordinates: 33° 14′S 136° 41′E

Elevation 280m

In an Emergency:

Fire 000
Police 000
Police Assistance 131 444
Ambulance 000

Hospital (08) 8627 2400 GP Services (08) 8627 2500

District Council of Kimba:

9 Cross Street, Kimba

9am – 5pm Mon – Fri Phone (08) 8627 2026 Email – council@kimba.sa.gov.au Web – www.kimba.sa.gov.au



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Kimba Visitor Information Centre:

Located in the Council building

9 Cross Street, Kimba

9am – 5pm Mon-Fri Phone (08) 8627 2026

RV Dump Point:

A dump point for recreational vehicles is located at the Kimba Recreation Reserve on North Terrace, next to the town oval.

Social Media

When you share your amazing experiences and our local attractions on social media, use the following hashtags **#Kimbahalfwayacross #eyrepeninsula**

Free Wi-Fi::

Council provides free Wi-Fi in the town centre, silo art viewing platform and at the Roora Recreation Reserve

Radio Stations:

Flow FM 106.9

ABC Local Radio 639

Triple J 103.5

ABC National 107.7

5CC 765

5AU 1242

Magic FM 105.9

Magic 899 Port Lincoln 89.9

Vision Radio 87.6

Television Stations:

ABC – Digital Television Channel

SBS – Digital Television Channel

HD One – Digital Television Channel

Seven Central, 7Two and 7mate – Digital Television Southern Cross 10 – Digital Television Channel

Gem and Go - Digital Television Channel

Eleven – Digital Television Channel

Imparia – Digital Television Channel

Phone Coverage:

Telstra Next G Network Optus Network

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Welcome

Halfway across Australia on Eyre Highway and home to Australia's first silo art on the Eyre Peninsula, Kimba is a friendly, picturesque town. It is the Eastern Gateway to the spectacular Gawler Ranges, which are a 100-kilometre drive to the north-west, and offers visitors the chance to experience the open spaces and solitude of the outback.

Pastoral leases were first granted around Kimba in 1872 and the first crops sown in 1908, leading to the district's reputation today as one of South Australia's major grain belts. Kimba is now a thriving community with most modern facilities including two supermarkets, a laundromat, free Wi-Fi in the town centre and other key locations, and a variety of accommodation and mechanical services.

It is a beautiful rural community of 1,061 residents who have chosen to live, work, raise families and retire in a safe environment. You will find the community friendly and relaxed; they are open to visitors and eager to help those in need. The town has all the amenities needed to assist the traveller. A community built on hard work, honesty and family values. Enjoy the relaxed environment that you will find in Kimba and district.



The History of Kimba and its Farming

In 1839, three years after South Australia was declared a colony, the first white man known to pass through the Kimba district was explorer Edward John Eyre. For thousands of years prior to this, Aboriginal tribes from the Gawler Ranges tracked through the area until 1905, when the first settlers came. Leases were held over the 60 square miles (100 square kilometres). The hundred of Kelly, surveyed in 1898, was the first area settled.

The railway line reached Kimba in 1913 and the township was declared in 1915. A vigilance committee managed district affairs until the formation of the District Council of Kimba in 1924.

From 1924 to 1929, Kimba gained a hospital, institute, school, police station, post office, hotel, banks, shops, garages and the town and district prospered. Twenty-three one-teacher schools were erected throughout the settlement. The railway line extended north to Buckleboo in 1926. Permanent water had always been Kimba's biggest drawback until 1973, when water was piped from Polda. A separate pipeline was completed in 2007, which carries water from the River Murray.

The first crop of wheat was sown in 1908 on 20 acres (8 hectares) of land which was ploughed with a horse-drawn, five-foot (1.5 metre) plough. Technology has continued to develop since these early days of agriculture, from axe to crawler tractor to clear the land, from horse teams to tractors in the 1940s to 1950s to pull machinery, and stump rakes replacing hand picking of stumps. Harvesting with stripper and winnower have been replaced by combine harvester.

Today, crops are sown with sophisticated tractors and sowing equipment, using computers and GPS systems to not only steer the equipment, but also allow the farmer to vary inputs such as seed, fertiliser and other crop protection products. Modern machines are capable of applying these inputs precisely to varying soil types or production zones. Harvesters now monitor and record yield variances across paddocks, with this information going back to the farm office for evaluation and used in planning seeding inputs to maximise crop yields on varying soil types.

Livestock, particularly sheep, have always been a big part of the districts economy, with many flocks seen as we travel around.

Throughout the district's history, yields of crops and pastures have increased with the adoption of innovative practices and improvements in plant breeding and the area continues to prosper in a low and variable rainfall environment. Our farmers will continue to produce food so desperately needed throughout the world.

Events calendar

January

26th Australia Day breakfast annually in Lions/Apex Central Park

March

2nd Week Gawler Ranges Dry Lake Races

Mid-Late Tennis, Cricket and Basketball Finals

April

Early to mid Yeltana Show Jumping

Championships - 2 day event

Early Men's Fours and Mixed Fours

Bowls Competition

25th Anzac Day Service and March

May

Mid Nonning Gymkhana

July

Last Sun Kimba Golf Club Mens Open

September

2nd week Eastern Eyre Football/Netball

Grand Final

Kimba Agricultural Show and Shearing Competition

October

2nd Thurlga Station Cricket Match

November

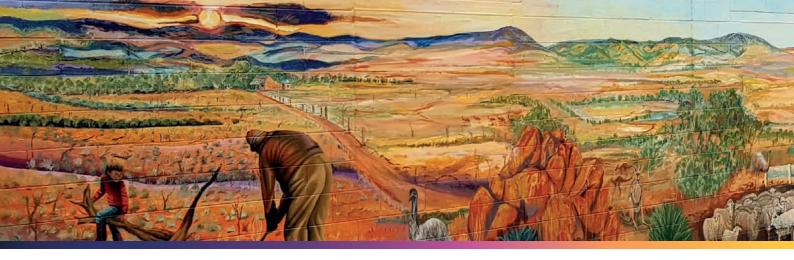
11th Remembrance Day Service

December

Mid Kimba Christmas Celebrations

and Pageant

NOTE Dates correct at time of printing (subject to change)



Must See

Kimba

Kimba is geographically Halfway Across Australia, located on the Eyre Highway. It has the first silo art on the Eyre Peninsula, a fascinating historical museum, a hotel-motel, the Big Galah, a sculpture of Edward John Eyre and his Aboriginal companion, Wylie, as well as being the Eastern Gateway to the magnificent Gawler Ranges amongst its attractions.

Silo Art

Silo art on the Viterra grain silos was completed in September 2017 by artist Cam Scale and took 26 days and 200 litres of paint to complete. The artwork was commissioned through Juddy Roller by the Kimba Community Development Group as part of the Igniting Kimba Arts Program.

This community driven project was funded by Country Arts SA, Grants SA, Foundation for Rural and Regional Renewal, EP Community Foundation, the District Council of Kimba, and very generous community donations and sponsorship.

As these silos are a fully operational grain receival site, the silo art viewing platform on Railway Terrace was constructed to allow visitors to enjoy the artwork from the platform. Don't miss the mural come alive at night when illuminated by solar powered lighting. Visitors are asked not to pass the barrier guides on to Viterra property for safety and security reasons. Parking is available on Railway Terrace.

The Big Galah

The Big Galah stands eight metres high in front of the Halfway Across Australia Gem Shop on the Eyre Highway. The shop offers a range of take away, snacks and souvenirs.

Open six days from 8:00am. Phone (08) 8627 2766.

Kimba Gateway Hotel

The rustic décor of this iconic Kimba building will astound you.

Originally constructed in 1924, this hotel was shifted stone by stone and railed 160 kilometres from Yeelanna near Cummins. Come and relax in the hotel and enjoy tea, coffee or have a drink at the main bar. A great spot to meet the locals and other travellers.

Spend a night or two in the four-star Early Settlers or Old Post Office suites and resume your journey fully refreshed with special memories of your stay in Kimba.

Back-packers rooms and standard family rooms are also available at prices everyone can afford.

Halfway Across Australia Sign

Kimba is located halfway across Australia between the east and west coast as the crow flies. A great photo opportunity!

Roora Reserve Nature Trail

The Roora Reserve Nature Trail is situated on the outskirts of Kimba and is a beautiful six-kilometre return walk featuring plant identification signs, life-sized animal sculptures and information signs identifying key features along the trail. The trail turns for the return walk at the top of Whites Knob Lookout, where the artistic Edward John Eyre sculptures are located.

Recreation Reserve

Mural

The mural on the Show Pavilion was originally commissioned by the Kimba Show Society – "Sharing Our History" - and unveiled by Mrs R Cliff in September 2001. In March 2017, the original artists Siv Grava and John Turpie, supported by local artist Steve Rigg returned to refresh the mural to its former glory. The work was commissioned by the Kimba Community Development Group and funded through donations and sponsorship most notably Rabobank and the District Council of Kimba.

The mural on the general interest shed is the "George Woolford Memorial Mural". It was unveiled in September 2004 by "Dusty" McGowan and dedicated to past Kimba Show Society members. It was painted by local artist "Fonz", and depicts scenes with local characters and was sponsored mainly by local sheep studs and farmers.

Corey Enright Oval and Kimba Districts Football and Netball Club

The sporting complex boasts football, netball, cricket, tennis and basketball sporting bodies. The complex is opened in winter on Thursday nights and Saturday home matches, and on most Saturdays during the summer. Playing courts and ovals neighbour the complex, along with a playground which can all be accessed readily.

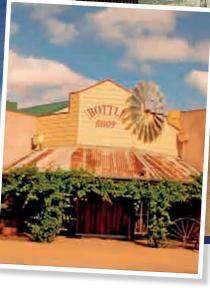
Gawler Ranges Information Bay

This uniquely designed structure displays directions and features of Gawler Ranges National Park. Situated on Railway Terrace, an easy stroll to the centre of town. Easy parking for caravans and motorhomes.









Grey Nomads

A Kimba Community Development Group project integrating Grey Nomads into community volunteer life through contribution to projects in return for good old country hospitality.

Ph: Kimba Visitor Information Outlet (08) 8627 2026.

Arie's Garden

A sustainable and mature dry lands Permaculture of food producing trees, vines, vegetables and flowers relying on rainfall and its conservation plus an organic based aquaculture. Garden produce is preserved and the house and garden comply with the six "Earthship" environmental standards. Thermal/solar heating & cooling, solar electricity, self-contained sewage system, building with natural and recycled materials, water harvesting storage and internal food production capability. Bread, yogurt, cheese, pickles, wine and vinegar are made using natural fermentation methods. Entry by gold coin donation, proceeds to Royal Flying Doctor Service.

By appointment only 0427 272 686.

Minerals on Eyre

Visit the Eyre Peninsula's largest mineral and fossil display with hosts Barry and Jodie Schubert. They have been collecting minerals for over 40 years and have more than 2,400 specimens on display behind glass for easy viewing. Minerals on Eyre is approximately 45 kilometres from both Kimba and Cleve at Carrapee Hill.

For more information visit www.mineralsoneyre.com For directions and bookings (08) 8627 5039 or 0427 207 039.

Crowie's Can Collection

Private collection of over 3,000 cans, including beer cans, related breweriana, Coca Cola collectables and more.

By appointment only (08) 8627 2468.

Kimba Men's Shed

Located in the old Lions Club pavilion at the Roora Recreation Reserve, the Kimba Men's Shed was officially opened in May 2019 and provides a place for locals and visitors to try their hand at learning new skills, meet new friends and undertake projects that provide added benefit to the community.

Membership is available and the shed is open to everyone on Mondays and Wednesdays from 9am to 12:30pm.

For more information call (08) 8627 2468.

Roora Stormwater Catchment **Project Viewing Platform**

Make sure you take the time to view a large-scale water security undertaking up close from one of the best outlooks in Kimba. The Roora Stormwater Catchment Project is run by the District Council of Kimba and covers an incredible 40,000 square metres, and provides the town with the equivalent of five Olympic pools' worth of additional rainwater every year – not a bad result for a project situated in a place with an average annual rainfall of just 339.2 millimetres.

The \$750,000 project was funded through the Commonwealth Government's Drought Communities Extension Programme, and visitors can get a first-hand look at its scope from the viewing platform located off Tola Road.

The Gums

A delightful picnic area under the magnificent





Township Tourist Walk/Drive

Kimba, a pioneering town established in 1915, is now known as the Eastern Gateway to the Gawler Ranges. Kimba's community of 1,061 people is situated halfway across Australia on the world renowned Eyre Highway, National Highway One.

The circuit of the walk/drive is designed to give visitors a better understanding of the Kimba township taking in some of the landmarks, facilities, attractions and general development over the years. Follow the trail as marked on the map. The points of interest are numbered to the side:

NB: For the purpose of following a numerical guide to the various points of interest, the walk/drive begins at the Kimba Gateway Hotel.





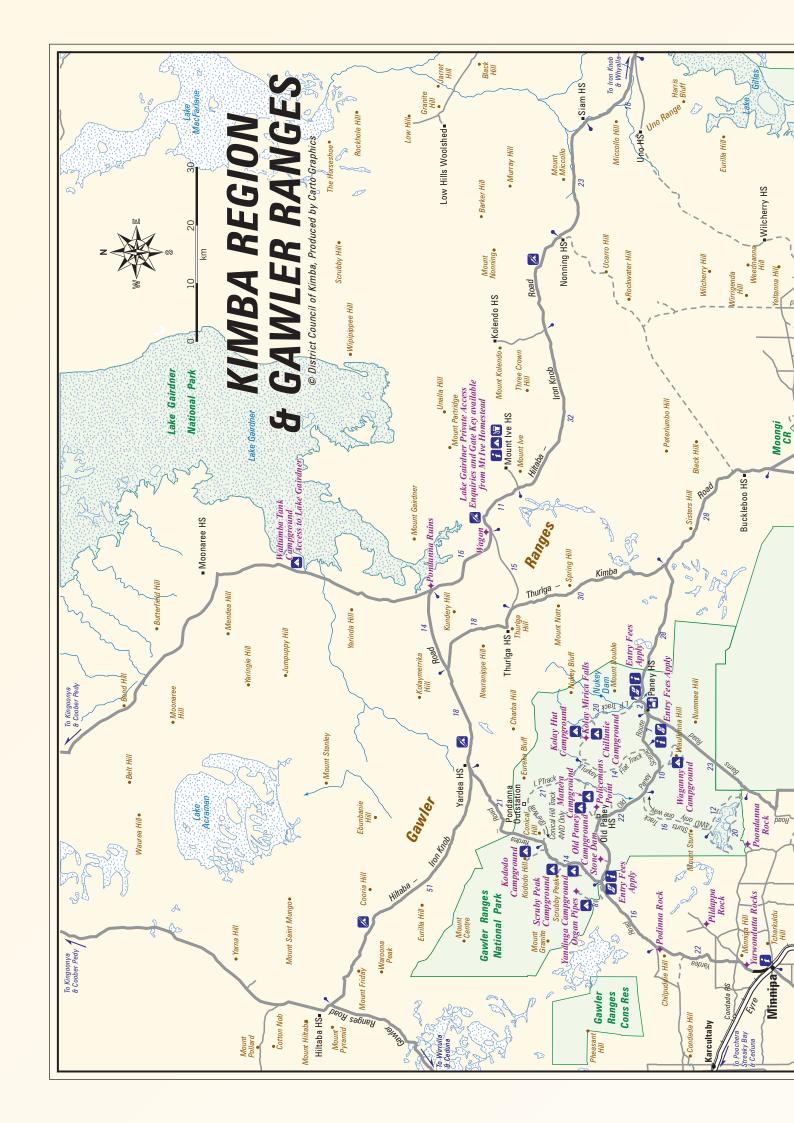


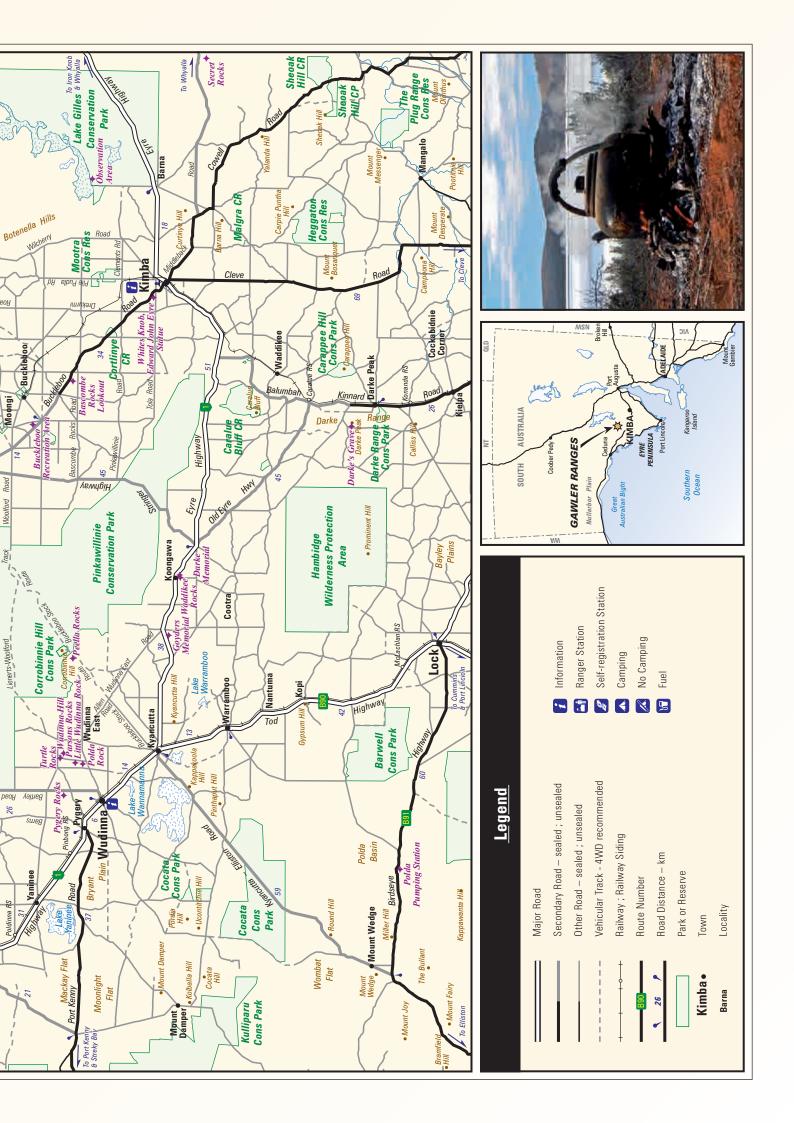
- 1. Kimba Gateway Hotel
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- 3a. Silo Art Viewing Platform
- 3b. Rail Line
- 4. Gawler Ranges Information Bay
- 5. Police Station
- 6. Bank of Adelaide
- 7. The Bake House
- 8. The Gums Travellers Rest Area
- 9. Big Galah
- 10. Half Way Across Australia Sign
- 11. Grain Silos
- 12. Kimba and Gawler Ranges Historical Museum
- 13. Entrance Walls
- 14. Kimba Area School Community Library
- 15. Kimba Area School
- 16a. Murals
- 16b. Kimba District Football and Netball Club
- 17. Whites Knob and Edward John Eyre Sculptures
- 18. Roora Walking Trail
- 19. Water Tanks
- 20. Central Park All-Abilities Playground
- 21. Swimming Pool
- 22. Catholic Church
- 23. First Government School Building
- 24. Church of England
- 25. Hospital
- 26. Rock for Water
- 27. Vennings Garage
- 28. J.L Pike
- 29. The Big Store
- 30. Palmers Pioneer Store
- 31. Kimba Soldiers Memorial Institute
- 32. Institute Memorial Gardens
- 33. Ellis Garage
- 34. Electricity Supply



The Distance of the Tourism Walk/Drive is 6.1 kilometres and will take approximately 15 to 30 minutes of your time if you drive or considerably longer to walk.

[To include the Roora Trail walk, the distance is 6 kilometres. There are two optional loops adding 1.7 kilometres to the trail]







Kimba Attractions

Edward John Eyre Sculptures

Edward John Eyre, born in England in 1815, is remembered as the first man to cross this continent from Sydney to the Swan River and to record this exploration of the three sides of the peninsula named in his honour. Lake Eyre and the Eyre Highway are also named in recognition of his skill, perseverance and courage as an explorer.

In 1838 he led an expedition from Streaky Bay. Passing through sandy terrain and scrubby vegetation, Eyre reached the Gawler Ranges where he identified Sturt's Desert Pea. Water had been scarce and Eyre was glad to find a good supply at Baxter's Range. The expedition ended at Depot Creek, near Mt Arden.

In 1840 this trek was reversed by Eyre's overseer, John Baxter. Recent rain had ensured adequate water and the party was able to follow the tracks made by their wagons the previous year. Meanwhile Eyre explored the eastern side of the peninsula. It was very hard for the horses to penetrate the dense vegetation. Feed was scarce and water more so. About 45 kilometres east of the sculptures, Eyre found good grass and a spring of water. He was so relieved that he named the place Refuge Rocks, "for such they were to us in our difficulties". At Port Lincoln, Eyre arranged for supplies to be shipped from Adelaide.

In 1841 Eyre left Port Lincoln and headed north west to Streaky Bay where he met John Baxter. Arrangements were made to ship supplies to Fowler's Bay and the party set out for W.A. Poor feed and shortage of water so weakened the horses that they were not able to carry all the provisions wanted by the men.

Eyre was determined to explore beyond the Head of the Bight and was very aware of the difficulties ahead. At Fowler's Bay he sent non-essential supplies and four men back to Adelaide by ship. It was at this stage that an Indigenous tracker, Wylie, joined the expedition. Lack of water, scarcity of feed, difficult terrain and extremes of weather all combined to make this trek along the coast so arduous that men and horses perished. Fortunately for Eyre and the tracker, a whaling ship was anchored at Rossiter's Bay and the two survivors were able to recuperate sufficiently to finish the trek to Albany.

Erected in November 2011, these stunning figures are an artistic tribute to Edward John Eyre and the Indigenous men whose bush skills he so often relied on.

Sculpted by Roland Weight and Marcus Possingham Commissioned by the District Council of Kimba Tourism Committee and funded by the District Council of Kimba and Tourism Development Grant.

The Kimba and Gawler Ranges Historical Museum

The Kimba Gawler Ranges Historical Society was formed in 1971 by local people concerned with preserving the history of the Kimba District. Located in mallee parkland opposite the large grain silos on the Eyre Highway the museum has occupied this site since 1973, developing as needed and as money allows.

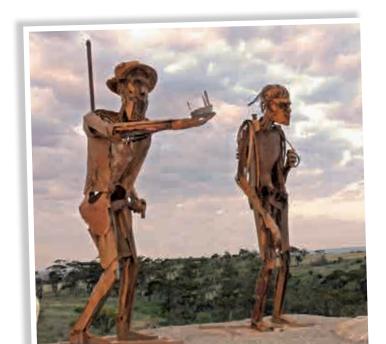
The first project under taken was the relocating of an early dwelling (Pioneer House) which was built around 1908 when the Haskett Bros grew the first crop of wheat on a natural plain south east of Kimba.

An old railway turnstile gives foot access to Government sheds, dog fence, water conservation and blacksmith shop. The museum houses some amazing pioneering tools and a pine and pug cottage. Now with 17 buildings housing historical items, come and experience the living museum and wander through the pioneer house. The Government shed settlers home, one -teacher school, pioneer store, farming machinery, stationary engines, "Clancy" the fire truck and the telephone exchange are also interesting historical displays.

The museum is run by volunteers and demonstrations are available for school groups on arrangement. Coaches and tourists are welcome, there is wheelchair access to most buildings.

Open Wednesday to Friday 9:00am - 2:30pm.

Or by appointment, phone 0429 163 906, (08) 8627 2303 or 0419 277 241.





Roora Reserve Nature Trail

Roora Reserve Nature Trail and Whites Knob Lookout

The Roora Reserve Nature Trail is on the outskirts of Kimba and is approximately a six kilometre return walk. The trail features several sculptures made out of recycled steel so keep your eye out for various native animals including an echidna, emu, wombat and more. The sculptures are the artistic work of Ty Manning and he was commissioned by the District Council of Kimba Tourism Committee to undertake the work. The trail also features informative signs providing information on key features along the trail for example the "Chapple" which housed dam construction workers.

The walking trail consists of two kilometres of easy walking through the old Roora Water Reserve, with the third kilometre gradually rising as you reach the Whites Knob Lookout. Whites Knob is an ironstone conglomerate outcrop formation on the north western outskirts of Kimba, providing a delightful vantage point to view the surrounding countryside in any direction. A directional dial will help you to identify prominent landmarks up to 50 kilometres away. A sculpture of Edward John Eyre and his Aboriginal tracker, Wylie, who surveyed the area feature at the top of the lookout. A telecommunication tower is also situated in the area and is 86 metres high.

Things to remember:

- Brochures including extensive information on flora and fauna are available in the Green Visitor Information Box
- · Wear comfortable shoes and hat
- Carry water and sunscreen in warmer weather
- Stay on the trail and respect the habitat
- Pram and pushbike friendly

NO MOTORBIKES OR HORSES ALLOWED – PENALTIES APPLY
PLEASE DO NOT LITTER – TAKE YOUR RUBBISH HOME WITH YOU

Day Trips

Kimba is an ideal town to base yourself for day trips. There are numerous parks and reserves that you could spend the day exploring such as:

- Caralue Bluff (27km)
- Secret Rocks (40km)
- Lake Gilles Conservation Park (31km)
- Carappee Hill (53km)

Other towns that you could spend a day visiting include:

- Cleve (69.6km)
- Cowell (88.8km)
- Arno Bay (95.2km)
- Whyalla (142.7km)





Parks and Reserves

Mt Ive

The 900 sq kilometre property provides some of the best opportunities to enjoy the vast volcanic landscape of the ancient Gawler Ranges. Attractions include ridge top scenic tracks, 4WD and 2WD tracks, guided tours by arrangement, Lake Gairdner, organ pipe rock formations, bush walking, bird watching, historical sites and photography. Accommodation includes shearer's quarters, stone huts and camp grounds including powered and unpowered sites and bush camping.

For more information, phone (08) 8648 1817 or email info@mtive.com.au.

Lake Gairdner National Park

This park features salt lakes, including Lake Gairdner, Lake Everard and Lake Harris, and 315 islands. Experience breathtaking views over vast white salt sheets contrasted with spectacular ancient red ranges. The lakes hold special significance to the local Aboriginal people.

The park can be accessed from the Waltumba Tank Public Access Route in the west, or through Mt Ive Station to the south. The lake surface can be treacherous and vehicles are not permitted. Bush camping is allowed adjacent to the lake at Waltumba Tank or on Mt Ive Station by arrangement.

Pinkawillinie Conservation Park

This huge mallee park offers plenty of four-wheel driving opportunities. Adjoining Gawler Ranges National Park, Pinkawillinie is a vast area of virgin bushland that boasts vibrant wildflowers during spring. It has two tracks for 4WD only, which are the Buckleboo Stock Route and Corrobinnie Road. Access for conventional vehicles is via Stringer Highway. No facilities are provided.

Corrobinnie Hill Conservation Park

This small park includes the ancient granite dome known as Corrobinnie Hill. Over the millennia, the granite has weathered into an array of amazing boulders and caves. From the top of Corrobinnie Hill you will experience sweeping 360-degree views of farming country, granite outcrops, Pinkawillinie Conservation Park and the distant Gawler Ranges. No facilities are provided. Access is strictly 4WD only from Wudinna in the south or the Buckleboo Stock Route in the north.

Lake Gilles Conservation Park

This park is a semi-arid mallee landscape comprising salt lakes, low sandy rises, gypsum dunes and isolated stony hills. The beautiful salt lake comprises of scenic and tranquil surrounds, and is a photographer's delight especially at sunrise and sunset. Access to the lake via the Eyre Highway seventeen kilometres east of Kimba is suitable for conventional vehicles. The northern area adjacent to the lake is accessible only by 4WD. No facilities are provided.

Secret Rocks

Also known as Refuge Rocks, this impressive granite hill was discovered by Edward John Eyre in 1841 when his expedition party used it as a rest camp when exploring the great west. Recent conservation works have been carried out at this reserve to protect native species such as Mallee Fowl, and camping and picnicking is permitted in front of the rocks. It is located 35 kilometres east of Kimba on Middleback Road.

For more information email ecological@activ8.net.au.





Bascombe Rocks Lookout

A pleasant 20-kilometre drive along the sealed Buckleboo Road, through panoramic views of the surrounding native bushland and farming country, will bring you to Bascombe Rocks. From atop the granite outcrops you have panoramic views of the surrounding native bushland. Around the base of the rocks investigate the innovative water catchments that were built by the early pioneers of the district and can still be seen today. After it rains the rock holes fill with water and here you will discover hundreds of lively tadpoles. After exploring the rocks, relax with a drink or lunch under the picnic shelter.

Caralue Bluff

Caralue Bluff Conservation Reserve covers an area of around 2,200 hectares and is located 27 kilometres west of Kimba. There is a picnic ground on the western side and you can go bushwalking and hill climbing to overlook a large part of the Eyre Peninsula hinterland.

Carappee Hill

Carappee Hill Conservation Park is the most extensive and highest exposed granite rock on Eyre Peninsula, at 495 metres above sea level. It contains numerous soaks, frequented by kangaroos and other wildlife. Situated approximately 53 kilometres south west of Kimba. Take an energetic climb to the top following the painted white arrows from the southern corner, or stroll on the eastern side. It was dedicated as a conservation park in 1973 and covers an area of approximately 920 hectares. There are also picnic areas and bush toilets.











Gawler Ranges National Park

The Park is located in the spectacular southern Gawler Ranges. This virtually untouched park consists of ancient rolling hills interspersed with wide-open plains and fascinating geological features including Kolay Mirica Falls, Mt Allalone, Waulkinna Hill and the stunning Organ Pipes. Seasonal water flows make these sites even more impressive.

At least 21 rare and threatened species occur in the park including Major Mitchell's Cockatoo and the beautiful Yellow-Footed Rock Wallaby.

The striking beauty, abundant wildlife and vibrant seasonal wildflowers attract many visitors to Gawler Ranges National Park. The park provides access tracks for both 2WD and 4WD vehicles as well as opportunities for bushwalking and cycling.

Bush camping is available in designated camping areas.

Adjacent to Waganny 2WD campground, Waulkinna Hill is a granite hill with spectacular rock formations sculpted over the millennia. A great place for a quiet picnic or a short climb will provide sweeping views of Sturt Lake and an array of seasonal wildflowers.

Old Paney Homestead, built in 1888, provides a glimpse into the rich pastoral heritage of the Gawler Ranges. Nearby Policeman's Point is the site of the first police camp in the region and a short walk will take you to a beautiful gorge that flows seasonally in a series of waterfalls and rock holes.

Access is suitable for 2WD vehicles via the Old Paney Scenic Route.

Please note the possibility of periodical closures of the park for feral animal control (commonly in August and February/March). For more information regarding park information including closures ring (08) 8648 1883, (08) 8625 3144 or go to: www.parks.sa.gov.au.

Entry and camping fees apply.

Pastoral History

Edward John Eyre was the first white man to traverse the Gawler Ranges in 1839. In 1857 Yardea Station was the first pastoral lease taken up in the area. The years 1857 and 1858 must have been good rain over the country as all the explorers spoke of permanent freshwater lakes, of which there are none, except after good rains.

The Land Regulations of the day required pastoralists to stock their runs with 19 sheep per square kilometre in the late 1860s. This saw approximately 90,000 sheep being shorn at properties such as Nonning Station. Harsh, arid conditions and unreliable water supply found those sheep numbers unsustainable.

National Park Entry and Camping Bookings – Now Online

An online booking system has been introduced to many of South Australia's National Parks, including the Gawler Ranges National Park. Online booking and payment for vehicle entry, camping and accommodation needs to be booked and paid for before you leave internet access. Bookings can be made up to 12 months in advance. You will not be able to pay entry fees at the park entrance, so be sure to jump online at **www.parks.sa.gov.au** and pay before you leave. Kimba District Council staff are more than happy to help you with this process if you come into the Visitor Information Office once you arrive in Kimba (business hours only).

Entry to the Gawler Ranges from Kimba is approximately 104 kilometres. Travelling into the Gawler Ranges you should be aware you are passing through pastoral lease land.

- Please stay on designated 'Secondary Roads' as you will be travelling through environmentally sensitive country.
- Camping is permitted only within the Gawler Ranges National Park or at Mount Ive.

Entry Fees (at time of printing)

Entry Permit Fees: Vehicle \$10 Concession \$8

Camping Permit Fees (per night): Vehicle (up to 8 people) \$12, Additional Passenger \$6.

Popular Camping Spots

- Kolay Hut
- Kododo Hill
- Yandinga

Accommodation

Pondanna Outstation – contact 8680 2090





Free Camping Areas and Facilities

Kimba is a RV friendly town which provides all amenities to meet your needs. There are free camping options available including:

Recreation Reserve

If you're exploring the Eyre Peninsula by caravan or RV, there's no better spot to base yourself for a few days than at Kimba's free camping area, conveniently located at the town's recreation reserve. The free camping area provides travellers with a cost-effective stay for up to five days (longer stays need to be negotiated with Council), and includes a range of facilities including coin-operated showers, two amenities blocks and what many have told us is the most user-friendly dump point in the region.

With the Roora Walking Trail on your doorstep and Kimba's sporting clubs only a few minutes' walk from your site, you'll be set to explore the sights and meet new friends as the sun sets on another day of adventure.

The Gums

Short-term camping (one night) located on Eyre Highway. Facilities include public toilets and shady trees.

All-abilities Playground and Jumping Pillow

Located just 250 metres from the town centre, Lions Apex Central Park boasts some of the most sensational recreation equipment in regional South Australia, including a perennial favourite in the jumping pillow, and a recently-installed all-abilities playground that each and every pint-sized visitor can make the most of their Kimba experience. With plenty of shaded areas and barbecue facilities available, why not make an afternoon of the kids having a ball?





Businesses and Services in Kimba

ACCOMMODATION

Chrissie's Palace & Dongara Caldwell Drive, ph. 0400 272 395

Kimba's Travellers' Haven Nugent Road, ph. 0400 272 395

Kimba Caravan Park Motel Eyre Highway, ph. 8627 2222

Kimba Gateway Hotel High Street, ph. 8627 2888

Olive House Bed & Breakfast Railway Terrace & West Terrace ph. 0428 274 008

ACCOUNTANCY

Kessling & Associates High Street, ph. 8627 2663

AGRICULTURAL SUPPLIES

Agsave Merchandise Nugent Road, ph. 8627 2227

EP Ag n Fert Pty Ltd 94 Martin Terrace, ph. 8627 2233

94 Martin Terrace, ph. 8627 2233 Troy Maitland ph. 0499 272 544

55 High Street, ph. 8627 2181 Platinum Ag Services

28-32 High Street, ph. 8627 2788

ATM FACILITIES

ANZ

High Street 24 hour ATM access

Kimba Gateway Hotel High Street

Business hours only

AUTOMOTIVE AIR CONDITIONING

CL & ME Milton

on 0428 240 755

27 High Street, ph. 8627 2556

Venning Auto ElectricsBuckleboo Road, contact Quentin

BANKS

ANZ

High Street, ph. 7603 5100 24 hour ATM access

Bank SA

High Street, ph. 8627 2490

BILL PAY OUTLET

Australia Post

44 High Street, 9am–5pm ph. 8627 2020

BUILDERS

Davey Contractors ph. 0428 272 408

J & C Kemp Constructions ph. 0447 840 473

BUTCHER

Chestwood Meats

51 High Street, ph. 8627 2068

CANVAS GOODS

Lienert Engineering Eyre Highway, ph. 8627 2506

CHEMIST

Kimba Pharmacy 46 High Street, ph. 8627 2060

CHURCHES

Anglican Church

Cross Street

Catholic Church

West Terrace, ph. 8627 2467

Harvest Christian Church High Street, ph. 0427 723 674

Uniting Church High Street, ph. 8627 2027

CRASH REPAIRS/ MECHANICS & HIRE

Docking Mechanical Services & Crane Hire ph. 0427 224 624

Kimba Motor Service High Street, ph. 8627 2380

Kimba Motor Body Repairs 1-7 Caldwell Drive, ph. 8627 2444

Ramsey Bros.

3 Miller Crescent, ph. 8627 2371

Williams Bobcat Hire ph. 0427 274 049

DISTRICT COUNCIL OF KIMBA

Open weekdays from 9am–5.00pm 9 Cross Street, ph. 8627 2026

Centrelink Access Point phone and fax facilities

ELECTRICAL REPAIRS

DC Electrical

contact Dylan on 0428 784 933

GIFTWARE & SOUVENIRS

Big Galah Half Way Across Australia Gem Shop

Eyre Highway, ph. 0477 744 638

Kimba Friendly Grocer and Newsagent

High Street, ph. 8627 2006

Kimba Pharmacy

46 High Street, ph. 8627 2060

Shell Roadhouse

Eyer Highway, ph. 8627 2222

GROCERY OUTLET

IGA

South Terrace, ph. 8627 2015

Kimba Friendly Grocer and Newsagency

High Street, ph. 8627 2006

HAIRDRESSING & BEAUTY CARE

Hair Around Town

27 West Terrace, ph. 8627 2351

Kelly's Beauty and Nails ph. 0428 831 175

TK Kenny Hairdressing Cross Street, ph. 0400 615 077

Enlivened Massage Therapy by Emma Ph. 0419 468 434

HARDWARE STORES

Eatt's Timber and Hardware 28 High Street, ph. 8627 2261

J & M Hardware 28 Cross Street, ph. 8627 2122

HEALTH & FITNESS

Fully equipped gym. For session times and further information contact Gabi Ashmeade on 0428 974 747.

HOSPITAL

Kimba Hospital ph. 8627 2400

LAUNDROMAT

Adjacent to the Half Way Across Australia Gem Shop See Gem Shop Assistants for access, ph. 0477 744 638

LIBRARY

Kimba Community Library

– Offers free internet access

– Offers free internet access West Terrace, ph. 8627 2221

MEDICAL SERVICES

Dental on Eyre
Ph. 8628 2355

Private Allied Health Services Visiting & Consulting at the Pioneer Memorial Village Units

Eyre Chiropractic

Ph. 8645 0880

Gulf and Ranges Optometrist Ph. 8642 2766

Eyre Hearing

Ph. 8683 1415

EP Physio Plus Ph. 8682 6665

F11. 0002 0003

Inspire & Inform Ph. 0498 733 479

Country Health Connect Allied Health Services Visiting Kimba

Speech Therapist – once per month Dietician - once per month Podiatry - once per month Occupational Therapist - once per month Social Worker – once per week Physiotherapist – once per week Doctor referrals preferred, ph. 1300 334 222

Country & Outback Health Mental Services Visiting Kimba

Occupational Therapist Social Worker Ph. 8643 5600

OP SHOP

Uniting Church Op Shop High Street, ph. 0427 272 267

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Eatts Plumbing

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POLICE

Situated on Railway Terrace ph. 8627 2013

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Shell Roadhouse

After hours access to fuel available Eyre Highway, ph. 8627 2040

TAKEAWAY & MEALS

Big Galah

Eyer Highway, ph. 8627 2766

Café Kimba

High Street, ph. 8627 2010

Eileen's Café

Cross Street, ph. 0427 272 123

Kimba Gateway Hotel

High Street, ph. 8627 2888 Shell Roadhouse

Eyre Highway, ph. 8627 2222

TRANSPORT/FREIGHT SERVICES

Kimba Transport

1 Grund Road, ph. 8627 2212

TYRE OUTLETS

CL & ME Milton

27 High Street, ph. 8627 2556

STEEL FABRICATIONS

KE & DM Pahl

Cowell Road, ph. 8627 2028

Lienert Engineering Eyre Highway, ph. 8627 2506

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District Council of Kimba

9 Cross Street, ph. 8627 2026

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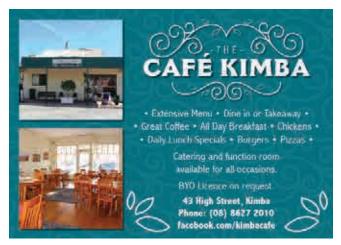
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