

# Ageing Well News & Information Newsletter November / December 2023

Ageing Well Showcase



# Age well, the way you want November 2023

Throughout November we will be celebrating Ageing Well in Campbelltown with a Showcase of Events and Activities. Campbelltown is fortunate to have so many ways to bring older people together to connect, socialise, stay fit and get involved in meaningful activities through social and community groups, service providers and at Council facilities. The Showcase will share this information and provide opportunities to connect older people to each other, seek information and try something new. All attendees at these events will go into the draw to win a range of great prizes!

Ageing Well Showcase Expo Wednesday 1 November 2023 10am –1:30pm Ageing Well Showcase Program of Events Throughout the Month of November 2023 Ageing Well Celebration

Thursday 30 November 2023 10:45am - 1:30pm

Now consulting on Council's first ever Ageing Well Plan. See page 3 for details!

See inside for more details!





# Ageing Well





# Age well, the way you want November 2023

#### Expo Wednesday 1 November 2023 10am - 1:30pm Campbelltown Memorial Oval, Corner Darley & Lower North East Roads, Paradise

Come and see more than 30 stallholders share information about ageing well, the way you want. Visit community groups and clubs, wellbeing, exercise and activity groups, service clubs, service providers, allied health providers, advocacy and research agencies, arts and culture and more!

Enjoy a series of information talks, complimentary refreshments, take a walk with the Heart Foundation walking group and find out more about Council's Community Services and facilities at the Library and The ARC.

## **Program of Activities – throughout November 2023**

An exciting program of activities has been created, with more than 30 opportunities to try new things in Campbelltown. For more information about topics relating to our theme, *Age Well the way you want,* and connecting with others pick up a hard copy of the program at Council offices or visit www.campbelltown.sa.gov.au/ageingwellshowcase.

# Ageing Well Celebration Thursday 30 November 2023 - 10:45am – 1:30pm

#### Campbelltown Function Centre - 172 Montacute Road, Rostrevor

Join us for coffee, lunch and good company as we celebrate all that is great about ageing.

Hear inspiring speaker Peter Nicolls share insights about making the second half of life the best. Enjoy demonstrations and performances by community groups, finishing with a fun Fashion Show brough to you by Council's Ageing Well Advisory Committee.

Winners of the Showcase Participation competition will be announced.

Cost - Free

**Bookings essential:** https://events.humanitix.com/ageing-well-showcase-celebration or call Bianca on 8366 9272.

# **Ageing Well Advisory Committee**

Campbelltown City Council is proud to be one of the few Councils in South Australia that have a *Section 41 Ageing Well Advisory Committee*. Section 41 Committees are formulated under Section 41 of the Local Government Act 1999 and they assist Council in a variety of ways, primarily in providing advice in their specialist area. Some Section 41 Committees are a Legislative requirement for Council and others are established for Council to obtain specialist and strategic advice on certain matters.

The Ageing Well Advisory Committee provides advice on matters relating to older people in Campbelltown. The areas of focus are detailed in the draft Ageing Well Plan (see below) include neighbourhoods and age friendly communities, participation and opportunities for older people, health and wellbeing, information and valuing older people. The goal is to support all older people aged 60 years + to age well in Campbelltown.

Since it's inception in 2016, the Committee has provided advice and input into projects and initiatives including the proposed Ageing Well Plan, research into Loneliness and Belonging, Age Friendly Communities and Tackling Ageism initiatives, the *This is My Campbelltown* project, the 2021 Ageing Well Expo and Celebration, and the upcoming Ageing Well Showcase.

## 2024/2025 Committee Recruitment

Council is recruiting members for the Ageing Well Advisory Committee for a two-year term (2024-2025). The Committee meets at least four times per year, usually for two hours each quarter. Other meetings may also be scheduled and occasional involvement in Ageing Well projects is voluntary. We encourage members of the Campbelltown community of all backgrounds and abilities who are aged 60+ years to consider applying to be part of the new



Committee. Please see the following link for more information or call Bianca on 8366 9272. https://www.campbelltown.sa.gov.au/council/council-and-committees/committee-review Applications close 25 November 2023.

## **Ageing Well Plan 2025 Consultation**

Council is now consulting on it's first ever Ageing Well Plan 2025. We would love to hear your thoughts on the draft plan. See us at the Ageing Well Showcase Expo, visit https:// connect2.campbelltown.sa.gov.au/ or contact Bianca on 8366 9272 for more information.

## **Community Spotlight: Coordinating Italian Committee (CIC) Celebrate 30 Years of Exercise and Wellbeing**

In August 2023, the Coordinating Italian Committee Inc (CIC) celebrated 30 years of exercise and wellbeing, with a celebratory lunch provided by the Campbelltown Historic Society.

Back in 1988, Vincenza Ferraro, a community health worker with SA Community Health, was asked to help set up an exercise and wellbeing program for senior Italian women, living in the eastern region of Adelaide who were often isolated in their own homes. This was very early days in terms of any community support to assist older people to stay at home but given the significant Italian population in the area, she took up the challenge.

Vincenza advertised this new idea widely and soon commenced a group using qualified instructors who specialised in assisting older people. The group evolved to offer not just exercise but information sessions, keeping the participants informed about issues important to them, such as wellbeing, aged care and community information, as well as offering social and emotional support. The participants also enjoyed the many outings and celebrations arranged over the years, a highlight being a special invitation to Government House in 2018 for morning tea with former Governor, the Honourable Hiew Van Le's wife, Lan.

The group adopted Ferragosto, 15 August, a Public Holiday in Italy as the official day to celebrate the commencement of their group and do this with a bus trip outing each year on that date. This year the group now known simply as 'Donne' after some deliberations, celebrated their 35th anniversary with a trip to Lochend House at Campbelltown for a history tour, morning tea and lunch.

'Donne' has now been under the auspices of the Coordinating Italian Committee, (CIC) since the early 2000's and at the event at Lochend House, President Silvio Iadorola outlined the history of the group and what it has meant to the Italian Community. It is now



believed that 'Donne' is the longest running exercise program for women in Adelaide. CIC, who run a range of support services for senior Italians, including a variety of social programs and cultural assistance and advocacy, provides transport each Monday to the classes and the women continue to exercise within their individual capacity.

Whilst many have come and gone over the years, particularly around Covid, enthusiasm has never waned and three women remain from the very early days. The group is now coordinated by Antonietta Cardinale together with CIC volunteers and also welcomes women from non-Italian backgrounds. Vincenza, after many years of organising the group now enjoys being a participant herself.

CIC also offers Commonwealth Home Support Programs funded by My Aged Care. For more information about the services CIC offer contact them on 8362 0233 or email info@cicinc.com.au. For more information about the Commonwealth Home Support Program contact My Aged Care on www.myagedcare.gov.au or call 1800 200 422.



The CIC team joined by members of the Campbelltown Historic Society

Article by Ageing Well Advisory Committee volunteer Marilyn von Thien

## **Be Bushfire Ready**

Do you live in a street close to a Bushfire Area? Council knows that neighbourhood support is important during catastrophic weather and/or emergency evacuation situations. It is important to have a plan for your home, including pets if you live close to bushfire prone areas.

The strength and support of neighbours helps to keep everyone safe – particularly those in our community who are more vulnerable and who may live alone, don't drive or have a mobile phone or those who don't speak English well. When planning to protect your home and family don't forget to check in on your neighbours and see how you can help and support each other.

For further information or if you have any questions contact **CFS Information Hotline** - 1800 362 361.

## **Heatwave Ready**

People in the community who are at risk during extreme weather events and require phone support during these periods are encouraged to register for the Telecross REDi service. This includes people who live alone, older people, people living with a disability and people who need help with activities of daily living. Carers of vulnerable people are also encouraged to register as they may be at risk during an extreme weather event.

Registrations for Telecross REDi can be made calling **1800 188 071** 



Where indicated, event bookings are required and can be done through eventbrite For any enquiries please contact the library on 8366 9299 or library@campbelltown.sa.gov.au

#### ADULT EVENTS

# Themed Sewing Class – Make a Christmas or themed placemat

Saturday 4 & 11 November | 10am -1pm

Library Makerspace

Adults | \$25 + Booking Fee includes 2 session & all materials | Bookings Essential

# Themed Sewing Class – Make a Christmas or themed placemat

# Tuesday 7 & 14 November | 9.30am - 12.30pm

Library Makerspace

Adults | \$25 + Booking Fee includes 2 session & all materials | Bookings essential

#### **Mindset for Life Taster Session**

Wednesday 8 November | 4 - 5pm Re-imagine the next phase of your life. Library Meeting Room Adult | Free | No booking needed

#### Author Talk: Pamela Morrison : Sheila: There's no use crying over spilt milk

Monday 13 November | 2 - 3pm Author Pamela Morrison shares her personal journey in telling her mother's life story. Library Meeting Room Adult | Free | No booking needed

# Campbelltown Writers Competition Final Ceremony

Thursday 9 November | From 6pmAll Ages | Free | Bookings Preferred

#### **Grief Café**

Wednesday 15 November | 11:30am-12:30pm

Library Meeting Room Adult | Free | Bookings essential

# Local History Talk: Exploring the History of your house

#### Thursday 23 November | 11am-12pm

Library Meeting Room Adult | Free | Bookings essential

#### **Advanced Indoor Plant Workshop**

#### Saturday 25 November | 12:30pm-2:30pm

Library Meeting Room Adult | \$25 + Booking Fee (Subsidised Cost) | Bookings essential

#### Information Session: Advanced Care Directive, Power of Attorney and Wills

#### Wednesday 29 November | 1pm-2pm

By the Legal Services Commission SA. Library Meeting Room Adult | Free | Bookings essential



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#### MAKERSPACE

#### Learn how to use a Drill

**Tuesday 7 November | 6pm -7.45pm** Library Makerspace Ages 16+ | Free | Bookings essential

#### Themed Sewing Class – Make a Felted Christmas Gnome

Tuesday 21 & 28 November | 9.30am - 12.30pm

Library Makerspace

Adults | \$30 + Booking Fee includes 2 session & all materials | Bookings essential

#### VR Sessions for 55+

Tuesday 28 November | 12.30pm -1.30pm Library Meeting Room Ages 55+ | Free | Bookings essential

#### **Beginners Sewing – Zip Bag**

Tuesday 5 & 12 December 10am-1pm Library Makerspace Adults | \$25 + Booking Fee includes 2 sessions & all materials | Bookings essential

#### **Christmas Gift Class – Using the Cricut**

Wednesday 6 December | 4pm-5.30pm Library Makerspace Adult | \$5 + Booking Fee | Bookings essential

# Unfinished Sewing Projects – Small sewing class

#### Tuesday 19 December 10am-1pm

Library Makerspace

Adults | \$10 + Booking Fee includes 1 session & all materials | Bookings essential

#### **Create a Christmas Card with Canva**

Tuesday 14 November | 10am-12pm 3 weekly sessions. Campbelltown Library IT Suite Adult | Free | Booking essential

#### **Introduction to Libby & Borrow Box**

Saturday 18 November | 12:30-1.30pm Saturday 2 December | 12:30-1.30pm Campbelltown Library IT Suite Adult | Free | Booking essential CAMPBELLTOWN CHRISTMAS CAROLS AND MOVIE



#### SATURDAY 16 DECEMBER

Our annual Christmas Carols will look different this year with the addition of a Christmas movie!

You'll find us at the magnificent Max Amber Sportsfield, home of the Athelstone 'Raggies' Football Club.

More information coming soon...

If you find yourself alone this Christmas you're invited to

# Campbelltown Christmas Dinner

FOOD | FELLOWSHIP | FUN | CAROLS | COMMUNITY

25 December 2023 6pm Onwards

# Campbelltown Function Centre 172 Montacute Rd, Rostrevor SA 5073

For catering purposes please RSVP to 8366 9222 by Tuesday 19 December

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North East Salvos





## **Decorate your home with Christmas Lights**

Nothing is more festive than seeing homes all lit up in lights and decorations. Council celebrates Christmas with the community by encourages people to decorate their homes. In November, you can register your home to be included in Council's Christmas Lights map with every participating home receiving a gift.

Council also runs public bus tours in December to see the participating houses.



To register your house to be included in the Christmas Lights map, or to or go on the waiting list for a bus tour in December contact Julie Tkalec on 8366 9235.

Campbelltown City Council Staff, Management and Elected Members wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Council Offices are closed from Friday 22 December reopening Thursday 2 January



# Information Talks - Budgeting and Bills

With the cost of living continuing to put pressure on the purse strings, it's a great time to find out how you might be able to save money on bills and energy costs.

In November, Uniting Communities is hosting two information sessions at the Campbelltown Library to share information, tips and advice on budgets



and bills. Bring your bill along and have a chat about finding the best provider, ways to reduce energy usage and more.

### Get on Top of your Budget

### and Energy Bills

Campbelltown Library

171 Montacute Road Newton

Monday 6 November 2023

10:30 - 11:30am

Get on top of your budget and energy bills. With the cost of living impacting the financial budget, come and hear Melissa from Uniting Communities share information on how to manage budgets and consider how to manage energy costs.

### Understand your Energy Bill

### Bring your Energy Bill Session

Campbelltown Library

171 Montacute Road Newton

Monday 20 November 2023

10:30 - 11:30am

Understand more about energy consumption and bills. Bring your energy bill and talk through how to understand your consumption and charges.

Uniting Communities also provide free in-home and phone **energy assessments** across the state. **They can help you to:** 

- better manage your energy and water efficiency within the home.
- read and understand your utility bills.
- learn what to do when things go wrong with your bill or retailer.
- access assistance and concessions.

To enquire about these services or to make an appointment with an energy advisor, please contact Uniting Communities on 1800 615 677 and select option 3

Or email ConnectEd@untingcommunities.org

## **New Public Art**

Public art plays many roles in a community. It beautifies our spaces and places and can stimulate thinking, community relationships, social messages and the celebration of our environment. Here in Campbelltown, Public Art provides opportunity for partnerships between businesses, Council, local community and artists.

A new mural has been completed in Campbelltown's Lochiel Park.

Designed by Grant Fleming and painted together with Tali de Lacy, Beiha-Malen Yáñez and Leon Ferrante, the mural is titled 'Wetlands' and features local flora and fauna. Thank you to our amazing artists! You can visit the beautiful new mural in the peaceful Lochiel Park wetlands, just across the O-Bahn bridge from Lochiel Park Golf at Geoff Heath.

Special thanks to <u>SA Water</u>, <u>Dulux</u> and <u>Glynde Mitre 10</u> who supported this project.





#### CONTRIBUTE TO A CONNECTED COMMUNITY

# **JOIN THE TEAM!**

## AS A TRANSPORT DRIVER AND/OR ASSISTED SHOPPING VOLUNTEER



The Campbelltown City Council Home Support Program (CHSP) is seeking volunteers to safely drive older community members to appointments and take them shopping locally, and contribute to a

highly valued service in the community

CHSP Volunteer Peter Sullivan It's about sharing my day wi experiencing their profou

It's about sharing my day with all sorts of interesting people and experiencing their profound gratitude for the help we give

For more info please contact Julie on 8366 9235 or apply online at campbelltown.sa.gov.au/volunteer Talk to us about your Centrelink Requirements

# What's on in Campbelltown

	NOVEMBER 2023	
Wed 1	Ageing Well Showcase Expo Well	Campbelltown Memorial Oval
	10:30am—1:30pm	
Fri 3	Moonlight Markets 5:30 - 9:30pm	Thorndon Park
Wed 8	Community Connections Café	Campballtown Mamorial Oval
Wed 22	10:30am -1pm	Campbelltown Memorial Oval
Wed 8	Mindset for Life (Retirement) Taster Session 4-5pm	Campbelltown Library
Thurs 9	Café Connect	Clay Cup Café, Rostrevor
Thurs 23	12 - 2pm	Baptist Church
Sun 12	Magill Sunrise Market and Repair Cafe	Campbelltown Memorial Oval
	9am - 2pm	
Sun 12	Diwali Lights Self-Drive (collect a map from	Campbelltown Council Area
	Council Offices or website)	
Mon 13	Information Talk: Face Dementia	Campbelltown Council
Wed 22	6-7pm (Monday) & 2-3pm (Wednesday)	Chambers
Fri 17	Coffee Chat with Mayor Jill Whittaker	St Georges Bakehouse
	10 - 11am	Montacute Road Rostrevor
Sun 19	Electric Vehicle Expo 10am - 1pm	Campbelltown Memorial Oval
Sun 26	A Day on the Lawn (Zap Trap Event) 1 - 6pm	Thorndon Park
Thurs 30	Ageing Well Showcase Celebration	Campbelltown Function
	10:45 am - 1:30pm	Centre
Fri 1	Moonlight Markets 5:30 - 9:30pm ( <i>if transport is the reason you can't go call 86366 9222</i> )	Thorndon Park
Thurs 7	Café Connect	Clay Cup Café, Rostrevor
Thurs 21	12 - 2pm	Baptist Church
Wed 13	Community Connections Café Christmas Lunch	Campbelltown Memorial Oval
	10:30am -1pm	
Sat 16	Christmas Carols and Movie Evening	Max Amber Sportsfield
Mon 25	North East Salvos Christmas Dinner	Campbelltown Function
	From 6pm	Centre
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