

Oran Park Town Newsletter

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EVENTS

Community BBQ

Our last community BBQ for 2019 was held on Saturday 9 November at the dog park on Ewing Loop.

We would like to thank all residents who came and brought their four-legged family members with them. A big thank you to Macarthur Pets, Macarthur Vets, Trueeco, Oran Park – Gregory Hills Chargers JRLFC and Games 2U for their participation in this event.

Activities for the dogs included free dental health checks by Macarthur Vets and a prize for the best dressed dog courtesy of Macarthur Pets. The Chargers JRLFC cooked up a delicious Aussie BBQ lunch and Games 2U provided fun for everyone with laser tag and bumper balls.

Trueeco, a Locally owned business, also attended and gave residents free samples of their pet and environmentally friendly cleaning

Community Update Meeting

Wednesday 11 December

Residents are invited to attend the next Community Update which will be held at 7pm in the Oran Park Meeting Room (located in the Sales Office)



To assist families, we will be providing free child minding on the evening.

We hope to see you there!

NewLife anglican church proudly presents

Oran Park COMMUNITY CAROLS

Saturday 21st December

Spick & Span
commercial & industrial cleaning & maintenance

Fulton Hogan

imb BANK

ORAN PARK ANGLICAN CHURCH

products. For product details, please visit www.trueeco.com.au.

Stay posted for our 2020 community BBQ dates. These events are a great way to meet the people who live in your neighbourhood. Events are promoted in the Oran Park Town newsletter and on our Facebook page - Oran Park Town Community Residents and Friends.

For more information regarding our Community BBQs or if you would like to subscribe to our newsletter, email karren.kapitanow@greenfields.net.au.

Have a safe Christmas break and we look forward to seeing you at our 2020 events.

Community Carols

Provided by NewLife Anglican Church

Hey Oran Park, this year NewLife Anglican is looking forward to presenting our 8th Oran Park Community Carols on Saturday 21 December. You'll find us on Gardner Reserve from 5:30pm-9pm with all the things you've come to love; loads of

free stuff for the kids including jumping castles, climbing wall, kids petting zoo and craft. We'll also have coffee carts, glow things, a great sausage sizzle and of course amazing carols and a fireworks spectacular ending.

As for every one of the past eight carols, we'll be taking up a collection for the Cobbitty RFS on the night.

You're invited to bring your family down for a great night. You can find more info about your local carols here: www.facebook.com/oranparkcommunitycarols or via our website www.newlifeanglican.org.au

We can't wait to see you there.

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Development Update

Julia Reserve - Civil works to the reserve are now complete with the focus shifting to landscape works.

The kick-about space has been turfed and the majority of the hard and soft landscaping to the western half of the site has been completed.

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Hard and soft landscaping installation to the remainder of Julia Reserve is progressing well.

The current aim is completion of the Skate Park, Parkour Zone and Arbour structure. We are currently working with our contractor to try and get the facility opened to the public as soon as possible.

Following a successful series of community engagement workshops, the artwork to the ping-pong tables, multi-purpose court bounce wall and arbour structure signage panels has been finalised.

Installation of the artwork will be integrated with the landscaping works to expedite completion.

Youth & Recreation Centre - Hutchinson are progressing building works with most of the external cladding now installed. The internal fit-out is also progressing well with the dry-walling almost complete.

Works to the car park have commenced with completion of the building likely to be in early 2020.

Doohan Reserve - Landscaping Works - we are pleased to announce that we have obtained all the approvals



Artist Impression of Oran Park Splash Park

necessary to allow construction of Doohan Reserve to commence. Our contractor, Landscape Solutions, have commenced works on site. The program for completion of the reserve (including the two clubhouses) is 16 to 18 months.

Landscape Solutions have completed site set up works and are currently undertaking detailed earthworks and subgrade preparation to the fields and the carpark. Drainage and services trenching will follow upon completion of these works.

Podium Stage Two - Last year Greenfields went out on exhibition and consulted with the community on the Podium Stage 2 design prior to development application lodgement. The residential building in the Podium Stage 2 development is taller than the current height limits for the Town Centre permit and so a minor Local Environmental Plan (LEP) amendment is required if the development is to be the height as exhibited. Excellent feedback was received on the proposal from the community and as a result an amendment to the LEP was prepared to seek approval for the extra height. The development application for Podium Stage 2 was also lodged with Camden Council.

The Department of Planning, Industry and Environment recently approved the formal exhibition of the LEP amendment. The next step is for Council to re-exhibit the design plans and supporting documentation as part of the LEP amendment process. The re-exhibition will present unchanged design plans to those previously exhibited by Greenfields last year.



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If Council and the Department approve the LEP amendment, the development application for Podium Stage 2 can then be considered. Our team anticipates this will all occur in the first few months of 2020 and in anticipation of an approval we continue to prepare construction certificate plans ready for tender early-mid 2020 once approval is received.

Commercial Building – is coming to the end of the construction phase with the building façade elements being progressively installed and internal fit out commencing. Opening on the ground floor is an expansion of the existing medical uses already within Oran Park Town with extra facilities like MIR, CT scan and X-ray soon to be available. Building completion is expected early 2020 with these new medical facilities shortly after.

Thompson Health Care - the great news for the Thompson Health Care nursing home last month was the DA



Commercial Building

approval for a 3 storey residential aged care facility comprising of 244 beds, basement carparking, landscaping and associated works. The Thompson Health Care builder is now on site preparing for construction approvals to come out very soon. This is an exciting new facility for Oran Park residents and will provide a place for elderly family members to live nearby.

Parks

Rons Creek / Splash Park - Glascott, the landscape contractor, continues with landscape works prioritising the splash park section of the park which is programmed to be complete end January / early February for the summer period. Council are planning a soft opening of the Splash Park component towards the end of the school holidays. The splash park, half basketball court and junior play areas will be complete for the opening, whilst the youth playground, bioretention basin and civic areas will continue with staged openings until April/May next year. For the older kids, we have a Ninja Warrior course in the youth playground which will be the first for Camden and Oran Park Town are super excited to deliver.

Roads

Harrington Parkway & Oran Park Drive intersection - TRN are continuing with civil works preparing the intersection for traffic signals. Service relocation with an existing water main on the Banfield leg of the intersection have taken longer than



Oran Park Skate Park Under Construction

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expected, however the civil contractor is still on track to achieve the planned completion, being March 2020.

Dick Johnson Drive – landscape works are nearing completion on sections of Dick Johnson Drive near Jack Brabham Reserve and to the east of Oran Park Drive. Traffic signals installed at the intersections of Dick Johnson Drive / Oran Park Drive as well as Dick Johnson Drive / Central Avenue and Dick Johnson Drive / South Circuit (East) are going through their final commissioning phase. We anticipate these new sections of roads to open to the public in the second week of January 2020.

Dick Johnson Drive connection to The Northern Road is still being held up in the DA process awaiting RMS referral approval.

It is planned to go under construction and make connection as quickly as possible to provide a very much needed second connection to The Northern Road. This connection is expected to be completed by mid-late 2020.

Peter Brock Drive connection to Springfield Road – landscaping is commencing on the bridge crossing at the end of Peter Brock Drive over South Creek which is due to open early to mid 2020. Tranche 34 subdivision is progressing well and will ultimately connect to the private road connection to Springfield Road in Catherine Fields. This connection is another important access to Oran Park Town and expected to be completed by mid-late 2020.

South Circuit / Podium Way Signalised Intersection - construction has commenced on a new set of traffic signals adjacent to the Oran Park

public school to make a safe intersection for vehicle and pedestrian crossing. These traffic signals have been approved by RMS and Camden Council in time for school holidays. Most of the construction on the road carriageway is planned during the school holiday period and installation and commissioning of the traffic signals will continue during Term one and will be completed early April ready for when school goes back in Term two.

This intersection upgrade is being delivered by Greenfields in partnership with Camden Council to provide a safer intersection anticipating the Oran Park High school opening in February 2020. We commend Camden Council for their proactive involvement in making this intersection upgrade happen. This is another great example of delivering on infrastructure in advance of it being required.

Registration

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

High School Update

Provided by Brad Mitchell, Principal of OPHS

Project Update:

Construction activities are progressing well.

The installation of the roof and the brickwork is complete and installation of the external cladding and glazing is nearing completion.

The external concrete works and landscaping has commenced, with joinery and furniture currently being installed. Internal fit out works are also progressing well.

Staffing

During Term 3 and 4 I have continued the recruitment of our Executive staff, which is now complete and I am pleased to introduce the following staff:

School Administration Manager – Kylee Hughes (Katoomba HS)

Deputy Principal (Year 8) – Chris Hollis (Bossley Park HS)

Deputy Principal (Year 7) – Kristie Harris (Mount Annan HS)

Head Teacher English – Constance Gartside (Eagle Vale HS)

Head Teacher Disability Support – Karen Andrews (James Meehan HS)

Head Teacher PDHPE – Melanie Scott (Cecil Hills HS)



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Head Teacher Science – Elizabeth Colagiuri (Ingleburn HS)

Head Teacher HSIE – Fleur Farah (Mount Annan HS)

Head Teacher Mathematics – Jose Villanueva (Camden HS)

Head Teacher TAS – Joshua Symons (Cecil Hills HS)

A number of our School Administration Officers (front office) have also been appointed. This term we will continue recruiting classroom teachers and School Learning Support Officers which will complete the initial staffing of the school. Staff numbers will then grow as our student numbers grow over the coming years.

Uniform:

The design of the uniform is now complete and Lowes currently have all of our different pieces under production. At this stage it looks like they will be available for purchase from late December from the Lowes store at Narellan Town Centre. Special thanks go to the wonderful incoming parents from the Community Consultation Group who were responsible for helping to design a beautiful uniform that all our community can be proud of.

Day One, Term One 2020

Oran Park High School will be open to our students from Day One Term One, 2020 with Year 7 starting on Wednesday 28th January and Year 8 on Thursday 29th January. Any enrolment or other enquiries should be directed to our School Administration Manager, Kylee Hughes on 4648 0057 or at kylee.hughes4@det.nsw.edu.au



Little Giants Oran Park Now Open

New Child Care Open

Provided by Little Giants Oran Park

We officially opened our doors at Little Giants Oran Park, on Monday 30 September.

It has been a long-awaited build, but they say good things take time!

On our first day, one of our Before and After School Care families, was honoured to cut the ribbon on the front door, the first of many families to join our Little Giants Community.

Many of our families have watched our centre grow from a simple piece of land - right through to the beautiful brand-new learning facility, it is today. We are absolutely delighted to offer high quality care and education for children from the ages of 6 weeks right through to year 6 (Before & After School Care Programs available).

Within a matter of weeks, we announced that Little GIANTS Oran Park had reached full capacity! If you are interested in joining our incredible

community, you can add yourself to our waitlist through our website, www.littlegiants.edu.au/oran-park/ or by calling our friendly enquiries team on 1300 692 632. Book a tour and view what makes Little GIANTS Oran Park so special!

We look forward to keeping you posted with our progress and the many fun events and celebrations we hold!

Huge Growth for Scouts

Scouts, the world's leading youth development movement, has been experiencing huge growth in the Oran park region. So much so they are opening a new group in Catherine Fields in January 2020.

Parents anxious to get their kids out from behind their screens are discovering the benefits their children can get from joining Scouts, such as being more resilient and less likely to suffer from mental illnesses. It has also led to improvements in learning at school.

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The youth get to participate in a wide variety of activities including camping, hiking, canoeing, abseiling, scuba diving, sailing and even flying!

There are even benefits through the Scout learning program that the youth participate in that can increase their ATAR at selected local Universities.

To cater for the increased demand from Oran Park and surrounds, Hume Region Scouts are opening a new group at Catherine Fields. This is due to open in the first school term of 2020 at the end of January.

Costs are minimal compared to sporting teams and the active kid's vouchers can be used to further reduce the cost.

Scouts are also on the lookout for Leaders to help run this group. All training will be supplied and you can even use this training as proof of prior learning towards a Cert 3 in Business/Event Management and Outdoor Recreation.

To find out more, Contact Hume Region Scouts on 4628 4994, visit their website www.humescouts.com/ or follow them on social media.

A HEALTHY OPT

Healthy Holidays

Provided by Headspace, Campbelltown

For some young people, this time of year can be challenging. You may not get to see your friends, teachers or work mates as often as you would like and this can leave you feeling bored, unsupported, upset and sometimes anxious.

There are a number of ways to help you get through this holiday period such as getting involved with volunteer work, hobbies or sports to help you feel connected to your wider community and create new friendships.

Eating and Sleeping well are also both important. Eating a balanced diet with less of the bad things (like junk food and lots of sugar) and more of the good things (such as veggies, fruit, whole grains and water) can help with sleep, energy levels and general health and wellbeing. Getting a good night's sleep helps you feel energised, focused and motivated. Play is also important for staying mentally healthy. Devoting time to just having fun can recharge

your battery, revitalize your social networks and reduce stress and anxiety.

Remember to also look out for your friends and loved ones and check in to see how they are doing. If you are worried about them, let them know that you are there to help.

If you need support during this holiday period, please contact:

Campbelltown Hospital: 4734 3000

Lifeline 13 11 14

Kids Helpline 1800 55 1800

Mental Health Line: 1800 011 511

Headspace Campbelltown and the Oran Park outreach site will be closed over the Christmas / New Year period. The offices will close at 12pm Thursday 19 December and will reopen at 9am on Monday 6 January.

Carer Help

CarerHelp was launched during National Carers Week in 2019. This is a new resource to support unpaid carers in end-of-life caring.

CarerHelp provides access to the Carer Library which provides useful and trustworthy information, tools, articles and videos for carers. Information can make a difference to you and to the person you are caring for.

The resources are organised in categories to make it easier to find relevant information quickly. Categories include Services and Information, Health and Wellbeing, Home Care Tips, Finances and Legal Matters and Carer Help Sheets.

For more detailed information visit www.carerhelp.com.au/



Scouts Cub Canoe Day

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NEWS FROM CAMDEN

Cool off in Camden

Camden Council's Youth Program is offering free pool entry to the Camden War Memorial Pool and Mount Annan Leisure Centre from 1 to 31 January 2020. This program is available for young people aged 12 to 18 years who live in the Camden local government area.

You can pick up your access card to claim your free entry from any of the following locations.

Camden War Memorial Pool

Mount Annan Leisure Centre

Camden and Narellan Libraries

Camden Council Administration Building
Places are limited!

For enquiries, contact Camden Council on 4654 7777 or email youth@camden.nsw.gov.au

Celebrate Safely these Holidays

Provided by Youth Solutions

Youth Solutions and Campbelltown Catholic Club have again joined forces to launch the 2019 – 2020 #MatesKeepItSafe campaign and ensure the Macarthur and Wingecarribee region's young people celebrate safely.

The campaign targets young adults aged 18 to 25 years and encourages them to take positive steps to keep themselves and their mates safe around alcohol.

Youth Solutions CEO, Geraldine Dean said it became clear from previous campaign survey findings that this year's campaign needed to focus on fostering a positive, safer celebrating environment among youth peer groups.

Youth Solutions hope that by engaging with young people in the community

and promoting safe celebrating, they can encourage young people to look after themselves and their peers and to take steps to prevent alcohol-related harm.

In line with the campaign, Campbelltown Catholic Club will provide free soft drink to all sober designated drivers on Friday and Saturday nights throughout December and January.

Youth Solution would like to thank Campbelltown Catholic Club, and the campaign media supporter C91.3FM, for their enthusiasm and support of the #MatesKeepItSafe campaign and the health and wellbeing of the region's young people.

Youth solutions is a health promotion and youth drug and alcohol prevention charity. For more information call 4628 2319 or www.youthsolutions.com.au

COOL OFF IN CAMDEN

FREE POOL ENTRY

1-31 JAN 2020



Another Great
Camden Council Initiative!

FOR AGES
12-18 YEARS*

*12-14yrs must be accompanied
by a paying parent/guardian

Camden Council's Youth Program is offering **free** pool entry to the Camden War Memorial Pool and Mount Annan Leisure Centre. Young people who **live** in the Camden LGA can pick up an access card to claim free entry from either:

- Camden War Memorial Pool
- Mount Annan Leisure Centre
- Camden and Narellan Libraries
- Camden Council's Administration Building, Oran Park

PLACES ARE LIMITED

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Electricity & Gas Hardship Program

Sometimes things happen in life that make it hard to pay your bills.

If you're having trouble paying your electricity or gas bills, talk to your retailer and let them know you're having a tough time.

Your retailer may be able to assist you with different options to help pay your bills. They can also provide information on energy rebates, government concessions, relief schemes and financial counselling services.

Under the law, your energy provider must have a hardship policy that tells you how they can assist you if you are having trouble paying your energy bills due to hardship.

If you're not happy with how your energy provider has helped you, you can contact the NSW Energy and Water Ombudsman on 1800 246 545 or visit www.ewon.com.au/



Crime Prevention Message

Provided by Camden Police Area Command

Planning a holiday this year over the Christmas / New Year break?

The holiday season is a time when many break and enter offences take place. A large number occur when your home looks like it's not lived in and it becomes obvious that no one is home.

Don't Tempt Thieves!

Once you've opened your Christmas gifts, don't tempt thieves by putting the empty boxes outside your home. The last thing you want to do is advertise to potential thieves what you have in your home!

Fold down boxes and dispose of them in the recycle bin or alternatively drop them off to the Spring Farm Resource Recovery Park at 20 Barrow Road, Spring Farm which is operated by SUEZ. For opening times call 13 13 35.

Some holiday safety tips:

Before you leave, check the house is securely locked, including all windows, garage doors, garden sheds and gates

Stop all deliveries and cancel newspapers. Redirect your mail or otherwise have it collected by a friend

Ask a trusted friend or neighbour to collect your mail and to occasionally check on your home while away

Make sure the lawn doesn't become overgrown

Avoid leaving the answering machine on and turn the phone volume down

Don't leave cash in the house and locate jewellery in a safe place

Consider security devices, including light timers, etc

If you notice any suspicious behaviour, report it and if safe to do so, note any vehicle registrations.

Non emergencies 131 444

Emergencies 000

Crime Stoppers 1800 333 000

For more crime prevention tips, visit www.police.nsw.gov.au/safety_and_prevention

Merry
CHRISTMAS

AND HAPPY
★ NEW YEAR! ★

FROM THE ORAN PARK TOWN TEAM

