

#### WELCOME, PALMERSTON AND RURAL SENIORS

to City of Palmerston's Grey Goss newsletter!

Published quarterly, the next issue will be released November. covering events and activities throughout the Christmas and holiday season.

As usual, you are most welcome to contribute ideas and information for Grev Goss. please contact Tess bv emailing tess.riches@palmerston.nt.gov.au. Thank you to everyone who has submitted information for this issue.

#### CITY OF PALMERSTON'S NINTH COUNCIL

City of Palmerston Elected Members may be contacted by:

Post: PO Box 1, Palmerston NT 0831 Email: palmerston@palmerston.nt.gov.au

Phone: (08) 8935 9922

Your council is comprised of Mayor Athina Pascoe-Bell and seven Aldermen:

Deputy Mayor Damian Hale Alderman Lucy Buhr Alderman Amber Garden Alderman Beniamin Giesecke Alderman Sarah Henderson Alderman Tom Lewis Alderman Mick Spick

#### **COUNCIL MEETINGS**

You are very welcome to attend Council meetings to observe proceedings.

Ordinary Council Meetings are held on the First and Third Tuesday of every month, at 5.30pm.

Commencing at 5pm in the Council Chambers, a Public Forum will be held prior to each Ordinary Council meeting, providing an opportunity for community consultation.

Meeting dates, agendas and minutes will be listed at: http:// www.palmerston.nt.gov.au/council/meetings/councilmeetings

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#### **CITY OF PALMERSTON WEBSITE**

Have you noticed the changes to Council's website?

The new design is hopefully easier to use, especially the FIND IT FAST scrolling section towards the bottom of every page.

These items are your one-click gateway to the pages you need to access for things like;

- Payments (Pay Online),
- Public Consultations (Have Your Say),
- Appliction Forms (Forms and Permits),
- Meetings (Agendas and Minutes),
- Searching the Library Catalogue (Library),
- Entire documents such as Municipal Plan (Publications),
- Booking Council Facilities and also certain activities (Online Bookings),
- What's coming up that you may be interested in (Events), and a really helpful page:
  - Reporting problems with streetlights, disability access, required maintenance to paths etc. (Report an Issue) - scroll down past General Enquiries to the section dedicated to streetlights.







#### **ACTIVATE 2018**

Palmerston and Rural Residents aged 16 years or over... have you joined Activate yet? Instead of one 8-week program, Activate is now offered in a series of 9-week blocks, with different activities and excercises available to you FOR FREE!

You do need to register so that you receive your unique identification number, which you will use to sign-in to each session you attend. As usual the sessions cater for a range of fitness levels and interests. Activities offered are suitable for participants who are not currently active and have had little or no experience in the activity previously. You can register at any time, and

once you do, you will receive the current session timetables.



#### To register go to:

http://cityofpalmerston.checkfront.com/reserve and scroll down to Activate, then Book Now. Registration is easy, fast and FREE!

Also - see page 8 for information about Activate FOR KIDS!

#### PALMERSTON RECREATION CENTRE

Bonson Terrace, Driver.)

The Palmerston Recreation Centre is now a fully-functioning community facility, offering spaces for a wide range of uses and users! Booking is online, to streamline the process, but you an also phone us and we will book for you.

Several seniors' activities operate at the Rec Centre: these are promoted by the suppliers and include Croquet on Wednesdays, and Fitness on Mondays.

Council's Community Services team moved to the offices in the Recreation Centre a year ago, and operate from there.

(The YMCA moved their programs, including seniors' classes, to the Palmerston Swimming and Fitness Centre,





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#### LIVE IN THE SQUARE

**12 August** The Governors **26 August** The Groove Factor

**9 September** Jigsaw Collective

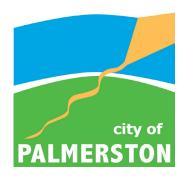


#### **SENIORS FORUM 2018 - RSVP'S CLOSED**

Thanks to the Palmerston and Rural Seniors Committee for taking the RSVP's for this event, which is facilitated by the Palmerston Seniors Advisory Committee (an advisory committee to City of Palmerston).



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### CITY OF PALMERSTON RATES PAYMENTS

Rates Instalment Dates\*:

Sunday 30 September 2018

Friday 30 November 2018

Wednesday 30 January 2019

Saturday 30 March 2019

\*Where the last date for payment falls on a weekend or Public Holiday, payment should be made by the next working day (eg. If the due date is a Saturday, the payment should be received by 5pm on the following Monday.)

Note: Should you not receive your rates notice prior to these dates please all (08) 8935 9922 or email rates@palmerston.nt.gov.au to confirm postal details or request another copy.

#### **NT Concession Scheme**

Eligible pensioners are entitled to a concession on rates. The City of Palmerston receives a listing from NT Concession Scheme of all ratepayers that are eligible for a concession on 1 July each year.

Concessions for eligible pensioners are automatically included on the rate notice. If a pensioner becomes eligible part way through the rating year they must pay the rates in full to Council and then contact the NT Concession Scheme for reimbursement on 1800 777 704 or Palmerston Community Care Centre on 08 8999 3344.

For more information visit https://ntconcessions.nt.gov.au/

#### NATIONAL DAYS OF SIGNIFICANCE COMING UP

**AUGUST IS SENIORS MONTH!** 

11 NOVEMBER IS REMEMBRANCE DAY - SEE PAGE 9

12 TO 19 NOVEMBER IS RECYCLING WEEK

3 DECEMBER IS INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEOPLE WITH A DISABILITY

#### **DISABLITY PERMIT HOLDERS**

Council has amended its parking policy to allow all Disability Permit holders to park in any Council car park (both on and off-street) for FREE and up to twice the time displayed for that zone.

Previously, only the dedicated Disability parks were free. (All of these allow all-day parking EXCEPT for the one near the Post Office, which is short term.)

Now, you can park in a Council-owned two-hour park for up to four hours and you don't have to pay anything.

However - you MUST display your permit on the dash, or the Ranger cannot tell that you are **not** parked illegally.

#### **KNOW WHERE TO GO?**

The National Public Toilet Map helps you find toilets, plan a trip and save trip planners.

https://toiletmap.gov.au Pick up their flyer from Council brochure racks for more information.

This excellent resource is a project of the National Continence Program.



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### **FLICNICS**

#### **AUGUST**

- 4 Miracle from Heaven
- 11 Frozen
- 18 Lion
- 26 ET

#### **SEPTEMBER**

- 1 Spirited Away
- 8 The Lion King (theme night)

#### **OCTOBER - EXTRA EVENT!**

27 Goose Bumps (theme night)

Pack a picnic, chain, bean bag on rug

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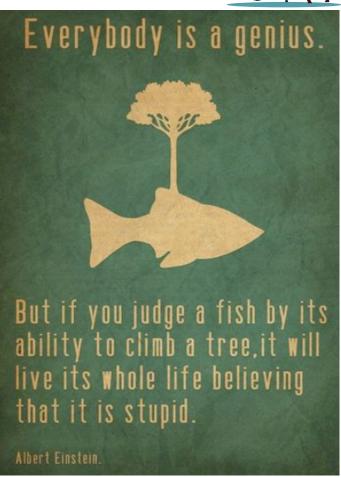


EVERY SATURDAY 21 APRIL - 8 SEPTEMBER | MOVIES START: 7PM



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#### **LEARN - OR RELEARN- A LANGUAGE NOW!**

OTHER DAYS & TIMES COMING SOON

your location as 'Darwin'

Interested? Register your interest online and select

'They' keep telling us to use it or lose it, and learning a new language is a great way to invigorate the old grey cells! But perhaps you have another reason. Do your grandkids have a second language? Do you want to go on holidays and dazzle with your ability to chat with the locals? Do you want to re-learn your mother tongue? Do you want to see how much of third-period French you can actually recall? Or; do you already have an exotic first language but you want to improve your English?

It's all within your reach with this brilliant ystem that you can access with your library membership.



Transparent Language is a complete language learning system for the independent learner.

Transparent Language Online features 100+ languages with easy-to-follow tutorials that can be accessed from your desktop or mobile device.

There is also an extensive English collection for speakers of 25+ languages.

To access this great resource, speak to the team at City of Palmerston Library, 8935 9999.



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To help residents prepare for the upcoming cyclone season, the City of Palmerston will be conducting a hard rubbish collection service for all suburbs on the following dates:

All items for collection must be placed on the verge on

Collection by contractors will commence on 3 September

#### DURACK | MARLOW LAGOON | DRIVER | GRAY | MOULDEN | WOODROFFE

All items for collection must be placed on the verge on

Collection by contractors will commence on 8 October

FARRAR | GUNN | BAKEWELL | ROSEBERY | JOHNSTON **BELLAMACK | ZUCCOLI** 

For seniors & residents with a disability requiring assistance moving large items to the verge, please call Council on 8935 9955 at least one week prior to collection. PALMERSTON

# Cyclone Clean D

#### WHAT WILL BE COLLECTED:

Household quantities of white goods, air conditioners, steel, bicycles, furniture & household building materials.













#### WHAT WON'T BE COLLECTED:

Green, domestic & commercial waste, gas bottles, car parts, vehicle bodies, tyres, paints, oils, chemicals or other hazardous waste.













#### WHEN TO PLACE ITEMS ON THE VERGE:

Items for collection are to be placed on the verge in front of your property on the Saturday & Sunday PRIOR to the collection dates for your suburb. Please make sure when placing items on the verge all footpaths are kept clear & pedestrians have safe access to walkways.

#### WHEN THE COLLECTION WILL TAKE PLACE:

Collection will occur on the Monday following the weekend collection dates allocated to your suburb.

#### PLEASE NOTE:

appear on the verge after the dates specified will not be collected. Individual

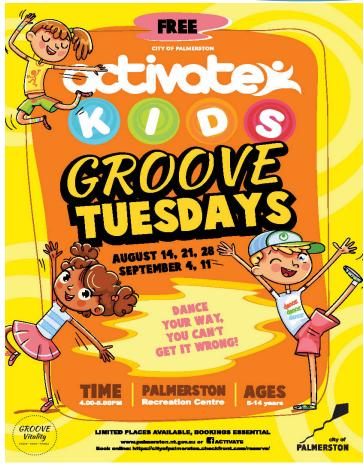
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#### **HOONUIT**

City of Palmerston Library has launched an online software training database - Hoonuit, a comprehensive online database of how-to training tutorials covering popular Microsoft, Apple, Adobe and Google software programs.

Through the library's website, members will have unlimited access to these videos in the library or at home.

With in-depth software training tutorials to fit users' needs, these videos help patrons of all ages improve job skills and become more proficient in basic computer applications.

(Mobile device training is also available, allowing patrons to learn how to get the most out of their smartphones and tablets.

See page11) Please speak to library staff to find out how you can get the most out of your technology!



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#### **CENTENARY OF ARMISTICE DAY - REMEMBRANCE DAY - CELEBRATIONS**

At 11am on November 11, many people across the world stop to remember the end of World War 1 and the service of armed forces everywhere. "The eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month" is commemorated as the Anniversary of Armistice, and in 2018 it is especially significant as this year marks one hundred years since the end of that war.

The First World War, or WW1, began in 1914 and ended in 1918. It was originally called The Great War, and The War to End All Wars; it wasn't, and it didn't. Subsequent conflicts and the Second World War became associated with the day of commemoration, prompting its renaming to Remembrance Day, to include all the of fallen and serving.

Would YOU like to be involved in Palmerston's celebrations to commemorate Remembrance Day? We will have a couple of projects underway soon, including both permanent and temporary public artworks in our Memorial Park. So calling all crafters, blokes-with-sheds, and people keen to have a go would you like to make a poppy for the Poppy Wall? The Flanders poppy has long been associated with this day, as well as ANZAC Day, and we're going to make a beautiful, colourful feature of it for the Remembrance Day celebrations.



Design and make your poppy, in whatever style and materials you like, and it will join many others in decorating a temporary Poppy Wall of Remembrance, to be installed alongside the path in Memorial Park.

Tess is the project coordinator; you can contact her (on 8935 9929 or tess.riches@ palmerston.nt.gov.au) for information, to run ideas past her, to check on progress...

(November is The Wet Season and your creations will be outside for a few weeks. You might want to consider using waterproof materials or ways to waterproof your poppies if made of fabric etc.)



Every Friday 10am to 1pm - Driver Resource Centre, Driver

Come along to yarn, learn and socialise:

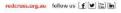
Learn about computers including email, word processing and myGov. Coffee, morning tea, lunch and transport available Palmerston area.







Contact Natasha on 0466 548 961 or nmaher@redcross.org.au









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#### SENIORS OF EXCELLENCE NT AWARDS

Have you heard about this home-grown organisation, which has been recognising outstanding local seniors since 2014? Congratulations to the small band of dedicated members of Seniors Of Excellence NT Inc. for their positive affirmation of the amazing contributions of seniors in our communities!

Each year nominations are received from people wishing to acknowledge the generosity, skills and community spirit of our

The following is the list of those Territorians who are recipients of a Seniors Of Excellence NT - Awards (Palmerston and our rural residents in bold.)

#### **2014 Recipients**

Mrs Cath Cocroft, Mrs Margaret Moore, Mrs Joy Beck, Mrs Joan Chappel, Mr Terrence Hines, Mrs Mary Meldrum, Ms Roddy Calvert, Mrs Rosemary Aiken, Ms Christina Honan, Mr David Pearson OAM, Mrs Delma Ainslie-Cowles, Ms Dotty Daby, Mrs Evonne Sharman, Mrs Helen Gabel, Mrs Janice Stach, Mr John Moyle, Mr John Potter, Mrs Nola Smith, Mrs Sue Dibbs, Mrs Sue Firth, Dr Jim Scattini.

#### 2015 Recipients

Mrs Janette Jewell, Mr Daryl Salathiel, Mrs Daphne Read OAM, Ms Janice Canniford, Mrs Pamela Smith, Mr Donald Lockley, Mrs Romola Sebastion-Pillai, Dr Jan Hills, , Joan & Lindsay Johannsen, Mrs Gillian Hagger OAM, Mrs Olga Radke OAM, Mr Leo Izod.

### 2016 Recipients

Mrs Iris Gibbins, Mrs Betty Griffin, Mrs Ann Brown, Mrs Janette Jewell, Ms Lillian Mann, Mrs Neila Boyle, Mrs Maureen York, Mrs Jose Petrick, Mrs Elizabeth Mary Abotomey, Mrs Jean Hanson, Mrs Valerie Hamilton, Dr Valerie Asche AM, Mr Ronald Burridge, Mr John Lear, Mrs Jennifer Rivett; Associate Awards COTA NT, Palmerston 50+ Club

#### **2017 Recipients**

Mr Garry Raymond Casey, Mr Stephen Russell, Mr Darryl Butler, Mr William J Hamilton, Mrs Diane Lunn, Mr Raymond Fauntleroy. Mr Rodney Hocking, Mrs Myra Skinner, Mrs Eileen Boocock, Mr Jeffrey Dunn OAM

#### **2018 Recipients**

To be announced soon!

To contact Seniors Of Excellence NT Inc:

P.O. Box 40561 Casuarina NT 0811 Northern Territory

Tel Mob: 0438 279244

Email: seniorsofexcellence@bigpond.com Web: www.seniorsofexcellence.com.au

#### **BLAST FROM THE PAST!**

Can you remember this iconic city site being developed? The photo on the left is from 2003, the one on the right is 2018.





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#### **RECOGNISING AGING**

How do you know when the time has begun

For you to get older, though it's not such great fun

If it works, does it hurt, and will it still work

Next week.

Memories of the morning after, from times in your past Are reproduced quite frequently without being asked as you wake up today without having done anything to earn it.

Your mind makes decisions that your body can't maintain Your hair's getting thinner, pity your body's not the same Knees can buckle, but your belt no longer does Without great effort.

When asked of your past, every detail you'll know,
But what were you doing 10 minutes ago?
Your children now have wrinkles and their hair's turning grey
And you've just noticed
Instead of Chanel No 5, you smell of vapour rub

Your back goes out as much as you, and when eating in the pub

Take advice from one who knows

Don't have steak

You really are a walking storeroom of facts

An oracle of answers, you really are exact

But no one ever asks you

The right questions.

So you've got to Senior Citizenship with required skills, you're now equipped to accept aging gracefully Well, aren't you?

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Here are two more great options from your Library to help you develop your technological skills and really get the most out of your computer, tablet and phone:



#### **Adult Drop-In Computer Sessions**

Need helping using your computer, tablet or phone? Then come to our drop-in computer sessions. Computers and iPads available, or bring your own device and get one-on-one assistance with all of your computer/IT issues from a library staff member. All welcome, no bookings required.

When: Thursdays
Time: 10am to 12pm

Location: Study Area at City of Palmerston Library



#### **Be Connected**

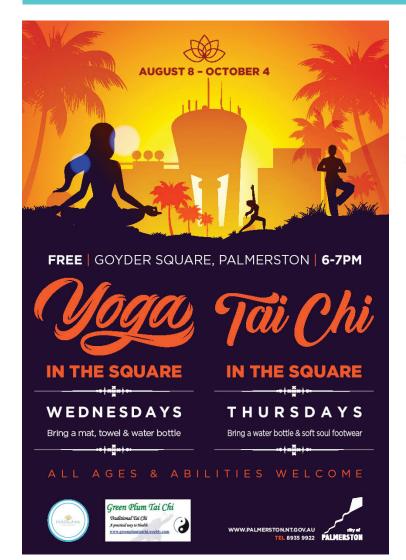
Be Connected is an Australian government initiative committed to increasing the confidence, skills and online safety of older Australians. Be Connected aims to empower everyone to use the internet and everyday technology to thrive in our digital world.

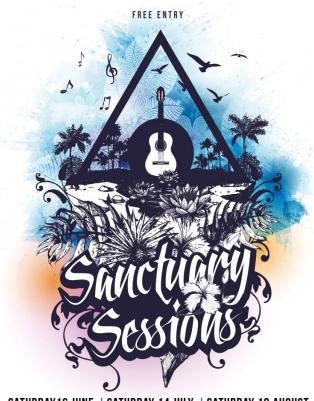
For more information on how you can access this new service, pop into the City of Palmerston Library and ask one of the team at the front counter, or alternatively, by attending our Adult Drop-In Computer Sessions on a Thursday between 10am and 12pm.





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SATURDAY 16 JUNE | SATURDAY 14 JULY | SATURDAY 18 AUGUST

#### SANCTUARY LAKES, GUNN 4PM - 7PM

COME ON DOWN TO SANCTUARY LAKES (LAKEVIEW BLVD. GUNN. PALMERSTON) FOR AN ARVO OF MUSIC, FOOD AND RELAXATION!

FOR INFO ON WHO IS PERFORMING VISIT WWW.PALMERSTON.NT.GOV.AU

FEATURING LIVE AND LOCAL MUSIC FOR YOU TO ENJOY WHILE THE SUN SETS DOWN AT THE LAKE.

FAMILY-FRIENDLY

FOOD TRUCKS

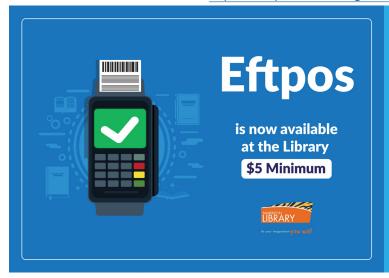
PET-FRIENDLY

KIDS ENTERTAINER

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