

Intown centre

Shoestring Cafe

Newsletter – May/June 2024 – Issue 90

Manager's Chat – Leanne Gibbs

May

Mother Nature is confusing us all at the moment, accordingly, May has been the driest on record, however due to an abrupt thunderstorm which resulted in some areas of Bunbury experiencing a Tornado we has some rain. We share our concern for all those people who sustained damage or injuries. What we have done this month.

5th – SW Motorcycle Blanket Appeal, we received over 150 items.

6th – Two new volunteers helping with Collections – Mick & AJ.

10th – Regular Health Inspection with excellent results.

13th – SW Tafe Student started Work Placement for 4 weeks.

16th – New volunteer – Noushin- assisting in the kitchen.

22nd – SW Volunteer Awards, I was honoured to be nominated, and would like to congratulate Deb Woodward for winning.

23rd – Eye Specialist visit with Moses, 8 people were seen.

25th – Intown Centre Staff Lunch for Volunteers Week. Everyone enjoyed themselves and we missed the ones that couldn't be with us.

27th – Short Back & Sidewalks Hairdressers visit, with 23 people getting haircuts.

We are very fortunate to be able to have these visiting services to

June

We started the month with the "Blanket Bunbury" appeal organized by Triple M Radio, over 350+ items donated on the 1st and on the same evening Bunbury experience another destructive storm causing a lot of damage, again grateful no people where hurt. On the 3rd we had a public holiday – WA Day, centre was closed. This month is a quieter one for the centre, as for me it was about finalizing the financial year and reporting and planning for the next year ahead. Sadly, due to the rising cost of affordable living, we are seeing more people coming to the centre for assistance. We finished the last week with another wonderful visit from Shortback & Sidewalks on 24th and the Eye Specialist visit on the 26th. Lastly I would like to thank all our wonderful staff for their time, also everyone that supports the centre throughout the year.

In Town Centre



INTOWN CENTRE MISSION STATEMENT

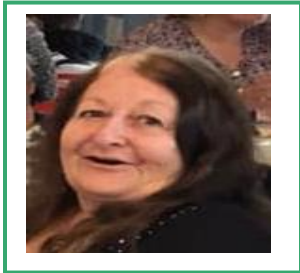
In Town Centre Incorporated is a day centre facility that provides meals and promotes caring relationships and positive participation for all members of the community.

"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.



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



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

Food Bank Letters

(only issued between):

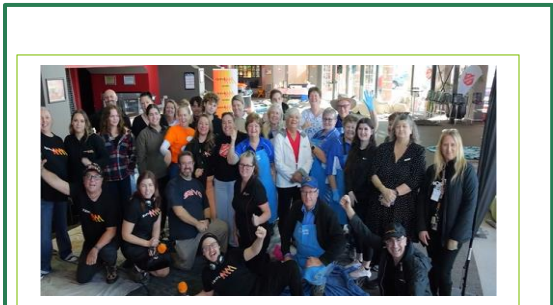
10.30- 11.30am

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

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



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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.

“Blanket Bunbury”

Hosted by Triple M Radio

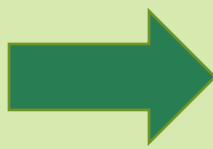
This event was held on Saturday 1st June at BREC, wonderful turn out of people helping on the morning and donations of over 360 items, which was shared among the agencies that support those in need. Well done Triple M for hosting this event.

Eye Special Visits

Moses (Optometrist) from “Johnsvision” visits the centre to do eye checks etc, once a month, call the centre if you would like to find out the date and make an appointment (these are free).



General Statistics



May

Services provided –1341
 (morning tea & meals)
 Hampers – 49 (ytd 204)
 Foodbank Letters – 73
 Assistance – 365
 New Clients:
 Meals – 8 (ytd- 33)
 ER – 22 (ytd 81)
 Trading Days – 22

June

Services provided- 1099
 (morning tea & meals)
 Hampers – 49 (ytd 253)
 Foodbank Letters – 53
 Assistance – 289
 New Clients:
 Meals – 7 (ytd- 40)
 ER – 19 (ytd 100)
 Trading Days – 19



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.



Facebook & Webpage

Donations & Thank You's

Our special Regulars;

- ★ Bunbury Kia
- ★ Jerry, Katrina & Team
- ★ Woolworths - Forum
- ★ Trish Dehring
- ★ Coles - Australind
- ★ St John of Gods
- ★ Bunbury Farmer's Market
- ★ Wigs
- ★ HHG Legal Group
- ★ Carol Cox
- ★ Michelle Meyer
- ★ Bethanie CF
- ★ Marion Eaton
- ★ K Wallis
- ★ Anonymous donors
- ★ The Lord Forrest
- ★ Fredricks Café
- ★ Kajal Variya
- ★ Simon Goddard
- ★ Lions Club of Dardanup

Newsletter Special Donors;

- ✓ Marion Eaton
- ✓ Vivienne Marshall
- ✓ Dennis Falkous
- ✓ Kristopher Malcolm
- ✓ Jeanine - Meals
- ✓ Lee Madden
- ✓ John Jury
- ✓ Geoff Wishart
- ✓ Carol Clancy
- ✓ Jennifer & Yvette Iseppi
- ✓ Spencer Family
- ✓ Nougat & Nice
- ✓ Australind Lions Club



If I have forgotten anyone, please contact me so that you can acknowledge in the next newsletter.

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...!!!!!!

National Volunteer Week - Intown Centre Volunteer Lunch - 25th May



Yvette, Zac, Sandy, Carol, Geoff, Jeni, AJ, Shelley, Lisa & Mick, Rhonda (photo was fuzzy) attended our Thank you Lunch.

Absent and Missed: Denise, Bella, Christine, Carmen, Jeanine, Natalie, Jenny, Mick O, Yvonne and Marvellous Peter.



Government of Western Australia
Department of Communities



What's Been Going On !!!



Sunday
5th May 2024

Over 50 riders on some impressive motorcycles, visited the Centre. A big thanks to the Riders Social Clubs for their wonderful donations of Blankets etc, vouchers etc. We can't have an awesome event without the support of Volunteers, so a huge, big Thank You to: Jeni, Geoff, Lorraine, Denise, Mick, AJ, Steph, Ann +, Sandy, Yvette, Peter and the sunshine.

Our next Hair Cut days are:
Monday 29th July 2024
Monday 26th August 2024

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.

We take donations of.....



Talk to someone if you're not, we are here to give you support.

WE LOVE
OUR VOLUNTEERS