

Social Story

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29 September 2024 10am to 3pm Orange Blossom Festival A Taste of Wisemans Wisemans Ferry NSW 2775



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I am going to the 2024 Orange Blossom Festival A Taste of Wisemans

It is on Sunday September 29th from 10am to 3pm at Wisemans Ferry

This event is for people to come together to celebrate the Hills Shire Community.



I will need to wear comfortable walking shoes because there are grass and gravel pathways.

I might also like to bring my headphones and money to buy things from the market.



When I arrive, I might see lots of people. I will see event staff wearing black t-shirts with the Orange Blossom Festival logo.

Some event staff will be wearing bright vests.

Event staff can answer questions and help me with directions.



There will be food vans and trucks.

There will be marquees with stall holders selling jewellery, clothes, arts and crafts and food products.



I might need to wait in line to buy things from the market.

Other people might be waiting in line too. I will try to wait my turn.

Waiting my turn is the fair thing to do.



Other fun activities will include:

- performances on stage
- roving entertainment with Pippa
- face painting
- craft workshops
- circus playground



There will be toilets, including accessible toilets.

My support person or the event staff can show me where the toilets are.



It might feel very busy and noisy.

There will be lots of people and lots of different sounds including:

- people talking, laughing and having fun
- acoustic performances
- announcements
- music







I can wear my headphones to help with the noise.

I can sit away from the crowds and the smell of the foods.

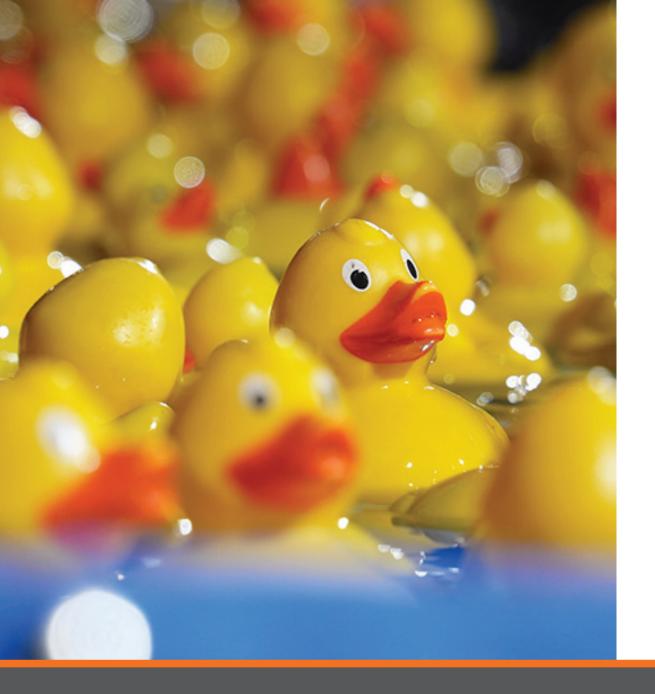
I can go to the quiet space marquee for some quiet time.

My support person or event staff can show me where the quiet space marquee is.



The 2024 Orange Blossom A Taste of Wisemans is a wonderful community event!





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