



# January Newsletter

## CEO NEWS

### Here it comes again!

It is feeling a little like Deja vu starting another year where the media is dominated by stories about COVID-19. It is now 2 years since we first heard about this virus, and it is yet again making life uncomfortable, lets hope that this time next year we will have left this well and truly in the rear view mirror. The aim now is about slowing the spread not stopping it. With borders both nationally and internationally open, it will spread but keeping the spread at a pace that does not overwhelm the health system is now the key, and so far so good. Being exposed to COVID is now inevitable and there should not be a stigma attached to catching it as it can happen to anyone. We do still need to follow the government guidelines and take all reasonable precautions for the time being. The good news is the Omicron variant seems in most cases less severe than previous variants, particularly against a largely vaccinated population so it is highly likely that this time next year we won't be talking about this. 2022 is the year that we will beat COVID.

The people of Franklin Harbour have been exemplary in the no nonsense "get the job done" approach they have taken to this continually evolving situation. They adapt, keep going about their business but follow the guidelines, and most importantly keep on smiling. Well done to everyone.

### A very busy holiday season

Despite COVID concerns, Franklin Harbour has seen record visitor numbers over this holiday season with our main street extremely busy every day. Based on the number of caravans on the Lincoln Highway the story will be the same across Eyre Peninsula.

### The Cowell Foreshore Redevelopment

Our much anticipated water slides have arrived and been installed over the weekend so we are a step closer to opening our Water Playground. The Marina Building will be complete in coming weeks and paving around the marina will then happen quite quickly. The installation of irrigation to the entire foreshore area is now well under way and should be complete in late February at which time we can finally start the "greening" process which will involve substantial plantings and several acres of new lawn being established.



## 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 – 6th February 2021 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**

# MODERNA Vaccinations now available at Cowell Pharmacy

Moderna vaccines are available for those 12 years old and above. Vaccinations are by appointment only, so please reserve your slot by talking to staff or calling the pharmacy

FOR INQUIRIES,  
CALL US ON  
**8629 2064**



## COVID change to Australia Day Celebrations

We are no orphan with the changes required to our Australia Day celebrations as we ensure we keep our community safe and abide by the new and everchanging restrictions with COVID. The usual breakfast festivities have been cancelled and the presentation of the Australia Day Citizens of the Year awards has been moved.

The presentation will take place in the Cowell Institute in the morning with a selected and limited number of guests invited to attend.

We look forward to having our usual breakfast feast next year, so fingers crossed that the community continue to maintain our low level of positive cases and vaccinations assist with staying healthy.

### Congratulations to our Australia Day Citizens of the Year

Ian & Lorraine Mills  
Rhys Turner



### District Council of Franklin Harbour

A friendly reminder to tie-down rubbish in trailers when transporting to the landfill site.

There has been a number of incidents recently where rubbish has had to be collected from along Melrose Road as it hadn't been tied down. Expiations for littering may be issued for those identified as dropping their waste.

It is also an offence to carry an unsecured load under the Road Traffic Act 1961. Please help keep our town beautiful.



### Australia Day Citizen of the Year Presentation Ceremony

Will be held on 26th January 2022 in the Cowell Institute at 9.00am

Must RSVP to Council (6 Main Street, or phone 08 8629019) as limited numbers will be allocated

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# Community News

## LIBRARY NEWS

### Community Opening Hours

9am – 4pm - Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday (Closed Public Holidays)

### Happy New Year!

With a new year often comes new goals, so why not set yourself a reading challenge in 2022? Or if your goals are centered more on Health & Wellbeing – come and check out our titles. Whether it's mental health, mindfulness, meal planning or fitness, your library card gives you access to a range of physical and digital resources from across the state. If we don't have what you need, then we can organise a loan from another public library in SA. Let us know if you need any help.

### Library closed & need something to read?

Don't forget all library members have free access to our digital books & audio books. Simply download the Libby or Borrow Box Apps from Googleplay or the App Store, select our library and enter your library card number and pin. If you can't remember your library number, pop in or give us a call for assistance.

### 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: 9th February, 23rd March, 20th April, 18 May and 29th June. Please contact the surgery on (08) 8629 2504 for an appointment.

### Events Calendar

If you have an event or meeting that is open to the public please notify Council and we will promote it in our dates to remember and on the Council website events calendar.



### 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



### Health & Safety Requirements

For us to continue to provide services to our community, we ask you help us stay healthy by wearing a mask while in the library, social distancing and sanitising your hands on entry. We have a QR code on the front door and inside the library doors, so please check in as you come in. For those without the ability to QR check in, Maria & I will add you to our manual Contract Tracing Record

### Isolations Services

If you are in isolation or at high risk and prefer not to visit the library, please do not hesitate to contact us by phone or email. We are happy to put a selection of books, magazines and DVDs together for you and either drop them off or have them available for collection outside the library. Please phone: 8629 2320 or email:

[cowell.library@libraries.sa.gov.au](mailto:cowell.library@libraries.sa.gov.au) for assistance.

### School Holiday Activities

We have colouring in and games out on our tables, as well as our Lego table and a great range of books. If you need to get out of the house with the kids, pop into the library and enjoy the space.

## COWELL LIONS CLUB



### MAIN STREET MARKET DATES

Sunday February 6th,

Sunday March 6th & Sunday April 3rd.

P: Mark 0487 296 147 P: Alan 0427 292 088

### Rainfall for January as at 19/01/2022

6.8 mm

### Community News

If you would like something put on the community news page, please let the Council Office know via email to [council@franklinharbour.sa.gov.au](mailto:council@franklinharbour.sa.gov.au) or in person by the 2nd Friday of each month. Topics can include (but not limited to) sports results, births, deaths, special birthdays and good news stories.

### Cowell Refuse REMINDER

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



# Cowell Lions Club Christmas Pageant 2021





## COMMUNITY AFFAIRS (PART 1)

There were three other tasks that I accepted and the first of these was the acquisition of land and organizing a person to operate the wheat stacks at the site, which is now occupied by the Mangalo silo. Mary and I were visiting her parents at Glenelg.

It was always my practice to visit the headquarters of the South Australian Wheat and Woolgrowers Association, as it was then known, to visit an old friend who was the secretary, the late Tom Scott. One night I received a phone call from Tom asking me to be at his office in Bentham Street by 10:30 a.m. the next morning. When I arrived at the office, Tom and I immediately set off for the Australian Wheat Board headquarters where I was questioned about my knowledge of the Mangalo district regarding whether a stacking site should be made available to the wheat growers of the district. I assured them that this should be done, as the growers and truckies were traveling large distances to dispose of their harvest.

The Wheat Board engaged me to advertise a meeting at Mangalo, so that all growers could attend. This meeting was well attended. The agenda was firstly to find a site which could be used as a stacking site, and secondly to find a person who would be agreeable to act as agent at this centre and lastly to form a committee to negotiate with the representative from the Australian Wheat Board.

This was thought to be a major task requiring an answer in a matter of a couple of weeks. This was not to be. Dealing with the land part first, the late Rex Crettenden offered the land, the amount needed to be negotiated with the representative from Adelaide. Mr. Vin Klingberg was nominated to be the agent and was accepted by the Wheat Board.

The committee which was appointed to negotiate with the representative from Adelaide, comprised of the late Morley Rodda, the late Frank Coles and I feel sure that the third person was the late Russell Turner.

After the meeting I had to communicate with the Wheat Board about the results and in due course all the arrangements were accepted. To drive to Mangalo now and pass over Boundary line hill is quite a thrill to see the improvements that have been made to this site over the years. I was paid by the Wheat Board for the organizing this vital meeting through the Miltalie branch of the S. A. Wheat and

Woolgrowers. The late Sid Ramsey chaired this important meeting.

A further task for which I was nominated was to the Franklin Harbour Book Committee. Before accepting this gigantic task I requested that I be given the minute book so that I could see what had been done by the original selected committee and to the amazement there were plenty of ideas exchanged but nothing positive had been done.

Time was marching on and the next meeting was only a few days away, so I drew up a list of items that I considered important for a book dealing with the one hundred years since the Franklin Harbour Council had been formed. I volunteered to go to Adelaide and to the Archives to obtain information from early council minute books, health minute books and also when Franklin Harbour first became a place to register to vote in a State Election.

What I did not know was that the Archives needed four clear days notice for them to produce these books. Strangely enough, a person came into the reading room of the Archives that I had met in Cowell while getting material on the historic buildings. When I asked for information on how to find out about Parliamentary minutes regarding state elections I was shown a row of books that gave me the

information that was required. Some of the writing in the minute books proved very hard to read. The eyestrain was terrific forcing me to shorten the time in perusing these books. All the minutes were written with old time pen and ink.

I came home with pages and pages of notes, which had to be put into book form. After this there were still many more books at the council office from which to take notes. The old minute books graphically highlighted the progress that has been made over the years.

To be continued.....



# NEWSLETTER



## DATES TO REMEMBER

### DISTRICT COUNCIL OF FRANKLIN HARBOUR COUNCIL MEETING

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

### LIONS CLUB MARKET DAY

Sunday 6th February 2022, 8.00am to 2.00pm

## Camping Around Franklin Harbour

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

The RV Park, Beach Access Sites on Beach Road, Port Gibbon , Lucky Bay and Ulbana Weir (Payne's Weir)

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

Permits are required to camp within the Port Gibbon & Lucky Bay area for \$15 per night per vehicle or \$75 per week per vehicle with a maximum stay of 14 days. These can be purchased at the allocated pay stations at the locations listed as well as the Council Office, Cowell Hardware, Cowell Roadhouse.

Permits are required at all other camp sites including Ulbana Weir, RV Park and accesses along Beach Road for \$10 per night per vehicle or \$50 per week per vehicle with a maximum stay of 14 days.

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