



The Cranbrook Newsletter

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We are called "The Elderly"

But, that quiet label hides something most people rarely stop to consider. We are the last living witnesses of a world that no longer exists. Look at us and you might see gray hair, slower steps and the patience that time teaches. But listen to our story - really listen - and you'll realize something extraordinary.

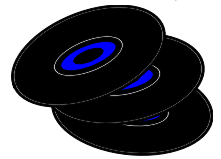
We are the only generation in human history to have lived a fully analog childhood and a fully digital adulthood. That's not a small thing. That's one of the most breathtaking journeys a human being has ever been asked to make.



We were born in the 1940s, 50s and the early 60s into a world still rebuilding from the rubble of World War II. Our toys were marbles and hopscotch and card games at kitchen tables. When the streetlights flickered on, that was it - childhood adventures were over and it was time to go home. No smart phones. No streaming. No endless scroll.

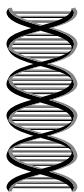
We built our memories in the real world. With scraped knees and laughter echoing down streets and friendships formed face to face.

In 1969 we sat in living rooms staring at black and white televisions as Neil Armstrong took humanity's first steps on the Moon. Hundreds of thousands of us stood in muddy fields at Woodstock and many many more would have loved to, believing - really believing - that music and community could reshape the future. We fell in love to vinyl records spinning on turntables. We waited days, sometimes weeks, for handwritten letters to arrive. We learned patience because information didn't come instantly. Mistakes were fixed with erasers - not a delete button. Then the world transformed.



Machines that once filled entire rooms shrank to devices lighter than a paperback. We went from rotary phones and party lines to seeing the face of someone we love on the other side of the ocean - instantly, on something that fits in a pocket. We watched the birth of the personal computer. the arrival of the internet. The Smartphone, Artificial Intelligence. And through every single shift - we adapted.

We also carry the weight of history in our bodies. We grew up afraid of polio and tuberculosis. We watched science defeat them. We witnessed the discovery of the structure of DNA, the decoding of the human genome, the transformation of medicine itself. We survived pandemics across decades - and kept going. Few generations have been asked to absorb so much change in a single lifetime. And through all of it, certain things never changed.



We still know the joy of a cold glass of lemonade (or maybe a cold beer) on a hot afternoon. The taste of vegetables picked straight from a garden. The value of a long conversation that unfolds slowly, without a screen interrupting it. We celebrated births and mourned losses. Carried the stories of friends who are gone. Watched the world become something our younger selves couldn't have imagined - and found ways to belong in it anyway.

We are not relics.

We are living bridges between two entirely different worlds.

Our memory carries something the modern world needs - proof that progress doesn't have to erase wisdom. That speed doesn't have to replace patience, kindness, or reflection. So when someone calls us elderly, we can and should smile, because behind that word is something remarkable. We crossed two centuries. Witnessed eight decades of transformation. Walked from handwritten letters to artificial intelligence - and never lost our sense of what really matters.

~ Anonymous ~



Cranbrook Baptist Church
invites you to

Ladies Afternoon Tea

Saturday 1st August
2PM
Cranbrook Sporting Club

Guest Speaker:
Charlize van der Mescht

RSVP to Lorraine by 30th July
0429982680




*We can only include what
you tell us about*

*If you know of anything around our
community that others may be interested
in, please contact us.*

 cranbrooknewsletter@gillamii.org.au
SMS: 0429 884 683

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WELCOME TO OUR NEW LOOK!

As you can imagine, there has been many drafts and a lot of time spent working with our advertisers and contributors. Thank you to all for your patience and prompt responses.

We hope everyone enjoys the results.

Our most common question asked recently revolves around fortnightly editions. At this point in time it is not a viable option. Perhaps we can find a solution in the future to make it fair and practical for our volunteers, advertisers and readers.



St John



For all Sub Centre enquiries please contact:

Chair: Anne Parsons 0429 904 652
Secretary: Anne Humble 0438 930 229
Treasurer: Tracy Wilson 0427 325 907

**IN AN EMERGENCY
DIAL TRIPLE (000)**



GILLAMII AGM 2026

**WEDNESDAY
SEPTEMBER 2ND
5:30PM**

Cranbrook Sporting Club
Cost \$25 per person

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Shire of Cranbrook Public Library & Cranbrook
Community Seniors Lunch presents;

BOOK LAUNCH EVENT

GREAT WAR STORIES 1914-1919 LIGHT HORSEMEN & CAMELEERS of SOUTH WESTERN AUSTRALIA

DISCOVER THE **UNTOLD** STORIES OF
COURAGE, SACRIFICE AND MATESHIP.

Great War Stories
1914-1919
LIGHT HORSEMEN & CAMELEERS
of
South Western Australia



Jeffrey A Peirce and Chris Handley



Over **900** young men from South Western Australia served in the Light Horse and Camel Corps in the First World War.



More than **60** remarkable local men. Gallipoli. Egypt. Palestine.



Local heroes. Family connections. Community history.



Amazing short story biographies. Previously untold stories brought to life.

★ **COULD ONE OF THESE SOLDIERS
BE PART OF YOUR FAMILY HISTORY?** ★

Refreshments Available



FRI 14 AUG



12-2 PM



CRANBROOK HUB

\$6 LUNCH

RSVP

98261234 or

Bernie 0407 261 123



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 15 July 2026 Council had 10 reports to consider, amongst these were:

- Council received the List of Payments for June;
- Council approved allocation of funds in the 2026/27 Annual Budget for Stage 2 of the Cranbrook Town Heritage Walk Trail;
- Council endorsed the Shire of Cranbrook Road Strategy;
- Funds for the installation of a sports storage shed at the Frankland River Oval.

Next Council Meeting
Wednesday, 19 August 2026 in
Frankland River

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.

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 06/08/2026 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.



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

3,17 & 31 August 2026

Appointment of New Chief Executive Officer

The Council is very pleased to announce that they have appointed a new Chief Executive Officer, Mr Peter Fitchat.

Mr Fitchat is an experienced local government professional and Chief Executive Officer and will be moving into the position at the Shire of Cranbrook from the Shire of Dundas in early November 2026.

There was a lengthy and thorough selection process undertaken by the Council with a successful outcome. The Council is looking forward to working with Mr Fitchat over the next three years.

Ms Linda Gray will remain in the position of Chief Executive Officer until Mr Fitchat's commencement.



SHIRE OF CRANBROOK PUBLIC NOTICE

DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION — PROPOSED MOTEL LOT 253 (NO 6) GORDON STREET, CRANBROOK

The Shire has received an application proposing to redevelop the abovementioned property for a motel. The application seeks approval for 5 transportable buildings, with self-contained rooms for short stay accommodation, an on-site caretaker, reception, communal laundry room, storeroom, associated carparking and landscaping.

Prior to determining this application, the Shire would like to provide the general public with an opportunity to comment on the proposal. The plans and written information can be viewed at the Shire of Cranbrook, 19 Gathorne Street, Cranbrook during office hours or on the Shire website.

Should you wish to make a submission on the proposal, your comments (in writing) will need to be lodged by **14 August 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
23 July 2026



Frankland River Town Hall Renovations

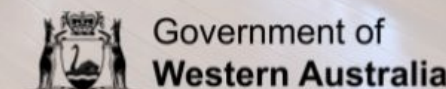
The Shire of Cranbrook wishes to acknowledge the Government of Western Australia for the \$10,000 contribution through the Small Grants Program for the Frankland River Town Hall Youth Space.

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.



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 separately 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.



Sign up to our Emergency Services SMS Alert Register.

Receive important notifications for our community.



For more information or to register contact the Shire Administration Office on 9826 1008.

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

Cranbrook Public Library

Open Wed - Fri
8am - 4:30pm

Gillamii Centre
140 Climie St, Cranbrook

Audiobooks, Books, DVD's,
Storytime & More

www.cranbrook.spydus.com

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 more information.



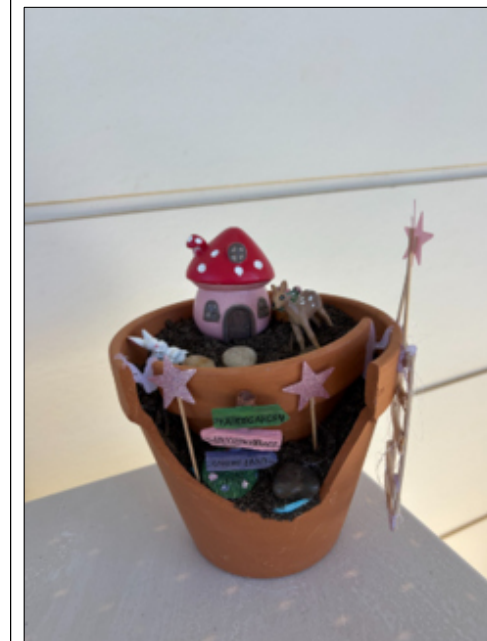
School Holiday Youth Activities

The School Holiday Youth Activity days were a wonderful success, bringing local children together for two fantastic days of creativity and fun at the Cranbrook Library.

On Wednesday 8 July, participants created artworks and the imagination on display was impressive. All enjoyed a sausage sizzle in the sun with juice on the side and ice cream as a treat.

The second activity day, Wednesday 15 July, transported children to magical and adventurous worlds as they built their own fairy gardens and pirate lairs - tiny fairy hideaways to treasure-filled pirate scenes. Their amazing creations reflected the children's enthusiasm and they enjoyed beautiful pancakes with toppings and spreads of all kinds, leading to more unique creations!

Thank you to everyone who attended and helped make both days such a memorable success. We look forward to welcoming everyone back to more exciting activities in the future.





Earth Parenting

Connecting with our kids.
Connecting with our Earth.

Wednesday 13 August 2026
9.30am - 11am
Frankland River CRC

Join Kristi for a morning with our 0-4 years.

- Nature play
- Creative craft
- Hands-on activities
- Connect with other families

ALL FAMILIES WELCOME!

For more information please contact
Lauren 9826 1008
lauren.lehmann@cranbrook.wa.gov.au



Circle of Security Parenting

An 8-week Relationship-Based Parenting Program for parents of children 0-6 years.

Circle of Security Parenting (COSPP) is a FREE 8-session series that focuses on supporting and strengthening parent-child relationships and teaches new ways to understand and respond to your child's needs. It is based on decades of attachment research, and how secure parent-child relationships can be supported and strengthened.

You will learn to:

- Understand your child's emotional world & emotional needs
- Support your child's ability to successfully manage emotions
- Enhance the development of your child's self-esteem



ONLINE PROGRAM
Starting Mon 3 August 2026 for 8 weeks | 6.30 - 8.30pm
Free Program. Bookings essential:
<https://parentingconnectionwa.com.au/event/cospps/2026-08-03/>
Enquiries: 0448 137 192 | GreatSouthernPCWA@wanslea.org.au



Uplift.
strong young futures



AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES PROGRAM

KINDY to YEAR 6

TERM 3
27 July - 23 September 2026

Program Times
Monday: 3:05pm - 5:00pm
Wednesday: 2:30pm - 4:30pm

And It's FREE!

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

Contact: Taylor Robinson-Dixon, Program Officer -
0484 191 517 or 9826 1008
Jenny Cristinelli - 0499 722 225
Jenny.Cristinelli@cranbrook.wa.gov.au



TOY LIBRARY CRANBROOK

140 Climie St Cranbrook Open Wed - Fri
9am - 4:30pm

Membership \$60/year



Supported by Shire of Cranbrook, Gillamii Centre, and Uplift.

Gillamii Centre

140 Climie Street,
CRANBROOK

Gillamii Centre Opening Times

Wed, Thurs & Friday:
9am - 4.30pm

Mon & Tues - by appointment

Jenna Walliser - NRM Officer

po2@gillamii.org.au

Mob: 0427 261 234

General Queries:

admin@gillamii.org.au

9826 1234



Hilary Watterson - Admin
and Library

accounts@gillamii.org.au

Gillamii Winter Field Day Brings Growers Together

Despite a chilly start, the weather turned on a beautiful winter day for the **Gillamii Winter Field Day** on **Friday, 17 July**, with growers, industry representatives and researchers coming together to explore a range of current research and demonstration sites across the Great Southern.

The day began at the **Tomlinson family's "Chinninup" property**, where attendees heard from industry experts and visited trial sites focusing on grain legume production, disease management and emerging technologies. After afternoon tea, the group travelled to the Tomlinson family's **"Old Lenham"** property to inspect additional trial work and discuss practical management strategies being tested under local farming conditions.

The field day showcased several Gillamii projects, including the **Closing the Economic Yield Gap for Grain Legumes in WA** project, an **MLA Producer Demonstration Site**, and the **MUSTER** program. Presentations and discussions covered topics including faba bean nutrition, fungicide timing, barley scald pathotypes, precision livestock technology and opportunities to improve productivity through innovation and on-farm research.

Gillamii extends a sincere thank you to the **Tomlinson family** and the **House family** for generously hosting the field day and providing access to their properties.

Thank you also to everyone who attended, along with our presenters, collaborators and project partners for making the day a success. Events like these provide a valuable opportunity for growers to see local research in action, share experiences and discuss practical solutions to challenges facing agriculture in the Great Southern.

This project/event has been sponsored by **GRDC** through **Grower Group Alliance (GGA)** as part of the **Closing the Economic Yield Gap for Grain Legumes in WA** project.

This project/event has been funded by **Meat & Livestock Australia (MLA)** through the **Producer Demonstration Sites (PDS) Program**.

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**.

Photos taken by Emily Walsh.





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COMMUNITY SAFETY & PREPAREDNESS EXPO

ALL AGES WELCOME!

The Mt Barker State Emergency Service and the Shire of Plantagenet, with the sponsorship of the Mt Barker Community Bank, are hosting the inaugural Community Safety and Preparedness Expo.

SATURDAY 15 AUGUST 2026

FROST OVAL MT BARKER | 10AM TO 4PM

Learn about the many hazards we face living in the Great Southern

Hear from emergency professionals about how you can prepare

Meet your local emergency services and community organisations

Experience a bushfire with our Virtual Reality goggles

Bring the kids for fun and safety education

Learn how to tailor your emergency plans for all abilities and ages

Learn about evacuating with animals and firefighting tanks

Enjoy food and coffee, goodie bags and more!








Proud supporters of the Cranbrook Primary School P & C

We will donate 20 cents a tonne* to the Cranbrook Primary School P & C if you nominate this group when contracting with Bunge



Find out more
1300 453 626

*Metric tonnes. Must be at the time of contracting by the grower or their broker/agent. Not applicable to daily cash deliveries.





Lavinia Vasudevan
Great Southern Regional Cancer Prevention Coordinator
Cancer Council Western Australia
RCPCGreatSouthern@cancerwa.asn.au
cancerwa.asn.au

Cancer Council WA urges participation in life-saving National Bowel Cancer Screening Program

Don't put it off. Your free bowel cancer screening test could save your life. Cancer Council WA is urging more West Australians to take part in the **National Bowel Cancer Screening Program**, with only four in 10 eligible Australians currently completing the free test.

Bowel cancer is the **second leading cause of cancer death** in Australia, claiming more lives each year than breast, prostate or skin cancer. Yet, it's also one of the most treatable if detected early, with **over 90 per cent of cases successfully treated** when caught in the initial stages.

The screening kit is **free, quick, and easy to use** in the privacy of your own home. But too often, it's tucked away and forgotten, delaying action that could make all the difference – let's change that!

For more information about the program, or to order a **free replacement kit**, visit Cancer Council WA or call **1800 627 701**.

If you or your organisation would like to collaborate with Cancer Council WA to boost participation and support your community, reach out via RCPCGreatSouthern@cancerwa.asn.au



Government of Western Australia
North Metropolitan Health Service



Free Home Test Kit

4 easy steps that could help save your life.

Call us on 13 11 20
findcancerearly.com.au



CRANBROOK RED CROSS

INVITES THE COMMUNITY TO JOIN US FOR MORNING TEA

At the Hub on **Tuesday 25th August**
9.30 to 11.30am
Plus

Take away cakes and slices for sale
Morning tea cost \$5, take away by donation

Doctors visit that day, come and enjoy a cuppa before or after your appointment

If you knit or crochet Red Cross would welcome baby clothes, Care Bears 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: Lemon Marshmallow Weetbix Slice.... Very Yummy

- 5 weetbix
- ¾ cup SR flour
- 1 cup brown sugar
- 1 ¼ cups desiccated coconut
- 125g butter melted
- 2 cups white sugar
- 1tbsp gelatine powder
- 1/3 cup lemon juice
- Yellow food colouring

1. Grease and line slice pan with baking paper. Preheat oven to 180C/ 160C fan forced
2. Crush weetbix and add to bowl with flour, brown sugar and 1 cup coconut, stir in melted butter. Press into tin and bake for 12 – 14 minutes until golden. Cool
3. Place white sugar in a saucepan with ¾ cup water, bring to the boil and boil for 4 minutes. Remove from heat
4. Sprinkle gelatine over ½ cup water in a small bowl and leave for a couple of minutes to soften. Add to boiled sugar mix with lemon juice and stir, allow to cool slightly
5. Place sugar mix in a bowl and beat for approx. 5 minutes until very thick and fluffy. Add food colouring and mix well until the mixture is the desired colour
6. Pour marshmallow onto cooled weetbix mix, smooth the top and sprinkle with remaining coconut. Refrigerate for at least 2 hours or until set. Enjoy a little at a time!

CRANBROOK COMMUNITY SENIORS' LUNCH



Are you aged 60 or more? Please come join our lunches every Friday. Enjoy lovely meals and friendship for the cost of \$6!



For further information contact Bernie 0407 261 123 or Pam 0417 962 805

A huge thank you to the lunch volunteers for July: Gidget, Chris, Lorraine, Denise and the Baptist ladies. Thank you to Christine from Advocare for visiting on the 17th and thank you to Colleen for driving the bus to Karribank in the Porongorup. 14 seniors enjoyed a delicious lunch, thanks to the staff at Karribank for making room for us.



Roster Aug 7 Lyn Bernie
* *Entertainment by Ian Walsh & Sandy Watterson*
14 Darwinnia Cottages
** *Author visit*
21 Bus Trip
28 Amanda Pam
Sep 4 Tina Mary

* On the **7th August** the seniors will be entertained by Ian Walsh and Sandy Watterson. Come and join us and listen to some great songs and join in a singalong from 12.45pm.

** On the **14th August** a visiting author will join us and speak about his book on the Gillam brothers.

Everyone is invited to join us at the Hub for these events. If you would like lunch please contact Pam or Bernie.

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



Cranbrook Baptist Church

Sunday Service
10.00 am

Growth Groups run throughout the week

Contact: Michelle Preston
0448 660 606



FINANCIAL COUNSELLING SERVICES

Please phone Justine 9851 2611
Tuesdays and Fridays

(or leave a message through the week).

Financial Counsellor Accreditation Number 00159.

Financial Counselling is a FREE SERVICE run by Anglicare WA a not for profit organisation.

SHOEBOXES



The time is getting short for adding to the Christmas Shoeboxes, end of September is the time when we get the shoeboxes away. So, if you are considering contributing to the shoeboxes now is the time to plan how you'd like to do this.

You can pack a box yourself or as a family, or you can buy goods to add to the many goods already collected, or you can donate funds to help send the boxes overseas. Every box sent costs \$12.50 to freight to the country of destination.

Last year over 50 people contributed to donating in many and varied ways, making goods, knitting, sewing or crocheting, packing and donating to the huge effort of sending 306 shoeboxes filled with precious treasures to children, who in most situations have never received a gift at Christmas time.

Please give me a call if you feel you'd like to be a part of this wonderful opportunity to giving to children who have so little.

Lorraine Preston 0429 982680

St Oswald's Anglican Church, Cranbrook

Service Dates and Times

AUGUST

2 nd	10am	Holy Communion
9 th	10am	Morning Prayer
16 th	10am	Holy Communion
23 rd	10am	Morning Prayer
30 th	10am	Combined Parish Service at St Werburgh's Chapel



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

CRANBROOK KNIT & STITCH

39 Years

At the beginning of July we celebrated our 39th year knitting and crochet with a lovely lunch.



We have sent a lot of our work, rugs and beanies, down to the Albany Anglican OP shop for them to distribute to Albany's most needy.

Come and join us for coffee and biscuits
Thursday's 10am till 2pm
at The Hub

BYO lunch

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



Happy August Birthdays to...

- 1st Emily Walsh
 4th Kylie Morgan Ian Williams
 Daine Dodson Harry Horrocks
 5th Taneesha Smith Osea Dean
 6th Grace McPharlin
 Shirley Burrell Darcy Wornum
 Matilda Lawrence
 7th Cam Williamson
 8th Graeme Ellison
 9th Graeme Jones Toby Moncrieff
 11th Chris Denney Kelvin Wornum
 12th Hannah Osborne
 14th Harvey Ford
 15th Tina Pope Mark Addis
 Kurtis Jones Elijah Lanigan
 16th Eliza Sprigg
 17th Danny Finlay
 18th Heidi Lehmann
 19th Jack Childs Graeme Marshall
 20th Alec Treeby
 22nd Nathan Hambley
 Fletcher Patterson
 Charlie Lehmann
 24th Marion Denney Jayson Jones
 Torah Preston Grace Siegert
 27th Tyla Climie
 28th Ed Morgan Bridget Addis
 Geof Denney Katie Pope
 29th George Addis
 31st Axel Dean

Congratulations to



Marion Denney who celebrates her 90th Birthday on the 24th and Geof Denney who turns 70 on the 28th



Child Health Clinic Cranbrook

Information for parents about child development & behaviour

3rd FRIDAY every month

Appointments - 9851 1451

Developmental checks recommended at
 6-8 wks, 3-4 mths,
 8 mths, 18 mths and 3 years



Deepest Sympathies to



The Forsythe family on the death of their mother Maryln on the 30th June aged 93.

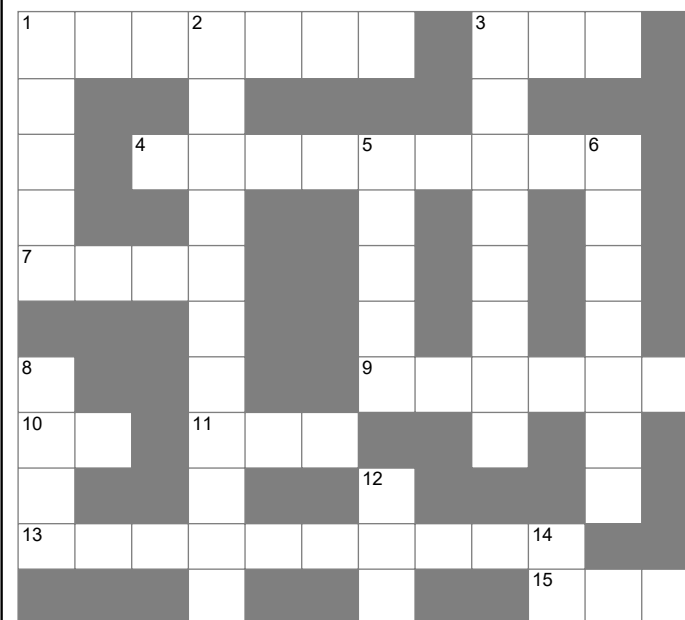
Brian Ingram and family on the death of their wife and mother Mavis on the 14th July aged 87.

CRANBROOK MUSEUM

Gathorne St
 near the railway station

Roster August Dot
 September Bernie

The museum will be open each day when the Bloom Festival is on. The museum is housed in the old Station Masters house, one of the oldest houses still standing in Cranbrook.



Across

- Dead plant material remaining after harvesting a crop
- Invisible, odorless gas mix surrounding the Earth
- The component of 'first milk' providing antibodies to protect babies
- On one occasion

- A character, sign or mark used to convey a concept or idea
- Enter, to go ____
- A cereal grain plant that is also grown for fodder
- An activity designed to attract and engage people in experiencing and studying the natural environment.
- Positive response

Down

- Morning or afternoon tea
- Protecting the natural environment, flora and fauna from diseases, weeds and pest
- The study of land management
- A tower or container used to store bulk quantities of grain or feed
- Organisms that cannot be seen with the naked eye
- Small rodents also used to control computer cursors
- Make a mistake
- Belonging to me



Our 5th annual MND Dinner fundraiser was another fabulous success, raising \$40,000! Our total fundraising is now at \$840,000.

Mel and Eric of Henderson and Hwang Function Centre provided everyone with a delicious **multicourse dinner with food donated from their suppliers**. A huge thank you once again to the businesses that support our fundraiser every year, they being Great Southern Seafoods, Grande Foods, Plantagenet Pork, Mt Barker Chicken, **Lorraine Distributors, Mt Barker Co-operative, Dim Sum Australia, Lion, Centennial Stadium, The Bottle-O, Gilbert Wines and West Cape Howe Wines**. A huge thank you to Mel and Eric for **hosting this event annually. We have now raised \$184,000 from the dinner over the past 5 years.**

Mel and Eric have fabulous support from their staff **every year who donate their time to assist in the kitchen and bar for the night.**

A huge thank you to Lani Frusher, Christine Davidson, Bridgette Robinson, Joan Clarke, Nova

and Jay Rowles, Maddy and Will Henderson, Clinton Gilbert and Nigel Rowe. Irene Hambley once again provided the dessert, with some assistance from Beth Turner, with a huge array of delicious slices.

We once again had a full list of auction items with a huge variety of things up for grabs.

Cam Petricevich was our auctioneer extraordinaire once again, doing a great job of parting people from their money. Thank you to Cam for a highly entertaining part of the evening.

The wood raffle was won by Gill Graham, a very worthy winner. The wood being provided by Dave and Preston Wright.

Once the auction was done the dance floor had some action with music performed by the Southern Right Blues Band. Thank you to the band for supplying the music for the second year.

Our next fundraiser will be our cake stall to be held on the 25th September. More details provided closer to the event.

We will then be getting organised for the Drive for MND which is happening at the end of October.

History of Cranbrook

In 1926 the first members of the road board were elected and these were: AJ Toovey, Frankland, Newy Davis Gordon, JM Wolfe Cranbrook and first Chairman, G K Brown Boyacup Cranbrook, Harry Mengler Tenterden, WT Betts Tenterden, SE Stubber Frankland and Wilton O'Neill first secretary

Hawley Gardiner started work with the Road Board on the first day.

In 1930 the plant owned by the Board comprised one T Model Ford utility, one horse drawn grader, one Ledger horse drawn roller, picks, shovels, axes, cross cut saws and six wheelbarrows.

During the 1931 depression contract road forming was being done at 2/- per chain and using the Board's horse drawn grader. Times were hard but the secretary voluntarily refunded 10% of his salary to help out. In 1936 a Ford V8 was purchased for 385 pound for the secretary, engineer to use.

In 1937 members of the Board were asked to form in his area a bush fire brigade. This is still current today with some boundary and name changes.

In 1934/35 there were 104 registrations of vehicles. Names of some of these included: Williamson, Vaughan, Finlay, Tuckett, Herbert, Devine, Walter, Cuss, Warburton, Bunney, Hill, Edwards, Theyer, Woolcott, Hitchins

In 1947 the Board purchased its first power grader and the driver was Ron Lathwell

The new Council offices and library were built in 1967. Hampson & Benton had the contract and costs were Offices & Library \$55,569, stage and surgery \$7931 making a total of \$63,500

Notes taken from the Shire of Cranbrook Jubilee 1926 – 1976



CRANBROOK ROAD BOARD—THE FIRST BOARD ELECTED IN 1926.

FRONT (L-R): A. J. Toovey (Frankland), "Newy" Davis (Gordon), J. M. Wolfe, first chairman (Cranbrook), Geo. K. Brown, "Boyacup", Cranbrook, Harry Mengler, "Lilydale", Tenterden.
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Another iconic local species is the **western grey kangaroo**. Many people are surprised to learn that a kangaroo joey is born about the size of a jellybean. After birth, it crawls into its mother's pouch, where it continues developing for many months before venturing out into the world.

The Great Southern is also home to the highly intelligent **Australian magpie**. Best known for its beautiful song, the magpie is a social bird that forms strong family bonds and can recognise individual human faces. These birds thrive within family groups and depend on social interactions for their wellbeing.

Another familiar visitor to gardens and bushland is the **Red Wattlebird**. These energetic native birds feed primarily on nectar and, in doing so, help pollinate many native plant species. As they move between flowering trees and shrubs, they assist plant reproduction and contribute to the health of local ecosystems. Mt Barker Wildlife Hospital has successfully rehabilitated Red Wattlebirds before their return to the wild.

You may also encounter **possums**, **bandicoots**, and a variety of native reptiles

and birds. Many of these animals are most active at dawn, dusk, or during the night, which is why wildlife collisions often occur on our roads during these times. Slowing down and remaining alert can make a significant difference.

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By protecting native habitat, keeping pets under control, driving carefully, and seeking help for injured wildlife when needed, we can all play a role in supporting the remarkable animals that share our region.

The next time you spot an echidna crossing a track, a kangaroo grazing at sunset, or a magpie singing in your backyard, take a moment to appreciate just how fortunate we are to live alongside such extraordinary wildlife.



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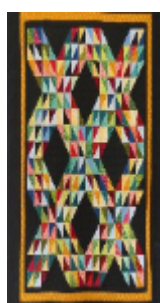
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- ♦ December 3rd & 17th



Hello everyone, wow August already! That can only mean one thing, it's AGM time. My how the year has flown past. Big congratulations to all those people who have done an amazing job in participating and running the Men's Shed over the past twelve months, job well done.

Don't forget, our **AGM** is on **Thursday the 13th August** at 6pm.

Thank you to Mt Barker Co-op for your support with morning tea supplies. All the Lads agree it is a vital part of the shed day and appreciate the Co-op's involvement in supporting the Men's Shed.

The past month has been building, with several projects on the go. The lads are getting some serious workshop time. Croquet, signs, cabinets and frames all feature in the to do list at the shed this month. One of the projects we are getting pretty good at is putting together flat pack items. If you have a flatpack item and need some help putting it together, drop on by the Men's Shed and for a donation we will assemble it for you.

Now is an excellent time to consider joining the Men's Shed with winter here, our wood fire is 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.

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Gail in Uganda

A disturbing month in this country, with the possibility, that it will only get worse. Thankfully the impact for us is minimal but the rights of every individual is crumbling, and amazingly, the western world carries on with negotiating trade with this mad dictator which in turn, increases the suffering of the people, who are "prisoners" to his every whim.

Because of mounting criticism especially through social media, who show cases his atrocities (murder, imprisonment, land grabbing etc), his Government closed several newspapers and TV stations, allowing only Government run agencies to broadcast.

Unfortunately for me, it was the only ones that were in English, and I find the internet has more trash and AI than actual facts. And even that, the internet, the Government shuts down when stories appear that discredits them.

Police and military are like blowflies round the rubbish bins, on the streets everywhere, arresting people for no reason, who just disappear...

This has manifested in an increase in crime, because arrests leave families and businesses destitute, and crime is the only way to put food on the table.

I can only hope that finally the people will say enough and rise up against him and his cronies but that will of course, mean civil war.

Amongst all this chaos, some empty headed politician (they are not voted in on merit, but given the position through family connections) decided to have a monthly national clean-up day.

Now here that intails all business must close between the hours of 7am - 10am, no movement of vehicles on the roads and "everybody" has to go on the streets

and sweep!

Police and army everywhere to enforce you to participate, but no-one is given a broom or shovel, there is no bins to put it in and no garbage trucks to pick it up. So people who got caught on the streets were forced to use their own brooms or sticks and as there was no guidelines, it was all swept into the road gutters!!

Now when it rains, blocked gutters will flood and all the rubbish will resurface, meanwhile rats and dogs will have a picnic. Unbelievable.

Naturally we stayed indoors, waiting till 10am passed before leaving the compound and within several hours, we saw the dumping of rubbish everywhere as is the standard here, because there are no bins.

We have been busy repainting compound fences, which due to poor quality paint and even poorer workmanship, do not last more than a couple of years. Entertainment for the locals here, who come out to watch a "mzungu" (white person) doing manual labour. With labour so cheap, few westerns do any work themselves instead employing locals for every menial task. In a way, it is good, because it gives unskilled workers jobs - no dole here, but I not being part of the wealthy white class, just have to role my sleeves up and tackle the jobs.

And being the only white face living in this particular suburb, they're getting use to me out and about on an equal footing with them.

Well all is warm and happy here, and trust everyone is keeping warm and healthy in the great Southern.

Gail and Benjamin.



Census

The 2026 Census is happening this August and every answer matters

The next Census is on **Tuesday 11 August 2026**.

The Census is a snapshot of Australia's people and housing, and tells the story of how we are changing. Census data helps governments, community groups and businesses plan services for individuals, families and communities, where and when they are needed.

Every household and person in Australia on Census night must be included on a Census form, including visitors to Australia, international students and babies.

Instructions on how to complete the Census will be delivered to households from late July. If you know where you'll be on Census night, you can complete your Census as soon as you receive your instructions. You can complete online, by paper, or with help from the Australian Bureau of Statistics.

The information you provide in the Census is confidential and protected by law. Your information is not shared with anyone, including other government agencies.

In the Census, every answer matters to help us understand what Australia needs now and into the future.

For more information visit www.census.abs.gov.au



In every society there are beliefs and expectations of what defines success, what defines happiness and what defines achievement. In the majority of the modern world this results in believing that we will find happiness through materialism and accolades. But somehow there's just something else, something we feel is missing.

Recently someone told me how they are 'doing what they can with what they have got, they said,' I'm making myself available a lot more for my wife and children, nothing amazing just the boring stuff'. "The Boring stuff"? What does that entail?" I asked. They replied, 'Just being much more aware and there. Making more time in my life to include my children such as when I go to feed the sheep I take my children with me. Stepping up at home and helping in the house; giving my wife a break. I'm not taking my kids to Disneyland or going away to a resort on the weekend; I'm doing what I can do rather than feeling guilty about not doing the things I can't do'.

The things I can't do? boring stuff? Somehow along the way the majority believe that in order to 'give' properly entails material things such as going to the movies, a holiday to Disneyland or a new gift for that giving to be meaningful. What the person above is giving their family is far more precious. They are giving their family their time, their love from their heart, wanting to physically be present. This does not need their wallet.

Somehow we have been ill informed to feel that we are not successful in life because we can't afford what we see others doing in the media, online and in our communities. Others seem to have everything, the nice car, nice house, regular overseas trips, their children have all the latest toys. But this is just Materialistic success. We look over the fence and feel that somehow our neighbours are somehow 'doing better' than ourselves? Are they Happier? Probably not; they too are keeping up appearances of material success. Is our neighbour looking back over the same fence thinking, 'I wish I had time to spend more regular time with my family like they do?'

This is not to say that we don't need to work and have money, we do. We have to eat. But what in our life gives you true personal meaning, what do you value personally above all else? Only you can answer this question, no one else can answer this for you. Once answered, how are you living your life to your true values and meaning? Make that first step and re focus on what really matters to you personally. Happiness and success redefined will naturally follow.

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QUIZ NIGHT

The quiz night was a great success thank you everyone for your support. Thanks to Dot for being quiz master, thank you to Bunnings Albany and Ann Wornum for their sponsorship. The winners were Ann Wornum's table, second from Sandy Graham and third the outdoor Shire guys and gals.

WESTERN DERBY

The Derby was a great night, thanks to Chelsea for organising. So many in club colours having a good time. Well done to the Dockers on a big win, best of luck for the finals not far away.

The raffle on the night raised \$350 for the RFDS, thanks to the sponsors and winners were Michelle Adams, Trish Parsons and Mark Kinnane. Photos on facebook

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The AGM was held on 16th July and the committee for 2026/27 is President: Bernie Climie, Vice President: Trish Parsons, Secretary: vacant, Treasurer: Cheryle Dunkley, Bar Manager: Emily Willing, general committee: Ron Watterson, Elijah Graham, Sandy Lehmann, Chelsea Patterson, Bowls captains Tina Pope and Sean Morgan. The President thanked everyone for their help and assistance in keeping the club running well and providing a great venue for the community.

The club is seeking a secretary, please contact **Bernie** 0407 261123 if you are able to help.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

Memberships for the year 2026/27 are now due and payable online or at the club on a Thursday. Form attached in this newsletter.

THE BOWLERS' DREAM.

One day while playing bowls,
I noticed Toot's scowls,
For Vera Peacock was sitting on the jack;
As dear old Mother James
Put one into the Thames,
It made Melba fall down flat upon her back.

2.

Izzy spun himself round thrice,
And Kathleen saw pink mice,
While Nelly dropped her precious strawberry cake,
And Joan wiped her sweating brow
As Jim performed this parting bow,
Then made a beeline for the local lake.

3.

George Peacock and Tom Edge
Played hidy in the hedge,
May played another winner on the forehand;
As the boys serving at the bar
Shouted ra-ra-ra-ra-ra,
You've won May, we'll buy you a special brand.

4.

Then the President stepped up
And handed May the cup,
While Shirley and Elsie led the cheering on,
And Faydie slapped her hands
As May waved to all her fans,
While the bar-boys poured her very special brand.

5.

Next the President and his wife,
Related all the strife, which was brought about by the licence
Then Bob proposed a toast
To the ever smiling host,
And thus the day was closed in silence.

CRANBROOK SPORTING CLUB INC

2026/2027 Membership Form

****MEMBERSHIPS NOW DUE****

- Membership type:
- Full Member \$120
 - Pensioner/carer \$70
(New members Pensioner card must be viewed by the treasurer)
 - Social Member \$60
 - Junior Member - secondary school to under 18 \$5
 - Junior Member - primary school - free
 - Bowls capitation \$70

The membership year shall commence on July 1st of each year and cease on June 30th th following year. Memberships not recieved by August 31st each year lapse.

Please complete and return the section below, including your payment to:

The Treasurer
Cranbrook Sporting Club Inc
PO Box 26
Cranbrook 6321

or
or

you can pay at the bar when the club is open
bank details: Bendigo Bank
BSB 633 000 Account number 111374864
(please add your name)

Thank you

FULL NAME	MEMBERSHIP TYPE	MEMBERSHIP FEE	TOTAL
TOTAL			

POSTAL ADDRESS OR RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS

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Phone No. Or Email:
Email is the easiest way for you to be contacted and kept up to date with club news

OFFICE USE ONLY:

Date Paid

Cheque/eftpos/cash/till

Receipt Number



Results

July

- 4th

3 Person Ambrose

D. Kleemann, H. Smith, A. DeToledo R/up J. Douglas, K. Hart, B. Corry
Cranbrook in 2nd place
- 11th

CKTB Challenge
- 17th

Ladies Open Day

Gross Winners J Zadow & LBanks (Koji)
Nett Winners C Wilson (Cb) & J Burcham (Knd)
- 18th

Captain's Trophy

Winner Ryan Pope 74 nett,
Lowest Putts Captain Jack Wilson 26 putts
- 25th

Gunwarrie 4BBB

Winners Ryan Pope & Charlie Russell 42 pts
Runners-up Jack Wilson & Jamie Climie 41 pts

Keep up to date during the month by visiting our [Facebook](#) page.

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

Fixtures

August

- 1st

Stableford & Busy Bee
- 2nd

Cranbrook Mens Open Day - 36 holes SDGA Foursomes
- 6-9th

State Sand Greens at Katanning
- 9th (Sun)

Stableford
- 15th

Stableford - Sponsored by WFI
- 23rd (Sun)

4th Round Championships (GK Bickel Mug)
- 28-30th

SDGA Championships - Green Range
- 29th

Stableford

September

- 5th

Russian Stableford Sponsored by ACM
- 12th

5th Round Championships
- 19th

Final Round Championships
- 26th

AFL GrandFinal 3 Stick Challenge



The Pushup Challenge is over for another year.

When we checked the results on the 19 July there where **230,399 registered participants** who raised over \$13 million towards supporting Mental Health agencies like Lifeline, Headspace and the Push for Better Foundation. These registered participants do not include those who participated using paper forms to track their progress like the ladies from the local **Seniors Exercise Group**.



This group currently meet on at the **Cranbrook Gym** every **Thursday morning**. Together these ladies completed 4,815 pushups or alternate exercises! They took the sensible approach of working together to help select individual targets that were challenging but achievable. **Congratulations & Well Done!!**



AUGUST 2026 CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
30 Golf SDGA Championships	31 Recycling 					1 Mens Shed Ladies Afternoon Tea Scroungers Bowls Golf Stableford
2 Mens Golf Open Day	3 Recycling 	4 Vet Clinic	5	6 Mens Shed CbK Knit & Stitch Nunijup Patchwork & Craft Golf State Sand Greens	7 Seniors Lunch & Entertainment Story Time Golf State Sand Greens	8 Mens Shed Scroungers Bowls Golf State Sand Greens
9 Golf State Sand Greens Golf Stableford	10	11 Dr Visit Vet Clinic Census Night	12	13 Mens Shed CbK Knit & Stitch Mens Shed AGM Earth Parenting Frankland	14 Seniors Lunch Author Visit Playgroup Deadline Motel Submissions	15 Mens Shed Scroungers Bowls Golf Stableford
16	17 Recycling  Darwinia Cottages AGM	18 Vet Clinic	19 Shire Council Meeting	20 Mens Shed CbK Knit & Stitch Nunijup Patchwork & Craft	21 Seniors Lunch Story Time Child Health Clinic	22 Mens Shed Scroungers Bowls
23 Golf Championships	24 Spetember Newsletter Deadline 	25 Dr Visit Vet Clinic Red Cross Event	26	27 Mens Shed CbK Knit & Stitch	28 Seniors Lunch Playgroup Golf SDGA Championships	29 Mens Shed Scroungers Bowls Golf SDGA Championships

FREQUENTLY CALLED EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Emergency Police Fire Ambulance 000

Cranbrook Police 6801 3840

Crime Stoppers 1800 333 000

Cranbrook Shire Office 9826 1008

Cranbrook Shire Emergency 0418 759 598

Doctor Mt Barker 9892 1000

Hospital Mt Barker 9892 1222

Hospital Albany 9892 2222

Free 24/7 Health Advice - Medicare 1800 633 422

Free 24/7 Health Advice - Healthline 1300 650 803

Poisons Info Centre 13 11 26

Southern Agcare 9827 1552

LifeLine 13 11 14

Beyond Blue 1300 22 4636

Mt Barker Vet 9851 1177

Chief Fire Control Officer 0407 261 005