# CAMPBELLTOWN CITY COUNCIL COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER





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#### CELEBRATING LOCAL WOMEN

Celebrate the amazing women of Campbelltown during **International Women's Day** 2024 with a range of free community events based around the campaign theme #InspireInclusion planned.

This year's International Women's Day 2024 is on Friday 8 March, with events planned throughout the week.

Keep an eye out on our website for details of upcoming events.

#### **AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS**

The Formal Project founder Samantha Oakes was awarded Campbelltown's 2023 Citizen of the Year Award during a special ceremony on Australia Day.

The Formal Project is a free service that provides local students with a place to get fitted and dressed for their school formals.

Samantha collected hundreds of donations from the community to help fit out more than 1300 students, including with dresses, suits and shoes.

Campbelltown Thunder Netball Club President Hayleigh Keogh was named Young Citizen of the Year.

She established the club in 2016 with her mum and sister and has held multiple roles over the years, currently combining her work as President with Umpire Convenor for Campbelltown District Netball Association, actively contributing to the development of players and officials in the sport.

Former Campbelltown SES Commander Ian Shepherd was named Senior Citizen of the Year in recognition of his long-term commitment to the region.

Youth Off The Streets' Eden College received the Community Group Initiative of the Year for their work helping young people attain their education.



Environmental Citizen of the Year was awarded to Rita Mikolaitis and Special Olympics Macarthur athlete Angela Jean Fowler was awarded the 2023 Sports Award.

A huge congratulations to all our award winners. Full details on our website.

#### **SENIORS FESTIVAL EVENTS**

The NSW Seniors Festival is returning to Campbelltown with a host of local events planned as part of the state-wide program from Monday 11 March to Sunday 24 March.

Celebrating our residents aged over 60, people aged 50 and older who have a lifelong disability or are of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent, this year's theme is Reach Beyond.

The local festival program is available on our website.



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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#### **INGLEBURN'S BIGGEST STREET PARTY**

### Join us for our annual street party when Ingleburn Alive returns on Saturday 16 March 2024.

There will be live music, a kids zone, market stalls, carnival fun and so much more in Ingleburn CBD from 3pm and into the night.

Enjoy your favourite carnival rides, and don't miss out on the Foodie Zone, where there will be an amazing variety of delicious food selections to choose from.

This year, our stage entertainment is nothing short of spectacular and includes a packed program filled with a variety of performances and live music.

Stay up to date on our website and social media for more details as the event approaches.



#### **KERBSIDE COURTESY**

#### Help our drivers pick up your bins.

Please make sure that your bins are kept at least 50cm apart from each other and one metre away from trees and parked cars.

If you live in a cul-de-sac, be mindful of parking your cars on the street. If our garbage trucks can't turn around, they won't be able to collect your bins.





#### **40 YEARS OF FRIENDSHIP**

This year marks 40 years since Campbelltown first signed a Sister City agreement with Koshigaya City, Japan.

With a range of exchange programs and activities taking place over the years, the Sister City bond has evolved, giving residents of both cities a global perspective on cultural connections through the values of friendship, respect and harmony.

Symbols of the friendship are evident in both cities with Koshigaya Park, Campbelltown and Campbelltown Park, Koshigaya being constructed in 1984.

In 1989, Koshigaya City donated a tea house which is now part of the beautiful Japanese Gardens at the Campbelltown Arts Centre and in return, Campbelltown Council donated a number of native birds for the Campbelltown Forest of Wild Birds in Koshigaya.

There'll be several activities held throughout the year to celebrate so keep an eye on our website for details.

#### CELEBRATION OF JAPANESE CULTURE

Immerse yourself in Japan's vibrant culture and rich heritage, as our library services celebrate all things Japan throughout March and April.

The events coincide with the 40th Anniversary of Campbelltown's Sister City relationship with Koshigaya.

Learn about the cuisine, language, and traditional art of Japan, with a full calendar of Japanesethemed programs, services, and promotions.

Visit our website for more details and stay up to date via our social media.



#### **CELEBRATE RAMADAN ON O**

Break your fast with an array of delicious cuisine and tasty food options to celebrate the end of the Holy month of Ramadan.

This year, both Lithgow Street and Queen Street will be transformed into a night-time eat street, featuring a range of halal options from local eateries and food trucks.

Join us over two nights on Friday 22 March and Saturday 23 March, from 6pm to 11pm.

More details on our website.

#### **CLEANOUT YOUR CHEMICALS**

Roll up the garage door. It's time to clean out the old chemicals and paints and bring them to the next free Household Chemical CleanOut event on Saturday 11 May from 9am to 3.30pm at the Veolia Campbelltown Service Centre, 59 Junction Road, Leumeah.

We're doing things a little different this year and holding a one-day event, with another day planned for later this year.

You can get rid of your solvents, cleaners, paints, batteries, and other household chemicals.

If you can't wait, the Campbelltown Community Recycling Centre is open year-round and accepts many items that can be taken to the Chemical CleanOut. We recommend you check the list of eligible items on our website before visiting.

#### **CITY OF LIGHTS COMES TO** CAMPBELLTOWN

Dress up in your most glamorous Vegas-themed attire and join us for a night of glamour, fun and food at the Mayor's Charity Gala Dinner in support of youth mental health charity Humanity Matters.

The theme is Vegas Nights and all funds raised will support a new local program called #FeetOnTheStreet, which aims to provide marginalised young people in Campbelltown with arts and sports activities.

Hosted by Mayor Dr George Greiss, the event will be held

at Ottimo House on Saturday 2 March.

Tickets and sponsorship opportunities are available now.



#### FOR BUSINESS **OWNERS**

We're releasing a new round of Outdoor Dining Grants to support local businesses in the Campbelltown and Ingleburn CBD wanting to enhance their shopfronts with quality outdoor dining furniture or facades.

Funding of up to \$5000 (per eligible business) is available to help establish or update your outdoor dining area.

For full eligibility requirements and more information, visit our website.



#### THE MARKETS ARE GOING WEEKLY

The Handmade and Homegrown Markets are returning in 2024 and will be running every Sunday from 8am to 1pm on Lithgow Street, Campbelltown.

Come and enjoy a selection of the amazing produce and unique handmade goods produced by local artisans, our region has to offer.

Whether you're there for the fresh produce stalls, workshops, live music or delicious food, there's a treat for everyone at the markets.

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

#### **NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK**

Learn about our shared history and cultural traditions during National Reconciliation Week from Monday 27 May to Monday 3 June.

The theme for this year is Now More Than Ever and is reminder that we need to tackle to unfinished business of reconciliation, and the fight for the justice and rights of Aboriginal Torres Strait Islander people must continue.

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



#### REMEMBERING THE APPIN MASSACRE

Everyone is invited to commemorate and remember the 14 Dharawal men, women and children who perished during the Appin Massacre at a special flag raising ceremony in April.

The ceremony will be held at the Campbelltown Civic Centre Forecourt where 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

A stroll like no other. Lace up your sneakers and take on the Campbelltown City Challenge Walk on Sunday 10 March at The Australian Botanic Garden Mount Annan.

A burst of colour will brighten the course in the two colour run sections. You can choose to enter the colour burst or competitive walkers can continue the normal course.

Bring your friends or your family along with you and register as a team or enter on your own. All fitness levels and abilities are welcome.

Registrations are now open for the 6km and 11km courses.

Details on our website.



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#### **A NOVEL IDEA**

Love to share your passion for reading? Connect with fellow book enthusiasts and enjoy casual conversations at one of our library book clubs.

Our book clubs meet once a month at HJ Daley and Ingleburn libraries to chat about the book of the month over a cup of coffee.

Copies of the selected books are available to book club members on special loan.

Details on our website.



Did you know that two in three car seats are not being used properly? We hold free Child Restraint Inspection and Fitting Days throughout the year to help you make sure your car is safe.

It is open to Campbelltown residents only and includes free installation or safety checks of child seats, harnesses, and booster seats.

The next event is Saturday 20 April, from 8am to 4pm at the Campbelltown Civic Centre.

Bookings for this event open on Wednesday, 10 April. To book, call 02 4645 4800.





#### MARSDEN PARK Revamp

Construction is now underway on a new playground at Marsden Park, Campbelltown.

The \$1.1 million project includes significant upgrades to the play equipment, new seating, picnic and barbeque shelters, shade sails and safety enhancements.

The project is proudly funded by the NSW Government in association with Campbelltown City Council.

#### **ART FOR EVERYONE**

Campbelltown Arts Centre has some spectacular exhibitions coming up in Autumn.

#### Telly Tuita: TongPop's Great Expectations - 3 January to 28 March

Tuita's first solo exhibition invites visitors to experience his multiverse and recognise the conflict between the great expectations of ourselves and the expectations of our contemporary reality.

#### The Assembly - 7 March to 9 March, 7:30pm

'The Assembly' is a multifaceted performance work by Raghav Handa and creates a gateway between what was and what is to come. The work dissects the space of transitioning out of one period of time and into something new. Tickets can be brought from the Arts Centre website.

#### From Here and Beyond – 13 April to 23 June

This exhibition celebrates the best artistic talent from our local community and beyond featuring artists you don't want to miss.

Visit c-a-c.com.au for more information.

#### YOUTH WEEK Program

We're getting ready to celebrate Youth Week 2024 with an exciting program of events and activities running from Thursday 11 April to Sunday 21 April.

The week will include a range of events for young people aged between 12 and 24 across Campbelltown.

Keep an eye on our website for more details.



Dress up as your favourite character and join the fun as we celebrate all things comics, superheroes, and pop culture at HJ Daley Library on Saturday 4 May from 10am to 3pm.

The event includes comic book giveaways, craft, drawing workshops and more. Join the double celebration this year as Comic Book Day coincides with Star Wars Day.

This is a free, family-friendly event. No bookings required.

Details on our website.





There's plenty happening at our local libraries over the coming months for people of all ages.

**Let's Talk Legal: Wills for Seniors** Eagle Vale Library, Tuesday 12 March 10.30am to 12.30pm

#### Senior's Festival Mocktails and Masterpieces

HJ Daley Library, Monday 18 March 11am to 12.30pm

Sustainability Workshops: Cooking with Seasonal Produce and Waste Free Kitchens

Eagle Vale Library, Tuesday 2 April

For more information and a full list of events coming up, visit our website.





The past few months have seen work accelerate on the landscape and buildings that surround the pools of the Campbelltown Billabong Parklands.

Five mature trees were recently planted to embellish entrance points and the pools including a Moreton Bay Fig, two Ribbon Fan Palms and two Port Jackson Figs.

About 3km of pathway are now being laid across the Parklands alongside landscaping works.

Keep an eye out on our website and social media as we head toward the opening of the Campbelltown Billabong Parklands.



## HÖNDMADE Homegr Wn Market Correction

Are you a vendor that offers: Fresh produce Artisan stalls Maker workshops Kids activities and entertainment.

## TRADE IN THE HEART OF CAMPBELLTOWN

### We're seeking vendors to join our weekly, thriving Handmade and Homegrown Market.

Handmade and Homegrown Market will be operating every Sunday, 8am to 1pm, from March. Located Lithgow St, Campbelltown (between Moore Oxley Road and Queen Street). Book your stall today.

#### **Stallholder perks:**

- Convenient market location
- Competitive stallholder fees
- Discounts for local vendors, use code: LOCAL
- Discounts for stallholders trading for a month or more, use code: PERMANENT
- Markets are well-activated with entertainment and promoted via Eat Shop Love and Campbelltown Council.



Scan to book your stall.