

Our Services



Aramac Bakery - Phone: 07 4651 3009
Fresh bread, pies, etc. Open Monday to Friday 6am - 3.30pm

Aramac Cutprice - Phone: 07 4651 3252

Groceries, produce, hardware, poly pipe, ice, gas, newspapers, magazines, cement and much more

Aramac Hotel - Phone: 07 4651 3262

Public Bar, meals Monday to Friday 6.30 - 8 p.m. and Saturday lunch, TAB, hotel and motel accommodation



Aramac Post Office - Phone: 07 4651 3147

Commonwealth Bank Agent, National Bank Agent, Giro Post Banks and Credit Union, Post Office Products, Stationary, Toys, Clothing, Souvenirs, Phone Credit, Greeting cards and gifts



BP Fuel & Café - Phone: 07 4651 3256

Fuel, food, welding and great service

Ferguson's Transport - Phone: 07 4651 3133

Service to Barcaldine Wednesday & Friday, leaves Aramac at 6am.

Harry Redford Community & Sporting Centre - Phone: 07 4652 9999

Function room and kitchen available to hire, gym and squash courts



Rest Area - Phone: 07 4652 9999

Third and fourth night free, ablution facilities, powered sites, waste dump point



Swimming Pool - Phone: 07 4652 9999

Open for a refreshing dip September to May

Community Buses - Phone: 07 4651 3110

Travels to Longreach for the community monthly, Hired out to local school and clubs



Our History

Originally named Marathon, the township was renamed Aramac on 1 January 1875 after the carving of "R. R. Mac" on a tree. This was carved by Robert Ramsay Mackenzie in the 1850's.

In 1869, the first policeman began to patrol the district and the first hotel licence in Aramac was granted to Jack Kingston.

In 1879, a hospital was built across the road from the cemetery, and the Racecourse was a little further to the East. According to Joe Dicksons notes, there was an adage "If you got hurt on the racetrack, you went over the fence into the hospital, and if you died you were taken across the road to the cemetery." A new hospital was built in 1909 and remains in Lodge Street.

On 11 February 1878, the Aramac Provisional School opened with an enrolment of 12 children. The State School opened on 14 June.

The Memorial Park was opened in 1949. The names of the men and women who enlisted in the second World War (1939-1945) are engraved on the entrance gates. Located within the park is a 25 metre swimming pool which was opened in 1952 together with an amenities block. In 2009, Aramac celebrated the opening of the Harry Redford Community and Sporting Centre.

The local water supply is pumped by two bores from the Artesian Basin.

Aramac - In and around town



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The Aramac Community welcomes you to the home of the Harry Redford Cattle Drive.

We hope you enjoy your stay with us.

Aramac
Central Western Queensland



Captain Starlight

Harry Redford (also known as Captain Starlight) became part of outback folklore when in 1870, in the company of two others, he set out from Bowen Downs (located in the former Aramac Shire) with 1,000 head of stolen cattle.

The cattle were overlanded through largely unexplored country, travelling along the Barcoo River and Cooper Creek, and the Strzelecki Track into South Australia.

The mob included a white bull which he sold at Hill Station in South Australia, so that he could purchase supplies from the station store. The bull was later shipped back to Queensland as evidence against Redford at his trial.

Not long after his return east, Redford faced charges of stealing, the trial being held in Roma, Queensland. The jury returned a verdict of not guilty, ending one of the most daring escapades in recorded history.

17 Aramac Hospital

The original hospital was built near the cemetery in 1879. Aramac's current hospital was built in 1909 and included 2 wards, a maternity section, operating theatre and staff quarters

16 Catholic Church

15 Masonic Lodge

14 Anglican Church

13 Cemetery

12 Dickson's Crossing

11 Landsborough Monument

10 Aramac Creek Railway Bridge

7-9 Aramac Tramway Museum and Aunt Emma

From 5 July 1913 until its closure in 1975, the tramway fulfilled its intended role as an all-weather link with the main central western railway

18-21 Gray Rock, Wayside Hotel, Horsetailor's Gorge, Lake Dunn, Lake Galilee

1 War Memorial

This monument was erected in 1924 and is engraved with the names of men and women from the Aramac area who enlisted in the 1914-1918 World War

2 Post Office

Postal Services in Aramac were established on 1 March 1874

3 Formally Queensland National Bank

This bank was opened in 1875

4 Formally Bank of New South Wales

This bank was opened in 1898

5 White Bull

The white bull was a star attraction at Harry Redford's trial in 1873 where he was found "Not Guilty"

6 Aramac State School

Originally opened as a Provisional School on 11 February 1878 with 12 students

