

Beyond Blindness Activities Calendar

TERM 1 2025: JANUARY, FEBRUARY, MARCH, APRIL

Note: During school holidays some activities may be paused.

Please take note of this activity schedule and contact your region's Member Engagement Officer for any queries, or call the office: 8367 6088

School holidays are:

Saturday 14th December 2024 until Monday 27th January 2025 & Saturday 12th April until Sunday 27th April 2025.

Extreme weather may affect activities.

The Extreme Weather Policy can be found at the end of this newsletter.

WEST ACTIVITIES: TERM 1 2025

CONTACT MEMBER ENGAGEMENT OFFICER: FRANK

PHONE: 8367 6088 or 0488 114 626

Western Social Group: Third Friday of the month

Friday 21st February: Lunch at Ramsgate Hotel

Friday 21st March: Walk around West Lakes, Lunch at Lakes Hotel

Friday 18th April: School holidays (no activity)

Western Social Group: First Saturday of the month

Saturday 1st February: Walk, then Pancakes at the Port

Saturday 1st March: Lunch at Fasta Pasta

Saturday 5th April: Lunch at Orange Spot Bakery, Glenelg

Young Adults Group: Second Sunday of the month

Sunday 9th February: Lunch at Fasta Pasta

Sunday 9th March: Day trip to Tanunda. Bakery Lunch.

Sunday 13th April: School holidays (no activity)

ADELAIDE HILLS ACTIVITIES: TERM 1 2025

CONTACT: MEMBER ENGAGEMENT OFFICER: FRANK

PHONE: 8367 6088 or 0488 114 626

Thursday 27th February 2025: Trip to Langhorn Creek

Thursday 27th March 2025: Lunch at Lobethal Bakery

Thursday 24th April 2025: School holidays (no activity)

WHYALLA ACTIVITIES: TERM 1 2025

CONTACT: MEMBER ENGAGEMENT OFFICER: FRANK

PHONE: 8367 6088 or 0488 114 626

Tuesday 11th February: Morning Beach walk then Coffee, Chat & Brunch

Tuesday 11th March: Glass Bottom Boat Cruise & Lunch

Tuesday 8th April: Day Trip to Port Augusta. Lunch at Tickle Belly Hill Cafe

CENTRAL/EAST ACTIVITIES: TERM 1 2025

CONTACT: MARIAN: MEMBER ENGAGEMENT OFFICER (CENTRAL/EAST):

PHONE: 8367 6088

All members outside of the Central/East are welcome to attend if they can meet at a pick up point enroute to location.

Monday: Gentle Walk & Lunch. 10am - 2:30pm.

Monday 3rd February, 10th February, 17th February 2025

& Monday 3rd March, 17th March, 24th March, 31st March 2025

& Monday 7th April 2025

Venues: River Torrens, Semaphore, Mawson Lakes, Linear Park, Thorndon Park

Vision Technology Information Session!, 10.30am – 1pm

Monday 24th February 2025

Venue: Campbelltown Social Centre, 516 Lower North East Road

Please see Highlights section of this newsletter for more information

Tuesday: Golf & Lunch. 10am - 2pm

Tuesday 4th & Tuesday 18th February 2025

Tuesday 4th & Tuesday 18th March 2025

Tuesday 1st & Tuesday 29th April 2025

Venue: Valley View Golf Course

*Please note that when the weather is 30 degrees and above, alternative activities might be organised

Wednesday:

Activity 1: Craft & Chat. 10am - 1pm

Wednesday 29th January, Wednesday 5th February, 12th February, 19th February,

26th February & Wednesday 5th March, 12th March, 19th March, 26th March

& Wednesday 2nd April, 9th April, 30th April 2025

Venue: Beyond Blindness Campbelltown Social Centre

Activity 2: Bingo. 1pm - 2pm

Wednesday 29th January, Wednesday 12th February, 26th February 2025

& Wednesday 12th March, 26th March 2025 & Wednesday 9th April 2025

Venue: Beyond Blindness Campbelltown Social Centre

Activity 3: Wednesday Walks (7km walk). 10am - 4pm, Various Locations

Wednesday 29th January

Wednesday 5th February, 12th February, 19th February, 26th February

Wednesday 5th March, 12th March, 19th March

& Wednesday 2nd April, 9th April, 16th April, 23rd April, 30th April 2025

*Please note Wednesday Walks will be cancelled when it coincides with week of Trips

Thursday: Chihuly Glass Sculptures at Botanic Gardens Tour (TBC). 10am – 11.30am
Thursday 30th January 2025

10 pin bowling at Woodville & Lunch at Tavern 540. 10:30am - 2:30pm.
(Venues subject to change)

Thursday 6th February 2025, Thursday 6th March 2025, Thursday 3rd April 2025

Seniors Group Gathering at Campbelltown Social Centre. 10.30am - 12.30pm

Thursday 20th February 2025, Thursday 13th March 2025, Thursday 10th April 2025

Tandem Bike. 10am - 12pm. Lunch at 12pm - 2pm (Venue TBC)

Thursday 13th February 2025 at Victoria Park

Thursday 27th March 2025 at Felixstow Reserve

Figs Picking at Glen Ewin Estate. Lunch at The Gully Public House & Garden (TBC)

Thursday 27th February 2025

All About My Aged Care - by SA Dept of Health & Aged Care, 10.30am – 12.30/1pm

Thursday 20th March 2025

Venue: Beyond Blindness Campbelltown Social Centre

516 Lower North East Road, Campbelltown. SA

Please see Highlights section of this newsletter for more information

Friday: Free Readers Book Club. 10am - 12pm

Friday 7th February, Friday 7th March, Friday 4th April 2025

Venue: Campbelltown Library, 172 Montacute Road, Rostrevor SA 5073

SWISH: Inclusive Table Tennis for the Vision Impaired & Lunch (TBC). 10am- 2pm

Friday 21st March 2025

Lefevre Community Stadium, 541 Victoria Road, Osborne, SA.

Lunch Venue To Be Confirmed

Cost: \$3 per participant. Please pay upon entry to Community Centre

Meet and Greet Information Session with Centacare

Friday 28th February 2025

Beyond Blindness Campbelltown Social Centre

516 Lower North East Road, SA, 5074

Cost: Free

Please see Highlights section of this newsletter for more information

Please note: Term 1 2025 school holidays are: Saturday 12th April - Sunday 27th April 2025

Most daily activities will take a holiday break during this period – please refer to the calendar and contact the region’s Member Engagement Officer or the volunteer in charge for any clarification. Please be aware that all activities are subject to a minimum number of participants and potential changes.

NORTH ACTIVITIES: TERM 1 2025

NORTHERN OUTREACH

CONTACT: JEN: MEMBER ENGAGEMENT OFFICER (NORTH):

PHONE: 8166 3330 or 0403 451 817

Please note: Change of office opening days: The Northern office will be open in 2025 on a **Monday, Tuesday and Friday** from **8.30am until 4.30pm**.

JANUARY

Tuesday 28th January: Coffee & Chat Catch Up, 10:30am, Gawler Office

Friday 31st January: Bingo, 10am, Gawler Office

FEBRUARY

Monday 3rd February: Mini Market, 10am, Gawler Office

We will be hosting Fabulous Fittings, Jaydee's Clothing and Shoes on Wheels

Tuesday 4th February: Coffee & Armchair Travel, 10am, Gawler Office

Friday 7th February: Craft: Sculpting with air-dry clay, 10am, Gawler Office

Monday 10th February: Visit to Al Ru Farm, to walk amongst their gardens. 10am.

Cost: \$10 per person

Tuesday 11th February: Guest Speaker: All About My Aged Care.

10am, Gawler Office (To Be Confirmed)

Friday 14th February: Craft: Painting your sculpture, 10am, Gawler Office

Monday 17th February: Gentle Walk around Freemont Park, 10am

lunch at Fasta Pasta Elizabeth

Tuesday 18th February: Crossword, 10:30am, Gawler Office.

Friday 21st February: Chair Exercise with Steve, 10am, Gawler Office

Monday 24th February: Lunch at Gawler Arms and stroll down main street. 10am.

Tuesday 25th February: Chair Yoga with Beth. 10:30am, Gawler Office.

Cost: \$8 Per Person. To Be Confirmed

MARCH

Monday 3rd March: Lenswood Apple Picking, 10am. \$6 per person

Tuesday 4th March: Gawler Civic Centre Tour. 10:30am. TBC

Friday 7th March: Bunnings Craft, Evanston Park. 10:30am

Tuesday 11th March: Bingo, 10am, Gawler Office

Friday 14th March: Gentle Walk at Freemont Park, Lunch at Fasta Pasta, 10:30am

Monday 17th March: Michael Griffiths sings Peter Allen, Shedley Theatre, Elizabeth.

11am. Cost \$15

Tuesday 18th March: Coffee and Crossword, 10:30am. Gawler Office

Friday 21st March: Chair exercise with Steve. 10:30am. Gawler Office

Monday 24th March: Chihuly at the Botanic Gardens. Lunch venue to be advised. 10am

Tuesday 25th March: Guest Speaker on Mental Wellness from Mental Health Partners.

10am. Gawler Office

Friday 28th March: Harmony Day Celebration, Salisbury Civic Hub. 10am

NORTH ACTIVITIES: TERM 1 2025 (Continued)

APRIL

Tuesday 1st April: Mystery Bus Tour and Lunch.10am

Friday 4th April: Gentle Walk at Dead Mans Pass, 10:30am followed by lunch at Asian Central, Gawler

Monday 7th April: Lunch at The Angle Vale Hotel

Tuesday 8th April: Craft with Rachel at The Starlings Nest, Tanunda, 10am

Friday 11th April: Gentle Chair Exercise with Steve. 10.30am, Gawler Office.

COUNTRY MUSIC CLUB

CONTACT: JOAN SNOWBALL: PHONE: 0420 794 102

Third Sunday of every month

Sunday: 19th January, 16th February, 16th March, 20th April 2025

Country Music: 9am for bus pickups, activity starts at 11am

Location: Playford Country Music Club, Elizabeth Downs

Open to all members, depending on pick-up location and transport resources available.

BEYOND BLINDNESS GAWLER LOW VISION GROUP

CONTACT: JOAN SNOWBALL: PHONE: 0420 794 102

Friday 31st January 2025: Gawler Meeting, Meet at Elderly Centre, 10am

Friday 14th February 2025: Southern Hotel, Gawler, Meet at 10am

Friday 28th February 2025: Gawler Meeting, Meet at Elderly Centre, 10am

Friday 14th March 2025: Glenelg Surf Club, Meet at 10am

Friday 28th March 2025: Gawler Meeting, Meet at Elderly Centre, 10am

Friday 11th April 2025: Central Districts, Elizabeth, Meet at 10am

Friday 25th April 2025: Valley Hotel, Tanunda, Meet at 10am

SOUTH ACTIVITIES: TERM 1 2025

CONTACT: JEREMY MEMBER ENGAGEMENT OFFICER (SOUTH):

PHONE: 8556 6228

These dates and details are subject to change. Contact Jeremy at the Beyond Blindness Southern Office to confirm activities and venues.

Southern Social Group

10:30am - 12:30pm

Tuesday 4th February, Tuesday 4th March, Tuesday 1st April 2025

Craft Group: Christies Beach Office

10:30am - 12:30pm

Tuesday 11th February, Tuesday 11th March, Tuesday 8th April 2025

Bus Trips

Tuesday 18th February, Tuesday 18th March, Tuesday 15th April 2025

10am onwards

Marion Conversation Corner

Monday 24th February, Monday 24th March, Monday 28th April 2025

Finnis Street Café, Marion, 1:30pm - 2:30pm

Blackwood Coffee Group

Wednesday 12th February, Wednesday 12th March, Wednesday 9th April 2025

Advanced Walking Group

Tuesday 28th January, Tuesday 25th February

Tuesday 25th March, Tuesday 29th April 2025

For those who can walk 10km. Various Locations.

VICTOR HARBOR GROUPS: TERM 1 2025

CONTACT: JEREMY MEMBER ENGAGEMENT OFFICER (SOUTH):

PHONE: 8556 6228

Talking Books at Victor Harbor Library

10:30am - 12pm

Monday 10th February, Monday 10th March, Monday 14th April 2025

Goolwa Men's Coffee and Chat

Every Tuesday: 10am - 11.30am, Goolwa Café, Goolwa Shopping Centre

MOUNT GAMBIER ACTIVITIES: TERM 1 2025

CONTACT MEMBER ENGAGEMENT OFFICER: FRANK

PHONE: 8367 6088 or 0488 114 626

Wednesday 5th February: Lunch at Park Hotel

Wednesday 5th March: Lunch at Western Hotel

Wednesday 2nd April: Walk around Vansittart Park. Lunch at Park Hotel

TRAVEL CLUB

CALL OR TEXT: WENDY CARTER: 0408 082 524

or PHONE BEYOND BLINDNESS: 8367 6088

Saturday 8th February 2025: Audio Described Movie at Wallis Cinema, Mt Barker. Lobethal Hotel for lunch

Saturday 8th March 2025: Rodney Fox Shark Museum and Halfway Hotel for lunch

Saturday 12th April 2025: Aldinga Biplane Café, Buddha and lunch at Aldinga Hotel

Saturday 10th May 2025: Raywood Nursery and Aqua Blue or Yankalilla Hotel for lunch

OVERNIGHT TRIPS

CONTACT: WENDY CARTER (OVERNIGHT TRIPS COMMITTEE):

CALL OR TEXT: 0488 104 354

OR EMAIL: trips@beyondblindness.org.au

The new proposed Overnight Trips programme for 2025 is:

Term 1: Mount Gambier: 24th - 28th March 2025

Term 2: Port Augusta: 23rd - 27th June 2025

Term 3: Broken Hill: 25th - 29th August 2025

Term 4: Port Elliot: 24th - 28th November 2025

NOTE: We have changed the process slightly. From now on we will have a cut off date for registering your interest. After that date the invoices will be issued with a week to pay the non-refundable deposit.

The remaining payment will need to be made 4 weeks before the trip.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT ACTIVITIES:

Please note:

- All members are welcome to attend any activity, in any location in Adelaide, depending on transport and resources availability.
- All activities are subject to change and a minimum number of sign up
- Some activities may have fees involved
- Transport may be provided for members living within predetermined radius. For members who are living outside of the radius, alternative central pick-up locations can be arranged, subject to availability
- Regular activities may take a break during the school holiday period – please refer to the activity calendar for details
- Contact the appropriate regional Member Engagement Officer for any clarification about activities during the holidays or any general questions.
- Refer to 'Extreme Weather Policy' on next page regarding the weather and how it may affect activities



EXTREME WEATHER POLICY

UPDATED: 29th June 2023

32 degrees and over:

No working guide dogs outside

38 degrees and over:

- Small jobs and members home visits to be cancelled and rescheduled
- All outdoor activities, Travel Clubs and regional trips will be cancelled except for metropolitan activities. E.g. craft & bingo using air-conditioned vehicles to and from

40 degrees and over:

- All Beyond Blindness member services cancelled
- Staff will still be in office on these days

Please Note:

- Activities are subject to change depending on extreme weather conditions (e.g. heat, severe storm warning, or flood alert, etc)
- The health and safety of staff, volunteers and members is essential at all times, but particularly during extreme weather