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DECEMBER 2018

THE CITY OF MITCHAM'S

Carols AT KINGSWOOD OVAL WITH FLIGHT CENTRE®

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SUNDAY 2.12.18

2018 City of Mitcham's Carols at Kingswood Oval with Flight Centre South Australia

**Sunday
2 December 2018**

Kingswood Oval
Corner Belair Road and
Halsbury Avenue,
Kingswood

5pm to 8.30pm

Featuring:
Boomstars
The 60 Four
Jemma Allen
Community Choirs
Father Christmas
Nativity scene
Food vans and stalls
Free face painting
Free camel and pony rides
Children's roving characters
Free games and craft activities

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Mitcham is preparing the
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available at the Blackwood
Library.
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Join us for Australia Day on
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Asbestos Awareness when Renovating

Are you are thinking about renovating? Is your home built before 1987? Your home might contain asbestos.

If your house was built or renovated before 1987, it is likely you have asbestos in your home. Asbestos was considered a versatile product, because it was able to withstand heat, erosion and decay, and has fire and water-resistant properties. If asbestos cement products are in sound condition and are not disturbed, they are generally considered safe.

Asbestos material are potentially dangerous when you renovate or start removing, cleaning, cutting, sanding, drilling, grinding or pulling up materials that contain asbestos. When disturbed, the asbestos dust and fibres can be dangerous

to your health. Breathing in dust that contains asbestos fibres can cause asbestosis, lung cancer and mesothelioma.

If you are thinking about renovating, you must be aware of how to safely manage asbestos in and around the home. Asbestos SA provides information for DIY renovators, home owners, neighbours and tradespeople.

Visit www.asbestos.sa.gov.au and find out

- How to work safely with asbestos
- How to remove asbestos
- Where to dispose of asbestos



Food Safety During the Holiday Season

The holiday season is a wonderful time for enjoying delicious food with family and friends - but it's important to be careful as you prepare your holiday feasts.

Tips to keep your food healthy

Keep Clean

Make sure that your hands and the place where food is prepared is clean.

Separate raw meat, poultry and seafood from other foods in the fridge

Always keep raw meats on the bottom shelf and separate from other cooked and ready to eat foods.

Cook food thoroughly

Take extra care cooking roast meats and ensure they are cooked thoroughly, use a meat thermometer to ensure the centre which is the thickest part reaches 75°C.

Keep food at safe temperatures

Take an insulated bag or esky when you go shopping and when transporting food to your outdoor celebrations. Ensure you have enough room to store cold and frozen food at home and don't overload your fridge.

Defrost correctly

Allow time for frozen food to thaw in the fridge, not on the kitchen bench. Whole roast meats can take two to three days to completely thaw.

If in doubt, throw it out

Food left out for more than four hours should be thrown out. Don't top up fresh food with food that's been left out too long.

Don't take too long to eat left overs

Leftovers after the holiday season are often the tastiest but make sure they are safe to eat. Divide into smaller portions and place into the fridge as soon as possible and store in a clean container and cover with a lid or plastic wrap. Reheat rapidly and stir food so that it is steaming hot. As a guide, consume leftovers within two to three days.

Leave in fridge

Leave deli meats, dip, cheese and salads in the fridge until you are ready to eat them.

2018 City of Mitcham Carols at Kingswood Oval with Flight Centre South Australia

The City of Mitcham and Flight Centre South Australia are delighted to present one of the highlights of the Mitcham calendar, the annual Carols event.

Celebrate the Christmas season at this joyful, family event with lots of singing and free family entertainment.

This year we are celebrating our Carols event at Kingswood Oval while our Mitcham Library is redeveloped. It is only a short walk up the road, with two crossings to get you there safely.

A delicious feast is on offer with a variety of food vans and stalls for you to choose from including sausages, pancakes, paella, great coffee and tantalising vegetarian options.

The kids will love the free face painting, game and crafts stall as well as getting their picture taken with their favourite Disney prince and princesses or perhaps they will prefer the Fortnite characters. The fun continues with stilt walkers, Wobbles the Clown, including giant bubbles, the ever popular camel and pony rides and the whole reason we are there, a visit from Father Christmas.

Carols will be headlined by Adelaide's own four piece group, The 60 Four. Performing to sellout crowds at Adelaide's Fringe Festival for the last two years, they are sure to delight with their classic sixties performance with world class harmonies, smart suits and choreography.

Popular children's entertainers, Boomstars will also provide the children with an interactive fantastic time, dancing, singing and shaking it up. We also introduce our local, emerging, young talent, vocalist Jemma Allen.

Our very own Mitcham City Brass together with Scotch College and Mitcham Girls Choir will be providing musical support during the evening, with a performance from the Mitcham Girls High dance group.

LED Candles are available for purchase on the night from parishioners of local churches with proceeds going to local chaplaincy programs. Performers drawn from local churches and schools will again stage a nativity scene, complete with live animals.

We look forward to seeing you!

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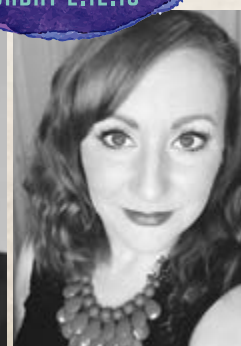
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Search for the event listing for Carols at Kingswood Oval to stay abreast of all the fun things that will be available on the evening and to ask any questions.

FOUR HUGE FAMILY EVENTS!

*Carols
on
the Oval*

Sat 15th December
Where: Edwardstown Primary School Oval
Family activities **6:30pm**
Night programme **8:00pm**

Christmas Eve
Where: Henrett Oval, Blackwood
Family activities **6:00pm**
Night programme **8:00pm**

Christmas Day
Where: Edwardstown Primary School
AND Blackwood Hills Baptist Church
both at **9:30am**

An initiative of Village Church Melrose Park and Blackwood Hills Baptist Church. Infoline: 08 8370 0333 | thevillage.org.au



Christmas Hours

On behalf of the Mayor, Elected Members and staff of the City of Mitcham, we wish you all the joys of the Festive Season and our very best wishes for a Happy New Year. We look forward to being of continued service to our local residents, businesses and community groups in 2019.

Council Civic Centre

Normal opening hours 9am to 5pm weekdays

Friday 21 December	9am to 12.30pm
Monday 24 December	Closed
Tuesday 25 December	
Christmas Day Public Holiday	Closed
Wednesday 26	
Proclamation Day Public Holiday	Closed
Thursday 27 December	Closed
Friday 28 December	Closed
Monday 31 December	Closed
Tuesday 1 January 2019	
New Year's Day Public Holiday	Closed

Normal opening hours resume on Wednesday 2 January 2019.

Mitcham Cultural Village

The Mitcham Village Institute, the Mitcham Cultural Village Community Shed and the Mitcham Heritage Research Centre will be closed from 5pm on Friday 21 December to Tuesday 1 January 2019 inclusive. The Mitcham Cultural Village Institute, Mitcham Cultural Village Community Shed and the Mitcham Heritage Research Centre will reopen on Wednesday 2 January 2019.

Community Centres

The Mitcham Community Centre, the Blackwood Community Centre, the Cumberland Park Community Centre, the Hawthorn Community Centre and all other halls for hire will be closed from 5pm on Friday 21 December until Tuesday 1 January 2019. The Community Centres will reopen on Wednesday 2 January 2019.

Council Depot

Normal opening hours 8am to 4pm weekdays.

Friday 21 December	9am to 12.30pm
Monday 24 December	Closed
Tuesday 25 December	
Christmas Day Public Holiday	Closed
Wednesday 26	
Proclamation Day Public Holiday	Closed
Thursday 27 December	Closed
Friday 28 December	Closed
Monday 31 December	Closed
Tuesday 1 January 2019	
New Year's Day Public Holiday	Closed

Normal opening hours resume on Wednesday 2 January 2019.

Domestic Waste Collections Christmas/New Year

Kerbside waste and recycling collections will be delayed by one day over the Christmas and New Year period.

Lynton Green Organics Drop-off Facility

The Lynton Green Organics Drop-off Facility will be closed from Sunday 16 December to Friday 4 January 2019. The facility will reopen on Saturday 5 January 2019.

Community Bus

The Community Bus service will not operate from 4pm on Friday 14 December until Tuesday 2 January 2019 inclusive. Services will resume on Wednesday 2 January 2019.

Merry Christmas to Our Volunteers

The Mayor, Elected Members and Staff would like to thank our dedicated volunteers for their work on Council programs through the year and wish you and your families a very Merry Christmas and health and happiness for the New Year.

Council have over 365 volunteers in 30 different programs ranging from Youth Committee volunteers to Community bus volunteers. They contribute over 30,000 hours per year by:

- Assisting on 800 bus trips to various destinations.
- Creating 1,200 welcome packs for new residents in the City of Mitcham.
- Refilling 12,500 information brochures and flyers throughout Council centres.
- Preparing 1,000 new volunteers, citizenship ceremonies, school visits packs.
- Setting up 10 Art Exhibitions at the Civic Centre.
- Recording the Mitcham Community News to allow residents the opportunity to listen to the paper.
- Covering 6,000 books for the Mitcham Library Service.
- Providing 2,000 home library visits to residents who can't make it to the libraries.
- Contributing to the maintenance and revegetation of 30 kilometres of trails.
- Planting hundreds of native and exotic plants.
- Weeding, watering and pruning many hectares of formal gardens and bushland reserves.
- Signing, witnessing and stamping 8,500 documents as part of our JP Service.

There are many more examples of jobs that the Volunteers do and each one helps make our Community thrive.

If you would like to become a Council Volunteer and help in your community phone Lynne on 8372 8860.

for Mitcham Council Services

Mitcham Library at the Hawthorn Community Centre

Friday 21 December	10am to 12.30pm
Saturday 22 December	10am to 4pm
Sunday 23 December	2pm to 5pm
Monday 24 December	
Christmas Eve	10am to 2pm
Tuesday 25 December	
Christmas Day Public Holiday	Closed
Wednesday 26 December	
Proclamation Day Public Holiday	Closed
Thursday 27 December	Closed
Friday 28 December	Closed
Saturday 29 December	Closed
Sunday 30 December	Closed
Monday 31 December	Closed
Tuesday 1 January 2019	
New Year's Day Public Holiday	Closed

Normal opening hours resume on Wednesday 2 January 2019.

To contact the Mitcham Library call on 8372 8244.

Blackwood Library

Friday 21 December	10am to 12.30pm
Saturday 22 December	10am to 4pm
Sunday 23 December	2pm to 5pm
Monday 24 December	
Christmas Eve	10am to 2pm
Tuesday 25 December	
Christmas Day Public Holiday	Closed
Wednesday 26 December	
Proclamation Day Public Holiday	Closed
Thursday 27 December	10am to 8pm
Friday 28 December	10am to 2pm
Saturday 29 December	10am to 4pm
Sunday 30 December	2pm to 5pm
Monday 31 December	10am to 4pm
Tuesday 1 January 2019	
New Year's Day Public Holiday	Closed

Normal opening hours resume on Wednesday 2 January 2019.

To contact the Blackwood Library call on 8372 8255.

Library items can be returned via the after-hours chute at the Blackwood Library. The Mitcham Library chute at the Hawthorn Community Centre will be closed. Overdue fees on Library items will not be applied during this time. Please do not leave items if the chutes are closed.

Preschool story time will take a longer break from 14 December to 29 January 2019.

Mitcham and Blackwood Toy Libraries

Will be closed from 12noon on Saturday 22 December until Tuesday 1 January 2019 inclusive. The Toy Libraries will reopen on Wednesday 2 January 2019.

No toys will be due for return during the closure period.

You can contact the Mitcham Toy Library on 8274 1351 or the Blackwood Toy Library on 8278 6779.

Call the Customer Service Centre on 8372 8888 for more information.

Council will respond to emergencies throughout the Christmas and New Year period, please call 8372 8888.

Merry Christmas
&
HAPPY NEW YEAR

Council's Immunisation Service Clinics

No evening clinic will be held on Wednesday 19 December 2018 at the Mitcham Community Centre and no clinics will be held on Wednesday 2 January 2019 at either the Mitcham Community Centre or Blackwood Community Centre.

Immunisation Service Clinics will be held on:

	Blackwood Community Centre 4 Young Street, Blackwood (next to Coles)	Mitcham Community Centre cnr Grange Road and Belair Road, Lower Mitcham
Wednesday 19 December 2018	11.30am - 12.30pm	NO EVENING CLINIC
Wednesday 16 January 2019	11.30am - 12.30pm	5.30pm - 7pm
Wednesday 6 February 2019	5.30pm - 6.30pm	11.30am - 1.00pm
Wednesday 20 February 2019	11.30am - 12.30pm	5.30pm - 7pm
Wednesday 6 March 2019	5.30pm - 6.30pm	11.30am - 1.00pm

Full details about Council's public immunisation clinics at Mitcham and Blackwood can be obtained from www.mitchamcouncil.sa.gov.au or by contacting the Environmental Health Unit on 8372 8816.

Tree Planting in Mitcham

This winter the City of Mitcham planted 1,330 trees in streets and parks across our City.

Every year Council plants trees to keep Mitcham's suburbs green and shady and to help us adapt to the changing climate.

From native species in the hills to broad spreading oaks and ornamental pears in parks on the plains, these trees will ensure residents can enjoy shady parks and streets into the future.



Euro Avenue, Eden Hills Reserve Before.



Please prepare your home and property for the bushfire season. A well prepared home is more likely to survive a bushfire than one that hasn't been prepared.

Council Prepares for the Bushfire Season

Mitcham is preparing the high fire risk area for this year's bushfire season.

The fire season starts on 17 November 2018 and we are preparing for this year's bushfire season. We live in one of the most beautiful areas of Adelaide, the Mitcham hills which is home to many parks, natural bushland reserves and native trees but it is also located in our high fire risk area.

With the fire season fast approaching Council is preparing by cutting roadside verges, clearing and maintaining fire breaks and cutting reserves in the hills areas covering Lynton, Torrens Park, Mitcham, Brown Hill Creek, Leawood Gardens, Crafers West,

Upper Sturt, Belair, Glenalta, Hawthorndene, Coromandel Valley, Craigburn Farm, Blackwood, Bellevue Heights, Eden Hills, Panorama and Pasadena.

In preparing for the fire danger season Council staff and contractors have cut 281 kilometres of roadside verges, cleared over 75 hectares of fuel breaks and cut 80 hectares of reserves to create a strategic fire break to protect homes that back onto reserves.

Council's Award Winning Water Management Practices Win Grant Funding

The Adelaide and Mt Lofty Ranges Natural Resources Management Board recently awarded the City of Mitcham a Water Sustainability Grant of \$77,250.

The City of Mitcham's award winning smart water management work, which recently received a commendation for Excellence in Research and Innovation from Stormwater Australia, has received a grant to support this ongoing work.

The Adelaide and Mt Lofty Ranges Natural Resources Management Board grant will be used to support capital works including using permeable paving in several footpaths and a section of Price Memorial Oval's car park.

The grant will also be used to monitor the benefits of TREENET Inlets in Hawthorn, infiltration rates of soakage trenches on reserves, and to support the work of staff and students at Flinders University to investigate how stormwater soakage systems benefit our street trees.

Council, with the support of the community and collaborating organisations, will continue to install water management devices including TREENET Inlets and soakage trenches and support ongoing research to provide a greener environment for future generations.



Caren from the City of Mitcham receiving a commendation for Excellence in Research and Innovation from Stormwater Australia. [Photograph EventPix]

Introducing our Nature Playground at Goodale Reserve

Our latest new nature playground at Goodale Reserve, located in Goodale Avenue in Clarence Gardens is now complete and ready for play.

Move over me hearties! Residents can now leave the pirate ship and land on the beach with a large sandpit to play in, featuring a log water play, red gum sand sieve, bridge, balance logs, car mountain track and stepping logs. There is also a large new double swing and nest swing.

The reserve furniture has had a makeover including mushroom seats, a recycled red gum picnic set and a mini log picnic set.

Council has received reports of fairy sightings on the reserve. Can you find the fairy doors?

Goodale Reserve is located at Goodale Avenue in Clarence Gardens and off street parking is available on the eastern end of Neville Avenue and the southern end of Hessian Avenue.



Harvesting Stormwater with Rain Gardens

The City of Mitcham has recently completed six new rain gardens in Kent Street in Hawthorn which collect stormwater to help keep the street trees healthy.

Providing enough water for our trees in the changing climate is a challenge that Council is tackling through water sensitive urban design.

Permeable paving used in the new footpath in Ayr Avenue in Torrens Park and rain gardens and permeable paving built in Kent Street in Hawthorn are great examples of how Council is harvesting stormwater to keep our suburbs cool and green in summer.

Permeable paving also allows the soil surface to dry out after rain encouraging tree roots to grow deeper, resulting in fewer trip hazards and reduced maintenance and repair costs.

Council would like to acknowledge the funding support provided by the Adelaide and Mt Lofty Ranges Natural Resources Management Board, the Department for Environment and Water, and the Environment Protection Authority for the project in Kent Street, Hawthorn.

Right: Rain garden in Kent Street in Hawthorn.



Are you Bushfire Ready? Prepare. Act. Survive.

The Bushfire Season for the Mount Lofty Fire Ban District begins on 17 November 2018. Are you Bushfire Ready?

Bushfire prevention is a year round responsibility and a necessity. It is far more than a weekend cleanup just prior to the bushfire season.

The best time to fight a bushfire is when there is no bushfire around because the best way of protecting your home, property and family from the dangers of bushfires is preparation.

It is essential to prepare your home to withstand a bushfire. If you ignore the need for fuel reduction prior to and during the Fire Danger Season, you may endanger both your own property and the lives and property of your neighbours.

FOR INFORMATION AND ADVICE ON PROTECTING YOUR PROPERTY FROM BUSHFIRE, CALL THE MITCHAM BUSHFIRE PREVENTION OFFICER ON 8372 8133.



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BUSHFIRE READY

July
August
September
October

BUSHFIRE PREVENTION STARTS NOW

Prepare fire breaks.

Remove dead branches, fallen leaves and undergrowth.

Prune lower tree limbs.

Cut long grass within 20 metres of a residential dwelling while on slopes a fuel-reduced zone of 30 metres to 40 metres is recommended.

On properties over half a hectare, prepare and maintain a five metre fuel break around fence lines, buildings and equipment sheds.

Move bark, heavy mulch, woodpiles and other flammable materials away from the home and other buildings.

November

COUNCIL INSPECTION OF RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES

Hazard reduction notices sent to land owners.

Check all equipment.

Prepare and review Bushfire Emergency Plans.

FIRE DANGER SEASON BEGINS 17 NOVEMBER 2018

December
January
February
March
April

FIRE DANGER SEASON 17 NOVEMBER 2018 TO 30 APRIL 2019

Maintain fuel reduction practices throughout summer.

Check all equipment.

Monitor fire restrictions.

Keep flammable materials clear of buildings.

Rehearse your bushfire survival plan.

Remember permits are required to light fires during the Fire Danger Season.

May
June

REVIEW YOUR PLAN

Review annual clean up program.

Remove undergrowth and dead vegetation.

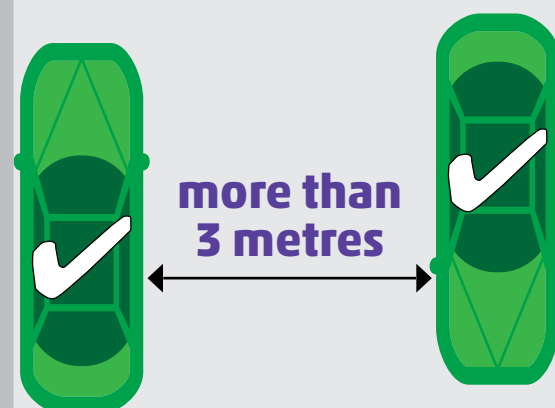
Think Before You Park in the Hills

Take care when you park your vehicle on a narrow road in the hills.

The parking of cars in many hills' streets may potentially create serious problems for the local CFS. If access to a fire track or a nearby fire is blocked by cars parked on the side of the road, lives and homes could be put at risk.

It is a legal requirement under the Australian Road Rules that a road clearance of at least three metres is provided alongside parked vehicles to enable other vehicles to pass.

So be aware when you park your vehicle on the road make sure that you allow at least three metres clearance. You may save a life!





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CALL THE BUSHFIRE
INFORMATION HOTLINE ON
1800 362 361



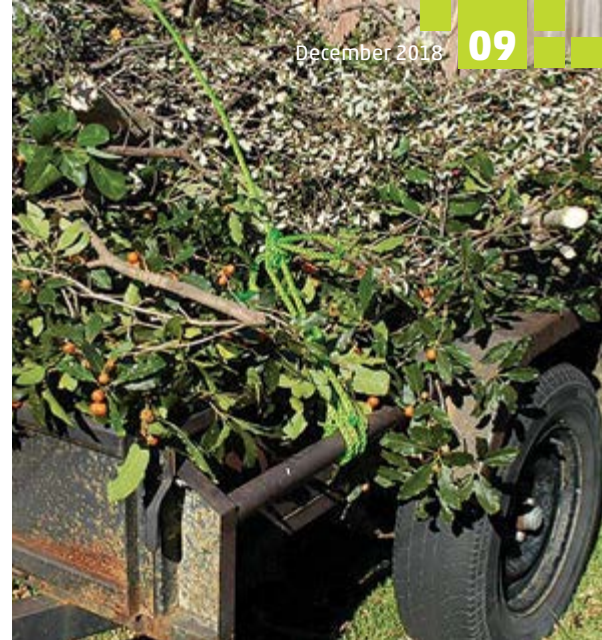
Are You Prepared for the Hot Weather?

If you live alone, have a disability or mental illness, are housebound, frail, aged, recovering from an illness or accident, or have an ongoing illness register for Telecross REdi and stay safe this summer.

Extreme heat events can be a particularly stressful for vulnerable, ill, or isolated people. Telecross REdi is a service provided by the Australian Red Cross that supports those who are registered by calling them daily during declared heatwaves, particularly those forecasted to last for three or more days.

Telecross REdi is provided free of charge and registrations can be made by calling 1800 188 071 or emailing telecrossredi@redcross.org.au.

When an extreme weather event is declared a volunteer from Telecross REdi will then check on how you are coping and help you manage your health in the heat. If the call is unanswered or someone is in distress, emergency procedures are followed to ensure your safety and wellbeing.



Free Green Waste Dumping

To assist Mitcham residents with the costs of depositing of green waste as part of clearing their properties of fire hazards to reduce fuel loads, Council will open the Lynton Green Waste Depot at Beagle Terrace, Lynton for FREE dumping of green waste from 9am to 3pm on:

NOVEMBER	MONDAY 26
DECEMBER	SATURDAY 1 AND 15
	MONDAY 10
JANUARY	SATURDAY 12
FEBRUARY	SATURDAY 2

This facility will be FREE with only green waste accepted – no rubbish and proof of residency will be required. No commercial businesses allowed.

Green waste material can consist of grass cuttings, leaf matter and prunings (branches no larger than 200mm (8 inches) in diameter).

Lynton Depot closed when weather forecast exceeds 37.5°C or extreme or catastrophic fire danger rating in Mt Lofty Ranges Fire District

The Lynton Green Organics Drop-off Facility will be closed from Sunday 16 December to Friday 4 January 2019. The facility will reopen on Saturday 5 January 2019.

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Mitcham Community Calendar

Caring Friends

Supports adults who have experienced a loss in a friendly environment over morning tea, activities and entertainment. Joins us at the Institute Hall, 53 West Parkway, Colonel Light Gardens at **10am every Friday**. Call 8179 5697. ■

The Probus Club of Blackwood

Join us each month on the **first Thursday** at **9.30am** at the rear hall of the Masonic Lodge on Main Road, Blackwood. Guest speakers and lots of fun and friendship. Call 8178 2653. ■

Mitcham Hills Combined Probus Club

Join us each month on the **fourth Monday** at **10.15am** at the Flagstaff Hill Golf Club. Guest speakers and lots of fun and friendship. Call 8278 6269. ■

Out of the Blue Suicide Prevention Network Inc

Join this group of volunteers to improve understanding of suicide and its prevention on the **second Monday** of each month from **7pm to 8.30pm** at the Blackwood Community Centre. Email ootbcommittee@gmail.com ■

Colonel Light Gardens Ladies Probus Club

Enjoy fellowship, guest speakers, outings and morning tea on the **first Friday** of the month at **10am** at the Colonel Light Gardens Uniting Church, 560 Goodwood Road, Daw Park. Call 0419 006 895. ■

Rotary Club of Mitcham

The Rotary Club of Mitcham meets **Wednesdays** at the Edinburgh Hotel at **6.30pm** for a meal, fellowship and guest speaker. Become involved in local and international projects. Call 0418 788 401 or email Mitcham.rotary@gmail.com ■

Mitcham Kiwanis

Help improve the community we live in by joining the Mitcham Kiwanis who meet twice a month on the **second and fourth Mondays** at the Marion Sports Centre, Sturt Road, Marion. Call 0418 168 884. ■

Blackwood Hills Baptist Church

Come along each **Sunday** at **10am** or **7pm** at 72 Coromandel Parade, Blackwood to enjoy the relaxed and friendly atmosphere at Blackwood Hills Baptist Church. There are people of all ages, great music and fun activities for the kids. Visit thevillage.org.au or call 8370 0333. ■

Village Church at Melrose Park

Every **Sunday** at **10.30am** at the Edwardstown Primary School. Join a new and growing family-friendly church. Visit thevillage.org.au or call 8370 0333. ■

Colonel Light Gardens Uniting Church Day Camp

A children's holiday program "God's fruit Salad" is open for Kindy to Grade 7 children, from **14 to 18 January 2019**. Cost \$110, kindy \$75. Call 8276 7416. ■

Heart Foundation Walking Group

If you enjoy walking join this free walking group each **Monday** and **Friday** at **9.15am** at The Meeting Place 42a Angas Road. Everyone welcome including prams and dogs on leads. Visit walking.heartfoundation.org.au or call 0431 937 563. ■

Mainly Music

Introduce children aged 0-5 years to music at **9.45am** on **Thursdays** during school term at St Michaels, Church Road, Mitcham. \$5. Call 0418 844 982. ■

Friday Craft at St Michael's Church

Classes are held during school terms each week from **10am to 11.30am** in the hall at St Michael's Church. \$5 per person, includes morning tea. ■

Thursday Craft

at Westbourne Park Uniting Church

Classes held during school terms at 27 Sussex Terrace, Hawthorn from **9.30am to 12noon** each week. \$5 per class, includes morning tea. Crèche available. Call 8271 7066 or find us on Facebook: www.facebook.com/thursdaycraft ■

Seniors in Harmony

Enjoy an uplifting Christmas concert on **Tuesday 4 December** at **1.30pm** with the Hills Choral Society. Held at the Mitcham Cultural Village, Princes Road, Mitcham performances are followed by a delicious afternoon tea. For group bookings email seniorsharmony@gmail.com ■

Social Dance

The Australian Traditional and Bush Dance Society of SA invites you to a social dance on **Saturday 5 January** from **7pm to 10pm** at the Mitcham Village Institute, Princes Road, Mitcham. Enjoy music by the Adelaide Empire Band. All dances are called, flat shoes recommended. No previous experience is needed and you don't need to bring a partner. \$15. For more information visit atbdsdancesa.com.au or call 0418 837 411. ■

Kids' Club and Community Meal

Primary school aged children at welcome to enjoy games, songs, stories and craft at **4.30pm to 6pm** at the Hawthorn Church of Christ on **24 November** with a family meal from **6.15pm**. To book call 0421 341 610. ■

City of Mitcham Carols at Kingswood Oval with Flight Centre South Australia

Celebrate Christmas on **Sunday 2 December** at the Kingswood Oval, Belair Road, Kingswood. **5pm to 8.30pm** community choirs, free face painting, camel and pony rides, Father Christmas and Community Carols. ■

Blackwood Pageant

Enjoy the fun of Christmas at the Blackwood Pageant on **Friday 7 December**. The pageant will start from the corner of Main Road and Gulfview Road, from **6.30pm** and travel along Main Road to Waite Street Reserve. After, enjoy the Pageant Fair on Waite Street Reserve where the Pageant floats finish their journey with a variety of stalls and entertainment from **7pm to 9pm**. ■

Christmas Eve Carols with Blackwood Hills Baptist Church

Celebrate Christmas on **Monday 24 December** at Hewett Oval, Coromandel Parade, Blackwood. At **6pm** enjoy free camel rides, nativity, sausage sizzle, bouncy castle and lots more. At **8pm** Carol singing, choir and a puppet show. ■

Messy Christmas at Westbourne Park Uniting Church

Celebrate Christmas on **Saturday 15 December** from **5pm to 7.30pm** at the Westbourne Park Uniting Church, 27 Sussex Terrace, Hawthorn. Call 8271 7066. ■

Gingerbread Houses

Create your own Gingerbread House at the Village Church in Melrose Park on **Sunday 2 December** at **2.30pm** or at the Blackwood Hills Baptist Church on **Monday 17 December** at **7pm**. Cost is \$26.35 to book visit eventbrite.com.au/d/australia--adelaide/gingerbread-house ■

Carols with the Village Church

Celebrate Christmas on **Saturday 15 December** at the Edwardstown Primary School Oval with entertainment and food from **6.30pm** and Carols from **8pm to 9.15pm**. Call 8370 3256. ■

Christmas Services

Colonel Light Gardens Uniting Church
Christmas Eve 7pm, Christmas Day 9am.

Westbourne Park Uniting Church
9 December 11am Lesson and Carols Luncheon,
Christmas Eve 6pm Nativity and Family Service,
11pm Candlelight Service,
Christmas Day 9am Christmas Day Service.

Blackwood Hills Baptist Church
Christmas Day 9.30am Christmas Day Service.

Village Church
Christmas Day 9.30am Christmas Day Service.

Hawthorn Church of Christ
16 December 10am Children's Christmas Service,
23 December 10am Christmas Sunday Service,
Christmas Day 9am Christmas Day Service



Don't miss our free landscape design workshop 'Spring into Design' at the Cumberland Park Community Centre on Saturday 19 January.

The 'Spring into Design' workshop, run by Footprint Ink, will help you understand how to design and create a beautiful and satisfying garden.

Presenter award winning landscape designer Pam Gurner-Hall will help you unlock the craft of designing your garden, share her knowledge of plants and the different ways to combine plants in your garden to help make your planting a pleasure.

Free Design Session

Date: Saturday 19 January

Time: 10am to 2pm

Location: Cumberland Park Community Centre, 390 Goodwood Road, Cumberland Park

Register your interest call 0499 942 669 or visit www.footprintink.com.au



Give a little. Change a lot

The City of Mitcham is seeking volunteers to support our community.

Whether it's small or large commitment of your time it's easy to share your skills and interests to give a little and change a lot!

Council has a number of programs supported by volunteers who share their own time, enthusiasm and skills in interesting and enjoyable activities. Our community benefits through volunteer participation. Every single volunteer makes an important contribution to our community.

There are many volunteering programs that currently have vacancies and if you are interested in volunteering then now is a great time to take the first step.

If you are interested in enriching the lives of people in our community, please visit www.mitchamcouncil.sa.gov.au/volunteeringopportunities or contact Lynne, Coordinator Volunteer Services on 8372 8860.

Volunteering positions are currently available in:

Personal Transport

Volunteer drivers transport (and in some circumstances accompany) residents to local shopping precincts, social activities, personal interest activities, medical, therapy and wellbeing appointments.

Community Bus Drivers and Helpers

Help provide bus transport for older people, younger people with a disability and their carers, offering regular trips to Shopping Centres, the Central Market, Day Trips and a Library Service.



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Christmas in Blackwood

Celebrate Christmas in Blackwood on the first weekend in December with the Christmas Pageant and Pageant Fair.

Blackwood Christmas Pageant

The Blackwood Christmas Pageant will entertain families with 70 floats and 1,200 participants on Friday 7 December at 6.30pm.

The pageant will start from the corner of Main Road and Gulfview Road from 6.30pm and travels along Main Road to Waite Street Reserve. Come along with chairs and rugs to join in the fun and see Santa make his arrival in Blackwood.

This year there will be more road closures in place so please plan your parking in advance. The speed limited along Main Road reduces to 25 km/h from 4.30pm, then closes at 5.30pm. SA Police may close the roads earlier.

Pageant Fair

After, enjoy the Pageant Fair on Waite Street Reserve hosted by the Coromandel Rotary Club, where the Pageant floats finish their journey with a variety of stalls and entertainment from 7pm to 9pm.

Carols Christmas Eve

Celebrate Christmas with the Blackwood Hills Baptist Church on Christmas Eve Monday 24 December at Hewett Oval, Coromandel Parade, Blackwood. Enjoy free Camel rides, Live Nativity, Sausage Sizzle, Bouncy Castle and lots more from 6pm to 8pm. Carol singing, choir and featuring a Puppet Show especially for the children begins at 8pm. Be early! Bring a Rug!



Rotary Club of Brownhill Creek Making a Difference to Pregnant Women

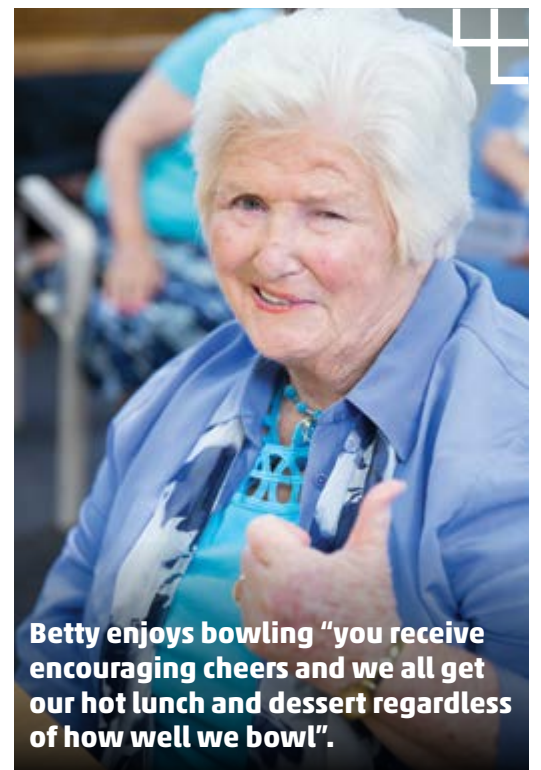
200 birthing kits have recently been sent to Africa where giving birth is a life threatening experience.

The Rotary Club of Brownhill Creek assembled and packed 200 birthing kits which will help provide a clean and safer birthing environment for women. Each kit includes a plastic sheet, two gloves, five pieces of gauze, three short pieces of string, and a sterile disposable scalpel blade and a small

portion of soap encased in small snap sealed package.

The birthing kits program, originally established by ZONTA, is now managed by Birthing Kits Foundation Australia.

For more information contact the President of the Rotary Club of Brownhill Creek Antoinette Lindquist on 0414 763 418 or visit www.bkfa.org.au



Betty enjoys bowling "you receive encouraging cheers and we all get our hot lunch and dessert regardless of how well we bowl".

Care and Share at Trinity

Are you over 65, live alone and feel isolated? Care and Share at Trinity provide a social activity for residents living in the southern and eastern metropolitan area.

Enjoy friendship and fun activities including bingo, craft, board and memory games, cards, iPad and indoor bowls. Morning tea and a two course home-style hot lunch is provided each day.

For more information contact Janine on 8276 1144.

Do you know the difference between Degradable, Biodegradable and Compostable Bags?



It is important that you only use compostable bags in your green organics bin!

Degradable

Degradable bags are made from a chemically designed plastic which breaks down and disintegrates over time when exposed to sunlight and heat. Degradable bags are bad for our environment as they break down into hundreds of tiny pieces. It is much more difficult to remove hundreds of tiny pieces of plastic from the environment and often animals eat the smaller pieces of plastic.

Which Bin? Degradable bags should only be placed into your blue lid bin.

Biodegradable

Biodegradable are also plastic bags that have microorganisms added to break down the plastic into lots of tiny pieces. They are not compostable and will contaminate your green lidded food and garden organics bin. Dog poo bags are a common form of biodegradable bag. They often state 'degradable' and claim to be 'eco friendly' but this is not true unless they are compostable.

Which bin? Biodegradable bags should only be placed into your blue lid bin.

Compostable

Compostable bags are made of natural plant starch and do not produce any toxic material. Compostable bags break down in a composting system through microbial activity to form compost. In order to be classified as compostable they must meet the Australian Standard for compostability AS4736 and will have this symbol.

Which bin? Compostable bags such as those used in your kitchen caddy for collection of food scraps can be placed into your green food and garden organics (FOGO) bin.

New Compostable Dog Poo Bags

To improve how we manage our four legged friend's waste we are trialling compostable dog poo bags. These compostable bags do not contain any plastic. They are made of cornstarch and can be turned into compost along with the dog poo.

Which bin? Compostable dog poo bags can be placed into your green food and garden organics (FOGO) bin.

The bags are available at:

- Hawthorndene Oval, Hawthorndene
- Brownhill Creek Road, Brownhill Creek
- Mortlock Park, Colonel Light Gardens



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To find out more, or to book a tour call us today and let's talk about how we can make you feel right at home.



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Kitchen Caddies and Compostable Bags are now available at the Blackwood Library

You can help reduce waste by turning your food scraps into compost by placing them in your green food and garden organics (FOGO) bin.

All food scraps, (including meat and seafood) paper towel, hair and even pet waste can be placed into your green food and organics bin along with your lawn cuttings and garden prunings.

Kitchen caddies and compostable bags are now available for purchase at the Blackwood Library and also from the City of Mitcham Civic Centre for:

- Kitchen caddy and roll of 52 compostable bags - \$12
- Roll of 52 Compostable bags - \$5
- Roll of 100 Compostable Bags - \$9

Alternatively, you can also wrap your food scraps in newspaper or place them loose into your green food and garden organics (FOGO) bin.

For further information please contact the Waste Management Officer on 8372 8888 or visit www.mitchamcouncil.sa.gov.au

School Holidays at Mitcham's Community Centres

Christmassy Art on Canvas

Create your own Christmassy Art on Canvas with paint, papers, collage and glitter. \$35 all art materials and artist canvas included.

Where: Cumberland Park Community Centre

When: 17 December

Time: 10am to 11.30am children Aged 3-6 years
12pm to 1.30pm children Aged 5-12 years

Cost: \$35

RSVP: 0408 769 667 or studios@littlepicassos.com.au



Scouts SA – Mini gardens

Create your own magical world in a mini garden, your imagination is the limit! Let's plan, paint and plant to make your garden come alive.

Where: Cumberland Park Community Centre

When: 19 December

Time: 9am to 5pm (full day)

Cost: \$30. Lunch included

RSVP: www.trybooking.com/434841 or call 8130 6000



Christmassy Art on Canvas

Create your own Christmassy Art on Canvas with paint, papers, collage and glitter. \$35 all art materials and artist canvas included.

Where: Blackwood Community Centre

When: 20 December

Time: 10am to 11.30am children Aged 3-6 years
12pm to 1.30pm children Aged 5-12 years

Cost: \$35

RSVP: 0408 769 667 or studios@littlepicassos.com.au



Scouts SA – Wet 'n' Wild

A day full of water fun! Come and enjoy water games, water based challenges and getting soaked! We will be getting wet so don't forget a towel!

Where: Cumberland Park Community Centre

When: 20 December

Time: 9am to 5pm (full day)

Cost: \$30. Lunch included

RSVP: www.trybooking.com/434841 or call 8130 6000

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Blackwood Community Centre
4 Young Street
Blackwood

Cumberland Park Community Centre
388-390 Goodwood Road
Cumberland Park

Hawthorn Community Centre
5 Frimley Grove
Hawthorn

Mitcham Community Centre
242 Belair Road
Lower Mitcham



Scouts SA – Christmas fun

Christmas is fast approaching, join us for some fabulous themed games, cooking and craft. Enjoy festive activities and come dressed to impress for our Christmas lunch!

Where: Cumberland Park Community Centre

When: 21 December

Time: 9am to 5pm (full day)

Cost: \$30. Lunch included

RSVP: www.trybooking.com/434841 or call 8130 6000

School Holiday Fun



Free Skateboard Workshops

Boys and girls aged 6-14 years are encouraged to join accredited skateboard coaching staff for a free session that will help build self-confidence through skateboarding.

Please bring along your own helmet, however pads and a limited number of loan skateboards will be available. Places are limited to 12 per session, so ensure you book your place for one of the following sessions:

Date: Monday 17 December

Time: 9am to 10am

Where: Avenue Road Reserve Skate Park, Cumberland Park

Date: Tuesday 18 December

Time: 9am to 10am

Where: Karinya Reserve Skate Park, Eden Hills

Date: Wednesday 19 December

Time: 9am to 10am

Where: Avenue Road Reserve Skate Park, Cumberland Park

Date: Thursday 20 December

Time: 9am to 10am

Where: Karinya Reserve Skate Park, Eden Hills

To book your place visit sk8therapy.com/events or email michael@sk8therapy.com or phone 0416 588 628.



Mountain Bike Adventures

Learn new riding skills and put them to use while hunting for clues and geocaches around Craigburn Farm trails in the Sturt Gorge Recreation Park.

Kids aged 10-14 years who can ride a bike are invited to learn the basic skills of mountain biking – covering body position and moving on the bike, braking technique, gear selection as well as other handy tips.

Bike and helmet hire is included, however you are welcome to bring your own. Please make sure bikes are appropriate and in good working order. Helmets must comply with Australian Standard AS/NZS 2063:2008. An open-face helmet is recommended for this program however, full-faced helmets are also acceptable.

Places are limited to eight per session on:

Date: Tuesday 18 December

Time: 9am to 1pm

Where: Craigburn Road, Craigburn Farm – Western side of the Blackwood Football Club car park

Date: Friday 21 December

Time: 9am to 1pm

Where: Craigburn Road, Craigburn Farm – Western side of the Blackwood Football Club car park

The cost is \$85; however City of Mitcham residents will receive a 50% discount by entering the code Mitcham50 when booking online at headforthehills.net.au/school-programs/school-holiday-mountain-bike-adventures

For further information please email info@headforthehills.net.au or phone 0402 697 398.



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Australia Day

Citizen of the Year Awards
Citizenship Ceremony
Kids Activities
Free BBQ and Pancakes
Musical Entertainment

Free Event

Saturday 26 January 2019
9am to 11am at Carrick Hill

Australia Day 2019

Join us for Australia Day on Saturday 26 January 2019 at Carrick Hill, Carrick Hill Drive, Springfield.

Come along to the beautiful grounds of Carrick Hill for our Australia Day event with a free 'Aussie BBQ' from 10.30am. Enjoy musical entertainment plus free face painting and other activities for the kids.

As part of the Australia Day event join us to celebrate the amazing members of the City of Mitcham as we honor them for their contribution to our community by acknowledging them with the City of Mitcham Citizen of the Year Awards.

Following this presentation, we will welcome our newest citizens by sharing in their final steps during our Citizenship Ceremony.

For more information about Council's Australia Day celebrations please contact 8372 8888 or email mitchamevents@mitchamcouncil.sa.gov.au



1st Centennial Park Sea Scouts Celebrates 75 Years

In October the 1st Centennial Park Sea Scout Group celebrated 75 years of sea scouting.

On a Sunday in October past and current members enjoyed an afternoon celebrating the rich history of the group. Guests re-lived memories of their past sea scouting experiences enjoying old photographs, displays of sea scouting equipment including the sailing boats as well as traditional scouting games.

The 1st Centennial Park Sea Scout Group first began in 1942 and was known as 2nd Goodwood Sea Scout Group meeting in Goodwood, when the group moved in 1950 to Westbourne Park the group was renamed the 1st Westbourne Sea Scout Group. In 1967 the group, needing more space for

the expanding membership, purchased land in Centennial Park, now Pasadena and constructed a purpose built scout hall providing a large hall, foyer, kitchen, toilets, equipment store, office and boat shed.

The 1st Centennial Park Sea Scout Group continues to provide programs packed with fun, action and outdoor adventure for youth aged between 6 and 25 from their scout hall at 47 Adelaide Terrace, Pasadena.

Sea Scouts are just like any other scout group, except they also enjoy activities in and around the water, such as canoeing, kayaking, sailing,

rafting, paddleboarding and power boating. They also do all the other adventurous scout activities such as hiking, camping, bushcraft, cooking and rock-climbing.

The 1st Centennial Park Sea Scouts will give your child the support they need in order to shape them into leaders of the future, and to give them the opportunities to test their skills and see just how far they can go.

Discover the opportunities for your child to get in involved in Joeys 5 to 7 years, Cubs 8 to 10 years, Scouts 11 to 14 years, Venturers 15 to 17 years and Rovers 18 to 25 years.

For more information call 1800 726 887 or visit www.sa.scouts.com.au or contact the Group Leader Andrew Lamond on 0418 844 465.