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AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS

Community leader Brian Laul was awarded Campbelltown's 2023 Citizen of the Year Award on Australia Day.

He helps shine a light on the amazing stories of people and organisations in Campbelltown while also running several community programs, connecting people to important services and information.

Kyla Hodges, an ambassador for the Bravery Buddies charity, was named Young Citizen of the Year.

Community Group Initiative of the Year was awarded to Horizon Youth St Andrews, who work with young people to guide and mentor



them to make healthy life decisions.

Campbelltown Ghosts All Inclusive Scout Group leader Reece Riley received the **Disability and Inclusion Award.**

Environmental Citizen of the Year was awarded to Deb Evans-Clark for her longstanding commitment to the Campbelltown City Council Bushcare program.

Clyde Campbell AM with the 2023 award recipients.

Talented netball player Lachlan Arbuckle was named Sportsperson of the Year in recognition of his selection in numerous representative teams and work coaching and umpiring the sport.

Congratulations to all our award winners. Details on our website.

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

Join us as we celebrate International Women's Day with a range of events and activities based around the campaign theme #EmbraceEquity.

On Thursday 9 March at Dumaresq Street Cinema there will be a special event featuring stalls, activities and guest



speakers followed by a free screening of the Australian film Ladies in Black.

Bookings are essential. More details and events on our website.

CONTACT YOUR COUNCILLORS

We encourage community participation and consultation. Contact your Councillors by mobile or write to them at council@campbelltown.nsw.gov.au or by mail to PO Box 57, Campbelltown NSW 2560.



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THE MARKETS ARE BACK

The Handmade and Homegrown markets are returning in 2023 with a selection of local artisans and stallholders selling craft goods and delicious foods alongside music from talented local artists on the third Sunday of each month.

UPCOMING MARKETS

- Sunday 19 March
- Sunday 16 April
- Sunday 21 May

The markets run from 8:30am to 1pm.

Keep an eye on our website to check out which stallholders will be there in advance.



NAME OUR NEW SWEEPER

You now have the chance to name the newest member of our city cleansing team, a mini-street sweeper.

You may have already seen the mini-sweeper out and about in our CBD areas, cleaning the roads and footpaths that larger machinery is unable to reach.

The sweeper was purchased as part of a \$2.4 million City Amenity and Appeal Program.

Submit your idea for the sweeper's name at overtoyou.campbelltown.nsw.gov.au.



BILLABONG POOLS TAKE SHAPE

Construction on the Campbelltown Billabong Parklands is ramping up over the coming months as the buildings and landscaping features that will surround the stunning waterways begin to take shape.

The concrete bases of the Billabong's three pools were recently completed, paving the way for the next stage of works to start.

Keep an eye on our website and social media pages for regular updates on construction and to find out more about the Campbelltown Billabong Parklands as we get closer to the opening later this year.

This \$31 million project is funded under the Western Parkland City Liveability Program

which is part of the Western Sydney City Deal. The Western Sydney City Deal is a partnership between the three levels of government overseen by the Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government, the Hon Catherine King MP, the NSW Minister for Enterprise, Investment and Trade, the Hon. Alister Henskens SC MP, and the eight Mayors of the Western Parkland City.

REMEMBERING THE APPIN MASSACRE

The community are invited to join us on Monday 17 April to remember at least 14 Dharawal men, women and children who perished during the Appin Massacre at a special flag raising ceremony.



The ceremony will be held at the Campbelltown Civic Centre Forecourt from 10am when the Council flags will be lowered to half mast for the day.

The Appin Massacre was carried out on orders by the then Governor of New South Wales, Lachlan Macquarie in reprisal for disputes between white settlers and Aboriginal groups.

Tragically there was no evidence the group of Dharawal people that were targeted had any link to prior clashes in the area.

Details on our website.

TAKE ON THE CHALLENGE WALK

Lace up your sneakers and enjoy the scenic views of the Australian Botanic Garden Mount Annan for at the Campbelltown City Challenge Walk on Sunday 12 March.

Registrations are now open for the 6km and 11km courses. Get together with your family or mates to register a team or enter on your own.

Entry is \$18 online or \$28 on the day, accepting EFTPOS only. Details on our website.



CELEBRATE RAMADAN

We're working with community leaders from across Campbelltown on an exciting new event that brings the whole community together to celebrate the end of the holy month of Ramadan.

Keep an eye on our website and social media for more details in the coming weeks.



NATIONAL •• RECONCILIATION WEEK

Learn about our shared histories and culture during National Reconciliation Week from Saturday 27 May to Saturday 3 June.

This year's theme is *Be A Voice For Generations* and encourages everyone to take tangible actions to contribute to achieving reconciliation in Australia.

Keep an eye on our website for this year's events.

THE NATIONAL AT CAMPBELLTOWN ARTS CENTRE

The works of some of Australia's best contemporary artists will be on show when Campbelltown Arts Centre hosts The National 4: Australian Art Now from Thursday 30 March to Sunday 25 June.

Campbelltown Arts Centre will be exhibiting work from 8 artists and collectives of different generations and cultural backgrounds including Isabel and Alfredo Aquilizan, Brook Andrew, Christopher Bassi, Lynda Draper, Jumaadi, Shivanjani Lal, Julian Martin, and the Yabini Kickett artist project with Sharyn Egan and Ilona McGuire. Details at c-a-c.com.au.



INGLEBURN ALIVE

Join us in the heart of Ingleburn CBD for our annual street party when Ingleburn Alive returns on Saturday 18 March.

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Live music, carnival fun, food, market stalls, kids zone and so much more will fill Oxford Road from 3pm and into the evening.

This year's entertainment includes a packed stage program with a variety of cultural music and dance performances. The crowd favourite carnival rides will also return alongside a great variety of food from local eateries and food trucks.

Stay tuned on our website and social media pages for more details as the event approaches.

WHAT'S ON AT The stadium

There's plenty happening at Campbelltown Sports Stadium over the next few months as Macarthur FC continue their charge for the A-League Finals and Wests Tigers return for the new season. **Sun 23 April at 4pm** Wests Tigers vs Manly Sea Eagles **Sun 5 March at 3pm** Macarthur FC vs Brisbane Roar **Sun 19 March at 3pm** Macarthur FC vs Melbourne City **Sat 8 April at 7.45pm** Macarthur FC vs Western Sydney Wanderers **Sun 30 April at 5pm**

Macarthur FC vs Wellington Phoenix

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SHOP LOCAL AT ARTIST EXCHANGE

Pick up an artwork to brighten up the house or a gift for a beloved friend or family member at Artist Exchange at Campbelltown Arts Centre.

Artist Exchange highlights the region's diverse community of artists and makers.

Pick up some ceramics, jewellery, woven pieces, accessories and more while supporting our local creative community. Details at c-a-c.com.au.





UNLEASH YOUR CREATIVITY

Whether it's a new podcast, short film, or digital editing project, you can now access the tools you need to bring your creative idea to life at the new Creative Studio spaces at HJ Daley Library and Greg Percival Library.

With access to industry-standard tools such as the Adobe Creative Suite, professional film and lighting equipment, microphones, graphics tablets, scanners and a 3D printer, all within a soundproof studio, there's plenty to get you started on your creative journey.

The Creative Studio can be booked with your Library card. Details on Council's website.

LIBRARY FUN FOR LITTLE ONES

Introduce your babies and toddlers to the joys of reading and learning with the Library Fun for Little Ones program.

Each 30-minute session will give children up to 3-years-old the chance to explore music, stories, rhymes and reading, in a fun and engaging environment.

Help your child develop their literacy and learning skills by joining us throughout March and April at HJ Daley, Greg Percival and Glenquarie Library.

Details on Council's website.

GET CURIOUS ABOUT CAMPBELLTOWN

Discover the rich and curious history of Campbelltown with local historian Andrew Allen and a new guest each month on the new podcast series 'Curious Campbelltown'.

From the legend of Fisher's Ghost, to our very own 'Saving Private Ryan' war story, uncover the fascinating historical tales that made us.

Available to stream on Spotify, Apple and Google podcasts.

Details on Council's website.



OLD PROBLEMS, NEW TRICKS

Get on top of technology with our Tech Savvy Seniors program.

The courses provide an introduction to a variety of equipment and digital resources in a safe and relaxed environment.

You'll learn all about your digital devices, and get access to resources, to help you stay connected.

Details on Council's website or ask our library staff about upcoming courses.



NATIONAL SORRY DAY

As part of our community's continued commitment to the respect and appreciation of Indigenous lands, people and culture we will once again be supporting the Sorry Day event at the Australian Botanic Garden Mount Annan on Friday 26 May.

National Sorry Day recognises the 'stolen generations' of Australia and injustices faced by Indigenous communities.

Details on our website.



COME AND PLAY AT PASSFIELD PARK

Kids and families can enjoy the new play equipment at Passfield Park, Minto.

The revamped playground is now open to the public and includes new swings, combination play equipment, balancing beams, softfall rubber play area and shade sails.

Passfield Park is also a great place to have a picnic while the kids are playing, with plenty of tree cover and space to kick a ball around.

The project was funded through the Federal Government's Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program.



ARTIST MARKETS

Campbelltown Arts Centre's Autumn Makers Market are back on Sunday 30 April.

The Autumn markets will offer a unique range of artwork, ceramics, jewellery, homewares, textiles, woven pieces, unique gifts and toys.

There'll also be a variety of art-making workshops and food trucks.

Keep an eye on the Arts Centre's website for more details in the lead up to the event at c-a-c.com.au.

MORE TREES AT OUR PARKS

More than 5000 trees have been planted across popular local reserves as part of several projects to enhance Campbelltown's tree canopy.

You may have noticed new trees lining pathways at popular walking and sporting locations such as Raby Sports Complex, Eschol Park Sports Complex, Ambarvale Sports Complex, Harvey Brown Reserve, Eagle Farm Reserve and Narellan Road.

Further plantings are planned across Narellan Road and as part of the upgrade to Seddon/Kennett Park at Glenfield.

The projects are part of the Greening Our City grant program that is proudly funded by the NSW Government in association with Local Government NSW.

OXFORD ROAD UPGRADE

Streetscape works to improve the entrance to the Ingleburn CBD have now been completed.

The works on Oxford Road between Cumberland Road and Carlisle Street included new pavements and vegetation along the pathways as well as new tree plantings and retention of the existing trees.



20-30 APRIL 2023

We're planning a great program of events and activities to celebrate Youth Week from Thursday 20 to Sunday 30 April.

The week will be packed with activities for a range of people, from children to young adults.

Keep an eye on our website for more details.

GET OUT AND ABOUT

With koalas, gang-gang cockatoos, waterfalls, the scenic Georges River and more to see and explore, our bushland is a special place.

We've put together a list of microadventures you can find across Campbelltown including kayaking on the Georges River, koala spotting at Smiths Creek Reserve and seeing the beautiful waterfalls at Keith Longhurst Reserve.

Details on our website.



CLEANOUT YOUR CHEMICALS

Get rid of your solvents, cleaners, paints, car batteries and other household chemicals at the Household Chemical CleanOut.

The free event will be held from 9am to 3:30pm on Saturday 29 April and Sunday 30 April at the Veolia Campbelltown Service Centre, 59 Junction Road, Leumeah.

Only household quantities of up to 20 litres or 20kg can be accepted. Up to 100 litres of paint in 20 litre containers will be accepted.

A full list of eligible items is available on our website.







JOIN A BUSHCARE CREW

A big shout out to our Bushcare groups who put in more than 1500 hours of work last year to help keep some of our most biodiverse reserves healthy and beautiful.

Bushcare volunteers planted more than 5000 native trees, shrubs and ground covers and maintained more than 28,000m² of bushland.

If you want to practice your green thumb and make new friends, our Bushcare groups meet monthly at reserves across Campbelltown.

Registration details on our website.



A FOREVER HOME STARTS WITH YOU

Welcome a new furry friend into your family by adopting through our Campbelltown Animal Care Facility.

YOU CAN GIVE THEM A SECOND CHANCE

Rosa arrived at Campbelltown Animal Care Facility as a stray with no home to call her own.

She was emaciated and had a variety of skin concerns caused by fleas and dermatitis.

Our team provided her with special meals to help her gain weight and treated her skin issues with weekly medicated baths and antibiotics.

After a month in care, Rosa was adopted by a young couple (pictured right) who were ready to give her the second chance she deserved.

Rosa's new family say she is "truly happy and loved".



Scan or visit campbelltown.nsw.gov.au to see the animals available for adoption.



