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# EVENTS

## COMMUNITY SAFETY EXPO



Learn how to be safer in the community and at home by coming along to the Community Safety Expo.

Find out how to perform life-saving acts like CPR and hear from dedicated local emergency services staff and volunteers, including NSW Ambulance, NSW Police Force and Fire and Rescue NSW.

The day will also include kids' activities, giveaways and the chance to hop into an emergency vehicle.

**When:** Saturday 8 October

**Time:** 9am–5pm

**Where:** Centre Court, Bankstown Central Shopping Centre



## WHITE RIBBON TUG O' WAR CUP

Bragging rights are up for grabs again in the annual White Ribbon Tug O' War Cup on Friday 25 November.

Last year, more than 200 local business, community and emergency services representatives battled it out to send the message that violence against women is unacceptable.

Put your weight behind the cause this year by getting a team of five together and signing up at [www.bankstown.nsw.gov.au/whiteribbonday](http://www.bankstown.nsw.gov.au/whiteribbonday) by Wednesday 16 November.

**When:** Friday 25 November

**Time:** 12.30–2.30pm

**Where:** John Mackay Indoor Sports Centre,  
Chapel Road South, Bankstown

**More info:** 9707 9471

## COMPLETE YOUR CITIZENSHIP STORY

More than 1,000 local residents have taken the step to become Australian citizens at Council's monthly Citizenship Ceremonies over the past 12 months. New citizens, like Ruba Alkhouri (right), come from across the globe including Bangladesh, Italy, Korea, Pakistan, Syria and Vietnam.

**If you are a local resident wanting to become an Australian citizen, apply online at [www.border.gov.au](http://www.border.gov.au)**







**COMING  
SOON!**

## WORLD VILLAGE FESTIVAL

A new festival is hitting the City streets. Join in the fun at the inaugural World Village Festival on Saturday 5 November to celebrate our community's cultural diversity through food and entertainment from around the world.



## STUCK FOR SCHOOL HOLIDAY IDEAS?

Council's school holiday activities offer the perfect opportunity to get out of routine and try something new.

This Spring, children can learn the fundamentals of self-defence, cake decorating, make-up, cooking, and wood or metal work. Young people looking to do something community-minded will have the opportunity to volunteer for Meals on Wheels, or participate in a youth leadership camp at Point Wolstoncroft from 28-30 September.

**To find out more about these activities, visit [www.bankstown.nsw.gov.au/youth](http://www.bankstown.nsw.gov.au/youth) or call 9707 9605.**

## BANKSTOWN BITES

More than 10,000 visitors taste tested everything from sizzling shish kebabs to South African bunny chow at the annual Bankstown Bites Food Festival. Thanks to sponsors Bankstown RSL, The Torch, Little Saigon Plaza, Rams home loans Revesby, Greater Sydney Commission and Census.



## CHARITY DINNER RAISES \$235,000

Researchers are one step closer to starting trials in Australia to discover what causes Angelman Syndrome (AS), thanks to the generosity of the local Canterbury-Bankstown business community.

More than \$235,000 was raised at Council's annual Charity Dinner, with all proceeds going to the Foundation for Angelman Syndrome Therapeutics Australia (FAST).

Special thanks to event supporters Bankstown Sports Club, Chanine Developments, Top Place Constructions, Canterbury League Club, Dildam, Merhis, Master Civil, JSN Hanna, Little Saigon and Noble Toyota.



*Charity Dinner raffle winners, Mary and Henry Dabit, with their new car.*

# COUNCIL PROJECTS

## LOCALS LIKE GREENACRE LITTER FREE



Greenacre is one of the most vibrant places in our City, and now its community is coming together to help keep it litter-free.

A number of Greenacre business and community leaders have signed up to become champions of Council's new education campaign, 'Locals Like Greenacre Litter Free'. The campaign is aimed at attacking Greenacre's litter problem and uniting the community to take pride in their suburb. Some of the changes that are being introduced include:

- Installation of 12 new bins in Waterloo Road featuring posters of the local champions;
- Dedicated cleaning staff who pick-up litter up to 3 times a day; and
- Continuation of regular street cleaning with Waterloo Road swept twice a day.

Over the past 12 months, Council Officers spent more time cleaning up Greenacre than any other suburb in the City. The most littered items were cigarette butts (33%), paper wrappers/serviettes (24%) and drink containers (11%).

## GREENACRE TOWN CENTRE UPGRADES

Work is underway on a \$607,400 upgrade of Greenacre Town Centre, expected to be completed in September. The improvements will take place along Waterloo Road, from Macquarie Street to the Citizens' Centre car park and include:

- Replacement of the existing kerb and gutter;
- Construction of a new footpath;
- Construction of a rain garden and garden beds; and
- Installation of street furniture.

This project follows the recent completion of similar work at Panania (Stage 2, \$1.64 million), Chester Hill (\$2 million), Mount Lewis (\$240,000) and Padstow (\$260,000).

## \$22 MILLION INVESTED IN FOOTPATHS & ROADS

Council is improving pedestrian access and safety by investing \$3 million in the construction of 71 new footpaths.

A further \$19 million is also being invested in 92 road projects.

**All these projects are expected to be completed by 30 June 2017. A list of the projects can be found at [www.bankstown.nsw.gov.au/news](http://www.bankstown.nsw.gov.au/news)**







## NEW COMMUNITY CENTRE COMING TO YAGOONA

Local community groups and residents in the City's north-west will soon be able to enjoy the benefits of a new multi-purpose community centre. The \$2 million facility is expected to transform the Yagoona Town Centre precinct and will consist of:

- A large function room with a maximum capacity of 120 people;
- Two community meeting rooms that can accommodate up to 40 people each;
- Kitchen facilities;
- Foyer and gallery space;
- Office space for Sydney South Area Health Service (SSAHS); and
- Car parking spaces, including disabled parking, and a designated mini-bus drop-off area.

Work is expected to start later this year and be completed mid next year.



*Year 11 students from Bankstown Girls High School help Caroline Chisholm Special School students make tile art for the new playground.*

## LIVVI'S PLACE COMING TO LIFE

Thanks to the creative minds of students at Caroline Chisholm Special School, Bankstown Public School, and Bankstown Girls High School, the design of a new all-abilities inclusive playground at Bankstown City Gardens is one step closer.

The new playground is a joint project between Council and the Touched By Olivia Foundation which aims to provide a fun place for children with a disability to enjoy. Construction is already well underway, with accessible toilet facilities recently completed.

## UPCOMING PROJECTS



### Lake Gillawarna Playground Improvement

Start: September  
Finish: October  
Investment: \$100,000



### Kelso North turf wicket upgrade

Start: October  
Finish: November  
Investment: \$170,000



### Marion Street drainage upgrade (STAGE 4)

Start: October  
Finish: December  
Investment: \$267,000



### Virginus Reserve (dog off-leash area)

Start: November  
Finish: December  
Investment: \$10,000



### Vale of Ah Reserve lighting

Start: November  
Finish: February  
Investment: \$250,000

# COMMUNITY

## FOCUS ON STRENGTHENING COMMUNITIES

Residents will be the big winners with Council set to invest \$10 million in community-focused projects under the NSW Government's Stronger Communities Fund (SCF) programs.

\$10 million has been allocated to the City of Canterbury Bankstown under the SCF. That sum must be allocated through two programs, being:

- Community Grants Program – An allocation of up to \$1 million in Grants for individual projects up to \$50,000, targeted at incorporated not-for-profit community groups for projects that build more vibrant, sustainable and inclusive local communities; and
- Major Projects Program – \$9 million allocated to large scale priority infrastructure and services projects that deliver long-term economic and social benefits to communities.

**For more details, go to [www.bankstown.nsw.gov.au/news](http://www.bankstown.nsw.gov.au/news)**

## BIG HEART APPEAL

Show how big your heart is this September when the Heart Foundation's annual Big Heart Doorknock Appeal takes place across the country.

Around 16,500 NSW volunteers will be collecting donations to help raise vital funds for heart research and education programs.

**Please give generously to support this lifesaving work and everyday Australians affected by heart disease.**



**Rainbow  
Lorikeets**



**Sulphur-crested  
Cockatoos**



**Noisy  
Miners**

## BANKSTOWN'S MOST COMMONLY SIGHTED BIRDS

Make every bird count by heading out to your favourite green patch and take part in BirdLife Australia's Aussie Backyard Bird Count from 17–23 October.

Last year, more than 42,000 people throughout Australia joined the count, including a number of local residents who recorded sighting almost 3,000 birds across 68 species.

**To participate, or find out more, go to [www.aussiebirdcount.org.au](http://www.aussiebirdcount.org.au)**



## LOCAL SAFETY FORUM – BANKSTOWN AND BASS HILL

Council has joined forces with local police to hold quarterly safety forums across the City. The forums give residents an opportunity to discuss current crime trends and safety issues, with feedback contributing to the development of new safety programs.

The next forum will be held at the Bankstown Library and Knowledge Centre on Monday 19 September (6–8.30pm) for people living in the Bankstown and Bass Hill wards (see map on back page).

**To register your interest in attending, call 9707 9794 before Thursday 14 September. For more information, visit [www.bankstown.nsw.gov.au/localsafetyforums](http://www.bankstown.nsw.gov.au/localsafetyforums)**



## TEE OFF AT TWILIGHT



Get an edge over your golf buddies and book into Twilight Golf. Sefton Golf Course allows you to play unlimited holes from 3pm to sunset for just \$12.50 per person.

The unique Par 3 course provides a great challenge to test your short game and is the perfect place to practice ahead of a weekend competition.

**To book, or to find out more, call the Pro Shop on 9743 9436.**

## STRUGGLING WITH AN INJURY?

Regain your physical wellbeing and treat your injury with the help of AquaPhys. The team of highly skilled physiotherapists and exercise physiologists is based at the Max Parker Leisure & Aquatic Centre at Revesby, and specialises in personalised therapeutic exercise programs specific to your injury.

**To find out more, or make an appointment, call 9774 3555.**

## TEACH YOUR KIDS TO SWIM

Give yourself peace of mind knowing your children are safe in the water before Summer arrives by enrolling them in Council's Learn to Swim program.

Lessons are run by qualified and experienced instructors, and cater for all ages and abilities. The program is also registered with AustSwim and Swim Australia.

Lessons are held in indoor heated pools and start from \$16.50 with family discounts available. Private lessons are also available on request.

**To enrol or find out more, go to [www.leisure.bankstown.nsw.gov.au](http://www.leisure.bankstown.nsw.gov.au)**



### DID YOU KNOW?

More than 14,000 local youngsters have enrolled in Council's Learn to Swim program over the past year.



## COMMONWEALTH GAMES STAR COMES TO CANTERBURY BANKSTOWN

Gary Lord, Commonwealth Games 200 metre freestyle relay gold medallist, is now passing on his knowledge and experience to up-and-coming swimmers in the City of Canterbury Bankstown.

Gary (right) is coordinating operations at the Greenacre and Max Parker Leisure and Aquatic Centres. He can also be found assisting swim squad coach, national swimmer Alex Clarke (left).

If your child is interested in taking their swimming to the next level, call your nearest Leisure and Aquatic Centre (see phone numbers below).

# GET ACTIVE

Have you joined the Active Canterbury-Bankstown Club yet? Membership is free and there's something for everyone, no matter what age or fitness level.

Check out what Active Canterbury-Bankstown has in store for September, October and November. Register online today at [www.bankstown.nsw.gov.au/activebankstown](http://www.bankstown.nsw.gov.au/activebankstown) to become an Active Canterbury-Bankstown Club member.



## COME & TRY LITTLE ATHLETICS

**Club:** Bankstown Sports Little Athletics Club  
**Ages:** 6–17 years  
**Cost:** \$10 per child for a two-week trial period  
**When:** Saturday mornings in September & October  
**Time:** 8am–Noon  
**Where:** Crest Athletics Stadium, McLean St, Bass Hill  
**Registration:** [registrar@bslac.com](mailto:registrar@bslac.com)  
**Website:** [www.bslac.com](http://www.bslac.com)

## TOUCH FOOTBALL HOLIDAY CLINIC

**Club:** Bankstown Jets Touch Football Club  
**Ages:** 5–16 years  
**Cost:** FREE  
**When:** Monday 26 September  
**Time:** 3–5pm  
**Where:** Gordon Parker Reserve, Auld Ave, Milperra  
**Registration:** [bankstownjetstouch@gmail.com](mailto:bankstownjetstouch@gmail.com) or Kylie on 0414 658 479  
**Website:** [www.bankstownjetstouch.com.au](http://www.bankstownjetstouch.com.au)

## COME & TRY HOCKEY

**Club:** Bankstown Sports Hockey Club  
**Ages:** 7–70 years  
**Cost:** FREE  
**When:** Every Friday in November  
**Time:** 6–8pm  
**Where:** Crest Hockey Fields, Mount Street, Georges Hall  
**Contact:** Graeme on 0403 770 624  
**Website:** [www.bankstownhockey.org.au](http://www.bankstownhockey.org.au)

## FREE INTRODUCTORY TAI CHI CLASS

**Club:** Tai Chi Fitness Australia  
**Location:** Bankstown Trotting Club, 178–182 Eldridge Rd, Condell Park  
**Age:** 18+  
**When:** Every Monday  
**Time:** 10am–Noon  
**Register:** 9686 2282 or [info@taichi365.com.au](mailto:info@taichi365.com.au)  
**Website:** [www.taichi365.com.au](http://www.taichi365.com.au)

## TENNIS HOLIDAY CLINICS

**Club:** Canterbury-Bankstown Tennis Association  
**Ages:** 3+  
**When:** School Holidays

**Where:** Panania Tennis Centre, Marco Ave, Panania & Coleman Park Tennis Centre, Henry Lawson Drive, Georges Hall  
**Contact:** Panania – 0413 656 085 or Coleman Park – 0426 213 040  
**Website:** [www.cbta.com.au](http://www.cbta.com.au)

## NURSERY TOTS BASEBALL

**Club:** East Hills Baseball Club  
**Ages:** 5 years and under  
**Cost:** Minimal fee  
**When:** Starts Friday 14 October, running for 8 weeks  
**Time:** 6–7pm  
**Where:** Kelso North Baseball, Henry Lawson Drive, East Hills  
**Contact:** Jill on 0418 668 919 or [pcarcher@optusnet.com.au](mailto:pcarcher@optusnet.com.au)  
**Website:** [www.easthills.baseball.com.au](http://www.easthills.baseball.com.au)

## 5 A SIDE FUTSAL COMPETITION

**Club:** Bankstown Community Football Club  
**Ages:** Kids – Under 8s, 12s and 14s, Adults – all ages  
**Cost:** Juniors – \$760 per team, Men's/Women's – \$900  
**When:** Kick-off Monday 12 September, running for 12 weeks  
**Time:** 6–10pm  
**Where:** Amour Park, Illuka St, Revesby  
**Contact:** [enquiries@bankstowncommunityfootball.com.au](mailto:enquiries@bankstowncommunityfootball.com.au) or 0431 297 030  
**Website:** [www.bankstowncommunityfootball.com.au](http://www.bankstowncommunityfootball.com.au)

## LEISURE AND AQUATIC CENTRES

### Wran Leisure and Aquatic Centre

Monday–Friday 8am–7pm, Saturday 8am–5pm, closed Sunday/Public Holidays.

### Greenacre Leisure and Aquatic Centre

Monday–Friday 9am–7pm, Saturday and Sunday 9am–6pm, Public Holidays 10am–5pm (closed Christmas Day).

### Birrong Leisure and Aquatic Centre

Monday–Friday 5am–7pm, Saturday and Sunday 6am–5pm, Public Holidays 10am–5pm (closed Good Friday, Anzac Day, Queens Birthday and Christmas Day).

### Max Parker Leisure and Aquatic Centre

Monday–Friday 5am–7pm, Saturday and Sunday 6am–5pm, Public Holidays 10am–5pm (closed Good Friday, Anzac Day, Queens Birthday and Christmas Day).



## EVENTS

### COMMUNITY SAFETY EXPO

**Who:** Anyone  
**When:** 8 October  
**Where:** Centre Court, Bankstown Central Shopping Centre  
**Time:** 9am–5pm  
**Cost:** Free

### WORLD VILLAGE FESTIVAL

**Who:** Anyone  
**When:** 5 November  
**Where:** Paul Keating Park

### WHITE RIBBON TUG O' WAR CUP

**Who:** Teams of five  
**When:** 25 November  
**Where:** John Mackay Indoor Sports Centre, Chapel Road South, Bankstown  
**Time:** 12.30–2.30pm  
**Contact:** 9707 9471

## LEISURE

### TWILIGHT GOLF

**Who:** Anyone  
**Where:** Sefton Golf Course  
**Time:** 1pm to Sunset (September) and 3pm to Sunset (October onwards)  
**Contact:** 9743 9436

## LIBRARIES

### ADULTS CRAFT CLASS

**Who:** Anyone  
**When:** Every Thursday 11am–1pm  
**Where:** Panania Library and Knowledge Centre  
**Contact:** 9707 9737

### KIDS LEGOTASTIC CLUB

**Who:** Children 8–14 years  
**When:** Every Monday 4–5.30pm  
**Where:** Greenacre Library and Knowledge Centre  
**Contact:** 9707 9744

### TECH WISE BUDDIES

**Who:** People looking to learn more about computers and smartphones  
**When:** Every Saturday 9.30–11am  
**Where:** Chester Hill Library and Knowledge Centre  
**Contact:** 9707 9740

### SCHOOL HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS

**Who:** Children 5–17 years  
**When:** See page 13  
**Where:** All Council libraries  
**Cost:** \$4

## YOUTH

### LEADERSHIP CAMP

**When:** 28–30 September  
**Where:** Point Wolstoncroft  
**Contact:** 9707 9605

### 2016 YOUTH AWARDS

**Who:** Young people 12–18 years  
**When:** Nominations close 30 October  
**Contact:** 9707 9605

## ARTS CENTRE

### 'IMAGINE' EXHIBITION

**Who:** Anyone  
**When:** Ends 9 September

### THE VEGETABLE PLOT CONCERT

**Who:** Families with young children  
**When:** Tuesday 4 October  
**Contact:** 9707 5400

### NIGHT SKY (PERFORMANCE)

**Who:** Anyone  
**When:** 24–26 November  
**Contact:** 9707 5400



# SUSTAINABILITY

## NATIONAL RECYCLING WEEK



Make sure you're all sorted during National Recycling Week (7–13 November) with these tips:

1. **Don't bin your bags** – plastic bags should go in your red bin only. Bags get tangled around machinery and can cause costly breakdowns or even fires at the processing plant;
2. **Quick rinse then recycle** – it's easier to recycle containers that are empty and free of food pieces. It will also minimise any odour in your bin;
3. **You CAN recycle your cans** – all empty steel, aluminium and aerosol cans should go in your yellow bin;
4. **Think outside the bin** – visit [www.recyclingnearyou.com.au](http://www.recyclingnearyou.com.au) for local ways to recycle other common household items like reading glasses, x-rays, batteries and light globes.

**Recycle Right because it's the right thing to do.**

## PUT A FREEZE ON YOUR ENERGY BILL

Did you know running a second fridge adds around \$300 to your power bill? If you have an old fridge or freezer sitting around your home, consider trading it in with Fridge Buyback. Fridge Buyback's removalists will collect, degas and recycle your old fridge or freezer for free, as long as the removal doesn't involve going up or down more than six stairs. You may also be eligible to receive a \$25 rebate!

Getting rid of that spare fridge will not only save money on your power bill, but save the environment from one tonne of carbon pollution each year.

**To find out more, or to book a collection, go to [www.fridgebuyback.com.au](http://www.fridgebuyback.com.au)**

## HOLLOWS AS HOMES

Many animals rely on tree hollows for shelter and nests, but in urban areas like ours, tree hollows are in short supply.

To find out how many tree hollows are used by wildlife across Sydney, a new community research project, Hollows as Homes, is calling on your help.

Participation is easy! Simply check the trees in your backyard, street, park or local bushland, and report the number of hollows on your computer, phone or tablet. Your assistance will help Council in its plans to keep important habitat trees or plant more.

**For more information, visit [www.hollowsashomes.com](http://www.hollowsashomes.com)**



## MAP YOUR FOX SIGHTING

Have you seen a fox in your local area? Record your fox sighting on the FoxScan website and help prevent the damage caused by foxes.

Using your information, Council can continue to protect threatened native species and make better decisions about fox control.

**To map your sighting, go to [www.foxscan.org.au](http://www.foxscan.org.au) or download the FoxScan mobile app.**

### DID YOU KNOW?

Bankstown is home to more than 230 native bird species.



## BUSINESS EVENTS

### Food Handling Training

Tuesday 13 September & 15 November (Arabic) (4.30–7pm)

Bookings: 9707 9227

### Tendering Workshops

Wednesday 14 September & 16 November (4–6pm)

Bookings: 9707 9227

### Resume Writing & Interview Skills

Thursday 15 September & 17 November (10am–4pm)

Bookings: 9707 9227

### Manufacturing Industry Forum

Thursday 15 September (7.30–9.30am)

Bookings: 9707 9227

### Start a Business Workshop

Tuesday 20 September (9.45am–3.45pm)

Bookings: 9545 5900

### Networking Breakfast

Wednesday 12 October (7.30–9am)

Bookings: 9707 9227

### Get Connected @ South-West Sydney Expo

Wednesday 12 October (9am–2.30pm)

**For more information on courses and workshops, call 9707 9227 or visit [www.bankstownbusiness.com.au](http://www.bankstownbusiness.com.au)**

#### DID YOU KNOW?

More than 75 local businesses are signed up to Council's Scores on Doors program.



## B2B EXPO

Don't miss the chance to develop new sales leads at the Get Connected @ South-West Sydney Business Expo. This is an initiative of the Canterbury Bankstown Business Advisory Service and is designed to provide a one-stop-shop for business support and assistance.

Last year's event attracted more than 2,000 business representatives, providing them the opportunity to speak with local customers, suppliers and business advisors, as well as attend free seminars.

The event will be at the Bankstown Library and Knowledge Centre on Wednesday 12 October.

**To find out more, go to [www.bankstownbusiness.com.au/getconnected](http://www.bankstownbusiness.com.au/getconnected)**

## BANKSTOWN LOCAL BUSINESS AWARDS

A number of outstanding local companies have been recognised at the Bankstown Local Business Awards.

**For a full list of winners, visit [www.thebusinessawards.com.au](http://www.thebusinessawards.com.au)**

# LIBRARY

## STRUGGLING TO MAKE SENSE OF TECHNOLOGY?



Chester Hill Library and Knowledge Centre is now holding the Tech Wise Buddies Program on weekends. Classes will take place every Saturday between 9.30-11.30am. Participants are encouraged to bring their own phone, tablet or smartphone, or can opt to use one of the library's public computers.

**For more information, email**  
**[libraries@bankstown.nsw.gov.au](mailto:libraries@bankstown.nsw.gov.au)**



## ADULTS CRAFT CLASS

Panania Library and Knowledge Centre is holding weekly adult craft classes every Thursday between 11am-1pm. They include jewellery making, scrapbooking, candle and card making and more.

**Each month the group takes on a different project. All supplies are brought by members or can be purchased on the day. To find out more, call 9707 9737.**

## LEGOTASTIC CLUB

Build a whole city out of LEGO at the Kids' Legotastic Club at Greenacre Library and Knowledge Centre.

Children aged 8-14 years can get back to basics with this creative and hands-on workshop.

Workshops take place every Monday from 4pm, however places are limited, so LEGO-block builders are urged to reserve their spot prior to the sessions.

**Bookings can be made by calling 9707 9744.**

## MINECRAFT JAM

Have you got some cool tips and tricks to share about one of the world's most popular games, Minecraft? Gamers are encouraged to come along to Greenacre Library and Knowledge Centre's Minecraft Jam Afternoon on Tuesday 27 September from 2.30pm. Gamers can share shortcuts and strategies on how to win the game.

This afternoon is suitable for children 8-14 years, but an adult must accompany youths under the age of 12. Event-goers are asked to bring their own device.

**For more information, call 9707 9744.**

**LIBRARIES**

Bankstown 9707 9708  
Greenacre 9707 9744

Chester Hill 9707 9740  
Padstow 9707 9747

Panania 9707 9737



## ROBOTICS WORKSHOPS

Think you've got what it takes to build a next generation robot? Bankstown Library and Knowledge Centre has you covered by offering Robotics Workshops throughout the school holidays.

Sessions are open to children aged between 8-12 years, and will be held on 26 and 27 September and 3 and 4 October. The total cost to attend all four sessions is just \$15. For bookings, or more information, call 9707 9708.

## SCHOOL HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS

It's showtime these September/October school holidays, with not one, not two, but five epic events that will be held between 2.30-3pm (see locations below).

Children aged 5-12 years will pay only \$4 for a range of fun games and activities. Places are strictly limited, so get in quick to book your spot (contact details page 12).

**Chester Hill Library and Knowledge Centre**  
Wednesday 28 September

**Bankstown Library and knowledge Centre**  
Friday 30 September

**Panania Library and Knowledge Centre**  
Tuesday 4 October

**Padstow Library and knowledge Centre**  
Thursday 6 October

**Greenacre Library and Knowledge Centre**  
Friday 7 October



Bryan Brown Theatre



## BOOK YOUR CHRSTMAS FUNCTION

Make the most of the spaces offered at the Bryan Brown Theatre and book in your Christmas party before it's too late. You can hire one of the function rooms, the foyer, or even the theatre itself!

Onsite catering services at BLaKC Café can provide all the staff you need, including event theming and entertainment.

**Call 1300 304 200 to discuss your event.**

## WHAT'S ON

### SEPTEMBER

- 3 September** Esho Bangla Gaane Maati (performed in Bangla)
- 4 September** Gujarati Drama (performed in Gujarati)
- 16 September** Bankstown Talent Advancement Program Concert

### OCTOBER

- 1 October** IFEFA Film Festival (International Film & Entertainment Festival of Australia)
- 7-9 October** Musical: Guys and Dolls (performed in Korean)
- 12 October** South-West Sydney Business Expo
- 22 October** Infinite Light
- 28 October** Australian Tribal and Trance Fest Concert
- 30 October** SHLK Chinese Opera 2nd Anniversary Concert

### NOVEMBER

- 8 November** A Celebration of Flowers presented by TAFE Floristry
- 12 November** Latin Folk Music Pukara: Live in Concert
- 19 November** Tarangini – A Classical Indian Dance Concert
- 26 November** Gazino performed by the Australian Turkish Music Ensemble

**For show and ticketing information, visit [www.blakc.com.au](http://www.blakc.com.au) or call 1300 304 200.**

*Event details are correct at time of printing but may be subject to change.*

# ARTS CENTRE

## THE VEGETABLE PLOT CONCERT



Photo by David Stefanoff

The Arts Centre will be serving up a feast of fresh grooves, catchy tunes and colourful characters this October school holidays with a one-off performance by The Vegetable Plot.

Don't miss Aspara Gus, Sue Kini, Collie Flower, Ru Barb, Rockit Lettuce and friends when they star in the award-winning musical comedy on Tuesday 4 October.

**To book your spot, go to**  
**[www.thevegetableplot.eventbrite.com.au](http://www.thevegetableplot.eventbrite.com.au)**  
**or call 9707 5400.**



## DELVE INTO THE NIGHT SKY

Come and join us for a magical night of epic storytelling, music and mythology when accomplished theatre director Felix Cross brings his production of 'Night Sky' to the Arts Centre.

Sit with us in the courtyard each night between 24–26 November to be part of this creative and cultural event.

## IMAGINE: AN EXHIBITION OF STUDENT WORKS

Delve into a collection of artworks by the Arts Centre's talented students when they go on exhibition from 29 August–9 September.

Imagine showcases works from the ceramics, printmaking and painting classes, which run for a series of eight weeks over the course of the year.



## STREET ART MURAL

Award-winning street artist, Jason Wing, was hard at work leading up to NAIDOC Week, creating a large-scale mural in the Marion Street Pedestrian Laneway.

Jason's artwork shows a timeline of local Aboriginal people who have lived along the Georges River, and uses photographs from the book 'Rivers and Resilience'.

Located opposite the Bankstown railway line, the mural is exposed to thousands of commuters and is one of the many great exhibition spaces available at the Arts Centre.

**If you're a local artist interested in exhibiting with Bankstown Arts Centre, call the Arts Centre Director on 9707 9989.**



# YOUTH INCLUSIVENESS FORUM

**10am-2pm, Wednesday 14 September**  
**Bankstown Arts Centre, 5 Olympic Pde, Bankstown**

Do you want to meet representatives from a diverse range of communities across the city? Then come along to the Youth Inclusiveness Forum to share life experiences and promote inclusiveness.

Attendees will also have the opportunity to plan a number of arts-based activities while enjoying a free lunch and refreshments.

To register, or for more information, call 9707 9863 or email [turkan.aksoy@bankstown.nsw.gov.au](mailto:turkan.aksoy@bankstown.nsw.gov.au)

*This is an initiative of Council, in partnership with Bankstown Youth Development Service, The Corner Youth Health Service, Headspace Bankstown and the South Western Sydney Local Health District.*

**ARE YOU 15-25?**



## TWILIGHT SPORTS

Soccer, basketball or volleyball? Choose the sport that suits you in Council's new indoor sports program.

Twilight Sports is a seven-week program for 12–18 year olds, designed to engage young people through sport and provide access to local support services. The program is free and players are provided with a healthy dinner, uniforms and transport home.

The program also relies heavily on the support of volunteers, with a variety of roles available including coaches, scorers, catering assistants and more.

**To enrol in the program, or find out more about volunteering, call 9707 9092 or email [twilightsports@bankstown.nsw.gov.au](mailto:twilightsports@bankstown.nsw.gov.au)**

## YOUNG TALENT TO SHINE

Some of Bankstown's most promising young talent will be hitting the stage this September as part of the Bankstown Talent Advancement Program's (TAP) annual concert.

The program identifies, nurtures and promotes young vocalists across Bankstown, and each year the concert is held to showcase each student's progress.

To check out how far the group has come, join us for an entertaining night at the Bryan Brown Theatre on Friday 16 September.

**For more information, or to buy concert tickets, go to [www.bankstown.nsw.gov.au/tap](http://www.bankstown.nsw.gov.au/tap)**

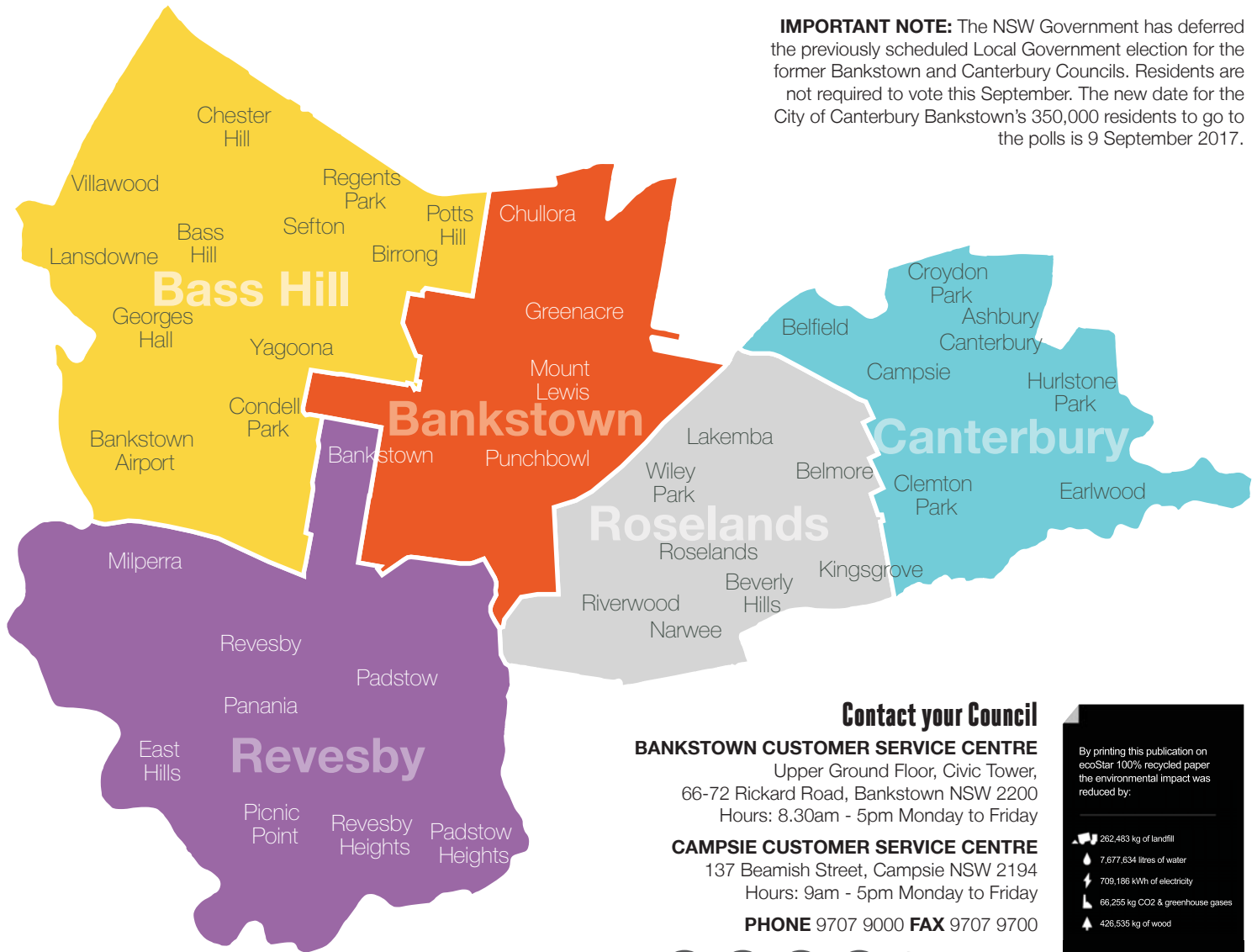


## NEED HELP LANDING A JOB?

Check out Council's award-winning Youth StepUP mobile app to help you in your search for a job. The app is designed to increase employment opportunities for local youth aged 15–25, and provides tips on presenting, resume writing and interview skills.

**You can download Youth StepUP from the App Store and Google Play, or to find out more visit [www.youthstepupbankstown.com.au](http://www.youthstepupbankstown.com.au)**

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** The NSW Government has deferred the previously scheduled Local Government election for the former Bankstown and Canterbury Councils. Residents are not required to vote this September. The new date for the City of Canterbury Bankstown's 350,000 residents to go to the polls is 9 September 2017.



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