



Intown centre

Shoestring Cafe

Newsletter – May/June 2026 – Issue 102

Manager's Chat – Leanne Gibbs

May

If many are like me, I am still trying to process we are in 'MAY'. I don't remember the months going this fast when I was in School !!!!

On the 5th & 12th July WAACH held a Flu Clinic, 20 people had vaccinations.

Volunteer Week was celebrated from 18th – 24th, The Intown centre held a lovely lunch on the 23rd at Vat 2 to thank our wonderful, amazing volunteers. We would also like to acknowledge all the volunteers in our community who support other agencies, groups that make a difference to the community.



June

Started the month of with a Long Weekend – hope everyone enjoy the 3 days. Due to staffing situation, we have moved to "Wednesday Soup Day", no main meal/sweets will be available, however 2 different types of soup and lots of bread will be.

On the 7th, the annual SW Social Riders Club Blanket Appeal was done, we amazing donations of blankets, sleeping bags and food items. As winter begins, let's all think about how we can help those people having difficult times and see how we can support them through agencies that all do amazing work.

We had a lovely visit from Bunbury Cathedral Grammar school captains with a donation from a fundraising event "Big Freeze – fight MND" on the 26th.

On the 29th we had a wonderful surprise donation from the Rotary club of the Greater Bunbury with a Defibrillator.

We finished of the last week with a student from Grace College, who enjoyed her experience at the centre.

We welcomed a new volunteer this month – Chris and sadly said goodbye to another, Sally. On an exciting note, and thanks to a very generous benefactor we have starting in July a new employee – Tania as Client Support Triage Officer for 12 months.

We have had some amazing support from the community, including individuals, groups, businesses.

INTOWN CENTRE MISSION STATEMENT

In Town Centre Incorporated is a day centre facility that provides meals and promotes caring relationships and positive participation for all members of the community.

Intown Centre

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Bunbury WA 6230
PO Box 1666

Phone: 9791 4214

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intowncentre@bigpond.com

Suggestions, feedback, request, concerns:

If you have any of the above, please feel free to come and see me to have a chat, remember this is our centre- staff, volunteers, clients and visitors.



From the front desk – (Client Support Officers)
Sandy (Monday's & Friday's) & Yvette (Tuesday's – Thursday's)



Both are willing to help with any request or information you



Food Bank Letters

(only issued between):
10.30- 11.30am

**Please remember to read
all notices placed up in the
centre.**

General
Information:
9.30 – 10.30am &
12.30 – 1.00pm.

Unattended Desk:
11.35 – 11.55am
Lunch Service:
11.55- 12.30pm



Client Support – Triage Officer

Tania Hall
Monday – Friday
9.30am – 1pm

This position will allow for
more times for individuals
who need more assistance
in getting more information
of other services that help
people for many reasons.



At the Intown centre we are proud of the peace and harmony that we offer our clients and visitors. It is one of our foundations that we treat everyone the same offering a warm friendly environment to visit and helpful and friendly staff who do their utmost to help those in need.

We stand, as an example of what community spirit is all about, we do the best we can for those who need our help, in return we ask that people observe good manners and contribute to the harmony of the centre.



Board of Management

Chairperson – Niomi Hurley

Vice Chairperson –

Secretary – Chealsea Collins

Treasurer – Coby Thomas

Members –

Ann Dunstall

Mick Owens

Tracey Wheat

Denise Hough

Cheryl O'Shannessy

General Statistics



May

Services provided – 1388
(morning tea & meals)
Hampers – 36 (ytd 196)
Foodbank Letters – 22
Assistance – 216
New Clients:
Meals – 9 (ytd- 56)
ER – 15 (ytd 61)
Trading Days – 20

June

Services provided- 1312
(morning tea & meals)
Hampers – 30 (ytd 226)
Foodbank Letters – 20
Assistance – 177
New Clients:
Meals – 13 (ytd-69)
ER – 8 (ytd - 69)
Trading Days – 21

THANK YOU

How to make a donation to the Centre

Bank: Bendigo
BSB: 633-000
A/C: 207209560
All donations are tax deductible, please email/contact when you have made a donation requesting a receipt.
Thank you for your support.

If you would like to know more about the Centre and what it does, or how you can help or perhaps would like to visit, please contact us at the details provided.
Everyone is welcome, this is a community centre helping OUR community with community support.



Donations & Thank You's

Our special Regulars.

- ★ Jerry, Katrina & Team
- ★ Woolworths - Forum
- ★ Vivienne Marshall
- ★ Coles - Australind
- ★ St John of Gods
- ★ Bunbury Farmer's Market
- ★ Wigs
- ★ HHG Legal Group
- ★ The Lighthouse Mantra
- ★ Bethanie CF
- ★ Marion Eaton
- ★ K Wallis
- ★ Nando's
- ★ Spudshed
- ★ The Lord Forrest
- ★ Fredricks Café
- ★ Kajal Variya
- ★ Simon Goddard
- ★ Lions Club of Dardanup
- ★ W & L Shirley
- ★ Spudshed
- ★ Dalyellup Pharmacy
- ★ MaxFe 14

Newsletter Special Donors.

- ✓ Bega
- ✓ SW Social Riders Club
- ✓ WAACH - Flu Clinic
- ✓ WAS
- ✓ Brian
- ✓ Phillip & Vince Smith
- ✓ Dreambuilders Church
- ✓ Deb
- ✓ SW Community College
- ✓ Beyond Bank
- ✓ Taffy's
- ✓ WACOSS
- ✓ Budha Centre
- ✓ Aldi
- ✓ Yvette & Jennifer Issepi
- ✓ Bunbury Grammer School
- ✓ Enable Inc
- ✓ St Mary's PS
- ✓ Eeyore Family
- ✓ Lions Club of Australind

"Pop up Agency"

Other agency that visits the centre to showcase how they can help/assist people. If you are interested, please contact the manager.



AMAZING

We take donations of.....



We have been overwhelmed with all the wonderful donations given over the last two months; it shows the community spirit of giving. A big THANK YOU..!!!!



CHOOSE RESPECT
RESPECT IS TO TREAT WITH CARE AND CONSIDERATION

BE KIND
IT'S FREE

BE
THE
REASON
SOMEONE
SMILES
TODAY

COMMUNITY
PARTNERSHIPS

What's Been Going On !!!

Volunteer Week - Volunteer Lunch



Rotary Debrillator Donation

A huge thank you to the Rotary Club of the Greater Bunbury for this amazing donation. We hope we never get to use it, but if we do we will be prepared.



SLEEPING BAG GRANT

A big thanks to Bega & Anaconda for supporting this funding,



ANACONDA



**SHORT BACK™
& SIDEWALKS**

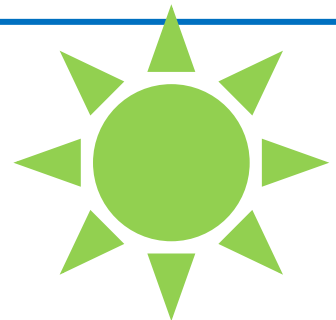
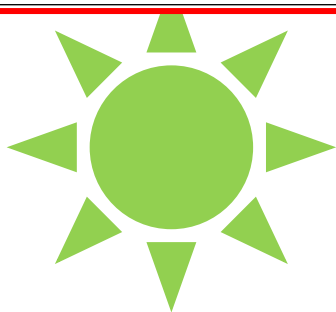


Unfortunately at the moment this service is unavailable, the coordinator is working to return the service as soon as possible.

Eye Special Visits

Moses (Optometrist) from "Johnsvision" is back, please check with client support officers when Mose is available again.

Next Full Visit: **19.8.26**



Advocating



Agencies

& supporting groups



OUTREACH HANG OUT SPACE

Milligan and Anglicare are hosting a relaxed drop-in space where you're welcome to enjoy a cuppa, a toastie, and friendly conversation. Whether you're looking for a little connection, some support, or simply a warm place to sit for a while – our team would love to see you.

🕒 10am - 1pm



19 March	17 September
14 May	5 November
18 June	17 December
6 August	

📍 **Koolambidi Woola**
1 Blair St, Bunbury WA 6230

MILLIGAN.



Kenya Miya
Housing First
Support Service



wa council of
social service

Food Relief Grants Program

Funded by the WA Government, to support frontline community organisations in WA already delivering food relief services and facing rising operational costs and demand pressures as a result of current fuel security challenges.

The Intown Centre has been successful in gaining funding under this grant to provide food/meals to those experiencing rising cost of affordable living.



Mission

To re-engage students in their learning and support them to develop their skills to become positive, productive members of society.

SWCC Bunbury Campus

📍 56 Wittenoom Street, Bunbury WA 6230

☎ 08 6724 6971

✉ admin@swcc.wa.edu.au

🕒 Mon-Fri: 8:30 - 4:30

The Intown Centre would like to Thank SW Community College & students in supporting the centre over the last few months with food items for Morning Tea (Sandwiches, cake, biscuits etc), the patrons of the centre have enjoyed these items. These have been very appreciated.

Reminders

01



Find joy in the little things.

02



Small progress is still progress.

03



It's okay to take a break.

04



Believe in yourself.

05



Life is more than a to-do list.

06



You deserve happiness.

KINDNESS MATTERS
PAY IT FORWARD

Bunbury Cathedral Grammar School Donation



A visit from School Captains with a wonderful donation after fundraising event "Big Freeze - fight MND" on the 26.6.26

SOUTH WEST RIDERS SOCIAL CLUB

12 TH ANNUAL RIDE



BLANKET RIDE

SUNDAY- 7TH JUNE 2026



Non-Riders & General community people are welcome to come along and donate also and check out the bikes. Sleeping Bags are also needed.



Providing blankets and non-perishables to the Intown Centre Bunbury. Departing - Collie visitor centre 10am & Australind BP 11am. All Welcome - Ride at own Risk - Rain Hail or Shine

Contact Details for more information.
Facebook: South West Riders Social Club
Intown Centre: 9791 4214



Amazing support from SW Social Riders Club, 30 riders on the day, 75 blankets/sleeping bags & 15 food items donated.

