

Outings Calendar

BLACKTOWN

Hunter Valley Gardens, Christmas Lights Spectacular

- 2** Departure: Mon 19th Dec
Return: Tues 20th Dec
- 1** **3** **4** Departure: Thurs 22nd Dec
Return: Fri 23rd Dec

Join us on the much anticipated, Hunter Valley Gardens Christmas Lights Spectacular overnight trip.

DAY ONE: Take-in the delightful Hunter Valley Gardens during the day.

Ten themed gardens showcase the artistry of gardens around the world featuring both native and exotic plants. The choice is yours, see as little or as much as you feel up to!

Enjoy dinner at a local venue with time to relax and chat before heading out, after dark, to return to the gardens and be immersed by the southern hemisphere's largest Christmas light spectacular. Over three million lights illuminate the gardens, spreading the joy and magic of the festive season! Visit the eight-metre-tall Christmas tree, Candy Land, Fairy Garden, Around the World, the romantic Lovers Corner, Hunter the Giant Teddy and much more!

DAY TWO: Head to nearby Kurri Kurri for a tour of the famous murals, then on to Nelson Bay for a fish and chip lunch and a couple of hours on a dolphin watching cruise.

Everything, except lunch on the first day, is included in the price of **\$495 for a twin share/double room plus a \$75 single supplement** if you want a room to yourself.

For more information on the Hunter Valley Gardens Christmas Lights Spectacular trip or to be included on a mailing list for future overnight and daytrip tours, please contact Nigel on (02) 4722 3083.

Which area are you in?

Use the area where you live to see the date your social outing is on.

- 1 Blacktown Area**
 - > Blacktown (all streets east of Sunnyholt and Blacktown roads)
 - > Glenwood
 - > Kings Langley
 - > Lalor Park
 - > Prospect
 - > Seven Hills
 - > Toongabbie (part of)
- 2 Blacktown Area**
 - > Bidwill
 - > Blackett
 - > Dharruk
 - > Emerton
 - > Glendenning
 - > Hassall Grove
 - > Hebersham
 - > Lethbridge Park
 - > Minchinbury
 - > Mt Druitt
 - > Oakhurst
 - > Plumpton
 - > Rooty Hill
 - > Ropes Crossing
 - > Shalvey
 - > Shanes Park
 - > Tregear
 - > Whalan
 - > Willmot
- 3 Blacktown Area**
 - > Arndell Park
 - > Blacktown (all streets west of Sunnyholt and Blacktown roads)
 - > Bungarribee
 - > Doonside
 - > Eastern Creek
 - > Huntingwood
 - > Kings Park
 - > Marayong
 - > Woodcroft
- 4 Blacktown Area**
 - > Angus
 - > Acacia Gardens
 - > Colebee
 - > Dean Park
 - > Grantham Farm
 - > Kellyville
 - > Kellyville Ridge
 - > Marsden Park
 - > Melonba
 - > Parklea
 - > Quakers Hill
 - > Riverstone
 - > Rouse Hill (south of Windsor Road)
 - > Schofields
 - > Stanhope Gardens
 - > Tallawong
 - > The Ponds
 - > Vineyard (part of)

Madame Tussauds – Sydney Bus \$20

- 2 3 **Tues 4th Oct**
- 1 4 **Wed 5th Oct**

Entry \$22.90 concession – must be pre-paid by Friday 23rd September 2022.

An impressive wax museum of legends and celebrities. Get-up close and personal with the Royal Family, Albert Einstein, Bob Hawke, Nicole Kidman and more. Bring your cameras for photos with your favourite celebrity as you walk, at your own pace, through this single level attraction.

Buffet lunch at your own cost; Ashfield RSL.

Mystery Drive 1 & Lunch Bus \$30

- 1 2 3 4 **Sat 8th Oct**

Join our driver on a scenic, mystery tour and lunch at a local pub or club. Bring your friends too!

Rhodes Waterside Shopping Centre Bus \$20

- 1 4 **Mon 10th Oct**
- 2 3 **Wed 12th Oct**

Over 100 specialty stores, boutiques, cinema and department stores to explore at your own pace. Enjoy lunch at the IKEA Café or try one of the other eateries like Lok Lok Dumplings Bar. Our driver will drop you off at 11am and come back at 2pm to take you home.

Client Advisory Group Meeting Bus Free

- 1 2 3 4 **Tues 11th Oct**

We invite you to join us for morning tea and the chance to provide feedback on our services. This helps us improve what we do and meet your needs. Held at a local club; transport and morning tea are free and you are welcome to stay for lunch at your own cost.

Cobbitty Public School Markets Bus \$30

- 1 2 3 4 **Sat 15th Oct**

Enjoy the delightful country atmosphere of Cobbitty town. Shade trees, covered walkways and a true country market selling a range of craft, hand-made goods, gifts and wares. Explore at your own pace; lunch will be at a local club. Please note: the school grounds are uneven.

The Secret Garden – Clydesdale Lane, Richmond Bus \$20

- 2 3 **Mon 17th Oct**
- 1 4 **Wed 18th Oct**

Entry – Gold coin donation

Admire beautiful gardens, flowers, succulents, hedging and more as you explore, at your own pace, the accessible and flat Secret Garden. Friendly staff are happy to answer your questions. Lunch will be on site at the One Mile Kitchen Café, Western Sydney University, Hawkesbury Campus.



Photo supplied by The Hydro Majestic

Mystery Drive 2 & Lunch

Bus
\$30

1 2 3 4 Sat 22nd Oct

A mystery, scenic drive to a destination where you will enjoy lunch at a famous bakery!

High Tea – The Hydro Majestic Hotel, Blue Mountains

Bus
\$20

2 3 Mon 24th Oct

1 4 Tues 25th Oct

High Tea \$60.00pp – pre-pay by Friday 7th October 2022.

Enter this elegant hotel via the Casino Lobby featuring the iconic domed roof and grand chandelier. Served in the majestic Wintergarden Restaurant with panoramic views overlooking the Megalong Valley, your High Tea will be presented on a silver, tiered tray and includes petit pastries, selection of finger sandwiches, baked scones, homemade jam and fresh clotted cream, and freshly brewed speciality teas and coffees.

Morning Melodies, The Joan – Penrith

Bus
\$20

1 2 3 4 Wed 26th Oct

Show \$22.00 – includes morning tea, must be pre-paid by Wednesday 12th October 2022.

I've got the world on a string – featuring award winning violin virtuoso, Ian Cooper, Grace Rizzo, Brian Lorenz and the Greg Hopper Trio. Access to your seat may require 6-12 steps.

Lunch at The Archibald Hotel – Kurrajong Heights

Bus
\$30

1 2 3 4 Sat 29th Oct

Named after Archibald Bell who opened the way through to Mount Tomah, this vibrant go-to hotel is spacious and accessible. Relax and enjoy lunch while admiring the views across the hills and down to Sydney.

Lunch at Yarra Bay Sailing Club – Phillip Bay, La Perouse

Bus
\$20

1 4 Wed 2nd Nov

2 3 Thurs 3rd Nov

Lunch \$20.00

This beautiful establishment situated directly on the beach offers an a la carte lunch. Lunch is pre-ordered; be sure to order your meal when you book a seat – our staff will talk you through the menu choices.

Mystery Drive 3 and Lunch

Bus
\$30

1 2 3 4 Sat 5th Nov

Join our driver on a scenic, mystery tour and lunch at a local pub or club. Bring your friends too!

Birkenhead Point Brand Outlet – Drummoyne

Bus
\$20

2 3 Mon 7th Nov

1 4 Wed 9th Nov

As Christmas is around the corner, let's find some early Christmas bargains! Shop at your own pace, walk as far or as little as you choose, or just sit back, relax and enjoy lunch at one of the eight cafés at this accessible shopping complex.

NOV 2022

Fairfield Showground Markets – Prairiewood

Bus
\$30

1 2 3 4 Sat 12th Nov

With over 100 stores undercover, wander around to find bargains or sample the delicious cuisines from around the world. The showground is accessible and fairly flat for easy walking.

Australian Museum – Sydney

Bus
\$20

1 4 Mon 14th Nov

2 3 Wed 16th Nov

Free general entry

From dinosaurs to over 200 extraordinary treasures, the recently transformed natural history museum has something for everyone! All areas of the museum are accessible with ramps, lifts and plenty of seating however, there is a lot of walking; see as little or as much as you like. Bring lunch or try the Billabong Waterhole café.

Mystery Drive 4 and Lunch

Bus
\$30

1 2 3 4 Sat 19th Nov

Join our driver on a scenic, mystery tour and lunch at a local pub or club. Bring your friends too!

TenTops Shopping and Lunch – Penrith

Bus
\$20

2 3 Mon 21st Nov

1 4 Tues 22nd Nov

Start with lunch at Penrith RSL, at your own cost, and then head over to TenTops to grab a bargain! Nothing over \$10.00 – from homewares, groceries, tools, garden needs, confectionery, health and beauty, party needs, frozen foods, pet care, toys, and more!

Morning Melodies, The Joan – Penrith

Bus
\$20

1 2 3 4 Wed 23rd Nov

Show \$22.00 – includes morning tea, must be pre-paid by Wednesday 9th November 2022.

Oh Boy – Buddy's Back with Friends! Paul McCann and Steven George along with a six-piece band, will bring you the music of Buddy Holly and artists from the 1950's. Access to your seat may require 6-12 steps.

Panania Village Market

Bus
\$30

1 2 3 4 Sat 26th Nov

A quality, outdoor market with a range of goods including art and crafts, baby and children's clothes, jewellery, pet treats, plants and more. Located on the lawn of Panania Library; the footpath is fairly even and wheelchair accessible. Stroll and browse at your own leisure then enjoy lunch at Panania Diggers.

Tim's Garden Centre and Lunch – Campbelltown

Bus
\$20

1 4 Mon 28th Nov

2 3 Tues 29th Nov

Five qualified horticulturists, each with over 20 years' nursery industry experience, sure know how to fix sick plants, give the best advice on family and pet safe products and help with plant selection! Tim's is also famous for Pig, a very vocal creature, come hear what Pig has to say and book your seat now! The accessible nursery is easy to get around; choose to walk a lot or a little, or, sit and take in the day. Enjoy lunch afterwards at the Raby Rose Hotel, at your own cost.

Client Christmas Party – West HQ, Rooty Hill

Bus
Free

1 2 3 4 Wed 30th Nov

Lunch \$50.00 – pre-pay by Friday 18th
November 2022.

Join us for a jolly good time at our Christmas Party in a beautiful function room. Enjoy a delicious two course Christmas luncheon including tea, coffee and soft drinks while you jingle and mingle with your peers and our staff. Our entertainer will have you laughing, singing and dancing so bring your dancing shoes!



DEC 2022

Mystery Drive 5 & Lunch

Bus
\$30

1 2 3 4 Sat 3rd Dec

Join our driver on scenic mystery tour and lunch at a local pub or club. Bring your friends too!

Penrith Regional Gallery, Home of the Lewers Bequest - Emu Plains

Bus
\$20

1 4 Tues 6th Dec

2 3 Wed 7th Dec

Entry free

Once the home of artists Margo and Gerald Lewers, the gallery is a place where art lives. You are welcome to explore the dynamic exhibitions and events in Lewers and Ancher houses and the main gallery space. Feel free to grab something light to eat or drink at Café at Lewers or wander through the heritage garden – mind your step as the paths are free formed. After a short drive to the Nepean Rowing Club, enjoy lunch and the river view.

The Hawkesbury Harvest Farmers & Fine Food Markets, Castle Hill Showground

Bus
\$30

1 2 3 4 Sat 10th Dec

Showcasing local agriculture, you will find fresh seasonal produce to tempt the taste buds and promote the wonders of the Hawkesbury region. After your stroll around the accessible markets, enjoy lunch at Castle Hill Tavern.

Casula Powerhouse Arts Centre - Liverpool

Bus
\$20

2 3 Mon 12th Dec

1 4 Tues 13th Dec

Entry free

Built 1951 by the NSW Electricity Commission, the centre is now home to a collection of over 1,500 art works, reflecting the diversity and distinctiveness of Liverpool and the Western Sydney region. Over two accessible levels with lift access, discover artworks from the Koori Floor to the Hopper Gallery; local, international, emerging and established artists. After spending some time here, enjoy a short drive to the Crossroads Hotel for lunch.

Mystery Drive 6 & Lunch

Bus
\$30

1 2 3 4 Sat 17th Dec

Join our driver on a scenic, mystery tour and lunch at a local pub or club. Bring your friends too!

Dinner & Christmas Night Lights

Bus
\$20

1 4 Mon 19th Dec

2 3 Tues 20th Dec

Dine at the Seven Hills-Toongabbie RSL Club before heading out to see some Christmas lights. Dinner is at your own cost and pick-ups will start from 4pm. We advise you leave your front light on for when you return home.

Please note some entry fees, destination and venues are subject to change at any time due to circumstance beyond our control. We will notify you if this happens.

Morning Melodies, The Joan – Penrith

Bus
\$20

1 2 3 4 Wed 21st Dec

Show \$22.00 – includes a Christmas morning tea, must be pre-paid by Wednesday 7th December 2022.

We need a little Christmas – celebrate the spirit of Christmas with favourites like It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year and Joy to the World, performance by Michael Montgomery, Christine Tyrrell, Paul Ricotta, and the Greg Hooper Trio. Access to your seat may require 6-12 steps.

Dinner at Workers Blacktown – Campbell Street, Blacktown

Bus
\$20

1 2 3 4 Thurs 22nd Dec

It's leisure time; relax and enjoy 3hrs at the club to do anything you like! With a variety of restaurants and cafes to choose from, why not organise a group of friends for a Christmas catch-up or just have fun at the club? Book your seat on the bus and our driver will drop you off at 5pm and will return at 8 pm to take you safely home.

Bookings

You can book your social outing from the first day of the month prior to the date of the outing – eg, to book for October you can call from September. Bookings are accepted on a first come, first served basis and a waiting list is maintained.

To book your seat call (02) 4722 3083 and press 1 for transport.

If you need to cancel, please call the office asap to allow someone else to attend.

Important Social Outing Information

You will receive an automated message the day before your outing to advise you of your pick up time. Pick-ups can start as early as 7:00am.

Please be ready on the day and wait inside in case we need to call you. Remember to wear comfortable shoes and bring everything you need, including medications, water, snacks, ID, seniors and concession cards, mobility aids, mask and most of all your sense of adventure! Minimal assistance is available on our social outings. Clients must bring their own carer if needed. Contact the office to register your carer.

Payments

You can pay for your trip:

Over the phone call (02) 4722 3083 press 3 for accounts;

Online at www.activecarenetwork.org.au;

Directly into our bank account: Active Care Network, CBA, BSB 062 589, Account 111 101 96 – use your surname and the trip date for reference;

Cash or card to the driver for bus fare on the day – except when pre-payment is required. If paying cash please have the correct money.