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Centre Manager

WHAT'S ON?

What's on at the Centre!

Embracing Diversity News





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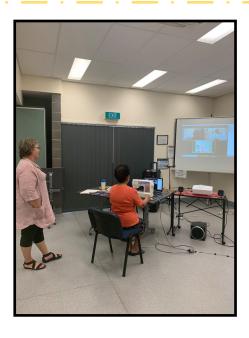
This has been for me, the greatest test of my working life!I was thinking while in the office and on lockdown, for the last 32 years of its service, this organisation has never closed its doors (except for the Holiday shutdown of course), and it was so surreal!It has been quite an experience, but we have all done well.What a relief that we are now easing back to some form of normality, but we must not of course keep our guards down, hygiene and social distancing should continue to be front and centre!

CREATIVITY has taken most of our waking hours, with so much time in our hands..., it was only a matter of time! The inspiration, imagination and resourcefulness that were developed during lockdown has been put to good use. This issue will show how we have managed to re-invent our programs and services in order for us to continue supporting and serving our community during these very challenging times. A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL MY 'LOCKDOWN COLLEAGUES' (Lorna, Jenni, Jean, Julie, Denise, Mark and Paula) who I spent a lot of time creating and imagining and being inspired to find out ways of reaching out to participants, clients and friends of the centre and keeping that connection!

From 1 June 2020 we opened our centre Monday to Friday from 9 am to 4 pm offering limited services, we are trialling to commence with some face to face programs, but the ones that cater to bigger groups are still on hold and will likely commence as soon as a positive Stage 3 easing of restrictions are announced mid-July, so watch this space!

Keep Safe!

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## WHATS

## AT THE CENTRE



This is designed for the intermediate sewing legends where you learn different projects online

This program is open to existing sewing participants and to new ones <mark>who</mark> would like to brush up on their skills. Learn at your own pace, at home, and at your own convenience.

<mark>Su</mark>pport and mentoring is available via ZOOM and is scheduled once a onth if you have any questions about particular projects. <u>YOU MUST</u>
<u>REGISTER</u> to be able to access the virtual support and mentoring.

Projects can be accessed through our website  $\underline{www.maryboroughneighbourhoodcentre.org/sewing-online.html}$ 

For more information, please contact centre reception on 4121 2141 or email us at admin@maryboroughnc.org.

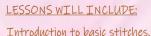








**Neighbourhood Centre** 



Maryborough

> Hints and tips in sewing

Create simple projects that incorporate your learning.

To join, you MUST have:

Basic sewing skills (beginner level)

Basic knowledge on how to operate a sewing machine.

Basic tools and materials for sewing.

THERE IS NO COST TO JOIN BUT BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL!!!

Classes will commence as soon as number of participants are met.

Classes run for 6 sessions and places are very limited!!

For more information or to register, contact centre reception on 4121 2141 or email us at admin@maryboroughnc.org.



**Adult Community Education Program** 

A program of the Maryborough Neighbourhood Centre











We continue to offer support to all our Cancer Support Program (CSP) participants through our

#### Social Phone Call Initiative

WE CAN NOT MEET YET AS A SUPPORT GROUP, BUT WANT TO CONTINUE CONNECTING WITH YOU!

- We may be able to refer you to a service or program.
  - Update you on what is 'on' at the centre.
- Just chat and catch up!

OUR VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR CONDUCTS SOCIAL PHONE CALLS TO ALL CSP PARTICIPANTS

IF THERE IS ANYONE YOU KNOW WHO MIGHT BENEFIT FROM THIS SERVICE. LET US KNOW!



For more information, please contact centre reception on 4121 2141 or email admin@maryboroughnc.org or visit us at 25 Ellena St. Maryborough. Correspondences: P.O. Box 689 Maryborough Qld 4650





### Maryborough **Interagency Network**

## MEETING

Be Connected. Be Heard. Be Informed.

Welcome to 2020!!!

Come and join us for our bi-monthly Maryborough Interagency Meeting and discuss our current activities and potential ways of working together as a community. Meetings are informal but with structure and long enough for attendees to learn and develop opportunities to meet our specific program goals and objectives.

MEETINGS DATES FOR 2020 (Tuesdays 9:15am - 11am) via ZOOM and ON-SITE @ the Maryborough Neighbourhood Centre

\* 11 February 2020 \* 15 April 2020 (Wednesday)

\* 9 June 2020 \* 11 August 2020

For more information or if you want to be included in our mailing lists, please contact centre reception on 4121 2141 or email admin@maryboroughnc.org.

\*\*If you would like to be a guest speaker at any of our scheduled Maryborough Interagency Network Meetings, please
email pfordham@maryboroughnc.org. \*\*







#### While in Lockdown...





BASIC COMPUTER

FROM 10AM - 11AM

\$20.00 PER PERSON - 4 SESSIONS ONCE A WEEK

Learn the basics of operating a computer and learn about it's programs and simple functions.

For more information or to express your interest, please contact centre reception on 4121 2141 or email admin@maryboroughnc.org.

This program is being delivered through the Adult Community
Education Program











A program of the Maryborough Neighbourhood Centre

Dance routine designed for women. Learn line dancing and freestyle dancing with a modern twist!!!

#### DANCE VIDEOS ON OUR WEBSITE

WWW.MARYBOROUGHNEIGHBOURHOODCENTRE.ORG



The Maryborough Neighbourhood Centre has recorded some popular dances and made it





For more information or if you are interested to join, please contact centre reception on 4121 2141 or email admin@maryboroughnc.org.

To be updated with what's happening with our DANCE, register and provide your email to be part of the network!

SO WHAT ARE YOU WAITING FOR, CALL NOW AND JOIN IN THE FUN!!!





A program coordinated by volunteers of:

## EMBRACING DIVERSITY NEWS

#### Migrant Development Program

Membership is FREE & open to all with a migrant background 18 years old and above. But if you also want to be a member of the centre, fees are as follows:

\*\$5.50 p/p a year for concession/health/pension card holders

፟ls \$11.00 p/p a year for non-concession card holders

#### As a member, you are expected to:

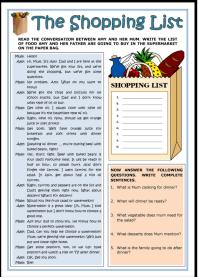
- \*Uphold the Migrant Development Program's Mission Statement and Objectives.
- \*Support the promotion of multicultural events programs and services of the centre.
- \*Share your culture and participate in activities and attend meetings if required and when available.
- \*Refer or recruit membership into the program if there is an opportunity.

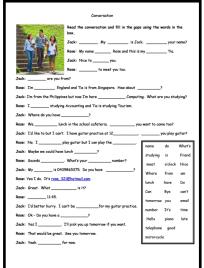
\*Contribute to the positive image of an Australian Migrant and support endeavours towards this goal.

#### Benefits of being a member:

- Membership to the program and the Maryborough Neighbourhood Centre.
- \*Subscription to the centre's newsletters.
- Tupdate on information about multicultural news and activities and other relevant information.
- \*Invitation to community events and other programs.
- \*An opportunity to be involved in a small but dynamic organisation that has served the community of Maryborough since 1988.







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A conversation

#### Click on the pictures to print!!!

For answers to tthe exercises, please click on the link below:

http://www.maryboroughneighbourhoodcentre.org/english-a.c.e.p.html









Government

A registered Migration Agent offers professional advice in a voluntary capacity on issues relating to visas and other immigration

and citizenship matters.







For more information and for appointments, please contact centre reception on

4121 2141 or email admin@maryboroughnc.org.

## **OMMUNITY INFORMATION**

#### **KEEP ON MOVING: How to stay active** during a pandemic

Exercise is great ford physical health but can also have a positive effect on well-being.

Regular physical activity is a good way to help prevent or manage mild anxiety and depression. Keeping active can help you stay physically fit and mentally healthy, which is particularly important as people deal with the effects of COVID-19. Research shows that keeping active can:

- Help lift mood
- Help improve sleeping patterns
- Increase energy levels
- help block the negative thoughts and/or distract people from daily worries.

The current recommendation is at least 30 minutes of moderate intensity physical activity on most, and preferably a days of the week. While this is slightly more complicated than usual with the closure of gyms and sporting clubs, it is vital that people are exercising regularly in whatever ways they can.

#### TIPS TO GET STARTED

Start simple- build your confidence with basic activities such as walking, gardening or small household tasks.

**Do what is enjoyable**- given the current climate, people may lose interest and pleasure in doing things they once enjoyed. Plan activities that are enjoyable, interesting, relaxing or satisfying where possible.

"Include other people- staying connected with friends and family is tricky at the moment but vou can still do só virtually, which helps increase wellbeing and confidence.

"*Make a plan*- planning a routine can help people become more active—make sure some form of exercise is included each day. Try to stick to the plan as closely as possible, but be flexible.

#### **REMEMBER:**

\*Keep Fit

\*Pamper yourself

\*Socialise

\*Read a book

\*Entertain yourself

\*Do some chores around the house

Article obtained from:

https://coronavirus.beyondblue.org.au

#### **COVID-19 and the gut**

DID YOU KNOW.... The virus that causes COVID-19 is named SARS-CoV-2. A study in China that tested COVID-19 patients found this virus in their faeces (poo). While this is interesting, Dr Vincent Ho reminds us that just because the virus is found in faeces, it doesn't mean it's necessarily infectious when shed from the faeces," and more research is needed. In the same study, nearly a quarter of patients tested positive for COVID-19 in their faeces after their respiratory (throat and nasal) tests were no longer showing a positive esult.

Dr Ho explains the theory on why this may be: Researchers believe the main reason that stool [faeces] tests can still test positive for coronavirus well after respiratory samples have tested negative is because of ongoing growth of the virus in the gut." Worldwide, researchers have been testing sewage and wastewater to locate SARS-CoV-2 virus hotspots.

#### Article from:

https://www.continence.org.au/data/files/ Bridge 2020/Bridge Winter 2020Final WEB.pdf

#### **Mindset Shift During a Pandemic**

I'm stuck at home

I get to be SAFE in my home and spend time with my family

I will get sick

I will self-isolate and wash my hands, this will significantly DECREASE my chances of getting

I will run out of items at home during self-isolation I have prepared for this and I will use my items wisely. I have everything I NEED for now

Everything is shutting down, I'm panicking

The most IMPORTANT places, such as medical centers, pharmacies and grocery stores, remain open

There is too much uncertainty right now

While I can't control the situation around me. I CAN control my actions. Doing breathwork, calling loved ones, getting enough sleep and proper nutrition, prayer, and doing activities I love at home will all help during this time

For more information on Queensland's Road Map to Easing Restrictions, visit:

https://www.covid19.gld.gov.au/government-actions/roadmap-to-easing-queenslands-restrictions

## **VIDEOG**ALLERY



**Rivers of Babylon** 



Mandolins in the Moonlight



For more sewing video, visit our website:

<u>www.maryboroughneighbourhoodcentre.org/</u> <u>sewing-online.html</u>



A program of the Maryborough Neighbourhood Centre



This and That

For more dancing videos visit our website:

www.maryboroughneighbourhoodcentre.org/
dance-to-fitness.html



**Bowl Cozy & Casserole Carrier** 



**Kitchen Towel & Pot Holder** 

### Other Services



#### MEETING ROOM HIRE CHARGES

(Rates a<mark>re</mark> for room use only and subject to an annual review)

#### **NON-PROFIT ORGANISATIONS**

\$20.00 per room (1 hr room hire or less) \$15.00 per room per hour (more than 1 hour hire)

#### **BUSINESS/CORPORATE**

\$30.00 per room (1 hour hire or less)

\$25.00 per room per hour (more than 1hr hire)

In house catering is available during business hours only. Please contact us to obtain our catering options and prices.

Catering and use of office equipments & kitchen utensils will incur additional charges.

Call 4121 2141 or email

bookings@maryboroughnc.org for more info or you can also visit our website

www.maryboroughneighbourhoodcentre.org.



#### **Share the Dignity Sanitary Items Box**



The Maryborough Neighbourhood Centre proudly supports the not for profit organisation Share the Dignity providing disadvantaged women in our community with free sanitary items. So, next time you visit the centre and you are in need of sanitary items, just before you get to the ladies lavatory, there is a small

green box where you can help yourself with items that you need You don't even have to let us know.

We also still have a few more bags from Share the Dignity "It's in the bag" drive to give away to women and girls who could use a little helping hand with hvgiene products.

So if you know of any women and girls who you think might benefit from these free hygiene bags, please send them over at the Maryborough Neighbourhood Centre, 25 Ellena Street. **Access** <u>to sanitary items is a woman's right!!!</u> Thank you for your support!!!



#### **Volunteers Needed**

(Receptionist, Kitchen hand, Gardener, Maintenance, etc.)

If you have these skills and would like to share them with your community, come in and see us at the Maryborough Neighbourhood Centre, 25 Ellena Street or phone us on 4121 2141 or email admin@maryboroughnc.org



Is one of the fundraising arm of the Maryborough Neighbourhood Centre.

So if you want a relaxing atmosphere, why not come and support your local community centre.

Watch this space for opening times!



Managed by Hervey Bay Neighbourhood Centre Inc



#### FREE LEGAL ADVICE

ls the cost of legal advice stopping you from seeking help? Free, confidential, 15-minute legal advice sessions are available to residents of Hervey Bay, Maryborough, Tiaro, Burrum Heads and Childers through the Taylor Street Community Legal Service. Sessions are by appointment only.

For appointments please call 4194 2663.



Centacare - Counselling Relationship Family Service Fraser Coast is housed within the Maryborough Neighbourhood

Centre. They offer Family and Mental Health Support Counselling Interventions Service, Family Support Program and Domestic and Family Violence Service.

For more information, please contact 1300 236 822.