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TREES FOR OUR STREETS

Thousands of trees have been planted across Campbelltown as part of several projects to increase the canopy cover of our suburbs.

The Grey to Green project in Rosemeadow and Ambarvale and the Cover Up Campbelltown project in Woodbine, Bow Bowling and Ambarvale has seen trees planted on streets and in local reserves over the past few months.

Planting efforts are ongoing with a mix of tubestock and established trees going into the ground.

These projects are part of the Greening Our City grant program that is proudly funded by the NSW Government.



AN EXHIBITION TO IMMERSE YOURSELF IN

Come down to Campbelltown Arts Centre from Saturday 4 January to Tuesday 18 March 2025 and experience Marikit Santiago's major solo exhibition, 'Proclaim your death!'.

Drawing inspiration from the memorial acclamation of the Liturgy of the

Eucharist, Santiago explores themes of transformation, faith and identity.

Experience the exhibition as it challenges historical biases to create new narratives and highlights the complex tension within Santiago's personal and plural identities.

For more information visit c-a-c.com.au

Photograph courtesy of Garry Trinh

RELAX, RENEW, REPEAT

We've made renewing your items from the Library easier.

We are now automatically renewing your items for you, so you can enjoy your borrowed items for longer.

Instead of renewing your items over the phone or online, we'll send you a message a few days before your items are due, letting you know they've been renewed for another three weeks.

Your items can be renewed up to two times, unless someone else has reserved them.

Details on our website.



MEET YOUR NEW COUNCIL

A mix of new and returning Councillors were elected to fill the 15 seats on Campbelltown City Council at the recent local government elections.

As its first order of business, the new Council elected Cr Darcy Lound as Mayor for a two-year term until September 2026, alongside Cr Karen Hunt as Deputy Mayor for a 12 month term until September 2025.

More than 100,000 residents voted in the election to elect our local representatives. Council meetings are held monthly and are live streamed. For more information about our Council meetings, please visit 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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HELP US SHARE THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT

Help us bring joy to local families this festive season by donating to the Mayor's Christmas Appeal.

We're seeking donations of new, unwrapped toys and non-perishable food items.

Some gift ideas include games, books, craft activity packs, dolls, action figures or sporting equipment. Donations can be made in the collection boxes at the Campbelltown Civic Centre or any of our library branches until 19 December.

All donated items are then distributed to those in need at the Macarthur Combined Churches Annual Christmas Day Lunch which we are proud to support. The lunch is held in the Campbelltown Civic Hall on Christmas Day from 10:30am and is open to all.

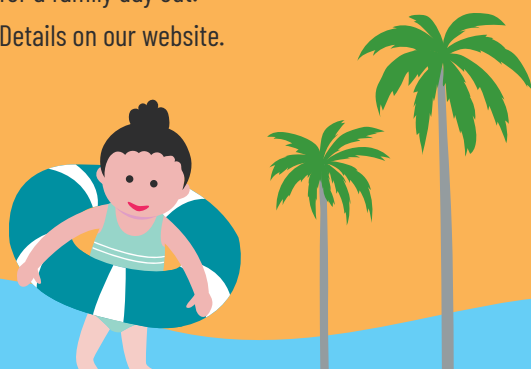
Details on our website.

SUMMER FUN UNLEASHED

Macquarie Fields Leisure Centre and Gordon Fetterplace Aquatic Centre's 50m outdoor pools are now open.

Enjoy the newly laid out pool flooring and steam room at Eagle Vale Central or check out the upgrades to the popular splash park at Macquarie Fields Leisure Centre. With shaded areas available for outdoor picnics, it's perfect for a family day out.

Details on our website.



CHRISTMAS IN CAMPBELLTOWN

Get ready to celebrate Christmas in Campbelltown this December.

There are a range of events and activities for everyone to enjoy, such as our festive Campbelltown Christmas Markets and Sweets and Beats.

Don't miss out on the Christmas cheer happening throughout Campbelltown this year.

Stay up to date with the latest information on our website for a complete list of events and details.

LIGHT THE TREE

Join us on Friday 29 November to kick off the festive season as the Mayor lights up the Christmas tree to mark the start of Christmas in Campbelltown.

From 6pm at the Campbelltown Civic Centre, there will be a variety of family friendly activities, live Christmas music and much more.

Details on our website.

ROCKING AROUND CAMPBELLTOWN

The Rocking Around Campbelltown Convoy is back, spreading festive cheer and excitement across Campbelltown on Saturday 7 December.

Get ready for Campbelltown's favourite holiday tradition. Each stop will feature family activities, a variety of food and the chance to snap a photo with Santa.

The Christmas Convoy locations include:

- Milton Park Playground - 10am to 12pm
- Eagle Farm Reserve - 11:30am to 1:30pm
- Macarthur Square - 1:30pm to 3:30pm
- Cook Reserve - 2:30pm to 4:30pm

Details on our website.



CHRISTMAS CAROLS



Campbelltown's beloved Christmas Carols event returns to Campbelltown Athletics Centre on Saturday 7 December from 5pm to 9pm.

The stadium will be transformed into a Christmas wonderland complete with a massive entertainment program.

Grab your friends and family and enjoy free facepainting, roaming entertainers, inflatables, food vendors, and a special visit from Santa, all while singing along to your favourite Christmas carols.

Join us for a magical night filled with joy, laughter, and unforgettable holiday memories.

Details on our website.



RENEW ON Q ARE CALLING FOR YOU

We've partnered with Renew Australia to activate the vacant spaces on and around Queen Street, Campbelltown to make them available to local creatives and entrepreneurs.

Come and check out the creative businesses participating in the Renew on Q program. Renew on Q is a fantastic opportunity to shop local and support small businesses in the area.

If you have a creative idea that you'd like to put on show or are looking to take the next step into a retail space, or want to host workshops or events in the heart of Campbelltown, get involved with the program today by filling out an expression of interest form.

For more information on the current participants and how to get involved, visit our website.



AUSTRALIA DAY FUN

Join us on Australia Day at Koshigaya Park from 4pm to 9pm for a spectacular celebration.

Enjoy an afternoon full of live performances, family activities, food stalls and fireworks.

There's an exciting line up of activities and entertainment for the whole family to enjoy.

More details on our website.



CELEBRATE THE NEW YEAR

Campbelltown's biggest party is set to return on Tuesday 31 December at Koshigaya Park.

From 7pm to midnight, enjoy a massive line-up of:

- talented bands
- photobooth
- carnival rides
- showbags
- free facepainting
- food stalls

An incredible fireworks display at 9pm and midnight.

Whether you're looking for family friendly fun or carnival entertainment with friends, there's something for everyone this New Year's Eve.

More details on our website.



REDISCOVER THE HEART OF CAMPBELLTOWN

Come down to the Campbelltown CBD and rediscover what the heart of Campbelltown has to offer.

With its close proximity to a wide range of destinations, there is so much to do in the CBD.

The Billabong Parklands, Campbelltown Arts Centre, Campbelltown Mall, Koshigaya Park and HJ Daley Library are all within walking distance of each other and each have something exciting to offer.

Queen Street has a variety of shops, cafes, and eateries for everyone of all ages to enjoy, while Lithgow Street is home to Campbelltown's very own Handmade and Homegrown Markets that operate every Sunday from 8am to 1pm. Support small businesses and shop

local in the Campbelltown CBD. Find the hidden gems that our amazing precinct has to offer.

Details on our website.





PREPARE YOUR PLAN

With a hot summer season expected, now's the time to prepare or revisit your bush fire survival plan and know where to stay updated in the event of an emergency.



Burning embers can travel long distances so even if you're not close to a fire, it's still good to be prepared.



There's a few things you can do to be prepared:

- Have a written escape plan and practice it regularly with your family.
- Trim overhanging shrubs and trees.
- Mow your grass and remove the cuttings.
- Clear leaves and debris from your gutters.



The Emergency Help Hub provides live data from emergency service providers, including NSW Rural Fire Service, NSW State Emergency Service and the Bureau of Metrology to provide real-time updates during emergency situations.

For more information, visit our website.



PAWS BEFORE YOU PROCEED

All puppies and kittens in New South Wales must now be registered on the NSW Pet Registry by 12 weeks from their date of birth or on the day their ownership is transferred (whichever happens first).

Your pet must be microchipped before you can register it (unless it's exempt). Cats will require an annual permit if not desexed by four months of age, while dogs will incur a one-time additional fee if not desexed by six months of age.

Registration covers your furry friends for their entire life, even if their owner changes. Don't forget that late registrations will incur fines, so make sure you register your pet on time.

Registrations can be completed online, or in person at the Civic Centre or our Animal Care Facility.



WORKOUT WITHOUT WORRY

Want to fit in a workout or swim, but have no one to look after your children?



Campbelltown Active has a Creche program that provides quality care and activities for little ones from 6 weeks to 12 years.

Our daily programs are designed to cater for all ages, strengths and stages of childhood development.

Book a spot from Monday to Friday, 9am to 12pm at Macquarie Fields Fitness and Indoor Sports Centre, and Monday to Saturday, 9am to 12pm at Eagle Vale Central.

Enjoy your workout with peace of mind knowing your littlest loves are in safe hands.

Details on our website.

BUSHCARE IS BACK

If you have a passion for the outdoors, come and join our Bushcare volunteer groups as they return in February 2025.

Learn more about local waterways, birds, insects, plants and wildlife. Pick up some new skills and do your bit for the environment. Bushcare groups participate in activities such as tree planting,

erosion control, litter removal and weed management.

It's a great opportunity to get outdoors and do a bit of wildlife spotting.

If you would like to join email bushcare@campbelltown.nsw.gov.au so we can register you to the program





Photograph courtesy of Silversalt Photography

A SHOW-STOPPING EXHIBITION

Discover the works of some of Australia's most talented artists at the Fisher's Ghost Art Award Exhibition.

The exhibition is on at Campbelltown Arts Centre until Friday 6 December 2024 and includes a variety of works across a range of different mediums.

This year's entries have brought a strong showing from artists all over Australia and the Western Sydney region.

Details at the Campbelltown Arts Centre website: c-a-c.com.au

MAKE WAVES THIS JANUARY

Sign up now to our Learn to Swim Intensive swimming lessons at Eagle Vale Central.

Happening from Monday 6 January to Friday 10 January 2025, this week is the perfect way to beat the holiday boredom.

These lessons are a great opportunity to boost your skills before regular sessions return on Monday 20 January 2025.

Enquires to attend are open now. All fees must be paid in full, in advance. For details on pricing and for more information, visit our website.

POOLSIDE PRECAUTIONS

As the weather warms up, we're all eager to dive into the pool to cool off and relax.

While pools and entertainment areas are a great place to relax and have fun, they can also be dangerous, especially for children.

Here's a few things you can do to keep your pool and entertaining area safe this summer season:

- When setting up your BBQ and garden furniture, make sure they're placed at least 900mm away from the pool fence.
- Keep the pool gate closed at all times.
- Keep the pool fence clear of climbable objects.
- Always supervise and check around the swimming pool at all times.
- Keep an authorised resuscitation chart visible in your pool area.

For more information, visit our website.



NEW PLAYGROUND FOR GLENFIELD

A new playground featuring a parkour area for running, vaulting, jumping and climbing has now opened at Seddon Park, Glenfield.

Also featuring a new skate park, basketball half-court, hitting/climbing wall and new play equipment, the playground is a great place to bring the family during the school holidays.

The playground is the final part of the Seddon and Kennett Park redevelopment which included upgrades to sporting fields, pathways, directional signage and tree plantings.

The works were funded by \$2.9 million from the NSW Government's Precinct Support Scheme as part of the Glenfield Planned Precinct in association with Campbelltown City Council.

The amenities building upgrade was funded by \$850,000 from the Federal Government's Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program.



TECHNOLOGY TIPS FOR SENIORS

Are you a senior looking to learn more or need help with technology? The library is here to help and get you up to speed.

Tech Savvy Seniors

Returning to our libraries this February 2025, this program offers easy to follow lessons, designed to help seniors feel more comfortable and confident using computers, the internet, email, and social media.

Join us on the 17 February to chat about Seniors Cards and Transport Cards. Bookings are required to attend.



Technology Lessons at the Library

Join us for series of live webinar screenings on popular technology topics, presented by Be Connected. Come along to keep your online skills sharp and increase your confidence using the internet.

For more information on both programs, visit our website.

THE BULLS ARE BACK

Join us for an unforgettable 2024/25 A-League season at Campbelltown Sports Stadium, as Macarthur FC brings the excitement of live football to Campbelltown.

Experience the passion, the energy, and the thrill of every goal with your Macarthur Bulls. Secure your tickets now from Ticketek and be part of the action.

SUNDAY 1 DECEMBER 5pm vs Brisbane Roar FC

MONDAY 23 DECEMBER 7pm vs Central Coast Mariners FC

MONDAY 6 JANUARY 7pm vs Adelaide United FC

MONDAY 20 JANUARY 7pm vs Wellington Phoenix FC

SATURDAY 25 JANUARY 7:35pm vs Melbourne City FC

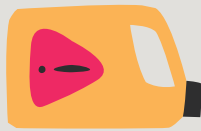
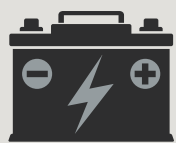
SUNDAY 9 FEBRUARY 5pm vs Western United FC

SATURDAY 1 MARCH 7:35pm vs Sydney FC

FRIDAY 28 MARCH 7:35pm vs Newcastle Jets

FRIDAY 25 APRIL 7:35pm vs Melbourne Victory

SATURDAY 3 MAY 7:35pm vs Western Sydney Wanderers



CLEANOUT YOUR CHEMICALS

It's time to clean out your old chemicals and paints and bring them to the Household Chemical CleanOut event on Sunday 8 December.

The CleanOut will run from 9am to 3:30pm at the Veolia Campbelltown Service Centre at 59 Junction Road, Leumeah.

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

If you can't wait until 8 December, the Campbelltown Community Recycling Centre is open all 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.

For a full list of eligible items that can be dropped at the Chemical CleanOut, visit our website.

BE RIVER READY

It's important to be aware of the risks and stay safe whether you're swimming, kayaking or even just relaxing on the bank.



- Always enter the water slowly, feet first, never dive in.
- Never swim in fast flowing water, check the speed first by throwing in a twig to see how fast it travels.
- Never swim alone.
- Do not swim under the influence of alcohol/drugs.
- Riverbeds may be uneven, unstable or slippery, so take care.
- Be sure of your own swimming ability.
- Beware of any submerged objects such as trees, branches, rocks and discarded rubbish.
- Look for eddies and swirling water, this may indicate rocks or snags just below the surface.
- Always wear a lifejacket when in a watercraft.
- The river can change hourly, what was safe in the morning may not be safe in the afternoon.



COME AND SPEND YOUR SUMMER **AT THE BILLABONG**



Campbelltown Billabong Parklands is the perfect place for you and your family to visit as the weather warms up. Keep the kids cool in the interactive splash play area or make a splash in the two full accessible pools.

The Billabong has picnic huts, shade umbrellas and shade sails, as well as BBQ facilities, so you can take your gathering to the next level.

**OPEN 10:00AM TO 5:30PM DAILY
DURING SUMMER SEASON.**



Campbelltown
Billabong Parklands



Book your free tickets to enter the Billabong today at campbelltown.nsw.gov.au/billabong or scan the QR code.