

August Newsletter



A bright new chapter for Traralgon Neighbourhood House.

Thank you so much for the warm welcome I've received in my first week at Traralgon Neighbourhood Learning House.

It's been lovely meeting many of you already, and I'm really looking forward to getting to know more of the wonderful people who make this place what it is. I am inspired by the talents of our tutors and participants.

I want to take a moment to acknowledge that there's been a lot of change over the past few months. I know some people have felt hurt or upset, and I want to recognise that. While I wasn't here at the time, I'm here now to listen, learn, and help us move forward together. This House was built by the community, for the community, and that's exactly how I see it continuing.

I would like to thank the committee for trusting me with this ongoing role. It's a big job, but I'm excited to roll up my sleeves and get stuck in.

More than anything, I want this House to continue to be a place where everyone feels welcome.

A bit about me, I've lived in Traralgar for 18 years with my husband Brett, and we have six kids, four still at home. I volunteer as a Scout Leader, and earlier this year went with a busload of young people all the way to Maryborough, Queensland (36 hours each way) The Jamboree was a huge 10-day camp of almost 10,000 Scouts.

I have come from Fed Uni where I worked with health professionals and community to access a free student-led physio clinic.

You might notice me away for a short stint from 14 to 22 August. Brett and I are heading to Thailand kid-free, to celebrate our 20th wedding anniversary. I really appreciate the Committee giving me the chance to ease into the role around this. I'm pretty excited as my typical holiday for us is in a camper trailer as a family.

I've got plenty of ideas coming into this role, but I'd love to hear yours too.

What do you want to see here? What's working well?
What could be better?

Whether it's positive feedback or constructive suggestions, I'm all ears. This is YOUR Neighbourhood house.

Thanks again for helping me feel at home, I'm excited for what we can build together. *And remember, there's always a seat at the table here for you.*

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Office Hours - Term 2

Monday to Thursday 9am to 4pm
Closed Fridays

This term we will be closed Friday as we navigate this transition from interim to permanent staff.

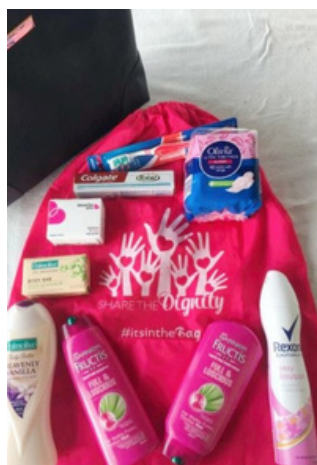
Thank you for your patience and cooperation during this time. We will review this at the end of the term to consider what is required and how this will be staffed.



FREE Tax Help Appointments

Volunteers trained by the Tax Office provide assistance to low-income earners to complete their tax forms. This service is offered now until October.

Contact the House to make an appointment




#ITSINTHEBag ESSENTIALS
 Shampoo
 Conditioner
 Toothbrush
 Toothpaste
 Soap
 Deodorant
 Sanitary Items

Share the Dignity

Share the Dignity. Pink donation boxes are in the foyer. Please donate as you are able.

Keeping in Touch

There have been a few issues with our phone messages and emails. Please call or text if you are awaiting a response to a call or email.



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