



FEB/MAR NEWSLETTER

LOCAL PROGRAMS



Dorset Children's Expo

Support your child to grow and thrive in 2026!



Free Event for families and children 0-5 years

- Face painting
- Arts and Crafts
- Story telling with Paint Dorset REaD
- Playgroup Tasmania
- much more...

10am - 1pm

**Mon 9th Feb
2026**



Scottsdale Indoor Active centre
Arthur St Scottsdale

buildingblocks@fvnh.org.au

0400 002 116

International WOMEN'S DAY ART WORKSHOP FOR WOMEN IN DORSET

*Art workshop exploring women's stories
All art skills welcome*

**Tuesday March 3rd
11.30am - 1.30pm
Scottsdale Library**

Light Lunch Provided

**Call Dorset Community House
to book - 0474 100 219
or admin@dorsethouse.org.au**



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Veggie SALES



THE GARDEN AND VEGGIE SALES

Potatoes - \$2 per 1 KG bag

Onions - \$2 per Bag

Swedes - \$2 per Bag

Carrots - \$2 per bag

Beetroot - \$2 per Bag

Other assorted produce is priced as harvested.



Heart

Walking Groups

HEART WALKING GROUPS

We are proud partners of the Dorset Heart Walking groups.

- Groups in Scottsdale include Scottsdale Strutters - Tuesday 9.30am, Hedley Street Carpark (Peter - 0419 119 608)
- Awesome Dorset Walkers - Thursday 9.30am, House Paddock Cafe (Mae - 0407 533 618)

For more information see the [Heart Walker Website](#) or ring us on 63522765.

LINE DANCING AT LEGERWOOD HALL



LINE DANCING AT LEGERWOOD HALL - TO BE CONFIRMED WHEN RETURNING

Community Lending for Tasmanians

Call 1300 301 650



Essentials Loans

No Interest

No Fees

No Credit checks



Loans for essential items and services including:

- ▶ Car repairs
- ▶ New fridges
- ▶ Computers
- ▶ Medical and dental services

DORSET YOUNG LEADERS

3 PM - 4:30 PM TUESDAYS

FEBRUARY 17TH - APRIL 2ND

DORSET COMMUNITY HOUSE
3 CAMERON STREET, SCOTTSDALE

AGES 12-17

SUPPORTED BY
YOUTH WORKERS

STAND UP AND MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

BECOME A DORSET YOUNG LEADER AND HELP BRING
POSITIVE CHANGE TO YOUR COMMUNITY

CONTACT
YOUTH@DORSETHOUSE.ORG.AU
0473 078 759



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BRIGHT HEARTS

AFTER
SCHOOL
PROGRAM

FOR GIRLS IN GRADES 5-8

MAKE FRIENDS, HAVE FUN, EAT
SNACKS AND LEARN NEW SKILLS

WITH A YOUTH WORKER

WEDNESDAYS 3:15 - 4:15

FEBRUARY 18TH - APRIL 8TH

DORSET COMMUNITY HOUSE
3 CAMERON STREET, SCOTTSDALE

CONTACT ZOE ON 0488 746 415

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DORSET COMMUNITY HOUSE OUT AND ABOUT KITCHEN KREW

COOK GOOD FOOD, HAVE FUN AND HANG
OUT WITH YOUR FRIENDS

GRADE 7-10

WINNALEAH HALL

3:15PM - 5PM THURSDAYS

TERM 1 OF 2026

MARCH 5TH - APRIL 9TH

Bookings required for transport

CONTACT JACK FOR INFO

youth@dorsethouse.org.au

0473 078 759



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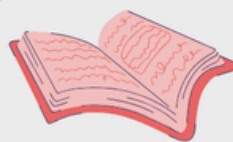
KIDS STREET LIBRARIES

Paint Dorset REaD

STREET LIBRARIES FOR KIDS
IN DORSET

Children's books
for you to take home,
read, swap, and share

For More Information
please contact:
pdr@fvnh.org.au



BRIDPORT

JETSONVILLE

SCOTTSDALE

WINNALEAH

GLADSTONE



Bridport

Bridport Primary School

Jetsonville

Jetsonville Hall

Scottsdale

Dorset Community House

Gladstone

Gladstone Hall

Winnaleah

Winnaleah Playground

BABY CHAT CAFE DORSET

1000 DAYS OF CONNECTION

Interested in meeting other
parents/carers?

Or hearing more about how you can
support your baby to thrive and grow?

Babies under 2 years and their
parents/carers

Morning Tea Provided

Siblings Welcome

Dorset Community House, Scottsdale
11am-12pm Noon

MONDAYS

February 16th - April 13th

May 4th - July 6th

July 27th - September 28th

October 19th - December 7th

Dorset Community House
0474 100 219



POLLIWOG PLAYGROUP

WEDNESDAY
10:30 AM - 12:00 MIDDAY
DURING SCHOOL TERMS

AGES 0-5

FUN AND FREE PLAYGROUP FOR
EVERYONE. PLAY BASED, GAMES, CRAFT,
STORIES AND MORE!

0474 100 219

CALL US FOR MORE INFORMATION



DORSET COMMUNITY HOUSE
3 CAMERON STREET SCOTTSDALE





PRODUCE SHARE

Got excess produce?

An abundance of apples? A zillion zucchinis? Cartons of Capsicum?

Come in and share it with the community.

9am-4pm Weekdays
Dorset Community House



FOR MORE INFO CONTACT 0474100219 OR
ADMIN@DORSETHOUSE.ORG.AU



OUTREACH GLADSTONE & PIONEER

WEDNESDAY

Gladstone Town Hall
Wed 10am - 3pm
Except first Wed of Month
Pioneer Town Hall
First Wed of Month
10am - 3pm

THURSDAY

Gladstone Town Hall
Thurs 1pm - 2pm

✓ Fresh Fruit and
Vegetables

**LOOK FOR THE
SIGN OUTSIDE**

Contact Fiona (Tues - Thurs)
fiona@dorsethouse.org.au
0455 242 405

Contact Dorset House
0474 100 219

- ✓ Support and information
- ✓ Events and Training
- ✓ Community Support
- ✓ No Interest Loans
- ✓ Connection to Services

Updates on Facebook!



Eating
With
Friends™

2026 Dates



February 13th - Gladstone Pub

March 13th - Community Hub, Ringarooma

April 10th - Weldborough Pub

May 8th - Lord's Hotel (Scottsdale)

June 12th - Good Ride Cafe

July 10th - Branhholm Pub

August 14th - Bridport Bunker

September 11th - Grey's Hotel, George Town

October 9th - Northbourne Hall

November 13th - Mechanics' Hall

Call Pat Young to book: 0457 162 887



DORSET COMMUNITY HOUSE ART AND CRAFT GROUP



Thursdays 10:30 - 1PM

First session for 2026: 29th January



Feeling crafty?
Come and have a look at
our free craft supplies or
bring your own crafty
project to do with
company!



FOOD SUPPORT AND ASSISTANCE

FRESH FRUIT &
VEGETABLES

AVAILABLE TO THE WHOLE
COMMUNITY

WEDNESDAY
FROM 1PM
AT DORSET COMMUNITY
HOUSE

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH LOAVES AND FISHES TASMANIA

Dorset Carers Group

Come along and join us - a friendly confidential space
where you can talk and feel supported.



Find connections
and form
friendships



Learn about
community
services



Help for you to
take a break and
find connection



Share your
experiences and
gain practical
knowledge



Emotional and
educational
support



Meets first Tuesday
every month



Dorset
Neighborhood
House



12 -1:30 p.m.



RSVP:
psg@care2serve.com.au

Eligibility - Must be registered with Carer Gateway

VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES AT DORSET COMMUNITY HOUSE



Reception/Admin

As a volunteer, you will welcome the community to the House, answer phones and emails, support community members with information and fresh produce.



Driver

As a volunteer you will drive community members to non-urgent medical appointments and social connection activities.

Requirements: Over 25 years old & Full drivers licence



Garden

As a volunteer you will grow fruit and vegetables for our community, learn about plant care and be part of seasonal projects.

New gardeners and experienced gardeners welcome!

FOR MORE INFORMATION DROP IN TO SEE
MARK AT DORSET HOUSE, 3 CAMERON STREET
OR PHONE US ON 0474 100 219



Staying In Place

Do you need support to continue living at
home in the remote North East?

**“Your homecare package, Your way.
With local assistance”**



Call in to see Fiona at
Gladstone Hall on
Wednesday
10am-3pm,
to see how we can
assist (**Pioneer** on the
first Wednesday of
the month)

Or Call **0455 242 405**
Tuesday-Thursday
9am-4pm



SEED LIBRARY

Join The Team!

2.30PM

EVERY 3RD THURSDAY OF
THE MONTH
DORSET COMMUNITY HOUSE

Volunteers are needed to
help restock the seed
library, package seeds and
other tasks.

For more information call the House on
0474 100 219

DONATION GUIDE



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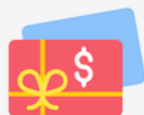
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Food
(Unopened)



Clothes



Money or
Gift Cards



Baby Safety
Items



Women, Baby
and Adult
Sanitary Items



Plastic Lids



New
Toiletries



Electrical
Appliances



New Mobile
Phones



Medical Items

CALL 0474 100 219, DONATIONS 9AM-4PM ONLY

Useful Numbers - 2026

Dorset Based Support Services

Dorset Community House

- Mon-Fri 0474 100 219

Rural Alive and Well (RAW)

- Mon-Fri 1800 729 827

Better Health 4 Dorset

- Mon-Thurs 0448 393 203 (Bec)

Royal Flying Doctors Service Tasmania

- Mon-Fri 6391 0509

Food and Accommodation

- Salvation Army 03 6208 1488
Financial Assistance Line
- Salvation Army Case Manager
At Better Health 4 Dorset, Scottsdale
- Housing Connect 1800 800 588
- Red Dirt Café - Nugget Sellers, Scottsdale
0408 635 230 (Karen)
Thursdays 4.30pm - 6.30pm

Mental Health Support

Lifeline Tasmania lifeline.org.au

- 131114 (24 hour) & 1800 984 434 (8am-8pm, 7 days)

Mental Health Service Helpline

- 1800 332 388 (24 Hour support, 7 days)

Launceston Medicare Mental Health Centre / Head to Health

- 1800 424 578 Mon-Fri 9am-7:30pm, Sat & Sun 10am-2pm

Kids Helpline + Webchat Counselling

- 1800 551 800 (24 hr/ 7 days) <https://kidshelpline.com.au/>

Headspace Youth (Ages 12-25)

- 1800 650 890 (9am-1am, 7 days)

Standby - Support after suicide

- 1300 727 247 (24 hr/ 7 days)

Domestic & Family Violence Support

- 1800 737 732 (24 hr/ 7 days)

Beyond Blue Mental Health Support

- 1300 224 636 (24 hr/ 7 days)

Working it Out - LGBTQIA+ Support

- 03 62 311 200 (9am-5pm, Mon-Fri)

<https://www.workingitout.org.au/>

MensLine Australia

- 1300 789 978 (24 hours, 7 days a week)

Open Arms - Veteran & Family Counselling Services

- 1800 011 046 (24 hours, 7 days a week)



Dorset Community & Health Directory

Available At: <https://dorsethouse.org.au/dorset-suicide-prevention-network/>

FREE Legal Advice

Visiting Lawyer

Dorset Community House
3 Cameron Street, Scottsdale

Do you have a legal issue?

10am to 1pm Thursday:

5th February 2026

5th March 2026

2nd April 2026

7th May 2026

4th June 2026

Call us to book a 45 minute appointment

If you need advice before our next visit, phone appointments are available with our lawyers

For more information and to book an appointment please ring

6334 1577 or 1800 066 019



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VISITING PROVIDERS

Anglicare Financial Counselling

Providing counseling and information for debt, consumer rights and responsibilities, superannuation, bankruptcy, referral to legal aid, money management and budgeting.

Availability: At the House on the second Thursday of every month. Call 1800 243 232.

Dorset Wellbeing Network

A network of support providers located in and around Dorset, contact manager@dorsethouse.org.au

Availability: Quarterly

Baptcare

Children, Youth and Family Supports and Disability and Mental Health Support.

Availability: Weekly 10am - 1pm on Thursdays

Call: 13 22 78

Yemaya Women's Support

Face-to-face and/or phone service for ALL women inclusive of religion, identity, ability, sexuality, social background or culture.

Yemaya Women's Support Service is not a crisis service.

IF YOU ARE IN DANGER - PLEASE CALL 000

Availability: Wednesdays Fortnightly

Call (03) 6334 0305

MANAGERS SECTION

Once again Dorset Community House would like to thank all our amazing volunteers who made the last year possible. Volunteers have supported the community garden, the community transport, greeting and welcome people as they come into the House, providing fresh produce sales and supporting people with a cuppa, a listening ear, technological help and information as well as many other things. Our volunteers are some of the finest people we know and an irreplaceable part of the Dorset House team, we are so grateful for their contribution.





The garden produce is coming in again, and we know that like us, the community is looking forward to when the corn, tomatoes, garlic and many other fresh items will be available. We're also very thankful for all the community members who are bringing in excess produce from their own gardens to share.

On Tuesday the 28th of January, the Dorset Youth Leaders and Bright Dorset Team worked with services and mental health support organisations to host the amazing Youth and Fam Fest in Bridport. We were fortunate to have Drop-In Skate School running a skateboarding workshop as well as the many fun activities offered by Headspace, Relationships Australia, Wellways, Medicare Mental Health, Working it Out, Youth Health North and Scottsdale Library. The day was a great success with lots of positive feedback and many families connecting, getting information and having a fun day out.



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