



OONAH

ABORIGINAL HEALTH AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

DATES TO REMEMBER

Optometry
Friday 23rd June

Podiatry
Friday 23rd June

**School Holidays
Start**
Monday 26th June

OONAH Programs

Young Women's
Monday's
4:15 pm - 6:15 pm

Wominjeka Warriors
Friday's
2:30 pm - 4:00 pm

Earth, Heart, Spirit
Tuesday's
10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Youth Club
Wednesday's
3:30 pm - 5:30 pm

Playgroup
Friday's
10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Craft Group
Friday's
10:00 am - 12:30 pm

Tucker Bag
Friday's
12:30 pm - 3:00 pm

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Youth NAIDOC Ball



Nominations are now open for Oonah's
Youth NAIDOC Award
Ceremony and Ball

Nominations are for Aboriginal and/or
Torres Strait Islander Youth aged 7- 17
years within the Inner and Outer East
of Melbourne.

Award Categories
Caring for Country
Education
Art
Respecting Elders
Sport
Future Leader
Kid's Choice

For a nomination form please email
naidoc@oonah.org.au
with Youth NAIDOC Nomination in the
subject line
Nominations Close
Sunday 18th June 11:59 PM

Oonah Youth NAIDOC Award
Ceremony and Ball
SAT JULY 29TH KARRALYKA
5 PM -9 PM

EMR NAIDOC Ball



We are pleased to announce that the
2023 EMR NAIDOC 'For Our Elders'
Ball and Awards Ceremony will be held
on 7th July 2023.

This year's theme: 'For Our Elders',
acknowledges the vital role our Elders
have played, across every generation,
in paving the way for us to continue on
as the longest continuous living culture
in the world. Our Elders hold a
prominent and essential role within our
Communities and families alike. It is
long past due to shine a light on all that
they do for Mob, for culture, for
Community, and decision making.
For tickets go to the EMR NAIDOC 'For
Our Elders' Ball and Award Ceremony
Link:

[https://events.humanitix.com/eastern-
metropolitan-region...](https://events.humanitix.com/eastern-metropolitan-region...)

6:30 PM TO LATE

The Whitehorse Club
298-336 Burwood Hwy
Burwood East

3 COURSE MEAL WITH SOFT DRINKS
LIVE ENTERTAINMENT
AWARD CEREMONY
GIFTS
ALCOHOL AVAILABLE AT BAR PRICES

Welcome

Salli

My name is Salli and I am a nurse who has lived in Melbourne with my late husband and two grown-up daughters, since 2005.

I have worked in General Practice for many years, my passion being sexual and reproductive health for all. I am also a cervical screening provider (pap smear). Some of you will know me from my role as Community nurse with the Aboriginal Health Team, also in Healesville.

I am passionate about Australian wildlife, and when I can, help with rescues and transportation of wildlife to carers. I am particularly fond of bats and help with the Yarra Bend programme that re-wilds flying-foxes that have been in care. I have three cats (totally indoors only to protect the wildlife) and two elderly kelpies.

In my spare time I write and am currently working on a book I hope to publish. I also belong to The Basin Theatre group, and until recently I also did a little extras work in TV and film when I could squeeze it in. I also enjoy live music, making candles and cooking – especially baking.

I love working with the Indigenous Community and learning about the Culture, and consider it a privilege.

Sandra

Hi, I am Sandra and I am a mental health nurse of many years. I trained in the 80s at Larundel then worked in the UK for 6yrs. I completed my Gestalt psychotherapy training in 2019. I have enjoyed working in a

Community setting through most of my career in mental health and AOD, focussed on individual counselling and group work. I have been based in the Yarra ranges for the last 10 yrs and was part of the mental health incentive program covering the clients at GP clinics with 30 other nurses.

This is my first role within an Aboriginal Health service and I am looking forward to developing an understanding of culture and how I can be of support to the community.

Staff Development Day Koori Heritage Trust



Last month was an incredibly enriching experience at the Koori Heritage Trust. As part of our staff personal development day, we took a walk along Birrarung Marr, admiring the beautiful artworks and immersing ourselves in Culture. Our guide was extremely knowledgeable and shared fascinating insights into history and traditions.

Program Highlights



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The Board of Oonah Health & Community Services Aboriginal Corporation would like to acknowledge the traditional custodian of the land, the Wurundjeri, and pay their respect to their Elders, past, and present.