



Intown centre

Shoestring Cafe

Newsletter – JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2026 – Issue 100

Manager's Chat – Leanne Gibbs

January

Wow – we just hit a milestone – 100 issues of our Newsletter, started in 2009, every 2 months. We hope everyone had a great festive season and break, time has slipped away again, and we have entered a new year. It didn't take long for the entire centre to return to our productive, supportive place with a wonderful team. Planning has begun for the return of Network Meetings; these are very informative in staying up to date, forming partnership and giving assistance.

Thanks to the support of the community, we were able to provide 65 School Backpacks from our appeal for students.

If any Agency, support group etc would like to showcase (pop up agency) what they do in the centre on any morning, please contact me.



In Town Centre



February

On the 7th we held a Meet & Greet the Team Lunch at the Centre for all those that volunteer and work in the Centre. We are also seeing a lot of new faces seeking assistance, on one hand this is sad but on the other hand we are glad we are here to help as much as we can. We are always happy and able to take food donations any time, to keep our pantry stocked up. Check out what else we have been up to throughout the newsletter.

On a more serious point, the centre like all businesses operates with many expenses (electricity, gas, water etc), we rely on the support of the community to make monetary donations to pay these accounts. Not only does the centre provide meals, hampers etc but we also have a centre that allows social interaction which has been proven to lessen depression which many of clients have.

All monetary donations are tax deductible. Finally, I would like to thank everyone that in one way or another has or does support the centre, this is very much appreciated.



Catering wonderfully done by Cheryl & Denise.



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.

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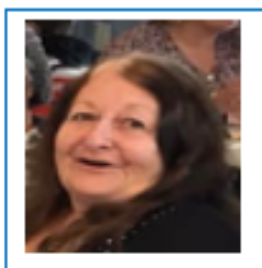
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Suggestions, feedback, request, concerns:

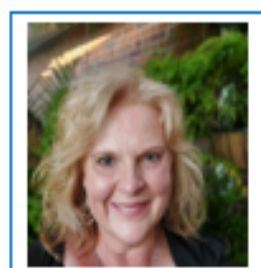
If you have any of the above, please feel free to come and see me to have a chat, remember this is our centre- staff, volunteers, clients and visitors.



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

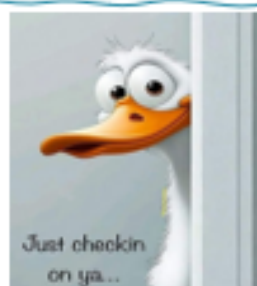
(only issued between):

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



Please seek out support to someone if you are feeling overwhelmed, many people here to give support.



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 – Emma MacLennan
- Secretary –
- Treasurer –
- Members –
- Ann Dunstall Mick Owens
- Tracey Wheat Jasmine Wagg
- Denise Hough Cheryl O'Shannessy

General Statistics



January

Services provided –1205
 (morning tea & meals)
 Hampers – 41 (ytd 41)
 Foodbank Letters – 23
 Assistance – 213
 New Clients:
 Meals – 10 (ytd- 10)
 ER – 12 (ytd 12)
 Trading Days – 19

February

Services provided- 1292
 (morning tea & meals)
 Hampers – 38 (ytd 79)
 Foodbank Letters – 32
 Assistance – 238
 New Clients:
 Meals – 15 (ytd-25)
 ER – 10 (ytd - 22)
 Trading Days – 20

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

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.



Facebook & Webpage

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.

- ✓ Dardanup Shire
- ✓ Russell Camon
- ✓ Marlene & Pauline
- ✓ St Boniface
- ✓ Flower Designers Club

"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.



We take donations of.....



We have been overwhelmed with all the wonderful donations given over the last two months; it definitely 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 !!!

An amazing sample of the lovely food we provide for lunches by the amazing teams on each day.



**SHORT BACK™
& SIDEWALKS**



Amazing service and the clients are very thankful.

Our Next Hair Days are:
30.3.26 & 20.4.26

Eye Special Visits

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



Advocating



Agencies

& supporting groups

Meet & Greet Breakfast

Networking - 25.2.26 - Vat 2

Great morning of networking with 22 people attending to share projects, programs & activities.



WIGS Talk – Yvette

Yvette did a wonderful talk about the centre and what we do and how their donations help.



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- Person-centred care that celebrates your unique rhythm and goals.
- Qualified team, including Disability Support Workers and Registered Nurses.
- Flexible services across Bunbury, from SIL to respite and in-home support.
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At Chorus Bunbury, we support older community members with Home Care or Support at Home packages. Our services include domestic assistance, gardening and home maintenance, social support, personal care, medication support, meal preparation, transport, allied health, and more.