



News from One Community Together (OCT) 26TEN Clarence Plains Community



See events below, to celebrate reading with 26TEN and Libraries Tasmania, in Clarence Plains!

For more information about Australia reads, see the link [here](#).

Monday 6th March, 2-4pm, 26TEN/Libraries Tasmania: Reading Café at the Clarendon Vale Neighbourhood Centre (CVNC)

Come along and celebrate Clarence Reads with a coffee and some delicious treats (made by Jade), do some reading and take a book home. This event will launch the book swap shelf at the CVNC!

Tuesday 7th March, 11-1pm, 26TEN/Libraries Tasmania: International Women's Day High Tea and Reading Café at the Rokeby Neighbourhood Centre (RNC)

Come along and celebrate International Women's Day with a coffee and some delicious treats (made by Cate), do some reading and take a book home. This event will launch the book swap shelf at the RNC!

Wednesday 8th March, 11-1pm 26TEN/Libraries Tasmania: Teddy Bears Picnic at the Clarence Plains Child and Family Learning Centre (CPCFLC)

For parents and carers of children 0-5 years old. Bring a picnic blanket and a bear to snuggle with, and choose a book to take home. There will be story time with Rosny Library staff, craft with 54 Reasons (HIPPIY), a BBQ lunch and lots of fun.

Wednesday 22nd March: 26TEN/Libraries Tasmania: Songwriting workshop at Bayview Secondary College (BSC) with Denni and Greeley

Tasmanian Hip Hop stars [Denni and Greeley](#) will be working with year 9/10 students at BSC to write lyrics and songs to perform at a future event.

Wednesday 29th March: 26TEN/Libraries Tasmania: Comedy Writing Workshop with Rob Braslin

[Rob Braslin](#) grew up in Clarendon Vale and will work with community members who are interested in writing their own comedy. Potential performance at a future event.

Wednesday 5th April: 26TEN/Libraries Tasmania: Stories of Love, Romance and Sensuality - Women only workshop with Ruth Langford

[Ruth](#) is a well-known presenter and story teller who spent some of her schooling in Rokeby. She will be exploring the inner romantic in the women of Clarence Plains. Written material resulting from this workshop may be performed/recorded.

Adult Learning

26TEN at Clarence Plains Neighbourhood Centres

Help with reading, writing and maths, and English Conversation Groups, are available for community members at the Clarence Plains Child and Family Learning Centre and at Clarendon Vale and Rokeby Neighbourhood Centres!

Call Kate on 0401 931 335 if you know someone who might need support with these skills for daily life.

English Conversation Groups

Our wonderful 26TEN volunteers are on hand to help members of the community with English as an additional language, practice their spoken English.

- Clarence Plains Child and Family Learning Centre: 11-12.00 Mondays
- Rokeby Neighbourhood Centre: 12.30-1.30 Tuesdays
- Clarendon Vale Neighbourhood Centre: 11.30-12.30 Thursdays

Training

[CHC22015 Certificate II in Community Services](#)

This course is now booked out!

[Digital Ready for Daily Life](#) is coming to Clarendon Vale and Rokeby Neighbourhood Centres! A friendly helper will be on hand to answer all your questions about your phone, iPad or computer, as well as help accessing information on apps including myGov and Centrelink.

Employer Grants

[Blueline 26TEN initiative - YouTube](#)

26TEN have just released this video all about Employer Grants. If you think that your organisation would benefit from having an Adult Literacy Skills Officer on site to help staff members practice their literacy or numeracy skills, take a look! Applications close on the 17th February, but will reopen in June 2023.

Family Literacy

Book Swaps

Book swap shelves will soon be available in the CPCFLC, the CVNC and in the RNC! Come and take a look for books that you might like to take home to read and enjoy.

Literacy facts:

When children [have a home library](#), as few as 20 books of their own at home (think: one bookshelf full), they achieve three more years of schooling than children who don't have any books at home.

26TEN Workshops

Literacy Awareness Workshops explain the community need for support with reading, writing and maths, and why this has become a problem for so many Tasmanians. There are a lot of opportunities for movement and discussion in this interactive workshop. Call or email Kate to organise a workshop.

Plain English Workshops outline how important it is to create written information that is accessible to everyone. This is a hands-on workshop and a real eye opener for those using the written word as part of their day-to-day work. Call Christina at 26TEN on **1300 00 2610** for details of upcoming workshops.

Dates for the Calendar:

Tuesday 14th February: Library Lovers' Day

Friday 27th February: TasPride & World Pride Day

24th May: National Simultaneous Story Time

June: Plain English month

7th September: Indigenous Literacy Day

1-8th September: Adult Learners Week

8th September: International Literacy Day

Happy Reading!