

THE FRANKLIN TIDE

Cowell & District Community News

QUIZ NIGHT WRAP-UP: FUN, FACTS & FRIENDLY RIVALRY

The Franklin Harbour Button Club once again proved why it remains one of Cowell's most loved community groups, with a packed house turning out for a Quiz Night at the Cowell Bowls Club on Friday 21st August. The room was full of energy, laughter and friendly rivalry as teams settled in for an evening of random facts and quick thinking, covering everything from history and geography to entertainment, medical trivia and a few curveballs in between.

The Bowls Club played host to an assortment of themed tables, with teams arriving dressed as pirates, neon partygoers, beer-pong champions, ten pin bowlers and more. The creativity added an extra layer of fun, and the judges had a tough time choosing the Best Dressed table from such an enthusiastic field. Throughout the night, guests enjoyed a variety of activities including a lucky door prize, raffles, and the ever-popular Pick a Bottle of Wine, where the real surprise is what's inside. These crowd favourites kept the excitement going between quiz rounds and helped boost the fundraising tally.



The Most Fearsome of Pirates

The Quiz Night supported a cause close to the heart of the community: our local ambulance service, whose volunteers and staff provide essential care across Cowell and surrounding districts. The Button Club extends its heartfelt thanks to everyone who donated prizes, purchased tickets, or contributed in any way. Money raised from the night will be donated to the SA Ambulance Cowell Station.

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The Ten Pin Bowlers

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QUIZ NIGHT CONTINUED.

The Button Club will approach its 50-year milestone next year, and proudly celebrates having raised more than \$100,000 for local causes, an extraordinary achievement for a small regional community. This event was a reminder of what makes Cowell special - people showing up, pitching in, and having fun while supporting our community.

Thank you to all who attended, dressed up, donated, and made the night such a success, and to the Cowell Bowls Club for hosting. The Franklin Harbour Button Club continues to prove that when the community comes together, great things happen. If you get the chance, continue to support the Button Club. Whether it's their events or their raffle tickets – all proceeds go back into our community.

If you missed the Quiz Night, or had such a good time you can't remember what you learnt; give these questions a try.



TRUE OR FALSE

1. A group of crows is a murder, and a group of flamingos is called a flamboyance.
2. The human body has more bacteria cells than human cells.
3. The Eiffel Tower was originally designed to be temporary and demolished after 20 years.
4. Napoleon Bonaparte was unusually short for his time, which is where the term "Napoleon complex" comes from.
5. Sharks are older than trees; they existed before trees evolved on Earth.
6. Honey never spoils; edible honey has been found in ancient Egyptian tombs.
7. Cleopatra lived closer in time to the Moon landing than to the construction of the Great Pyramid.
8. The Button Club has been part of Cowell for nearly 50 years.
9. Oxford University is older than the Aztec Empire.
10. Mount Everest is the closest point on Earth to the moon.

Answers on page 16

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A WORD FROM THE CEO

Annual Senior Citizens' Christmas Party – Friday 4th December 2026

Come along and celebrate the festive season with friends and fellow residents at Cowell's Annual Senior Citizens' Christmas Party! This fun-filled event is a wonderful opportunity for Cowell residents aged 65 and over to enjoy good company, great food, plenty of Christmas cheer and a chance to catch up with old friends and make new ones.

- Enjoy a delicious catered meal
- Christmas festivities and entertainment
- Good company, laughter and plenty of holiday spirit

Whether you've been coming for years or this is your first time, everyone is welcome to join in the fun! If you are over 65, live in the Franklin Harbour district and if your name is not already on the guest list, please contact the Council Office to register – 8629 2019

Catering will be provided by the Cowell Area School Parents and Friends Committee.

This is a great opportunity to bring your Christmas spirit and enjoy a wonderful celebration with our Cowell community!



Thank you

We would like to extend our sincere thanks to Jan, John and Jemma for their generous donation of a bench seat for our foreshore area. Their thoughtful contribution has provided a welcoming place for residents and visitors to sit in the sunshine all year round and be sheltered from the prevailing breeze off the harbour. This gift will be appreciated by many people for years to come and is a wonderful example of community spirit and generosity. Thank you, Jan, John and Jemma, for helping to make our foreshore an even more enjoyable and inviting place for everyone.



Dog & Cat Registrations – Overdue

Please be advised that as of the 31st of August 2026 Dog & Cat registrations are now overdue.

Please register your animals to avoid a late fee, which will be applied from 1st October 2026.

Please contact council if you have any issues.



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Hello Cowell Residents,

Regarding the Ruston Tractor, we hope to have it back this month. Cash donations will be accepted at the Cowell Bank SA Branch or Post Office Museum where a receipt will be issued. All donations cash or bank transfer will be tax deductible with a letter of appreciation issued from the Franklin Harbour History Museum Committee.

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Please include your name in the reference field.

Anyone interested in volunteering at the Post Office Museum can contact Bev Horder on 0427 292 313. Anyone interested in volunteering at the Agricultural Museum can contact Rodger Story 0428 377 133 or Raelene James on 0439 218 740.

We are also looking for anyone willing to do some data entry (typing) to update our historical records - contact Claire Woods 0459 028 438 or Di Woods 0428 123 471.

Records Officer & Secretary of the Museum Committee,
Claire Woods

LIONS CLUB OF COWELL SUNDAY MARKETS

COWELL LIONS MARKETS ARE BACK!

THE COWELL LIONS MARKETS ARE RETURNING, WITH OUR FIRST MARKET FOR THE SEASON BEING HELD ON THE FIRST SUNDAY IN OCTOBER.

WE'D LOVE TO SEE PLENTY OF LOCALS AND VISITORS COME ALONG, ENJOY A CUPPA, CATCH UP WITH FRIENDS AND SUPPORT OUR LOCAL STALLHOLDERS AND COMMUNITY. THE MARKETS WILL THEN CONTINUE ON THE FIRST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH.

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STALLHOLDER INFORMATION

● STALLS - \$10

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● STALLHOLDER SET-UP FROM 7.30AM, MARKET 9AM- 1PM

● MARKETS HELD ON THE FIRST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH, STARTING IN OCTOBER
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RON TREMAINE - EYRE SHELLFISH - COWELL HATCHERY

How did you come to be General Manager at the Eyre Shellfish Hatchery?

I came to it the long way around. I've lived and worked in Asia, the United States and New Zealand, managing operations right across the world, most of that in FMCG, with PepsiCo and the Detmold Group. The one that stands out is COVID: I led the establishment of Detmold Medical in Adelaide, where at the height of COVID we were producing a million masks a day. After all that, I was looking for a sea change. A recruiter rang out of the blue about an opportunity to run an oyster business on the Eyre Peninsula, and I thought that sounds like exactly what we were after, a small community, somewhere we could connect with and actually make an impact. That's the real sea change. Mind you, I'm still coming to terms with the challenges of primary industry, but I wouldn't swap it for anything.



Razorfish & Oysters

Please tell us Ron, what exciting news do you have coming out of the hatchery?

We've achieved our first commercial hatchery spawn of razorfish, *Pinna bicolor*, which as far as we know is a first anywhere. Razorfish have never been produced at commercial scale in a hatchery before in Australia, and getting a spawn away is the hard part. Just as importantly, we've now shown they can be grown out on the same long-line systems our oyster growers already have in the water. That means a new species that doesn't require anyone to reinvent their farm. Alongside that, our Pacific oyster spawning runs are going strongly and demand for spat is high. We're also restocking our Coffin Bay on-grower farm, which took a real hit in production from the harmful algal bloom, getting that site back to full stocking is a big focus for us this year. The bloom knocked wild razorfish populations around badly as well, so being able to produce them in a hatchery opens the door to putting animals back on the seabed, not just on the market.

This news is obviously huge, and with a PhD student involved in the research and work as well?

It is, and we can't take all the credit. We've formalised an Industry PhD partnership with the University of Adelaide, and Ewan Burns has come on board as our PhD candidate. His work runs across four areas: hatchery production of razorfish, re-seeding and reef restoration, the brevetoxin and Kareena side of the harmful algal bloom, and genetic connectivity between populations. Ewen will be based across our sites, Coffin Bay, Cowell and Smoky Bay, so its real hands-in-the-water research rather than something happening in a lab hundreds of kilometers away. We've also brought on Matthew Reardon as Hatchery and Research & Development Manager. Having that combination of a dedicated researcher and an experienced hatchery specialist is what turns a promising result into a repeatable one.



Ron Tremaine, James Tickner, 'Rags' Boylan, Ron Kandelaars



Razorfish on seabed

RON TREMAINE - CONTINUED

What should we expect in 12 months-time out of this research and work?

Three things, realistically. First, consistency, one spawn is a result, repeatable spawns are an industry. We want razorfish production runs so we can plan a season ahead. Second, animals back on the seabed. We'd like to have re-seeding trials in the water and early data on how they're surviving. Third, a much better picture of what the algal bloom actually did and how resilient these populations are, which is where Ewan's work matters. Behind the scenes we're also finishing a significant biosecurity upgrade across our Cowell raceways, the Kellidie Bay hatchery and a new quarantine facility. That's not glamorous, but it's what lets us keep producing when the next event comes along.

What can community members do if they would like to learn more about the hatchery?

Come and talk to us! This is Cowell, so people generally know where to find me. We're always happy to hear from anyone with an interest in what's happening in Franklin Harbour and at the hatchery, whether that's growers, students, or people who've simply watched the razorfish disappear off the flats and want to know what's being done. We'll be sharing progress as the research develops, and we're keen to have local people involved in the restoration side of it. Anyone who wants to get in touch can email me directly at ron@eyreshellfish.com.au or just grab me around town.

Just to finish off Ron.....In your opinion, if animals could unionise, which one would be the first to go on strike?

Oysters, without a doubt. They filter the harbour twenty-four hours a day, they never get a smoko, and they've never once been thanked for it. They'd have a very strong case — although negotiations would be slow, because they refuse to open up in front of management.



James Tickner



Plated Razorfish at Port Lincoln Salt Festival

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The Franklin Harbour Community Development Group is a not-for-profit community organisation. It was established in the year 2000 and its objective is to initiate and engage in projects that add to the history and the community, and to achieve important outcomes for the town of Cowell.

Past projects include:

- Hospital signage at its entrance
- Silo art
- Silo art shelter
- Fish sculptures
- Fabian's Walk and planting of jacaranda trees

Current projects include:

- Black Stump refurbishment
- Construction of a mosaic couch/ time capsule at the Black Stump
- Mural on the silo trotting shed

Each year the group also hosts the popular Pyrotechnics Night held on the March long weekend.

The Development Group currently has 12 members and would welcome anyone interested in joining the group. Cowell has a large younger community, and their involvement would contribute to the relevance and future of the group.

The group meet bi-monthly, and the next meeting will be held at the Lions Shed on Wednesday 21st October 2026, commencing at 6.30pm. Any enquiries can be directed to Secretary, Maggie Earle at maggieearle@bigpond.com.



The Black Stump refurbishment ready for visitors

Do you need to refresh your CPR?



TAFE SA are running a CPR course on the **Wednesday, 23 September at 4:00pm**, in the school library. The course is \$60 and registration can be made online and close on the 18th September.

If you're interested in gaining your CPR click on this link: [Tafe SA CPR Course](https://www.tafesa.edu.au/xml/course/sc/sc_T684339110.aspx) or type https://www.tafesa.edu.au/xml/course/sc/sc_T684339110.aspx into your browser. Contact the school on 8629 2150 for further information.



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THE WAY THINGS WERE - A LOOK BACK IN TIME

We're excited to bring you a new bi-monthly feature, The Way Things Were, where we'll share memories from one of our community members. This edition is Peter Robinson, father of the lovely Linda Robinson, one of the smiling faces greeting people at Cowell Hospital. Peter, 94 years young, moved to Cowell earlier this year. We hope you enjoy reading his memories.

Going to School:

I attended 7 different schools in Victoria and left at Form 3 level (equivalent to Year 8) at age 13½. My favourite lessons were English and Maths. The only memory from school days was the scuffle with the deputy headmaster (a noted bully) that led to my expulsion midway through 1945. This ended my formal education.

Siblings:

I had a sister at home until 1942, at which point she was adopted out of the family to wealthy, but childless, relatives of my father (a merchant seaman) to give her a better chance in life.

Events:

The only events - if they can be called such - I can recall attending as a child were the Walt Disney movies my mother took me to. Sleeping Beauty, Pinocchio, Dumbo, Bambi and Fantasia. As a young adult, the only notable event was the Melbourne concert of Bill Haley & the Comets during their 1957 Australian tour. I also went to several Test matches and AFL grand finals.

Family Life:

In retrospect, life for me must have been always comfortable as I lacked for little. However, while they never discussed it in my presence, life must have been a real struggle for my parents. Married just as the Great Depression started, dad frequently out of work, mum with two small kids to look after and always never enough money to go round. But like so many in those days, they often went without to ensure their children had enough and we children were never aware of their circumstances. It was not until I reached adulthood that I learned about their life in the Depression and the early years afterwards. Dad had lost jobs as a trainee accountant when the Depression struck and was forced to take whatever work he could to support the family and eventually found permanent work as a seaman. During WWII he was the Bosun on a munitions carrier and his ship was one of the only two that escaped damage during the infamous Japanese bombing of Darwin harbour.

Working Days:

I started work in 1947 at age 15 as a junior clerk at a wage of £2-3-6 (\$4.35) per week. The working week was 44 hours - 8 hours Monday to Friday and 4 hours Saturday morning. The 40 hour week did not become the standard until 1948. I did not enjoy that job and left after 12 months.

Thereafter, I had a succession of short term jobs until joining the Shell company in 1954 and in 1963 I took up a position in the mining industry at Cobar in NSW and remained in that industry for 33 years, working for another 3 companies, until I retired in 1996. During that time, I worked at Rosebourne in WA, Bougainville Island in PNG, Tarago in NSW and Blackwater in QLD.

Advice to a 25 year old:

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without ever
touching it. ?

I steal light and time,
yet give them back as
memory. ?

I'm flat and silent,
but I can hold a
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What am I?

Find the answer on page 22

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LIONS CLUB OF COWELL

It has certainly been a busy time for our Lions Club!

We are continuing with the renovation and painting of our market trailers and hope to start getting everything back together in readiness for the first market of the season on 4th October.

August was a particularly busy month for us. Our Kindy Mentoring Program continued on 28th August, providing another great opportunity for members to spend time with the children and share their skills and knowledge.

We also welcomed the District Governor and accompanying Lions on 29th August, with a dinner meeting held at Zorb and Jan's farm that evening. This was followed by a Training Day at the Lions Shed on Sunday, 30th August.

At our working bee on Saturday, 22nd August, we began designing and constructing seats to be placed at various locations around town, giving weary walkers somewhere to stop, sit and enjoy a well-earned rest. Work also continued on our market trailers.

Another project on the agenda is the rebuilding of the boardwalk. As this work will depend on suitable tides, working bees may need to be organised outside our usual scheduled times.

After what has been a very busy 12 months, our Yorke Peninsula trip from 18th – 20th September is sure to be a much-anticipated social break and a great opportunity for members and partners to relax and enjoy some time together.

Our members and volunteers also did an excellent job managing the exhibitors admission car park at the Field Days. Thank you to everyone who helped out.

Market Season is Back!

It's that time of year again! Our **community market season kicks off on Sunday, 4th October**, and we're looking forward to another great season of bringing locals and visitors together.

Our markets are about much more than shopping – they're a chance to catch up with friends, enjoy a **cuppa and a chat**, listen to some **live music**, browse the variety of stalls and simply enjoy being part of our community.

The markets are also an important community service and fundraiser, helping us to continue supporting local projects and giving back to our town.

So come along, bring your family and friends, support our stallholders, grab a cuppa and enjoy the atmosphere. **By supporting our markets, you're supporting our community – and we'd love to see you there!**



Kim, Michelle, Jack and Zorb directing traffic at the field days.



Stax and Neill at a working bee, getting trailers ready for the markets.



Sharran and Jack working with their kindy buddies.



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Vietnam Veterans' Day — RSL Australia

Vietnam Veterans' Day is commemorated annually on 18th August, which is the anniversary of the Battle of Long Tan – one of the most significant conflicts for Australians who served in the Vietnam War.

On Tuesday, 18th August, the Vietnam Commemorative Service was conducted by the Cowell RSL. The president of the Cowell RSL, Trevor McGrath, welcomed veterans, members, members of the community and visitors. Trevor read the Veteran Acknowledgement and gave the following address.



COMMEMORATIVE ADDRESS:

We gather today with respect and humility to honour those who served Australia during the Vietnam War. We acknowledge the families, friends and communities who have carried that service alongside them.

The Vietnam War was a tragedy for millions. For the people of Vietnam, for the families and friends of Vietnamese civilians and soldiers, the grief is felt deeply. In Australia, we grieve for those lost and those changed by the war, for families and children. The tragedy of war is universal, and its effects linger for generations.

But we come together today not to debate history, but to remember people. Australians who served at great personal cost, and whose service deserves recognition and gratitude.

When we think about the Vietnam War, our thoughts turn to the Australians who lost their lives, came home sick or wounded, or carried memories of those days with them for decades.

ODE OF REMEMBRANCE:

They shall grow not old as we that are left grow old. Age shall not weary them nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning, We will remember them. We will remember them.



Left to Right: A Arnold, L Harding, R Smith, J Scott, M Grund, Graham



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TRUE OR FALSE

Answers from page 2:

1. True 2. True 3. True 4. False; Napoleon was average height, the myth comes from British propaganda 5. True 6. True 7. True; Cleopatra died 30 BC; pyramids 2560 BC; Moon landing 1969 AD 8. True; since 1977 9. True; Oxford 1096 AD; Aztec Empire founded 1300 AD 10. False; Mount Chimborazo

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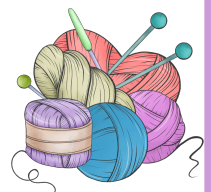
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YARNOHOLICS

If you're interested in yarning, knitting, crocheting or chatting about the above, come along to our craft afternoons. For more information contact Trish Chatwin through Yarnoholics of Cowell and Surrounds on Facebook.

Cowell Commercial Hotel Cafe
4th & 18th October
1pm - 4.30pm



DAYLIGHT SAVING

Starts Sunday 4th October

SA, ACT, VIC, NSW & TAS

Don't forget to put your clocks forward 1 hour before you go to bed on Saturday night. Enjoy the extra evening daylight.



COWELL AREA SCHOOL AQUACULTURE UPDATE WITH SEONIE ROBST

Cowell Area School (CAS) will again host TAFE SA to deliver the Certificate II in Aquaculture from our school site in 2027. The program has been highly successful in 2026, attracting students from Cleve, Whyalla, Streaky Bay and Karcultaby, as well as providing a springboard into local employment for two of Cowell's own SACE students.

Thank you to our incredible industry partners who hosted student work immersion experiences at a variety of sites - moving kingfish brood stock at Yumbah, Arno Bay, collecting oysters at Shuck Me Oysters, Cowell, and grading spat at Eyre Shellfish hatchery, Cowell.

CAS Aquaculture Manager Darren Fisher worked closely with the students at school introducing the principles of a recirculating aquaculture system and devising plumbing solutions for our own barramundi systems, while TAFE SA lecturer Brent Smith worked with the team to connect their hands-on learning to broader industry perspectives. We are very proud of our student ambassadors leading the charge for the revitalisation of this important course and championing Vocational & Educational Training (VET) learning in our community. We still have spaces open for next year's course and Darren is busy spruiking the opportunity at the Adelaide Show, Urrbrae Agricultural High School, and schools in the Limestone Coast and Yorke Peninsula regions.

The Certificate II in Aquaculture (SFI20119) is designed to help students develop skills and knowledge to work in the Aquaculture and Seafood industry and requires a certain number of hands-on hours developing skills through real-world experience. There is a focus on hands-on, practical learning in real Aquaculture facilities. Students learn about feeding, handling and growing stock, disease management, harvesting, filleting and food hygiene, operating and maintaining aquaculture systems, as well as shipboard safety.

Students going into Year 11 & 12 in 2027 are invited to give an expression of interest to their school VET coordinators and join us for our upcoming tours and talks to introduce the course. Free boarding is available at CAS for students undertaking the Certificate II in Aquaculture. This qualification, and the associated experience, is a great entry point to the industry for young people across South Australia.

To learn more about the course please reach out to Darren or Seonie at Cowell Area School on 8629 2150, or to TAFE SA.



Cowell Area School's barramundi fingerlings



Winter Springs

The dam was bone dry at the beginning of the year and the winter rains brought it back to life again.

Far left; Matthew Deer in the Canola.

To the left is the Calibre wheat crop.

Join us for a pictorial crop inspection around the Franklin Harbour District.

The district is currently enjoying a stellar season. It seems every seed was planted the right way up this year, with crops emerging thick, lush, and healthy across the region.

The abundance of rain has certainly worked its magic this season, contributing to excellent growing conditions and impressive crop development.

Thank you to everyone we have contacted who has submitted photographs. Your contributions help showcase the outstanding season we are experiencing.

If you would like to share picture from the Franklin Harbour district for our next newsletter please submit it to cowellcommunitynewsletter@gmail.com



Regiment Canola on the Story Farm at Mt Millar - picture taken by Dylan Story



Robert Norris in the Tomahawk Wheat. Robert tells us it's "as good as it was in 1968, 2010 & 2016."



Ava Walsh in the Anvil wheat paddocks at Mitchellville.

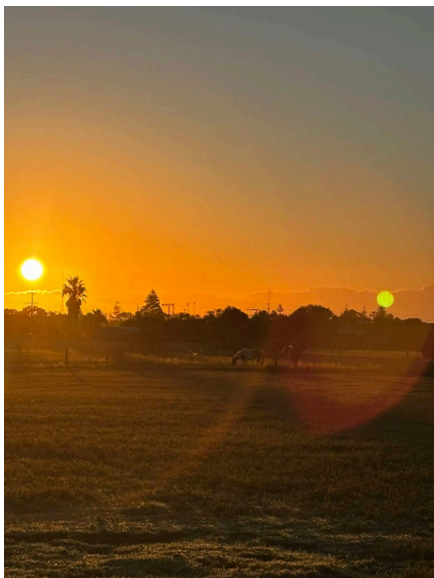


Jack & Michelle Curtis at Miltalie in the thriving Commodus Barley Crop



Fields of green Commodus Barley at Mt Millar on The Story Farm.

PHOTO OF THE MONTH



Sam Carmody captured this image while watching the sunrise from the old Quandong farm over Cowell with her two horses in Kylie and Jack McFarlane's front paddock.

📷 Got a Photo Worth Sharing?

We would love to see the moments that inspire you!

Share a favourite photo of a beautiful sunset, local wildlife, a community event, a special place, or any moment that made you smile.

Send your photo along with a few words about where it was taken and why it means something to you.

Submit it through our Facebook page or by email.

Your photo could be featured as our next Photo of the Month!

RELIGIOUS SERVICES

COWELL UNITING SERVICES

Sunday 13th September

10am - Shared Lunch

Sunday 20th September

11am

Sunday 27th September

2pm - Afternoon Tea

Sunday 4th October

2pm - Afternoon Tea

COWELL LUTHERAN SERVICES

Sunday 13th September

8.30am - Lay Reading Service

Sunday 20th September

5pm - Pastor Keller

Sunday 27th September

9.30am - Lay Reading

Sunday 4th October

9.30am - Lay Reading

COWELL CATHOLIC SERVICES

Sunday 13th September

9am - Communion Service

Saturday 19th September

5pm

Sunday 27th September

11am

Sunday 4th October

8.30am

Sunday 11th October

9am Communion Service

Saturday 17th October

5pm

CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

COWELL

Sunday Meetings

10am The Lords Supper

10.30am Family Service



Franklin Harbour Tide Times

SUN 13 Sep 5:30 am 1.63m 12:01 pm 0.52m 5:25 pm 1.4m 11:10 pm 0.6m	MON 14 Sep 5:41 am 1.77m 12:28 pm 0.47m 5:44 pm 1.32m 11:02 pm 0.56m	TUE 15 Sep 5:55 am 1.84m 12:51 pm 0.49m 6:00 pm 1.26m 11:12 pm 0.51m	WED 16 Sep 6:15 am 1.85m 1:15 pm 0.57m 6:15 pm 1.19m 11:28 pm 0.47m	THU 17 Sep 6:37 am 1.8m 1:42 pm 0.71m 6:25 pm 1.13m 11:43 pm 0.45m	FRI 18 Sep 7:05 am 1.69m 2:17 pm 0.87m 6:19 pm 1.07m 11:53 pm 0.45m	SAT 19 Sep 7:39 am 1.56m 3:25 pm 1.04m 5:13 pm 1.05m 11:54 pm 0.48m	SUN 20 Sep 8:31 am 1.42m 11:43 pm 0.52m	MON 21 Sep 1:11 pm 1.4m 11:14 pm 0.56m
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Low tide



High tide

Tide times published on willyweather.com.au
Correct as of 9th September 2026

SCHOOL HOLIDAY OPENING HOURS

28th September - 9th October

Monday
8.30am - 12.30pm

**Tuesday, Wednesday &
Thursday**
8.30am - 12.30pm
1.30pm - 4.30pm

Friday
Closed

GIRLS' ~~NIGHT~~ DAY IN

Sun 29th November @ 1pm

Make your own botanical wreath. If you enjoyed basketweaving, then don't miss another class with Bethany.

Start with a blank canvas and build your wreath with dried and fresh foliage.

Strictly limited spots.

\$70 per person, payment needs to be made before 13th November.



INTRODUCTION TO CANVA

Canva

Unlock Your Creativity with Canva

New to Canva? This beginner-friendly course is the perfect place to start! Learn the basics of Canva and build the skills and confidence to create eye-catching, professional designs, from flyers and social media posts to presentations and more.

No design experience needed!



When & Where

**Wednesday 16th September at 10.30am
at Cowell Library**

Where possible bring along a laptop to practice on.

No experience needed

Contact the library on
8629 2320 to book in.



? Frustrated by technology?
Need help with your phone or laptop?
Don't know how to spot a scam email?



Help is here!
Book in for a one on one
with us. Appointments
available every
Wednesday morning.



Contact the library on
8629 2320 to book in.

Storytime & Baby Bounce

Tuesdays @ 9.45am

- September 22nd
- October 20th
- November 3rd



Come and join us

Cowell Singers



Do you love to sing? Want to be part of a fun and welcoming community? Come add your voice to our choir!

- No experience needed
- All ages welcome

Possible rehearsal time- Mondays 1:30pm, starting Mid October

Cowell Lutheran Hall

I'm looking to see if we have enough numbers to restart up our singing group, if you'd like to join us please ring/text Michelle 0428856604

Cowell Community Library
Community Connect

Crochet & Knitting

THURSDAY 24TH
SEPTEMBER
10AM

Cowell Library in conjunction with Yarnoholics, will be working together to assemble 20 x 20cm squares to assist with a Community Christmas Project. Beginner, novice and skilled Knitters & Crocheters will help each other. Wool supplied, welcome to bring your needles and hooks. Feel free to make contact with us on 8629 2320 or we will see you on the day :)

All welcome

Hidden Treasures Around Town

Colourful rocks and tiny statues are popping up around Cowell, tucked into unexpected places for anyone to find.

It's a growing little treasure hunt and anyone can join. Paint, hide, discover, repeat. Enjoy the chase if you dare! Spot one? Snap a photo and share the joy on the Cowell Community - Anything goes Facebook page.



September's Riddle Me This:
Answer - Photograph

Cowell Institute Committee

AGM

Wednesday Sept 16th
4pm

Supper Room
Everybody Welcome

Contact:

Richard Stening 0427516566
Michelle Curtis 0428856604



Feel like playing cards?

Join us at the Uniting Church on
Mondays & Wednesdays between 12.45pm - 3.30pm.

Mon: Bridge and Hand & Foot

Wed: Hand & Foot

\$2 per session includes tea, coffee & a biscuit.

Everyone welcome including learners.

Contact Angie on
0429 150 545





★ **COWELL** ★
DARTS
LEAGUE

DARTS TUESDAY NIGHT

 **BAR OPEN 6.30PM**

 **START 7.15PM**

 **VENUE COWELL RSL**

GOOD DARTS • GREAT COMPANY • ALL WELCOME!

SEE YOU TUESDAY!

Mystery Doubles Competition to be held on **Tuesday 6th October at the RSL.**

Bar and nominations open from 6:45pm and play commences at 7:15pm SHARP. Teams will be drawn at random on the night, so no need to bring a partner.

August Social Dart Results

High Peg out Men	Gary Martin	80
High Peg out Men Runner Up	Sam Sully	72
High Peg out Ladies	Sue Sully	40
High Peg out Ladies Runner Up	Sue Sully	28
High Aggregates Men	Gary Martin	4077
High Aggregates Men Runner Up	Matt Baker	1921
High Aggregates Ladies	Sue Sully	213
High Aggregates Ladies Runner Up	Linda Mcgrath	134
Most Peg out Men	Gary Martin	23
Most Peg out Men Runner Up	Tim Rehn	14
Most Peg out Ladies	Sue Sully	5
Most Peg out Ladies Runner Up	Judith Scott	3
Total Aggregates for the month	14067	
Total Peg outs for the month	103	
Number of players for month	41	
180's	Danny x1	



COWELL G.C.

FRIDAY NIGHT'S AT THE

COWELL GOLF CLUB

EVERYONE WELCOME
JOIN US FOR THE
RAFFLE
MEMBERS DRAW
BAR FACILITIES
EFTPOS AVAILABLE

CLUB OPEN FROM
4:30pm
DON'T FORGET
YOUR TOKEN FOR
THE MEMBERS
DRAW

COWELL SENIOR TENNIS



PLAYED ON
FRIDAY NIGHTS



FROM
MID OCTOBER
UNTIL
MARCH



SOCIAL TENNIS
EVERYONE IS WELCOME!



FOR MORE INFO ON HOW TO
JOIN A TEAM OR FILL IN

CONTACT BRAD

0497574436

GET YOUR RACQUET, HAVE SOME FUN AND ENJOY GREAT COMPANY!

SEPTEMBER

14 Bendigo Bank Information session - 6pm
 15 Lions Club meeting - 7:30 pm
 16 Institute Committee AGM - 4 pm
 16 Introduction to Canva (Library) - 10.30am
 20 Community Garden Working Bee - 10 am
 20 Yarnoholics - 1pm
 22 Library - Story Time and Baby Bounce - 9:45 am
 23 CPR course (Library) - 4pm
 24 Hospital Auxiliary meeting - 1:30 pm
 24 Community Connect (Library) - 10am
 25 Wellbeing Calendar entries due

NOVEMBER

1 Lions Market - 9am
 3 Storytime and Baby Bounce - 9.45am
 6 RFDS meeting - 11am
 8 Yarnoholics - 1pm
 11 Remembrance Day
 11 Council Meeting - 1pm
 15 Community Garden Working Bee - 10am
 17 Lions Club Meeting - 7.30pm
 22 Yarnoholics - 1pm
 26 Hospital Auxiliary meeting - 1.30pm
 29 Girls' Day In - Botanical Wreaths - 1pm

OCTOBER

4 Lions Market - 9 am
 4 Yarnoholics - 1pm
 4 Daylight savings change - 2am
 14 Council meeting - 1 pm
 18 Yarnoholics - 1pm
 18 Community Garden Working Bee - 10 am
 20 Lions Club meeting - 7:30 pm
 21 F/H Community Development Grp Mtg - 6.30pm
 22 Museum meeting - 5 pm
 25 Girls Day Out - Women on Eyre (Library)

DECEMBER

4 Senior Citizens Christmas Party
 6 Lions Market - 9am
 14 School summer holidays
 16 Council Meeting - 1pm
 17 Museum Meeting
 20 Community Garden Working Bee - 10am
 24 Christmas Eve
 25 Christmas

If you have anything you'd like to add to our Community Calendar, please email us at cowellcommunitynewsletter@gmail.com or chat to a committee member.

RSL WEEKLY EVENTS

Mon	SNOOKER	From 12pm	John Perry - 0457 668 774	
Mon	BINGO	Starts 7pm	Bar Open Tea/Coffee	Light supper provided 10 games
Tues	DARTS	Start 7pm	Bar Open	Matt Baker/Gary Martin
Wed	MORNING TEA	10am – 12 pm Museum Open	Cards/Board games available Scones (jam & cream)	
Thur	SNOOKER	1pm – 3pm	John Perry - 0457 668 774	
Fri	SOCIAL NIGHT	Open 5pm	Bar Open	Light meals

Contact details: cowellrslsecretary@gmail.com
 (Linda McGrath 0477 362 585)

(A small fee applies to events)