

# CAREVAN WANGARATTA NEWSLETTER

## CHRISTMAS 2018

This year, Carevan will not be providing meals on Monday 24th, Tuesday 25th and Wednesday 26th December.

We will be providing our usual Xmas spread the week before with cold meats, salads, hampers etc for all to enjoy.

Other charitable organizations still will be supplying meals on Xmas day, so please let clients know this option.



## HAIRDRESSER SERVICE



We now have the opportunity to offer clients a hairdressing service on Tuesday nights.

Sandra from GoTafe has offered to cut clients hair for FREE.

**STARTS 16th October.**

Please advise clients of this new service.

## DENTAL CHECK-UPS



Once a month, the Community Dental Van will be visiting Carevan locations to provide a FREE service to clients.

**STARTS :- 7th Nov—Wed at Apex Park & 11 Dec—West End (Rangeview)**

Please advise clients of this new service. A List of dates for 2019 will follow.

## MEET OUR COMMITTEE MEMBERS

After our Annual General Meeting, the following people were voted as the 2018/2019 Committee.

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GENERAL COMMITTEE:	Beth Gaut	

Left to Right

Lorraine & Terry Wisener  
Ross Johnston  
Michelle Kennedy  
Trudy Cornish



Absent Are

John Houghton  
Jennefer Houghton  
John Patton  
Joy Ramsey  
Beth Gaut

*“It's easier to care than turn away”*

## UPDATE FROM THE PRESIDENT

This is the first time in a couple of years that we have had all the committee positions filled, and I am looking forward to working with everyone over the coming months to ensure Carevan grows and continues to provide the great level of service to our community. It is important that we keep a community focus and work together to keep our mission statement—“it's easier to care than turn away”.

Over the last month, I have been in contact with the Foodshare Albury Wodonga group and we are able to join the Foodshare community.

After a two week break, we have again been providing the Breakfast Club service at the Wangaratta Primary School, Chisholm St. Continuous donations of bread from The Bakers Wife, and milk from Dinnings Dairy, has been gratefully appreciated.

Discussion with parents and friends have been ongoing, with the hope that some parents will be able to come along and assist on Breakfast Club mornings (Thursdays), with the potential that they will continue to operate this service autonomously on a regular basis.



Carevan Wangaratta President  
Michelle Kennedy

## FROM THE FOOD CO-ORDINATOR

The Inner Wheel Team cooked up 76 containers of food in September for us. As always, this is an enormous task and so very much appreciated by the Food Co-Ordinator and the rest of the committee.

Muffins from Café de Raillier; Rolls, Kransky Sausages and Coleslaw from The Malt shed; Oranges, Apples and Eggs from Anglicare; Eggs from Andy McDonald a producer from Moyhu (this will be ongoing) also 2 bags of staples from an anonymous donor.

Thank you to Terry from Willy's takeaway. He is supplying our Fish once per fortnight, with dates being locked in until the end of January 2019

We are looking for another person to join the Food Sub-Committee to cover absences. If anyone is interested, please contact Lorraine Wisener via Email: [wisener262@bigpond.com](mailto:wisener262@bigpond.com)

## THE INNER WHEEL TEAM — Patti Stafford and her team

For those that don't know the team that do the cook ups for Carevan Wangaratta, we thought a few pictures would be helpful showing the enormous task they undertake for us.



## VOLUNTEERING

Volunteering numbers fluctuate during the year due to various commitments of each individual. At present, we have a Volunteer Team of 57.

The focus for the coming year will need to be on building up our pool of Team Leaders with a target of 9 to 10 to spread the burden. You can contact the Volunteer Co-Ordinator, Terry Wisener through email :- [volunteer@carevanwangeratta.org.au](mailto:volunteer@carevanwangeratta.org.au)

## CAREVAN'S VEHICLE AND VAN 'MAKEOVER'



The van and vehicle used by Carevan Wangaratta has over the year been having a major makeover. The inside has been completely revamped with new cupboards and flooring making more space for volunteers to move around. The outside has now had signage completed which includes recognition to the many organizations that have provided continual support to Carevan, and thus, to those that use the facility at our three locations in Wangaratta.

As a committee, we felt it very important to include this continual support visually on the van as a huge thank you to all that support us. Without continued support from so many, we would not be able to go out and supply meals for those in need. There are MANY more that support us through-out a year; fund raising, gifts when money is raised for charities, or individuals who contribute when they can, with what they can. We are so very grateful to everyone that plays a role in Carevan Wangaratta being so successful for so many years. It would not happen without them, or our volunteers.

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE.





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## We're on the Web

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*All are welcome. None  
are turned away. We  
are here to serve the  
Wangaratta  
Community.*

WELCOME

## ABOUT US

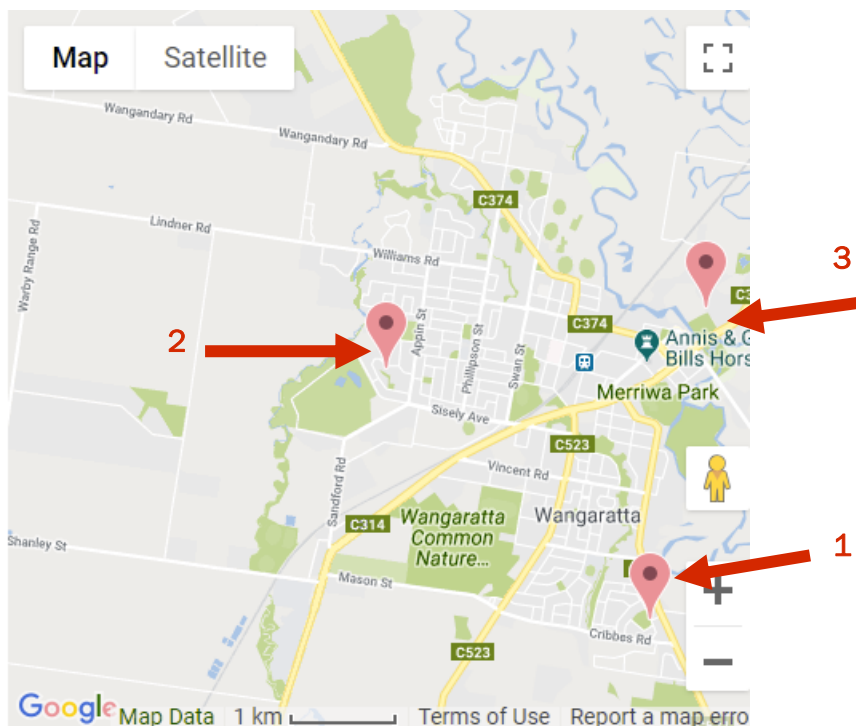
Carevan Wangaratta is a registered not-for-profit organisation that utilises an unpaid committee plus a team of local volunteers who since February 2011 deliver meals three times a week in Wangaratta. These wholesome meals are for people (our clients) within our local community who may be either homeless or due to family and financial pressures are struggling to provide food for themselves and often their families.

The Wangaratta Carevan does not receive any formal financial funding other than random donations of mainly food and sometimes financial assistance from local community groups or our business leaders.

As far as our outgoings are concerned, we are fully autonomous and are not required to pay royalties, licensee fees, wages etc, which enables us to distribute the majority of donations to directly benefit our clients.

Besides delivering meals on a regular basis, the Carevan Wangaratta Inc. Board partners whenever possible with local community agencies like Anglicare, Loaves & Fishes Christians Caring, Borinya School, Junction Support Services, Wangaratta High School, The Centre, and Ovens & King to promote awareness about important subjects like anti-poverty, homelessness plus the benefits of healthy eating.

We operate 3 nights a week, from 6pm-7pm at the following locations:



1. MONDAY (Yarrunga): Bindall Ave Park
2. TUESDAY (West End): Rotunda/BBQ Area between Ross and Lowe Courts (Off Rangeview Ave)
3. WEDNESDAY (Central): Apex Park, pavilion/undercover area