

out and ABOUT

Map Kernow

Map Kernow is a tribute to the pioneers of mining at Kapunda regardless of their community. Map Kernow is Cornish for "Son of Cornwall" and represents a mid 1800's Cornish miner. Sculptured by Ben Van Zetten the seven metre statue was unveiled in 1988 and is illuminated at night. Located at the southern entrance to town on the Adelaide Road.

Kapunda Town Car Tour

A tour of the heritage of Kapunda. Begins in front of the Kapunda Museum, follow the numbered guide posts. Information sheets available from the Kapunda Museum or Visitor Information Centre.

Kapunda Mine Walk

Walk around the first metal mine in Australia, begins off Perry Rd.

The Pines Reserve

A bushland setting with walks to the old Kapunda Reservoir and Valve House. (No facilities) 8km from Kapunda on the Tarlee Rd.

Kapunda Tourist Park

Extend your stay and explore our heritage. Caravan and camping sites, cabins and camp kitchen. Ph: (08) 8566 2094

For other Accommodation options contact the Visitor Information Centre on (08) 8566 2902.

OPENING hours

KAPUNDA MUSEUM & BAGOT FORTUNE

Open

1.00pm – 4.00pm Daily or on request (Closed Xmas Day)
Museum will be closed when the predicted temperature for Adelaide is 40°C or above.

Admission

Adults – \$5.00
Concession – \$3.00
Children – \$2.00
Family (2 Adults + 2 Children) – \$12.00

Group Tours

Guided tours of Kapunda including the Museum & Bagot's Fortune, with a choice of meal venue are available at concession rates.

For further information on Booking & Guides please contact
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The heritage of KAPUNDA



KAPUNDA MUSEUM
11 HILL STREET

BAGOT'S FORTUNE
5 HILL STREET

Recognised as one of the finest folk museums in Australia, the Kapunda Museum is housed in a magnificent Romanesque building built in 1866 as the Baptist Church.



kapunda MUSEUM

Take a step back to another era when you enter the Kapunda Museum. With over 10,000 square feet of undercover display area the Museum covers every facet of Kapunda's fascinating history.

The main building has two floors depicting the social and commercial history of Kapunda.

This is complemented by an extensive display of agricultural machinery, with a motor pavilion displaying, amongst other motoring memorabilia, Kapunda's old fire engine, ambulance and hearse.



Ground Floor: Displays include – room settings, the Congregational Church Frontal Furnishings, clothing from yesteryear, Military artifacts, Gramophones, bottles, telephones, carnival glass, the Kapunda School of Mines mineral collection and lots more.

The Hawke Gallery: Commemorates that engineering firm founded in 1857 by former smuggler, Henry Binney Hawke. Here a massive Hawke cross-compound steam engine holds pride of place in company with other products of the company's 126 year history.

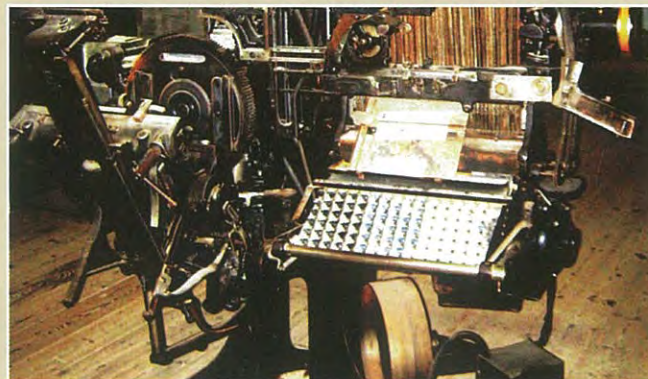


Downstairs: See the ship's bell from the H.M.A.S Kapunda and share their history in the display panel, which tells the story of the Kapunda Ship at sea.

The printing press used to print the very First Edition of the "Kapunda Herald" in 1864 is displayed along with the later printing equipment.

Kapunda's early X-ray machine and the operating table from the local hospital pre-dates modernisation.

For the pioneer housewife there are various "Armstrong" washing machines to ease the drudgery.



BAGOT'S fortune



A professionally designed interpretive display depicts the lifestyle of the pioneer men & women who lived & worked on Australia's first commercially viable metal mine.

Under the management of the principal owner, Captain Charles Hervey Bagot, the Kapunda Mine was developed from the wilderness to produce the richest and purest copper ore the world had ever seen.

This display covers all the aspects of early mining and the pioneer lifestyle of the miners. Take a glimpse through the door into Rosie's Cottage at the Irish settlement on Baker's Flat. See how the first settlers lived in colonial South Australia with barely the basic necessities.

Watch the working 38% scale model of the Cornish Buhl Pumping Engine that was installed on the mine in 1852. Look down the mine shaft to see our Cornish Miner, Robert Nicholls filling the kibble ready to be loaded into the ore truck by Paddy the Irish labourer, then taken to the Welsh smelter operations for refining.

An audio Visual presentation in the Theatrette introduces Kapunda's rich history.

