

News From The Commons



Summer 2024

Market Fun

The Christmas Market on December 1 was the 11th and final market for 2024. Held on the first Sunday of each month at the Caulfield Commons, it's known for its eclectic mix of goods and family friendly atmosphere.

In 2024, over 20,000 people visited the markets and supported the important fundraising work of the Caulfield Rotary Club, with proceeds supporting a range of charitable projects and organisations.

The team will now have a well-earned break over the Christmas and New Year period and be back with a bang in February 2025.



Dog Wet Play Area Back in Action

The dog wet play area has just opened for those who like to start or finish their walk with a splash. Located at the southern end of the off-leash area, the dog wet play area is open throughout the day and can be accessed via the gates at the northern end of the carpark. Please be responsible when using this area and respect other users.

2024 Spring Carnival Draws to an End

Headlined by the iconic Caulfield Cup on October 19, the carnival delivered some spectacular racing and entertainment at Caulfield Racecourse.

The Caulfield Cup itself was the standout race of the carnival, with a star-studded field that included both local and international contenders. The race saw an unexpected but well-deserved victory for former Caulfield trainer Ciaron Maher with Duke De Sessa, who held off a late surge from Buckaroo to claim the prestigious \$5 million prize.

Over the Spring Carnival the Caulfield Racecourse was a hive of activity with nine race days and a range of midweek jumpouts and track gallops. While the Carnival has drawn to a close there will be a number of races over the December and January period leading into the Blue Diamond race day in February.

Visit CaulfieldCommons.com.au to see upcoming events.



Hot Air Balloons

Some Reserve visitors may have seen the early morning launches or landings recently within the Reserve. For those that are lucky enough to witness it, it is quite a breathtaking experience.

The balloons launch early in the morning when weather conditions are ideal, with calm winds and clear skies. Since hot air balloons are at the mercy of the wind for horizontal movement, the flight path is largely determined by the wind direction at different altitudes, making each flight a unique experience. You will often see the balloons float in from the north, over the grand stand and land in the infield.

As the balloon descends, the pilot uses the burner to soften the landing and maintain a controlled descent. Depending on the conditions, the landing can be a gentle touch on the ground or occasionally a bit bumpier, but it's always an exciting conclusion to the flight. Keep an eye out in the coming months!



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