

# Your place for community

## What's on at Willowdale Community Place

**Willowdale Community Place continues to offer the free services of Big Yellow Umbrella to all our residents.**

Be sure to check out their Facebook page and our website for the monthly calendar of free events such as a walking group, book club, playgroups and community sport.

Willowdale Community Place provides our residents with an area to meet your neighbours, learn a craft, chat to a familiar face or introduce your children to a new sport.

Willowdale Community Place is open Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 9:00am – 3:30pm.

You can reach the lovely team on 9606 2229 or 0468 355 492.

For activities at Willowdale and the greater Camden area, visit the Facebook page [facebook.com/groups/WillowdaleCommunityPlace](https://www.facebook.com/groups/WillowdaleCommunityPlace) or Big Yellow Umbrella [facebook.com/camdenconnections](https://www.facebook.com/camdenconnections)

For the latest in News and Events at Willowdale, visit [stockland.com.au/willowdale](http://stockland.com.au/willowdale)



## 6,000 trees planted at Willowdale

**On Friday 25th May, with the help of local dignitaries, NSW Planning Minister Anthony Roberts planted the 6,000th tree at Willowdale. "To everyone who has been on this project, again, congratulations, you are developing a really resilient, fantastic community here and you will be able to say to your children and your grandchildren – I built that..." he said.**

We were thrilled to also have the support of the Mayor of Campbelltown City Council Cr George Brticevic who commented "Willowdale is the finest example of community and liveability... Stockland – they are truly a community developer, they create a liveable community, a lifespan community. You've got everything here with the shopping centre, commercial space, the bus to Leppington station, the walkability, the cycle ways – bringing nature back to children." Also present was the Commissioner Open Space and Parklands Fiona Morrison and Chris Patterson MP, Member for Camden.

Willowdale offers more than 39 hectares of open space, the equivalent of 58 rugby fields. The abundance of green open spaces encourages a healthy and active lifestyle for residents of all ages. We hope you are enjoying Willowdale Regional Park, Jamboree Park, our new dog park and the stunning walking and cycleways of the riparian corridor.

A riparian corridor is the space where native land meets water. Phase 2 of our riparian regeneration, between Jamboree Avenue and Denham Park will start later this year. We will ensure the naturally flowing creek that runs through the community continues as we focus on native revegetation.

We hope you are enjoying the first of three phases of this development and will continue to update you on our progress as we receive the relevant Council approvals.

Ultimately, all sections of the corridor will connect to provide walking and bike trails amongst serene creeklines, for the pleasure of the entire community. Upon completion, the corridor will feature picnic areas, exercise equipment and even a bush tucker trail.

## Special guest attends Health & Lifestyle expo

**There were smiles all round as Willowdale Retirement Village hosted its first Benefits+ Health & Lifestyle Expo.**

Special guest Mayor George Brticevic from Campbelltown City Council attended on the day and gave a heartfelt speech about the health and wellbeing of seniors.

Residents and visitors also got to hear from our Benefits+ program providers and other community partners whilst enjoying a free sausage sizzle, afternoon tea, hand massages, blood pressure checks, a spectacular vintage car display and a tour of our new display homes.

Parents and friends experienced a taste for retirement living and provided us with the perfect opportunity to give back and demonstrate our CARE values to our residents. Willowdale Retirement Village hosts regular events and is open for inspections every Tuesday and Friday from 10am. To find out more or book a private appointment, call 1800 72 71 70.





## Avena Townhomes

In December 2017 our first Avena Townhomes residents moved in. We now have 106 fully landscaped, architecturally designed townhomes bursting with life!

With truly functional layouts, a choice of 2, 3 and 4 bedroom homes and no progress payments during construction, we have really enjoyed taking residents on the journey to becoming Avena Townhomes residents over the last year.

By the end of August another 34 residents will move in making Willowdale a truly thriving community!

## Future school and childcare at Willowdale

Stockland have transferred a 3ha parcel of land on the corner of Commissioners Drive and Willowdale Drive to the Department of Education in preparation for a new primary school. The Department of Education, as part of the 2017/2018 budget, received funding for a new K-6 primary school in the Leppington area. Project managers Turner & Townsend have been engaged to manage the project and SARM Architects are managing the design.

Currently Schools Infrastructure is proposing that the new school in the Leppington area will be completed in late 2021. You can track progress on the school construction at the following link along with information on the next Community Consultation Session:

<https://www.schoolinfrastructure.nsw.gov.au/projects/l/leppington-new-primary-school.html>

Stockland have submitted a planning application for a 109 place childcare centre directly opposite the future primary school site. This application is pending with Council and we anticipate the centre should be operating in late 2019.

## Building your footpaths

We are in the process of laying footpaths in the areas currently without. Over the next couple of months the following streets will be affected: Sawsedge Avenue, Sorghum Street, Dipodium Avenue, Panicum Street, Clubmoss Street, Matrush Street, Fanflower Avenue, Bushpea Avenue, Glycine Street, Stonecrop Street, Elkhorn Street, Commissioners Drive, Dogwood Crescent, Greenhood Crescent, Plumgrass Avenue, Mintbush Street, Speargrass Street, Passiflora Avenue.

Contractors will notify you with a letterbox flyer a week before work is due to start. Please ensure your car is parked on the driveway, this will ensure a faster construction process.

We have negotiated with Council so that in the future, we are permitted to complete these footpaths before housing construction commences. We appreciate your patience while we improve the current process for you.

For any concerns please contact our friendly Customer Care team at [customer care@stockland.com.au](mailto:customer care@stockland.com.au) or call 13 LAND.

## Thank you for your feedback

***Our landscape architects Aspect are busy designing a sporting field with you in mind.***

In May and July, Aspect consulted with the community to understand your sporting preferences. Throughout August, local schools will be invited to participate in a Play Consultation process with Touched by Olivia and Aspect. This will help inform design decisions for the All-Abilities playground within the sporting field precinct.

Thank you to those who contributed to the discussion about our community's sporting fields at the Moana Movie Night in May and at Willowdale Community Place in the July school holidays.

We showed you some layouts and explained the design process for the spaces that we will build for you to enjoy.

We now know about your hopes for a playground and even your sporting preferences and we will continue to seek and use your feedback during the design process. We are working towards providing two fantastic sporting fields. While we refine the design, we will continue to provide the community with opportunity to provide feedback. We will submit a Development Application to the council and estimate construction to start in late 2019.



Ed Feuerstein and Lisa Harrison of Big Yellow Umbrella with the Willowdale team

## Stockland gives back

***Stockland has now awarded grants of over \$1,000,000 to community organisations since the CARE Grant program began in 2014.***

In our very own community, the wonderful work of Camden Community Connections, Big Yellow Umbrella, S.W.A.G Family Sydney and Volunteer Marine rescue NSW, were acknowledged with a grant this year.

Stockland aims to create sustainable and vibrant communities that thrive now and into the future. The Stockland CARE Grants program provides an opportunity for local community groups to apply for grant funding to support local community infrastructure, programs and opportunities.

Multiple grants of up to \$1,000 are available to support local health, leisure and recreation clubs or programs, local employment, education and skills development initiatives and social engagement clubs and programs from participating Stockland retail centres, residential communities and retirement living villages.

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