

# BINGO

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*Night of fun, games and prizes!*

First game will be starting at 8pm  
\$20 per Book (20 sheets)

or  
\$2 per sheet (6 tickets per sheet)

18TH FRANKLAND RIVER 8.00  
MAY COUNTRY CLUB PM

Pre-sale available at the  
Frankland River CRC



# SMART HOME DEMONSTRATION

Come and explore some of the latest in Smart home assistant devices.

This display will help show how effective and easy using Google devices can be.

While offering innovative solutions at home with just a flick of a switch

**14th May '24**

**9.30am**



**AUSTRALIA'S BIGGEST MORNING TEA**

# 29TH MAY

## 10AM

Come and support the Cancer Council by joining us at the Frankland River CRC, for Australia's Biggest Morning Tea! Enjoy a cuppa with friends and some delicious treats.

Community Resource Centre Cancer Council Australia

**TAFE WA South Regional**

### FORKLIFT SKILL SET MAA82

This course will provide you with the knowledge and skills required to operate a forklift truck safely. Participants will learn how to operate a forklift truck by planning the work, conducting routine checks on a forklift truck, shifting loads in a safe manner and safely shut down and secure equipment after completing operations.

Date: 2nd & 3rd July 2024  
 Venue: Frankland River CRC  
 Cost: \$51.40  
 Enrolment closes 2nd June 2024

**APPLY NOW**

Frankland River CRC  
08 98 552310

Email [reception@franklandrivercrc.org.au](mailto:reception@franklandrivercrc.org.au)

Frankland River Community Resource Centre

**St John First Responder**

Calling triple zero (000) from within the St John First Responder app will send your GPS coordinates direct to the St John State Operation Centre, making it easier for an ambulance to locate you.

The app is free on iOS and Android.

# NATIONAL SIMULTANEOUS STORYTIME

## WEDNESDAY 22ND MAY 2024 10AM - 11AM

The Bowerbird Blues will be read at the Frankland River Library, along with the rest of the nation, at 10am on May 22nd.

Copies will be available for purchase at the CRC if you are unable to attend in the morning.

There will be a Bowerbird treasure hunt & activities to participate in

Frankland River Community Resource Centre

## Frankland River Family Fun Day

The Family Fun Day (FFD) seems a long time ago now but it was a fabulous day and I wanted to acknowledge all the hard work that went into making it a success. Firstly, I wanted to thank Teresa and Lani at the CRC for organising the event. The entertainment they arranged was exceptional. I can't think of any other event where kids can go water sliding, bouncing on inflatables and trampolining all day long completely free of charge! Not to mention all the other free entertainment and activities. I also wanted to thank Teresa and Lani on behalf of the P&C and school camp families for the fundraising opportunity the FFD presented. Through our FFD fundraising we were able to subsidise school camp for our senior students and pay the family contribution for swimming lessons for all our yr1 – 6 students which was an outstanding result.

This brings me to the next big thank-you – all the parents who contributed their time and effort to our fundraising stalls at the FFD. Between the parents of the camp students and the P&C we were able to set up 8 stalls – coin toss, golf putt, chase the ace, kids recycle challenge, face painting, cake stall, home made ice cream and show bags! This obviously took a massive effort from some very dedicated parents. I would also like to thank Miss Morris for her help in setting up and packing away our stalls.

Of course we wouldn't have been able to fundraise at all if not for the amazing local businesses that supported us. Whilst I have already acknowledged these businesses in our school newsletter, there were two businesses that went above and beyond. Firstly, Chris and Song at the Frankland General Store. As well as supporting the CRC to fund the day, Chris and Song also contributed a Frankland General Store Showbag which sold out in no time. Bunnings Albany also contributed 2 showbags. Special thanks to Carol, Bunnings Activities Organiser. The Bunnings Garden showbag sold out on the day and was great for big people as well as little green thumbs. The Bunnings Kids showbag was also extremely popular and amazing value. Despite most kids going home with one of these on the day we still have 6 left for the very low price of \$4 each. If you weren't able to make it on the day and would like to purchase one of these please contact me (0430 049 401). All proceeds go to the P&C.

I hope you all enjoyed the day and we look forward to seeing you all again at the next Frankland River Family Day!

Genelle Haynes  
Frankland River PS P&C President

## Early School Days

This year marks a couple of fabulous anniversary's in our shire; Frankland River CRC Inc. (originally branded Telecentre's), Cranbrook-Tambellup Community Bank and Frankland River Primary School. If you have any memorabilia to share related to any of these, please contact them direct.

We thought this was an amazing opportunity to revisit a history snippet which was published in our local rag on 13th July 2009, penned by our local historian Mrs. Ev Devine. Ev delighted us over the years with little history gems from her teaching days, as a community member and one of the original families to establish Frankland.



## Those Were The Days

By Evelyn Devine

After 1901 when Claremont Teachers Collage was opened under Cecil Andrews, more teachers became available. Application for the Frankland School was granted in June 1896 and the settlers erected a building on the five acres which is just southwest of where the golf club building is now. It was 14 feet by 14 feet with split slab walls and a dirt floor and was finished in 1898.

Prior to this Alex Moir engaged a teacher for his children in his own house. This teacher, Paul Morton, clever, a doctor, but ruined by drink, taught the children for a while until the Education Department appointed Mr Charles Trent as headmaster in December 1899.

East of Frankland at Kybelup, A. C. Gardiner was another father concerned with the education of his children. He provided a schoolroom at his house and the children and the teacher spent two days there and three at Frankland and the following week, three at Kybelup and two at Frankland. A local native, Mark Matthew Monday, used to guide the children through the thick bush until they knew the way.

Mr Trent sailed to Albany on a mail boat and caught the train to Cranbrook, then carrying his few belongings started to walk to Frankland. He lost his way somewhere around the '12 mile' and needed help. Jack Gardiner, who was waiting for his father to return from hunting, heard him calling and hoped it wasn't Ned Kelly (of whom he had heard tales) so he climbed a tree to escape. He was thankful to see his father return with this little stranger who could tell such tales of a world completely unknown to the nine-year-old boy. They boiled the billy, grilled some kangaroo then Mr. Trent went on his way to Bakers, from where he eventually came to Frankland.



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Newspaper**

## Managers Report

Do you have a story, memory or photo of the CRC from the last 25 years. This year is our 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of being a Community Resource Centre and we would love to start compiling some history memorabilia for our celebrations later in the year.

Unfortunately due to low numbers we had to postpone our Crafts Night , it appears a Monday night may be a better option, so we will set a date for next month in the coming weeks.

I am attending a seminar over in Pingelly this week on a new project being introduced in many small towns and communities, Staying in Place. We will then be holding an Information session on implementing Staying In Place in Frankland River. We would love to have as many community members as possible attend. Perhaps you have a senior relative that you are responsible for, are looking towards your own future or can provide services that will assist others to stay in Frankland River and receive the care and support they need. The issue of ageing in place in our community affects everyone at some point so please take one hour from your day and come in and see how this program could work for our community.

Prior to the Staying in Place session I will be providing a third information session on setting up Smart home products that are also useful in assisting the aged and infirm to be safe in their homes. Whilst the products are always on display in our Library and we can show them to you at any point this is an opportunity to come down and join others in learning about these products. These products were purchased as a part of a grant that I received from DPIRD on introducing new technology. This was a wonderful opportunity to provide new technology that many would not have access to. Being able to "play" with the products gives confidence and reassurance in purchasing the items. So we appreciate the support from DPIRD in funding this project.

The Bingo night is rapidly approaching and there will be some amazing prizes up for grab, make sure you mark your calendar, it is sure to be a night of fun and laughs.

We still have a few spots available in the upcoming Auschem course contact reception or the Katanning Tafe directly to book your spot.

Happy Mothers Day to all the mums in Frankland River and to those not with us to celebrate.

*Teresa*

<https://www.franklandrivercrc.org.au/>



# Community Garden

## Updates & Announcements



To grow social connections through education & sustainable living.

### Recipe

#### One Pan Baked Pesto Risoni with Chicken Meatballs

**Ingredients**

For the meatballs: 1 sml - med zucchini, 500g lean ground chicken (or turkey), 1/2 cup panko breadcrumbs, 1 large egg, 2 Tbsp basil pesto, zest of 1 lemon, 1 tsp Italian seasoning, 1/2 tsp garlic powder, 1/2 tsp red pepper flakes, 1 tsp kosher salt, ground black pepper  
 2 Tbsp extra-virgin olive oil  
 For the mushrooms - 1 Tbsp extra virgin olive oil, 500g baby bella mushrooms (or a mix of mushrooms of choice), coarsely chopped, 1/2 teaspoon kosher salt, ground black pepper, 3 garlic cloves, minced  
 For the creamy pesto Risoni - 2 1/2 cups chicken broth, 1 cup milk, 1/3 cup basil pesto, 500g uncooked Risoni, zest from 1 lemon, 1/2 lemon, juiced, 1 tsp kosher salt, 1/2 tsp Italian seasoning, 1 cup shredded mozzarella cheese.  
 To garnish, 1/4 cup fresh julienned basil, grated/shredded Parmesan cheese, Red pepper flakes.

**Instructions**

Step 1. Preheat oven to 200 C  
 Step 2. Shred the zucchini, then place shredded zucchini in a paper towel or cheese cloth and squeeze out ALL of the moisture/water. Transfer shredded zucchini to a large bowl and discard the excess zucchini water.  
 Step 3. Form the meatballs: In the large bowl with the shredded zucchini, add the ground chicken, breadcrumbs, egg, basil pesto, lemon zest, Italian seasoning, garlic powder, red pepper flakes, kosher salt and black pepper.  
 Step 4. Cook the meatballs: Place a large deep oven-safe skillet over medium-high heat and add in olive oil. Add the meatballs and brown on all sides. Do not worry about cooking them all the way through, they will finish cooking in the oven. Remove meatballs from the pan. Keep the heat in the pan.  
 Step 5. Cook the mushrooms: Add another tablespoon of oil to the pan and then add in the mushrooms, salt, and pepper. Stir occasionally until all liquid absorbs and mushrooms have cooked down and start to turn brown and caramelize on the edges, stir in garlic and cook until fragrant, 1 minute.  
 Step 6. Cook the Risoni: Slowly add the chicken broth to the pan while scraping up any bits from the bottom of the pan, then stir in the milk, basil pesto, lemon zest and lemon juice. Stir in the Risoni, lemon zest, lemon juice, salt, and Italian seasoning until well combined. Bring mixture to a gentle simmer. Place the meatballs on top of the Risoni then immediately transfer to the oven and bake for 10 to 12 minutes until the Risoni is cooked. Remove from the oven, sprinkle mozzarella cheese all over the top and bake for 5 more minutes or until the cheese is melted and slightly golden brown in places. Top with fresh julienned basil, parmesan cheese and extra red pepper flakes, if desired.

Recipe by Ambitious kitchen

### Weather

<b>Tuesday:</b> Sunny Top of 23	<b>Thursday:</b> Partly cloudy Top of 22
<b>Wednesday:</b> Sunny Top of 23	<b>Friday:</b> Partly cloudy Top of 22

### Garden tips

Crop rotation is a technique aimed at reducing pests and diseases, minimizing chemical usage, enhancing soil health, and balancing nutrient needs to increase yields. The straightforward nature of crop rotation makes it ideal for home gardening. This method assists in decreasing soil-borne pests and diseases by eliminating their preferred hosts, disrupting their life cycles, and potentially reducing the need for chemicals. Additionally, it aids in managing soil pH and nutrient levels to improve plant growth in your garden. By enriching the soil with organic matter, homemade compost, and cultivating green manure crops to add nitrogen, you maintain healthy and productive soil - good soil is the foundation for successful crop growth.

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## MAA18 Auschem Accreditation 22nd & 23rd May 2024

8.30am to 4.30pm

Learn the knowledge and skill required to manage risk associated with chemical use, and to understand your obligations in the area of duty of care, quality assurance and environmental management.

Costs - \$36.00 (resource fees) + \$75.00 Registration fee = \$111 per student  
Temporary VISA/Commerical rate = \$875.50 + \$75.00 (registration fee) = \$950.70

### IMPORTANT NOTES TO STUDENTS

All participants are now required to:

- Complete the pre-enrollment forms
- Wear clean & functional gloves/mask
- Wear long sleeved shirt & long trousers
- Wear enclosed boots
- Bring safety glasses
- Bring reading glasses if needed



Please enroll by the 2 May 2024

For further information please call 9855 2310





— 20 - 26 MAY 2024 —

# NATIONAL VOLUNTEER week

**Come and join us at the Frankland District Country Club to honor the incredible individuals in our community who generously dedicate their time, put themselves at risk, and volunteer for our local community organisations.**

**Saturday 25th May 2024**

**Frankland District Country Club 6pm onwards**

**For those who volunteer in our community, there will be a free meal to offer our Thanks** ❤️




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## For the Mums

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OPEN SATURDAY 11/4 (10AM - 4PM)  
SUNDAY BY APPOINTMENT 12/4

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**Welcome to the team, Mecedeez**

Hi everyone I'm Mecedeez,

I moved to Frankland River with my family back in 2019.

I decided to enrol in the cert 3 in business traineeship that was being offered by the local CRC as in the future I am wanting to move towards accounting and possibly being a tax agent, another reason for wanting to enrol is being able to gain experience working in a office base setting and interact with our community and get to know everyone.

***Celebrating a special occasion?***

If you would like to send congratulations, share the birth of a new addition to the family, post birthday wishes, celebrate an engagement, wedding, anniversary or special achievements we would love to hear from you!

Email: [franklander@franklandrivercrc.net.au](mailto:franklander@franklandrivercrc.net.au)

**A majority of storm damage is preventable.**

Planning and preparation is key to staying safe and reducing damage to your property during a storm.

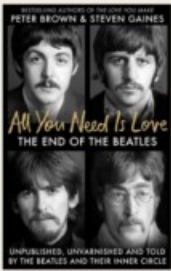
At a minimum, you should clean leaves out of your gutters, trim branches near roofs and tie down loose items in your garden, like sheds and trampolines.

**DID YOU KNOW?**

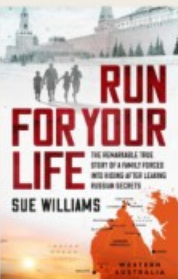
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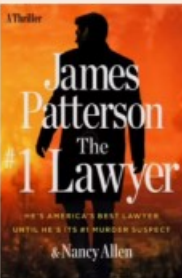
# Latest Book Arrivals



All You Need is Love is a ground-breaking oral history of the Beatles and how it all came to an end. Based on never-before-published or heard interviews with Paul McCartney, Yoko Ono, George Harrison, Ringo Starr, and their families, friends, and business associates, this is a landmark book, containing stunning new revelations, about the biggest band the world has ever seen. In 1980-1981 former COO of Apple Corp, Peter Brown and author Steven Gaines interviewed everyone in the Beatles' inner circle and included a small portion of the transcripts in their international bestselling book The Love You Make, which spent four months on the New York Times bestseller list. But left in their archives was a treasure trove of unique and candid interviews that they chose not to publish, until now. A powerful work assembled through honest, intimate, sometimes contradictory and always fascinating testimony, All You Need is Love is a one-of-a-kind insight into the final days, weeks, months and years of the Beatles phenomenon.



The remarkable true story of a family forced into hiding after leaking Russian secrets. What started out as a great adventure turned into a terrifying nightmare when Nick Stride and his family were forced to flee for their lives from one of the richest, most powerful men in the world. Nick moved to Russia in 1998 to help build the British Embassy in Moscow, but ended up on the run with his wife and two children after leaking secrets from Vladimir Putin's one-time deputy. Hiding off grid on Australia's final frontier – remote beaches on the Dampier Peninsula on the far north Kimberley coast – the family faced crocodiles, sharks, snakes, raging bushfires and the devastating Cyclone Yvette, and survived only by catching fish and crabs and learning how to kill wild animals. It was a life-or-death move, but Nick felt he had no choice. Now, emerging from isolation, the family are finally ready to share their incredible story.



Stafford Lee Penney is a small-town lawyer with a big-time reputation for winning every case he tries. In his sharp suits and polished Oxford shoes, Penney is Biloxi, Mississippi's #1 Lawyer and top local celebrity. Just as Penney notches his latest courtroom victory, his wife is scandalously killed. He spirals into a legal and personal losing streak, damaging his reputation and ruining his career. That's when Penney makes a bold decision. He stops trading on his power-lawyer identity and creates a new one: lawyer lifeguard. Moonlighting at the beach, showing up to court in flip-flops, mentoring a law student, the new Penney is at first unrecognizable. It's said that a lawyer who represents himself has a fool for a client. But when Penney's accused of murder, the #1 Lawyer will find a way to triumph.



In New York Times bestselling author Anthony Horowitz's ingenious fifth literary whodunnit in the Hawthorne and Horowitz series, Detective Hawthorne is once again called upon to solve an unsolvable case—a gruesome murder in an idyllic gated community in which suspects abound. Riverside Close is a picture-perfect community. The six exclusive and attractive houses are tucked far away from the noise and grime of city life, allowing the residents to enjoy beautiful gardens, pleasant birdsong, and tranquility from behind the security of a locked gate. It is the perfect idyll, until the Kentworthy family arrives, with their four giant, gas-guzzling cars, gaggle of shrieking children, and plans for a garish swimming pool in the backyard. Obvious outsiders, the Kentworthys do not belong in Riverside Close, and quickly offend every last one of the neighbors. When Giles Kentworthy is found dead on his own doorstep, a crossbow bolt sticking out of his chest, Detective Hawthorne is the only investigator they can call to solve the case. Because how do you solve a murder when everyone is a suspect?



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## SHIRE SNAPSHOT

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Email: [admin@cranbrook.wa.gov.au](mailto:admin@cranbrook.wa.gov.au)

Website: [www.cranbrook.wa.gov.au](http://www.cranbrook.wa.gov.au)

### SHIRE OPENING HOURS

8.30 AM — 4.00 PM

Monday—Friday



### The Council Corner

**Ordinary Council Meeting held 17 April 2024**

To read the full minutes from all Council meetings head to our website at [www.cranbrook.wa.gov.au](http://www.cranbrook.wa.gov.au)

- The List of Payments was received by Council.
- The Monthly Financial Report from March was received.
- Council approved a Planning application for 87 Climie Street, Cranbrook; and
- Purchase of new plant has been approved by Council.

### Next Council Meeting

**Wednesday, 15 May 2024 in Frankland River**

### Waste Facility Sites - Opening Times

#### Cranbrook

Monday and Thursday 7.30 am - 11.30 am  
Friday and Sunday 1.00 pm - 5.00 pm

#### Frankland River

Monday and Thursday 1.00 pm - 5.00 pm  
Friday and Sunday 7.30 am - 11.30 am

#### TYRES

To dispose of old tyres at the sites you will need to purchase prepaid vouchers from the Shire Administration Office in Cranbrook or the Frankland River CRC.

### **Shire of Cranbrook Standpipe**

Water Corporation have advised that the Shire can now utilize the standpipe for potable water at Cranbrook townsite. The standpipe is located on the edge of town going out on Salt River Road.

It is available to any Shire ratepayer who needs to fill their house tanks at the rate of \$3.50 per thousand (1000) litres. Just call in at the Shire office to get the key and we can obtain any information from you regarding billing. (Minimum charge \$15)



### **PENSIONERS/SENIORS**

Reminder if your rates are not paid on or before 30 June 2023 your government pensioner rebate will no longer apply.

If you are having difficulties paying your rates please contact our Rates Officer, Alecia Taylor on 9826 1008.

### **DRIVING TESTS**

**\*\*\*BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL\*\*\***

**The Shire of Cranbrook endeavours to hold Practical Driving Assessments for our locals only.**

The Practical Driving Assessor will next be in Cranbrook on 23/05/2024 between 1.30 & 2.30pm.

To enquire or make a booking please contact the Department of Transport on 13 11 56 or present to the Shire Administration Office.

**Recycling Kerbside Collection**  
**13 & 27 May 2024**

### SNAP SEND SOLVE

The **Snap Send Solve** app is the most efficient way of reporting a variety of issues directly to the Shire. Reportable issues include:

- Abandoned cars or vehicles
- Animal related issues
- Dumped rubbish and litter or Graffiti
- Damaged pavement and roads
- Playground equipment
- Fallen trees



Becoming a community legend has never been easier! <http://www.snapsendsolve.com/>

## SHIRE SNAPSHOT

### E-Waste Collection

Did you know you can now take your broken computers, TVs and other electronic devices to the Cranbrook Waste Facility and the Frankland River Waste Facility for recycling free of charge?

The State Government announced there was a statewide ban on e-waste disposal to landfill on 30 June 2024 as part of ensuring all Western Australians take responsibility for managing waste better.

E-waste can contain precious metals such as gold, copper and nickel, and rare materials of strategic value, such as indium and palladium. These precious metals can be recovered, recycled and used as valuable source of secondary raw materials.

E-waste can contain hazardous materials and should be collected and recycled correctly to prevent harm to the environment and human health.

The Shire of Cranbrook would like to acknowledge the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation who provided a grant to build sheds for e-waste collection and storage at each location, enabling the Shire to move toward a more environmentally responsible future.

Linda Gray  
Chief Executive Officer

PANOS


### Waste Facility Access Roads - Sealing Works

The Shire of Cranbrook is currently undertaking sealing works to our Waste Facility Access Roads in Cranbrook and Frankland River. For the project we specified a new emulsion made from recycled tyres. The material not only puts old tyres to good use but provides a stronger wearing course. Did you know? 225,000 tonnes of used tyres ended up in landfill or were stockpiled or illegally dumped last year. The Shire is continuously committed to trialling new technologies and supports the use of recycled materials.




## SHIRE SNAPSHOT


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### Seniors Stretching/Mobility training with Alyssa



**FREE** classes every Thursday 9.30am  
Cranbrook hall super room



Please contact Lauren at the Shire of Cranbrook 98261008  
lauren.lehmann@cranbrook.wa.gov.au



### SEATED EXERCISE CLASSES FOR SENIORS

**Free classes every Friday 11.30AM - 12PM**  
CRANBROOK HALL SUPER ROOM  
SENIORS LUNCH TO FOLLOW

**ALL WELCOME**  
COME IN AND ENJOY A GROUP EXERCISE CLASS RUN BY A QUALIFIED INSTRUCTOR FROM SHIRE OF PLANTAGENET.

PLEASE CONTACT BERNIE CLIMIE ON 0407 261 123




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## 2024 February to June Regional Locations

**ALL WELCOME**



**10am-12noon**

2024	Denmark 1st Wednesday	Walpole 2nd Wednesday	Jerramungup 3rd Wednesday	Cranbrook 4th Wednesday
February	7	N/A	21	28
March	6	13	20	27
April	N/A	N/A	17	24
May	1	8	15	22
June	5	12	19	26



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### SHIRE OF CRANBROOK - COMMUNITY GRANT PROGRAM

Does your community group or organisation have a project, program, or event that you require financial assistance to undertake?

Did you know that the Shire of Cranbrook has a community grants program that can assist your group or organisation with this!

To find out more information please visit <https://www.cranbrook.wa.gov.au/our-community/community-grant-program/>



## Expert advice for buying a gift card this Mother's Day

Gift cards might be considered a lazy gift... but you know what's worse? Giving Mum a pressie she doesn't like, want, or need for Mother's Day. With her special day just around corner, Consumer Protection has some advice for you if you're thinking about giving Mum a gift card or voucher to her favourite store or local business.

A minimum three-year expiry period applies to most gift cards and the expiry date must be clearly displayed. This means you can easily see and challenge the date if they get it wrong. It also ensures the recipient of your gift won't be caught out not knowing when it will expire.

There are some exemptions to this such as free promotional or bonus gift cards, like a \$50 wine voucher valid for one month that is mailed to a consumer as a free bonus with a purchased item.

Businesses cannot charge post-purchase fees or administration charges that reduce the value of the gift card. These could be activation, account-keeping, and balance enquiry fees.

Other terms and conditions that come with gift cards can vary for every business, so it's best to check if there's any spending limits, how the business will give change if the full amount isn't spent, which stores accept the voucher (particularly important for shopping centre vouchers), if a lost or stolen card can be replaced and how to check the remaining balance.

It's estimated more than a third of gift cards go unused and an unused gift card is virtually a donation to the retailer. Three years is a long time to spend a gift card but it's also a long time to forget. Suggest Mum puts a reminder in her phone or calendar to use the voucher before it expires.

It's also a good idea to use a gift card sooner rather than later, as you can't be certain the retailer will still be around three years down the track. Unspent gift cards may become worthless if a business goes bust, closes its doors or changes owners.

Gift vouchers are like cash – if mum loses it, she can't claim it, so ask her to keep it in a secure place until she's ready to go shopping.

More information on the rules, including a list of questions to ask when buying gift cards and vouchers, can be found on our website – [consumerprotection.wa.gov.au \(https://www.commerce.wa.gov.au/consumer-protection/gift-vouchers-and-cards\)](https://www.commerce.wa.gov.au/consumer-protection/gift-vouchers-and-cards)

## Shedding light on dark patterns

As the cost of living continues to pinch, most people are looking for ways to save a bit of money, but some businesses use sneaky tricks to make us spend more than intended.

Dark patterns are tactics used to nudge, manipulate or trick you into spending more than planned or providing personal data that isn't needed.

These tactics can be used in many situations, but the place you will see them most often is on digital channels such as online platforms, shopping websites and apps.

From scarcity cues designed to create a fear of missing out (FOMO), trick questions to get you to choose an option you may not want, to subscriptions that are easy to sign up to but difficult to cancel, to shaming you with loaded language designed to make you feel silly or worried if you don't agree to buying a product or service, dark patterns can create consumer harm by eroding consumer trust and placing a strain on budgets.

A whopping 83 per cent of Australians have experienced negative consequences after falling victim to dark patterns according to a Consumer Policy Research Centre study. They reported financial harm or a feeling of being manipulated, and a quarter of Australians said dark patterns led them to share more personal information than they wanted.

The research also showed younger consumers (aged between 18 and 28 years) are even more negatively impacted by dark patterns. They are more likely to part with more of their money and their personal information than any other age group. This impacts their financial wellbeing and means more businesses have access to their personal information.

If you spot dark patterns and don't want to accept them, choose a different retailer, or shop in store. To avoid post-purchase regret don't be rushed into buying something, shop around and stick to your budget, make sure the website is reputable or even ask friends and family for recommendations. It's also important to know your consumer rights so make sure you read the fine print before clicking 'buy', keep your proof of purchase and know when you're entitled to a refund, repair or replacement.

While it may be tempting to sign up to a newsletter to get a discount, make sure you're not sharing more personal information than you want to. Before you sign up to a subscription service be aware of any ongoing fees, read and understand the terms and conditions, and check what the process will be to cancel.



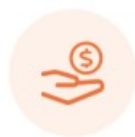
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## Relationships – Personal and Other!

We are all challenged, in both our personal and other relationships in life, whether we have a partner, are single, or involved in the many community groups and workplaces that make our life tick.

Personal relationships go through many stages that challenge the ever-changing dynamic of our relationships. These stages can be the catalyst for relationships ending, through people growing apart and being challenged by their own emotional insecurity and identity.

Some of these stages may include:

- ◆ having children and/or 'empty nesting' when the kids leave home;
- ◆ a death or sickness in the family or community group we belong to;
- ◆ the stages of a man's life when our identity is challenged, usually around late adolescence, mid-life, and retirement. Finding that sense of purpose along with passions/interests is the key for balance in our life;
- ◆ menopause has many phases which often challenge ladies, as blokes we quite often do not observe changes in those women around us even though it is happening under our eyes. It is necessary to adapt our habits to suit;
- ◆ diminished testosterone levels due to ageing (male menopause);
- ◆ the people we choose to associate with.

We must remember - It is not your responsibility to make your spouse happy. It is up to each person to make that happen for themselves. We do, however, play a significant role in whether or not our spouses feel appreciated, which is a good start for a healthy relationship.

"If your home environment is good, peaceful and easy, your life is better and easier." (Lori Greiner)

As blokes our relationships are also quite often challenged in the community setting/workplace and the 'my way or the highway' approach. If we have been single all our life or have lost a partner recently, being connected to community through groups of interest is important. Accepting diversity and being prepared to try new interests will lead us down the path of many new and enduring relationships.

Being able to agree to disagree respectfully is a skill that seems lost on society, and an important one to maintain

good relationships. We do not have to believe in the many things that people may say, but with compassion, compromise and empathy (the ability to understand and share the thoughts of another person) we can still be involved in that community group. Many blokes butt heads and walk away, missing the many benefits of being connected.

All relationships are ongoing and a work in progress. It is imperative that we communicate, communicate, and communicate more to have healthy relationships and reap the health benefits that go with it. It is also important that if the relationship (in any setting) is not working and/or unrecoverable, it is alright to walk away.

I read an article recently on relationships which included the following summation: "Honesty is the most valuable attribute you can bring to a relationship, along with a willingness to communicate and compromise," remembering compromise is about give and take, not one-sided sacrifice."

As always, remember...before it all gets too much... Talk to a Mate®!!

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## Cranbrook Community Men's Shed

April has been a busy month for the Lads at the shed. The highlight of the month was the hosting of the Men's Sheds WA Regional Zone meeting. The event was held at the Hub with catering supplied by our marvellous associate members. The visiting Mens Shed WA team voted our meeting one of the best catered in the state and we have an immense sense of pride for our support team, thank you ladies, you are truly amazing.

Zone meetings are an excellent way for sheds in the Great Southern region to come together, share ideas, network and get up to date information on management, health, projects and ideas.

Another great team effort was the gunfire breakfast held at the townhall. Our committed bunch of men set their alarms for an early start and got stuck in cooking bacon and egg sandwiches for the dawn service participants. An annual event, the members of the Cranbrook Community Men's Shed are proud to be associated with this event and thank the Shire of Cranbrook for the opportunity.

The next event on the shed calendar will be a visit from the Motorcycle Men's Shed of Perth in mid-May. This group will be on a week-long tour of sheds in the south of the state and will pop into Cranbrook for morning tea on their way back home. The lads are looking forward to seeing some very fine motorcycles in the carpark.

On an important note – The Cranbrook Community Men's Shed will be calling time on its involvement with the Trading Post second hand shop on the 26<sup>th</sup> June 2024. While the shed has enjoyed its involvement with this important community initiative, the time has come to move on. The shop is offered on a complete no cost walk in, walk out basis to any interested party.

The Men's Shed invites anyone interested to contact Mal Humble on 0410568 519 for information with expressions of interest lodged by May 31 to allow for a smooth transition.

The welcome mat is out to all men in the community to pop in for a chat or cuppa on Thursdays and Saturday mornings.

As a member of the Australian Men's Shed Association and Men's Sheds WA, the Cranbrook Community Men's Shed prides itself on providing a modern safe environment for all men in the community.

For more information about the shed and its activities contact Mal Humble 0410 568 519 or Ian (Dobby) Williams on 0400 612 196.

## Round seven RED Grants open for Great Southern businesses and organisations.

The Great Southern Development Commission (GSDC) has welcomed the state government's opening of round seven of the Regional Economic Development (RED) Grants program, and encourages regional businesses and organisations to apply for funding to support local projects.

Following the announcement of the opening of the seventh round of the program by the Hon. Don Punch MLA, Minister for Regional Development last week in Bunbury, grants of up to \$250,000 per individual project are available in the Great Southern region.

The state government's RED Grants program is investing \$55.85 million over ten years into locally-driven projects to create long-term economic growth, and stimulate job creation in regional Western Australia.

GSDC Acting Chief Executive Officer Jarrad Gardner, said the seventh round of the RED Grants program is set to once again boost growth and diversification in the Great Southern economy.

"The RED Grants program is a fantastic opportunity for all kinds of projects within our region to access funding to support their ventures, and simultaneously help the Great Southern thrive," he said.

"The key to a successful application is understanding what is required for the application process, and making sure the project really strongly addresses the objectives of the program."

Round seven grants will have a focus on projects which create sustainable jobs, expand or diversify industry, develop skills or capabilities, attract new investment and/or increase productivity.

Over \$3.8 million of RED Grant funding has supported 41 Great Southern projects from the previous six rounds.

Applications are now open and close on 26 June 2024.

More information about the RED Grants program for the Great Southern, including guidelines and application are available online at [www.gsdc.wa.gov.au/our-support/regional-economic-development-grant/](http://www.gsdc.wa.gov.au/our-support/regional-economic-development-grant/)





### Bowls

Last Saturday and Sunday the League Fours and Singles where played at Albany Bowling Club hosted by Green Range. Great two days of bowls and friendships.

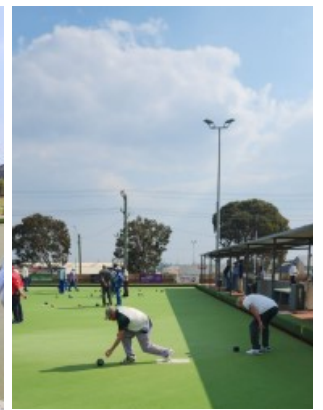
On the Saturday Frankland 4's where played with high winds and cold conditions. The 4's where Robin Higgins, Peter Ettridge, Serge and David Brayshaw. It was Peter and David's first big day out but unfortunately no wins. On the Sunday saw a better day and the team had three wins. Great comeback boys!!

Saturday also was hosting the Singles. Fred Mentha was playing for Frankland. Fred had 1 win. Sunday Fred played and had a few wins but like the fours not to come in winning. Well done Fred.

So to Fred, Robin, Peter, Serge and David a big thank you for representing Frankland in the game we all love. Bring on next year



Above: Stan the Man



Left: Fred Mentha playing Singles.

Above: Skipper Rob Higgins pulling in a big one

In other sports news...

Netball and footy has started.

The Under 12's from Frankland River are playing for Mt Barker Bulls and lost their first game.

Friday night the Bullets played Railways winning 18-0.

Paula Wright



Above: Ebony Clode playing for the Bullets. Go Ebs!!



### Cranbrook Motocross Track ready for State Round

An exciting season is planned for Cranbrook Motocross including hosting two great spectator events, State Round 29/30<sup>th</sup> June and Interclub on 18<sup>th</sup> August.

Both events are expected to attract over 120 riders each day and are set to be an exciting day of close motocross action. Competitors are expected to head to Cranbrook from across the south west and Perth to battle it out on the Sukey Hill track. The state round will also include ATV motorbikes.

Spectators will also be able to experience the racing for a range of viewpoints throughout the venue as well as being able to walk through the pits. For those keener the club is always looking for people over the age of 16 years who are interested in getting trackside as a flaggie. Spectator entry is free and canteen facilities are available.

In preparation for these two events the club has been busy making sure the track is signed off and meets Motorcycling Australia guidelines. Each year motocross clubs apply for a track licence and have a site inspection before being granted a license by Motorcycling WA. This site visit track inspection ensures all possible measures are taken to comply with the standards of the sport, as outlined in the Track Standards. These guidelines have been set out to enhance the safety of our riders, participants, officials and all other parties.

This year the track inspector Steve Scragg was impressed with the presentation of the Sukey Hill track and that previous years works program had been completed by the club.

The next club day is 8<sup>th</sup> June Ride Park followed by coaching on 9/10<sup>th</sup> June with Rykers MX101 Coaching





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Thank you Alex, Clare, René, Zali, Sam, Chris, Mark and Trav for giving up your time to play for TTC. You are legends!

Thanks also to our cheer squad! Well done to Olivia Riggall who played for the OnCourt Tennis junior team. The weather, tennis, company and the win all made for a fabulous day out.



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		7 Yoga 6.30pm	8 Active Farmers Fitness with Zali 7.30am	9 Op Shop 10am - 1.30pm  Waste Station 1:00pm - 5pm  Yoga 6.30pm	10 Waste Station 7:30am - 11:30am  Rocky Gully CWA Bottomless Brunch	11 Op Shop CLOSED
12 Waste Station 7.30am - 11.30am  	13 Waste Station 1:00pm - 5pm  Auskick  Recycling	14 Yoga 6.30pm  Smart Home Demo 9.30am	15 Active Farmers Fitness with Zali 7.30am  Playgroup & Toy Library  Chiropractor  Council Meeting Frankland River  Kids Club 2.30pm	16 Nunijup Patchwork  Staying in Place 9am  Op Shop 10am - 1.30pm  Waste Station 1:00pm - 5pm  Yoga 6.30pm	17 Waste Station 7:30am - 11:30am  Article deadline	18 Op Shop CLOSED  Bingo Night @ Club 8pm  Frankland hosting Football on the Town oval 8.30am
19 Waste Station 7:30am - 11:30am  Catholic Mass	20 Waste Station 1:00pm - 5pm  Auskick  Active Farmers Fitness with Zali 5.30pm	21 Yoga 6.30pm  Country Club Special Meeting 7pm	22 Active Farmers Fitness with Zali 7.30am  Auschem  Play in the Park <b>Cranbrook</b>  Playgroup & Toy Library  National Simultaneous Storytime  Kids Club 2.30pm	23 Auschem  Op Shop  Waste Station 1:00pm - 5pm  Yoga 6.30pm	24 Waste Station 7:30am - 11:30am	25 Op Shop CLOSED  CWA Meeting  National Volunteer Event @ Club
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