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# SOCIAL COMMUNITY BROCHURE

2024

## **OUR SOCIAL COMMUNITY OUTINGS**

















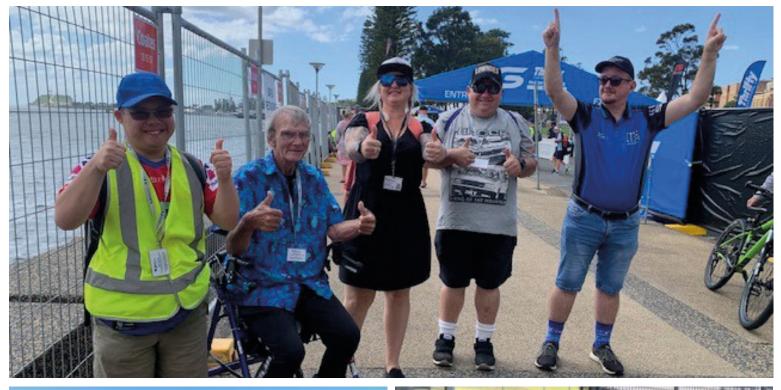




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## ABERDEEN HIGHLAND GAMES

"I liked the Rifle throwing.

Was a fun day"

- Luke

"I loved the bag pipes" - Thomas

## PRO WRESTLING SINGLETON

"Was good fun. I love wrestling"
- Ben





HAIRSPRAY THE MUSICAL "I loved it. I want to see it again! - Maria



## HUNTER VALLEY STEAMFEST

"I had a good day looking at the trains" - Maryanne

### **ABOUT US**

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Our story began more than **60 years** ago when people with a disability had few opportunities.

Witmore was created from the voices of two families in the Singleton region in 1958; the Witt and the Moore families. These two courageous families dared to dream big for their children; they rallied together and opened the first school in our region for children with a disability. Then as these children grew older, they opened the first supported workshop.

Today, Witmore continues to walk in their footsteps, and we now offer a diverse range of services, including:

- Community Programs
- Social weekend events
- Supported Holidays
- Respite care
- 1:1 Skill building supports
- Personal care
- Supported employment including; Workshop and Riverside Kiosk.
- NDIS services and Coordination of Supports

#### **OUR VISION**

To have People feel Valued, Supported, Empowered and Celebrated!



### **SOCIAL & COMMUNITY 2024 CALENDAR**

#### **FEBRUARY**

Friday 16th - Maitland Rodeo

#### **MARCH**

Saturday 23rd - Dolphin Cruise (Nelson Bay)

#### **APRIL**

- Wednesday 3rd April Grease The Musical (Sydney)
- Sunday 14th April Hunter Valley Steamfest (Maitland)
- Saturday 27th April Gumball Music Festival

#### **MAY**

- Saturday 4th May Tocal Field Day
- Saturday 18th May Trivia Night Fundraiser

#### **JUNE**

Date TBC - SATS Musical "We will rock you"

#### **JULY**

- Saturday 6th July Aberdeen Highland Games Aberdeen
- Saturday 20th July Christmas In July Event Venue to be confirmed

#### **AUGUST**

- Sunday 11th August Knights vs West Tigers NRL Game (Broadmeadow)
- Saturday 24th August Bonfire Night On site at Witmore

#### **SEPTEMBER**

Saturday 21st September – Witmore Fundraiser 80's Disco - Singleton

#### **OCTOBER**

• Saturday 26th October – Ladies Pamper day (Singleton) or

– Men's Go Kart Adventure (Cessnock)

#### **NOVEMBER**

- Wednesday 27th November Hunter Valley Christmas Light Spectacular
- Saturday 30th November DFO Shopping Day (Homebush Sydney)

#### **DECEMBER**

Saturday 7th December - Gingerbread House Decorating (Witmore)

### **HOW DO SOCIAL EVENTS WORK?**

#### How do social events work?

Witmore social events are quoted through the NDIS Price Guide using the 'Access Community hourly rate.' These ratios are based on participants support needs and the number of participants who have opted in for the social event.

#### What does the NDIS cover?

The participant's NDIS funding will cover the cost of the support worker to support them during the event, it will cover the cost of transport to and from the event.

#### What will my out-of-pocket costs be?

Participants will need to pay for the following out-of-pocket costs:

- Meals/drinks
- Entry tickets for any paid events
- Spending money

#### What if I want to attend a night event but need accomodation?

Witmore has a 3-bedroom respite facility in Singleton. We can arrange a quote for you if you need to stay overnight in Singleton.

#### Do you provide transport?

Witmore has a fleet of air-conditioned vehicles. We can arrange pick up and drop off for all our scheduled events; transport will be costed out closer to the event, once we have a clear idea of participants attending.

#### What if my disability provider needs to cancel or reschedule?

There may be occasions where social events need to be canceled or rescheduled. Circumstances may include pandemics, severe weather, and insufficient attendees. In these circumstances, Witmore will ensure we give all participants a minimum of 2 weeks' notice. All monies would be returned to the participant, or we could hold on to it if the event has been rescheduled and the participant wishes to attend the new date.

#### What if I need to cancel?

Witmore understands that things happen....

If you need to cancel, Witmore will follow the NDIA cancellation policy, which states we require a minimum of 7 days' notice. We will charge for the support services if cancellation happens after this time.

Unfortunately, with tickets, we may not be able to get you a refund depending on the external organization's specific cancellation policies, we will endeavor to do our best to re-sell your tickets, but we can't guarantee it.

#### **Limitation of Liability**

Subject to any responsibilities implied by law and which cannot be excluded, we are not liable to your for any losses, damages, liabilities, claims, and expenses (including but not limited to legal costs and defense or settlement costs) whatsoever arising from any incident occurring while on holiday, whether in contract, including negligence, statute or otherwise.



#### Friday 16th February - Maitland Rodeo

Come along and watch the action-packed fun at the Maitland Rodeo with bull riding, barrel racing, and open bareback rides.



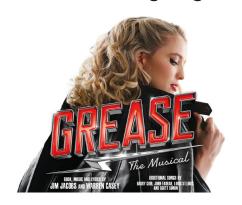
#### Saturday 23rd March - Dolphin Cruise Nelson Bay

Enjoy a 1.5hr scenic harbour cruise including spectacular Tomaree and Yacaaba headlands, this cruise has a very high success rate in dolphin sightings.



#### Wednesday 3rd April - Grease The Musical

Grease is one of the world's most iconic and loved musicals and nothing beats the feeling you get, going back to Rydell High. Danny, Sandy, Kenickie, Rizzo and the whole gang are back in an exciting stage show, like only GREASE can!



#### **Sunday 14th April – Hunter Valley Steamfest (Maitland)**

Come and join in the steam filled excitement of this wonderful event, there will be live music, machinery displays, market stalls and much more.



#### Saturday 27th April – Gumball Music Festival

Located in Lower Belford, this festival showcases some fantastic musicians.



#### Saturday 4th May - Tocal Field Day

Celebrating its 40th year, this event is filled with wonderful animal displays, entertainment and food displays.



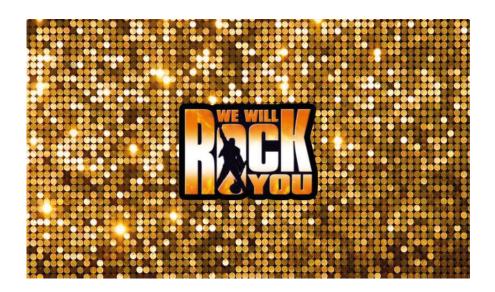
#### Saturday 18th May – Trivia Night Fundraiser for Witmore

Test your knowledge and have a fun night filled with laughter, healthy competition, and good food and refreshments, while raising money to help Witmore to provide equipment and supplies for our centre.



#### June (Date to be advised) – Singleton Amateur Theatre Society

One of our favorite yearly events, this year we will be singing along and dancing in our seats for the 2024 "We will rock you" show.



#### Saturday 6th July - Aberdeen Highland Games - Aberdeen

Highland and Country Dancing, Pipe Band displays, Strong Man events with the Kilted Warriors to enjoy, three-legged races, and the famed Kilted Dash to participate in. A multitude of stores and stands will surround the area selling all manner of Scottish heirlooms and souvenirs, clothing and garb and food and drink to complete your day.



#### Saturday 20th July - Christmas in July Event

Christmas doesn't have to come only once a year! Come and share in a night filled with Christmas cheer, yummy food and positive things.



#### 11th August – Knights vs Wests Tigers NRL Game (Broadmeadow)

Join us for an outing to a live match as these teams battle it out in Round 23.





#### Saturday 24th August – Bonfire night on-site at Witmore

Another one of our favorite events here at Witmore. Get out your scarves, gloves, and jackets - it's time to have some fun by the bonfire.

Have some laughs, enjoy some music and toast some marshmallows.



#### Saturday 21st September – Witmore Fundraiser 80's Disco

Polish off those dancing shoes and get out those acid-wash jeans and fluro headbands.



## Saturday 26th October – Ladies pamper day (Singleton) or Men's Go Kart racing (Cessnock)

What lady doesn't like a pamper day with relaxing treatments and special treats? Come along and be treated to a day of luxury and relaxation.

Or looking from a thrill and a bit of adrenalin, come a long for a day of male bonding at the Go Karts in either a solo or double car.





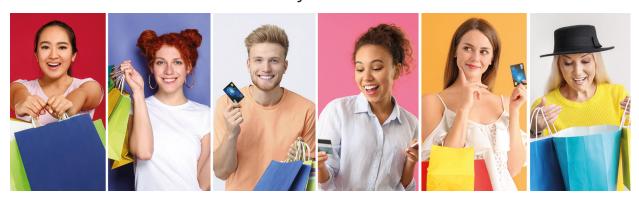
#### Wednesday 27th November - Hunter Valley Christmas Light Spectacular

You'll be dazzled by the more than 3 million lights of the Christmas Lights Spectacular at Hunter Valley Gardens.



#### Saturday 30th November - DFO Shopping Day - Homebush Sydney

Get your Christmas shopping off to a great start with a trip to the Direct Factory
Outlets in Homebush, with over 125 stores, you are bound to get a few gifts checked
off your list.



#### Saturday 7th December - Gingerbread House Decorating - Witmore

Bring out your creative side with a Gingerbread house decorating day.



### **BOOKINGS**

#### How to book one of these AWESOME social events?

Booking is simple!

All you need to do is contact our Community and Programs Team leader, Amy, to secure your spot!

All social events will be capped at a certain number of attendees to ensure we can offer high support to those attending. So what are you waiting for? Contact Amy today on:

**PH:** (02) 65722 578

Mobile: 0493 098 336

Email: astone@witmore.org.au

Once you have secured your spot, more specific information on activities, costs, and travel times will be communicated to you so you are **100%** informed of what will happen!

#### What if I want to book a social event that isn't listed in this brochure?

Witmore has a strong belief in participants having choice and control.

If you had your heart set on a specific social event that isn't listed in our 2024 brochure, then let us know!

We are happy to cost, and tailor social events specific to your bucket list!





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