

# What's going on

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## Australia Day Celebration January 26th Program

### Soroptimist International Australia Day Breakfast

7.45am @ All Seasons Hotel

- Citizenship Ceremony
- Flag Raising
- Full Breakfast

Tickets: \$25 Adult, \$20 Children  
Available from the All Seasons Hotel, Ph: 9173 7000

### Free Open Day at the South Hedland Aquatic Centre

- 12pm – 6pm - Free Entry
- 12pm – 4pm - Games and activities for the family

### Australia Day Evening Celebration Kick Off - 6pm to 9pm

Australia Day Evening Celebrations are back with a bang in 2011, with everything you loved from the 2010 program; live entertainment, fireworks, rides and amusements, food stalls, competitions, giveaways, plus plenty new additions including beach sports, Australian short film Festival (details below), parasol decorating, Hedland's Best Pie competition (details below), exciting guest MC and much more!

### Thong Throwing Competition

When: 6.15pm register, 6.30pm start

Where: Capt Bert Madigan Park

Think you have what it takes to throw your thong further than the current Guinness Book of Records holder (42.8m)?

Come get involved and win yourself some great prizes. Open to all ages.

### Australian Olympic Gold Medallist Danielle Woodhouse

Danielle created history at the Sydney 2000 games as a member of the Australian Women's Water Polo team, which took the first-ever gold medal for their sport at an Olympic Games.

Now she will be able to add Hedland Australia Day Celebrations – master of ceremonies to her list of achievements!

6.45pm – Danielle will take a break from her stage duties and be available for signing as well as sporting her Gold Medal, so come down to Capt Bert Madigan and get a glimpse while you can.



### Hedland's Best Pie Competition

When: 7pm (registrations close at 5pm Thursday 20th January)

Where: Capt Bert Madigan Park

There's not much more Australian than a good meat pie, which is why we have added a 'Hedland's Best Pie' Competition into this year's Australia Day program. There are plenty of great prizes up for grabs from the Esplanade, but best of all is the bragging rights you'll have in being the best pie chef in Hedland.



The pies will be judged in three different categories;

- Best Tradition Meat Pie
- Best Pie with a Cultural Twist
- Best Dessert Pie

If you reckon your pie has what it takes to be the best in Hedland, now's the time to enter! Simply contact Erin Stewart, Event Coordinator, on the details below to get yourself a registration form, or jump onto the Town of Port Hedland's website [http://www.porthedland.wa.gov.au/community/community\\_events](http://www.porthedland.wa.gov.au/community/community_events)

### Live Australian Acoustic Sessions

When: 6.15pm – 9.00pm

Where: Marrapikurinya Park

Bring a picnic blanket or chair down to Marrapikurinya Park and relax to the talented singer/songwriter artists lined up for our live stage program. There will be both local artists and Perth artists taking the stage throughout the evening with the below headlining acts;

#### 7.15pm - Prita Grealy

Grealy uses her amazing voice together with a loop pedal and at times a stomp box to create a sort of one-man-band, or should I say woman, in order to create her own flavour of folk music.



#### 8.00pm - Andrew Winton Duo

This multi-award winning artist has a rapidly growing national & international reputation. Andrew is known for his stunning guitar slide, on-stage warmth & humour, quirky lyrics & storytelling.

Join Andrew at the Matt Dann Cultural Centre for free music workshops and for those brave enough, a chance to get up on stage and perform with Andrew during the Australia Day event! Register your interest with Erin, details below.

5.30-6.30pm January 25th – Blues Music History and techniques

7.00-8.00pm January 25th – Lap guitar Workshop

11.00am-12.00noon January 26th – Song writing workshop

### Australian Short Film Festival "Celebrating our rich history, Embracing our cultural diversity"

When: 7.30pm

Where: Capt Bert Madigan Park

Sit back, relax and enjoy the series of Australian short films compiled by Short Attention films (film descriptions opposite)

### Port Authority Spectacular Fireworks Display

Where: Best viewing of the fireworks will be from Marrapikurinya Park & Capt Bert Madigan Park.

When: 9.00pm

With the relocation of the firework set off point back to the Port, these spectacular fireworks together with the stunning water reflections are guaranteed to impress. Not to be missed!

### Special Bus Service

There is limited car parking available in the area, so don't waste valuable celebrating time looking for a somewhere to park when you can catch the bus instead. Buses will be picking up from the South Hedland Shopping Centre, Port Hedland Boulevard and Capt Bert Madigan Park only. This means you can park your car where there is easily accessible parking, and we will do the rest of the work for you.

South Hedland Bus stop at Chicken Treat	Port Hedland Boulevard (Anderson Street)	Capt Bert Madigan Park
5.20pm	5.50pm	6.00pm
6.20pm	6.50pm	7.00pm
7.20pm	7.50pm	8.00pm
8.20pm	8.50pm	9.15pm

\*No alcohol or esky permitted on the bus.

### Australian Short Film Festival 7.30pm Capt Bert Madigan park

#### Crooked Mick

(11min) Australian Animation

Strong-Arm Sam and his promoter Gus are down on their luck

#### Between the Flags

(7min) Comedy / Australian Themes / Cronulla Riot

How many rioters does it take to start a riot? When two guys from opposing sides of conflict are the first arrivals for a beach riot, they are initially unsure of the accepted etiquette.

#### Too Sunny, Too Cold

A cultural clash of salami, sushi and that someone special

#### Tatterson

(5min46) Australian War Focus

A true story of the last day of an Australian soldier in WWII. In order to protect his family from the grim reality of the situation sets his fertile imagination to work.

#### The Sound of Cry

(8min24) Drama / Maori

When Andrew, a young Australian man, attends a Tangi (Maori funeral) both he and the family of his deceased best friend must face the repercussions of tragedy and come to terms with their spirituality.

#### I Can Speak Swedish

(18min) Comedy / Swedish Themes

Jane buys a used car in which she finds items that provide her with the chance to communicate with a world she once feared. Hope is the same in any language.

#### Close Distance

(8min) Drama / Muslim Islamic

Isaac goes to collect his son from soccer one night only to find he's been violently beaten. He spots one of the perpetrators - a young Muslim man.

Consumed with a desire for vengeance, his search leads him beyond his own sheltered world and into the streets of Islamic Sydney.

#### Old War

(10min) Drama / Bosnian Serbian

A handsome stranger strikes up a conversation with a young woman at a party. The next day there is intimacy between them... it seems their chance meeting might lead somewhere. But as they learn more about each other they must face potentially explosive issues of heritage.

#### Bad Habits

(9min) Comedy / Indigenous

Bill has to make a compromise when forced to choose between his wife and his best mate. His best mate is his dog, Seven.

WARNING: some films contain offensive language and adult themes

