



Intown centre

Shoestring Cafe

Newsletter – NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2025 – Issue 99

Manager's Chat – Leanne Gibbs

November

Wow – the end of the year is closing in. Preparations are well underway for the Christmas Shoebox Appeal and the Back-to-School Appeal, both are supported well by the community and those that receive items are very appreciative. Planning also is well underway for our Centre Christmas Lunch on the 23rd of December. Another successful morning with Moses checking people's eyes and SBSW trimming many hairs. We finished off the month thanking our wonderful staff & volunteers who work in the daily operations of the Centre with a Christmas Lunch, this was held on the 30th at the Bunbury Golf Club with some continuing to the Highway Hotel for a High Tea to support the Centre.



In Town Centre



December

The Board of Management had their final meeting for the year on the 3rd, with some early chat about next year - Stay Tuned. The Christmas Shoebox appeal finished on the 22nd, with 168 donated – wow, what a great effort from the community and all those that received a box were overwhelmed and appreciative. So, a big THANKS to all that donated. The "Back to School" appeal is still running, closing on the 25th January 2026– so you still have time. We finished of the year with the Centre Christmas Lunch for the clients on the 23rd with lots of yummy food with 85 people attending... Big Thank you to all that helped on the day.

Finally, a big thanks to all the staff, volunteers, donors in the support of the centre they give. Looking forward to what '2026' holds for us all.

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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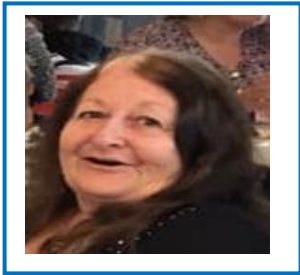
intowncentre@bigpond.com

Suggestions, feedback, request, concerns:

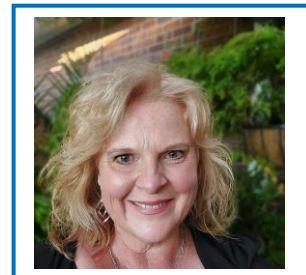
If you have any of the above, please feel free to come and see me to have a chat, remember this is our centre- staff, volunteers, clients and visitors.



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



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



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



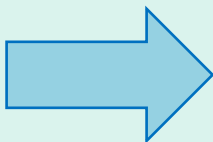
At the Intown centre we are proud of the peace and harmony that we offer our clients and visitors. It is one of our foundations that we treat everyone the same offering a warm friendly environment to visit and helpful and friendly staff who do their utmost to help those in need.

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 – Crystal Mather
 Treasurer – Leah Greathead
 Members –
 Ann Dunstall Mick Owens
 Tracey Wheat Jasmine Wagg
 Denise Hough Cheryl O'Shannessy

General Statistics



November

Services provided –1341 (morning tea & meals)
 Hampers – 43 (ytd 438)
 Foodbank Letters – 36
 Assistance – 265
 New Clients:
 Meals – 12 (ytd- 110)
 ER – 7 (ytd 140)
 Trading Days – 20

December

Services provided- 991 (morning tea & meals)
 Hampers – 45 (ytd 493)
 Foodbank Letters – 29
 Assistance – 247
 New Clients:
 Meals – 11 (ytd-121)
 ER – 15 (ytd - 135)
 Trading Days – 17



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.

- ★ 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
- ★ Dalvellup Pharmacy

Newsletter Special Donors.

- ✓ Dardanup Shire
- ✓ SW Getaway Club
- ✓ Gabi Ghasseb
- ✓ Dardanup Corner Store
- ✓ Lee Tomerini
- ✓ By Baptist College
- ✓ Dorsett Family
- ✓ Phillip & Vanna Smith
- ✓ Nought & Nice
- ✓ Highway Hotel
- ✓ Christopher Mann
- ✓ Anglican Parish
- ✓ Worsley Social Club
- ✓ St Mary;s PS
- ✓ MaxFe 14
- ✓ By Community College
- ✓ WACHSW
- ✓ Eaton Lions
- ✓ Steven Nestor
- ✓ Ddd's Golfing Ladoes
- ✓ JW Cross Maintenance
- ✓ Stephen & Liz Foster
- ✓ Investing in our Youth
- ✓ Chritine Linton
- ✓ Kashwap Family
- ✓ J Nortier
- ✓ M Fitt
- ✓ Coffin Dodgers
- ✓ Yvette & Jennifer Iseppi



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...!!!!

We take donations of.....



"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.



CHOOSE RESPECT
RESPECT IS TO TREAT WITH CARE AND CONSIDERATION

What's Been Going On !!!

Staff & Volunteers Christmas Lunch – 30.11.25

Staff Christmas lunch, lovely venue (Bunbury Golf Club), yummy food @ great people. A big thanks to all our awesome staff & volunteers who do so much in the daily operations of the centre.



Centre Christmas Lunch



23.12.25



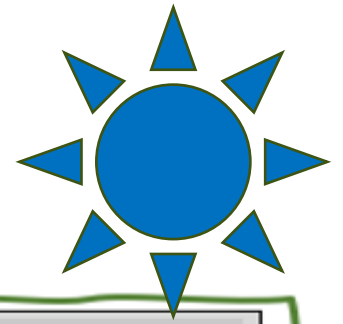
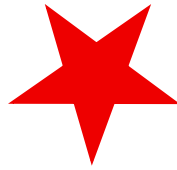
Another wonderful lunch provided to the clients, 95 people attended to enjoy yummy food, good company and a gift also. Thanks to: Preparation Work – Christine, Ralph, Annie, Cheryl, Denise. On the day: Sandy, Sharon S, Sandra, Christine, Lisa, Annie, Sally, Mick, AJ, Yvette & Leanne special thanks to Peter who already does so much for the centre but went beyond behind the scenes to assist for the day.



BE KIND
IT'S FREE

BE
THE
REASON
SOMEONE
SMILES
TODAY

COMMUNITY
PARTNERSHIP



Back to School 2026 Appeal

School Backpacks – Help underprivileged Children get back to school with the essential stationary items



Please deliver
between the 5th –
23rd January 2026 -
ONLY (due to storage)

PP – Year 3
Backpack
4 Scrapbooks
Crayons
Coloured Pencils
2 Display Folders
Pencil Case
2 Glue Sticks
Drink Bottle

Year 4-6
Backpack
2 ring files (x2)
2 Display Folders
1pk Plastic sleeve (20)
2 Document Wallets
2 A4 Notepads
Stationery Pack *

Year 7 -10
Backpack
1 Leaver Arch file
2 Display Folders
1 Pk Plastic sleeve
2 Document Wallets
2 A4 Notepads
Stationery Pack *

Stationery Pack – ruler, 2 glue sticks, coloured pencils, ~~textas~~, 2 highlighters, 2 erasers, sharpener, 1 pk mixed blue/red pens.

Please tag backpacks, girl or boy or unisex & what year!

In Town Centre



We thank you for
your support and
generosity.

DROPOFF

Intown Centre – 9791 4214
52 Wittenoom Street, Bunbury
Monday – Friday
9.30 – 11.30am (Only)



**SHORT BACK™
& SIDEWALKS**



Amazing service and the clients are very thankful.

Our Next Hair Days are:
19th January 2026 & 23rd February 2026

Eye Special Visits

Moses (Optometrist) from “Johnsvision”
is having a rest for a few months,
we will let everyone know when
he is back.



Highway Hotel – High Tea
(support of the Intown Centre)

Staff/volunteers were invited to the Highway hotel for ‘High Tea’ fundraiser for the Intown Centre this afternoon. Amazing set up and enjoyed by all, thanks to Nadene and the Highway Hotel for the support to the centre. 🍷👍👏



Smart2Ask Expo - Updates



🌟👏 A massive thank you to all the community organisations, government departments, generous sponsors and donors, and amazing volunteers who made last week's Smart2Ask such an incredible success! It was our biggest event yet, with over 40 stalls and nearly 500 people heading home with valuable advice and some freebies all aimed at making life a little easier. What a wonderful day and a great sign of how much Bunbury cares for its community. If your organisation is interested in being there next year, or you would like join the organising committee, then we'd love to hear from you! 🙌

Sharing the Love – Christmas Shoeboxes



We had an overwhelming response to our Christmas Shoebox Appeal, so much sharing, caring from the community. The centre gave out 85 out our Christmas Lunch on the 23rd and we delivered to Milligan 75 to give out on there Christmas Lunch on 25th.



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📍 4 Plaza Street, South Bunbury (We are by appointment only)
✍ PO Box 295, Bunbury WA 6231
📺 Follow us on facebook

We are driven by a commitment to justice, human rights and self-determination. We act with integrity and accountability and embrace innovation to meet the evolving needs of our community.



SOUTH WEST
COMMUNITY LEGAL CENTRE INC
South West Community Legal Centre Inc.

Serving the South West region for 30+ years.

We are committed to equity and social justice for all.

Opening Hours:
Monday 9am-4pm
Tuesday 9am-4pm
Wednesday 9am-4pm
Thursday 9am-3pm
Friday 9am-2pm
(Closed Public Holidays)
Address: Unit 5/Level 1- 7
Stirling Street Bunbury 6230
Postal: PO Box 1216 - Bunbury 6231
Phone: (08) 9791 3206
Free call: 1800 999 727
Email: info@swclc.org.au

Xmas Centre Lunch

Tuesday 23rd December 2025

Huge, Massive THANK YOU TO:

Sunday 21st - Xmas Lunch Preparation

- Christine
- Annie
- Sally
- Cheryl
- Denise
- Ralph

Tuesday 23rd - Xmas Lunch

- Kitchen**
- Christine
 - Lisa
 - Annie
 - Sally

- Sweets Table**
- Sharon
 - Sandra
 - Jasmine

- Greeting Table**
- Yvette
 - Sandy

- Gift Box Givers**
- Mick
 - AJ

- Allrounder VIP** - Peter
Host - Leanne

A wonderful TEAM to hold a wonderful event, enjoyed by many.

