



Key Beam Steam Engine

Watch in awe at the Mannum Dock Museum as this rare historic engine comes to life!

**Operating
Schedule 2012
11:00am – 3:00 pm**

January:	Friday 27th
February:	Wednesday 15th
March:	Saturday 17th
May:	Monday 7th
August:	Wednesday 15th
September:	Saturday 29th & Sunday 30th

- Built by John Key & Sons, Whitebank Foundry at Kirkcaldy, Scotland
- Extensive research reveals it is one of two engines exported to South Australia in 1854 and the only one in operation.
- The Key Beam Engine was originally used in the Aldinga Flour Mill and then used briefly at Landseer's Flour Mill, Milang.
- In 1880 the Dry Dock at Mannum had been reconstructed and it is believed the Key Beam Engine was installed at the time powering a centrifugal pump to empty the Dock to allow repair work on vessels. It was also used to pump water to two underground tanks to irrigate the gardens at William Randell's home on the hill above the dock.
- The Key Beam Engine was recommissioned on April 1st 2009 and was expertly restored by Mannum Dock Museum Volunteers over three years.
- In the realms of industrial archaeology the Key Beam Engine is regarded on the world stage as being an important example of early engineering and one of the oldest heritage listed items on the River Murray.

Museum Entry Admission: \$7.50 Adults, \$5.00 Concession, \$3.50 Child

Located in Randell's Steam Works Shed at:
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