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AUGUST - SEPTEMBER 2025 NINA - Newsletter

4TH EDITION

2025

Latest news

Thank you for all the clients that have been attending our outings and I'm so happy to hear that you are having a great time. Please, if there is somewhere you wish to go and think it would be of interest to other clients, contact the office and let us know and we will see what we can do.

We wish to advise that from 1/8/2025, if the group outing has a third party involved and tickets are required, you need to pay this to have your name on the list and it is non-refundable. Everything else to do with the outing will be invoiced after the outing or you can ring or pop into the office and pay. Why? I hear you ask—it ensures a smooth running of the group outing, you receive a \$3 discount on your meal and we receive the government funding, so we can continue to support and provide you these great activities.

Café Club Thirroul and Helensburgh became cash free as well, but we do have our TYRO GO at these activities which you can use on the day or have an invoice sent to your email address. These updates assist with us being more efficient and using our time planning other things for our clients. The saying I've heard is 'Work smarter, not harder'.

After all the announcements of changes in the My Aged Care world from 1 July 2025, it has been delayed to 1 November 2025. Though it won't be changing much for clients under the Commonwealth Support Home Program (CHSP), more legalities for providers.

Remember it is the volunteers that make this organisation run the way it does, without them it wouldn't. If you know of anyone that can give us 4 plus hours more a month, have them get in touch with us for a chat.

Urgent cancellations (within 24 hours of the service) - What do you do? Please ring the managers mobile 0419 124 862 and leave a message with your name and the time of the service. You will receive a message when this has been actioned.

Anytime, please don't hesitate to contact the office if you require information or assistance in relation to our services that we provide.

With kind regards - Fiona - Office Manager



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Meals on Wheels

Menu

Part of the Community Working with the Community









Shopping / Bunnings Trips

PLEASE NOTE CHANGE - Bunnings and Shopping are now combined on a Friday. There is only ability to attend 1 destination out of the 2, so please state when booking which you would like to attend. We will have two drop offs. This enables more chances to go to Bunnings throughout the schedule, as well adding other shops.

August	September
Friday 1st - \$14 Warrawong or Speciality Furniture Store King Street	Friday 5th - \$14 Sylvania or Kirrawee Bunnings
Friday 8th - \$14 Shellharbour or Stoney Range	Friday 12th - \$14 Dapto or Kembla Grange Bunnings
Friday 15th - \$7.50 Figtree or Bellambi Bunnings	Friday 19th - \$14 Warrawong or Speciality Furniture Store King Street
Friday 22nd - \$14 Macarthur Square or Campbelltown Shops or Bunnings	Friday 26th - \$14 Shellharbour or Stoney Range
Friday 29th - \$7.50 Engadine	

Please if this section or news brings some not so good feelings, please do not hesitate to give anyone in the office a call or speak with a friend or loved one or ring Lifeline, Telephone number 131114, website https://www.lifeline.org.au/ or Lifeline text or chat online.

REST IN PEACE, Clients of NINA Moved out of area or into Residential Care Carolyn Larkin Jeff Lucke Elizabeth Stewart

CAFÉ CLUB Thirroul - August

DATE: Tues 5th August

10.30: Morning tea & Quiz

11.15: Exercise with Purpose

Healthcare

11.45: Rock Painting

12.30: Lunch

1.00: John Clegg -

Entertainment

DATE: Tues 12th August

10.30: Morning tea & Quiz

11.15: Exercise with Purpose

Healthcare

11.45: Scattagories

12.30: Lunch

1.00: Bingo



DATE: Tues 19th August

LUNCH OUTINGHelensburgh Hotel

Pick ups from 10am Transport \$7.50



DATE: Tues 26th August

10.30: Morning tea & Quiz

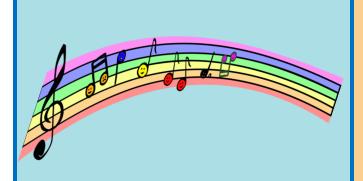
11.15: Exercise with Purpose

Healthcare

11.45: Coin Toss Challenge

12.30: Lunch

1.00: Beetle Drive



If you would like to attend the Café Club programme on Tuesday please call the office on 4294 1900 by 1pm Monday to confirm your attendance.

Let us know if you have any special dietary needs or if you require transport to or from the program.

Thank you.

Please note program subject to change.

CAFE CLUB Thirroul - September

DATE: Tues 2nd September DATE: Tues 9th September 10.30: Morning tea and Quiz 10.30: Morning tea and Quiz 11.15 Exercise with Purpose 11.15: Exercise with Purpose Healthcare Healthcare 11:45: Have You Ever 11.45: Bocce 12.30: Lunch 12.30: Lunch 1.00 Guess The Song 1.00: Singalong **DATE: Tues 16th September DATE: Tues 23rd September** 10.30: Morning tea and Quiz **LUNCH OUTING** Mount Kembla Pub 11.15: Exercise with Purpose Healthcare Pick ups from 10am Transport \$14.00 11:45: Conversation Ball Catch 12.30: Lunch 1.00 Mark Tippeus—Character **Drawing DATE: Tues 30th September** 10.30: Morning tea and Quiz If you would like to attend the Café Club programme on Tuesday, please 11.15: Exercise with Purpose call the office on 4294 1900 by 1pm Healthcare Monday to confirm your attendance Let us know if you have any special 11:45: Solve The Riddle dietary needs or if you require transport to or from the program. 12.30: Lunch Thank you. 1.00 Bingo

Group Outings August & September

Thursday 7th August - Music & Tea Wollongong Art Gallery

Morning tea and a free concert featuring emerging artists. Pick ups from 9:30am. Social Support \$5 Transport \$7.50



Wednesday, 27th August -Scenic Drive Gerringong with Lunch at Gerroa Fisherman's Club

Enjoy a pleasant and relaxing drive looking at the sights along Gerringong and surrounds, with a stop for lunch at the Fisherman's Club. Transport \$20.50



Thursday, 4th September - Music & Tea Wollongong Art Gallery

Free concert featuring emerging artists.

Pick ups from 9:30am Social support \$5 Transport \$7.50



Friday, 5th September - Memory Lane Cafe

A program designed for Carers and people suffering with dementia. Based in Thirroul. Transport \$7.50

Wednesday 24th September - Tulip Time with Lunch at Imperial Hotel Bowral



Come and enjoy over 80,000 mass planted Tulips and a day out amongst the flowers.

Ticket \$12.50 Admin \$5 Transport \$20.50, Lunch (cost at clients choice minus NINA's discount)

Prices quoted are CHSP prices. All outings require bookings, book early as sometimes there are limited tickets/spots. Payment for tickets is required on booking and is non refundable

CAFÉ CLUB Helensburgh - August

DATE: Thurs 7th August

10.30: Morning tea with Quiz

11.15: Coin Toss Challenge

11.45: Exercise with Purpose

Healthcare

12.30: Lunch

1.00: Charcoal Drawing with

Colleen

DATE: Thurs 21st August DATE: Thurs 28th August

10.30: Morning tea with Quiz

11.15: Rock Painting

11.45: Exercise with Purpose

Healthcare

12.30: Lunch

1.00: Bingo

12.30: Lunch

1.00: Guess The Song

Healthcare

Let us know if you have any special dietary needs or if you require transport to or from the program.

If you would like to attend the Café Club programme on Thursday, please call the office on 4294 1900 by 1pm Wednesday to confirm your attendance.

DATE: Thurs 14th August

LUNCH OUTING

Mount Kembla Pub

Pick ups from 10am **Transport \$14**



10.30: Morning tea with Quiz

11.45: Exercise with Purpose

11.15: Move to The Story



CAFÉ CLUB Helensburgh - September

DATE: Thurs 4th September

10.30: Morning tea and

Quiz

11.15: Bee words

11.45: Exercise with Purpose

Healthcare

12.30: Lunch

1.00: Beetle drive

DATE: Thurs 18th September

10.30: Morning tea and

Quiz

11.15: Have you ever

11.45: Exercise with Purpose

Healthcare

12.30: Lunch

1.00: Bingo

DATE: Thurs 11th September

LUNCH OUTING

Appin Pub

Pick ups from 10am Transport \$14



DATE: Thurs 25th September

10.30: Morning tea and

Quiz

11.15: Solve the riddle

11.45: Exercise with Purpose

Healthcare

12.30: Lunch

1.00: John Clegg – Entertainment



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Volunteer News

Meet our new volunteers:



David

David is from Heathcote and is going to volunteer for NINA by assisting in transports. Looking forward to seeing and meeting clients. Give him a kind welcome if you meet David on your next transport.



Joseph (Joe)

Joseph is from Bulli and has chosen to come and volunteer with NINA. He will be working on Friday's and has experience in bus driving. Joe is looking forward to getting every client to where they want to go. Give him a kind welcome if you meet Joe on your next transport.



In with the new but we have to say goodbye to a few. We are sad to see you go and hope you have enjoyed your time with NINA. Everybody says THANK YOU for supporting NINA and the clients.

- o Peter Walsh
- Anneke Evers
- Luke Tummers

Activity at Café Club

Recently, an activity that the clients participated in, at Café Club was to tell a short story with 5 random words that must be used in the story. Read below some of the fantastic stories that were told:

Des Turner's:

Words: Bush, Apple, Wombat, Kangaroo, Crab

Story: I went into the Bush to find a Crabapple, when I saw a Kangaroo and a Wombat

Words: Elephant, Circus, Tent, Trapeze, Ocean

Story: I went to the Circus hat was situated by ocean, to see the Elephant in the tent under the Trapeze.

Words: Nurse, Monkey, Lunch, Pig, Help

Story: The Nurse went to the zoo to see the Monkey eating its lunch with a bit of help from the pig.

Words: Sunflower, Yellow, Colour, Brilliant, Field

Story: The Brilliant Colour of the Yellow Sunflower growing in the field was striking to see.

What great short stories, thanks Des. At Café Club we do a variety of activities, this is just one of them. This keeps the brain thinking and moving plus with a laugh or two. Come along and visit us at Café Club, the schedules are within this newsletter.

Craft & Games—Thirroul



Craft & Games

From Monday 1st September, occurring weekly, NINA has created a new CRAFT & GAMES group, based in Thirroul.

Every Monday this group will be a space that allows you to converse and create with likeminded individuals and friends.

Join us for craft activities, games where morning tea is provided, and everyone is welcome to attend. Please call the office to book in. Further details are below.







When: Every Monday from September 1st Where: Thirroul Community Centre

Time: 10am - 12pm

Cost: Transport-\$7.50, Craft/games - \$4.00 For more information and to book, please call the office on 4294 1900.



STRATEGIC PLAN 2025-27

MISSION

Provide appropriate aid to Northern Illawarra residents to maintain an independent lifestyle

VISION

Expand activities and client numbers, while increasing volunteer numbers to ensure all service requests are met

VALUES

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OVERVIEW

- Northern Illawarra Neighbour Aid Inc. ('NINA') is a charitable organisation established to assist Northern Illawarra residents in need of aged care or disability care
- NINA is structured as an incorporated association of members who pursue its purpose and govern its activities through an elected Management Committee
- The Committee engages the services of employees, who work with volunteers, contractors and suppliers to deliver NINA's services to its clients
- The services provided are meals, social support and transport, in both group and individual settings
- These services are Government-subsidised through funding programs CHSP (entry-level aged care), CTP (community transport), HCP (higher-level aged care) and NDIS (disability care via transport assistance)
- Major focus areas for NINA during 2025-27 include compliance with the new Aged Care Act and ensuring services are delivered affordably within changing funding arrangements which will place greater emphasis on the volume of services delivered

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES	KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS
CLIENT ACCESS	
 Increase client numbers to at least reflect target population growth 	 Number of clients in each funding program
 Reduce size of new client waiting list 	 Prospective clients on waiting list*
Minimise incidence of unmet client requests for assistance	Service requests not met*
SERVICE GROWTH	
 Increase service volumes as planned, such that activity-based funding arising would at least match pre-existing fixed grants 	 Number of outputs in each service* Ratios of actual to target outputs*
WORKFORCE FLEXIBILITY	ratios of actual to target outputs
 Continue to pursue strong growth in volunteer numbers 	 Number of volunteers
Also engage paid workers where needed to meet client needs	 Number of paid workers by type
 Align worker resources with service fluctuations, through a flexible mix of permanent employees, casuals and contractors 	(permanent employee, casual employee, contractor)
SOUND GOVERNANCE	employee, contractor)
Engage with association members more frequently and	Number of members
encourage their active contribution to NINA objectives	Number of Members Number of Committee members
Review and amend NINA constitution to reflect emerging community and business requirements	■ Progress in reviewing NINA
Revise policies, procedures and practices to ensure	constitution Progress in applying new Aged Care
compliance with Aged Care Act 2024	Act requirements
FINANCIAL SUSTAINABILITY	
 Streamline systems and processes to increase administrative efficiency and enhance service delivery model affordability 	 Progress in implementing consultant organisational review action plan and
Revise the client fee schedule and otherwise take actions to	in reforming delivery practices
improve the profitability of current loss-making activities	 Income:expenditure ratio for each service and funding program

^{*} Reported monthly; other KPIs reported quarterly



2025 MONTHLY MENU LIST

Client Name: _____ Phone number: ____

18 Walker Street Helensburgh NSW 2508 Telephone: (02) 4294 1900 Email: reception@nina.org.au ABN 53 458 312 762

Addr	ess:					
	Please advise if you are happy for a substitut Meal delivery will be Wednesda					
	Frozen Soup Range \$3.00	1st Wednesday	2nd Wednesday	3rd Wednesday	4th Wednesday	5 th Wednesday
1	Pumpkin					
2	Pea & Ham					
3	Cream of Tomato					
4	Country Chicken & Vegetable					
	Sub Total:					
	Frozen Petit Meal Range \$6.50		•			
5	Beef Rissoles with Gravy					
6	Homemade Beef Lasagne					
7	Chicken & Veg Pie with potato mash, peas & pumpkin					
8	Lemon Chicken with Jasmine Rice					
9	Chicken Parmigiana with Creamed Potato & Beans					
10	Chicken & Cheese Pie with Creamed Potato & Green Beans					
11	Chicken & Leek Casserole					
12	Roast Lamb & Mint Gravy, Potato, Beans					
13	Italian Pork Meatballs with Chunky Tomato Sauce with Pasta & Peas					
14	Sweet & Sour Pork with Rice					
15	Curried Pork Sausages					
16	Tuna Pasta Bake					
17	Homemade Fish Cake with Chunky Tomato Sauce with Roast Potato & Veg					

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Sub Total:

Crumbed Whiting with Roast Diced

Potatoes & Sliced Carrots

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	Frozen Main Meal Range \$8.50	1 st Wednesday	2 nd Wednesday	3 rd Wednesday	4 th Wednesday	5 th Wednesday
19	Beef Rissoles with Onion Gravy, Creamed	vveunesuay	vveunesuay	vveunesuay	vveunesuay	vveullesuay
	Potato, Beans & Julienne Carrots					
20	Beef Burgundy with Creamed Potato,					
	Broccoli & Whole Baby Carrots					
21	Beef Stroganoff with Pasta, Broccoli &					
	Orange Vegetable Mix					
22	Homemade Beef Lasagne					
23	Roast Chicken Maryland with gravy, Roast					
	Potatoes, Peas & Carrot					
24	Chicken & Spinach Casserole with Creamed					
	Potato, Peas & Whole Baby Carrots					
25	Deep Dish Chicken & Cheese Pie with					
	Creamed Potato, Green Beans & Carrots					
26	Shepherd's Pie with Peas & Roast Pumpkin					
27	Lamb & Rosemary Pie with Breadcrumb					
	Top, Creamed Potato, Roast Veg					
28	Roast Lamb with Mint Gravy					
29	Roast Pork with Apple Sauce & Gravy,					
	Roast Potatoes, Beans & Roast Pumpkin					
30	Crumbed Fish served with Roast Diced					
	Potato, Cross cut Beans & Carrots					
31	Salmon Pasta Bake served with Beans,					
	Carrots & Corn					
32	Salmon Patties with Lemon Sauce					
	Sub Total:					
	Frozen Desserts \$3.00					1
33	Chocolate Mud Cake & Custard					
34	Bread & Butter Pudding					
35	Tiramisu					
36	Apple Sultana Crumble & Custard					
37	Sticky Date Pudding					
38	Butterscotch Pudding & Custard					
39	Carrot Cake					
	Sub Total:					
	Total Cost					

If you require specific dietary requirements contact the office to obtain a copy of the Diet & Allergen Guide

Office use only 1st 2nd 4th 5th					
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