

# News Release

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## **NEW LOOK SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS WELCOME CENTRE OPENS ITS DOORS TO ALL AT A FUN FILLED GALA DAY**

Everyone is invited to celebrate the Grand Opening of the brand new Southern Highlands Welcome Centre. Located on Main Street in Mittagong, the 'Welcome Centre' is the re-branded name given to the former Visitor Information Centre, and it will be opening its doors to visitors and locals in a Grand Opening Day on Saturday 20 February from 9am to 3pm.

It will be a fun filled day for all with a Live Radio 2ST outside broadcast from 9am to 12 midday, a massive prize promotion throughout the day, giveaways, cases of mystery 'Highlands Secret' Six Pack Wines @ \$80 per case – on sale from 10am (they'll go quickly – don't miss out!), local community groups like Mittagong Junior Rugby League Football Club will be providing a BBQ and the Southern Highlands Evening CWA will be doing one of their great cake stalls, there will be an assortment of great food & wine exhibitors, outdoor displays and tastings, and coffee cart, local alpacas, buskers and a 'Show & Shine' vintage car display. Visitors on the day will also have the opportunity to meet key tourism industry operators and you may even be able to taste some of the food & wine operators' products.

"It will be a great opportunity for everyone to see the recent refurbishment we've undertaken and the addition of new services and facilities," said Destination Southern Highlands Manager, Steve Rosa.

"These additions include a new 'Concierge' service for residents and visitors wishing to relocate or do business in the Highlands, installation of digital information tools including touchscreens, a huge video wall and interactive window map. Other services include free Wi-Fi, smart phone and tablet recharge technology, a meeting room and 'hot desk' facilities. And that's just inside! Outside the centre has new picnic tables and seating, improved access for the elderly and disabled, better car parking access and new signage. Visitors on the day can also check-out the new electric car re-charge station and electric bicycles (which will soon be available for hire)," Mr. Rosa continued.

For more information on this event contact Destination Southern Highlands on 4871 2888.

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