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Update from your Local Branch

Routine Inspections

Routine inspections are conducted by Compass Housing every 17 weeks to ensure the property is being well maintained and to allow us to check for any maintenance issues that may be present. In preparation for the inspection we ask that you clean the property and present it in a clean & tidy condition (including lawns and gardens as applicable).

Rent Payment Methods Update

We recently advised that we are making changes to some payment methods to ensure a better service for all of our tenants.

The Payway Cards have arrived and we expect to have these to you by the end of February. Once the cards are issued, we will no longer accept cash payments at our office, however cash payments may still be able to be made at any Australia Post branch.

Please keep a look out in the mail during February for your Payway payment cards!

Tips & Tricks Energy Saving Tips

Living areas

- In summer keep air cool by closing windows, doors, curtains and blinds.
- Use fans rather than air conditioners and set your air conditioner to between 23°C and 26°C.
- Install efficient lighting and turn lights off when not needed.
- Switch off appliances at the wall.

Kitchen

- Provide space for air to circulate around the fridge and ensure door seals are intact.
- Use an electric frypan, pressure cooker, or microwave rather than the oven where possible.
- Cover pots and pans to reduce cooking time.
- Only run the dishwasher when full.

Source - <https://www.energymadeeasy.gov.au/energy-efficiency/saving-energy>





Centacare, who visit every Friday to cook lunch for our tenants, love the new BBQ setup!

Christmas Cheer at Main St

When Stephen 'Sarge' Sergeant discovered that a gas bottle at his Compass Housing complex was missing on Christmas Eve, he was flabbergasted. Sarge had planned on cooking a Christmas BBQ lunch for his fellow tenants.

Having already secured donations of fertilizer, potting mixture, and umbrellas for his housing complex over the past year, Sarge contacted Bunnings to see if they could help replace this missing gas bottle.

Instead, Bunnings donated and delivered a brand new BBQ and gas bottle for the complex, while Compass staff arranged for the new equipment to be safely secured for the benefit of all tenants. Compass, Sarge, and his fellow tenants are grateful for the generosity of Bunnings Rocklea.



What's Cooking?

Ingredients:

- 500g beef mince (you can also use pork mince)
- 1 large onion, diced
- 6 cloves of garlic, crushed and chopped small
- 4 big mushrooms, chopped small
- Chillies to your liking, sliced
- 4 large capsicums, remove the tops and empty into cups
- Add salt, ground pepper and cayenne pepper for seasoning
- To garnish: Your choice of herbs and greens, such as basil, rocket, parsley, chives etc.

Instructions:

Pre heat oven to 180C

Fry Garlic on a pan until fragrant. Then add in onion and fry until see-through.

Add chillies, seasoning (chillies and peppers) and meat into the pan. Add in mushrooms and cook until done. (Adjust seasoning to your liking. You can make it extra spicy by adding in extra chillies or cayenne pepper.) Set emptied capsicum cups in a baking dish and stuff them with the mixture.

Place in the oven and cook for 15-25 minutes, or until capsicum is cooked through and the stuffing is browned on top.

Garnish with fresh herbs and greens -basil and rocket go very nicely! Enjoy!

For more information on anything in this newsletter, please call Compass on 3896 4700

Congratulations to Tenant Incentive Scheme Winners

January

Gold: Peter L

Silver: Martin S

Bronze:



Congratulations! You have now qualified to go into the quarterly draw to win a gift card!

For more information on how you can win a \$50 gift card please call the branch for a flyer!