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NewLife Anglican Church Kids Day Camp

RECENT EVENTS

Kids Day Camp

Provided by NewLife Anglican Church

On a bright and freezing Friday morning in the school holidays, NewLife Anglican Church held our once a year Kids Day Camp. It's a day filled with games, craft, singing, and teaching about Jesus. This year we were delighted to have a wonderful group of kids join us from Prep through to year 6. The image you can see is a group shot of the kids and their leaders taken at the end of the day - when a few of us were feeling a little tired! We look forward to doing it all again next year in the holidays and thank all those who came along - we had a blast.

Biggest Morning Tea

A Biggest Morning Tea event was held in the Oran Park Town Community Room on Saturday 1 July which was attended by many local families and raised \$1,760.20 for the Cancer Council. This was an initiative of Tiana Reeves, an amazing young woman

who has seen first-hand how cancer devastates families. Tiana with the support of her family put on a wonderful event for the community to share in.

A huge thank you to local businesses and the community for making this a hugely successful event.



ORAN PARK TOWN NEWS

Welcome to our new Community Facilitator

Introducing the newest member of the Oran Park Town team, Karren Kapitanow, who has recently commenced in the role of Community Facilitator. You will see Karren around town welcoming our new residents and providing them with a Welcome Pack.

Karren will also be organising local community activities to provide opportunities for residents to come together and get to know one another. Activity details will be provided closer to event days.

If you haven't yet received your Welcome Pack, please contact Karren on 0407 103 321 or email Karren.kapitanow@greenfields.net.au



Karren, OPT Community Facilitator

OPT Walking Group

We are looking for residents interested in joining an OPT Heart Foundation Walking Group. If you are interested in joining this new group, please contact Josephine on 0427 723 967 or email josephine@greenfields.net.au

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Development Update

ADCO Constructions continues to make good progress with the construction of the Branch Library and Community Resource Centre. Upcoming works include the installation of glazing and roof sheeting, which will see the building reach 'lock-up'. Internal partitions to the ground floor have also been installed.

Parks

Construction to the Champions Park, which is located on both sides of Peter Brock Drive continues to progress well with turfing and mass planting being installed. Works to the dog off leash area have commenced with the area currently being reshaped to allow the equipment and turf to be installed. Decking to the boardwalks is also currently being installed. Subject to wet weather, Champions Park will be opened to the public in late September 2017.



Champions Park - Dog off leash area

We are happy to advise that Singer Park, located within Tranche 10, is now complete and open to the public.

Development Applications

Approval has now been received for the extension of Dick Johnson Drive onto Oran Park Drive and extension of Oran Park Drive connecting to Jack Brabham Reserve. Construction will commence at the end of this year and completion is expected in the second half of 2018.

These new sections will provide better traffic movements and connections around Oran Park Public School and Brabham Reserve.

Construction Update

Civil works to the medium density site within Tranche 7, located adjacent to Oran Park Public School, are progressing well and are anticipated to be completed later this year.

Construction of the Terrace Sites within Tranche 1, located between Great Beginnings Child Care and NewLife Anglican Church are complete and the subdivision certificate packages have been lodged with Council. We are hopeful that the construction of the dwellings will commence shortly.

Registration

Updates on all registration dates can be found on our website www.oranparktown.com.au

Traffic Lights

Intersection works on Peter Brock Drive and South Circuit are nearing completion and the traffic lights will soon be operational.

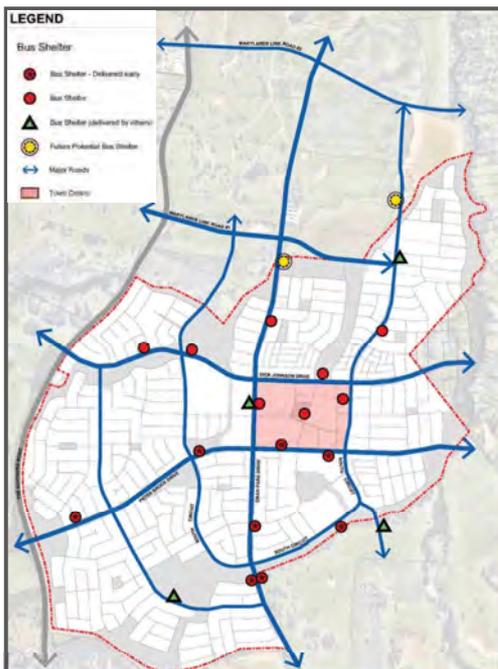
We expect construction to commence late August on the Peter Brock Drive and Central Ave intersection.

Work has commenced on the installation of traffic lights at the intersection of Oran Park Drive and Dan Cleary Drive. Installation works are progressing with completion expected later this year.

Bus Stops & Shelters

Bus stops will progressively be installed at 15 locations along bus routes. Work will commence soon and will take approximately 3 months to complete.

In addition to the bus stop, eight bus shelters will also be installed at selected sites. Shelters are expected to be installed at the end of the year once approvals and designs have been finalised.



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Relay for Life

Message from the
OPT Team Captain



My name is Chris and I've been involved in the Camden & Districts Relay for Life for 5 years. I am a resident of Oran Park and created the Oran Park Town team in 2012.

I personally have lost close friends to cancer and have seen the devastating effect it has on family. Professionally, there's not a day that goes by without seeing someone affected by cancer. I have a dream of a world completely free of cancer and would like to see others united in that vision.

If we keep doing what we're doing by supporting research and bringing communities together to fight cancer, we can change the world!

I am personally asking you to join me at the 2017 Camden & Districts Relay for Life on September 23 where you can continue to be a part of that change. It's so fantastic to see the community come together and relay for a great cause. Whether you stay for an hour, the day or overnight, it would be great if you can be on the Oran Park Town team in 2017. There's plenty to do with a range of entertainment and food supplied at Onslow Oval in Camden. We're all part of the one movement to beat cancer together, once and for all.

Join the team now by going to <http://bit.ly/optrelay2017>

For further information call or text me on 0404 022 496.

Hope to see you there,

Chris Haywood
Oran Park Town Team Captain



Shopping Trolleys

Abandoned shopping trolleys can make our streets and parks look untidy.

To help keep our streets looking good, residents are encouraged to download the Trolley Tracker app to report any abandoned trolleys seen around town.

Each time you report an abandoned trolley you have the chance to go in the draw to win one of five \$1,000 rewards every month.

The Trolley Tracker app is very easy to use and can be downloaded at www.trolleytracker.com.au

University of Sydney Survey

The University of Sydney's School of Architecture, Design and Planning have been conducting a survey with residents from Oran Park to investigate the links between health, wellbeing and living in the suburbs.

If you haven't yet completed the survey it's not too late! The survey can be completed online at <http://tinyurl.com/oranpark2017>.

The survey is strictly confidential and it will take around 15 minutes to complete. In appreciation of your time and feedback, all respondents will be



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entered into a draw for a chance to win one of five \$100 Woolworths gift vouchers.

For further information on the research please contact Jennifer at Jennifer.kent@sydney.edu.au

Challenging Behaviours Workshop

The popular program developed by Dr Steve Walker from Brief Therapy Solutions will be delivered from Oran Park.

The workshops are for parents with children diagnosed with ADHD, Oppositional Defiant Disorder (ODD), Conduct Disorder (CD) or challenging behaviours.

Parents will learn about child development and the link to seriously challenging behaviours, strategies to reduce outbursts and how to make a difference in your child's challenging behaviour as well as other skills to help parents manage challenging behaviours.

The workshops series will commence on Monday 16 October and will run from 12.30 pm to 2.30 pm for 8 consecutive weeks from the Oran Park Town Community Room, located in the Oran Park Town Sales and Information Centre, cnr Oran Park and Peter Brock Drives, Oran Park.

These workshops are being delivered by Community Links Wollondilly and there is no cost to attend. Please note no child care is available and all sessions need to be attended.

To book your place or to find out more, please call Nicole from Community Links Wollondilly on 4683 2776.



FREE KIDS PROGRAM

Go4Fun

Provided by South Western Sydney Area Health Service (SWSAHS)

Come join us this school term in South West Sydney for our free Go4Fun program. A chance for the whole family to make new friends, get fitter and have loads of fun! Go4Fun is a healthy lifestyle program for kids aged 7-13 years who are above a healthy weight. With fun games, activities and a welcoming and interactive group atmosphere, Go4Fun provides the stepping stones and guidance from trained professionals for a healthy life for your family.

Running from the Community Room located in the Oran Park Town Sales and Information Centre Term 3 each Saturday from 1.30-3.30pm. Register or come along by Saturday 5 August to join in on the fun! Contact the Go4Fun team on go4fun@sswahs.nsw.gov.au or on 9780 2781 for more details.

A HEALTHY OPT.....

Be a Bloody Legend!

Did you know Australia needs 25,000 blood donations every week?

Donating blood only takes one hour and can save up to three lives. The Australian Red Cross Blood Service is

calling on residents to become 'bloody legends' and make an appointment to donate.

Whether it's your first donation, or you are a regular, take a moment to book a blood donation online at www.donateblood.com.au or by calling 13 14 95.

If you are unable to donate, there are other ways to support the initiative such as by following the Australian Red Cross Blood Service online, or rallying your friends and colleagues to the cause.



**Australian Red Cross
BLOOD SERVICE**

National Bowel Screening

Australia has one of the highest rates of bowel cancer in the world and around one in 23 Australians will develop bowel cancer during their lifetime.

If you're aged 50 – 74 you'll be sent a free bowel cancer screening kit. The kit is simple to use and can detect bowel cancer before any symptoms appear. Around 80 Australians die of bowel cancer every week, but if detected early, up to 90% of cases can be successfully treated. So be sure to complete and return your kit. It's a gift that could save your life. If you're over 74 talk to your GP.

For more information call 1800 11 88 68 or visit the website www.australia.gov.au/bowelscreening

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NEWS FROM CAMDEN

Free Skate Clinic

Camden Council, together with Skateology, host free skateboarding clinics. The clinics provide an opportunity for young people to have fun together while practicing their skills with a professional skateboard coach.

All clinics are free and include the use of helmets, skateboards and protective equipment. No bookings are required.

The next clinic will be held Saturday 12 August at **Kirkham Skate Park, Hilder Street, Elderslie** from **10 am**.

For more information please contact Camden Council on 4645 5021 or visit www.camden.nsw.gov.au/skateclinics

Tech Learning for Adults

Camden Council are offering Computers for Beginners Workshops during the month of August. If you want to learn more about the basics of computer hardware, internet and email, this is the course for you. The workshops will run from 12 noon to 2 pm over a four week period. Total cost \$20 per person.

To book or for information on other available workshops visit www.library.camden.nsw.gov.au/bookings

Can Your Fines

Have your overdue Library fines waived when you return your items to either the Camden or Narellan Library with canned food or 8-ply knitting wool.



Please ensure canned goods are within 6 months of expiry and are in good condition.

Donations will be distributed to residents via local charities.

Author Talk

Join author and former police detective A B Patterson as he talks about his debut award winning novel "Harry's World". The novel follows Private Investigator Harry Kenmare a prehistoric detective in an unfriendly modern world.

The author will be visiting Narellan Library on Monday 14 August from 6 pm to 7.30 pm. There is no cost but bookings are essential. To book go to www.trybooking.com/book/event?eid=284048&track

Youth Solutions

Local youth service Youth Solutions has launched its health promotion and drug and alcohol prevention programs for the 2017 – 2018 year.

The charity, which recently ran health promotion community information stalls at Oran Park Podium, is taking bookings for its group-based programs, which aim to provide young people with appropriate and accurate education about drugs and alcohol. The programs also focus on building up the skills and resilience of participants to prevent them from drug and alcohol harm, whilst also connecting the young people with local support services.

Youth Solutions offers a range of programs for young people across Macarthur and Wingecarribee, including programs which utilise a peer education model, where young people learn from their peers; an Aboriginal specific program; and a range of initiatives which aim to make a positive impact on the lives of young people and the wider community.

For information about Youth Solutions and its programs or to enquire about booking a program for your school or group of young people, phone 02 4628 2319 or visit their website www.youthsolutions.com.au.

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What is Family Day Care?

Provided by Camden Family Day Care

Family Day Care (FDC) is a unique home-based education and care service that offers a warm, safe, secure and stimulating home environment catering for young babies through to pre-teens. Camden FDC is the leading and largest approved family day care service in the Camden local government area and is auspiced by Camden Council.

What is quality child care?

Quality children's education and care is where children are happy, engaged and learning with qualified Educators who are nurturing and caring. Camden FDC staff and educators are committed to supporting the delicate transition of children between home and care and they will guide you and listen to you through the placement process.

Finding the right educator for my child?

We understand that placing your child in care can be overwhelming for families, so we strive to ensure that this is a pleasant experience. Location, hours, days and most importantly your child's needs are considered in the

placement of your child with an educator. Contact the helpful coordination unit staff on 4645 5190 to enquire about family day care.

Are you an early childhood professional?

Camden FDC is always on the look-out for experienced and qualified early childhood professionals. If you are committed to the early childhood sector and passionate about supporting families and children, then contact our staff on 4645 5190 to register your interest in becoming a FDC educator.

Crime Prevention Tips

An extract from the NSW Police Force



Crime Prevention Series

Your home should be a place where you and your family can enjoy safety and security. Follow these simple steps to help secure your home.

- ◆ Fit quality security doors, windows, locks, alarms, lighting and warning signs
- ◆ Secure all windows and doors
- ◆ Activate your alarm, smoke

detectors and security lighting

- ◆ Upgrade your alarm system to a monitored system (back to base)
- ◆ Consider installing CCTV cameras that allow you to remote view
- ◆ Lock your gates, sheds and garages

Also, check your home:

- ◆ To ensure your street number is clearly visible
- ◆ Keep trees and shrubs trimmed to improve visibility around your home
- ◆ Lock away items such as ladders, tools and gardening equipment
- ◆ Don't leave spare keys outside the home
- ◆ Don't leave valuables, mobile devices or keys (home or vehicle) in clear view
- ◆ Mark valuable property and record



www.facebook.com/OranParkTown/
www.facebook.com/OPTCommunity/



Oran Park Cricket Club Inc.
Come and join another fun packed
year of cricket in either:-

- **MILO In2Cricket** (5 to 7 years)
- **MILO T20 Blast** (7 to 12 years)
- **GIRLS Junior comp**
- **JUNIOR** (U10, U11, U12, U14, U15, U16)
- **SENIOR** (all ages and grades)

Register ONLINE at

www.oranpark.nsw.cricket.com.au

MILO In2Cricket registration \$99 **MILO T20 Blast** registration \$99
JUNIOR registration from \$150 **SENIOR** registration from \$290

Junior Players receive

- Playing shirt & pants
- Training shirt & shorts
- 1 x playing sun hat

Saturday 5th August

McDonalds Gregory Hills
(10.00am to 1.00pm)

Saturday 29th July

Gregory Hills Hotel
(3.00pm to 6.00pm)

Sunday 6th August

Gregory Hills Hotel
(3.00pm to 6.00pm)