

# **Grandparents Rearing Grandchildren WA Inc. Newsletter March 2019**

In January the group went to Outback Splash, 82 grandparents and grandchildren enjoyed the water park as well as the other activities, mini golf, the maze and the Australian animals and birds. The weather was fantastic and GRGWA would like to thank Momentum Engineering and M.A.A.C. for their support which enables the group to enjoy an event such as this.

Clive, Penny, Jan, Suzanne and Bill went to the Senior's Forum at the Joondalup Shopping Centre to promote GRGWA - our support group and our activities.

Warwick Grove Shopping Centre had a collection of stationery for our grandchildren, thanks to Jessica Stojkowski MLA Kingsley and Kylie Janney of Warwick Grove.

One of our founder members, Elsie May had a Special Birthday and about 20 members helped her celebrate on February 26<sup>th</sup> at The Greenwood Tavern.

Hamish Dobie, the Manager of Foodbank Welshpool, will come to give a talk at the next Monthly Meeting on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March, Kingsley Memorial Hall at 10am. He wants some feedback from members about Foodbank's services, in particular, their frozen food.

On Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March, Penny will be going to a meeting with Connect Group, aimed at helping new Support Groups succeed.

GRGWA are running the first Retreat of the year on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March at St Catherine's House of Hospitality in Tuart Hill, 9.30am to 2.30pm. Morning tea and lunch provided.

(This would normally be the date of a Morning Tea at Noeline's. There will be no Morning Tea in March.) Our new office will shortly be open. It is at Mildenhall, 49 Beddi Road Duncraig. We will have an Open Day to be announced shortly. GRGWA would like to thank Connect Group for the grant to buy furniture and electronic goods for the new office. GRGWA used to be run from the secretary's house, currently Penny's.



Senior's Forum Joondalup



Elsie's birthday

President
Clive Rowden 041 246 0724
Vice President
Jan Standen 9403 7617 / 0433 741 186
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# MARCH 2019 ACTIVITIES Tuesday 12<sup>™</sup> March

MEETING KINGSLEY MEMORIAL HALL 9.30-11.30am. Foodbank talk

# Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March

Bunnings Joondalup Cnr Sundew Rise & Joondalup Drive. Craft Morning 10am to 12 midday.

# Thursday 28th March

Retreat St Catherine's 113 Tyler St Tuart Hill. 9.30am to 2.30pm morning tea and lunch provided.

#### **NO COFFEE MORNING AT NOELINE'S.**

Any queries on Events phone
Jan Standen 0433 741 186
or Bill Barlow 0409 371 991

# **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
Please phone Foodbank to confirm Hub's times

# **Northern Suburbs Legal Centre**

9301 4413 Joondalup 9440 1663 Mirrabooka

#### **Carers WA**

1300 227 377 Good general helpline

Citizens Advice Bureau 9221 5711 Good general helpline

Elder Abuse Helpline 1300 724 679

# **Crisis Care** 9223 1111



**Outback Splash** 



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Warwick Grove stationery drive.