

July Newsletter

Boosting Our Local Businesses

Prior to the Cowell Foreshore redevelopment, our caravan parks were fully booked during “peak season”, leaving no opportunity for further bookings or “drop ins” during this period. As intended, the foreshore redevelopment has both extended the duration of the “peak season”, and considerably increased demand for accommodation in Cowell at all times of the year. While day visitors are great, the spend in town is significantly increased with visitors that stay overnight. Regional Development Australia data shows that on average overnight visitors to the EP spend \$205 per night per person. Given the propensity of Caravaners to now book ahead, it is likely that if unable to secure a site prior to arrival many would simply drive past Cowell enroute to the destination where they have secured a site.

Due to the constraints of our current offerings, our local economy is unable to fully capitalise on the potential economic benefits of our foreshore redevelopment.

This situation was well understood prior to commencing works on the foreshore. Our expectation was that private enterprise would recognise this opportunity and invest in the provision of additional accommodation. Additional overnight visitors can significantly increase the prosperity of the full range of our existing local businesses, and also provide the catalyst for new businesses.

Carramatta Holdings P/L (owners of the Cowell Foreshore Caravan Park) have “stepped up” and are willing to invest in Cowell to expand the accommodation capacity.

As such, council have agreed in principle (subject to the appropriate approvals and a satisfactory agreement between Council and Carramatta Holdings P/L) to lease to them on a long term basis a portion of the land immediately behind the caravan park. This will allow up to 60 additional caravans to be accommodated in Cowell during peak periods which will provide a very significant boost to our main street traders, and the wider local economy.

Should community members want more information, please contact council on (08) 8629 2019. Feedback from the community is encouraged and written submissions can be made to the Chief Executive Officer at the above address, or by email to council@franklinharbour.sa.gov.au by no later than Friday 18th August 2023 at 12.00pm.

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BUILDING NOTIFICATIONS

Have you received approval to undertake development

If so then you will need to advise Council of any required building notifications

The notifications required are outlined in the Decision Notification Form which is issued at the time of approval

Notifications are to be made to Council via the Plan SA planning portal



If you have commenced or completed construction of any development and are yet to notify Council, please ensure this is undertaken immediately

For any questions please contact Stacey on 8629 2019

Rubbish Bins

Council wishes to advise that, from 1st July 2023, only DCFH Council issued bins will be collected by Veolia for kerbside collection. If you have purchased a bin from a retailer, please DO NOT put this bin out for collection—it will not be collected. You can take your privately owned bins to the dump on opening days, free of charge for residents.

If you don't have a DCFH Council issued bin, please contact Council on 08 8629 2019, or visit the office at 6 Main Street, and we can arrange for a bin to be delivered. If your bin is damaged, Council can fix it or replace your bin.

Rubbish collection is a service charge added to your rates, it's not a free service. All residential properties are allocated a bin, all vacant and Commercial properties will need to apply for a bin (if you haven't already).

Dump opening times are:

Monday, Wednesday and Friday 2.00pm to 4.00pm
and Sunday 10am to 12 noon.

Community News



Eyre Eye Centre is visiting Cowell

on Monday 28th August 2023

Our Optometrist, Alek Sims, will be consulting at
Drs in Cowell Clinic
South Tce, Cowell

Appointments available from: 9.30am to 12.00pm

If you are unable to travel to Port Lincoln, Whyalla or Ceduna and would like an appointment, please call Eyre Eye Centre Whyalla on **8645 7399**

Consultations will be Bulk Billed



Snap Send Solve

Did you know that you can report damage directly to Council through the Snap Send Solve app on your phone or tablet?

Just download the free app, take a picture, select your location and submit the report.

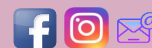
This app will also report damage to Telstra, SA Water and other groups with infrastructure in your location – not just Franklin Harbour.

You can report damage to playgrounds, footpaths, Telstra pit covers, leaking water, graffiti, street lights, overgrown trees, public toilets damage, pot holes, rubbish bin repairs and so much more.

Your report will be updated so you can keep track of how your submission is progressing.

Give it a go – You will be surprised how easy it really is.

LIBRARY NEWS



Too hard to get to the library when it's open? Don't let that stop you from enjoying a good book. Check out our digital titles, available in eBook and eAudiobook through either the Borrowbox or Libby apps.

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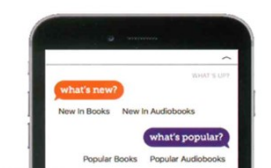
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Cowell School Community Library Recycling

Our Library collects the following items for recycling.

**Call for more information
8629 2320**

Dental Items



Mobile Phones



X-Rays



Glasses



What's on at the RSL

RSL Museum project is very gradually continuing. The aim is to record our local men and women's service in WW1, WW2, Vietnam and subsequent conflicts including peacekeeping forces.

If you would like mementos of your family's service to be displayed in the RSL Museum, or possibly the Main Hall, please contact the secretary Sue Grund on 0407 277 501 or drop in to the RSL on snooker days (Monday and Thursday afternoons) and let the players know a name and contact number.

Many local WW1 and WW2 Military men and women's photos with their short stories are now displayed on the shelves in the Main Hall. We may not have your relative's photo. If you would like them to be included please let us know and provide a photo if possible. Contributions to the cost of framing would be most appreciated.

Remembrance Park. We are waiting to hear if we have been successful in obtaining a grant for the Memorial Walk at the foreshore. Hopefully soon.

RSL opening hours are Monday and Thursday from 12:30pm to 3:30pm for viewing in the main hall, and for those wanting a game of snooker. All welcome.

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: August 23, November 15, December 6 2023, January 31, February 21, March 20, April 17, May 29 & June 19 2024.

Please contact the Cleve surgery on (08) 8628 2003 for an appointment until further notice.

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



Rainfall for July

5.6mm

MILFORD CROUCH—LIFE BOAT

The Franklin Harbour History Group are interested in hearing if anyone has any recollections of the capsizing of "The Milford Crouch" off Port Gibbon on 27th October 1959. We are currently creating a file on the Milford Crouch at the museum. The lifeboat from the Milford Crouch has now been stabilised and is now ready and waiting to be put into a shelter that will be erected down on the foreshore.

Please contact Bev Horder on 0427 292 313 or Di Woods on 0428 123 471 or call into the museum on Wednesday, Saturday or Sunday



Cowell Lutheran Church

Worship Times

July 30 th - 9:30am LR
August 6 th - 9:30am LR
August 13 th - 9:30am LR
August 20 th - 9:30am LR

Chairman: Carl Jaeschke – 0448 522 332

Secretary: Julie Magnay – 0438 015 242

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.



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

DATES TO REMEMBER

DISTRICT COUNCIL OF FRANKLIN

HARBOUR COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday 9th August 2023 @ 1:00pm in Council Chambers

WHATS ON AT THE RSL

Snooker every Monday & Thursday from 12:30pm

Dog Registrations

You should have received your dog/cat registration notice by now via email or post. You will need to renew your dog registration online, however we can help you at the Council office if you require any assistance. Just a reminder that from 1st July 2018 all dogs need to be microchipped and any dogs born since this date need to be de-sexed (unless they are a working dog or you are a registered breeder).

Please be aware that cats can be registered as well. This is a free registration. Cats also need to be de-sexed and microchipped.

Information regarding these laws can be found on the Dog and Cat Management Board website: www.dogandcatboard.com

The staff at the Council office can assist with any queries.



**AN UPDATED VERSION OF
THE COWELL LIONS CLUB
LOCAL PHONE DIRECTORY IS
NOW AVAILABLE**

PREPARING SEED

A very important factor in the early days of farming was the preparation of seed wheat. Farmers were of the habit of sowing the old favourites as well as the newer varieties of wheats as they were developed. Dad's favourite for an early variety was Gluyas, not a good yielding wheat but consistent. A Victorian wheat that became popular was named Ranee and a little later an improvement on this was Ranee 4 H; these wheats had a shorter straw and stooled very well and were very good yielders.

The policy was to keep the number of bags of the variety one favoured re-clean them through the old hand winnower, sew and stack them in the shed until seeding time. The stacking of the grain was quite a problem because of the damage caused by the mice, particularly if stacked in the block. So dad came up with the idea of going seven bags high. These rows were spaced about six inches apart and at the fifth bag high were tied with a piece of pipe and then two more bags added to each row. By using this method it allowed the wild cats to go through each row to counter the mice. It worked very well and after this the damage to the wheat bags rarely occurred.

When seeding time approached dad used the wet pickle. First of all he and his brother, Stan, bought a wet pickling machine and they used it on alternative years. It was a wooden box, with a hopper and an elevator turned by a handle. The wheat was loaded into the hopper, and when the hopper was opened the wheat dripped into the cups of the elevator which were very close together. The wooden box was filled with water, I would guess about one hundred gallons and this water was charged with a chemical called formalin. As the grain dropped from the hopper it dropped into the water to be picked up by the elevator cups, which had holes in them to drain out the water, this grain in turn was bagged at the elevator. The bags were only just half full and tied with binder string.

In these early years and when the wheat was wet pickled only enough grain was treated for a day's work. Remember the combine was only a 16 tyne combine and a very good day's work was about eighteen acres. I remember one day I did twenty acres and was promptly told to give the horses enough time to consume their nosebags.

Formalin was considered to give the best results against smut in wheat. When we did not use this pickling machine we used a 44-gallon drum and block and tackle. A bag of wheat was emptied out to give about a half bag quantity; these half bags were places on a sheet of iron to drain. When loaded on to the run-about trolley, which was pulled by three horses, and taken to the paddock, the combine box was filled and the bags of super were dropped on to the ground, at intervals, sometimes a combine width out, other times a little further depending on the size of land being worked. Should there be wheat or super over when the land was finished it was used to fill the box, or left on the front of the combine to be taken to the new land to be worked.

By the way, when the bag of super was dropped on the ground, there was always a tub placed with it to make the super handling easier. A bag of super weighed 187 pounds, or twelve bags to the ton. Another method of pickling the grain was by dry pickling, using copper carbonate for wheat and ceresin foe barley. The method of dry pickling was done by using a tumbling machine. This machine was worked between two posts and it had a grille in it. As one spun it around it had the effect of mixing the grain and pickle there by coating the grain. This too was dumped with the super bags across the land to be sown. Like all methods of farming the pickling of grain became modern. A firm in Adelaide invented a grader mounted on a truck. This truck travelled from farm to farm cleaning and pickling grain in on operation. This was a welcome innovation for farmers, and after a few years of travelling from one end of the district to the other became organized, and when it came into the district it went from farm to farm. The only time this was not done was when a farmer was not ready and could not take his turn.

As bulk handling became more efficient and the farming community could store their grains in bins the Hannaford Grader was not relied on as in the past. When the harvest was completed a private grader was used to grade the wheat, no pickle was used until the sowing of the grain was to begin. Some varieties of wheats would clean remarkably well with good harvesting conditions and there really was not any need to use the grader. When the grader was used to clean and grade the wheat it was augered into the storage bin. When the conditions were ready foe seeding the auger was placed under the grain silo. This auger was fitted with a pickle applicator, which when the engine was started allowed a measured amount of pickle to mix with the grain. What a vast difference from 50 years ago! Should there be wheat left over after seeding it was loaded and taken to the silo or sold to piggeries at Whyalla for cash.

NEWSLETTER



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.