

Melbourn Timebank Report

October 2020

Membership growth to 22nd October 2020

	As at 14 th Feb	As at 22 nd Oct	Conversion	Pipeline
Individual Members	51	62	11	10*
Organisational Members	8	8	0	4

*This figure has been revised to reflect people actively engaged with joining the Timebank

Total exchanges to date: 2676 hours (*of which MCCR = 1593 hours*)

Non MCCR: 1083 hours

During lockdown the Timebank Coordinator was seconded to run the MCCR and Timebank activities were largely suspended. An attempt was made to host virtual coffee mornings but they were very poorly attended and after a few weeks when nobody logged in at all, they were stopped.

Timebank activities

- Weekly coffee mornings were reinstated in September on Mondays and Thursdays 10-11 at The Hub. The limitations of meeting in groups of no more than 6 means members need to book a slot and there can be 5 + Coordinator for each session. People are very keen to get out and talk to others to combat their isolation and loneliness so this may increase to 3 coffee mornings if the demand is there.
- Fortnightly Art and Craft Club suspended
- Monthly Evening Social/Board Games nights suspended

Given that exchanges within people's homes are not advisable and it is not the season for gardening/outdoor meets, the increased number of coffee mornings seem to be a happy and workable solution for all. Some of our members are starting to feel really lonely and their mental health is suffering as a result. We are even seeing on average two new people per month who are coming specifically to be able to sit and chat with someone out of their home!

Administrative tasks

- Membership continues to grow steadily, although conversions have reduced to 1 or 2 per month
- Facebook statistics for last 28 days
 - Followers 201
 - Maximum post reach 1331
 - Post engagement 152
- Mental Health First Aid Course applied for

Proposed expenditure for approval

- *None*

A selection of proposed future activities

- Dog cafe – venue to be located
- Weekly local walks
- Litter picking