

YOUTH OF THE NORTHERN MIDLANDS: VOICES, CONFIDENCE AND COMMUNITY

Across the Northern Midlands, young people are shaping a future that is inclusive, confident and connected. From leadership and advocacy to creativity and community spirit, our youth are not just participants in community life – they are active contributors and emerging leaders. This commitment to empowering young people is supported through council led youth initiatives delivered by Council's Youth Officer, Libby McGrath, who works closely with young people, schools, community organisations and partner agencies across the municipality to create safe, engaging and meaningful opportunities for youth. Celebrating young leadership is at the heart of the Young Citizen of the Year Award, which recognises outstanding young people who demonstrate leadership, generosity and a genuine commitment to their community.

The Free2Be Girls Groups provide a safe, supportive and empowering space for girls to build confidence, friendships and resilience. Free2Be get togethers run during the school term on Tuesdays in Longford and Wednesdays in Campbell Town and are open to girls aged 10-18 years old.

The Youth Advisory Group ensures young voices play an active role in shaping local decisions. By creating a platform for young people to share ideas, perspectives and priorities, the group strengthens the connection between council and the next generation, helping ensure programs and initiatives reflect what matters most to youth across the Northern Midlands. Join our Northern Midlands Youth Facebook page.

Council's ability to deliver youth focused events and programs has been further strengthened through the Northern Midlands Youth Leadership and Learning Futures Project, which was awarded \$24,700 through the Tasmanian Community Fund's Community Action Grant Round. These initiatives come together at a youth celebration event on Friday 18 April at Valentines Park, Campbell Town, bringing young people, families and the wider community together in a relaxed and welcoming environment.

The Northern Midlands is proud to invest in its young people – not only by recognising their achievements today, but by supporting programs and leadership pathways that help them thrive tomorrow.

OUR YOUTH OFFICER

Libby McGrath is Council's Youth Officer, working alongside young people, schools, families and community partners across the Northern Midlands. Libby supports youth leadership, wellbeing and connection by delivering inclusive programs and creating opportunities for young people to have their voices heard and valued within the community.

Through grant funded initiatives, including the Northern Midlands Youth Leadership and Learning Futures Project, Libby helps deliver youth led events, groups and activities that encourage confidence, participation and positive community connections.

RIGHT: Council Youth Officer Libby McGrath working alongside young people at a Northern Midlands youth event, supporting leadership, connection and community participation.



YOUTH WHATS ON? NORTHERN MIDLANDS

For more information email libby.mcgrath@nmc.tas.gov.au

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

REGISTRATIONS COMPULSORY

[HTTPS://FORMS.OFFICE.COM/R/LXESMERUN3](https://forms.office.com/R/LXESMERUN3) **Free!**



Tool Skool

Tuesday April 21st
10.30am – 12.00pm
Guide Hall Campbell Town
Create and build with
Asher, join the
woodworking fun!



VR Headset & Board Games

Wednesday April 22nd
10.30am – 12.00pm
Perth Community Centre
Bring your friend, play games,
and experience virtual
reality!



Gym Session

Thursday April 22nd
11.00am – 12.00pm
Motivity Fitness Longford
Unwind during a yoga
session, followed by some
yummy smoothies!



MOTIVITY FITNESS

3.30pm – 4.30pm
@ Motivity Fitness
Longford

Young people aged 10-13
are invited to attend a
strength, fitness and
techniques session at
Motivity Fitness on
Wednesdays during
school terms.

Come along and improve
your health with Motivity.

LONGFORD LIBRARY

Chill Out Space

Drop into Longford Library!
Relax on bean bags, play
board games, use our
computers, enjoy free wifi,
and discover great books.
It's your space to hang out,
connect, and unwind.



After-School

Longford Library is more
than books – it's comfy,
fun, and free. Bring
friends, play games,
browse, or just relax. Make
it your spot after school!

FREE2B GIRLS 2026

AGES 10-16

Longford

Campbell
Town

Free2b Girls is a safe, welcoming
space for girls aged 10-16 to create,
connect, and feel confident. We meet
weekly during school terms in
Longford and Campbell Town.
Here, you'll have the freedom to
express yourself, enjoy fun and
creative activities, and build new
friendships in a warm, respectful
environment where everyone feels
valued.

Come join us to discover your
passions and be part of a strong,
supportive community!

<https://forms.office.com/r/m0mXMcnaq8>

LAYCOCK ST COMMUNITY BBQ

Thursday April 16th
3.00pm – 5.00pm

You're invited to join us
for a FREE community
BBQ at Laycock Street
Park Longford!

Free Sausages, Burgers,
Drinks and Icy Poles!

Bring your family and
friends for an afternoon
full of activities!



Thursday 16 April 2026

★ 7.30pm – 9.00pm

★ Ross Town Hall

(Celebrating International Dark
Sky Week)

★ The event begins with the
film Why No One Can See The
Stars, followed by a
presentation on The Ross
Dark Sky Community Project
and what it means for you.
Enjoy a guided walk, Ross
After Dark, before finishing
the evening with stargazing
using binoculars and
telescopes (conditions
permitting).

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