

**2022/23 CWS
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Eddie Lay

UPCOMING EVENTS / KEY DATES

- Sunday 26 November, 10:30am - Annual General Meeting
- Sunday 3 December, 10:00am - Children's Christmas Party
- Friday 8 December, 10:00am - Seniors' Christmas Party
- Sunday 10 December, 10:00am - 3:00pm - Lion Dance Troupe and Dragon Dance Troupe Sewing Bee
- Saturday 27 January - Chinese New Year Ball
- Saturday 3 February - Chinese New Year Festival
- Sunday 4 February - Cleaning of the Temple
- Saturday 10 February - Chinese New Year
- Lion Dance Street Blessings
 - Friday 16 February - Casuarina Shopping Square
 - Saturday 17 February - Darwin CBD/ Parap and Fannie Bay
 - Sunday 18 February - Palmerston and Coolalinga
- Saturday 24 February - Northern Suburbs
- TBC - Eye Dotting of the New Lions and Blessing Out of Lions

FROM THE COMMITTEE

The Committee would like to extend our best wishes to the membership for a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

There are a number of Christmas events planned for members of all ages and we would encourage you to participate.





NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Sunday 26 November, 10:30am

Chung Wah Society Hall, 25 Woods Street, Darwin

All members, past and present are invited to attend. New members are especially welcome.
For further information, please contact admin@chungwahnt.asn.au.

SENIORS GROUP EXCURSION

On Friday 12 May, the Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory hosted the Seniors Group for a tour of the Archie 100: A Century of the Archibald Prize Exhibition and Morning Tea.

The Group thoroughly enjoyed themselves and the lovely morning tea at the Cafe: Saltwater @ Bundilla.

Thank You to the Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory for hosting. It was a fun day and a pizza lunch was served back at the Hall.





SENIORS GROUP EXCURSION CONTINUED...



AUSTRALIA'S BIGGEST MORNING TEA

Another year - it was again a great day filled with good food, fun, friendship and fundraising.

Held on Friday 9 June, there were amazing donations of delicious sweet and savoury treats, cakes, slices and biscuits for morning tea. Unfortunately, not many photos were taken as we were focused on getting the table filled and ready for everyone to eat. If anyone has photos, please can you send copies to Melanie.

Lunch was the popular congee and chow mein, the special 'Biggest Morning Tea' cake, more cakes and treats.

To all whom donated goods to share for morning tea and goods to sell or for the raffle, a very big thank you. It is greatly appreciated.



AUSTRALIA'S BIGGEST MORNING TEA CONTINUED...

An extra special thank you to:

- Hon. Paul Kirby MLA for his continuing support and providing the 'Biggest Morning Tea' cake.
- Mr Dick Griffiths for his continuing support and the many bags of assorted items to help raise funds.
- Mr Chris Lay from NT Oriental Emporium on Bagot Road for donating a large Food Hamper for the first prize of the raffle.



To all the volunteers whom helped out to make this a successful day, you all were greatly appreciated.

To all whom had help make a difference in supporting our Seniors Group efforts for this worthy cause to raise funds to the amount of \$2551.95.

Raffle prize winners:

- 1st Paul Ho: Blue B04 - NT Oriental Emporium Food Hamper
- 2nd Leonie Melder: Orange B59 - given back to redraw
- 2nd Joyce Chin: Orange B53 - Bakers Delight Baking Trays 3 pieces
- 3rd Xander Medlicott: Orange B69 - Betty Crocker Kitchenware Gift Set
- 5th Shelley Ong: Orange B06 - Pastry Chef Maker
- 6th Edward Ah Toy: Blue B37 - Mystery Tray Prize





MOON FESTIVAL

With the risk of a sweaty night and chance of rain, we have managed to avoid this once again and enjoyed a very pleasant balmy evening with a nice breeze. The Moon Festival has come and gone for another year. Held on Saturday 23rd September, around 370 guests turned out to enjoy the festive atmosphere of the Chung Wah courtyard to celebrate with family and friends.



We were entertained by our talented Lion and Dragon Dance Troupe members, and this year was extra special with the performance by our youngest lion dancers. Well done to Emily and Steve in training our little ones who will hope to be our future troupe. It was lovely to see new faces of parents and grandparents cheering on. Acknowledgement and thanks also to the tireless efforts of Brayden, Joe and Roland, for their leadership, guidance and support to the troupes.

We also had the pleasure of Bobbie's girls (BG's) (thank you Aunty Bobbie Lo) performing Line dancing (as opposed to Lion!) and with crowd participation too! The children's lantern parade as always was also a delight to see. What a great turnout of kids!



Once again, Antonio Tjung from Antonio's Kitchen and crew provided their scrumptious food for us all to indulge. Oh, and not to mention the yummy moon cakes, which sold out quickly I hear! As always, many thanks to the CDU students for volunteering their time.





MOON FESTIVAL CONTINUED...

Sincere thanks are extended to our many sponsors who generously donated towards the night. Thank you to Antonio Tjung, Darwin City Hotel, United Realty, NT Emporium, Bradlaw agencies, Helen Menzies, Happy Garden, Nightcliff Newsagency, Spud Sound Services (our lighting man!), CDU, Bullseye Trading, Reward Hospitality Supplies, Bidfood Darwin and Tou's Garden. Well done to those who were lucky enough to win a prize from the raffle!

Thank you to our MC Frank Schembri for volunteering at such short notice and of course the Chung Wah Committee members, troupe and other volunteers for helping with the setup on a very hot day and pack down. Many hands made light work and especially decorating and setting up tables and chairs for 370 guests!



A special mention and thanks to Mikayla and Kristina (committee members) who were unfortunately absent on the night, but fortunately for them enjoying an overseas holiday, who were key to organising the event and working right up to leaving for their trips. Thank you girls, such dedication.

As mentioned on the night, the troupe are fundraising for a trip to the Bendigo 2024 Easter Festival with proceeds from the Moon Festival funding our troupe airfares, accommodation and including new uniforms and equipment. We raised \$3000 from the raffle, moon cakes, drinks and lanterns. We will be joining other interstate Lion and Dragon troupes and proudly representing the Society and the Territory.

Heartfelt thanks and gratitude to Antonio and Leilani who have donated all of their proceeds for the night to the Lion Dance troupe's trip to Bendigo, over \$9000, amazing generosity and a huge boost to the Troupe's fundraising campaign. Also, sincere thanks to Uncle Eddie Ah Toy for his generous donation of \$1000 to the Troupe as well.

It's such an amazing feeling of the community spirit in supporting Chung Wah and the Moon Festival. You have all contributed to the success of the night and we hope that you have enjoyed yourselves. We will endeavour to bring back many photos and videos of the Bendigo trip and will proudly display at the 2024 Moon Festival where we hope to see you all again!





MOON FESTIVAL CONTINUED...

A Juniors First!

Since the Chung Wah Society's Chinese New Year Festival earlier this year, we have had a total of 15 new little ones sign up with our Junior Lion Dance Troupe. Despite some being on holiday, Steve and I still had a total of 20 juniors participate in our Juniors Moon Festival Performance this year, with three kids performing at just 3 years old! Not only was this the first performance for 11 of these Juniors, but was also the first time that we have run a Junior Dragon team. Steve has worked tirelessly with our experienced Junior group for over 6 weeks to introduce them to our other style of performance, Dragon dance! We are so endlessly proud of all of our kids and will be throwing them a big Halloween party at the end of the month to thank them all for their efforts so far this year!





CHUNG WAH SOCIETY SENIORS' CHRISTMAS PARTY

Friday 8 December 2023

10:00am - 2:00pm

Chung Wah Hall, 25 Woods Street Darwin

Hope you are able to come join us.

Must RSVP by 1 December for catering purposes to:

Melanie on 0412 903 980

or email to chinmelanie@hotmail.com

ENGAGEMENTS, WEDDINGS AND BABIES

Congratulations to Brayden Chin and Emily Tjung on their engagement in March.



Congratulations to Stephen Pearson and Virginia Jong on their marriage on 2 July 2023.



Welcome Olivia Mia Robertson, born on 8 August 2023. Congratulations to Tash, Jason, Stella and James!



Welcome Alara Maree Medlicott, born on 30 March 2023. Congratulations to Jes, Gray, Joey and Xander!



Congratulations to Matthew Chin and Kristina Lee on their marriage on 22 July 2023.





BIRTHDAYS

Happy 60th Birthday to Mark Chin, who celebrated his birthday on 26 May.



Happy 80th Birthday to Gladys Burlinson, who celebrated her birthday earlier this year in May.



Happy Birthday to Uncle Alfie On, who turned 90 on 30 August 2023.

Happy 60th Birthday to Kayleen Yuen, who celebrated her birthday on 9 July.



Happy 50th Birthday to Jason Blake, who also got married to Alice Chin in September.

Happy 80th Birthday to Maria Yuen, who celebrated her birthday earlier this year in May.



2023 CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY



The Annual Chung Wah Society Children's Christmas Party

Where: Chung Wah Society Hall, 25 Woods Street

When: Sunday 3 December 2023, 10am - 2pm

- Santa will be there giving out presents
- Party games with great prizes
- Christmas hamper raffle
- Christmas carols
- Lunch, drinks, sweets and much more!!!

**Registration form and monies must be received by
Friday 24 November 2023**

For more information please contact Natasha Yuen on: 0400 528 634
or robbo_145@hotmail.com





**2023 CHUNG WAH SOCIETY
CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY
Sunday 3rd December 2023, 10:00am – 2:00pm**

**Registrations must be received by Friday 24th November 2023
Details for children – 12 years old and under only**

No.	Name	F	M	Age and DOB
1				
2				
3				
4				
5				
6				

	Child member	Child non-member	Adult member	Adult non-member	Total
Number of attendees	x \$17	x \$27	x \$10	x \$15	\$

<p>Name:</p> <p>Address:</p> <p>Suburb:</p> <p>Postcode:</p> <p>Phone:</p> <p>No. of adults attending:</p>	<p>Payment can be made by:</p> <p>1. Cash or Cheque mailed to: CWS CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY Chung Wah Society Inc. GPO Box 1801 Darwin NT 0801; or</p> <p>2. Direct Deposit: CWS Account Details (WESTPAC Darwin) BSB: 035-309 Account No.: 250-796 Account Name: Chung Wah Society</p> <p>If paying by option 2, please uniquely identify your payment i.e. "J Smith Kids Xmas" and send a copy of your transaction receipt.</p> <p>For any queries, please contact Natasha Yuen on 0400 528 634.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Registration forms to be emailed to</u> <u>Natasha Yuen – robbo_145@hotmail.com</u></p>
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VISITING CHUNG WAH SOCIETY

Northern Territory Chinese Museum

Opening Hours
Friday and Sunday
10:00am - 2:00pm

Other dates - see below (10:00am - 2:00pm)

By appointment
(24 Hours Notice)



Email: museum@chungwahnt.asn.au

Tel: 0488 595 881

(Alternative: 0413 998 082)

November

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
		2	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26 Closed
27	28	29	30			

-  To be confirmed
-  Open

Chinese Temple




Open every day from 8:00am to 4:00pm

CONDOLENCES

The Committee and members of the Chung Wah Society extend our deepest sympathy and condolences to Ray, David, Catherine, Raelene, Stephen and their extended families on the passing of Glenice Yee earlier this year in March. Aunty Glen was a valued member of the Chung Wah Society.



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**DARWIN CHINESE TEMPLE
THE CHINESE YEAR OF THE RABBIT**



FESTIVALS AT THE TEMPLE

Sunday 22nd January	New Year Official service at midnight	Saturday 21st January
Wednesday 25th January	Hoy Yin (Opening seals) Official services at 0800 hours	
Monday 30th January	Yook Wong Di Official services at 0800 hours	
Monday 6th February	Chin Lo Kwan Official service at 0800 hours	
Friday 10th March	Kwan Yin Official services at 0800 hours	
Saturday 22nd April	Buk Di Official services at 0800 hours	
Thursday 4th May	Yuen Hun & Yee Ling Official services at 0800 hours	
Sunday 30th July	Lu Bun Official services at 0800 hours	
Saturday 5th August	Kwan Yin Official services at 0800 hours	
Thursday 10th August	Kwang Sing Di Official services at 0800 hours	
Wednesday 6th September	Toy Buk Sing Goon Official services at 0800 hours	
Thursday 21st September	Ho Wong Official services at 0800 hours	
Thursday 2nd November	Kwan Yin Official services at 0800 hours	
Saturday 11th November	Wah Kwong Official services at 0800 hours	

OTHER FESTIVALS

Sunday 2nd April	Ching Ming Festival Official service at Memorial Chapel at 0900 hours Then at the Chinese Memorial Cemetery – Stuart Park
Tuesday 29th August	Yee Lun Festival Official service at Memorial Chapel at 1930 hours Then in the open space between the hall and Temple

<u>Other Festivals Observed</u>	Thursday 22nd June	Dragon Boat Festival	No Official service at Temple
	Friday 29th September	Moon Festival	No Official service at Temple
	Friday 22nd December	Doong Festival	No Official service at Temple