

# Dementia & Recreation National Conference

11th & 12th May 2022 | Amora Hotel Riverwalk Melbourne

A National Conference for **Recreation, Lifestyle, Allied Health, Nursing Professionals & Managers** working in residential, community, home or other healthcare settings with a commitment to & passion for quality lives & lifestyles for people with dementia.

With an overarching Conference theme of “**Mind, Body & Spirit**”, the presenters of each of the conference sessions will explore the following in the relation to their topics:

- Context in relation to conference title & theme
- Current landscape / thinking / research
- The why, what, how ...
- Future opportunities / directions
- “Take aways” from the session
- Further reading & resources

## DAY 1 - Wednesday 10th November 2021

0915 - 0925	Intro & Setting the Scene, Wayne Woff Senior Consultant, AHCE
0925 - 1005	Session 1: Co-Design, Dementia & Recreation - is that even possible? <i>Dan Bentley, Co-Founder &amp; Director, Impacto Consulting</i>
1005 - 1045	Session 2: Assessment & Program Planning - beyond life stories, 'likes' & calendars. <i>Sue New, Director, Ila Solutions</i>
1045 - 1115	AM Tea - Trade Displays & Networking
1115 - 1200	Session 3: Communication - the heart of the matter. <i>Amy Maddison, Founding Director, String Words</i>
1200 - 1245	Session 4: The power of place & people - the importance of the environment. <i>Natalie White, Facilitator, Dementia Australia</i>
1245 - 1345	Lunch - Trade Displays & Networking
1345 - 1430	Session 5: The Spoken Word - poetry, prose & playfulness. <i>Dr. Susan McLaine, Director, Words that Heal</i>
1430 - 1515	Session 6: Music - rhythm, reminiscence & reggae. <i>Felicity Baker, Professor, Music Therapy; University of Melbourne</i>
1515 - 1545	PM Tea - Trade Displays & Networking
1545 - 1630	Session 7: Technology/IT, dementia & recreation - possibilities & pitfalls. <i>Anna Furlong, Marketing Assistant, The IT Department</i>
1630	Close of Day 1

## DAY 2 - Thursday 11th November 2021

0915 - 0925	Intro & Setting the Scene, Wayne Woff Senior Consultant, AHCE
0925 - 1005	Session 8: Relationships & connections - the essence of life. <i>Maria Rodda, RN, Dementia Consultant</i>
1005 - 1045	Session 9: Dance & movement - embodying mind, body & spirit. <i>Mary-Claude Vienet, Dance Movement Therapist</i>
1045 - 1115	AM Tea - Trade Displays & Networking
1115 - 1200	Session 10: Food & drink - much more than meals, menus & milkshakes. <i>Emma Mits, Quality Dietetics Manager</i>
1200 - 1245	Session 11: The Great outdoors - what type of gum is that? <i>Emma Dabb, Facilitator, Dementia Australia</i>
1245 - 1345	Lunch - Trade Displays & Networking
1345 - 1430	Session 12: Give me a Job! - the power of purpose. <i>Tamar Krebs, Founder &amp; Executive Director of Group Homes Australia</i>
1430 - 1515	Session 13: Palliative Care - the end of the journey. <i>Dawn Cole, Nurse Practitioner Aged &amp; Palliative Care</i>
1515 - 1530	Final summation, thanks & conclusion of Conference
1530	Close of Day 2



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