



Intown Centre Newsletter

MAY/JUNE 2019

ISSUE 60



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.

Manager's Chat – Leanne Gibbs

May: Wow – what a month. It kicked off on the 2nd with the Annual Flu Shots for clients provided by Dr Foster & Associates, with 25 people attending. Closely followed by the Rotary's Give a Damn, give a Can on the 5th, another great event to support the 3 major services that assist with clients in crisis (Salvo's, St Vinnies & Intown Centre). Many thanks go to Rotary who organized the event. Special thanks go to our participants that gave up their time to help with the collection. (Sandy, Chondelle & Tyler, Mark & Family, Peter & Leanne, Jeni & Family), you all are awesome – Thanks

I attended the Manager's breakfast at the Café 140 on the 15th with 20 people in attendance, it is always beneficial to network with people doing the same work.

We welcomed a new volunteer to the Centre – Dani on the 21st who has fitted in nicely with our Tuesday Team.

On the 17th we had South West Community Legal Centre was one of our 'Pop up Agencies' we find these are very good for clients to see what is out there to help.

Volunteer Week was from 19th – 25th, on the 22nd SW Volunteers held a wonderful morning tea supported by the Dolphin Discovery Centre, I had the privilege of being part of the process in the awards ceremony. We finished off the week and month with the Centre's Volunteer Lunch at the Eaton Tavern.

June: The month started off with a public holiday for WA Day, the centre was closed, but there were many activities going on around Bunbury on that weekend. Friday 7th, I visited Bethanie Christian Fellowship and gave a small talk and received a wonderful donation. On the 10th we welcomed a new volunteer Liam, who started with the Monday Team but moved to the Friday Team after a few weeks.

This month I have had to develop some new skills – learning the new 'Single Payroll Touch' System for reporting to the ATO, this has been complex/interesting. 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. This time last year we averaged 70 new clients a month, now we are averaging 85 per month.

Lastly I would like to thank all our lovely wonderful staff for their time, also everyone that supports the centre throughout the year.

General Statistics



May

Services provided – 1683
(morning tea & meals)
Hampers – 59 (ytd 265)
Foodbank Letters – 387
Assistance – 449
New Clients:
Meals – 8 (ytd- 60)
ER – 121 (ytd 401)
Trading Days – 23

June

Services provided-1251
(morning tea & meals)
Hampers – 46
Foodbank Letters – 290
Assistance – 458
New Clients:
Meals – 6 (ytd- 66)
ER – 122 (ytd 523)
Trading Days – 19



From the front desk ~ Chondelle Heron

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

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

Chondelle is willing to
help with any request or
information you require.

Food Bank Letters (only issued between): 10.30- 11.30am

Please remember to read
all notices placed up in the
centre, also check out the
Client Folder on the tables
for the latest information.



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Coming Soon!

Sadly, our Sleepout Event advertised for 6th July 2019
has had to be cancelled due to minimal support.
However plans have begun for another (hopefully better
supported event) early in 2020.



R U OK ???

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

Suggestions, feedback, request, concerns:

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

Leanne Gibbs - Coordinator



Special Donation's



A big thank for the support of
for the Dardanup Shire. The
Shire recognized that many
people from their local area
use our wonderful centre and
provided us with a three year
financial sponsorship.



Donations and Thank You's



How to make a donation to the Centre

Bank: Bankwest
BSB: 306 004
A/C: 4170253

All donations are tax deductible, please email/contact when you have made a donation requesting a receipt.

Thank you for your support.

Our special Regulars;

- ★ *Bunbury Kia*
- ★ *Jerry & Katrina*
- ★ *Muffin Break - Centrepoint*
- ★ *Bunbury Toyota*
- ★ *Woolworths - Forum*
- ★ *Trish Dehring*
- ★ *Coles - Australind*
- ★ *St John of Gods*
- ★ *Bethanie Christian Fellowship*
- ★ *Bunbury Farmer's Market*
- ★ *Wigs*
- ★ *Kroon Legal*
- ★ *Many Individuals for various donations*
- ★ *Carol Cox*
- ★ *Koombana Beach Hut*

Newsletter Special Donors;

- ✓ *Curtis Dekock*
- ✓ *Nexus Risk*
- ✓ *Victor*
- ✓ *Don Punch*
- ✓ *Lighthouse Resort*
- ✓ *Rotary*
- ✓ *Jennifer Iseppi*
- ✓ *Lions Club of Capel*
- ✓ *Men of Song*
- ✓ *Leschenault Progress Association*
- ✓ *The Soup Van*
- ✓ *Branden Thuel*
- ✓ *M Van Duijnhoven*
- ✓ *Susan Hill*

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



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.



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Department of **Communities**

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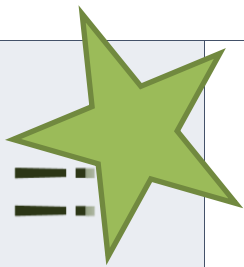


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CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

CITY OF BUNBURY

CHOOSE RESPECT
RESPECT IS TO TREAT WITH CARE AND CONSIDERATION

What's been going on !!



"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.



Volunteer Luncheon Saturday 25th May 2019 Eaton Tavern

This was held on the 25th May, lovely food and lovely time had by all. We are very privilege to have such a wonderful group of volunteers working in the centre. The luncheon is a way to say 'thank-you'.



Rotary Club of
Bunbury-Leschenault

Rotary's

Give a Damn – Give a Can

Again this year we are very appreciative of this event. Donations on the day (Sunday 5th May), shopping centre's and schools over the month we received just over 7,000 items

Thank you to all those involved – collectors, helpers throughout and especially people that donated. Special thanks to Jeni who is a volunteer at our centre for sorting and shelving all these items.



BENEFITS OF PUTTING YOUR PHONE AWAY

Better **SLEEP** Personal Extra

GROWTH SPARE TIME

Increased **PRODUCTIVITY** Spend time on **HOBBIES**

More time **TO CONNECT** **THE ORGANISED HOUSEWIFE** **Less FOMO**

