

January 2023 Newsletter

CEO News

Christmas Pageant

The Cowell Lions Christmas Pageant was another massive success. It is wonderful to see the enjoyment the kids, and adults, get from this with the many and varied floats on parade. Thanks to the efforts of everyone involved in making the Pageant happen and thanks to the community for the support this event receives.

Australia Day

Congratulations to our Australia Day Award winners for 2023. Larry and June Young for their years of volunteering for the CFS, and to the Cowell Area School Parents & Friends Group for preparing the Senior Citizens Christmas Lunch each year. Awards will be presented at our Australia Day Breakfast.

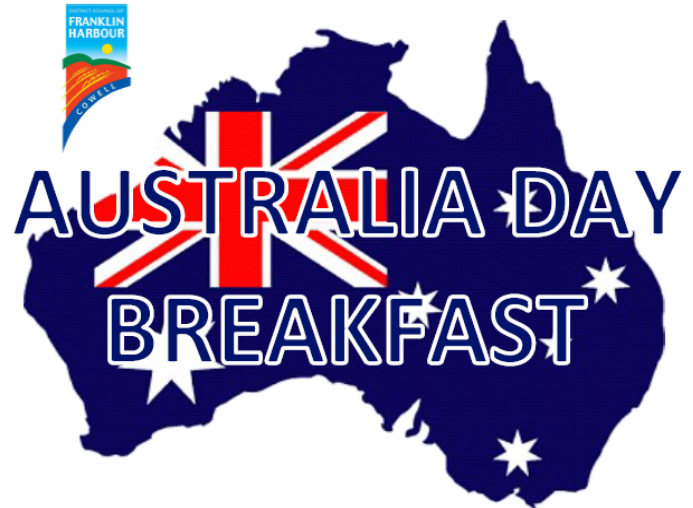
Cowell Foreshore

It has been wonderful to see families enjoying the new waterpark and foreshore area over these school holidays. The increase in visitors has certainly kept businesses busy during this period. It has also been very pleasing to see the positive comments on social media. Just a reminder to please stay off the grass areas that are currently being established.

Council Works

Council staff were straight back into things after the Christmas break. Greening and beautifying of the foreshore area is continuing as well as road repairs from the floods 12 months ago. The final section of Beach Road is being prepared ready for bituminising and works are to begin on Cowell-Kimba Road.

Bernadette Clelland – Acting Chief Executive Officer



MARINA COMMERCIAL BUILDING

COWELL FORESHORE

THURSDAY 26th JANUARY 2023

7:30am BREAKFAST

Special guest - JULIAN BURTON

**8:45am PRESENTATION OF
AWARDS**

ALL WELCOME!



COWELL LIONS CLUB

**MAIN STREET MARKET
DATES**

February 5th, March 11th and April 2nd

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WATER PARK HOURS HAVE NOW BEEN EXTENDED FOR THE SUMMER!

Water Park

Council would like to advise that on extremely windy days that we will not have the water splash area turned on. However the waterslides will continue to run.



RAPID ANTIGEN TEST COLLECTION POINT

5 Free Rapid Antigen Tests (RATs) remain available for:

- People with a disability or who are immunocompromised
- A carer of someone with a disability or who is immunocompromised
- Concession card holders (including Pensioner Concession Card, Health Care Card, Commonwealth Seniors Health Card and Department of Veteran Affairs Concession Card)

If you are eligible, you can collect your RATs in Cowell from:

- Council office Monday—Friday 10.00 am to 12.00 pm
- Cowell District Hospital 7 day 2.00 pm to 2.30 pm

For people who are not eligible for free RATs, you can purchase them from participating pharmacies and retail outlets.

If you are seeking a referral for the PCR swab, you can make an appointment with a GP at:

- Doctors at Cowell (08 86292504)
- Mid Eyre Medical, Cleve (08 86282003)

Arrangement will be made for pick up of a self-collection PCR test at the Cowell Hospital.

COWELL LIONS CLUB



The Lions Club of Cowell publish the Cowell and District Telephone Directory which is due for an update.

If you wish to add or delete phone numbers or UHF Channel numbers please notify the Council Office by April 14th 2023.



By-Law Review

Pursuant to Section 246 of the Local Government Act 1999, Council has reviewed the following by-law:

By-Law No. 2 - Local Government Land 2023

and is seeking public feedback in accordance with the requirements of Council's Communication and Consultation Policy.

A copy of the By-Law is available on Councils website www.franklinharbour.sa.gov.au, can be viewed, or can be purchased for a fee, at the Council Office at 6 Main Street, Cowell SA 5602.

The community is encouraged to provide input by written submission addressed to the Chief Executive Officer at the above address or by email to council@franklinharbour.sa.gov.au by no later than Wednesday 1st February 2023 at 5.00 pm.

For further information, contact Bernadette Clelland at the Council Office.

Shane Gill

Chief Executive Officer



District Council of Franklin Harbour Temporary Road Closure

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to Section 33 of the Road Traffic Act 1961, as amended, the following roads are closed to vehicular traffic

For the Lions Market Day

Sunday – 5th February 2023 Schedule of Roads

Main Street – Between Third Street and the Esplanade

Between the hours of 8.00am to 2.00pm

Shane Gill

Chief Executive Officer

Community News

LIBRARY NEWS

COMMUNITY OPENING HOURS

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday - 9am to 4pm Effective 19th December

Please note with school book collection on Tuesday 24th & Wednesday 25th January, some areas of our collection will be restricted. Tuesday 24th January we will be opening at 11am due to a staff meeting.

New Year's Resolutions

Have you made some resolutions for this year and need some help achieving them? How about learning a new skill like crochet or macramé? Want to get a handle on your finances? Keen to change your eating habits or try to relax more? With the One Card Network, there are millions of items on offer across SA and if we don't have what you're looking for in our library, we're happy to order it in for you. Come in & check out what's on offer!

Library Recycling Hub

Don't forget we are still offering our Recycling Hub in the library. Just before Christmas we delivered another 3.5kgs of bread tags to Bread Tags for Wheelchairs, so we're on the hunt for more plastic tags. We also recycle:

X-rays, Bread & potato bag tags, Stamps (collect them from your Christmas Cards envelopes), Household batteries, Old mobile phones, Aluminium ring pulls from cans, Reading glasses & Used dental items including empty toothpaste and floss containers.

School Holiday Activities

We've got a range of books and DVDs available to keep the kids busy, and there's always colouring and games on the tables which can be used anytime. Tuesday 17th we have Recycle Craft out for the kids to get creative too.

Book Rehoming Project

We've recently retired some of our Adult Fiction books and we'd love to find them a new home. If anyone would like to top up their caravans or shacks with some used books, the books would be very appreciative and so would we. Pop into the library and collect as many items from our retired stock as you like.



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: February 8th.

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

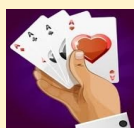
Cost: \$2.00 with afternoon tea provided

Card Games Include

Bridge, Hand & Foot and many more

For further information please contact :

Angie Turner on 0429 150 545



Are you interested in our Farming History?

You may wish to help our volunteers at the Cowell Agriculture Museum. For Further information please phone:

John Smith: 0438 792 078 Or

Raelene James: 0439 218 740

Cowell Refuse REMINDER

Just a friendly reminder that the
Opening hours for the Cowell
Refuse site will be **Monday,**
Wednesday and Friday 2pm to
4pm & Sunday 10am to 12 noon.





**11
March
2023**

**FREE
EVENT**

Cowell Foreshore Opening

3PM MARKETS AND FOOD STALLS TIL LATE

5PM FORESHORE OFFICIAL OPENING

Opening will take place at the entrance to the foreshore area opposite the Franklin Harbour Hotel

6PM LIVE MUSIC TIL LATE

9PM FIREWORKS DISPLAY

LIVE MUSIC FEATURING

SHANNON NOLL

ANDY SEYMOUR AND JO PAGE

WATER PARK WILL BE OPEN ALL DAY

Bar Available (no BYO Alcohol)

Free camping available at the town oval - entry off Brooks Drive

This community event is brought to you by the District Council of Franklin Harbour, Franklin Harbour Community Development Group and Cowell Lions Club

ROADS

Some time passed before the matter was brought up again and the whole council made an inspection, including the surveyor, and they asked if we would consider having the road surveyed past Uncle Will's old home. This train of thought ultimately prevailed and we jointly looked at the possibilities.

There was a fence line along the hillside which had been burnt out by the fire and was in the process of being cleared up so I decided to give our consent providing they kept as high as possible on the hill so that we would not lose too much agricultural land. This they agreed to do and the surveyor was brought in to get this job under way. There was the matter of compensation for the loss of agricultural land; this was not very great but there were two road fences to be constructed.

One of the biggest disadvantages for the boys was that the farm was all but completely cut in two. The fencing material in the 1980's was a really expensive item, especially coming on the top of the fire damage to fence lines needing replacement or repairs. The first major concern was for the stock to get to the watering places; somehow we managed. Gratefully we owned Hanson's place and Grant's Hill where these properties were on a water reticulating scheme.

When the surveyor was working on the route of the road he crossed over the original road survey twice. The reader will appreciate this when maps 1 and 2 are consulted. Of course many people were saying this is where the original road was planned to go because it was the most direct line to take, these maps will show that this was not so. It became necessary for Brian and I to travel to Port Lincoln to see the district engineer whose name was Ray Ford. When we arrived at his office we were welcomed by the comment "There's no money available for any road funding." Of course there had to be a reply which was, "What gives you the idea a fist full of money was wanted?" We discussed several matters and prior to leaving I asked him to refer to his black book and tell when the road from Cowell to Danger Corner was listed for bitumenising. We learnt that it was to be done in 1983. It has not been done yet, in 1993.

A matter that I was most involved in was the manner in which traffic counts were done. The months were February and July, two slack months for this area when this work was done. Another question was would they hire their equipment so that the council could do their own traffic counts, and also would the Department recognize these traffic counts? The reply was not encouraging. The surveyor was making good progress with his work and I had several discussions with him during which time I requested that the first surveyed road be closed. He did attend to this matter as promised and in due time the road was closed and erased from the map. The surveyor finished his work. The overseer was preparing to make a start and the boys were about to begin the large fencing project. The proposed fence line was to consist of treated pine posts to be 12 yards apart, with a five-wire cyclone with a barb wire on top. Prior to starting the Clerk and a Councillor visited the boys with the condition which they agreed to.

The Councillor made a comment that they were erecting a picket fence which was not necessary. I wonder what his comments would have been if the requirements had been the same as the old time fences, posts five yards apart! The major difference being cyclone instead of the old wire netting. During the fence work there were many farm jobs to do such as inspecting mobs of sheep for flies. Although Malcolm and I were making good progress with the new fencing on this new road, there were times when he or I would be unable to be on the job.

We would complete the fence line when we came to a gateway; it would be necessary to do both sides concurrently. The gateways were placed opposite to each other as a matter of convenience when moving stock or machinery, thus reducing our exposure to traffic when crossing the road. Also at these gates we had very good vision each way of any on-coming traffic. After we passed Uncle Will's old house there were a few difficult stages, which slowed the rate of fencing down. From here there remained a few short spans to do, after this the going would be fairly easy, especially on the east side of the road. On the western side of the road there were many burnt trees and in many places burnt-out fencing wire was still lying there, which had to be cleared away. The fencing line on this side was also undulating but this did not cause many problems.

We were erecting strained posts on the approaches to Danger corner when we were contacted by the overseer who asked for our co-operation to stop the erection of the fence as the hill at Danger Corner had to be lowered by blasting. At this stage we were at the point of deferring the fence work to service the header, truck and bins ready for harvest.

To be continued.....

NEWSLETTER



DATES TO REMEMBER

DISTRICT COUNCIL OF FRANKLIN HARBOUR COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday 8th February 2023 @ 1:00pm
in Council Chambers

COWELL LIONS CLUB MARKETS

Sunday 5th February 2023

Rainfall for December

11.0 mm

Thank you

Tondari Fisheries
Cowell Lions Club
Treadz @ Cowell
Cowell Electric
Ramsey Bros
Cowell Oysters

Cleve Hardware
Lambcorp Pty Ltd
Cowell Plumbing & Gas
Murray Pest Control
Stix Industries
Calcookara Stud
Cleve Rural Traders
Star Motors
Story's Liquid Waste
Turners Readymixed Concrete

THE FRANKLIN HARBOUR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GROUP ARE VERY
THANKFUL TO THE BUSINESSES THAT HAVE SUPPORTED THE PYROTECHNICS
NIGHT AND FORESHORE OPENING EVENT.
WE ARE STILL SEEKING DONATIONS, WHICH CAN BE MADE VIA EFT TO 105-106
21712840 OR CHEQUE CAN BE LEFT AT THE COUNCIL OFFICE



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.