ALLWOOD NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE INCORPORATED

The historical Allwood House in the heart of Hurstbridge township is a wonderful community resource. Established in 1985, Allwood House has been operating as a Neighbourhood House with assistance from the Shire of Nillumbik and with Neighbourhood House Co-ordination Program funding from the Department of Health and Human Services.

Allwood's superb garden setting and Victorian old-world charm is relaxed and welcoming, creating a wonderful environment for learning. It is an excellent venue for trainers, facilitators and 'home grown experts' to share their talents, skills and knowledge.

Rooms can be hired at very reasonable rates to enable affordable practical courses and workshops that add value to participant's lives and to the spirit of community. Allwood House staff and committee are open to all ideas, suggestions and feedback on courses and other activities.

Please visit, phone or email us at Allwood House, help us to assist you and our community.

Allwood House aims to support and empower individuals, as well as strengthen and enhance our community as a whole.







Allwood House provides the following services

- Information & Resource Centre
- Community Activities / Events
- Referral Agency & Drop-In Centre
- Computers & Internet Access
- Local History Display and Museum open days
- Allwood Community Shoppe 9718 2717

Services available

*Counselling for Young Adults - Shelley Elliot 0439 014 401

- * Low Cost, *Find solutions for negative thoughts
- * Free Legal Advice ~ bookings via office 9718 2717 (Appointments are required for all services)

Allwood House is the base for the following groups

- * Alcoholics Anonymous meets each Sunday 7.00pm
- * Hurstbridge & District Local History Group Pam 9718 2271

ALLWOOD Neighbourhood House Inc.

Incorporated Association No. A0036876L

901 Main Road, Hurstbridge. 3099



COURSES & WORKSHOPS TERM 1 2019

4th February - 29th March Phone: 9718 2717

Office Hours: 10 am to 5 pm (Monday ~ Thursday)

e-mail: allwood@hurstbridge.org.au web: https://www.allwoodhouse.org.au

 $\textbf{\textit{Facebook:}} \quad \underline{www.facebook.com/AllwoodNeighbourhoodHouseInc}$

Allwood Neighbourhood House Incorporated

Allwood Neighbourhood House Incorporated is a community based and managed not-for-profit charitable organisation, legally incorporated under the Associations Incorporation Act.

A community organisation that provides a venue for range of community education and recreational activities and services.

The Committee of Management operates the venue with community development principles. Allwood House has an open door policy, connnecting people through affordable learning and social opportunities, regardless of age or background.

Supporting and empowering individuals, enhancing and strengthening the community

Enrolments

Please contact the listed Tutors for bookings & information on Courses / Workshops you are interested in, or register online at www.allwoodhouse.org



Allwood House Committee, staff & friends love our forests and recognise the need for their protection, get involved with The Great Tree Project if you love forests too.

THE GREAT TREE PROJECT

Contact: Karena 0428 352 822

Dates: Every 2nd and 4th Friday of the month - 10am - 5pm

Commences: Friday 8th February Cost: gold coin donation

Bring: any natural fibres, fabric you have to dye and plant materials to dye with. Contact us with any questions. BYO food to share for lunch and afternoon tea.

The Great Tree Project is celebrating our forests by making a textile tree out of natural fibres and plant dyes. We wish to raise awareness of the need to protect Australia's native forests.

Allwood House is our home base and will be meeting every 2nd and 4th Friday to experiment with new techniques, make panels and catch up.

Come and see our work (it's rather lovely) and have a go at the techniques we're using-they're simple and effective as well as gorgeous!

The Great Tree Project Committee - new members welcome

New committee members and general members are welcome. We invite participation from everyone. We are working to save the forests, for all of us.

Dates: Our committee meets on the 1st Tuesday of the month, 7 - 9:30pm

FERMENTING WORKSHOPS

Tutor: Tim McNeilly (book via email) tim@reallyawesomewholefoods.com.au

Date: Sunday 3rd March

1. Fermented Foods ~ 9.30 - 12.30pm

2. Power of Probiotics ~ 1.30pm - 4.30pm Cost: \$95 - \$150 for both workshops

Concession rate: \$75 - \$120

Join us for these workshops, that will cover the making of sauerkraut, kombucha, water kefir, coconut kefir, kimchi, beetroot kvass, cultured carrot/beetroot, coconut kefir yoghurt, milk kefir & milk kefir cheese.

You will receive lots of information on the importance of probiotics and health, with plenty of tastings of the ferments covered.

Ongoing support is offered to help you on your

fermenting journey.

MIXED ART WORKSHOP

Tutor: Harry Hughes 0466 797 302 *Date*: Saturday 2nd March 2 - 5pm

Cost: \$40.00

Want a to learn a new art skill or finish or an old art project?

Harry will guide you to completion, whether its pastels, acrylics, oils or other media of your choice. Get inspired and learn new techniques.

BYO art materials & a snack to share

MASSAGE THERAPY

Facilitator: Emma Matthews 0425 425 236 Dates: Sundays 10th & 17th February, 10th, 17th & 24th March,

Time: 9.30am 1.30pm Cost: \$65.00 (60 min) (by appointment)

Emma has a very holistic, intuitive approach to massage and believes it to be an integral part of good health and self care. She offers deep tissue, therapeutic and relaxation massage. Emma also has qualifications in Hot Stone Massage, Thai foot massage, Reiki, Shiatsu and Pregnancy Massage.

For more information go to www.indigomassage.com.au



TAI CHI

Tutor: Rene 0413 526 508

Dates: Advanced 1 - 2.15 pm (8 weeks)
Beginners - 2.30 - 3.45pm

Commences: 29th January Cost: \$80.00

(no session 12th March)

Tai Chi is a gentle form of exercise that involves body and mind. It can be a challenge while it energises the whole body. The class will begin to learn the Lotus and Beijing 24 along with warm up and breathing exercises. (Please wear loose, comfortable clothing)

GET CONNECTED

Dates: Wednesdays 1 - 4pm

By Appointment - 9718 2717

This activity gives the opportunity to discover how the world wide web can play a great part in helping you to stay in touch with friends and family. Along with offering access to the wealth of information and services that are available online

Spiritual Development Group

Free come and try session in week 1
Facilitator: Glenda Lay 0418 332 813

Dates: Tuesdays 7 - 8.30pm

Commences: 29th January Cost: \$15/ 12c

Living consciously connected to spirit, brings love, prosperity, confidence, joy and self-empowerment. Come and learn:

Mastering Relationships & Life, Stress & Relaxation Techniques Manifestation, Meditation & Healing. Uncover Your Unique Gifts & Life Purpose.

SPIRITUAL COUNSELING

Dates: Wednesdays between 1 - 4pm

Commences: 30th January

Cost: \$60/55 Conc. for a 1 hour session.

Glenda uses a combination of Spiritual Wisdom, Tarot Guidance, Lifepath Numbers and useful emotional balancing tools to guide you, if you are feeling lost or at a crossroads. Heal from your past, gain insight into your current issues, manifest and move forward into your new future with power and confidence.

Call Glenda for a 15 minute free phone assessment.

YOGA PREGNANCY WORKSHOP

Tutor: Nicola Eddington 0488 521 667

Dates: Saturday 2 - 4pm

Commences: 16th February Cost: \$40.00

Connect with yourself and your baby in a safe and nurturing space. Connect with other pregnant women to celebrate this sacred time in your life.

Enjoy the benefits of gentle yoga stretches and foundational movements to assist in preparing for the birth of your baby and your journey in motherhood.

Take home a basic self practice.

(Nicola is a qualified and experienced yoga teacher She is currently pregnant with her second child).

Please bring yoga mat & blanket.

WICKING BEDS

Tutor: Ravi - Greenheart Trust

Date: Saturday 16th March 1 - 3pm

Ph: 0431 952 552 (Free Workshop)

In this workshop learn the basics of creating wicking beds, lots of Information provided. **Wicking beds** are a unique way to grow your vegetables. They are self contained raised beds with built-in reservoirs that supply water from the bottom up – changing how, and how much, you water your beds.

Happier, healthier and more productive, veggies love wicking beds because they provide a low-stress environment.

We will also be covering mini wicking beds made from recycled household items.

MOVIES IN THE GARDEN

Facilitators Ravi & Hailee 0431 952 552 Date: Friday 8th March at 7.45pm

Cost: \$2.00 (gold coin donation)

"Never Ending Story"

Come together and enjoy this family classic in the gardens of Allwood.

BYO Snacks, blankets, beanbags etc

Date: Friday 29th March at 7.45pm "The Blues Brothers"

Join us in the garden for the classic movie for adults

BYO Snacks, blankets, beanbags etc

BELLY DANCE

Tutor: Eliza 0409 160 007

Dates: Sundays 3.30 - 4.30 / 4.30 - 5.30pm **Commences:** 3rd February (7 weeks)

Cost: \$60.00 (no session 10th March)
email: hurstbridgebellydance@gmail.com

In a fun and friendly environment, learn belly dance techniques such as shimmies, Egyptian walk and snake arms. Learn to use layering techniques to create beautiful movements.

Apply these movements to both improvisation and a short group choreography to alluring melodies of the Middle East.

Best suited to older teenagers and adults. Shimmy belts provided

Community Singing Group

Chocolate Lilies

Tutor: Nerida Kirov Ph: 9439 4816

Dates: Mondays 9.30 - 11.30am

Commences: 4th February (7 weeks)

Cost: \$70.00 / \$60.00 Concession

(No session 11th March - Labour Day)

Come and discover that you can sing!

Enjoy lots of beautiful songs from all over the world, Africa to Australia, from rounds to 3/4 part harmonies, original songs and lots of improvisation to free up the voice.

All Welcome

Tapping for Stress Relief

Tutor: Kerry Wailes 0438 777 732

Date: Sunday 17th February

Time: 10am - 12pm Cost: \$25 / \$20 conc.

Learn this simple technique to reduce your

stress levels.

'Tapping', or EFT, is a combination of acupressure and counselling which has been shown to rapidly reduce the stress hormones, Cortisol and Adrenaline.

Great for students, or anyone who would like to better manage stress in their life. (Kerry is a Level 3 Inspired EFT practitioner, she has worked in the natural health field for over 20 years)

Bookings: via email kerry@kerrywailes.com.au

Reiki Group/Exchange

Tutor: Julie 0431 159 179

Dates: Mondays 12 - 2.30pm (7 weeks)
Commences: 4th February Cost: Donation

We are a group of Reiki practitioners who love to give & receive Reiki.

Do you feel stressed? Would you like to increase your vitality? Are you curious? Visit us and sample the Reiki experience.

Those who have Reiki Level I, II, & III can deepen their skills and healing and are welcome to practice in our group share.

Please wear loose comfortable clothes.

AN AFTERNOON WITH SPIRIT

Facilitator: Joyce Lowman 0414 925 669

Dates: Sundays 10th February, 10th March
& 7th April

Time: 1 - 3pm Cost: \$35.00

Question and Answer time on Mediumship and Spirituality.

You can ask any questions you may have on these subjects. I have worked all over Australia, I invite you to join me for these workshops. (Afternoon Tea Provided)

"Please be aware that not everyone will receive a reading"

PSYCHIC DEVELOPMENT

Facilitator: Joyce Lowman 0414 925 669

Dates: Mondays - 11th & 25th February,
11th & 25th March, & 8th April

Time: 7 - 9pm Cost: \$35.00 (per session)

Join this group to learn the difference between talking to your Guides and bringing through people who have passed over (Mediumship).

Learn how to use a pendulum, how to work with your guides, the colours of the aura and how to read auras and the colours of healing.

Find out how to do Psychometry and learn to listen to you psychic ability and trust in it.

For more information on the classes please call me. (Supper supplied)



FELDENKRAIS

Awareness through Movement

Tutor: Karen Murray 0466 103 105

comfort and efficiency.

Dates: Mondays 5.45 - 6.45pm (6 weeks)

Commences: 25th February Cost: \$84.00

An educational system that allows the body to move and function with improved ease,

The next series of lessons will be focused on the pelvic floor and its relationship to the rest of the body.

The lessons are designed to help improve bladder and bowel control and reduce back and pelvic discomfort.

Yoga Therapy Clinic

Tutor: Amanda Owen 0431 292 884 *Dates:* Sats 16th Feb, 2nd & 16th March *Cost:* \$30.00 / \$25.00 conc

Yoga therapy is an individualised yoga practice for any person who would like to improve their health.

During your appointment, Amanda will observe your posture and how you move your body, in order to give you a personalised yoga practice to take home.

Together you and she will go through this practice, so you understand it fully.

<u>UKULELE</u>

GROUP CLASS AND SING-A-LONG

Tutor: Miss Wattle Ph: 0409 790 319

Dates: Tuesdays 7 - 8.30pm (8 weeks)

Commences: 5th February

Dates: Thursdays 10 - 11.30 am (8 weeks)

Commences: 7th February

Cost: \$105.00 (\$80.00 Concession)

Ukulele is fun, like a holiday, and it's easy to learn ~ you got ten minutes?

Miss Wattle will have you playing jazz, pop and calypso in the first lesson ~ even if you've never played music before!

Miss Wattle leads her students on a fun and rewarding musical journey with parts for everyone to play.

For the newies or those who just want to enjoy the music and ukulele camaraderie, there's the sweet sounds of simple strums.

Greenwood Spoon Carving

Tutor: Eli Beke 0490 465 396

Dates: Sunday 10th March

Time: 10am - 5pm Cost: \$80.00

BYO lunch and snacks, age 16+.

Come learn the art of Spoon Carving in the Swedish green woodcraft tradition, you will learn how to carve a spoon with an axe, knife and gouge.

Learn how timber can be worked efficiently and effectively including the selection of timber for carving and the design of wood articles for the kitchen.

YOGA

Tutor: Sarah Bedggood 0409 419 383

Dates: Wednesdays 9 - 10.30am (8 weeks)

Commences: 6th February Cost: \$120.00

Dates: Mondays 7- 8.30pm (7 weeks)

Commences: 4th February Cost: \$105.00

(No session Labour Day - 11th March)
A range of postures and breathing exercises.
Feel your mind-body-breath connection and find meditation in movement.

Please bring a non-stick mat and blanket.

MEDITATION CIRCLE

Dates: Tuesdays 10 - 11am 9718 2717 Cost: \$13.00 a session / \$11 Conc. Commences: 4th February (8 weeks)

We create a beautiful group energy that encompasses and empowers both planetary and personal Healing.

As we journey through the Medicine wheel noting the directions, elements, moon and earth cycles increasing our awareness of the big picture.

We use aromatherapy herbs, flowers, creative visualization, stretching and safe breathing techniques to enhance our journey, ending with fresh herbal tea and discussion

(Casuals are welcome)



Counselling for young people

Contact: Shelley Elliot 0439 014 401 Saturdays - by appointment

If you are suffering with low self esteem, negative thoughts or find the pressures of every-

day life getting you down, call or message me for an appointment.

Its not as scary as you believe, time to find solutions to your problems and create a more confident happy you!

BOTTOM DRAWER BOX

Facilitator: Ruth Ph: 9718 2717

Date: Wednesday 6th March 1 - 3 pm

(free community event)

We will be creating an after death action plan to make things easier for your loved one when you pass away.

Into the box goes your ideas, plans and your life's reflections. It will sit there quietly

until needed. Lets have some fun with this (black humour). Explore your favourite music and anything that you wish to be included in your personal plan.

COMMUNITY AFTERNOON TEA

Free Event - Bookings: 9718 2717

Date: Tuesday 12th March 1 – 3pm

You are welcome to join us for a delicious afternoon tea at Allwood House.

A fun session for all ages, enjoy delicious treats and great conversations with others.

Join this friendly event, bring along your babies and grandparents.

RSVP for catering purposes

REIKI I & II HEALING

Tutor: Julie Moorfoot 0431 159 179

Time: 9 am ~ 5 pm Cost: \$100.00

Contact tutor for next training date

Reiki is a self - empowering hands - on healing modality. Through the power of Reiki you will progress further towards enlightenment whilst gaining personal insight and healing powers. Levels I, II, III are available...



PRE-CELTIC SHAMANIC DAY

Cellular and Core Transformation

Facilitator: Mark Elliot 0414 723 989

Dates: Saturday 24th February

Time: 11am - 4pm

Cost: \$45.00 (\$30 Concession)

Explore your inner landscape, remove your blockages and limitations, to heal the past and learn how to access higher levels of powerful transmutation.

Open up to your future potential with Mark Elliot who has over 20 years experience in shamanic training, a practitioner with cancer patients and the dying.

Qualifications in Transpersonal Art Therapy and a main focus in Pre Celtic Mystic teachings and practise.

Because this is a deep inner experience and exploration, anything is possible in his experience.

No particular belief is required just an openness to learn.

(BYO lunch and snacks to share)

DRUM CONNECTION

Free come and try session in week 1
Tutor: Annie Fletcher 0407 102 578
Dates: Thursdays Level 1: 7.30 - 8.30pm
Commences: 7th February (9 weeks)
Dates: Fridays Level 1: 2.30 - 3.30pm
Commences: 8th February (9 weeks)
Cost for level 1: \$130 / \$110 Conc

Level 2 & 3 courses also available.

Learn the basic techniques of African and Arabic hand drumming and great group rhythms in a fun and supportive circle.

Djembe and Darabuka drums are supplied for new participants.

Students will be given opportunities to perform at community events with the student ensemble 'DOOWLLA', currently celebrating 14 years of drumming.

Total beginners are welcome!

Qigong

Free come & try session in week 1

Tutors: Cerian 0408 316 813

Dates: Thursdays 5.45- 6.45pm (9 weeks)
Commences: 7th February Cost: \$90.00

Qigong, related to Tai Chi, is the practice of energy awareness. Learn simple Qigong Practices from Open Sky Qigong, to consciously balance body, mind and emotions. Increase your experience of peace, wellness

and vitality in everyday life.

The techniques typically involve the practice of focusing internally, energy awareness, gentle movement and breathing while developing a calm, meditative state of mind.

No experience necessary.

KINESIOLOGY CLINIC

Facilitator: Nadine Kennedy 0420 767 475 Dates: Sats 2nd February & 2nd March

Cost: \$40.00 (community rate)

Time: 9am - 2pm (bookings essential)

Kinesiology identifies factors which block the body's natural healing process. These dysfunctions are rectified by attention to reflex and acupressure points, the use of specific body movements and nutritional support.

It can relieve pain, stress, muscular and nervous disorders: detect allergies and nutritional deficiencies: assist with psychological and learning problems, stimulate energies and release untapped potential.

It can be useful for addictions, anxiety, depression, eating disorders, grief and loss, goal setting, headaches/migraines, hormone balancing, lack of energy, learning difficulties, pain management, post traumatic stress, relationship issues, sports performance, sleep issues and uncertainty in any area.

COMMUNITY FELTING

Dates: Thursdays 1 - 4pm 9718 2717 Commences: 7th February (8 weeks)

Join us and help to create decorative art pieces for Allwood House.

You will learn the wet & dry felting techniques in a friendly and supportive group.

Suitable for beginners & experienced felters.

All materials are supplied.