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20 years of success at Window on the Wetlands Visitor Centre

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Window on the Wetlands Visitor Centre will on Sunday celebrate 20 years of success in engaging the community and passing visitors with historic knowledge and culture in the Adelaide River region.

Minister for Parks and Wildlife Bess Price said the Window on the Wetlands Visitor Centre (WOW) has provided invaluable knowledge and information for locals and tourists on the northern coastal wetlands of Adelaide River.

“The Visitor centre provides interactive displays about seasonal changes, the ecological processes that occur in the wetlands and detailed information on the local history in the region,” Mrs Price said.

“The centre is a very popular resource for locals and tourists with more than 120,000 people visiting on an annual basis.

“It is wonderful to see the information centre being utilised on a regular basis to give guests an insight into the beautiful wildlife and local Aboriginal and European history in the region.

“The centre is also a great asset to educate visitors of any potentially harmful animals to look out for and flooded wetlands to be wary of in the wet season.

“Over the weekend during the dry season WOW employees engage with visitors through nature talks that provide an insight into the rich variety of wetland plants, animals and culture that can be spotted throughout the region.

“On Sunday the centre will be open from 8am to 5.30pm, with 20th anniversary celebrations being held from 9am to 12.30pm that will include a range of fun activities for the whole family to enjoy.
“Special guests will include the Wulna Traditional Owners, WOW Centre Guides and Park Rangers who will be joining in on the festivities.”

Member for Goyder Kezia Purick said a successful 20 year anniversary is a huge landmark for the popular Visitor centre and encourages the local community to support this fantastic achievement.

“This is a great opportunity for visitors passing through to learn more about the Adelaide River region and the importance of the wetlands to the Wulna people,” Mrs Purick said.

“A variety of fun activities will take place during the celebrations including a traditional corroboree dance and invaluable cultural and informative talks about the wonderful wetlands.

“Kids will be very pleased to take-part in a special lucky dip and piñata, as well as grab a bite to eat at the sausage sizzle lunch and birthday cake celebrations.”

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