



NEWS!

SPRING - SUMMER 2018

CHRISTMAS BORROWING

Last year was our first trial of Christmas period borrowing and due to the popularity we will be continuing Christmas borrowing this year. Members are welcome to borrow over our shut down period with all borrowing from December 7th 2018 not due back until the Toy Library reopens in January.

Dates to note:

- Last open session of 2018 - Saturday 15th December 2018
- Toy Library reopens for 2019 - Friday 18th January 2019
- Stocktake 2019 - Feb 22nd - 23rd - Feb will be a **Returns Only** month. All toys are to be returned by stocktake please.

GRANT SUCCESS!

We are very excited to be the lucky recipients of three grants so far this financial year! Thanks to our dedicated grants team we were able to receive a \$400 grant from the Department of Education to run our Children's Week Stay and Play event. Wangaratta Connected Community along with the Bendigo Bank have granted us \$1,500 to build our bike and scooter collection, and the Rural City of Wangaratta has granted us \$6,000 to start our Stay and Play Sessions for Dads in 2019. Stay tuned to see some fantastic new additions to our Toy Library with these grants!

CHILDREN'S WEEK FUN - Thank You!

During Children's Week 2018 the Wangaratta Community Toy Library took part in the annual Wangaratta Children's Services celebration at Lion's Park (formerly Bachelor's Green). This was a fantastic day of play with lots of fun activities including face painting and a sausage sizzle. We saw lots of familiar faces and some new ones as we played and spread the word about the benefits of joining a Toy Library.

In addition to our usual presence at the Wangaratta Children's Services Children's Week celebration, we applied for a grant of \$400 to host a Children's Week Stay and Play Session on the Saturday for those families who wanted to celebrate but couldn't make it to a mid week event. This event was a fun morning again at the Uniting Church Hall, with existing members and new faces coming along for a play and enjoying a delicious fruity morning snack with us. We look forward to doing this again next year.



open 10-11.30am Friday's & Saturdays

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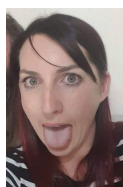


NEW COMMITTEE FOR 2018-2019

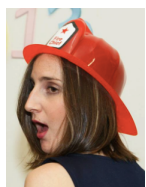
At the August AGM, we had some of our longstanding committee members step down from the roles they have generously filled over the past few years making room for some new faces to come on board. We would like to say a big THANK YOU to our previous committee for all the time, hard work and dedication they have graciously put in to keeping the Wangaratta Community Toy Library the wonderful welcoming place it is. We would also like to take this opportunity to introduce our new committee and encourage you to say "Hi" next time you see them around:



Bec
President



Kat
Secretary/
Grants



Mez
Treasurer



Meg
Toy Buyer



Tania
Rosters



Tammy
Grants
Assistant

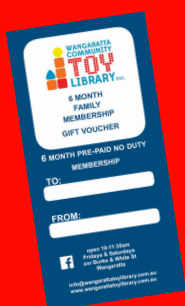


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JUMPING CASTLES

Great news - our jumping castles are back! Our castles had a little break from service while they received some TLC, underwent some essential repair work and had their routine test and tag completed. Unfortunately our small jumping castle has seen better days and is no longer in operation however our large jumping castle and our obstacle course bouncer are back up and running now. A new jumping castle borrowing procedure has been written up for our members who complete duty to read which will make borrowing clearer for all. The main change is to the processing of Bond records on SETLS which is now entered separate to the hire charge to make our bookkeeping easier come end of financial year reporting time. All members are encouraged to read over this new process which is in the RED Jumping Castle folder in the Toy Library.

A BIG thank you goes out to Jon Newman from *Positive Charge Electrical*
<http://www.positivecharge.net.au> who has kindly volunteered his time to keep our test and tagging up to date.



GIFT CARDS NOW AVAILABLE!

Not sure what to get for that family that has everything? We now have a range of Gift Card Memberships just in time for Christmas! Our gift memberships come in 6 or 12 month options for both Single or Family. They also have no duty requirements for the recipient so no need to worry about roster preferences. Gift Card Memberships start from just \$30! Available for purchase in library now.

