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EMPOWERING WOMEN TOGETHER

Celebrate the amazing women of Campbelltown during International Women's Day 2025 on Saturday 8 March.

There is a range of free community events based around the campaign theme #MarchForward.

The theme reminds us that this is the moment to drive change, and we can empower women by creating opportunities, celebrating their achievements and supporting their voices in our community.

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



AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS

Beth Goodwin from the Rotary Club of Ingleburn, was awarded Campbelltown's 2024 Citizen of the Year Award during a special ceremony on Australia Day.

Ms Goodwin has instigated and championed many programs, including Hidden Homeless, providing vital support to homeless individuals and families.

Beth has worked tirelessly for the Rotary Club of Ingleburn and is a passionate advocate for the Campbelltown community.

The Formal Project volunteer, Zara Whitney was named Young Citizen of the Year.

She has undertaken a variety of roles within the Formal Project and has volunteered throughout school holidays and on weekends.

Long-term seniors advocate Judith Trimboli (pictured with Mayor of Campbelltown, Cr Darcy Lound and Australia Day Ambassador, Mary-Ruth Mendel) was named Senior Citizen of the Year in recognition of work in numerous community groups.

Campbelltown and Airs Historical Society received the Community Group Initiative of the Year for their ongoing commitment to preserving and celebrating our area's history.

The Environmental Citizen of the Year was awarded to Bradbury Preschool for implementing several in-house environmental programs. Rising athletics star, Aleksandra Stoilova, was awarded the Sportsperson of the Year and Tipi Kato was awarded the Diversity and Inclusion Award.

A huge congratulations to all our award winners.

Full details 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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RECYCLING MADE EASY

Don't hold on to your problem waste. Dispose of it for free at the Campbelltown Community Recycling Centre located at Hepher Road, Campbelltown.

The Community Recycling Centre is open Monday to Friday 8am to 3pm and Saturdays, 7am to 12pm.

Drop off items like excess cardboard boxes, old electric waste, polystyrene, paint, gas cylinders, batteries, motor oils and aerosols.

For a full list of accepted items and for more information, visit our website.



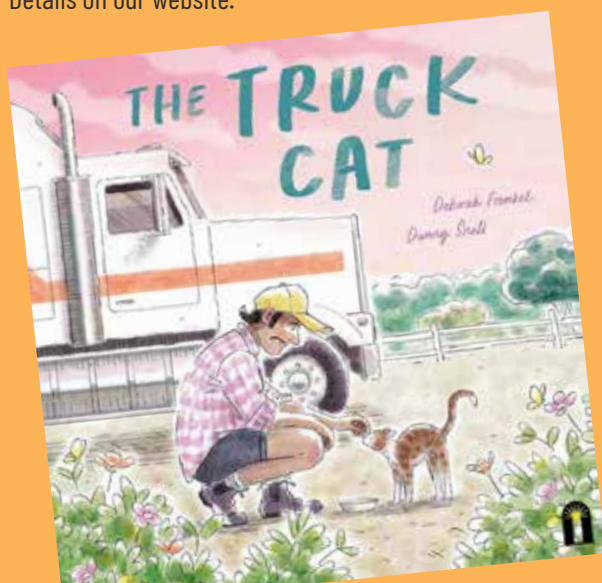
SIMULTANEOUS STORYTIME

Bring your kids down to any Campbelltown City Library for National Simultaneous Storytime on Wednesday 21 May from 12pm to 1pm.

This year's book, 'The Truck Cat' written by Deborah Frenkel and illustrated by Danny Snell, will be read at 12pm.

Each year an Australian children's book is chosen to be read simultaneously across Australia in libraries, schools, pre-schools, childcare centres, homes and bookshops to promote reading and literacy.

Details on our website.



INGLEBURN ALIVE RETURNS

Ingleburn's biggest street party is back. Join us in the heart of Ingleburn CBD as Ingleburn Alive returns on Saturday 15 March, from 3pm to 9pm.

There's something for everyone to enjoy. Don't miss out on your favourite carnival rides, market stalls and a variety of games and activities for all ages.

The stage program is packed

with a variety of performances, live music and dances from talented local artists.

Make sure you grab something to eat from one of our local businesses or the array of delicious food stalls on offer.

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



Image courtesy of Noah Syed



Image courtesy of Andrew Evans



CAPTURE NATURE'S BEAUTY

The Macarthur Nature Photography Competition is back.

Entries are open now for the popular competition across a range of categories, which includes the return of the Professional category.

Themes include:

- Australian Native Plants, Animals and Pollinators
- Threatened Species
- Caring for Country

Categories include:

- Primary school, aged 5 to 12 years
- High school, aged 13 to 18 years
- Open, aged 18+ years
- People's Choice
- Professional

All Campbelltown residents are eligible to enter.

Details on our website.



Image courtesy of Cooper Tamayo

WHAT'S ON AT CAMPBELLTOWN STADIUM

Come down to the Campbelltown Stadium this autumn and support your local A-League and NRL Teams as Macarthur FC wrap their explosive season up and the Wests Tigers kick off the NRL season at home.

Experience the passion and energy and secure your tickets to be part of the action.

SUPPORT THE MACARTHUR BULLS:

Round 21 - Saturday 1 March

7:35pm Vs Sydney FC

Round 24 - Friday 28 March

7:35pm vs Newcastle Jets

Round 28 - Friday 25 April

7:35pm vs Melbourne Victory

Round 29 - Saturday 3 May

7:35pm vs Western Sydney Wanderers

SUPPORT THE WESTS TIGERS:

Round 1 - Friday 7 March

6pm vs Newcastle Knights

Round 4 - Sunday 30 March

6:15pm vs New Zealand Warriors

Round 11 - Sunday 18 May

6:15pm vs South Sydney Rabbitohs



MAKE A SPLASH AT OUR LEISURE CENTRES

Looking for the perfect place to take the kids during the Easter school holidays? Spend the day at one of our leisure centres.

Enjoy our indoor pools, or for fun under the sun, visit the outdoor 50m pool at Gordon Fetterplace Aquatic Centre. Be sure to check out the exciting activities planned across our sites, including fun scavenger hunts and mascot meet-and-greets.

For more details and operational hours, visit our website.



UPGRADE FOR LOCAL SOCCER

Major resurfacing works are underway at Lynwood Park, St Helens Park, marking a significant investment in local sports infrastructure.

The \$966,000 project will deliver a high-quality, all weather synthetic playing surface to replace the existing pitch.

The project uses a recycled cork infill throughout the playing surface in order to provide better environmental outcomes for the facility.

This is great news for the thousands of locals of all ages who train and play at this popular facility. This is just one of the many sporting facility upgrades we have underway or planned this year.

Details on our website.



Pictured above: Mayor Darcy Lound with Macarthur Football Association General Manager Paul Bertolissio and Chairman Peter Kovacsics

BOOK OUR NEW COMMUNITY SPACE

The Aviary on Q is now available as a bookable venue for your next workshop, art and craft event, or community activity.

Conveniently located on Queen Street in Campbelltown, The Aviary on Q offers a versatile and accessible space, equipped with tables, chairs, power, and access to water, making it the perfect spot to host your next event.

Situated near Campbelltown Mall, the Aviary on Q provides a central location

for bringing people together in the heart of the community.

Bookings are open now. Visit our website for more information or email events@campbelltown.nsw.gov.au to secure your spot today.

AVIARY ON **Q**





SHOP AND STROLL

Come and explore our Handmade and Homegrown Markets on Lithgow Street, every Sunday from 8am to 1pm.

With a variety of produce, handmade crafts, tasty treats, local goods and kids activities, there's something for everyone to enjoy.

Shopping at the Handmade and Homegrown Markets is the perfect way to support local businesses in the heart of Campbelltown.

More details on our website.



PAWS AND LISTEN

Being a responsible pet owner means keeping our furry and purry friends safe and sound.

Secure fencing or enclosures are the key to prevent your pet from roaming and getting lost or injured. Regularly check your fences for gaps or weaknesses and make sure gates are always closed.

Don't forget to register and microchip your pets no later than 12 weeks of age, so they can be found if they ever get lost.

For more information, visit our website.



REMEMBERING THE APPIN MASSACRE

Everyone is invited to remember and commemorate the Dharawal men, women and children who lost their lives in 1816 during the Appin Massacre at a special flag raising ceremony on Thursday 17 April.

The ceremony will take place at the Campbelltown Civic Centre Forecourt, where Council flags will be flown at half-mast for the day.

The Appin Massacre occurred under the orders of Lachlan Macquarie, the Governor of New South Wales, as a response to tensions between white settlers and Aboriginal groups.

Tragically, there was no evidence linking the targeted Dharawal people to the previous conflicts in the region.

Details on our website.

NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK

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

The theme for this year is Bridging Now to Next and reflects on the ongoing connection between past, present and future. It is a reminder to learn from the past but look ahead and push forward together on the reconciliation journey.

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

NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK 2025

Bridging Now to **Next**

27 MAY – 3 JUNE

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EXPLORE THE WORLD OF ART

Drop into the Campbelltown Arts Centre and experience some spectacular exhibitions this autumn.

LINDA SOK: REINCARNATIONS OF AN ALTAR CLOTH – 29 MARCH TO 22 JUNE

Reincarnations of an altar cloth (2023-2024) presents reimaginings of lost, stolen, collected and destroyed silk weavings. The weavings are based on drawings by Sok's family members which were inspired by descriptions written on museum registration cards. These cards are part of the archives of the National Museum of Cambodia and are the only documents which verify the existence of original weavings.

JIVA PARTHIPAN: PAKIBOY² – 29 MARCH TO 22 JUNE

Pakiboy² is a multi-channel film installation comprising documentation of an original dance work created by Jiva Parthipan (London 2000), alongside a restaging, in which the artist dances with his younger self (Sydney 2025). The installation explores the artist's 50-year-old body, which has not danced for two decades, addressing his degenerative neurological condition (Parkinson's Disease) and the aging body.



FRIENDS AND FOCUS – 29 MARCH TO 21 JUNE

Campbelltown Arts Centre proudly presents the 'Friends Annual' and 'Focus' exhibition, an eclectic display of artworks by the Friends of Campbelltown Arts Centre.

HIGH OCTANE – 27 MARCH TO 29 MARCH

High Octane is a daring new dance work by Emma Harrison. The performance explores success, capitalism, class and material wealth. High Octane challenges us to reconsider our relationship with success and in power.

Visit campbelltownartscentre.com.au for more information.

ART & DESIGN FESTIVAL

Come and celebrate the creativity in Campbelltown on Sunday 13 April at the Art & Design Festival.

Now in its second year, the Art & Design Festival: Threads of Tomorrow celebrates creativity and innovation in fashion with a strong focus on sustainability. Join us for a day dedicated to exploring the future of fashion and design in

Campbelltown and beyond.

Create, make and connect with a day of artist markets, creative workshops and activities.

Keep an eye on our website for more details.



STEP UP TO THE CHALLENGE

Get your sneakers on, tie up those shoelaces and take on the Campbelltown City Challenge Walk on Sunday 9 March at the Australian Botanic Garden, Mount Annan.

You can choose to enter the 6km or 11km course. Bring your friends, family or coworkers along with you and register as a team or enter on your own. All fitness levels and abilities are welcome.

Looking to add extra fun to your walk? Take the Colour Burst path. Walkers will be showered in bursts of colourful powder as they pass through and is a favourite among teams and families.

Registrations are now open for both courses. Details on our website.

LEGAL SUPPORT AT THE LIBRARY

Our libraries offer a range of free legal services including, access to the Law Handbook, free legal talks and free legal consultations by qualified legal professionals.

LET'S TALK LEGAL

A series of free talks and consultations by legal professionals from Macarthur Legal Centre in partnership with Campbelltown City Library.

- **Help Desk at Eagle Vale Library**
Every third Thursday of the month, starting on Thursday 13 March from 10am to 12pm.
- **Help Desk at Greg Percival Library**
Every second Wednesday of the month, starting Wednesday 20 March from 10am to 12pm.
- **Wills for Everyone**
HJ Daley Library Tuesday 13 May from 10:30am to 12:30pm

FREE LEGAL ADVICE

Do you need to talk to someone about a legal issue or have questions about your circumstances? Book in for a free legal advice appointment with Legal Aid NSW.

- **Free Legal Advice at Glenquarie Library**
First Tuesday of the month, from 10am to 12pm.
More details on our website.

IT'S OUR BACKYARD

Stay local and experience the amazing bushland we have in our own backyard.

From kayaking on the Georges River to chasing waterfalls at Keith Longhurst Reserve, there's plenty to see and do at our many nature reserves.

Visit our website and search It's Our Backyard to find our suggestions on some of Campbelltown's best spots for enjoying nature.



REVEALING HIDDEN HISTORIES

Explore the heritage of Campbelltown during this year's Australian Heritage Festival from Friday 18 April to Sunday 18 May.

Join us as we celebrate our local history, share knowledge of the past and inspire new generations as custodians of culture and tradition.

This year's theme is 'Unearthed' and shines a light on stories from the past that often go untold.

Details on our website.



TAKE THE LIBRARY WITH YOU ANYWHERE

Take Campbelltown Library anywhere you go with BorrowBox. Explore a world of eBooks, audiobooks, newspapers, magazines, and graphic novels available at any time.

BorrowBox lets you explore a curated collection of the latest and greatest titles from around the world.

Getting started is easy - just log in with your library card and start borrowing. Need help? Our friendly library staff are here to assist.

For more information, download the BorrowBox app, or visit our website.

BE THE CHANGE

Are you aged between 14 and 24 and living, working or studying in the Campbelltown LGA?

If you're passionate about leadership and making a difference for local young people, it's time to consider joining the Youth Action Team.

Take the lead, make real change and drive youth-led action for your community.

Scan the QR code and fill out the application form today.



YOUTH WEEK

SHAPING THE FUTURE

Get ready to celebrate Youth Week 2025 from Wednesday 9 April to Sunday 17 April 2025.

We have an exciting program of events and activities planned for young people aged between 12 and 24 across Campbelltown.

Keep an eye on our website for more details.

SENIORS FESTIVAL

CELEBRATING SENIORS

The NSW Seniors Festival is back in Campbelltown, featuring a program of local events as part of the state-wide celebration from **Monday 3 March to Sunday 16 March.**

This year's theme Time to Shine, celebrates residents aged over 60, as well as those 50 and older with a lifelong disability or of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent.

Visit our website to explore the full program.

