

# **Young Dementia Network WA**

Providing peer support for people living with young onset dementia, their care partners, and families.

#### **About Us**

The Network was established in 2017 by a core group of carers to facilitate:

- the sharing of information, resources, and our lived experiences
- support and help when the going gets tough
- social connection and meetups through events and other activities

Membership is free though strictly limited to people living with young onset dementia (diagnosed under the age of 65) and their primary care partner. No agency representatives, service providers or consultants. A key support worker may be considered in the case of a single person living with younger onset dementia.

## **Ways to Connect**

### **Facebook Page**

This is a private group (currently 90 members) and thereby not open to public viewing. All members are free to post tips, share useful information, workshops and events and make comments as appropriate. To request to join, click on the link and answer the questions.

https://www.facebook.com/groups/1307891243 06677/

#### **Memory Café**

We have established our own memory café

Where: Lakeview Café
 Waldeck's Garden Centre
 173 Wanneroo Rd, Kingsley

When: Last Friday of every month
Time: 10.00am – 11.30am

Pay for own refreshments. Option to walk the Lake Goollelal Loop. Meet at 8.45am in the car park. Easy track, flat, 4 km circuit, allow 1 hour.

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#### **Social Activities and Events**

We produce an annual calendar of social activities, usually one per month, and encourage members to participate.

Occasionally we host special events in response to specific need for information or support.

Members are encouraged to form friendships with other members and organise catch ups, outings and getaways accordingly.

## **YOD Carer Support Group**

We have established a peer support group for care partners, facilitated by an independent and highly experienced dementia educator.

Where: Mt Pleasant Uniting Church
 1 Coomoora Rd, Mt Pleasant

• When: Second Friday of every month

Time: 10.00am – 12 noonCost: \$2 for morning tea

Ample free parking on site