Victorian Seniors Festival 2025





Wangaratta
Seniors Festival



Melbourne Events

October 2025



About the Festival

The Victorian Seniors Festival creates opportunities for Victorians who are 60 years and over to participate in fun, free and low-cost events throughout October. The festival encourages active ageing, community participation and meaningful social interaction.

This annual festival returns in October 2025, featuring:

- Live and local events across the state, delivered by local councils, community groups and clubs.
- Eight days of free public transport for Victorian Seniors Card holders from 5 to 12 October 2025.
- Flagship events held in Melbourne's CBD and regional Victoria including:
 - **Big Band Dance** at Melbourne Town Hall on Tuesday 7 October from 12 pm.
 - Songs of Judy Garland a specially curated event to appeal to LGBTI+ seniors and their allies at the Capitol Theatre on Thursday 9 October.
 - ACMI Seniors Film Festival at the Australian Centre of the Moving Image from 6 to 12 October.
 - Country Concert Tour delivering live entertainment across regional towns in October.
 - Aged Care Tour taking the magic, music and fun of the festival to aged care residents across Victoria throughout October to December.

A Message from the Mayor

The Rural City of Wangaratta joins communities across Victoria in celebrating the 2025 Victorian Seniors Festival. This year's theme, Connect, Create, Celebrate, honours the contributions and wisdom of older residents and encourages lifelong learning.

Thanks to the support of the Department of Families, Fairness and Housing, our local community groups, volunteers, and businesses, Wangaratta will host more than 170 events throughout October. This diverse program showcases what's possible when we collaborate, creating spaces where stories are shared, skills are explored, and connections are made. This year's program will again deliver events that appeal to those diverse members of the senior community with fun and engaging ways to interact.



The Senior's Festival is a chance to recognise ageing as a time of growth, contribution, and community. Thank you to all who have helped shape this celebration and make it unique to Wangaratta. I encourage you to take part, try something new, and enjoy everything the month has to offer.

Irene Grant, Mayor Rural City of Wangaratta

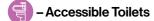






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FREE

Scan & Save: **Digitise Photographs**

By Appointment

Wangaratta Library 21 Docker Street, Wangaratta

Preserve family memories! Digitise photos, slides & negatives with our Epson V600 scanner. Book a one-on-one session to learn how it works. Once you're confident, come back and use it solo—keeping your memories safe, shareable & easy to access for years to come.

Bookings required 0357212366 library@wangaratta.vic.gov.au



15% OFF

Aussie Disposals - 15% off **All Senior Card Holders**

1 to 31 October

Aussie Disposals – In Store Only 106-108 Murphy Street, Wangaratta

October Just Got Better at Aussie Disposals Wangaratta! We are turning 10 in Octoberand you're invited to celebrate with us. Seniors, this one's for you!

Flash your Seniors Card in-store and enjoy an exclusive 15% off floor stock.

Hurry – offer is for October only. Some exclusions apply. While you're in store, ioin in the fun of our 10th Birthday Bash surprises, specials, and more await!

No bookings required 0357217314 wangaratta@aussiedisposals.com.au



FREE

Come & Try Croquet

Every Mon, Wed & Sat | 10am-12pm

Wangaratta Croquet Club 46 Ryan Avenue, Wangaratta

Come and try croquet in a friendly, welcoming atmosphere with club members on hand to assist and guide you through this wonderful game. All necessary equipment supplied. Wear flat soled, covered footwear.

No bookings required 0417326739 wangarattacroguet@gmail.com



FREE*

Pickleball

Every Tuesday | 10am-12pm

Wangaratta Pickleball Club HP Barr Reserve hardcourts area

Tuesday morning social session. Come down and enjoy being active and learning a new skill. Pickleball is a sport for all ages and abilities. Bring a great attitude and a smile.

No bookings required *First time is free. \$10 session thereafter





Lifeball - Come & Try

Every Tuesday | 1-2pm

Lifeball Wangaratta Wangaratta Sports and Aquatic Centre 41 Schilling Dr, Wangaratta

A modified version of Netball specifically for older adults. Walking and passing of a soft, easy grip ball. Lots of laughs, fun, and friendship. Comfortable clothing and good sneakers/runners required.

No bookings required
*First 3 weeks free. Thereafter \$5.00
per game and \$10.00 annual membership



FREE

Woodworking as a Hobby

Every Tues, Thurs & Sat | 9am-12pm

Wangaratta Woodworkers Inc. 4F Evans Street, Wangaratta (Showgrounds)

Enjoy a guided tour of our workshop and demonstrations of woodworking techniques. Members are always happy to share our knowledge & experiences. Closed toe footwear & no loose clothing.

No bookings required Les Whinray 0412 250 674 ljspider@optusnet.com.au



Body Balance

Every Tues | 10.30am Every Wed | 6.30pm Every Thurs | 10.30am

M&M Xtreme World of Fitness M&M Studio, 28B Ely Street Wangaratta

Body Balance is a Yoga inspired class that combines elements of Tai Chi and Pilates. It focuses on flexibility, strength, wellbeing, and joint mobility. Classes are set to calming music and include breathing exercises that reduce stress and anxiety. It will leave you feeling strong, calm, and happy!

Bookings required 0439 820 660 studio@mmxtreme.com.au



FREE

Free Digital Mentor Sessions

Every Wednesday | 10-11.30am

Wangaratta Library 21 Docker Street, Wangaratta

Whether you want to learn how to use your smartphone, tablet, or computer, or need assistance using the internet, our mentor is here to help. If they don't have an immediate answer to your question, rest assured they'll guide you towards the solution you need.

Bookings required 03 5721 2366 library@wangaratta.vic.gov.au



Active Ageing

Every Wednesday & Friday Wed 10am, Fri 11.30am

M&M Xtreme World of Fitness M&M Studio, 28B Ely Street, Wangaratta

THRIVE with our Active Ageing class. Designed to ensure you keep moving with confidence, strength, and iov. This isn't just about fitness, it's about extending your health span and creating connections. Together we are redefining what it means to age actively and live fully.

Bookings required 0439820660 studio@mmxtreme.com.au



\$10

Social Art Group

Every Wednesday | 10am-12pm

Wangaratta Art School 50 Norton Street, Wangaratta

A relaxed, self-led art and social group for people who love to create, connect, and have a cuppa. Basic materials supplied if required. Tea, coffee (and the good biscuits) supplied. A gentle space to create, chat and be part of something local.

Bookings required wangarattaartschool.com 0467063885 hello@wangarattaartschool.com



Chatty Cafe

Every Wednesday | 10.30am

Wangaratta Library 21 Docker Street, Wangaratta

Chatty Café is designed as place to meet new people, connect with your local community, and enjoy good company. Evervone is welcome.

No bookings required 0357212366 library@wangaratta.vic.gov.au



FREE

Stitch & Sew

Every Wednesday | 2pm

Wangaratta Library 21 Docker Street, Wangaratta

If you enjoy sewing, we've got a spot for you. Bring your current project and meet likeminded people for a fun, creative afternoon.

No bookings required 0357212366 library@wangaratta.vic.gov.au



FREE

Glide & Guide

Every Thursday | 10.30am

Wangaratta Sports & Aquatic Centre 41 Schilling Dr, Wangaratta

Come along for a gentle introduction to Reformer Pilates. Our qualified instructor will show you the equipment and guide you to help you become familiar and develop confidence. Please note, this is not a full



Reformer Pilates class and is only suitable for beginners. Limit one class per person

Bookings required 0357221723 wsac@wangaratta.vic.gov.au wsac.vic.gov.au



FREE

Sit, Knit & Crochet

Every Thursday | 2-4pm

Wangaratta Library 21 Docker Street, Wangaratta

Do you love knitting and crochet? Join our Sit, Knit & Crochet group every Thursday from 2pm. Bring your current project and meet like-minded people for a fun, creative afternoon.

No bookings required 03 57212366 library@wangaratta.vic.gov.au



FREE

Wangaratta Parkrun

Every Saturday | 8am

Wangaratta Parkrun Apex Park, Clements St, Wangaratta

Parkrun is a free, community event where you can walk, jog, run, volunteer, or spectate. Parkrun is 5km and takes place every Saturday morning. Registration is recommended but not compulsory.

No bookings required
Registration: parkrun.com.au
Enquiries: wangaratta@parkrun.com

Croquet

Every Sunday | 1-3pm

Wangaratta Lawn Tennis Croquet Pickleball Club Merriwa Park, Ryley Street, Wangaratta

Have a fun time learning how to play croquet on the Merriwa Park courts. No skills required. Equipment supplied. Please wear flat soled shoes.

No bookings required



FREE

Chair Cardio – 30min Online Seated Exercise Class

1October | 10.30am

Third Age Fitness Online via Zoom

Stay fit and active from the comfort of your home with our online Zoom workout! Join Carol for fun exercises that improve cardio fitness and build leg strength while seated. Enjoy heart-healthy movements and enhance your coordination, all from your lounge room. Class is free—just bring your chair!

Bookings required bit.ly/2025FestivalBookings Carol 0411246741 carol@thirdagefitness.com.au



Morning Tea & See

1 October | 11am

Wangaratta Sports & Aquatic Centre 41 Schilling Dr, Wangaratta

Come and enjoy morning tea while learning about all that WSAC has to offer! Take advantage of the opportunity to chat to our group fitness instructors and personal trainers, meet some Allied Health professionals, pick up some entry passes and discount vouchers and have a tour of the centre.

No bookings required 0357221723 wsac@wangaratta.vic.gov.au



FREE

Commemorative High Tea

2 October | 12-3pm

Rural City of Wangaratta Aged and Community Care-Quality Hotel Wangaratta Gateway

Celebrating Our Centenarians! The Rural City of Wangaratta invites residents aged 95 and over to a special High Tea. Enjoy delightful treats and entertainment by Paris Zachariou. It's our way of celebrating your incredible lives. Know someone eligible? Please share this wonderful opportunity!

Bookings required Angie 03 5722 0745



Community Meals Program presents Jus Gordon

2 October | 12pm Cheshunt

Cheshunt Hall 454 King Valley Rd, Cheshunt

7 October | 12pm Wangaratta

St Patrick's Hall 15-21 Ford St, Wangaratta

8 October | 12pm Whorouly

Remel 185 (1hr cooking class Inc) 399 Whorouly Rd, Whorouly

9 October | 12pm Eldorado

Eldorado Hall 94 Main St. Eldorado

15 October | 12pm Springhurst

Springhurst Recreation Area Hall Anzac Rd, Springhurst

16 October | 12pm Moyhu

Moyhu Hall, 26 Bartly St, Moyhu

22 October | 12pm Glenrowan

Glenrowan Hall 5 Daniel Ln. Glenrowan

Enjoy lunch with live music performed by Jus Gordon, a musician whose soulful voice and heartfelt lyrics resonate deeply. He crafts an evocative blend of folk, roots. and contemporary sounds, weaving personal narratives and observations of the world into songs that are both intimate and universally relatable.

Price on application Bookings required Angie 03 5722 0745



October 2025



OCT THU 7.30pm

An Evening with the MSO



OCT SAT7pm

Cheshunt Hall Stories Rural Towns Tour



13 oct MON 7pm

Eldorado Hall Stories Rural Towns Tour



16 oct THU7pm

Boorhaman Hall Stories Rural Towns Tour



OCT FRI 10.30am

The Songs of Shirley Bassey



18 oct SAT 7pm

Everton Hall Stories Rural Towns Tour



22 oct WED 7.30pm

Bangarra Dance Theatre The Light Inside See event listing for detailed information

Cnr Ford & Ovens Streets, Wangaratta

■ boxoffice@wangaratta.vic.gov.au

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OAKFM Open Day

3 October | 9am-12pm Radio interviews, 1pm Self-care talk with local Psychologist

OAKFM 104 Murdoch Rd, Wangaratta

OAKFM are inviting you to be interviewed live on-air, talking a little bit about yourself and what it's like to be a senior living in a modern world. Stay for free BBQ lunch and sweets, followed by a talk about self-care by local Psychologist, Neil Barassi.

Bookings required 03 5722 1569 admin@oakfm.com.au



Chair Strength – 30min Online Seated Exercise Class

3 October | 10.30am

Third Age Fitness Online via Zoom

Stay fit and active from home with our online seated strength class using dumbbells! Join Carol for a fun workout that targets your entire body while seated, helping you build strength and improve flexibility. Just bring along a sturdy chair and something heavy to hold—class is free!

Bookings required bit.ly/2025FestivalBookings Carol 0411246741 carol@thirdagefitness.com.au



Join us for OAK FM's Open Day on Friday 3 October

Refer to the listing for further details!







livestreaming oakfm.com.au



Shrine of **Remembrance Tour**

4 October | 7.30am

Wangaratta RSL partnering DFFH Departing Wareena Park carpark Swan St, Wangaratta

Wangaratta RSL has partnered with DFFH to facilitate travel to and from the Melbourne Shrine of Remembrance during the Victorian Seniors Festival. Travel via coach with bathroom facilities. Event is for returned service personnel and includes a tour of the Shrine. Lunch at the Caulfield RSL. Food and beverages at own cost.

Travel & Shrine Tour Free Bookings essential, limited seats 0447217768 welfare@wangarattarsl.org.au



\$30

Have a Go with a Bow

4 & 18 October | 9.30-11am

Wangaratta Target Archers Wangaratta South Sports Reserve 58 Shanley Street, Wangaratta

Our Have a Go with a Bow sessions are our introduction to archery. Learn the basics in a fun, safe environment and pick up some new skills. You will be hitting the Gold in no time. All equipment is supplied by the club for this session. For safety reasons please wear close toed shoes, bring a water bottle and a bucket type hat for sun protection.

Bookings required wangarattaarchers.org.au



G'day Glenrowan

4 October | 9am-1pm

Rural City of Wangaratta partnering Glenrowan Warby-Ranges Lions Lions Park Gladstone St, Glenrowan

Immerse yourself in this street activation as you browse retailers and sample food and drink along the historic Gladstone St. While there, take advantage of free entry to the Ned Kelly Discovery Hub and shop the market in Lions Park. This is a terrific annual school holiday experience for you and visiting friends and family.

No bookings required Free entry to the Ned Kelly Discovery Hub



FREE

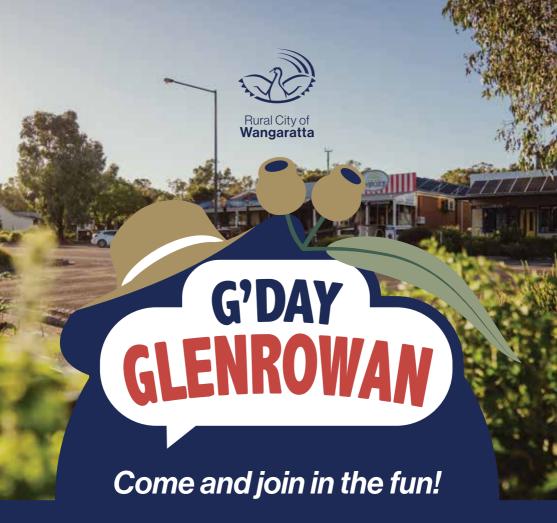
A Traditional Bush Dance with "Bally Kiel"

4 October | 7-10pm

Everton Hall and Sports Complex Community Asset Committee Everton Hall 2161 Great Alpine Road, Everton

There's something magical that happens when people dance together. Bush Dancing is for the old & young, kids, parents and families all joining in together to master a few simple moves. The Celtic band, Bally Kiel, will teach you every step of the way. Coupled with a scrumptious supper, this event is not to be missed!

No bookings required Yvonne 0447 851236



 Live Music • Treasure Hunt • Face Painting Free Entry to Ned Kelly Discovery Hub

BBQ • Market and more!

4 October 2025 | 9am-1pm



Email events@wangaratta.vic.gov.au for more info or visit wangaratta.vic.gov.au/gday-glenrowan





Special Opera Australia Screening for Residents

6 & 7 October | 10am & 2pm

Rural City of Wangaratta

Respect 138 Williams Rd, Wangaratta

Illoura Aged Care 32 College St, Wangaratta

St Catherines 59-69 Ryley St, Wangaratta

The Rural City of Wangaratta is supporting aged care residents with an in-house screening of an Opera Australia production.

For residents only, no public attendees Enquiries Dave Jenkin 03 5722 0888



FREE

Free Reformer Pilates

6-10 & 13-17 October | 10am

@Pilates Wangaratta 78 Murphy Street, Wangaratta

Come and try Pilates at your local 24/7@ Pilates Studio. Eniov moving in a friendly environment with a supportive team to guide you.

A waiver is required for participation.

Bookings required - limited places 0461498928 wangaratta@atpilates.studio



Book Chat

6 October | 1.30pm

Wangaratta Library 21 Docker Street, Wangaratta

The book chat group meets on the first Monday of the month. With no set book to read, this is an opportunity for you to find out what other people are reading and enjoying. and to share your own reads. Everyone is welcome.

No bookings required 0357212366 library@wangaratta.vic.gov.au



FREE

Better Balance - 30min Online Exercise Class

6 October | 1.30pm

Third Age Fitness Online via Zoom

Stay fit and active from the comfort of vour home with our online balance class! Join Carol for a fun workout that combines standing and seated exercises to enhance your stability and coordination. Improve your balance while using a chair for support. Class is free—just bring your chair along!

Bookings required bit.lv/2025FestivalBookings Carol 0411 246 741 carol@thirdagefitness.com.au

Free Pilates for Seniors

Celebrate Victorian Seniors Festival with @Pilates 24/7 Wangaratta!

Stay active, mobile, and confident in your senior years with our free Pilates classes for seniors during Victorian Seniors Festival!

Whether you're new to Pilates or already moving, our supportive classes meet you where you are.

Book your spot, bring a friend, and move at your pace.

Contact Frances for more information: 0461 498 928

Where:

@Pilates 24/7 Wangaratta 78 Murphy Street Wangaratta

> When: 10am Daily

Monday 6th - Friday 10th October and Monday 13th - Friday 17th October







Enjoy Lifelong Learning – Hot Topics

7 October | 1.30-3.30pm

Wangaratta U3A U3A room (with large yellow and blue sign) Wangaratta Racecourse

Come and try a U3A class with afternoon tea included. U3A room at Wangaratta Racecourse, before main building with large yellow and blue sign displayed.

No bookings required



FREE

Pilates - 30min Online Floor Exercise Class

8 October | 8.30am

Third Age Fitness Online via Zoom

Stay fit and active from the comfort of your home with our online Pilates class! Join Bree for a fun floor workout that improves your core strength and flexibility. Enjoy hearthealthy movements and enhance your coordination, all while using your mat. Class is free – just roll out your mat at home.

Bookings required bit.lv/2025FestivalBookings Carol 0411246741 carol@thirdagefitness.com.au



Move & Mingle

8. 15. 22 & 29 | 10.30-11.30am

Wangaratta Sports & Aquatic Centre 41 Schilling Dr, Wangaratta

Interested in trying out a new sport, but not sure how to play? Head down to WSAC on Wednesdays at 10.30, beginning 8th October where we will have experienced participants on hand to help you learn a variety of sports changing each week! Keep an eve on social media or ask in centre to find out more details.

No bookings required 0357221723 wsac@wangaratta.vic.gov.au



FREE

Wangaratta Keenagers Table Tennis Club Luncheon

8 October | 12-2pm

Wangaratta Keenagers Table Tennis Club The Wangaratta Club 4 Victoria Parade, Wangaratta

Join the Wangaratta Keenagers Table Tennis Club for a Luncheon, Learn about the Wangaratta Keenagers, when and where we play, and meet with some of our members. We warmly encourage members of our multi-cultural or vulnerable community to join us. Everyone aged 55 and over is welcome regardless skill level. Come along for fitness, fun, and social connection.

Bookings required – limited seats Gillian Leonard 0409 381 987 gillianleonard@bigpond.com





9 October | 7.30-9.20pm

Wangaratta Performing Arts & Convention Centre 33-37 Ford St, Wangaratta

Join the Melbourne Symphony Orchestra and conductor Leonard Weiss for an unforgettable evening filled with timeless masterpieces from Glinka, Saint-Saëns, and Brahms. (Program: Glinka Ruslan and Ludmila: Overture. Saint-Saëns: Violin Concerto No.3, Brahms: Symphony No.1)

Bookings required 0357228105 boxoffice@wangaratta.vic.gov.au wpacc.com.au



FREE

Sphero's for Seniors

10 October | 10.30am

Wangaratta Library 21 Docker Street, Wangaratta

Discover the joy of tech through play! Join a hands-on session where you will use iPads to guide Sphero robots through light-filled adventures and fun challenges. No experience needed – just curiosity and a sense of fun.

Bookings required 0357212366 library@wangaratta.vic.gov.au



Grit & Resilience Festival

10 October | 4-6.30pm

Grit & Resilience Program King George V Gardens, Wangaratta

Celebrate connection, inclusion, and community spirit at the Grit & Resilience Festival! Enjoy live music, food, drumming, games, and family-friendly fun. Connect with local groups and services supporting mental health and wellbeing. A vibrant afternoon for all ages.

No bookings required



FREE

Living & Dying in the 21st Century

10 October | 4-6.30pm

The Good2Go Collective Grit and Resilience Festival King George V Gardens, Wangaratta

As part of the Grit and Resilience Festival, the Good2Go Collective will be presenting several short talks across a range of topics including but not limited to Advance Care Planning, Home Funerals, Disposal Options. Palliative and End-of-Life Care, and House Decluttering, Bring a willing heart and an open mind.

No bookings required g2gcollective@gmail.com g2gproject.com.au



Hall Stories - Rural Towns Tour - Cheshunt

11 October | 6pm Sausage Sizzle 7-8.15pm Show

Wangaratta Performing Arts & Convention Centre Cheshunt Hall 454 King Valley Road, Cheshunt

There is barely a bakery in regional Australia, that hasn't had one of Damian Callinan's show posters blu-tacked to its window. In this show, Damian will also be spending time with the local community to delve into the history and characters of each town.

Bookings required 0357228105 boxoffice@wangaratta.vic.gov.au wpacc.com.au



\$25*

Cathedral Pipe Organ Concert

12 October | 3-4.30pm

Friends of the Cathedral Holy Trinity Cathedral 6 The Close, Wangaratta

Come and celebrate the joy of music on a pleasant Sunday afternoon featuring the mighty pipe organ at the Holy Trinity Cathedral, Wangaratta. Kieran Crichton and friends will make the air come alive with a variety of music, old and new, for an afternoon to be enjoyed by the whole family.

No bookings required *\$25, under 18s free



Lap & Learn

13 October | 1.30pm

Wangaratta Sports & Aquatic Centre 41 Schilling Dr, Wangaratta

Want to swim some laps but feel a bit nervous? Join us for 'Lap and Learn' where our qualified swimming instructor will be on hand to support you! Get advice about technique, spend some time developing your confidence! Suitable swimming attire, goggles recommended.

Bookings required 0357221723 wsac@wangaratta.vic.gov.au wsac.vic.gov.au *Free with membership, \$6.20 non-members



Hall Stories - Rural Towns Tour – Eldorado

13 October | 6pm Sausage Sizzle 7-8.15pm Show

Wangaratta Performing Arts & Convention Centre Eldorado Memorial Hall 94 Main St. Eldorado

There is barely a bakery in regional Australia. that hasn't had one of Damian Callinan's show posters blu-tacked to its window. In this show, Damian will also be spending time with the local community to delve into the history and characters of each town.

Bookings required 0357228105 boxoffice@wangaratta.vic.gov.au wpacc.com.au



FREE

NEMA Lunch & Cooking Class

14 October | 11.30am-2.30pm

North East Multicultural Association Wangaratta partnering DFFH Remel 185 399 Whorouly Rd, Whorouly

Join us at Remel 185 for a delightful afternoon of culture, cuisine, and connection! Seniors are warmly invited to enjoy a delicious lunch and take part in a traditional Italian cooking class. Come and share in the joy of food and community! Bring a great attitude and a smile.

Bookings required - limited seats farval@nema.org.au



FREE

Building Strength – 30min Online Standing **Exercise Class**

14 October | 10.30am

Third Age Fitness Online via Zoom

Stay fit and active from the comfort of your home with our online standing strength class! Join Carol for a fun workout using dumbbells to build muscle and improve overall fitness. Enhance your strength and coordination, all while standing. Class is free—just bring your dumbbells along!

Bookings required bit.ly/2025FestivalBookings Carol 0411246741 carol@thirdagefitness.com.au



Caring & Ageing Well Festival

15 October | 10am-1pm

Rural City of Wangaratta Aged and Community Care Wangaratta Performing Arts & Convention Centre 33-37 Ford Street, Wangaratta

Join us in celebrating older adults and carers across North East Victoria at this free event, proudly presented by Rural City of Wangaratta & Open Door Neighbourhood House. Explore local services who can provide tips for healthy ageing, support for carers, plus fun activities for community connection.

No bookings required 1300 982 662 contactacc@wangaratta.vic.gov.au



FREE

Glenrowan Community Contact DROP-IN 20th Anniversary High Tea

15 October | 1-3.30pm

Glenrowan Community Contact 'DROP-IN' St Paul's Anglican Church Hall Church St. Glenrowan

Join us as we celebrate a milestone 20. years of monthly gatherings and community friendships on the 3rd Wednesday of every month! All Welcome.

Bookings required Robyn 0427 662 208



Caring & Ageing Well Festival

15 October 2025 | 10am-1pm

Wangaratta Performing Arts & Convention Centre

Looking to stay active, connected, and supported? Explore a vibrant mix of local services, helpful information, and engaging activities—all designed to support healthy ageing, empower carers, and strengthen community connections.

For more information, contact Aged and Community Care Services

1300 982 662

contactacc@wangaratta.vic.gov.au









Enjoy Lifelong Learning – Cryptic Crosswords

15 October | 1.30-3.30pm

Wangaratta U3A U3A room (with large yellow and blue sign) Wangaratta Racecourse

Come and try a U3A class with afternoon tea included. U3A room at Wangaratta Racecourse, before main building with large yellow and blue sign displayed.

No bookings required



FREE

Ancestry DNA Information Session

15 October | 2pm

Wangaratta Library 21 Docker Street, Wangaratta

Curious about DNA kits? Join this engaging session led by someone with hands-on experience who can step you through how these kits work, what your results mean, and how to set up an ancestry.com account. Ask questions to help you explore your family history with confidence.

Bookings required 0357212366 library@wangaratta.vic.gov.au



Hov Dav

16 October | 11am-3pm

Woman's Auxiliary RSL Wangaratta Wangaratta RSL 2-4 Templeton Street, Wangaratta

Come and join us for fun and friendship playing Hoy. Hoy is like Bingo but played with a pack of playing cards in small groups. Enjoy a light lunch as well.

Bookings required 0357212501



FREE

E-books, Audio Books & More!

16 October | 2.30pm

Wangaratta Library 21 Docker Street, Wangaratta

Discover free audiobooks, eBooks. magazines & newspapers with BorrowBox, Hoopla, Libby & uLibrary. Enjoy titles for all ages and learn how to use these apps to unlock endless reading adventures. BYO phone, tablet or iPad.

No bookings required 0357212366 library@wangaratta.vic.gov.au



Hall Stories - Rural Towns Tour - Boorhaman

16 October | 6pm Sausage Sizzle 7-8.15pm Show

Wangaratta Performing Arts & Convention Centre Boorhaman Recreation Reserve 1486 Boorhaman Rd. Boorhaman

There is barely a bakery in regional Australia, that hasn't had one of Damian Callinan's show posters blu-tacked to its window. In this show, Damian will also be spending time with the local community to delve into the history and characters of each town.

Bookings required 0357228105 boxoffice@wangaratta.vic.gov.au wpacc.com.au



FREE

Stretch & Relax -30min Online Seated **Exercise Class**

17 October | 10.30am

Third Age Fitness Online via Zoom

Stav fit and active from the comfort of your home! Join Carol for a relaxing start to the day, with seated stretching. breathing, and relaxing, to loosen off tight muscles. Just bring along a chair and wear something comfortable.

Bookings required bit.ly/2025FestivalBookings Carol 0411 246 741 carol@thirdagefitness.com.au



The Songs of **Shirley Bassey**

17 October | 10.30-11.40am

Wangaratta Performing Arts & Convention Centre 33-37 Ford St, Wangaratta

Award winning songstress, Danielle Matthews sings the hit songs of the legendary Shirley Bassey. Iconic songs that have made her one of the most famous performers of our time, including Goldfinger, This is My Life, Big Spender, Diamonds Are Forever and Where Do I Begin.

Bookings required 0357228105 boxoffice@wangaratta.vic.gov.au wpacc.com.au



FREE

Intergenerational Play

18 October | 10-11.30am

Wangaratta Community Toy Library Corner of Burke & White St, Wangaratta

Join us for Seniors Day at the Wangaratta Community Toy Library! Bring a Grandparent or friend and enjoy morning tea and intergenerational play during our open session. Celebrate connection, community, and fun across generations! All ages welcome.

Bookings required Isabel 0476 306 607 info@wangarattatoylibrary.com.au wangarattatoylibrary.com.au



Hall Stories - Rural Towns Tour - Everton

18 October | 6pm Sausage Sizzle 7-8.15pm Show

Wangaratta Performing Arts & Convention Centre Everton Hall 2161 Great Alpine Rd. Everton

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From \$10*

Friends of Lacluta **Open Gardens**

19 October | 10am-4pm

Friends of Lacluta 5 Crisp Street, Wangaratta 21 Crisp Street, Wangaratta 30 Kays Lane, Glenrowan

Support Friends of Lacluta's annual Open Gardens Day. This year's gardens include a sustainable, edible garden, a traditional in-town garden, and a sprawling native garden.

Bookings required trybooking.com Facebook - Friends of Lacluta Wangaratta *\$10 one garden or \$20 for three, tea/coffee and cake \$10 pp



National Gone Fishing Day

19 October | 10am-2pm

King River and District Fishing Club Glenrowan Recreation Reserve

In support of National Gone Fishing Day. the King River and District Fishing Club are hosting a free come and try fishing day at Glenrowan Recreation Reserve, including a free sausage sizzle from 12.30pm.

No bookings required Regina 0432 601337



From \$25*

Celebrating Seniors Week with the Bushwackers

19 October | 1.30-4.30pm

Da Vinci Social Club Inc 55 Pvles Lane, Laceby

Dancing, singing and afternoon tea to celebrate our seniors. Da Vinci Social Club warmly invite you to come along and meet new people, build new social connections, celebrate ageing, and enjoy yourself while being entertained by The Bushwackers.

Bookings required Bookings dvsc.wang@gmail.com Enquiries Pip Else 0409 307 606 *\$25 members, \$30 non-members

Death Café

20 October | 10am-12pm

The Good2Go Collective Where is My Coffee? 1/103 Murphy St, Wangaratta

Death cafe provides a safe, non-judgmental space to talk about topics related to death. dving, grief, and loss. Do you feel like you're the only one who wants to talk about this stuff? Come to a death cafe and find your tribe! No topics off the table. Bring a willing heart and an open mind.

No bookings required g2gcollective@gmail.com g2gproject.com.au



FREE

Special Opera Australia Screening for Residents

20 & 21 October | 10am & 2pm

Rural City of Wangaratta

Respect 138 Williams Rd, Wangaratta

Illoura Aged Care 32 College St, Wangaratta

St Catherines 59-69 Ryley St, Wangaratta

The Rural City of Wangaratta is supporting aged care residents with an in-house screening of an Opera Australia production.

Invitational only Dave Jenkin 03 5722 0888



Cardio Walking -30min Online **Exercise Class**

22 October | 10.30am

Third Age Fitness Online via Zoom

Stay fit and active from home with our online walking class for cardio endurance! Join Carol for an energising workout to boost your heart rate and improve stamina. Enjoy a fun, low-impact session designed for all fitness levels—bring your enthusiasm and get ready to move!

Bookings required bit.ly/2025FestivalBookings Carol 0411246741 carol@thirdagefitness.com.au



\$49-\$69

Bangarra Dance Theatre -The Light Inside

22 October | 7.30-8.40pm

Wangaratta Performing Arts & Convention Centre 33-37 Ford St. Wangaratta

From two of the world's great First Nations comes a new work: The Light Inside. Some call it a feeling, some call it the mother spirit. It's the place where sea meets sky, the horizon we all look to, the compass that guides us home.

Bookings required 0357228105 boxoffice@wangaratta.vic.gov.au wpacc.com.au



FREE

Zumba

23 & 30 October | 9.30am

Zumba-Dance with Jen St Patrick's Hall

15-21 Ford St, Wangaratta (opposite Big W)

This is a Low Impact Zumba class, designed to be gentler on the joints while still providing a fun and engaging workout. It focuses on coordination, mobility, and improving cardiovascular health, muscle conditioning, balance, and flexibility, all within a lowerintensity format. Please bring suitable comfortable shoes and water bottle.

No bookings required 0420 983 473 jennychivers@westnet.com.au *Free for 'new' people during Seniors Festival, \$12 per class thereafter



FREE

Explore the Libraries Victoria app

23 October | 10.30am

Wangaratta Library 21 Docker Street, Wangaratta

Join us for a friendly, hands-on session to learn how to use the Libraries Victoria app. Manage your account, search the catalogue, place holds, and find new reads. Whether you're new or need a refresher, this session helps you get the most from your library—right from your device. BYO phone, tablet or iPad.

No bookings required 0357212366 library@wangaratta.vic.gov.au





Enjoy Lifelong Learning Archaeology

23 October | 10.30am-12.30pm

Wangaratta U3A U3A room (with large yellow and blue sign), Wangaratta Racecourse

Come and try a U3A class with morning tea included. U3A room at Wangaratta Racecourse, before main building with large yellow and blue sign displayed.

No bookings required



FREE

Have a Cuppa & a Laugh

23 October | 11am-1pm

The Centre for Continuing Education 17 Chisholm Street, Wangaratta

We warmly invite you to join students and staff for morning tea and comedy movie at The Centre.

Bookings required – limited places reception@thecentre.vic.edu.au



Theatre Presentation **Swedish Death Cleaning vs EVERYTHING (the shed)**

24 October | 6.30-9pm

Good2Go Collective The Stage Door 4D Evans St, Wangaratta

Fresh from the Adelaide Fringe Festival, the Good2Go project proudly presents this one-woman show from award-winning multi-disciplinary theatre maker and multi-instrumental musician Delia Olam.

"The shed is full; I'm clearing it out; The shed will never be empty.

My mum was the best; my mum was the worst.

A modern gothic tale of grief, tenderness, and mythmaking after loss."

Delia Olam is an award-winning cabaret performer, musician and theatre maker returning here with another original tour-deforce solo show that is bound to thrill your ears, warm your heart and move you (as alwavs) to tears.

Bookings required g2gcollective@gmail.com Tickets from \$20



Groove Through the Ages

25-31 October

As per regular group fitness timetable

Wangaratta Sports & Aquatic Centre 41 Schilling Dr, Wangaratta

Enjoy group fitness classes with a focus on music from a range of decades. Come and try something new, and exercise to the tunes you know and love! Note: Some classes available on ground floor but most are upstairs.

Bookings required 0357221723 wsac@wangaratta.vic.gov.au wsac.vic.gov.au

*Free with membership, \$14 for nonmembers. Discount vouchers available at 'Morning Tea & See' on 1 October

FREE

Morning Tea at the Wangaratta **Community Garden**

26 October | 10am-12pm

Wangaratta Community Garden 36-46 Wills Street, Wangaratta

Seniors are invited to join us for a free morning tea showcasing the Wangaratta Community Garden, Visit for a hot cuppa. home-baked treats, and a tour of the garden. Connect with others and learn how you can get involved with growing community around food.

No bookings required wangcommunitygarden@gmail.com



An Afternoon of Music with the Wangaratta Concert Band

26 October | 2pm

Wangaratta Concert Band Wangaratta Uniting Church Hall 10 Rowan Street, Wangaratta

An afternoon of eclectic and entertaining music performed by Wangaratta's own Concert Band.

No bookings required



FREE

What is Economics About?

27 October | 10.30am-12.30pm

Wangaratta U3A

U3A room (with large yellow and blue sign), Wangaratta Racecourse

Come and try a U3A class with morning tea included, U3A room at Wangaratta Racecourse, before main building with large yellow and blue sign displayed.

No bookings required



Scrapbooking Workshop

28 October | 2.30-4pm

Wangaratta Library 21 Docker Street, Wangaratta

Join our scrapbooking workshop and connect with fellow memory-keepers as you craft beautiful pages that celebrate your stories. Bring your own photos or keepsakes—all other materials provided. Perfect for beginners or seasoned scrapbookers looking for inspiration.

Bookings required 0357212366 library@wangaratta.vic.gov.au



Elvis Presley & Marilyn Monroe Tribute Show – **Country Concert**

30 October | 2-3pm

Rural City of Wangaratta Memorial Hall Wangaratta Performing Arts & Convention Centre 33-37 Ford St, Wangaratta

Get ready to Rock and Roll! A dazzling tribute to the King of Rock 'n' Roll, stunning vocals that capture Elvis at his very best and for a touch of Hollywood glamour, the one and only Marilyn Monroe joins the stage as our unforgettable special guest. Iconic hits, powerhouse performances, and timeless charm you won't want to miss!

Bookings required 0357228105 boxoffice@wangaratta.vic.gov.au wpacc.com.au



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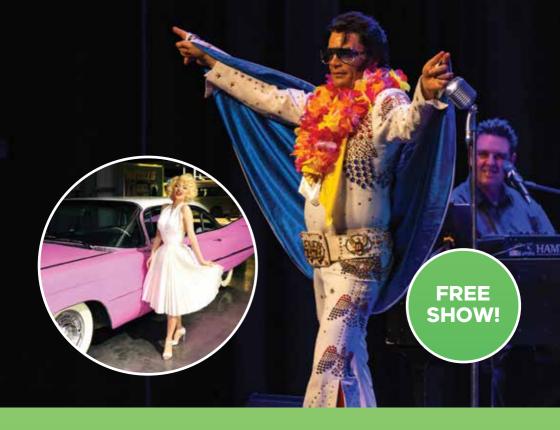
Conspiracy Theories

31 October | 1.30-3pm

Wangaratta U3A U3A room (with large yellow and blue sign), Wangaratta Racecourse

Background briefing for international affairs. Come and try a U3A class with afternoon tea included. U3A room at Wangaratta Racecourse, before main building with large yellow and blue sign displayed.

No bookings required



Elvis Presley & Marilyn Monroe Tribute Show Country Concert

Thursday 30 October | 2-3pm

Book from 1 September

03 5722 8105 or email boxoffice@wangaratta.vic.gov.au **wpacc.com.au**



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A dazzling tribute to the King of Rock 'n' Roll, capture Elvis at his very best and for a touch of Hollywood glamour, the one and only Marilyn Monroe joins the stage!

Wangaratta Performing Arts & Convention Centre, Memorial Hall Cnr Ford & Ovens Streets, Wangaratta



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