

HOPE VALE ABORIGINAL SHIRE COUNCIL

MEETING REPORT

ITEM NO: GENERAL MEETING:

SUBJECT: CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY PROGRAM PARTICPATION

CLASSIFICATION: INFORMATION

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Note the participation outcomes of the Christmas/school holiday activity program; and
2. Support continued delivery and refinement of Christmas/school holiday activities based on participation trends and community demand.

BUDGET & RESOURCE CONSIDERATIONS

Budget was approved by Council. Human resources that coordinated and delivered these events came from the Social Services division in Council which impacted on the operations of the social services programs during that time.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION

To provide Council with an overview of participation numbers for Council-delivered Christmas/school holiday activities and to assess program reach, demand, and community engagement.

Council delivers a range of Christmas/school holiday activities aimed at supporting children and young people, encouraging active and inclusive participation, which provides free options for families during school holiday periods. Participation data is collected to inform future program planning, resource allocation, and service improvement.

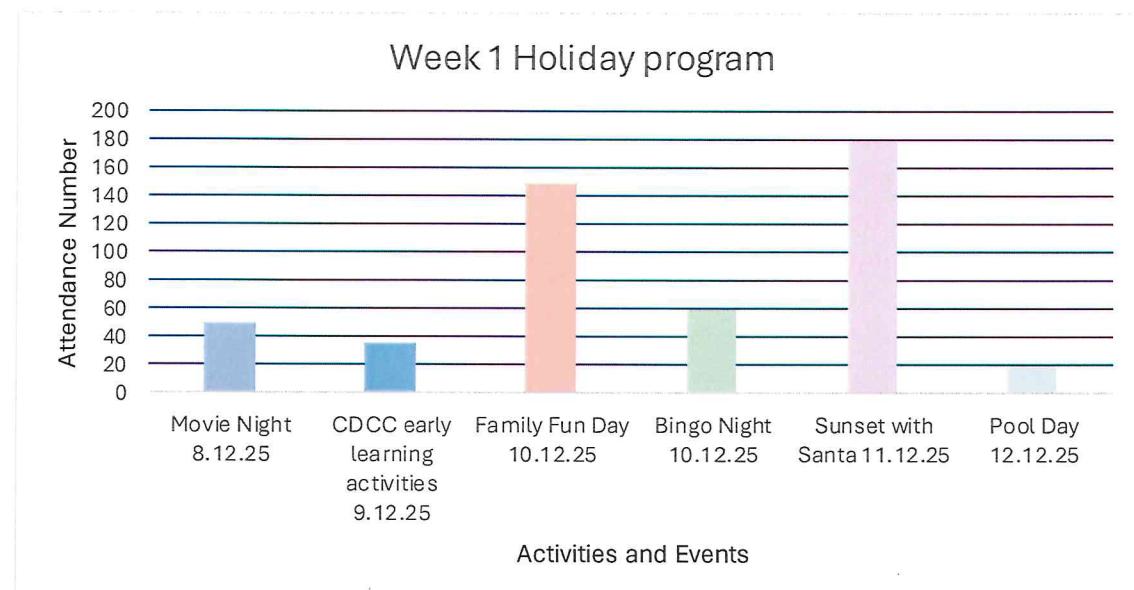
During the reporting period, Council delivered a range of structured and supervised activities, including:

- Sports and physical activity programs
- Arts and crafts workshops
- Community Christmas Events
- Cultural and community-based activities

Programs were delivered across multiple locations and targeted a range of age groups.

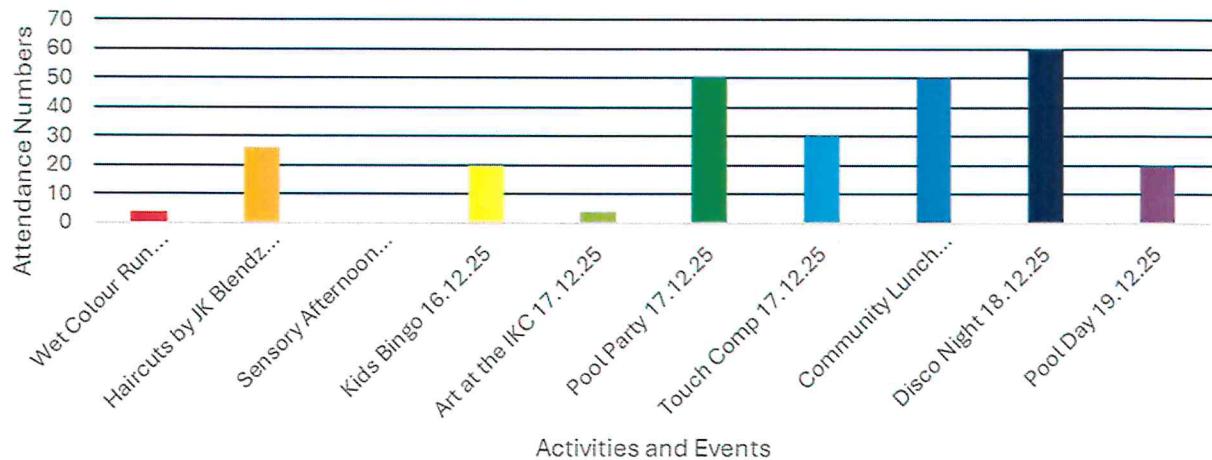
Participation by Activity Type

Week 1 Holiday program	
Programs/ Activities	Attendance Numbers
Movie Night 8.12.25	50
CDCC early learning activities 9.12.25	35
Family Fun Day 10.12.25	150
Bingo Night 10.12.25	60
Sunset with Santa 11.12.25	180
Pool Day 12.12.25	20



Week 2 Holiday Program	
Programs/ Activities	Attendance Numbers
Wet Colour Run 15.12.25	4
Haircuts by JK Blendz 16.12.25	26
Sensory Afternoon 16.12.25	0
Kids Bingo 16.12.25	20
Art at the IKC 17.12.25	4
Pool Party 17.12.25	50
Touch Comp 17.12.25	30
Community Lunch 18.12.25	50
Disco Night 18.12.25	60
Pool Day 19.12.25	20

Week 2 Holiday program



The graphic above illustrates participation numbers across key activity categories, highlighting:

- Highest participation in Family Fun Day, Sunset with Santa and the Disco Night.
- Consistent engagement in the Pool Activities.
- Low participation in Kids bingo, wet colour run, and art at the IKC.

Key Observations

- High-energy and outdoor activities continue to attract strong attendance
- Creative and cultural programs provide important engagement options for children seeking non-sport activities
- Program diversity supports inclusive participation across the community

Financial and Resource Implications

Participation levels assist in determining:

- Cost effectiveness of individual activities
- Staffing and facility requirements
- Future budget allocations for Christmas/school holiday program/events

Strong participation supports the ongoing value of Council investment in these programs.

Conclusion

Christmas/School holiday programs/events continue to provide positive community outcomes, with solid participation across a diverse range of activities. Ongoing monitoring of attendance trends will support continuous improvement and responsive program design.

LINK TO CORPORATE PLAN

This is supported by item 2.1 in the Operational plan -- Celebrate culture and identity through festivals, arts, and cultural heritage initiatives

CONSULTATION (Internal/External)

Social Services Team.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

N/a

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Part of the Operational plan – no specific policy

RISK ASSESSMENT

Risk is moderate. Unsure if the overall cost was budgeted in the original budget. The adopted budget may need to have this included in a future review to ensure the event costings stay within the dedicated budget.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. 2025 Event Flyers x 2.

REFERENCE DOCUMENT:

N/a

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Hope Vale Aboriginal Shire Council
Taste the season

Hope Vale Christmas Event Program 2025

Sunday 7th
December



Carols in the Park

Hope Vale Church

Venue:-

New Cultural Park
Time:- 5:30pm



MOVIE TIME

Monday 8th
December



Movie Night
Venue:- Pioneer Hall
Time:- 6:00pm
HV Youth Engagement

Community Breakfast



My Pathway

Venue:-

Outside My Pathway office
Time:- 9:00am

CCDC - Early Childhood Christmas Party

• Kids Xmas Activities

Venue:-
New Cultural Park
10am - 2pm

Tuesday 9th
December



Hope Vale Church

Venue:-

Hope Vale Foundation
Pioneer Hall
Time:- 5:30pm

Wednesday 10th
December



Venue:- MPC
Time:- 10am - 3pm
• Kids Fun Day Activities
• Kids Amusements

Venue:-

New Cultural Park
Sausage Sizzle
Youth Engagement
Start Time:- 3:00pm

Venue:-

Swimming Pool
Sausage Sizzle
Time:- 10am- 2pm

Thursday 11th
December



Sunset with Santa
Kids Entertainment
Heaps of fun activities for all ages

Venue:-

Hope Vale Foundation

• Fun Games
• Trivia
• Open Mic
• Q&A

Friday 12th
December



AT THE
pool
Chill Day @
the Pool

Venue:-

Pathway

• BEST WISHES
• And a Happy
• New Year

POOL

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