The Cranbrook Newsletter

Volume 44 Issue 5 JUNE 2026

Quiz night

Friday 26th June

Cranbrook Sporting Club

Club bar open 6pm

Quiz starts 7pm

$10 per person

BYO nibbles

No BYO drinks

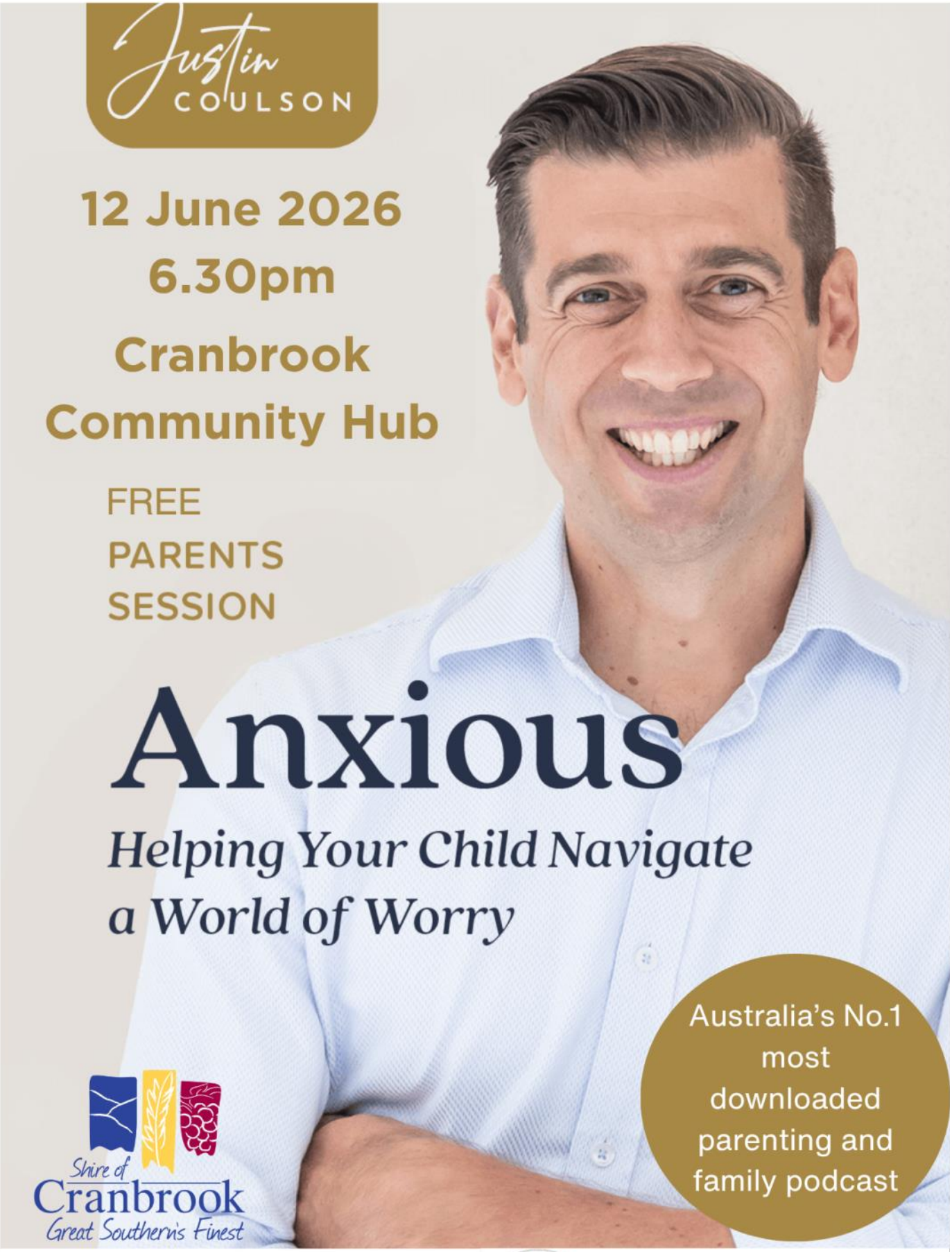
Cake and coffee provided

Great questions, fun night

Prizes to be won

To book a table please message Bernie 0407 261123

We look forward to your company



All Welcome. Nibbles provided.
Further Information contact
lauren.lehmann@cranbrook.wa.gov.au

This activity has been funded under the Families and Communities Programme by the Australian Government Department of Social Services

Thank You

To Our Community

Thank you to all who sent me continuous text messages and calls after Rods accident on the 20th January.

I do apologise for not responding to many of you. It was very overwhelming to keep up and being by Rodney's side in ICU. He was my priority and sleep was my other.

We nearly lost Rodney twice in ICU but with the excellent team in ICU he pulled through thank goodness! I would dearly like to thank Johanna for never leaving my or Rodney's side during Rod's traumatic journey!

She kept me strong emotionally, physically and spiritually throughout our ordeal. She took care of Rod as much as I did. We love her dearly!

We want to thank Dick and Paul for running our small farm while we were away and after we returned home. They did an amazing job even when they started a fire that got our fire brigade and local farmers skipping! They are both legends to us!

To John, Liz and Max who kept things running perfectly at home and being on call for the farm when needed. And to Ashley who lent Rod a terrain wheelchair which gave Rod more freedom to get around outside the house and being a back up for us on the farm and still is if we need him. To the Cranbrook Police for their support. To Harvey and Ann, the Baptist Church and many others who gave us gifts to help us along, and the support and help we have needed to make big jobs into small ones. It comes to show the friends we have are our family and we are very blessed to have them in our lives!

It's close to four months now and with Rods stubborn drive he has improved bit by bit every week. He is still reliant on the wheelchair but is able to walk with aids for a short period of time. It is too early to tell if Rod is able to continue with farming without a struggle and needing help but that may be yet another hurdle we will have to overcome. We feel very rich for Rod still alive and slowly improving, for the family and friends we have in our lives, and for the caring community we live in!

It will be a long journey for Rod but we are trying our best to live our lives with as little stress as possible.

Thank you all for your concern and support.

Regards

Vicky and Rodney Taylor

THE BIGGEST MORNING TEA
was held on the 21st May

There was a great crowd and much laughter and chatter.

Thanks everyone for supporting the Cancer Foundation.

Thank you

for being a part of Australia's Biggest Morning Tea and supporting those impacted by cancer.

Together we raised

$650

For life-saving research, prevention, and support services.

Cancer

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Next Newsletter **Deadline**:
12pm **Monday 22nd June**
cranbrooknewsletter@gillamii.org.au

DARWINIA COTTAGES CRANBROOK COMMITTEE INC
Helping the Aged in Cranbrook to live Independently

The Annual General Meeting
will be held on the
17th August at 7pm
at the
Gillamii Centre

For more than 40 years, the **Darwinia Cottages Committee** has been supported by volunteers from the community, to assist retired residents to stay close to their family, friends and the community they are part of by providing accommodation in **Independent Living Units**.

If you would like to contribute some time, skills and energy to assist with the ongoing development and management of the Darwinia Cottages, please come along and learn more about the value of this community owned and operated facility.

Bill Waldron (Chair)

What do you Think?

Newsletter Review

Our deepest thanks to those that have submitted their feedback!

We already have our thinking caps on and working out the best approach to incorporate your suggestions and feedback without affecting the cost or how you receive the newsletter.

We have had a wonderful variety of suggestions including increasing the size of photos, more local history, articles celebrating good things in our community and puzzles. It has also been a huge buzz to find that you like the information and updates we are already providing and that our advertising rates are reasonable!

We will have a full run down of the feedback we received in the next edition after the main feedback drive has closed 31st May. Please continue to send your feedback in after that - we love knowing what you like and where we can improve.

The suggestion box that was located at the Cranbrook Post Office has wandered it's way to the Tenterden Store.

Share your thoughts with the Newsletter Team by the **end of Sunday 31st May 2026** so that we can plan what changes we include in our 'revamp'.

Email Amanda at newsletterfeedback@whollyouniq.au complete the online form or drop a suggestion in the suggestion box.

Do you have an article, advertisement or enquiry?
Email the team at cranbrooknewsletter@gillamii.org.au.

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Online Form

SHIRE SNAPSHOT

Phone: 9826 1008
Email: admin@cranbrook.wa.gov.au
Website: www.cranbrook.wa.gov.au

SHIRE OPENING HOURS

8.30 AM — 4.00 PM
Monday—Friday

The Council Corner

To read the full minutes from all Council meetings head to our website at www.cranbrook.wa.gov.au

At the Council Meeting held on 20 May 2026 Council had 12 reports to consider, amongst these were:

- Council received the List of Payments and Monthly Financials for April;
- Council adopted the 2026/27 Fees & Charges;
- Council approved appointments of Fire Control Officers for the Brigades 26/27 season;
- Application for proposed holiday accommodation at Ronaldshaw Shearers quarters was approved;
- Council endorsed the ten-year Regional Road Group schedule;
- The future of Bloom Festival was discussed, due to the ceasing of the annual subscription with Great Southern Treasures.

Next Council Meeting
Wednesday, 17 June 2026 in Cranbrook

The Ordinary Meetings of Council are held on the third (3rd) Wednesday of each month (excluding January) and commence at 3.00pm. Members of the public are welcome to attend.

Administration Office Closed

The Shire of Cranbrook Administration Office will be closed

Monday 1 June 2026

for the Western Australia Day Public Holiday

re-opening Tuesday, 2 June 2026 at 8:30am.

Department of Transport

Did you know that the Shire of Cranbrook is a licensing agent for the Department of Transport, as such we are not permitted to take licensing enquiries over the phone.

If you are attending the administration office to complete licensing duties please ensure you come prepared. The best way to make sure you have everything you require for your enquiry is to jump onto the Department of Transport website before hand and familiarise yourself with what your particular enquiry may need.

If you come prepared with the correct ID requirements and information it will streamline the time you spend within the admin office. Please note that our staff have to follow the directions and regulations set upon us from the Department of Transport.

If you are unable to come into the Shire of Cranbrook Administration Office for your licensing enquiry you must contact the Department of Transport on 13 11 56.

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.

Recycling Kerbside Collection

8 & 22 June 2026

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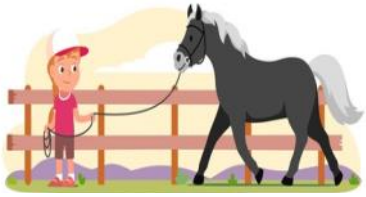

The Shire of Cranbrook is currently reviewing the Shire owned horse paddocks in line with the Strategic Community Plan 2025-2035 to support an engaged and Inclusive community culture. The Shire is seeking expressions of interest in the use of the horse paddocks, communal paddock and exercise arena by both individuals and community groups.

We would like to hear from interested community groups on future uses of the facilities to ensure upgrades meet the requirements.

We currently do not have vacancies in the existing paddocks but would like

Interested residents who wish to lease available paddocks in the future, to email their interest into the shire.

Please email Stephanie Waldron, Project Office at stephanie.waldron@cranbrook.wa.gov.au with your name, address, email and contact number.

2026/2027 Fees & Charges

The proposed Fees and Charges for the 2026/2027 financial year have been adopted by Council at the May Council meeting and may be viewed on the Shire of Cranbrook website or in person at the Administration Office. The new Fees and Charges will take affect from 1 July 2026.

Linda Gray
Chief Executive Officer

IT'S THAT TIME OF THE YEAR; RATES ARE JUST AROUND THE CORNER

If you have changed your contact details you will need to update these to the Shire of Cranbrook, please contact the Shire on 9826 1008 or email admin@cranbrook.wa.gov.au

If you have any Rates enquiries, please contact the Shire on 9826 1008.

Important Information Before You Pay Your Rates

Every Rates Notice comes with its own unique BPAY Reference Number – and it's essential you use the correct one when making a payment.

👉 **If you don't, your payment may not be applied to the correct property... what does that mean?**
💥 **That means you could be charged interest on what appears to be an 'unpaid' Rates Notice – even if you've already paid!**

✅ **What to do:**

✓ **Check your Rates Notice**
✓ **Use the unique BPAY Reference provided**
✓ **Pay each Rates Notice seperately via BPAY**
✓ **Avoid unnecessary fees or confusion**

Stay on top of your payments – double-check before you pay! 💳
🕒 **Paying your rates after the due date means interest will accrue daily on any overdue amount – so it pays to be prompt.**

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SHIRE OF CRANBROOK
PUBLIC NOTICE

DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION –

PROPOSED ELECTRONIC VMS EVENT BOARD:

17 GATHORNE STREET, CRANBROOK

The Shire is proposing to install permanent electronic VMS event board sign at Lot 36 (No 17) Gathorne Street, Cranbrook.

The sign is proposed on lot 38 and will have an overall height of 4.5 metres. The sign face will measure 2.24 metres by 1.3 meteres. The Shire Administration has advised that it is not proposed as an advertising sign, but a message board for emergency management, events and information.

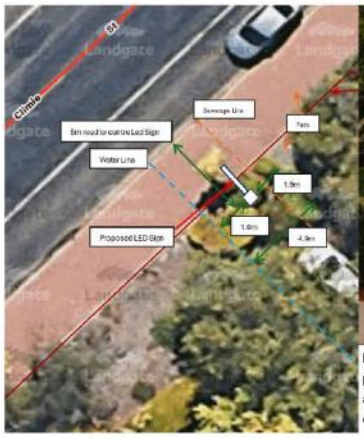
Prior to determining this application, the Shire would like to provide the general public with an opportunity to comment on the proposal. The plans can be viewed at the Shire of Cranbrook, 19 Gathorne Street, Cranbrook during office hours or on the Shire website. https:// www.cranbrook.wa.gov.au/

Should you wish to make a submission on the proposal, your comments (in writing) will need to be lodged by **4.00pm, Friday 5 June 2026.**

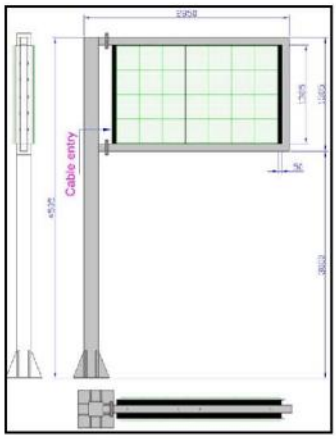
Please note, if no comments are received by the closure date, we will assume that you have no comment you wish to make and the application will be assessed and determined on its merits and without any further consultation.

Linda Gray
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

21/05/2026



Disclaimer: The image shown is for illustrative purposes only and is intended to provide a general visual representation of the proposed VMS LED sign location and appearance. The final design, size, positioning, colours, landscaping impacts, and overall appearance of the sign may differ from what is shown.



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Frankland River Town Hall Renovations

The Shire of Cranbrook wishes to acknowledge the Government of Western Australia for the $10,000 contribution through the Small Grants Program for the Frankland River Town Hall Youth Space.

WHAT'S HAPPENING WITHIN THE TOWN HALL

Work on the Frankland River Town Hall commercial kitchen is moving ahead steadily, with all major equipment now delivered, assembled and the new servery installed. Final touches to the hall's window treatments are expected by the end of the month.
The next stage will see plumbing connected for the new pass-through dishwasher, sinks, hand basin, hot water system and gas commercial stove and hotplate. Stainless steel splashbacks and a commercial-grade exhaust hood will then be fitted over the upgraded oven, hotplates, combi oven and deep fryer.
The final step will be electrical connection and finishing paintwork, bringing the modernised kitchen close to completion.

Government of Western Australia

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 **11/06/2026 between 1.30pm & 2.10pm**.

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

SHIRE SNAPSHOT

BUSH FIRES ACT 1954
SHIRE OF CRANBROOK
APPOINTMENTS

It is hereby notified that the following persons are appointed as Shire of Cranbrook Bush Fire Control Officers under the Bush Fires Act 1954 Part IV Division 1 Section 38 (1) 2026/2027 -

Chief Bush Fire Control Officer - Graeme Marshall
Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer (West) - Simon Hilder
Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer (East) - Jamie Climie

Fire Control Officers -

Nathan Waterman	(Bokerup/Unicup Bush Fire Brigade)
Jamie Climie	(Cranbrook Central Bush Fire Brigade)
Harley Smith	(Cranbrook East Bush Fire Brigade)
Ricky Pearton	(Cranbrook Town Bush Fire Brigade)
Simon Hilder	(Frankland River Bush Fire Brigade)
Andrew Murray	(Frankland River Town Bush Fire Brigade)
Jon Egerton-Warburton	(Gordon Bush Fire Brigade)
Keiron Haynes	(Kybellup Bush Fire Brigade)
Lindsay Watterson	(Nunijup Bush Fire Brigade)
Jason Watterson	(Tenterden Bush Fire Brigade)
Sean Morgan	(Tunney Bush Fire Brigade)
Brett Smith	(Woolonga Bush Fire Brigade)
Phill Gunn	(Shire of Cranbrook)

As Fire Weather Officer pursuant to Part IV Division 1 Section 38 (8) -

Shire of Cranbrook - Graeme Marshall

All previous appointments are cancelled.

Linda Gray, Chief Executive Officer.

SHIRE SNAPSHOT

Year K to 6

Term 2 2026

FREE!

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES PROGRAM

CRANBROOK

WHAT WE PROVIDE

- School Pick Up
- Art & Crafts
- Games
- Sports
- Social Interaction
- Cooking Lessons
- Cultural Experiences
- Qualified Team

Registration / Permission slip required

Monday 03:05pm - 05:00pm
& Wednesday 2:30pm - 4:30pm

Contact Info:
Taylor Robinson-Dixon, Program Officer: 0475 766 982 or 9826 1008
Jenny Cristinelli,
Email: Jenny Cristinelli@cranbrook.wa.gov.au
Phone: 0499722225
Lauren Lehmann,
Email: Lauren Lehmann@cranbrook.wa.gov.au Phone: 9826 1006

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Celebrating the Shire of Cranbrook's 100th Year 1926 - 2026

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITY 2026

In celebration of the Shire of Cranbrook's 100 year of separation from the Plantagenet Road Board we are offering all Shire of Cranbrook sporting clubs and community groups a $300 contribution towards annual events that are regularly sponsored by the Shire

OR

If your club or group are looking at holding a new event, or a one off event during 2026, this is an opportunity for you.

Naming and promoting of your event would incorporate ***"Celebration of 100 Years of the Shire of Cranbrook"***

For expressions of Interest please contact Jenny Cristinelli, Community Development Manager, jenny.cristinelli@cranbrook.wa.gov.au or 98261008

Join Speech Therapist Genelle Haynes @

Cranbrook Playgroup -

Cranbrook Primary School

Friday 26 June 2026 from 9.30am

All welcome to attend

Join the Cranbrook Playgroup at the Cranbrook Primary School for a fun-filled play experience with Genelle. Language development is best supported in a playful language environment full of stories, songs, rhymes, signs, talk and imaginative play.

Why is speech and language important?

- Supports your childs ability to communicate
- Supports your childs ability to express and understand emotion
- Social Interaction

For further information please contact
CB Playgroup Sarah Wilson 0428 336 884
or lauren.lehmann@cranbrook.wa.gov.au or 9826 1008

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CRANBROOK EARLY YEARS ACTIVITIES TERM 2

Story Time (Cranbrook Library/Gillamii) **9am-10am**	**Playgroup** Cranbrook Primary School **9am-10:30am**
Friday 24th April	Friday May 1st
Friday 8th May	Friday 15th May
Friday 22nd May	Friday 29th May
Friday 5th June	Friday 12th June
Friday 19th June	Friday 26th June
Friday 3rd July	School holidays!

SHIRE SNAPSHOT

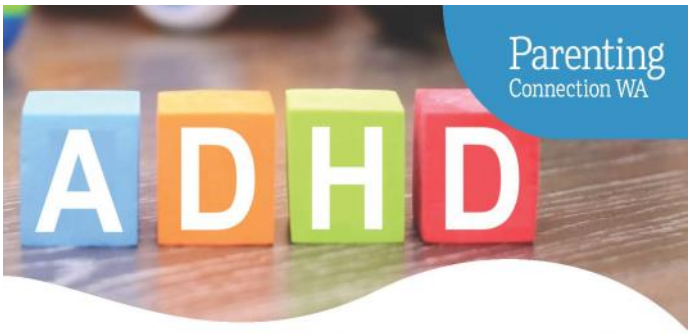
SENIORS GYM MEMBERSHIPS & INDUCTIONS

Are you looking to become a member of the Cranbrook Community Gym?

To become a member of the gym, you must undertake an induction, and the
Shire is seeking expressions of interest to be able to run the next induction session.

Memberships for eligible seniors are FREE; to be eligible you must hold a WA Seniors Card, or an Aged Pension. There is one fee to pay, this being a deposit of $30 for an entry toggle.

Please contact the Shire Office on 9826 1008 or email admin@cranbrook.wa.gov.au for more information.



Parenting your Child with ADHD

For parents of children with ADHD

Join Susan Hughes (Master of Education), an accredited coach with lived experience for this FREE parenting series,

This principle-based course covers:

- Up to date information on ADHD and how ADHD impacts your child's ability to carry out daily tasks
- What being a 'good enough' means today
- Parenting strategies and tools known to work with ADHD
- Managing defiant behaviours and setting boundaries
- Understanding how your emotions impact how you parent

Session 1: Saturday 9 May 9.30am - 2pm
Rainbow Coast Neighbourhood Centre
Morning tea & lunch provided. Creche - subject to availability
Session 3: Saturday 16 May | 9.30am -12 noon (online)
Session 4: Saturday 23 May | 9.30am - 12 noon (online)
Bookings essential:
https://parentingconnectionwa.com.au/event/adhdsh/2026-05-09/
Enquiries: 0448 137 192 | GreatSouthernPCWA@wanslea.org.au

Supported by

Susan Hughes
ADHD Parent Coach | M.Ed, ACC

Wanslea

SHIRE SNAPSHOT

Plantagenet Medical

Cranbrook Clinic Dates

2nd June
Dr Amanda Villis

16th June
Dr Amanda Villis

30th June
Dr Amanda Villis

Please call 9892 1000 to make your next appointment in Cranbrook

GREAT SOUTHERN BOWEN THERAPY

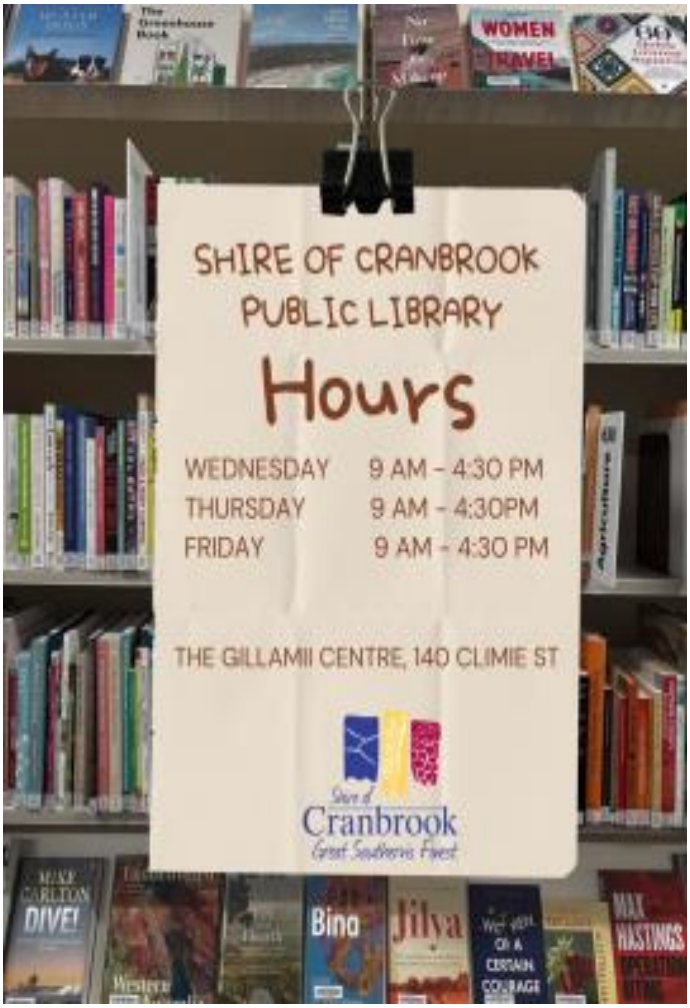
Bowen Therapy

"The Bowen therapist delivers signals to the nervous system at specific locations on muscles, tendons ligaments or nerves using gentle rolling moves. The moves are done at the level of the superficial fascia and the body responds in its own time. There is no forceful manipulation. Bowen therapy is suitable for all ages and treatments can be done through light loose clothing.

Bowen Therapy may be considered for conditions including but not limited to;

- Back pain and sciatica Migraines and other headaches
- Elbow/wrist/forearm issues Hip/knee/ankle and foot issues
- Anxiety Fibromyalgia and chronic fatigue syndrome
- Bedwetting in children
- Colic in babies
- Hormonal issues
- Earache and TMJ issues
- Neck/shoulder problems (including frozen shoulder)...

WEDNESDAYS @ THE HUB 9AM TO 6PM BY APPOINTMENT ONLY
CALL OR TEXT JANE CONNELLY ON 0432 320 973



the BODYWORK practice

Mandie Sta-Maria

Remedial Massage & Holistic Bodywork

Now taking bookings at Cranbrook Community Hub!
Alternate Tuesday evenings | 4pm – 9pm

Services include:
Remedial Massage, Relaxation Massage, Trigger Point Therapy, Myofascial Cupping, Reflexology, Reiki, Sound Healing.

Session Pricing:
1hr Bodywork Session - $110
90min Bodywork Session - $150
2hr Bodywork Session - $180

Health fund rebates available and 15% off for Senior Card Holders

To book, call or text **0457 392 258**
Or message via Instagram @the.bodywork.practice
Or visit www.bodyworkpractice.com.au

CRANBROOK PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

Dear community

It is approaching the end of the first half of the term, and we have already had so many exciting things happening here at Cranbrook Primary School.

Our fabulous P&C have successfully applied for a grant to purchase some more bikes for our students. These were on the student wish list which was compiled at the beginning of the year. The students love to get out at recess and lunchtimes on the bikes, trikes and scooters and their skills and tricks are developing fast. We would all like to extend our thanks to the P&C for this funding.

Mustering Growth
The Mustering Growth team have been working with our students in years four to six.

This program aims to strengthen children's innate resilience, normalising mental health experiences and decreasing stigma, increasing mental health literacy and building skills and strategies to cope with challenges that are unique to the experiences of rural children. The strengths-based program was fun, interactive, flexible and included nature-based activities. Your school has chosen to be involved in the Mustering Growth program, which has been delivered in schools Australia-wide.

ANZAC Day
We marked ANZAC Day by gathering the school together for a brief lesson about what we commemorate and the significance of the ceremonies and symbols of ANZAC Day. Our student leaders then placed wreaths beneath our flag, and we all took part in a moment of silence to have our own private reflections.

Playgroup
We hosted playgroup for the first time a couple of weeks ago and had a wonderful turn out. Thank you to Sarah Wilson for taking on the running of playgroup and for organising the activities on the day. It was great to see our youngest community members playing together and taking part in craft, construction and role-play activities.

Thanks!
We received a donation of sports equipment, a voucher for Duggins and a box of books from Mount Barker Co-op. The books were delivered in week two of this term. A huge thank you to the Co-op for supporting our small school. It makes a massive difference!

Better Beginnings
Thank you to the Cranbrook Public Library and the Shire of Cranbrook for the donation of the book packs that went home to all kindy and pre primary students.

Foggy Mornings

We look forward to:

28th May	4/5/6 Assembly
29th May	No school (School Development Day for staff)
1st June	Public holiday for WA Day
5th June	Winter Carnival
13th June	Cross Country
23rd June	Interschool Cross Country

Cranbrook After School Program

Term 2 Highlights & What's Ahead!

Our Cranbrook After School Program has had an exciting and energetic start to Term 2, with children connecting, creating, and growing through a range of fun and meaningful activities. From music and movement to hands-on creativity and cultural learning, there's been something for everyone!

Highlights So Far

DRUMBEAT Sessions (Weeks 1-3) - Students have been learning to work together through rhythm, practising listening skills and building confidence.

Creative & Interactive Play - From games like Twister to hands-on activities, students have enjoyed opportunities to be active, creative, and engaged in group play.

Outdoor Play & Team Challenges - Students have been enjoying outdoor sessions that promote teamwork, problem-solving, and staying active.

Shared Afternoon Tea - A highlight of each session is sitting down together for afternoon tea. It's a great time to relax, chat, and build connections.

Coming Up Soon

DRUMBEAT Continues - Students will build on their skills and confidence as they continue their rhythm journey.

Arts & Crafts Activities - More creative sessions encouraging imagination and hands-on learning.

National Sorry Day - Students will explore Indigenous Australian culture, including storytelling, art and history.

Community-Based Activities - Sessions continue at the Gillamii Centre, Cranbrook Community Hub, and Town Hall.

Join Us! Spots are still available!
Contact: 98261008
Email: taylor.robinson@cranbrook.wa.gov.au

Ag Pro Management Delivers...

OPTIMISE YOUR

SHEEP GAME

Turn Good Sheep Management into Great Sheep Performance.

Join a practical, on-farm learning program designed for producers who want to improve flock performance, increase profitability, and make more confident management decisions.

Learn How To:

- Improve sheep productivity & profitability
- Measure Feed On Offer (FOO)
- Develop feed budgets
- Condition score with confidence
- Identify key animal health issues
- Understand the numbers that drive performance
- Use technology including EID, remote sensors and handling systems

Value of $2500
FREE

Program Includes:

- Three half-day on-farm workshops per year
- Women's Group OR Young Farmers Group (18–35 years)
- Ongoing support from industry experts
- WhatsApp group and AgPro resources

Ready to take your sheep enterprise to the next level?

Better Decisions. Better Sheep. Better Profits.

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST NOW OPEN!

Email **admin@gillamii.org.au** to register your spot.

This project, "MUSTER", is funded by the Australian Government, administered by the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry, and delivered by Grower Group Alliance in partnership with the Gillamii Centre.

Gillamii Centre

140 Climie Street,
CRANBROOK

Gillamii Centre Opening Times
Wed, Thurs & Friday:
9am - 4.30pm
Mon & Tues - by appointment

General Queries:
admin@gillamii.org.au
9826 1234

Jenna Walliser – NRM Officer
po2@gillamii.org.au
Mob: 0427 261 234

Hilary Watterson – Admin and Library
accounts@gillamii.org.au

SMART Trap Relocated to Frankland River Property to Target Feral Cats

Gillamii has recently relocated one of its AxisTech SMART Traps to a local landholder property near Cranbrook as part of the *Improving Feral Cat Management in the Kent–Frankland Subregion* project.

The trap was moved after one of Gillamii's contracted Licensed Pest Management Technicians and inventor of the SMART Trap, Graham Lawrence, observed high levels of feral cat activity around a commercial free-range egg enterprise. Poultry farms can attract feral cats due to the abundance of rodents, spilled feed and shelter, making these sites ideal locations for targeted monitoring and control.

The AxisTech SMART Trap is an advanced cage trap equipped with motion-activated cameras and remote communication technology. When an animal enters the trap, images are sent instantly to project staff via mobile phone or email, allowing the animal to be identified before anyone attends the site. If a feral cat is confirmed, trained personnel inspect the trap, scan the animal for a microchip and determine whether it is domestic or feral. Domestic cats are referred to the local ranger, while confirmed feral cats are humanely euthanised in accordance with national animal welfare standards and the Animal Welfare Act 2002. If a non-target species is captured, staff are alerted immediately so the animal can be released as quickly as possible.

The trap was installed on 11 May 2026 in an area where feral cats were regularly observed. Since deployment, the camera system has recorded significant activity, confirming the site is highly attractive to feral cats and other wildlife. While no cats have been captured yet, the monitoring data is helping refine trap placement and improve the likelihood of success.

Gillamii thanks the participating landholder for supporting innovative approaches to feral cat management.

This project is proudly supported by the Gillamii Centre and the State Government's Feral Cat Management Grants Program, helping protect native wildlife and reduce the impacts of feral cats on agriculture across the Kent–Frankland region.

Barna Mia Year 6 Ecology Camp

Gillamii has coordinated the Barna Mia Camp since 2009, giving multiple cohorts of Year 6 students from Cranbrook, Frankland River, and Tambellup Primary Schools the opportunity to experience the Dryandra Woodlands and its unique biodiversity. This year, for the first time, students from Broomehill Primary School also joined the camp.

On 9–10th April, 15 students travelled to Dryandra Woodlands National Park, between Williams and Narrogin, where more than 850 species of flora and fauna can be seen throughout the year. DBCA officers conducted a trapping activity setting traps in the afternoon using a mixture of peanut butter, sardines, flour and oil as a lure, which were checked very early the following morning very early. That evening, students took part in a guided night walk through the enclosed Barna Mia fauna sanctuary. It was a hands-on, interactive, and memorable camp experience, with students seeing possums, chuditch, woylies, quenda, boodie, bilby and even an echidna!

This camp is made possible through generous donations from Entel Energy Flat Rocks Wind Farm, Bendigo Bank Tambellup–Cranbrook Branch, and Mount Barker Co-operative. It complements the ongoing Connecting Kids to Country environmental education program, which aims to foster positive environmental attitudes and increase knowledge and awareness among our future stewards of the landscape.

2021 Census Results

Shire Population	1,100	Cranbrook	505
Frankland River	353	Tenterden	240

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Congratulations to

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Grandson for Pam & Bob Bullock

Congratulations to

Vicki and **Laurie Fiegert** who celebrate their 30th Wedding Anniversary on the 27th May.

Our Deepest Sympathies to...

Jenny, Ben and Tegan and their children on the passing of their dearly loved husband, father and grandad ***Chris Parsons*** on the 7th May after a long illness.

Ray Williams, his granddaughter Raykeishah and the extended Williams family on the passing of their beautiful daughter and mother ***Alma May Williams*** on the 5th May after a very long illness.

The family of ***Jim Turley*** who passed away on the 8th May – Jim was Manager at Elders, Cranbrook in the early 1970's.

The family of ***Butch (Richard) Pearce*** who passed away peacefully on the 23rd May, his wife Jan and her family to whom Butch was loved as their Pop, and his sisters Helen Armstrong and Jeannie Reynolds and their families. The Pearce family farmed at Tenterden for many years and Butch played football and cricket for Cranbrook until he sold the farm in the late 1970's.

Happy June Birthdays to...

2nd	Rick Standish
3rd	Fay Jones
7th	Seth Jones
8th	Jason Watterson
9th	Malcolm Wornum
10th	Jesse Chant
	Louis Denney
13th	Harvey Gillam
	Oliver Baxter
14th	Sonia Addis
	Ros Jones
	Charlie Sprigg
15th	Evita Rumble
	Judah Packard
16th	Danielle Watterson
17th	Krystal Green
	Ruby Melia
	Adeline Kosak
18th	Olivia Siegert
19th	Roxanne Watterson
20th	Sabel Vorwerg
21st	Freya Standish
22nd	Isaac Best
	Nathaniel Best
23rd	Harley Smith
	Leyton King
24th	Norman Lewis
25th	Vanessa Fiegert
	Gracie Williamson
30th	Ann Baxter

Special Birthday Wishes to...

Two ladies who thought they had slipped through our 'net' but no, so belated but Happy Birthday wishes to ***Sharonne King*** for the 6th May and ***Ronnie Moncrief*** for the 9th May – we know you both enjoyed your very special birthday celebrations.

60 Years Young!

We also wish ***Harvey Gillam*** a wonderful day for his very special birthday celebrations on the 13th June.

SHOEBOXES

A shoebox is a great way of supporting Children who have very little.

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There are many ways to contribute to the shoeboxes, either by purchasing goods, be it toys, clothes, underwear or school supplies or even health supplies, all these things are packed into a special shoebox. **Every box** that we send from here has a piece or two or clothing, a pair of undies, Coloured pencils and a number of other school supplies, (like eraser, sharpener, biro and lead pencils) a toy, also something soft and cuddly, Toothbrush and or other health items.

There are so many goods that can be purchased, or you can donate to the freight of a shoebox.

Please feel free to send me a message or phone and ask questions. What we do is just a small part of a huge world project, but it's such a privilege to be able to support children in countries, that have so little.

A big **thank you** to all who have contributed already, your thoughtfulness and kindness are greatly appreciated.

Lorraine Preston 0429 982680

mnd

20-20 swim for jim

Our MND Dinner fundraiser is approaching fast and will be held on:

27th June
Henderson and Hwang, Kendenup.

The night will include a delicious multi course dinner, a jam packed auction with a variety of different thinks up for grabs, and live music from the Southern Right Blues Band. We would love you to join us again or come along for the first time and get a group of friends together to have a great night out.

Auction items will be posted on our Facebook page closer to the event, so if you want to check out what we have up for auction follow us to get a early look, at Swim for Jim.

Thank you to Mel and Eric for hosting this event for the 5th year and providing their beautiful venue and wonderful food.

Contact Julie for your $100 ticket on 0428515619

We hope to see you there.

CRANBROOK KNIT & STITCH

Thursday's

10am till 2pm at The Hub

BYO lunch ~ coffee and biscuits are always available

If you're new to the district and would like to join us, please feel very welcome to come along - even just for a coffee & chat

Enquires to Chris - 0404 267 424

Where does time go. Already the end of May which means the Men's Shed AGM is only a couple of months away. Here's an opportunity for our members to get involved with the general operation of our shed and participate in some rewarding experiences.

So with the end of our current term looming, this article is about thankyou.

Firstly to our members who come along each week and make the shed what it is today. Whether its fixing something, creating something new or just popping in for a chat and a cuppa, you are what makes this community great.

As we head into our 4th year of operating the weekly shopping bus, special thanks must go to our amazing driver Nerida who gives up her time every week to ensure the passengers not only have a great time, but also do it safely. You are amazing and we thank you so very much for your dedication. Thanks also to the Shire of Cranbrook for their assistance with the bus and also CBK Haulage for their generous support. This initiative by the Men's Shed is not just about shopping, it also plays a vital role in socialising, connection and support. The Cranbrook Community Men's Shed is very grateful to all who support this project.

Our involvement with Anzac Day continued with a hardy team getting up in the wee small hours to cook breakfast. Thanks to a marvellous team, Tony and Carl on the barbecue, Geoff and Mal working the toasters and our wonderful associate members Sharon and Anne wrapping and serving 100 bacon and egg sandwiches to a very grateful community. Well done team, you are awesome.

Running a not for profit organisation can be a wonderful experience that allows for a great sense of pride, satisfaction and fulfillment. To our executive team who have spent countless hours with grants, compliances, reports and general management, thankyou. The community benefits from your hard work and dedication.

We look forward to welcoming a representative from the Perth Wood School in mid June who will be conducting a workshop safety seminar for Men's Sheds in our region and is supported by Mens Sheds WA. Cranbrook Community Men's Shed is proud to present this all day event.

Now is an excellent time to consider joining the Men's Shed with winter coming on, our wood fire will be working overtime as the Lads sit around with a hot cuppa enjoying some good company and lively conversation. You don't need a trade and you don't need to pick up a tool or do heavy work. It's all about sharing a couple of hours with like minded men for the company and support. Why not pop in and see for yourself.

Our shed is open every Thursday and Saturday mornings 9.00am to 12.00pm. We welcome new members. Contact:

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We begin our days at 10am and finish at 3pm.

Dates for 2026

- June 4th & 18th
- July 2nd, 16th & 30th
- August 6th & 20th
- September 3rd & 17th
- October 1st, 15th & 29th
- November 5th & 19th
- December 3rd & 17th

St Oswald's Anglican Church, Cranbrook

Service Dates and Times

MAY

31st	10am	***Combined Parish Service at St. Werburgh's Chapel, Mt Barker***

JUNE

7th	10am	Holy Communion
14th	10am	Morning Prayer
21st	10am	Holy Communion
28th	10am	Morning Prayer

Please feel welcome to join us on a Sunday and stay for a cuppa following the Service

Contacts:
Rev. Genevieve Milnes - 0410 303 358
Jan Pope - 0417 981 264

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Are you aged 60 or more? Please come join our lunches every Friday. Enjoy lovely meals and friendship!

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A huge thank you to the lunch volunteers for May: Tina, Mary, Red Cross, P & C, Robyn, Colleen.

Roster	Jun 5	Bernie	
	12	Pam	Bernie
	19	Year 6	Bernie
	26	Bus Trip	
	Jul 3	Denise	Gidget
	10	Mens Shed	

The lunch group would welcome any new members of our community to join us for lunch.

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If you knit or crochet Red Cross would welcome baby clothes, Trauma Teddies or blankets to give to those in need. They can be dropped off at Bess O'Neill's home or contact Bernie on 0407 261 123.

Recipe: Broccoli Cheese Soup (courtesy Recipe Tin Eats)

1 tbsp butter or olive oil
2 garlic cloves minced
1 onion diced
4 cups chicken stock
1 ½ cups water
700g broccoli
2 potatoes diced
¾ tsp salt / ¼ tsp black pepper
1 ½ cups cheddar cheese shredded
¾ cup cream
Extra cream and cheese to serve

1. Melt butter over medium heat, add onion and garlic, sauté 2 minutes until softened
2. Add stock, water, broccoli, potato, salt, pepper. Bring to simmer, turn the heat down to medium high and cook for 20 minutes or until soft.
3. Puree, stir in cream, add cheese, stir to melt. Add more salt if desired.
4. Ladle into bowls, drizzle with cream and extra cheese. Serve with crusty bread.

Australian Red Cross

GAIL IN UGANDA

After a hectic six weeks back in the Great Southern, am now back home in sunny Africa.

Though it was chaotic travelling back and forth to Albany for Doctor's visits and endless tests during my time, I am pleased to say I got the " all clear" and another 20 years to enjoy annoying people!

I stayed with my old mate Graham, who is also undergoing cancer treatment, and trust that I was able to give him a helping hand during his difficult time. I was also able to spend some time with a girlfriend who was not enjoying the best of health, and together got a few jobs done around her home.

I was looking forward to getting home and enjoying a well earned rest, forgetting that I had left Benjamin living the life of a bachelor! The cupboards were bare (he must have been living on take- aways), he "forgot" how to use a duster and my wee garden was a jungle.

So no rest for the wicked...

The country was also in chaos, with the murderous dictator claiming victory in the recent rigged elections, and his goons were now busy arresting and eliminating all those who opposed him.

It is dangerous to talk politics here and even showing the national flag (a symbol of freedom) can see you arrested. He has even started turning on his own party members, with many organising themselves and families for a quick exit if need be.

All this creates extremely difficult living conditions for a people already struggling to survive day after day.

Desperation for even money for food has seen us beseeched with request for money from family and friends, which unfortunately we are not always in a position to help. Seeing so much poverty around us every day, I question if things will ever improve for these people.

Now with another outbreak of Ebola and no medical services of any consequence for the average Uganda, people are just resigned to getting sick and dying. This attitude of course puts our own lives at risk, because people tend not to follow simple rules of minimal contact and hand washing.

Therefore, once again, we have to curtail going out into public places and have installed a washing basin with soap for all visitors arriving at our compound.

Luckily both Benjamin and I have home activities to keep us busy - his music production studio is near completion and he is excitedly getting back into creating his music .... usually in the wee hours of the morning! But with bars and born agains singing all hours of the day and night, he is just adding another tune into the mix! Definitely " the sound of silence" has no relevance here.

I hope to get back into my writing, I just know I have a novel inside me waiting to see the light of day. So here's hoping for peace and calmness for the rest of this year.

And may we all be blessed with good health, especially with the cold weather coming your way - so throw another log on the fire and hanker down for winter.

Cheers and beers - *Gail and Benjamin*.

Living with Wildlife

by Mount Barker Wildlife Hospital

Living With Wildlife as Winter Approaches

As the days shorten and nights grow colder, we all start looking for ways to stay warm — and wildlife is no different. Winter brings a change in behaviour for many native animals as they search for shelter, warmth, and safe places to rest. A little awareness before we light fires or clear vegetation can prevent injury and unnecessary loss of wildlife.

One place wildlife often seeks warmth is **chimneys and flues**. Before lighting an indoor wood heater for the first time each season, it's important to check your chimney. You may be surprised at what has moved in — possums**, birds, and sometimes even small mammals** can shelter inside flues for protection from the cold.

If you're able to safely access your roof, a visual check of the chimney is best. If that's not possible, loudly tapping or knocking on the flue several times can help encourage any animals inside to move on before lighting the fire. Giving them time and warning is key.

For those with beautiful old **Metters or similar wood fires**, where soup bubbles away all day and warmth fills the house, an extra check is important. Before lighting, check both the chimney and inside the firebox. Wildlife can shelter in unexpected places, especially overnight.

Winter also brings **burn-off season**, which presents another risk. Piles of branches, timber, or garden waste are attractive shelters for **bobtails, reptiles, echidnas, small mammals, and ground-nesting birds**. These animals often tuck themselves underneath piles for warmth and protection.

If possible, before lighting a burn-off pile, try moving the pile to a new location first and allow time for animals to disperse. Even a few hours can make a difference. Where moving the entire pile isn't practical — especially on farms with larger stacks — begin with a **small section**, lighting gradually rather than all at once.

Using a rake or long tool to gently move bottom branches is another simple step. This wakes resting animals and gives them a chance to move away safely before fire is introduced.

These small actions don't slow work significantly, but they can **save lives**.

It's also worth remembering that many animals become less responsive in colder temperatures. Reptiles, in particular, may move slowly or appear sluggish, making them more vulnerable during winter activities.

Did You Know?

Possums and birds frequently shelter in chimneys during cold weather. A quick check before lighting fires prevents serious injury — for wildlife and for households.

Living with wildlife through winter isn't about extra rules or perfection. It's about **pausing briefly before lighting a fire, striking a match, or clearing a pile**. Wildlife has shared these landscapes long before us, and with small, thoughtful steps, we can continue to share them safely.

As we settle in for the colder months, staying warm can include caring just a little more for those trying to do the same — quietly, unseen, and right alongside us.

Living With Wildlife Through Winter – Small Steps That Help

Winter is a quieter time in the bush, but it's also a time when wildlife faces real challenges. Food is scarcer, nights are colder, and shelter matters more than ever. With a little awareness, winter can become a season where people gently support wildlife — and prepare the way for a healthier spring.

Leave a Little Mess in the Garden

While winter often feels like the right time to "tidy everything up," many native animals rely on what we see as mess.

Leaf litter, fallen branches, and garden debris provide shelter for insects, lizards, frogs, and small mammals — which are also food for native birds. Leaving some areas undisturbed helps wildlife survive the colder months and supports the food chain that birds depend on in spring.

Delay Heavy Pruning Where You Can

If possible, delay heavy pruning of native shrubs and trees until late winter. Many birds rely on dense foliage for shelter from cold winds, and early pruning can remove nesting material and habitat before spring arrives.

Strategic, light pruning now — and heavier work later — gives wildlife time to adapt.

Provide Safe Water Sources

Water is just as important in winter as it is in summer.

Shallow water dishes placed off the ground help birds drink and bathe, especially during dry winters. Adding a small stick or stone gives smaller animals a safe way in and out. Refresh water regularly to keep it clean and ice-free on very cold mornings.

Prepare the Garden for Spring Birds

Winter is the best time to plan for spring.

Planting 8 now allows roots to establish before warmer weather arrives. Grevilleas, hakeas, callistemons, and smaller shrubs provide nectar, insects, seeds, and shelter for birds when breeding season begins.

Avoid fertilisers and pesticides that reduce insect populations — insects are essential food for baby birds.

Avoid Netting or Use It Safely

If netting is needed to protect winter crops or fruit trees, ensure it is wildlife-safe netting with a very small aperture. Loose or wide-woven netting is a major cause of bird and bat injuries, especially in spring.

Always keep netting taut and check it daily.

Compost Gently

Compost heaps can be warm, inviting places for lizards, frogs, and small mammals in winter. Before turning or removing compost, give it a gentle stir first and leave time for wildlife to move away. This simple pause can prevent serious harm.

A Gentle Season of Support

Living with wildlife through winter doesn't require big changes. It's about small, thoughtful choices — leaving shelter, planting ahead, checking before disturbing, and allowing nature a little extra space.

By doing a little less in winter, we often give wildlife a little more — and that generosity is returned in spring, when gardens come alive with birdsong, movement, and new life.

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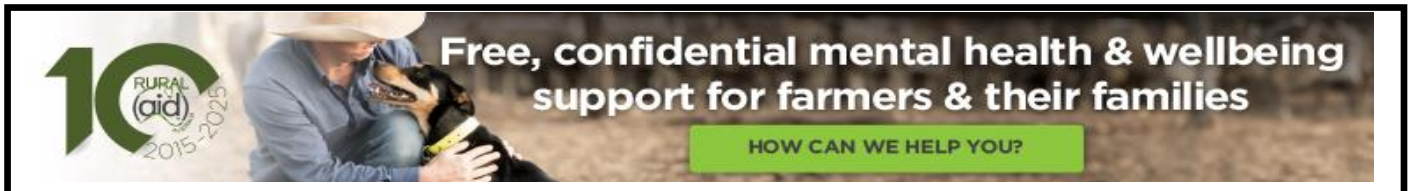

The power of being polite and respectful

In the last month I was on holidays and travelled to the USA where I visited the southwest of the country. Amazing countryside and scenery. Before I left, I was told by someone that I would experience just how polite most USA people are and yes it took me aback just how nice they actually are. Their automatic polite, respectful responses made me feel good and welcome.

This reminded me that there is never a reason to be disrespectful to a person who is simply doing their thing or their job because we are personally annoyed or don't agree with what they are telling us. Especially now with the fuel crisis, farm chemicals being expensive, power bills soaring, Mice Plagues, baits hard to get and interest rates going up; we need to be aware that how we react is our choice and no one else's fault. The service station employee at the till is not responsible for the country wide fuel crisis yet some feel they have the right to vent to this person who can do absolutely nothing about it. What if this same person is also going through a personal crisis. The power of language and actions should not be underestimated; you may without even realizing, be adding to that persons frustrations and stress.

We all have the freedom to choose how we react in any given circumstance, its one freedom no one can ever take away. That ability to stop, pause, step back before reacting or putting one's foot in one's mouth moment, is essential to ensure we remain respectful to each other. The difference is that your respect and thankfulness could be saving grace moment, reminding that person that people do care and give that person the hope they felt was not there. Just as powerful.

We all actually never know with people we encounter daily of what is happening for them personally, unless you ask and they are willing to share. But you can be aware of how powerful the spoken word is, how the power of this word is enhanced by the tone we use and the body language we portray. None of us are perfect and we will sometimes inadvertently show our frustration, even then we can say 'sorry that wasn't aimed at you I'm just annoyed personally'. Taking ownership of our actions.

The above does not remove our personal frustrations resulting from occurrences that we have little to no control over. Sometimes our frustrations result in stressful thoughts that if not checked, take over. When this happens, please reach out to each other, use that phone to call each other or pop in for a cuppa because you can. Going on that gut feeling that someone is not themselves and asking RUOK. Even if your gut feeling was not accurate its better to have asked and the person being asked appreciates your concern. It's what we country people do best.

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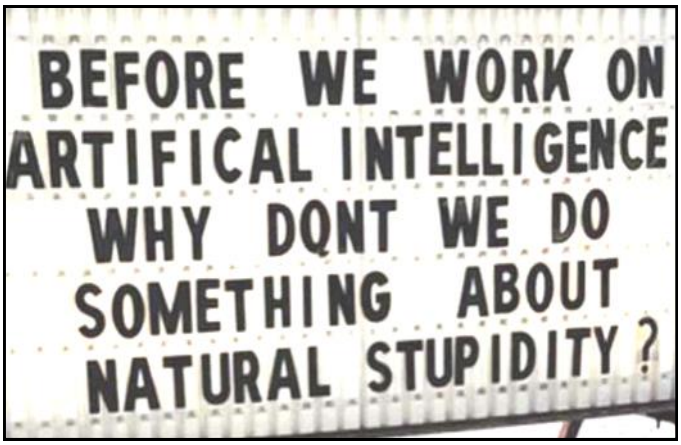

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Bullets Netball Club
MEGA MILESTONE!

A huge congratulations to **Téa Etheridge** on reaching an incredible 150 games over the weekend!

Téa has been a Bullet since the very beginning of her netball journey at around age 9, and if you know Téa, you know she was always destined for the defensive end! Using her height, talent and competitive spirit, she has honed her skill and become a tough opponent to come up against on the court. It's been a pleasure to watch Téa's development and growth over the years, and we can't wait to see her reach that next milestone match!

(Bullets Netball Club FB page)

The Push-Up Challenge is Australia's largest mental health and fitness event.

Every year, Australians participate to improve their physical and mental fitness, have fun and raise funds to make a difference to mental health in Australia.

Options for all fitness levels

Not everyone's a push-up pro - just aim for half the target or substitute push-ups with alternatives, like sit-ups, squats - anything goes.

Exercises

The full target is 3,307 push-ups in 24 days. This number represents the number of lives lost to suicide in Australia in 2024 (the most recent available data).

Participation Options

Fundraise for one of three mental health organisations or don't fundraise. Sign up solo or create a Team with your mates/family, school, gym, club or workplace . It's your choice.

There's an app to help you stay on track, daily facts and targets and some great resources to help out.

Amanda Smith has created a Cranbrook and Communities WA team for anyone who wants to participate but doesn't want to do it solo and doesn't want to create their own team. There's no pressure and no fundraising target. Any team funds raised will go to Headspace Albany. Any funds raised personally will go to your nominated group e.g. Amanda's personal page is raising funds for the Push For Better Foundation to support this event going forward.

Please take time to check out The Pushup Challenge website for full details and resources

CRANBROOK SPORTING CLUB

Open on Thursdays from 5pm with meals on sale from 6 – 8pm

Everyone is welcome to the Club where you can enjoy a chat, drink and a meal, a game of pool or darts or a roll of bowls (weather permitting).

The Club is available for hire for functions like birthdays, weddings, funerals, meetings etc. Contact Gail, Club Secretary 0472 517 220.

NEW BOWLING GREEN OPENING

The new bowling green and shades were officially opened on the 3rd May with several sponsors present:

- Linda Gray CEO of the Cranbrook Shire
- Lyn Slade , Chair of the Mt Barker Co-op Board
- Peter Denton Shire Counsellor.

Following this Patrons Norma Squire and Ron Watterson for Slim Lehmann rolled a bowl each. Players then played for the **CSBP Closing Day Trophy** and enjoyed a casserole tea and presentation of the yearly trophies. Thank you to the generous sponsors for the bowling season.

SCROUNGERS BOWLS

Everyone is welcome to come along and join in every Saturday morning at 10am. Contact John Turner if you have any questions.

ASK FOR ANGELA

The Club committee has agreed to run the programme Ask for Angela. This means if someone is looking for help they can discreetly ask at the bar for assistance by asking for Angela. If you would like more info please contact the President, Bernie 0407 261 123.

CENTURY OF MUSIC

During August the Club will be having a Century of Music night. Come and enjoy music from 1926 till 2026, maybe even have a dance.
Date to be advised. More information next newsletter.

WESTERN DERBY - Friday 24th July

The Club will be open so come along and support your team!
More details to come

QUIZNIGHT

Friday 26th June
Tables of 8
$10 per person

Bar opens 6pm
Quiz starts 7pm

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CRANBROOK GOLF CLUB Inc.

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May Results

3	Par	Jack –2, Keith –2
9	Stableford	Ryan 37pts, Keith 35 pts
17	1st Rnd C/ships	Keith 80/64, Jamie 80/69 Dot 99/69
23	Stableford	Ryan 38pts, Sean 37pts Sponsor - Bendigo Bank

Fixtures

30th May	Par - Tims Tyres
June	
6th	**2nd Round C/ships - EP James Memorial Mug**
7th (Sunday):	Mt Barker Open Day
13th	4BBB Par - Hubbard Agencies
14th (Sunday):	Albany Open Day
20th	Stableford
21st (Sunday):	Kojonup Open Day SDGA Koji Cup
28th (Sunday):	**3rd Round C/ships - RJ Addis Memorial Mug**

Names in by: 12.15 for a 12.30 start - 18 holes
2.15 for a 2.30 start - 9 holes

ALL WELCOME

President: Joe Horrocks 0488 329 367
Captain: Jack Wilson 0439 893 778

JUNE 2026 CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
May 31	Jun 1 WA Day Public Holiday	2 Drs Visit Vet Clinic	3	4 Mens Shed Nunijup P/work Cbk Knit & Stitch	5 Seniors Lunch Story Time Winter Carnival Electronic VMS Submissions Close	6 Golf Championships
7	8 Recycling	9 Vet Clinic	10	11 Mens Shed Cbk Knit & Stitch Practical Drivers Assessments	12 Seniors Lunch Playgroup Justin Coulsen Parenting	13 Golf 4BBB Par
14	15	16 Drs Visit Vet Clinic	17 Shire Council Meeting	18 Mens Shed Nunijup P/work Cbk Knit & Stitch	19 Seniors Lunch Child Health Clinic Story Time	20 Golf Stableford
21	22 Recycling JULY Newsletter 	23 Vet Clinic Sporting Club Quiz Night	24 Play in the Park	25 Mens Shed Cbk Knit & Stitch	26 Seniors Lunch Playgroup Speech Therapist	27 MDN Swim for Jim Fundraiser Dinner
28 Golf Championships	29	30 Drs Visit Vet Clinic	Jul 1	2 Cbk Knit & Stitch Nunijup P/work	3 Seniors Lunch Story Time	4

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