

NEWSLETTER

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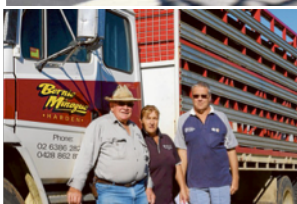
SKIN CANCER CHECKS AVAILABLE

The new Renault bus is travelling to Orange to the Central West Skin Cancer Clinic on a monthly basis. The trip begins around 8 am and returns to Harden later in the afternoon. Clients who use the service are very pleased with the attention they receive.

Please ring Trish Shea in our office to book your appointment and transport

Bookings now available for 31st August (only one seat left), 28th September, 26th October and 30th November. Please book early to avoid disappointment.

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HARDEN BOWLING CLUB



THIS YEAR'S RAFFLE

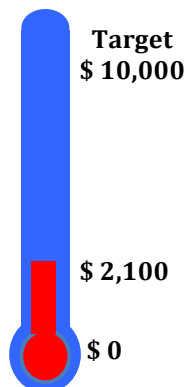
No strings attached – spend as you wish!

1st Prize \$5,000

Drawn 7th Dec

8 pm Harden Bowling Club

\$5 per ticket



Winner will be contacted by phone and results published in the *Twin Town Times* on 13th Dec 2018.

Have you bought a ticket or two yet? Great for birthdays, anniversaries or to say thank you!

Tickets available from staff, directors or the office.

HERE ARE OUR STATISTICS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR July 2017- June 2018

- ✓ Transport with voluntary drivers: 2,925 trips
136,530 km
3,087 hrs
- ✓ Meals provided: 3,785
- ✓ Yard & Garden: 228 hrs
- ✓ Personal Care: 482 hrs
- ✓ Respite Care: 246 hrs
- ✓ Social Activities: 603 hrs

These figures are amazing. Don't forget that most of the activities shown above are carried out by a **dedicated team of volunteers, supported by our staff.**

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**Monday 22nd October 2018
at Offices of Flexible Care, 5.30pm**

- ✓ Election of the new board for 2018/19 and executive positions. Annual report. Membership fee. Adoption of audited financials for 2017/18. All paid-up members are entitled to vote. This is a public meeting and all are welcome to attend.
- ✓ Would you like to be a Director on the Board? If so, pick up a nomination form from the Office.

OLD ERROWANBANG WOOLSHED, CARCOAR EXCURSION



A large group in the Sprinter and Masterbus enjoyed a trip to the largest original woolshed in the region, now 130 years old and still in use. It was built in 1886 without the use of machines, drills or engines of any kind.

SERVICE MANAGER'S NOTES

It has been a busy time of year with all the End of Financial Year reports to be done ready for the auditors (Flexible Care has an annual audit undertaken with independent auditors scrutinising our books).

Also taking up much time and training has been the new requirements for recording community transport of clients. This has meant extensive staff training and training of our volunteer drivers to use tablets in some vehicles. The new system means handling the administration in new ways which takes some learning!

In October, we will celebrate the amazing job done by our volunteers at the Volunteers Dinner – see details at the end of this newsletter.

We still have a long way to go for our annual raffle but I am hopeful that for the second year our raffle will be a worthwhile fundraiser to boost funds for our not-for-profit community organisation and ensure quality service.

Debby Glover
Service Manager

FROM OUR ARCHIVES....



▲ Cath and Les Graham are just two of the many Flexible Care Services volunteers and are pictured delivering Meals on Wheels over the Christmas break. New volunteers are always welcome.

NOTE FROM THE BOARD

We were sorry to lose secretary Kristy Stevenson from our Board due to other work commitments. Kristy's knowledge of the social services sector was much appreciated. This casual vacancy has been filled by Jeanette Murry who will take on the secretary duties until the AGM in October.



Our website continues to evolve and now includes additional photos in the gallery. The website address is: www.flexicare.org.au. Why not check it out!

Stewart Bruce
Chairperson

GOING TO YOUNG?

If you wish to travel to Young on a given Monday or Wednesday (for any reason at all), why not ring Trish on 6386 3561 and book a seat on our 12-seater Renault Masterbus.



SPARE AN HOUR OR TWO?? Why not become a volunteer driver – even once a fortnight would help us! Trips can be local or farther afield. Talk to Trish Shea, our Transport Coordinator, for more details.

VOLUNTEERS DINNER

is set down for **Friday evening, 5th October, 6.00 pm** for 6.30 pm dinner, in the dining room of the Harden Country Club. An invitation is extended to all our volunteers, the staff and Board to attend and celebrate the wonderful



job done by our strong volunteer team. Invitations to follow.