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Welcome to Term 3, 2025 at Leongatha Community House!

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As we begin a brand new term, I'd like to take this opportunity to thank each and every one of you for your support throughout my time as Acting Manager. Over the past 11 months, I've had the privilege of working alongside an incredible team of staff, volunteers, tutors, and community members. Your warmth, encouragement, and dedication to the house and what it stands for have been both humbling and inspiring.

Leongatha Community House is more than just a place where classes and programs run it's a place where connections are made, confidence is built, ideas are shared, and people come together. Being part of that has been such a meaningful experience, and I'm truly grateful for the trust and support you've shown me in this role.

Now, with great excitement, I welcome back Maddison from maternity leave! Many of you know Maddison well her energy, commitment, and genuine care for the community are at the heart of everything we do here. I know the house will continue to flourish with her back at the helm.

We invite you to explore the brochure, try something new, reconnect with familiar faces, or simply pop in for a cuppa and a chat. Thank you again for being such an important part of our community. We can't wait to see you around the house!

Kind regards,

Rebecca Arnason

Acting Manager Leongatha Community House









Leongatha Community House Inc is a proud member of Neighbourhood Houses Victoria and the Australian Neighbourhood Houses and Centres Association. You can be assured that your Community House meets all required standards of operation.



Where to find us MCCartinis Poppadons Takeaway Abech **Fish and Chips** Southern Lake - Asian eongatha K Hub Department store The Anglican Leongatha Station 🛱 Parish of Leongatha The Rusty Windmill Sennett Ln Number 9 Dream Michael's SUPA ALDI IGA Leongatha The Salvation Army Leongatha Repco Leongatha Church St Auto parts store Bair St Woorayl Lodge Horticultural 16 Bruce St. Masonic Lr Leongatha VIC 3953 Park

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Shady Oaks Cafe



Terms and Conditions

Paid Programs for Term 3 will run from 21st July - 19th September. Bookings are essential for paid programs and they cannot proceed without minimum numbers enrolled. Expressions of interest are tentative until booking is confirmed, and full payment is received. Payment is due 7 days prior to the start date for paid programs unless a payment arrangement has been approved. We accept payment in cash, or EFTPOS during office hours or online payments at the time of booking. LCH also accepts direct deposits made to Leongatha Community House BSB 633 000 Account 107 338 337. Please include your surname and program name.

General Information Cancellation and Refund Policy

A full refund will be provided for services cancelled by Leongatha Community House. A full refund for participant cancellations given with seven business days notice. No refund is provided for participant cancellations without 7 days notice. Withdrawals after the commencement of the course are non-refundable

Scan the QR Code here for online bookings

except in special circumstances.



All Abilities

Details	Dates	Cost
Ready for Hospitality Learn Local Course. Would you like to ready yourself for a career in hospitality? Then this course is for you. The group will also be prepping for and hosting a monthly community café.	Mondays 9.30am - 2.30pm During School Term	\$50 Enrolment fee \$10 per week
All Abilities Women's Group The group decides on their activities for the term which can include varied and interesting crafts, cooking including sweet and savory dishes, excursions and shopping, and many different art projects.	Tuesdays 9.30am -12pm During School Term	\$85 per term
All Abilities Self Defense Class An aerobic workout style, self defense program, incorporating self confidence, fitness and self preservation. The sessions are low impact, fun, interactive, and interesting. Learn valuable and useful skills for everyday fitness at any level. BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL	Tuesdays 1 - 2:30pm During School Term	\$126 per term 9 weeks

LCH Community Bus

Details	Dates	Cost
Personal Day Wednesday Do some shopping, catch up with friends, visit those in care, attend appointments. We pick up/drop off from your home in Leongatha, Korumburra & surrounds.	Wednesdays 10am - 2pm	\$6 Call to book
Whale Bone Hotel for Christmas in July Lunch (Wonthaggi) - Enjoy a leisurely drive through beautiful Gippsland countryside, arriving just in time to enjoy a festive feast at one of Wonthaggi's most beloved local venues. Traditional Christmas lunch 2 course meal with all the trimmings.	Tuesday 22nd July 11:15am - 3:30pm	\$10 Plus lunch \$35
Dandenong Market (Dandenong) - Join us for a fun and relaxed day out as we head to the bustling Dandenong Markets, one of Melbourne's oldest and most vibrant shopping destinations!	Tuesday 29th July 9am-3:30pm	\$20
Dolphin and Whale Watching (Philip Island) - Experience the magic of the ocean on this unforgettable day trip to Phillip Island for an up-close encounter with some of nature's most magnificent marine life, dolphins and whales!	Friday 1st August 11:30am - Late	\$120
Op Shopping (Warragul) - Join us for a fun day out op shopping in Warragul! Discover bargains, hidden gems, and enjoy a great social outing.	Friday 8th August 9am-3:30pm	\$20
The Light Horse & Artillery Museum (Nar Nar Goon) - Step back in time and honour Australia's rich military history with a memorable visit to The Light Horse & Field Artillery Museum in Nar Nar Goon.	Tuesday 12th August 9am 3.30pm	\$20 Plus entry \$10

Join us on our community outings. Want a destination added ? Please let us know.

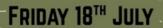
Details	Date	Cost
Gippsland Art Gallery (Sale) - Experience the awe-inspiring work of J.M.W. Turner, master of British art, in a dazzling exhibition that explores the power and beauty of nature.	Tuesday 19th August 8:30am - 4pm	\$25 Plus entry \$16
Tyabb Packing House - One of the largest centres for antiques, vintage, retro, and collectables in the Southern Hemisphere. Come and browse through stores from over 30 dealers!	Friday 29th August 9am- 3:30pm	\$20
Morning Melodies at Lynbrook Hotel + Buffet Lunch - Treat yourself to a relaxing and social day out, featuring the greatest hits of Nashville — starring Brunsy! Enjoy morning tea on arrival, followed by a delicious buffet lunch.	Tuesday 2nd September 8:45am – 3pm	\$20 Plus lunch \$35.90
Moorabbin Air Museum - Discover Australia's aviation history up close at the Moorabbin Air Museum, where you can explore historic aircraft, sit in real cockpits, and experience the thrill of flight without leaving the ground!	Friday 5th September 9am— 3:30pm	\$25.00 Plus entry \$10
Op shopping (Warragul) - Come and join us on a trip to Warragul, located between the Strzelecki ranges and the great dividing ranges, the trip offers wonderful scenic views. As well as lively op shops.	Tuesday 9th September	\$20
Wonthaggi State Coal Mine (Wonthaggi) Discover a powerful piece of Victoria's history at the Wonthaggi State Coal Mine, then unwind with a delicious lunch at the on-site café.	Friday 12th September	\$10 Plus lunch
Tesselaar Tulip festival Con (Silvan) - Celebrate the colours of the season with a stunning day out at the world-famous Tesselaar Tulip Festival in Silvan!	Tuesday 16th September	\$30 Plus entry \$22.50



LEONGATHA COMMUNITY HOUSE

16 BRUCE STREET LEONGATHA

- Browse Stalls
- Enjoy delicious food and sweet treats
- Meet new people and see what a community house can offer you



10:30AM - 2:30PM



Leongatha Community House







Health & Wellbeing

Details	Dates	Cost
Dance & Groove Gold Join our classes and enjoy a mix of styles— from old-school rock & roll, jive, and country & western to your favourite pop songs. Fun, fitness, and great company for all ages and abilities! Bookings essential	Tuesday 9 - 9.45am Dakers Centre in Smith Street	\$10 per session
Over 60's Medium Intensity Exercise Class This class is perfect for those looking for a challenge while improving overall health. This class is medium to high intensity so expect to sweat! Bookings essential BYO: Mat, sweat towel & water bottle	Tuesday 10 -10.45am Dakers Centre in Smith Street	\$10 per session
Over 60's Low Intensity Exercise Class This class is low intensity, is suitable for people who prefer a slower paced exercise class. Mainly chair based. Bookings essential BYO: Water bottle & sweat towel	Tuesday 11 -11.45am Dakers Centre in Smith Street	\$10 per session
Parents and Friends of Queer Youth (PFQY) Is a monthly gathering of LGBTIQA+ young people and the parents and friends who support them.	1st Friday of the month 7pm onwards	FREE
LCH Friday Walkers (Heart Foundation Walking Group) Short Leisurely walks for all abilities. Join	Fridays 9am- 10am	FREE
LCH Wednesday Walkers (Heart Foundation Walking Group) Enjoy walks around the town (and beyond) in good company. Join up for a coffee afterwards.	Wednesday 9:30 - 10.30am	FREE

Health & Wellbeing Cont.

Details	Dates	Cost
Hatha Yoga with Nicky Gentle "body and soul" stretching and relaxation for all ages. BYO: mat, rug, and cushion	Wednesday 11am - 12pm	\$10 per session

Crafts

Details	Dates	Cost
Knitting & Crochet Group BYO lunch and your knitting or crochet project and enjoy a great Sunday with this friendly group. Suitable for all levels of experience.	1st Sunday of the month 10:30am - 3pm	\$5 per session
Sewing & Patchworking Group Bring your projects, share ideas and motivation with others, and make new friends too. Beginners welcome! Machines and supplies available for beginners.	Tuesday 1 - 4pm	\$3 per session
Craft in Company Bring along your WIP's (Works in Progress) or UFO's (Un-Finished Objects) and progress them in good company over a cuppa. Share your successes, and/or learn some new	Thursday 10am-12pm	\$3 per session
Beginners Sewing Come along and learn how to sew, alter or make clothes that fit your body guided by experienced dressmaker. No previous experience needed.	Thursday 13pm Bookings essential	\$15 per week
Mending & Sewing Help Need help fixing a zip, sewing on a button, or hemming a pair of pants? Come along for a relaxed session where you can bring your small sewing or mending projects and get guidance from an experienced dressmaker.	Thursday 13pm Bookings essential	\$10 per session

Crafts Continued

Details	Dates	Cost
Floral Teapot Art Create your own stunning floral teapot arrangement using succulents and artistic flair in this hands-on workshop. Learn basic floral design techniques while crafting a beautiful, one-of-a-kind piece to take home.	Friday 22nd August 1pm - 2:30pm	\$20 per session

Saturday Cooking Workshops

Details	Dates	Cost
90-Minute Cheesemaking Workshop Join us for a fun, hands-on 90-minute workshop and learn to make Mozzarella, Paneer, Ricotta, and Express Halloumi using everyday ingredients. No experience needed! Sample everything you make and enjoy a bonus artisan cheese platter.	Friday 1st August 10am – 11:30am	\$50
Sourdough Workshop Join this hands-on class and learn to make the perfect sourdough from scratch! Nicky will guide you through caring for your starter to baking a delicious loaf—perfect for all skill levels.	Saturday 30th August 10am - 2pm	\$70

Building Our Story

Details	Dates	Cost
Preserving the Legacy of Leongatha Community House Help Us Preserve the History of Leongatha Community House! Whether you've been involved for months or decades, we'd love your stories, photos, and memories. We're creating a book to celebrate our shared history—be part of it!	4th Monday of the month 25th August 22nd Sept 27th Oct 10am –12pm	Free

Volunteering at Leongatha Community House



Meet Our Volunteers: Peter and Vicki

Since joining us in April, Peter and Vicki have become an integral part of the Leongatha Community House team, generously giving their time, energy, and skills to support our work.

Vicki volunteers in our office, where she's been focused on building her computer and administration skills. Her enthusiasm for learning and willingness to lend a hand have made her a valued member of the team.

Peter began volunteering in the office admin space but quickly put his background in finance and insurance to great use, supporting our accounts processes. He's also stepped up as one of our LCH Bus drivers, helping keep our programs connected and running smoothly.

Both Peter and Vicki say they volunteer because they enjoy contributing to local community organisations and love learning new things along the way. They're also passionate advocates for the work LCH does and the wide range of programs we offer

We're so grateful for their contribution and the positive energy they bring to the house each week!

OPPORTUNITIES



Join our team, meet new people, learn new skills, and make a difference today!

We have a variety of volunteering opportunities available on any day for an hour, a morning, an afternoon, or a day

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

data entry organising gardening community bus driving in the kitchen helping at events answering the phone sorting crafts tidying filing

Leongatha Community House is a registered mutual obligations provider.



For more information please call 5662 3962 or email info.leongathacommunityhouse.org.au

Art

Details	Dates	Cost
Introduction to Soft Pastels (Constance Barker) Come and play with pastels and learn different techniques and blending colours to create a fun bird or animal.	Thursday's 14th August to 4th Sept 5pm - 7pm	\$100 4 weeks
Acrylic Painting Group Our group makes art fun using the FARTS method: Fun, Attitude, Repetition, Technique, and Skill. Join this friendly and welcoming group to explore new art skills, enjoy the creative process, and connect with others.	Fridays 10am - 12pm	\$5 per session
Calligraphy Workshop—Italic Script Join us in learning the art of elegant Italic Script with our Tutor Jenefer Chitty. Perfect for beginners or those looking to refine their skills.	Saturday 6th September 12pm –4pm	\$20 Plus calligraphy pen

NDIS Afterschool Social Group

Details	Dates	Cost
NDIS Afterschool Social Group Join our NDIS Afterschool Social Group for fun, friendship, and new experiences in a supportive and inclusive environment. This program is designed around the interests and goals of participants, making each term unique and engaging. Activities often include cooking, craft, swimming, fishing, games, and outings—there's always something exciting to look forward to! School pick-up and home drop-off are included, making it easy and convenient for families.	Tuesday 3 – 6pm During School Term	Cost will vary depending on activity

Saturday Art Workshops

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Details	Dates	Cost	
Pet Portraits with Constance Barker Start with the fundamentals, mastering lines, shading, and proportions. Then, using a picture of your very own pet, we'll guide you through transforming that photo into a stunning work of art. Whether you're a beginner or just looking to refine your skills, you'll leave with a personalized portrait of your pet—and a new creative skill you can use again and again.	Saturday 20th September & 27th September 10:30am 2:30pm	\$60	
Alcohol Ink Art Workshop Join us for a hands-on Alcohol Ink Art Workshop, perfect for beginners and seasoned artists alike! Learn exciting techniques to create vibrant, fluid artwork with bold colours. All materials are provided, and you'll leave with your own unique pieces of art.	Saturday 23rd August 10am – 2:30pm	\$40 Plus Materials \$40	
Water Colour Workshop –Building on the basics Would you like to dip your toe into the wonderful, exciting (and sometimes frustrating!) world of watercolour? Join us in this therapeutic workshop where we'll build on the basics and expand your skills, exploring the eight essential watercolour techniques. Perfect for those with a little experience looking to grow their confidence.	Saturday 9th August 10am – 2:30pm	\$40 Plus Materials	
Water Colour Workshop – Developing Your Style Ready to take your watercolour skills to the next level? This supportive workshop is ideal for confident beginners ready to explore advanced techniques like composition, layering, and developing a personal style.	Saturday 13th September 10am – 2:30pm	\$40 Plus Materials	

Computer skills

Details	Dates	Cost
Tech Time free weekly sessions Got a basic tech issue? We're here to help! Whether it's setting up a device, troubleshooting software, or fixing simple tech problems.	By appointment only	FREE BY BOOKING
Identifying and avoiding Scams Participants will learn how to spot and avoid common scams in this free Be Connected session. Stay safe online and protect your personal information with simple and practical tips	Friday 25th July 22nd August 9am –10am	FREE BY BOOKING
Introduction to MyGov Learn how to set up and use your MyGov account with confidence in this free Be Connected session. We'll guide you through linking services like Medicare, Centrelink, and the ATO, and help you stay in control of your information online.	Friday 8th August 9am –10am	FREE BY BOOKING
All About MyGov This course will introduce you to myGov and show you how to use it safely for important things like Medicare, My Aged Care, My Health Record and more	Friday 5th September 9am –10am	FREE BY BOOKING

Children and Young People

Leongatha Dungeons and Dragons		
This group is for teenagers and young adults, 15-25yo new to the world of D&D wanting to join and experience adventures, create characters, try out a thrilling adventure and learn how to play.	2nd 3rd and 4th Friday of the month 5pm	\$3 per session

Special Interest

Details	etails Dates	
Monthly Friendship Group Join us monthly for fun, laughter, and support. All are welcome as we build connections and create lasting friendships in our community. *12th July *9th August *13th Sept	2nd Saturday of the month 10 - 11.30am	\$3 per session
Ukulele Jam (Janet Head) Do you play the ukulele? Or you'd like to learn? Whether you're an experienced player or just starting out, come along for practice and fun.	Monday 1 - 2.30pm	\$3 per session
Creative Writing & Story Telling Objects are brought in to inspire the writers. Writers right their own story that's inspired by the object or theme. Group members then share their stories and discuss.	Tuesday 10am – 12pm	\$3 per session
Mahjong Mahjong, is a game that is similar to Rummy, but it is played with tiles instead of cards.	Wednesday 1 - 3pm	\$3 per session
Book Club Our book club meets fortnightly—one session to discuss the chosen book, and the next to share and chat about whatever else we've been reading.	2nd & 4th Wednesday of the month 1 - 2.30pm	\$3 per session
LCH Photography Group Join our monthly meeting to share all things photography, in a fun, relaxing way. *20th August *17th Sept *15th October	1 / - 9nm 0000K	
LCH Solo Card Group Come along and learn how to play this interesting and fun card game.	Friday 9am - 12.30pm	\$3 per session

Special Interest continued

Details	Dates	Cost
Conversation in Italiano Embark on an exciting journey into the Italian language and culture. You'll build on essential vocabulary, basic grammar, and everyday conversational skills in a fun and interactive environment. Some prior knowledge preferred.	Friday 10 - 11am	\$90 Term 9 weeks
Leongatha Minifigure Dungeons and Dragons Come, chill and discuss all things D & D while crafting and painting your minifigures and accessories	Friday 6pm	\$3 per session
Leongatha Dungeons & Dragons Group This table-top role-playing game is loads of fun; join the group for amazing adventures, explore new worlds, and let your imagination take flight. 18 and over.	Saturday 5.30pm	\$3 per session

User Groups

We are proud to be the chosen "home" for the following groups that meet at the Community House. Additional or new groups are always welcome. Please note: the Community House does not run these groups; if you would like to participate in any of them, we have contact details.

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Basketry & Fibre Group	Leongatha Horticultural Society
Meets bimonthly on the 4th Sunday	Meets on 2nd Thursday at 4-6pm
Kinship Support Group	Reconciliation Book Club
Meets monthly on a Thursday	Meets 1st Friday of the month
T.O.P.I.C (Take Off Pounds in Company) Thursdays Weekly 12-2pm	Woorayl Cerc Meets bi-monthly on the 3rd Monday

Carers Support Group

Details	Dates	Cost
Our Carers Support Group will offer a compassionate community where you can share your experiences, receive emotional support, and connect with others who understand the unique demands of being a	3rd Tuesday of the month	NO COST
caregiver. Register your interest 1800 242 696	16thSept 21st October	
or email Iris.Gaillard@lchs.com.au This group is facilitated by Latrobe Community Health Service	Com Heal	munity th service

Positive Living Info Sessions

Details	Dates	Cost
Dietitians use the latest evidence to help nourish the body and manage health conditions.	2 - 3pm Thursday	NO COST
A Dietitian helps people understand the relationship between food and health, enabling them to make informed decisions	14th August 18th	Register your Interest
around their food choices. This includes giving tailored strategies and tools to support them to get the most out of their	September	AND SOUTHERN
lifestyle. Facilitated by Gippsland Southern Health Service Dietetics Service	Building	LTH SERVICE a healthier community of Gippsland together.

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How to Live Longer at Home

Details	Dates	Cost
Our health needs change as we age, but one thing stays the same: our desire to remain living in our own home. Hear our service experts explain how you can access government funding to help you stay living at home for longer	Monday 1st Sept 11am – 12:30pm	NO COST

Register your interest 0356623962

This group is facilitated by Latrobe Community Health Service



Aged Care Support with Laura from LCHS

Details	Dates	Cost
Laura from Latrobe Community Health Service is available once a month for free one-on-one sessions to help you navigate aged care services for yourself or a loved one. She can guide you through the My Aged Care application process, explain next steps, and provide information on the Carers Program and Care Finders Program.	Mondays 11th August 8th Sept 13th October 10th Nov 8th Dec 10am –1pm	NO COST
Register your interest 0356623962		
This group is facilitated by	Com	munity thservice

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Saturday		
10 - 11.30am	Monthly Friendship Group	2nd Saturday
5.30pm - late	Leongatha Dungeons & Dragons	Weekly
Ring for times	Workshops	Weekly
	Sunday	
10.30am - 3pm	Knitting and Crochet	1st Sunday
	Monday	
9.30 - 2.30pm	Ready For Hospitality	Weekly
10am -12pm	LCH History Project	4th Mon Month
1 - 2.30pm	Ukelele Jam	Weekly
	Tuesday	
9 - 9.45am	Dance & Groove Gold	Weekly
9.30am - 12pm	All Abilities Women's Group	Weekly
10am - 12pm	Creative Writing & Story Telling	Weekly
10 - 10.45am	> 60's medium Exercise Group	Weekly
11 - 11.45am	> 60's low intensity Exercise Group	Weekly
1 - 4pm	Sewing & Patchworking	Weekly
1 - 2pm	All Abilities Self Defence	Weekly
3 - 6pm	NDIS afterschool social group	Weekly
Wednesday		
Ring for times	Leongatha Bus - Personal Day	Weekly
9.30 - 10.30am	Wednesday Walkers	Weekly
11am—12pm	Hatha Yoga with Nicky	Weekly
1 - 2.30pm	Book club/ Book chat	2nd & 4th Wed
1 - 3pm	Mahjong	Weekly
7pm - 9pm	LCH Monthly Photography Group	3rd Wed

Term 3, 2025 at a glance continued

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Thursday		
10am - 12pm	Craft in Company	Weekly
12 - 2pm	T.O.P.I.C	Weekly
1 - 3pm	Beginners Sewing	Weekly
	Friday	
9am - 12.30pm	LCH Solo Card Group	Weekly
10am - 12pm	Acrylic painting	Weekly
10am - 11am	Conversations in Italian	Weekly
9am - 10am	Technology Workshops	Fortnightly
6pm onwards	Dungeons & Dragons 15-25yo	2nd, 3rd & 4th Friday
6pm onwards	Mini Figure Dungeons & Dragons	Weekly
7pm onwards	Parents & Friends of Queer Youth	1st Friday

Leongatha Community House Special Events

Daffodil Festival Leongatha Leongatha Community House

Head on down to our Community House from the Daffodil Festival, check out our display.

RUOK Day (Guest speaker) Cupcakes and Conversations

It's our National Day of Action when we highlight the importance of meaningful R U OK? conversations and remind all Australians to start them any day of the year. Activities happening all week.

11am - 2pm, Friday 29th August



1.30pm, Thursday 11th September

