

DECEMBER NEWSLETTER

MERRY CHRISTMAS & A HAPPY NEW YEAR



New Council Underway

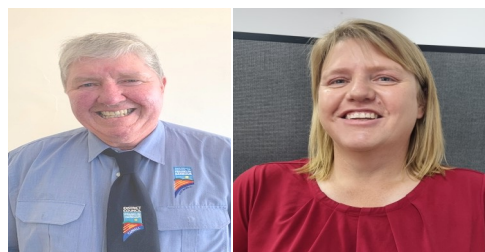
At the December Council meeting, our new elected member group was sworn in and in coming months will get the opportunity to set the direction of DC Franklin Harbour as we revisit our Strategic Plan, Long Term Financial Plan and Asset Management Plan.

This is a high caliber, forward looking group of councillors that are looking forward to continuing to grow and improve this thriving community.

A key critical item of this first meeting was to elect a Mayor and Deputy Mayor. Robert Walsh was returned as the Mayor.

Cr Rachel Deer was elected Deputy Mayor.

Congratulations to them both.



The Spirit of Giving

Brett and Jocelyn Crisfield moved to Cowell from Gippsland 8 years ago, and have proven to be terrific contributors to the community. In his previous life Brett had been a Regional Manager for Vinnies, overseeing the operations of 9 of their stores in Regional Victoria. This background highlighted to Brett the benefits of op shops in generating revenue for “good causes” and reducing landfill in what is an increasingly consumer “throw away society”, and generally the older items are of superior quality to what we buy today and can be used again and again. Four years ago Brett and Jocelyn opened the Cowell Community Op-shop, and this has been a great asset to the community, its prominent Main Street location makes it a favorite with tourists, and the community has benefited greatly with a constant flow of donations to clubs and community groups.

In the last four years, Brett and Jocelyn have donated almost \$40,000. This is an amazing effort and we applaud their efforts and the contribution they make to this community.

Keep up the great work guys!



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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.



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 Council's 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 Notice of Road Closure

Annual Christmas Pageant

Notice is hereby given that the District Council of Franklin Harbour, pursuant to Section 33 (1) of the *Road Traffic Act 1961*, declares the Annual Christmas Pageant and arrival of Father Christmas an event to which section 33 of the *Road Traffic Act 1961* applies and makes an order that the following roads on which the event is to be held, be closed to traffic from the period between 5pm-12am Saturday 24 December 2022.

- South Terrace, from West Terrace to Fifth Street
- Fifth Street, from South Terrace to Main Street &
- Main Street, from Fifth Street to the Esplanade

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 – 8th January 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



Senior Citizens Christmas Lunch

Franklin Harbour Senior Citizens Christmas Party

On Friday December 9th, Council hosted our 60th Senior Citizens Christmas Lunch. The Cowell Area School Parents and Friends did an exceptional job, yet again, with the catering for the 120 plus guests on the day. The reception / year 1 class kept everyone entertained with a musical play.

Courtesy of COVID this was the first time in three years that we could hold this event as a large gathering. The Christmas lunch tradition continued during COVID but we delivered food and drinks to private homes rather than the big get together. It was very clear on the day that spirits were high getting back together at the Cowell Institute this year.



"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 Friday 24th of 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.

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 22nd Dec 9am to 1pm & Saturday 24th Dec 9am to 7pm

PRICES

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



Community News

LIBRARY NEWS

COMMUNITY OPENING HOURS

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



Christmas Closure

The library will be closed from Thursday 22nd December and reopen Tuesday 10th January 2023.

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.

Thank you

A big thank you to our community for your wonderful support this year. We hope you enjoyed Chris & Chloe Blowes and our Science Shows. We're busy planning next year's events and look forward to sharing that with you in the new year.

Keeping Up to date

To keep track of our new additions we are emailing a monthly newsletter called *Latest Additions* to members and it highlights a variety of new items received the previous month as well some information on the newest releases. If you'd like to keep in the know, please email us at cowell.library@libraries.sa.gov.au or call us on 8629 2320 to be added to the list. Don't forget to follow us on **Facebook** to keep in the know.

Merry Christmas— *Wishing everyone a wonderful Christmas and all the very best for the New Year. Merry Christmas from Maria, Kyla, McKenzie & Nicole.*



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 LIONS CLUB

MAIN STREET MARKET DATES

January 8th, February 5th, March 11th and April 2nd

P: Alan 0427 292 088

P: Andrew: 0429 801 498



**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

RAPID ANTIGEN TEST COLLECTION POINT

RAT Kit Distribution

As you may be aware, you are able to access free RATs at the Council Office.

What you need to do: Customers can register, prior to collection, on the SA Health website [South Australian Government - Rapid antigen test collection \(forms.sa.gov.au\)](https://www.southaustralia.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.

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



Be a citizen scientist for the day

Book a citizen science snorkel and survey marine parks with scientists

Zoom training pre-requisite - 5th January, or watch the recording

Mt Dutton Bay Jetty (14th)
Tumby Bay Lookout (15,17)
Flat Rock, Port Gibbon (18)
January 2023
12pm on each day

Limited Tickets
Adults \$59
Children and Concession \$39

Book online www.emsau.org/ems-community-tours

For more information email: bookings@emsau.org or ring Carl 0466 278 187



SCAN ME

2023 EP MARINE PARK SUMMER SNORKELS

MOUNT DUTTON BAY JETTY SAT 14 JAN

TUMBY BAY LOOKOUT SUN 15 TUES 17 JAN

FLAT ROCK, PORT GIBBON WED 18 JAN

WHYALLA NEW BEACH THURS 19 JAN

Community snorkels at 10am & 2pm
Citizen science snorkels at 12pm

Want to be a citizen scientist for a day? Check out the citizen science snorkels and survey these sites with a scientist. Zoom training required.

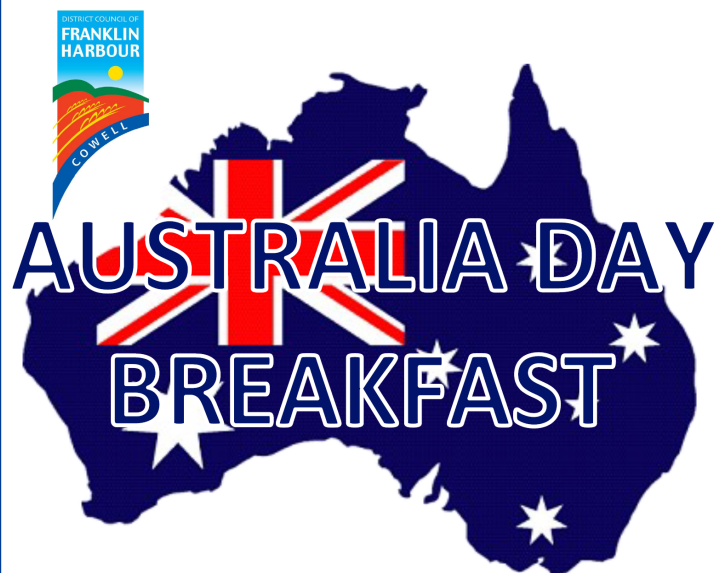
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MARINA COMMERCIAL BUILDING

COWELL FORESHORE

THURSDAY 26th JANUARY 2023

7:30am BREAKFAST

8:45am PRESENTATION OF

AWARDS and CITIZENSHIP CEREMONY

ALL WELCOME!

ROADS

When William bought the land, sections 113 and 114: in the hundred of Minbrie, the original road was surveyed through these sections to meet the hundred boundary at the Pooch-a water reserve. This alignment would have effectively divided the agricultural land into at least eight small portions.

William and the later owners had ongoing discussions with the council on alternative routes which would have been a considerable improvement for the travelling public.

William was not satisfied with the original route so he offered an alternative although it consisted of good land that had been used for agricultural purposes. This affected only two owners, one of whom was his son, William junior, who owned Minbrie Park, being section 114 in the hundred of Minbrie. Road access was guaranteed to the owners of Minbrie Park through section 113 to the main road at Pikes Corner. This arrangement was in existence for well over 50 years before Dad bought the farm, known as Badman's farm.

The piece of land that William senior had in mind was on the south side of section 113 and 114, these sections joined on to sections 110 and 134 both in the hundred of Minbrie and at that time belonged to the Pike and Wakelin families. The land for the proposed road turned left at this junction and had to cross two creeks, the first known as Windmill Creek, which when in flood carried huge amounts of water due to the steep run off.

There were hundreds of acres of very steep hills and the creeks to drain this boundary were at least four miles long. The second creek was commonly known as the Culvert Creek. Predictably, at this creek a culvert was built to bridge the sharp drop of the waters. It was constructed of the native pine that grew profusely in these areas. Most of the timber used was fairly heavy, and if I recall correctly the majority was split and to my knowledge there has never been any timber replacement needed. But the earth works were badly washed away on a couple of occasions, although a very solid spill way had been provided. This spillway was made of a very solid wall of heavy stones and it was not until the drought-breaking thunderstorm of 1930 that this wall was eventually damaged. When it was repaired the council did not re-build the spillway and needless to say after heavy rains the road was damaged many times.

With the construction of the road the owners of section 12 in the hundred of Minbrie had easy access to this facility, their gateway being between the two creeks. This road from Danger Corner served the public in general for a period of nearly on hundred years.

A council overseer, Fred Spender, was very concerned about the road from Danger Corner to the top of "White Hill. This was a narrow winding road and Fred was anxious to improve the alignment as the trucks carting wheat were becoming bigger and the cars travelling faster. He enlisted my co-operation regarding re-alignment through my property. I agreed to meet him at a certain time on site. There were a few pegs placed along the line which he proposed to take. I was very astonished that such a plan be put into action. We stood in the cutting of White Hill road discussing the situation, firstly his proposal which I rejected, but then I made a counter proposal suggesting that the road be straightened by filling two gullies and lowering the top of a small hill. This was adopted and I considered this alignment provided moving machinery with a very clear vision each way.

Again in 1981 Brian Foote, who was the overseer, came to me several times about the re-alignment of the road. The problem section was from the entrance gate to Poodra where the existing road would not permit improvement. The only real possibility was from the steep rise north of our gate, cutting across the top of section 114, with all agricultural land to the hill south side of this section.

This area of land would be built up for the road purposes thus denying us free access to the agricultural land below, the only other access would be past the dam on the east side of the road. Brian made mention of the original surveyed road and asked if I knew the route it took, my answer was in the affirmative. I also mentioned that there were three survey pegs still in position and that I could show him their location.

To be continued.....

NEWSLETTER



DATES TO REMEMBER

DISTRICT COUNCIL OF FRANKLIN HARBOUR COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday 18th January 2023 @ 1:00pm in
Council Chambers

COWELL LIONS CLUB MARKETS

Sunday 8th January 2023

Rainfall for November/December as at

15/12/2022 9.2mm

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.