

Come and Try Day(s)

Introduction



"Next Thursday you can come to our parish Centre and learn how to play the piano / Knit / cook / do Pilates / Participate in a Brick Club."

Come and try days help provide us with new recreational options and build stronger communities. They are easy to organize, welcoming to the community and help position the church as a valuable part of the community.

Aim

Hold an event which provides members of the community an opportunity to learn a new skill or activity and possibly get involved in an organization that promotes that activity.

Objectives

To provide an opportunity for clubs to promote themselves.

To provide an opportunity for new and current residents.

To provide an opportunity for lonely and elderly residents to make new social and special interest connections.

To hold an activity which only aims at local residents and builds community connectedness.

To provide an opportunity to enhance the position of the Anglican Church as an important part of the community.

To demonstrate to the broader community that Church buildings can be welcoming spaces.

Concept

On an afternoon / evening in ?

One or a range of activities could be demonstrated with displays and interactive exercises. Follow up events could be held to encourage community involvement.

Planning

It would be good for the parish to review:

The range of activities currently available,

What resources are available to help including funding, facilities and volunteers?

What are the local community needs and interests?

What gaps are evident that the parish could address?

How does this project align with the goals of the Parish and Diocese of Ballarat?

Can Anglicare Victoria assist in this process?

Likely Date

Week day or week end.

When would more locals come?

Budget

Food

Publicity

Public liability?

Street Closure?

Clean Up?

Are community grants available?

Issues

Public Liability

Invitations

Program balance

Community ownership

Time to organize the event

Organization

Task	Who	Deadline	Achieved
Agree on concept	PC	Week 12	
Identify possible groups to be invited	PC	Week 4	
Identify possible organizing partners	PC	Week 8	
Identify media	PC	Week 10	
Write media plan	PC	Week 8	
Check public liability cover.	PC	Week 10	
Determine date and tentatively book venue	PC	Week 10	
Budget	PC	Week 10	
Volunteers	PC	Week 8	
Determine and appoint Volunteer roles	PC		
Review viability of project	PC	Week 8	
Send out invitations	PC	Week 7	
Start marketing plan	PC	Week 4	
Arrange equipment if requires	PC	Week 6	
Hold event	PC	Week 0	
Evaluate	PC	Week 1+	
Meetings	PC	Weeks 12, 8,4, 2 from event	



Have questions? Want help?

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