

# Denmark

## Community Resource Centre

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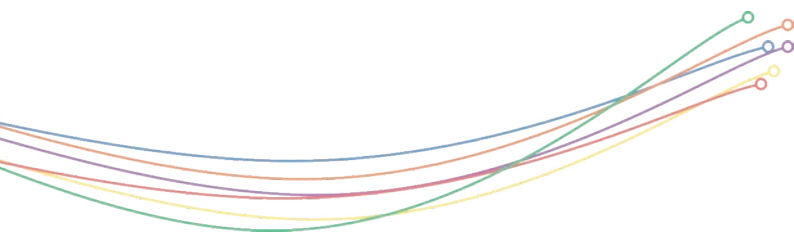
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# Who we are

The town of Denmark is a small country town located 450km from metropolitan Perth. Its nearest regional centre is Albany (50km to the east). Denmark is known for its rugged coastline, beautiful beaches, inlets, rivers, towering Karri forests and ancient Tingle trees offering visitors unforgettable scenery and plenty of activities.

Denmark has a great diversity of population, making for a huge variety of interests and occupations. With tourism being a major industry, many people have developed lifestyles combined with various cottage industries to cater for tourists.

The Denmark Community Resource Centre (CRC) has been in operation as a not-for-profit organisation for the past twenty years, during which time the profile of the Denmark community has changed significantly with high levels of population growth.

In 2015, the Denmark CRC moved into the historic Morgan Richards Centre which was originally the first hospital in Denmark, spearheaded by Dr Morgan Richards in 1924.

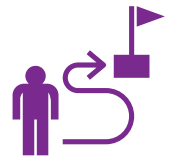
This move allowed the Denmark CRC to expand not only with services provided but also with opportunities to assist the community with current issues including financial hardship, homelessness and loneliness and isolation in the elderly population.

## Our Vision



**In five years, we will be a focal point in the community led initiatives and activities in the Shire of the Denmark.**

## Our Purpose



**To S.E.E. our community:  
Support, Empower & Engage**

# What we do



## Access to government services

- Centrelink, Medicare & TransWA agency.
- Access to government outreach I.E; Dept of Justice.
- Free to use computer for government websites
- Government notices and publications displayed.
- Government information included on social media.



## Economic and business development support

- Repair Cafe
- Monday Sewical sessions
- Women Talking Finance meetings
- Co-Working Space for Women
- Up skilling volunteers from job providers



## Social development support

- Emergency Relief Program:
  - Food, fuel & clothing vouchers
  - Wood & gas bottle deliveries
- Food Bank Delivery & Pantry service
- Community Soupy Night
- Accidental Counsellor Half Day Workshop



## Services and products

- Room & Equipment Hire
- Print / Copy / Scan / Fax
- Secretarial / Graphic Design / IT Support
- Financial Hardship - Food Vouchers & Food Pantry
- Access to public internet & WIFI



## Building community connections

- 2021 Mental Health Week
- 2021 Seniors Week
- 2021 Community Christmas Parade and Carols by Candlelight
- World Of Magic Festival Live Stream
- Gingerbread Decorating kids event
- Community Christmas Lunch
- Pancake Day
- It's a Time to Sign: an Intro to AUSLAN
- Creative Solutions for Seniors program launch
- Friday Senior's Activities
- CoderDojo - kids coding group
- Community Garden workshops
- Death Cafe & Dying to Know events

# Chairperson's Report

it's hard to talk about the past year in the CRC without talking about the impact of Covid 19 on our communities.

The Denmark CRC has worked hard this year to give support and a safe environment to all its customers. We were delighted that the vast majority of our customers were respectful of each other and the broader Denmark community and that the Centre was able to remain open to everyone.

Denmark FM - a community initiative of the CRC - has been up and running for almost year. It's been an enormous amount of work for Manager Matt Sivyer and the volunteer team, but the station is drawing community support from sponsors and subscribers alike and has already been a successful finalist in the annual Community Broadcasters Association of Australia awards.



*Denmark FM's founding crew 2021*

This year has seen a renovation and re-design of the main CRC space and it's a real transformation from conventional office feel to a relaxed "living room" space, with comfortable chairs and couch and a less formal area for customers and their laptops as a solo or co-working space. Importantly, new offices now offer complete privacy to our Centrelink customers.

We hope that there will be increased interest in the potential of our offices, commercial kitchen and open spaces as venues for hire.

As inflationary costs rise and our funding remains static, our CRC, as with many other organisations, is conscious of financial pressures both on our own activities and in the broader community.

The CRC Food Pantry has been strongly supportive of those who, especially during the pandemic, struggle to make ends meet.

# Chairperson's Report

We have, along with all other CRCs been the provider of free masks and RATs - an important state government initiative during times of economic stress.

We continue to offer a broader range of services, some in collaboration with organisations like the Denmark Community Foundation, The Denmark Shire and Denmark Arts. Others, like our student- focussed Coder Dojo program and the Denmark Death Cafe are run by dedicated volunteers on behalf of the whole community.

A huge thank you to our staff and volunteers at the Denmark CRC and Denmark FM for making this a year of achievement and strength.



Sue Howard  
Denmark CRC  
Chairperson  
23 September 2022

# Manager's Report

The 2021-2022 financial period for Denmark CRC was characterised by significant improvements both in our services to the local community, and to the centre itself.

Thanks to a generous donation from Lotterywest, we were able to undergo a 6-week renovation to our main floor, converting it from a sterile office space into a community centre environment, now affectionately known as “Denmark’s living room”.

Changes to the public floor include:

- Introducing a mixture of sitting and standing desks for public use.
- Construction of 2 small rooms with doors for Services Australia customers, so that they have more privacy.
- Construction and provision of a 3rd private room that CRC customers who are in distress and require confidentiality can access when talking to staff about our hardship support programs.
- A welcoming, warm and open plan sitting area. This area includes couches, indoor plants and tea/ coffee station so that visitors may stop in for respite and feel more at-home whilst using our services.

All round we are very happy with our new look.

We have also streamlined several internal processes by replacing our manual till in May with a Square POS system.

Using Square has saved us a lot of time!

It has cancelled out the need for several hours of administrative labour, including no longer needing to maintain many of our bookkeeping spreadsheets. We have also reformatted and streamlined our CRC membership system using Square’s automated invoicing system.

In September, we will be installing electronic locks throughout our building to allow for after hours and keyless access for room hirers.

I am proud to say that our partnerships with local community groups continue to increase and improve.

In particular, our choice to focus on mentoring and tangibly supporting community led initiatives, (via provision of CRC resources and expertise) has resulted in some fantastic outcomes.

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For instance, we now host Co-Working Space for Women, a recurring working space for women entrepreneurs.

We were also successful in the development of a regular program for Denmark residents living with dementia and their families, Creative Solutions.

We also continue to support local community soup kitchen initiative, "Soupy" and our monthly 'Death Café'.

I have enjoyed supporting people with their ideas and seeing these programs flourish.

As always, none of this would be possible without my dedicated staff and volunteers.

Not only do they support and help with the many programs we run, they have also been instrumental in providing assistance to the ever increasing numbers of people accessing our services on a daily basis.

Specifically, we have experienced a significant growth in customers requesting technical support with devices, government services and IT advice.

We have also had a massive uptake of our Food Pantry and Foodbank ordering services in recent months.

I have enjoyed leading the organisation and team this past year and I am looking forward to the coming year.

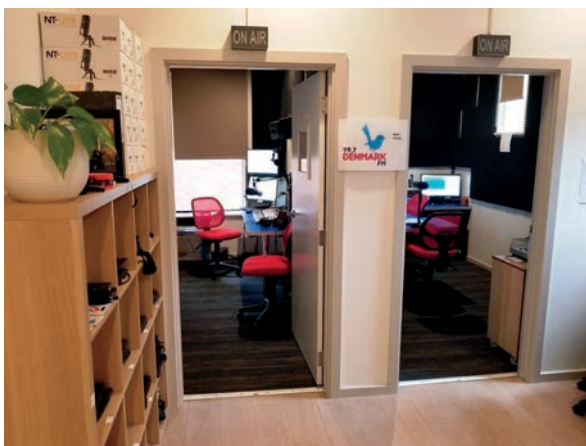


Petra Thompson  
Denmark CRC  
Manager  
3 August 2022

# Denmark FM Manager's Report

"Since you've been on, I feel less lonely" "Congratulations, this is a great addition to our vibrant town!" - subscriber comments.

The Denmark CRC launched its biggest ever project on October 4, 2021 with Denmark's very first community radio station going live to air for the first time. The idea had been circulating in Denmark since the CRC was given a small donation from the Denmark Future Fund to start a community radio station. In 2012, the Denmark CRC Board included a radio station as a long term strategic item in its revised Strategic Plan.



*Denmark FM's recording studio*

In 2018, Sue Howard (CRC Chair) and Matt Sivyer (former CRC Manager) began the paperwork and regulations for starting a community radio station. By late 2019 the licensing paperwork was in order, the radio station had been planned and costed and the Denmark CRC applied to LotteryWest for seed funding to build the studios.

By the time the application was ready for assessment by LotteryWest in March 2020, Covid-19 was ramping up and all funding applications were rejected so money could be directed to quick-response Covid-19 grants. At this point the CRC Board committed to drawing on some reserve funds to ensure the project went ahead as they firmly believed in its potential and the benefit Denmark FM would bring to the wider community.

Construction began in May 2020 in the Morgan Richards Community Centre in what was the old maternity wing (from when it was the former Denmark Hospital). The main studio was built in the old birthing suite which turned out to be the very room where some of our presenters have had children!

Fitting out a radio station during the early stages of a pandemic proved challenging with supply chains falling apart and the fact we were looking for niche electronic equipment.

One thing we weren't expecting was for our antenna to be transported on the same truck that was intercepted by

# Denmark FM Manager's Report

police carrying nearly 4m in drug money. It took some time for the truck to be released from the impound and then for the antenna to make its way to us but eventually it did!

Persistence paid off and after a lot of work two functioning studios were ready for presenters to start their technical practice after having undertaken 5 hours of theoretical training that included sessions covering radio presentation, writing for radio, interview techniques, music presentation and legal and sponsorship obligations.



Denmark FM has over 20 presenters and volunteers working tirelessly

behind the scenes to keep the station running and connecting the Denmark community. Locally produced shows cover a wide range of music genres, local sports, a weekday breakfast program as well as a local environmental show sharing some fascinating information about local flora, fauna and geology.

Alongside these 16 (and counting) locally produced shows Denmark FM has curated a program schedule incorporating 35 other shows drawn from the Community Radio Network - a library of shows from other community radio stations around Australia. Every week, Denmark FM features over 70 hours of music drawn exclusively from WA with a bias toward Denmark and Great Southern musicians.



# Denmark FM Manager's Report

Since its launch, Denmark FM has dedicated itself to celebrating Denmark and providing a positive voice when promoting what's happening in the community, what our 100+ community groups are up to as well as sharing important information.

Regular guests on the weekday Breakfast show include local Police, representatives from the Shire of Denmark and Council, a range of local health and wellbeing specialists, the Denmark Historical Society, Bushfire Ready, Perth Observatory, Denmark Arts, Department of Consumer Protection along with many other local organisations and groups.

In 2021 Denmark FM was successful in securing a LotteryWest grant that provided a backup diesel generator

for the Morgan Richards Community Centre, solar and battery backup for the Weedon Hill transmission site and also recording kits including a portable recording unit, podcasting desk, microphones and headphones which were offered to local schools.

A number of teachers and students at each school have received training and Denmark FM looks forward to having more young voices on the air sharing stories, songs, poems and what they're learning about with the wider community.



I look forward to reporting on this and other Denmark FM initiatives in the next annual report.



Matt Sivyer  
Denmark FM  
Manager  
2 November 2022

# Year in Summary



**2700**

People provided government and community information



**7**

Monthly events delivered



**19**

Overall services we provide our community



**13**

Successful grants recieved



**11**

Local people employed



**16**

Volunteers engaged



**39**

Community events held



**1614**

Hot office bookings



**48**

Collaborations with other community groups



**130**

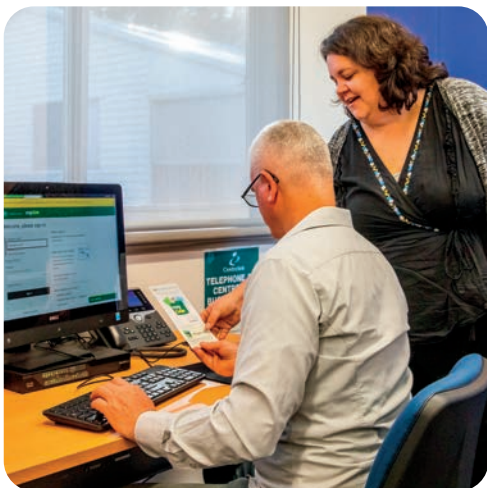
One-on-one IT training sessions provided

# Government Services

## Government Agents

As agents for Centrelink and Medicare, the Denmark CRC can help with:

- Creating and help accessing MyGov accounts.
- Perform identification for new customers.
- Access claim information and forms from Human Services website.
- Help Medicare customers submit rebate claims.
- Upload and submit documents.
- Teaching customers to use mobile apps.



## TransWA Agents

As an agents for TransWa, the Denmark CRC can:

- Creating new travel bookings.
- Register eligible Centrelink customers for free travel.
- Help customers determine the best travel option.

## Videoconferencing / Zoom / Skype Connections

The Denmark CRC have customers attend the following virtual appointments through videoconferencing:

- Department of Justice appearances.
- Telehealth and mental health professionals.
- Job interviews.
- Workplace inductions.
- ParentsNext and parenting classes.
- Online TAFE / University study.

## Government Information and other services

Other government services

Denmark provides:

- Assist with SafeWA and ServicesWA app set up and use.
- Facilitate government departments in holding community information events. I.E: Aust. Bureau of Statistics Census Hub for the homeless population.
- Displays relevant information throughout centre.
- Publishes all relevant government information through fortnightly publication *The Guide*.

# Economic and Business Development Support

**Repair Cafe** has been a huge hit for the Denmark community, helping those who can not afford to throw out items that can be easily fixed but also help in waste reduction.

We have a variety of volunteer 'fixers' who come each month and offer their skills in repairing and renewing items including; sewers, furniture restorers, a knife sharpener, bicycle maintenance, an electrician and more.

Items repaired have included clothing alterations & mending, easily fixed furniture & appliances, well loved toys and even items handed down through generations.

Unfortunately, the Repair Cafe was interrupted by the WA Covid-19 wave and will return in September.

**Monday Sewical** session is a collaboration between the Denmark CRC and Elena Jujnovich, to encourage people to sew and mend their own clothes.

Community member are invited to come along and learn how to use a sewing machine, read clothing patterns or just sit and enjoy like minded company!

**Women Talking Finance** began as a 2-day workshop run by Verity Bythe and facilitated by the Denmark Community Foundation, called Your Money Story.

The main objective for the workshop was for women to understand why we make certain money decisions at different stages of life. This workshop was mostly attended by women over 50 who wanted to know more about superannuation.

After the workshop had ended, the CRC was approached by the attendees to hold a monthly money conversation group for women to discuss different money related topics.

Working from home can be quite isolating and it can be hard to network on your own. Once again, Elena Jujnovich and the Denmark CRC have come together to create a **Co-Working Space for Women**, where women can come to network and learn from other like-minded entrepreneurial women while in a safe and non-judgemental environment.

Each Monday 9 am - 3 pm (during school terms), a room with power, internet and (the important part) coffee/tea making facilities are provided to all for the small cost of membership to the Denmark CRC.



*Sonia - Repair Cafe volunteer*

The Denmark CRC also help local unemployed people looking to up skill in admin and computer skills by offering a trade: they volunteer for us and we give them the opportunity to learn new skills.

We have helped people learn computer programs including the Microsoft Office suite and Canva or different sections of the CRC. Example; reception, events or Community Hardship program.

# Social Development Support

As in most rural towns, the Denmark CRC has become a place for local community members to come when they are looking for help.

The Denmark CRC **Emergency Relief program** has evolved over the years. It began as small monthly donations from the Anglican church to purchase pre paid food and fuel vouchers given to local community members to purchase food and fuel for medical appointments.

During the COVID-19 lockdown, the Denmark Community Foundation and Denmark CRC received a large grant from Lotterywest which was used to help the community with the impact of COVID-19.

The Emergency Relief program has expanded to include:

- Food & fuel vouchers.
- Firewood & gas bottle orders through Winter.
- Swags & tents for those sleeping rough.
- Help & advice for navigating the Dept of Communities Housing list.
- Denmark Food Pantry.
- Deliveries of Food Bank orders.



*Petra showing our Food Pantry*

On Wednesdays, people with Healthcare Cards can attend the **Food Pantry** and get the basic food items. Some items we have received through donations or purchased at a low cost price.

There has been a **Food Bank** in Albany for a number of years, however, many people didn't have transport each week to access Food Bank.

In April, Food Bank began to offer a weekly delivery service for Denmark, which has become very popular.

Delivery options include a meat hamper, fruit & veg box, pantry items and tuna & pasta pack.

The **Community Soupy Nights** have become another population collaboration between the Denmark CRC and Lindsey Sesin from Denmark Homegrown.

Each Tuesday, Lindsey and her team of volunteers create pots of delicious soup and other food for \$5 per person.

The Soupy nights have been running since September 2021 and has become an exceedingly popular social event in Denmark for both residents and visitors.

Together with Relationships Australia, the Denmark CRC held a **half day Accidental Counsellor workshop**.

What is an Accidental Counsellor? A person who finds themselves lost for words when they encounter a person going through a distressful situation.

As an agency for Human Services as well as assisting people through financial and housing stress, a few CRC staff members joined the workshop to learn new skills to help our customers.

# Services and Products

The Denmark CRC offers a vast range of services to the community including printing and secretarial, support for technology and more.

## Services include:

- Room Hire
  - Small Offices
  - Large Rooms
  - Gallery & Kitchen
  - Outside areas
  - Inside living room space
- Equipment Hire
  - PA systems & mics
  - Projectors & screens
  - NIS cattle scanner
  - Lectern & more
- Copy & Print
  - A5 - A3 sizes
  - Black & white or colour
  - Card & photo paper
- Secretarial Services
  - Scan to email or USB
  - Laminating
  - Comb binding
  - Typing & proof reading
  - Faxing
  - Graphic design
- Wide Format Printing
  - A3 to A1 sizes
  - Semi gloss photo paper
  - Artist canvas
  - Matte plan paper
  - Sticky back vinyl
- Tech Byte Sessions
  - 30 minute sessions for tech support
  - One on one with a skilled team member
- Be Connected Program
  - Free government initiative for those who are uncomfortable with technology
  - One on one sessions with our volunteer coordinators
  - iPads & laptops available to borrow and practice.



- TransWA agent
- Centrelink & Medicare agent
- Community Hardship Program
- The Guide local & surrounds event publication

# Building Community Connections

The 2021/22 period has seen the introduction of new projects to the Denmark community, as well as the return of a few well loved events.

One of the largest events the CRC organised was the annual **Denmark Community Christmas Parade**.



*Santa - our star of the Parade!*

Every year, we apply for the opportunity to organise the Parade and this time we decided to include the Carols by Candlelight concert as well.

The evening began with the town coming out to wave and cheer for the floats and parade walkers. The loudest cheer was for Santa Claus riding the fire truck!

After the parade, all the delicious food stalls opened for dinner. The Denmark Trash & Treasure group held a special Christmas market in the Scout Hall.

The Carols by Candlelight session featured local choirs, bands, the John Clarke Memorial Band and more.

It was a great night, much thanks to the enormous effort from the CRC team especially Sarah and Petra!

Denmark has a large population of senior aged community members and our newest volunteer, Elizabeth Thair, discovered there weren't many local events for people with Dementia.

After research, Elizabeth discovered a program developed in 2021 by the Lithgow Dementia Alliance.

After gaining permission from Lithgow to adopt their Creative Dementia modelling, the Denmark CRC, lead by Elizabeth, and Shire of Denmark collaborated to begin **Creative Solutions for Early Onset Dementia**.

The **Creative Solutions** program is a series of sessions that focuses on art, music and mindfulness therapies to support people with dementia. The aim of the program is to provide a safe, inclusive and creative space for people living with dementia and their carers.

Since its initial run of sessions in May - June, Creative Solutions has been a popular event for both attendees and volunteers alike, giving Dementia sufferers a safe space to be themselves.

The program is now ongoing.



*Creative Solutions in full colourful swing!*

# Our Team

## Management Committee



**Sue Howard**  
*Chairperson*

Sue is a former broadcaster, broadcast executive with ABC and a workplace mediator. She has been a Denmark resident since 2009.



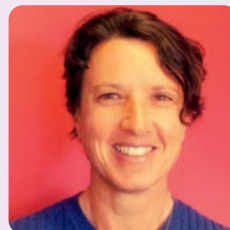
**Dawn Atkins**  
*Deputy Chairperson*

As a board member, I share my passion and skills in community capacity building and engagement, and regional development



**Donna Williamson**  
*Treasurer*

I joined in July 2020. I am a registered nutritionist and also work at WA Country Health Service in Population Health.



**Tarryn Sharp**  
*Secretary*

I am a midwife and have a Masters of Public Health which gives me an interest in improving health through improving social determinants of health.



**Jade Morrison**  
*Committee Member*

Jade has been on the board from 2021. Jade's passions include involvement in the community, art and design



**Rosie Arnaphie**  
*Committee Member*

I recently joined the board as I'm passionate about working in the community. I work as a Community Development Officer with the Shire.

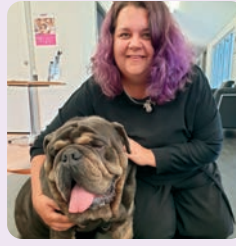
## Staff Team



### **Petra Thompson**

*Manager*

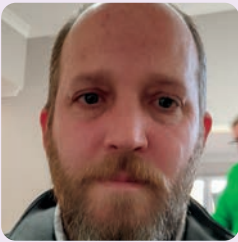
Petra has been in the CRC network for 24 years and Denmark's manager since 2016. She likes to keep the CRC busy with a varied range of community projects



### **Simone Woolhouse**

*Office Manager & Graphic Design*

Simone has been with the CRC for 6 years as Office Manager, Graphic Designer and the office dog greeter. Simone is also an artist in her spare time.



### **Dennis Verbundt**

*I.T. Co-ordinator*

Dennis is the CRC's own in-house IT staff, maintenance person and Mover of Heavy Things. Dennis volunteered before joining the CRC team.



### **Sarah Spencer**

*Events & Social Media Trainee*

Sarah has been at the CRC since August 2021, training in Events, and is looking forward to applying her new-found skills in her community



### **Sandra Madeo**

*Bookkeeper*

Sandra has been the CRC bookkeeper since 2020 and is also Mum of 2 kids & 2 fur babies and also co-owner of new a venture, Wholly Donuts.



### **Leanne Mifflin**

*Reception*

Leanne has been a part of the team for 2 years and it gives her great satisfaction to meet and support members of the community.



### **Janelle Shaw**

*Reception*

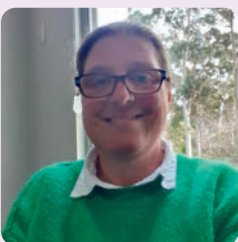
Janelle works in reception part time and is happy to help customers with any enquiries.



### **Matt Sivyer**

*Denmark FM Manager*

Once a former manager of the CRC, Matt is an integral part of making Denmark 99.7 FM a reality. With a mix of music & local news, Denmark FM has something for everyone.



### **Rosie Botica**

*Bookkeeping Trainee*

Rosie is the new trainee at the CRC, who has been a part of the team for 5 months and is enjoying the diverse challenges thrown at her!



### **Felix England-Wong**

*Hygiene Officer*

Felix is our youngest CRC team member, being a Year 10 student, but he is one of our most important by keeping the CRC in order.

## Our Volunteers



### **Gail Barker**

*Be Connected Volunteer*

I run the Be Connected program; teaching & supporting people over 50. I also help at the Repair Café, mending soft toys & clothes.



### **Barb Coombs**

*Admin Volunteer*

I have been at the CRC for over 3 years. I help with admin & Creative Solutions for Early Onset Dementia. I like to meet new people, craft and music.



### **Michelle Randle**

*Events Volunteer*

I have been volunteering for the last 18 months, helping with the Food Pantry and with Social Mornings for Seniors each week.



### **Isobel Wilson**

*Food Pantry Volunteer*

I volunteer at the Food Pantry, sew at the Repair Cafes plus other activities.

I'm semi-retired and run a business from home.



### **Anita Devereux**

*Admin Volunteer*

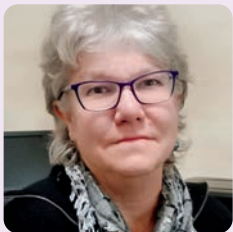
I have been volunteering at the CRC for a year. I have enjoyed the tasks I do and have always found the staff to be extremely helpful.



### **Elizabeth Thair**

*Creative Solutions Volunteer*

Support Worker with people of all ages and abilities and now with Early Onset Dementia and Seniors."



### **Von Quinn**

*Admin Volunteer*

I have volunteered at the CRC for 5 years. I am involved with the Repair Cafe. Outside of CRC, I lead a busy life full of art, crafts and gardening.



### **Allister Dickinson**

*Volunteer CoderDojo Mentor*

I founded the Denmark CoderDojo over ten years ago and mentor young coders. I teach Digital Tech. at the Kwoorabup Nature School.



### **Adrian McCrow**

*IT Volunteer*

Adrian was with the Denmark CRC for 8 months and helped get new processes and equipment including the new Square POS system.



### **Helena Wragg**

*Gardener Volunteer*

Helena has been the CRC's volunteer gardener for the past 2 years and enjoys getting her hands dirty in the CRC's Water Wise Garden.

# Our Supporters

As with most non-for-profit organisations, the Denmark CRC has an amazing support system which include the following.

## Government

- Dept. of Primary Industries and Regional Development
- Dept. of Human Services
- Dept. of Justice

## Grant Funding Bodies

- Dept. of Primary Industries and Regional Development
- Lotterywest
- Link West
- Good Things Foundation
- Shire of Denmark
- Denmark Community Foundation

## Community Partners

- Denmark Chamber of Commerce
- Denmark Arts Inc.
- Denmark Community Foundation
- Denmark FM
- Denmark Primary & High Schools
- Green Skills
- Food Bank
- Denmark Homeless Project
- Denmark CWA
- Movies with Meaning
- Tiny Treasures
- Denmark Home Grown
- Mill Art Group
- Denmark Art Club
- Silverchain
- Amaroo @ Home
- Clarence Estate
- Anglican Church
- Riverside Club
- Denmark IGA Xpress

## Special Thanks

- **Link West** - the ongoing support and information sharing.
- **Denmark Community Foundation** - helping us assist those in Denmark with financial, housing and food stress.
- **Kit Bewley** - Death Cafe and Dying to Know events
- **Elizabeth Thair** - Creative Solutions for Onset Dementia coordinator.
- **Elena Jujnovich** - Co-Working for Women sessions and Sewical Mondays.
- **Mahsa Anderson** - the Happiness Project and stress management tips!
- **Denmark IGA Xpress** - giving us the opportunity to help those in need with our Food Pantry.
- Our Renovation Crew:
  - **Jennie Shenton Designs**
  - **South Side Ceilings - Matt**
  - **Ladd Art - Brendan**
  - **Globe Painting Solutions - Josh**
  - **Oceanside Electrical - Simon**
  - **Allegiance Plumbing - Nick**
  - **Choices Flooring - Andrew**for their amazing work helping us make the Centre more inviting.
- **Our wonderful volunteers** for helping us to help our community.
- **Our Committee Members** for guiding us each year.

# Treasurer's Report

The final operating result for the Denmark Community Resource Centre (CRC) for the 2021-2022 financial year, was a deficit of \$36,586, which was a turnaround from the previous financial year, which finished with a surplus of \$28,486.

The deficit was the result of various factors and was mostly anticipated due to planned renovations of the CRC and the commencement of the community radio station.

Major streams of income for the Denmark CRC continue to be the room hire facilities, which saw an income of just over \$57,000 this financial year (up 5%), along with printing, which brought in a further \$15,000 (up 7%).

There has also been a significant increase in membership revenue this year, up 85% on the previous year (\$3435 to \$6357).

This year saw the long-awaited renovation of the CRC's front entrance, offices, service and common areas.

The renovations were funded by a Lotterywest grant of \$30,000, written by a CRC volunteer, and \$50,000 from the Denmark CRC reserves

The renovations have transformed the common areas, making it a fantastic space to sit and work or relax, and have been well received by both staff and community members alike.

This financial year also saw the much-anticipated start to the first live on-air transmission of Denmark FM, on 4 October 2021. As this is in the early stages, we are yet to complete a full year on air.

While the radio has placed considerable pressure on the CRC surplus funds in an ongoing manner, it is anticipated that membership numbers will continue to grow, along with advertising numbers.

Additional income streams such as merchandise and special events are well placed to further support the financial viability of Denmark FM, and it is anticipated the Denmark community will continue to support and be involved in this exciting project.

The DPIRD grant received by the CRC each year has been extended to 5 years, removing the uncertainty around funding and the need to reapply.

This extended grant arrangement was not indexed, so in the current economic climate with increasing inflation, this would have impacted cashflow going forward.

Fortunately, WACOSS, in conjunction with Linkwest, put forward a proposal to the WA state government to have these grant amounts indexed going forward, and it was with relief to have received advice last week that the State Government has announced they will increase the community service sector indexation rate for 2022–2023 from 2.55% to 3.53%, backdated to 1 July 2022.



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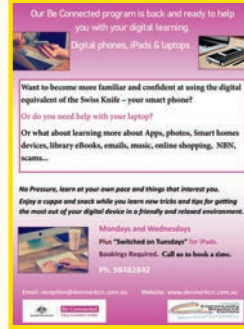
# Monthly Regular Events



## Movies with Meaning

Denmark was treated to a selection of amazing movies and documentaries, all imparting an important and thought provoking message.

The movie nights were interrupted by COVID.



## Be Connected

Be Connected is one of the most popular programs at the Denmark CRC!

Luckily, we have Gail Barker, our wonderful volunteer, who helps those who are new or uncomfortable with technology.



## Death Cafe

Death and End of Life planning has always been a taboo subject but the one topic that is in desperate need of talking about.

And what better way to do so than with a cuppa and cake?



## Friday Games Night

What better way to spend a Friday night than trying out new board and table top games with friends?

Participants ranged from young kids to adults of all ages and a family favourite!



## Community Garden

Over the years, the Garden has gone from a few veggie plots to wicking beds, a lovely compost pile and espaliered fruits trees!

All excess produce is given to the Denmark Homeless Project group.



## Creative Solutions for Onet Dementia

With a focus on art, music and mindfulness therapies, this program was created to provide a safe and inclusive place for people with dementia and their families could be themselves.



## Senior's Activities

Games, cards, puzzles, cuppas, nibbles and chats are the main focus at the Senior's Activities.

Thank you to Silver Chain, Amaroo and Mount Clarence for organising a lovely gang of Seniors each fortnight.



## CoderDojo

Another fan favourite with the kids and families of Denmark.

This free, volunteer run, international coding group focuses on giving kids the access to coding, game or app creation and beyond!

# 2021 Events

## July 2021



- 17th Dying to Know Day - Conversations
- 24th Weaving Art Into Your Garden - Garden Workshop
- 24th Quizmas in July Quiz Night
- 28th Lets Do Lunch Probus Cooking Group

## August 2021

- 11th Purple Bench Project Unveiling
- 12th Census Help for Homeless Day



## September 2021



- 7th Denmark Soupy launch

## October 2021

- 4th Launch of Denmark 99.7 FM
- 15th Mental Health Week Activities 2021
- 18th Get Online Week Quiz & Open Day
- 25th Monday Sewcial launch
- 29th - 31st 2021 Festival of Movies with Meanings



## November 2021



- 8th Seniors Week: Denmark Seniors Luncheon
- 8th Seniors Week: Aged Pension & Your Choices
- 26th Dying to Know - Palliative Care
- 26th Albany Radiation Machine Project Quiz Night

## December 2021

- 9th & 16th Learn To Juggle with Zak
- 17th Community Christmas Parade & Carols by Candlelight
- 20th Mini Gingerbread House Decorating
- 21st World Of Magic Festival Live Stream
- 25th Community Christmas Lunch



# 2022 Events

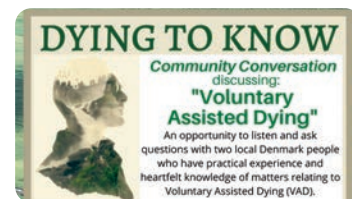
## January 2022



- 24th Co-Working Space for Women with Elena
- 25th Accidental Counsellor Half Day Workshop
- 29th Empty Containers for Change Day

## February 2022

- 21st Happiness Project Launch
- 28th Dying to Know Day - Voluntary Assisted Dying



## March 2022



- 1st Pancakes in the Park
- 25th - 27th Bushfire Fundraiser Art Sale
- 29th It's a Time to Sign! - Intro to AUSLAN

## April 2022

- 1st Denmark Mini Eco-Film Festival with Green Skills
- 6th Denmark Writers Group Launch
- 30th Discover & Document Your Living Soil - Knowing Nullaki Festival



## May 2022

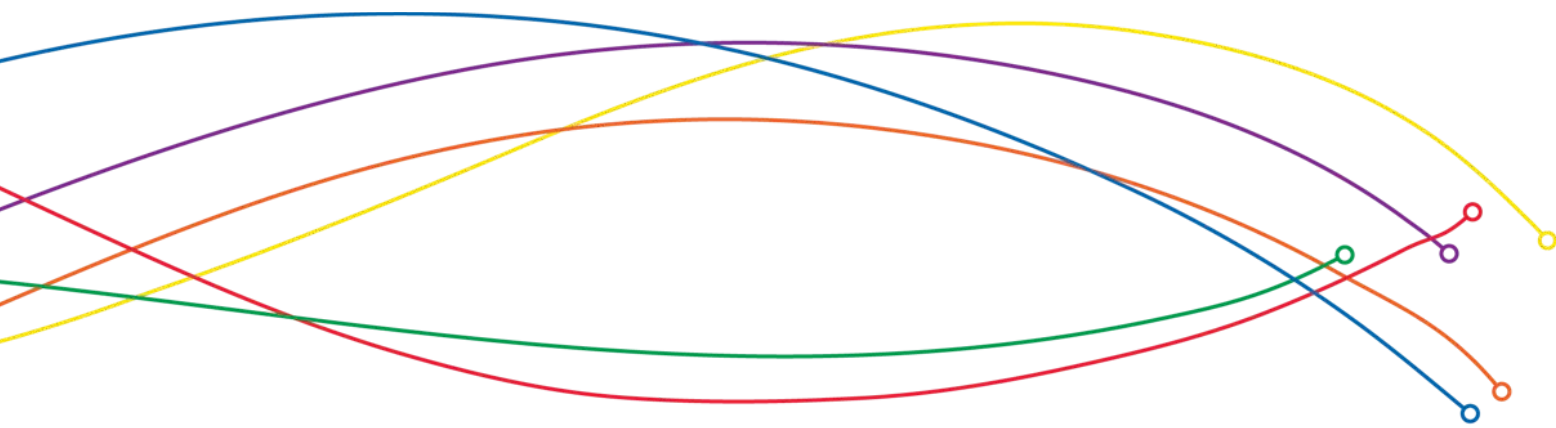


- 2nd Renovations to CRC Public Space began
- 18th Discover & Document Your Living Soil - Knowing Nullaki Festival
- 23rd Dying to Know - Home & Community Funerals
- 26th Creative Solutions for Seniors Program launch

## June 2022

- 8th CoderDojo Hackerthon
- 15th Affordable Housing Pop Up Information Session
- 15th AUSLAN Study Group @ Denmark CRC
- 27th Denmark CRC Grand Reopening





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