

October Newsletter

Cowell Waterpark open to the public

The long-awaited Cowell Aquatic Playground and bouncy pillow were operational in the week leading up to the October long weekend and word travelled very fast as it has been and continues to be extremely well patronised by the locals and visitors alike. We have received a constant flow of very positive feedback and people are coming from far and wide to enjoy our fabulous facilities. Cold weather has been unable to perturb the enthusiasm of the kids for this facility.



The remaining areas to be lawned were spray seeded in late September so, in coming months, there will be literally acres of lawned areas to enjoy. We have commenced putting plants and trees in, with more on order to be planted in coming weeks. It is going to be challenging with current visitor numbers to establish the seeded lawn so it would be much appreciated if everyone could keep off of these areas until they are well established.



While we have now completed all elements of this significant project, like all gardens it will be constantly evolving and developing and will be further enhanced over time. As the gardens/lawns become properly established and we observe how the spaces are used, no doubt there will be further additions to these great spaces.

The community are impressed and proud of these facilities and are already thinking of things that we could add, and someone has suggested a beach volleyball area which definitely would complement the facilities already in place. Watch this space!

Cowell Foreshore opening/fireworks/live concert

Pencil into your diaries a not to be missed event on the March long weekend (Saturday March 11) when we officially open the new Cowell Foreshore precinct. This event will include a market, a concert with the headline act being Shannon Noll live on Marina Green, and fireworks.

Shane Gill—Chief Executive Officer

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COUNCIL ELECTIONS 2022

ENROL NOMINATE VOTE



Council Elections 2022

Voting packs have been distributed by the Electoral Commission of South Australia through Australia Post. If you have not received yours and believe you are registered and entitled to vote, please contact Bernie at the Council Office.

Voting closes Thursday 10th November at 5.00pm. If your ballot papers have not been received by this time, they will not be counted. Please use the reply-paid envelope provided to post your completed voting material, or place in the ballot box located in the Council Office.



2022 TIMETABLE

- CLOSE OF ELECTORAL ROLL**
5:00 pm, Friday 29 July 2022
- NOMINATIONS OPEN**
Tuesday 23 August 2022
- NOMINATIONS CLOSE**
2 noon, Tuesday 6 September 2022
- MAILOUT BALLOT MATERIAL TO ELECTORS**
Friday 14 October—Thursday 20 October 2022
- CLOSE OF VOTING (POLLING DAY)**
5:00 pm, Thursday 10 November 2022
- SCRUTINY AND COUNT**
9:00 am, Saturday 12 November 2022

Citizen of the Year



Nominations are now open for

- *Citizen of the Year*
- *Young Citizen of the Year*
- *Community Event of the Year*

Nomination forms can be collected from the Council Office or Community Library
Or online www.citizenoftheyear.com.au
Nominations open on the 1st October and close 5pm on Friday 18th November 2022.

Award recipients will be presented at the Australia Day

Citizen of the year Eligibility Criteria

Citizen of the Year

This is presented to someone making an extraordinary contribution to the community and may recognise outstanding service over a number of years. To be eligible, the person must be an Australian Citizen.

Young citizen of the year

This is presented to a young emerging leader who is making a difference in their community. To be Eligible, the person must be an Australian Citizen aged over 16 years and under 30 years of age on January 26, 2023.

Event of the year

This is presented to a person or group who has staged the most outstanding event for their community. To be eligible, the person or group members must be Australian Citizens.

Free community information session

Diabetes & your eyes



Monday 14th November 2022
2pm - 3pm
Cowell Visitor Centre: Supper Room
8 Main Street, Cowell

Please RSVP via 0428 049 888 or email: education@sightforall.org to secure your place!

In this **free** information session learn about:

- Types of diabetic eye disease
- Tips to keep your eyes healthy
- Your eye health care team

Light refreshments provided. All welcome!

mdfoundation.com.au | sightforall.org



COWELL LIONS CLUB

MAIN STREET MARKET DATES

Sunday November 6th , Sunday December 4th,
January 4th, February 5th, March 12th and April 2nd

P: Alan 0427 292 088 P: Andrew: 0429 801 498

CALLING ALL BUSINESS & COMMUNITY GROUPS

With Christmas starting to creep up on us, it is time to put a reminder in your diary for the Lions Christmas Pageant which will be held on Saturday 24th December.

The Lions Club are encouraging all Local Businesses and Community Groups to put their creative flare together and join in on a not to be missed event

60th Annual Senior Citizens Xmas Party

This year will be our 60th Senior Citizen's Christmas Party which will be held Friday 9th December, 2022 starting from 11am.

This is a great event and local residents over the age of 65 are invited to register.

Invitations have been sent out this week.

Please RSVP by the 24th November to secure your spot.

Catering will be provided by Parents & Friends, with entertainment provided by Cowell Area School Reception / Year 1 class.



LIONS CLUB CAKES, PUDDINGS & RAFFLE TICKETS

Christmas cakes & pudding orders can be placed with:
Bruce Francis 0428 894 645 or will be on sale out the front of IGA along with raffle tickets.

Dates:

Thurs 17th Nov, Sat 19th Nov
Thurs 24th Nov, Sat 26th Nov
Thurs 1st Dec, Sat 3rd Dec
Thurs 8th Dec, Sat 10th Dec
Thurs 15th Dec, Sat 17th Dec
Thurs 22nd Dec, Sat 24th Dec
9:00am till 1:00pm

Prices

Large 1.5kg cake \$17, Small 1kg cake \$13 & Pudding 900g \$13

CHRISTMAS LIGHT COMPETITION

Get your Christmas lights out of the cobwebs!
It's time to decorate your house and get in the Christmas spirit.

Judging of the Christmas lights will happen Sunday night (18th December).

Winners will be announced on Pageant Night.

RAPID ANTIGEN TEST COLLECTION POINT

RAT Kit Distribution - Concession Holders

As you may be aware, eligible Concession Card Holders are able to access free RATs.

What you need to do: Concession Card Holders must register, prior to collection, on the SA Health website [South Australian Government - Rapid antigen test collection \(forms.sa.gov.au\)](https://www.southaustralian.gov.au/rapid-antigen-test-collection).

Clients are also encouraged to call the office before presenting, to confirm their pick-up time.

All persons entering the Council office for RAT kit distribution, should be wearing a mask.

Concession Card Holders are eligible for 5 x RAT kits a month, but no more than 2 lots (10 kits) in a 3 monthly period.

Fire Prevention Reminder

The upper Eyre Peninsula has experienced a year of high rainfall and subsequently fuel loads (vegetation) are also at an extremely high level and are curing fast. Your action is now required to help reduce the high fire risk.



This year the Fire Danger Season begins on the 1st November, as a property owner you are responsible to take action to prevent the outbreak of fire or the sustainability of fire on your property.

Fire permits for broad acre burning around sheds and houses in the Franklin Harbour district may be issued from the start of the fire danger season for one week until the 8th of November.

Councils Fire Prevention Officer will be carrying out inspections in the Township under Section 105F of the Fire and Emergency Services Act, follow up notices will be sent to non-compliant owners.

Community News

LIBRARY NEWS



beingdigital

Need some help with your device?

Do you want to build your confidence with technology?

being digital is a Government initiative to help our communities improve their digital literacy. The initiative, run through Libraries SA, aims to help you gain skills and know-how, in a range of digital topics suitable for you. We are currently running group and one on one sessions for anyone needing assistance. You can even work your own way through the topics from home, at a time that suits you.

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

Contact Cowell School Community Library for bookings on:

Phone: 8629 2320 Email: cowell.library@libraries.sa.gov.au

Date	Activities	Time	Appointment Required
WED: OCT 26	30 min. One-on-one session for specific issues	2pm – 3.30pm	YES
THURS: OCT 27	How to use e-books & e-audiobooks (Please bring your library card)	2pm – 3pm	
WED: NOV 2	30 min. One-on-one session for specific issues	2pm – 3.30pm	YES
WED: NOV 9	30 min. One-on-one session for specific issues	2pm – 3.30pm	YES
WED: NOV 16	30 min. One-on-one session for specific issues	2pm – 3.30pm	YES
WED: NOV 23	30 min. One-on-one session for specific issues	2pm – 3.30pm	YES
WED: NOV 30	30 min. One-on-one session for specific issues	2pm – 3.30pm	YES
WED: DEC 7	30 min. One-on-one session for specific issues	2pm – 3.30pm	YES
WED: DEC 14	30 min. One-on-one session for specific issues	2pm – 3.30pm	YES



Dr Joy O'Hazy

Please be advised that Dr Joy O'Hazy a Women's Health Practitioner will be conducting appointments at the Cowell Medical Practice once a month on the following dates: November 16th, December 14th Please contact the surgery on (08) 8629 2504 for an appointment.

Feel Like Trying Your Hand in a Game of Cards?

Every Monday & Wednesday from 12:45pm to 4pm
Cowell Uniting Church Hall located in Second Street
Cost: \$2.00 with afternoon tea provided



Card Games Include

Bridge, Hand & Foot and many more

For further information please contact :

Angie Turner on 0429 150 545

AN EVENING WITH CHRIS & CHLOE BLOWES

TUESDAY 25TH OCTOBER 7PM



On ANZAC Day 2015, Chris was paddling in after an average morning of surf when he was attacked twice by a great white shark at Fisheries Bay.

Hear his amazing story of survival & journey through rehabilitation. Book tickets through Eventbrite or our Library.

Seats are limited and filling fast.

Our thanks to the Libraries Board of SA & the Government of SA for their financial support in bringing these events to Cowell.



SHARK ATTACK SURVIVOR
AUTHOR
ADAPTIVE SURFER
MOTIVATIONAL SPEAKER

YIN YOGA



WEDNESDAY 26TH OCTOBER 6.30AM

Join Chloe Blowes for a nourishing journey of self-exploration.

Go within, slow down, stretch & surrender to stillness.

Experience Yin Yoga with a guided meditation in the library from 6.30am – 7.30am

Takeaway breakfast included!

Bookings essential - call or email the library to secure your spot.



DATES TO REMEMBER

DISTRICT COUNCIL OF FRANKLIN HARBOUR COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday 9th November 2022 @ 1:00pm in Council Chambers

COWELL LIONS CLUB MARKETS

Sunday 6th November 2022

Rainfall for September/October as at

21/10/2022 45.4mm

WATER

The casing lasted about forty years trouble free. Reg Deer picked a replacement site just east of the old Excelsior tennis courts. When the hole reached a depth of forty-one feet, in hard rock, it barred further progress. Although water had been located, the quantity proved insufficient. Another boring plant operated in the district with some success owned by Malcolm Duet of Adelaide. A really good plant, he agreed to use the hole that was forty-one feet deep, but it would cost the boys \$125.00 an hour. Eventually the hole was extended to sixty-seven feet, about four and a half hours work. A huge amount of good quality water was found, somewhere between five and six thousand gallons per hour.

In wet years all one had to do was to walk along the bed of the creek to find water flowing from spider holes like small artesian bores. There were two dams at Poodra, which were banked to hold the soakage water. I have known the largest dam to fill and run over in years of good rainfall, other than that the water holding quality was not good.

Dad decided to sink a dam across the road to catch the run off from the road to Danger Corner. Mr. Joe Noll came up with his crawler tractor to do the ripping and horses and buckscraper were used to remove the ploughed material and to build the banks. This dam proved to be a winner, there being good run-off from the road and the dam was seldom empty.

As a matter of fact the drain from the road to the dam had to be cut on numerous occasions as the dam was filled to capacity. I decided to make another dam behind this one so all the water could be utilized, but unfortunately the water holding material was not good and the water seeped away. Bryce Matthews was hired to sink this dam.

My next project was to make a dam up in School Hill paddock and Bryce was contracted to do this job. It held water beautifully. It was unfortunate that a seam of rock became evident in one corner restricting us from going as deep as we wanted to go; otherwise this was a really good investment. In due course Ian and Malcolm decided to make a quicker water run, so Bryce was again brought in to do the heavy work with his dozer and the final touches were done by the council grader, this proving to be a first class job, with a quick water run off.

There was still one large section of the farm that was not adequately watered by supplies to the right areas. This was known as the Hill Paddock and included all the land bordering on the bungalow road. The sheep had to travel very long distances to the watering places and rectifying this situation was very desirable. This was begun in the Hill Paddock; a good feed area, catering for the western portion of the hills area of 900 acres. We first used a site picked by Mr Morrison on the edge of the creek, which drained many acres of the country including Ramseys farm. This position readily provided water at less than 20 feet, but as salty as the sea. Still in this same paddock we tried another site that cut off one gully where we found water of good quality but only a small supply.

Further up the paddock the late Reg Deer wanted us to bore a hole right on the boundary fence. This I could not agree with because the Ramsey's had a bore within 1.5 chain from the fence and it may have interfered with their supply of good water. He then settled for a site some 300 yards from the fence. The water was good and I intended to use the hole in due course, but due to a thunder storm and a big run off of water which eventually flowed into the bore-hole causing the wall of the hole below the casing to collapse, this site was then abandoned.

TO BE CONTINUED.....



NEWSLETTER



CHANGE TO BIN COLLECTION DAY

Change to weekly waste collection arrangements

After many years of a shared arrangement for weekly rubbish collection (with DC Kimba and DC Cleve), from October 1st we moved to a contract with Veolia and our weekly rubbish collection day moved to **THURSDAYS** (from Tuesdays).

We have ceased collection of recycling bins (Yellow lid) for the time being as we have no facilities to effectively deal with this in Franklin Harbour. This is an issue for most remote regional councils, we are hopeful that the Strategic Review of EP waste currently underway will identify workable solutions to this issue.



Camping Around Franklin Harbour

Did you know that camping areas are provided in Franklin Harbour:

Permits within the Port Gibbon & Lucky Bay area are \$15 per night or \$75 per week.

Permits are required at all other camp sites including Ulbana Weir, RV Park and accesses along Beach Road for \$10 per night or \$50 per week.

Permits can be purchased at pay stations along beach road as well as the Council Office, Hardware and the Roadhouse.

To book a site at Point Gibbon permits must be obtained online at www.eyrepeninsula.com/camping.

All campers must have self contained toilet facilities except where toilet facilities are provided.

Local Residents and Rate Payers are able to camp at no cost.