



Grandparents Rearing Grandchildren (WA) Inc

One person caring for another represents life's greatest value

Grandparents Rearing Grandchildren WA Inc. Newsletter November 2018

October started with GRGWA Respite Break to Broadwater Busselton. The indoor pool and spa were very popular, as were the BBQs. Some ventured down the long pier and the descent into the depths at the end of it. Well worth it when (IF!) you do get there. Not sure if any members caught the train along the pier, it was too long a wait for us hardy people!! Xscape to the Cape is always a popular venue with most adults and children and the staff excelled themselves with their customer service.

The Soroptimists organised a Craft Therapy Class after the October 9th Meeting, this was well publicised by email and SMS, but a lot of the people on the list to attend did not either stay for the event or did not turn up for the meeting, which was disappointing and resulting in a lot of food over after the brunch.

Our lovely Vice President Jan Standen had a special birthday which was well attended and much enjoyed by GRGWA members.

Friday 19th October GRGWA ran a Sausage Sizzle at Bunnings Balcatta, followed by a Garage Sale as part of the Garage Sale Trail on Sunday 21st October, raising in excess of \$800.

On October 25th our wonderful matriarch Noeline was able to again host her very enjoyable 4th Thursday of the month coffee morning.

On Friday 26th October Jan and Penny ran a stall at the Connect Group Awareness Day to promote Support Groups and for us to promote GRGWA.

The month finished in style with a highly successful 20th Anniversary Lunch at the Greenwood on 31st October. Around 50

members and supporters attended and it was a wonderful fun filled occasion.

November we have the Melbourne Cup, this time at Jean's 1 Chandela Loop, Currambine, Thanks to Jean for the use of her house and also to the MAAC for donations of small bottles of champagne, larger ones of wine and four huge bowls of salad, 10.30am to 2pm. The Monthly Meeting, a formal one, is on Tuesday 13th November 9.30am for a 10am start; Jennifer Brown, Grandparent Advisor for Centrelink will give a talk on childcare changes and also answer any questions. Bunnings Joondalup Craft Morning is on Friday 23rd November 10 – 12 midday. There is Noeline's morning tea on Thursday November 22nd 10am to 12 midday. Tuesday November 27th is PAMACHI Christmas event, media will be there and GRGWA cause will be publicised. Members are encouraged to attend and anyone who has put their grandchildren's names down for presents must attend in order to pick them up.



Craft Therapy Day

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NOVEMBER ACTIVITIES

Tuesday 13^h November

9.30am Kingsley Memorial Hall, formal meeting. Jennifer Brown, Grandparent Advisor for Centrelink, will talk on the childcare changes for grandparents and answer questions.

Friday 23rd November

Bunnings Joondalup 9 Sundew Rise
10am to 12 midday craft activities

Tuesday 27th November

PAMACHI Christmas event. Mercy College
Cnr Mirrabooka Av and Beach Rd 3.30pm
to 5pm. Bouncy castle, RSVP for catering.

Thursday 29th November

Morning tea at Noeline's.

FUTURE ALERT

Friday 7th December

St Catherine's Retreat

Tuesday 29th January 2019

Outback Splash

Any queries on Events phone Jan Standen
or Bill Barlow.

HELPFUL INFORMATION

Grandparent Advisor

Jennifer Brown (Centrelink)

6241 9339 / 1800 245 965

Wanslea Grandcare

1800 008 323 or (08) 9245 2441

NB Basic short legal advice is available via
Wanslea Grandcare. Phone for
appointment and details of the service.

Grandcarer Support Scheme

(run via Wanslea)

1800 794 909

Foodbank of WA

23 Abbott Road Perth Airport 6105
9258 9277

Opening hours 9am to 3pm

Joondalup Foodbank Hub

Cnr Winton and Lincoln Lane

Mon, Thurs, Fri 10am to 2pm

Northern Suburbs Legal Centre

9301 4413 Joondalup

9440 1663 Mirrabooka

Carers WA

1300 227 377

Good helpline

Citizens Advice Bureau

9221 5711

Good helpline

Elder Abuse Helpline

1300 724 679

Crisis Care

9223 1111



Sausage Sizzle



Greenwood 20th Anniversary Lunch