



big camp

2025



Seventh-day
Adventist Church

South New South Wales

April 11-20

EMPOWERED TO GO

SOLID NOT FANCY

We have to be solid in the basics before we can be fancy

01

Prayer

1. Intentional prayer groups
2. Church and Conf prayer leaders
3. Yearly Conf prayer gathering



A solid church is a praying church. Prayer is the footnote of everything we do.

02

Worship Service

1. Active welcome teams
2. Bible based sermons
3. Invite all to share a meal

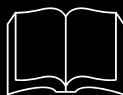


A solid church is welcoming, preaches biblical sermons and has food every week.

03

Bible Studies

1. Pastors take +1 to studies
2. Members take +1 to studies
3. +1 takes +1 and duplicates



A solid church has evangelistic Bible studies conducted by its members.

04

Care

1. Active pastoral care team
2. Members are visited regularly
3. Systematic follow up of visitors



A solid church has an active pastoral care team that visits with its members.

05

Serve

1. Church Comm. Serv. Leader
2. Holistic needs based ministries
3. Network of Community Centres



A solid church is outwardly focused with holistic, needs based ministries.

Welcome to the annual SNSW Big Camp

I love this time of year when we can hear some of the world's best preachers, catch up with family and friends and meet new people who share our belief in Jesus. It's a great time to get off the busy train of life and focus on your relationship with God.

It's interesting that God himself came up with the idea of an annual camp. Once a year the children of Israel moved out of their homes for 7 days, during the feast of Tabernacles, and lived in booths, in order to remember their Exodus from Egypt. (Lev 23:42-43)

This year we would love camp to be a time to reflect and refocus on why we exist and what we are going to do about it. We want you to pray and ask God for a vision on how you and your local church can fulfil your God given purpose.

Justin Lawman

PRESIDENT SNSW CONFERENCE



EMERGENCY INFORMATION

IN LIFE THREATENING OR TIME CRITICAL
EMERGENCY SITUATIONS: Call 000

For out-of-hours emergencies, Call

Toby : 0401 979 545

Kaylene : 0414 313 753

Safeguarding Concerns or Reporting Abuse

1. For immediate risk of harm or danger call 000.
2. Contact the relevant government child protection agency.
3. Inform the Camp Office, tent leader or a trusted adult.

Security

0416 106 546

Medical Assistance

9- 5 pm next to
Big Tent

AdSafe

1800 220 468
info@adsafe.org.au
www.adsafe.org.au

Convention Personnel

Superintendent Calvin Drinkall

Secretary Toby Clare

Big Tent Ben Kosmeier & Ben Ng

Youth Shed Huston Ford

Teen Tom Kent / Cedric Peniata

Junior Paul Namakadre

Primary Nick Chan

Kindy Alam & Christina Oliva

Beginners Stephanie Ford

Womens Ministries Wendy Hergenhan

Communications Kyle Morrison

Super Sunday Kyle Morrison

Jindy Diner Bree Hills

Youth Cafe Sophie Bullock

Children's Ministries Stephanie Ford

Amenities Cleaning AAV Staff

HOURS OF OPERATION

Adventist Book Centre

Wednesday 16th	9:00am–5.00pm
Thursday 17th	9:00am–5.00pm
Friday 18th	9:00am–3.00pm
Saturday 19th	6:00pm–9.00pm

General Camp Office (02) 6456 2738

Monday, 14th	9:00am,–5:00pm
Tuesday, 15th	9:00am,–5:00pm
Wednesday, 16th	9:00am,–5:00pm
Thursday, 17th	9:00am,–5:00pm
Friday, 18th	9:00am,–3:00pm

Dining Hall

Breakfast	8:00am - 9:00am	
Lunch	12:30pm - 1:30pm	Closed for Super Sunday
Dinner	5:30pm - 6:30pm	

Jindy Diner

Menu

BREAKFAST

- BREAKIE BURRITO - \$8
- BRUSCHETTA BAGEL- \$10
- CREAM CHEESE BAGEL- \$5

PIZZA -

- MINI \$5
- FAMILY \$15



PIES - \$6.50

- PEPPER NUTMEAT
- CHEESE BURGER

PASTRY ROLLS - \$5

- SPINACH & RICOTTA ROLL
- SAUSAGE ROLL

HOT CHIPS

- SMALL -\$5
- MEDIUM- \$8
- FAMILY- \$12

GLUTEN STEAK BURGER - \$8

HOTDOG- \$5

TOASTED SANDWICHES \$4-\$6

- **CHOOSE FROM** -CHEESE, TOMATO, ONION, CREAMED CORN, BAKED BEANS
- **GOURMET**- CHEESE, RELISH, TOMATO, SPINACH, FETA

Menu

HOT DRINKS -\$5.50

- COFFEE
- HOT CHOCOLATE
- CHAI LATTE
- TEA - ASSORTED

COLD DRINKS

- MILKSHAKES- \$7
- ICED COFFEE/ CHOC - \$7
- SMOOTHIES - BERRY -\$7
- MANGO -\$7
- SLUSHIE - \$5
- ASSORTED CANS -\$4
- ASSORTED BOTTLES - \$4.50

SWEETS -

- DONUTS- \$2 EACH 6 FOR \$10
- SLICES -\$3.50
- COOKIES - \$2
- APPLE PIE & ICECREAM - \$5
- LOLLIE BAG - \$3
- SOUR STRAPS - 5 FOR \$2
- ICE CREAM CONE - \$3
- ASSORTED ICECREAMS - \$3-\$5



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Animals

No dogs, cats or other pets allowed on site.

Child Supervision

Parents are reminded that their responsibility for their children does not cease when they come to camp. While every care is taken and there are activities for children, camp is not a child minding facility. The conference does not take responsibility for the care of children during camp. Their absolute safety cannot be guaranteed.

The ultimate responsibility for the care of children always remains with parents or guardians. Please ensure that the conduct of your children and young people is adequately supervised through the camp period, and that your children are fully under your control between meetings.

Drug-Free Zone

The camp ground is designated an alcohol, tobacco and drug-free environment. Alcohol, tobacco and illicit drugs are NOT to be brought onto the Camp Ground. Offending people and their entire campsite will forfeit their rights to be on the grounds for the duration of camp.

Toilet Block Cleaning

Please remember that the cleaners are working hard to keep the amenities blocks well-stocked and in great shape with large numbers of people on site. Affirmation is encouraged and appreciated. If you have any concerns, please report these to the Park Manager on 0490 036 952.

Lights Out

There is a camp curfew for all campers at **11:00pm**. This means that there will be a quiet-down period from 10:00pm, and that all campers should be in their accommodation and no noise between 11:00pm and 6:00am. Please have Christian consideration for others.

Lost Property

All lost property should be handed in to the the AAV Office. Please identify your own lost goods there.

Noise Levels

Noise levels are not to disturb other campers.

Photography At Big Camp

Most people taking photos of children at Big Camp are doing so for acceptable reasons and using appropriate methods. However, it is worth noting that many photographs taken in public places will include subjects who have not consented to their photo being taken. In Australia, generally speaking, there is no law restricting photography of people (including children) in public spaces as long as the images are;

- * Not considered indecent
- * Not being used for voyeurism
- * Not being used for commercial

Due to child protection issues, photos of children at camp, other than those that are directly related to you, should not be posted onto the internet, social networking sites or any other form of electronic carriage service. If you are taking photographs that include minors, please endeavour to restrict the images to those children that are related, or known, to you.

Feedback

We want to hear what you have to say. The feedback form will be available starting this Thursday (17th April 2025). Please make sure to fill it out with your comments or suggestions. The survey will be open for one week from Thursday. Keep an eye out for the code and let your voice be heard!

Fundraising / Soliciting / Private Business

Camp is not to be used to further personal business activities. Campers are asked not to distribute, sell or canvass anything that has not been authorised by Conference Administration.

BIG TENT

Over the past 20 years Boston has transformed communities with his specialised skills in humanitarian work. John is internationally recognised for his ability to identify solutions for people in the most complex of scenarios. In 2015 he was appointed as a task force member to President Barack Obama's mentor initiative, My Brother's Keeper, as an interfaith leader. He has also been a sworn officer as a Chaplain for the Columbus Division of Police and a member of the U.S. Department of Defense's 87th Joint Civilian Orientation Conference. This is the most prestigious outreach initiative of the Pentagon and John was the only faith leader to be invited.

John Boston



John served as Associate Professor and guest lecturer at Andrews University. His philanthropic endeavours have generated millions of dollars in resources for underserved and overlooked populations. John holds a Master's in Peace and Social Justice and he is one of the only African-American Doctor of Missiology candidates in the world. His specific focus is in urban community development. John is married to Karla and they have one miracle child.

Matt Parra



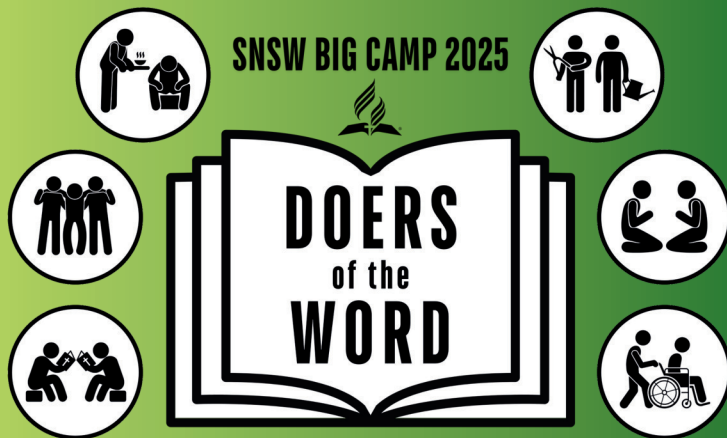
Matt currently Pastors the Chehalis Adventist Church in Washington State, but has served in the North NSW conference for 9 years prior to that as the Evangelism director.

Under his leadership more than 400 people were trained through the ARISE Bible School and many more impacted through the associated outreach projects of NNSW. He has one wife and four beautiful kids and is looking forward to studying Daniel with us this week.

MEETING TIMETABLE

DAY	TIME	MEETING/WORKSHOP	LOCATION
Friday 11th	7:30pm - 9:00pm	Pr Justin Lawman	Big Tent
Sabbath 12th	9:30am-10:30am 11.00am -12.00pm 3:00pm - 4:30pm	Sabbath School Divine Service –Pr John T Boston Conference Vision – Pr Justin Lawman	
Sunday	10:00am-2:00pm	Super Sunday	Oval
Monday - Friday	7.00am - 7.30am	Morning Worship Mon - Isaac Outerbridge Tue - Daniel Oehlmann Wed - Sheridan Godfrey Thur - Jafi Mariner Fri - James Pontil	Big Tent
Monday - Friday	9:30am - 10:30am	Morning Bible Study - Matt Parra	Big Tent
Monday	10:40am - 12:30pm	Workshops Adsafe Compliance Training with - Sylvia Pedzisi	Big Tent
Tue - Fri	11:00am - 12:00pm	Adventist Community Services Training and Practical - Kyle Morrison	
Mon - Thur	2:30pm - 4:00pm	Cedarvale Workshops David Jackson & Team Mon- Metabolic health Tue- Brain health Wed- Gut health Thur- Body Structure health-	Big Tent
Wed - Fri	11:00am - 12:00pm	Children's Sabbath School with Amanda Bews	Cafeteria
Tuesday	2:30pm - 4:00pm	Women's afternoon tea with Brenton Luchow	Cafeteria
Saturday - Friday	7:00pm - 7:15pm 7:15pm-9:00pm	Main Meetings Children's Story with Phil Yates / Amanda Bews Pr John T Boston	Big Tent
Sabbath 19th	9:30am-10:30am 11:00am - 12:00pm 4:00pm - 5:00pm 6:00pm - 8:00pm	Sabbath School Church – Pr John T Boston Department Concert Close Sabbath Auction - Pr Jay	Big Tent

YOUTH



*GO THEREFORE AND MAKE DISCIPLES OF ALL NATIONS, BAPTISING THEM
IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER AND OF THE SON AND OF THE HOLY SPIRIT*
MATTHEW 28:19



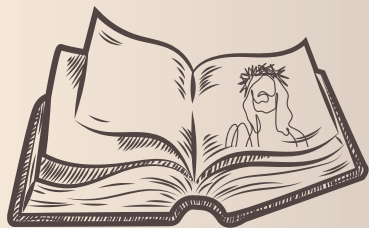
Roger Afele

Born in Wellington, New Zealand, and raised in Logan, Queensland, Roger Afele is dedicated to faith and ministry. He has been happily married to Marilyn Afele for 14 years, and together they are blessed with four children—Jobe, Jael, Javan, and Justice.

His ministry journey began in school evangelism with NNSW before serving under Pastor Raymon Paletua in Bathurst for a year and a half. Roger then answered the call to minister in Wagga Wagga for two years and is now serving as an Area Mentor for SNSW, committed to guiding and supporting fellow ministers in their spiritual leadership.

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TEEN



LIFT HIM UP

JOHN 12:32

Ray Moaga



Ray Moaga has over 16 years of public speaking and preaching in schools, community groups, corporate, churches, universities and elite sport. Ray has established himself as a gifted communicator across multigenerational and multicultural settings.

Ray currently serves as a professional chaplain in elite sport (NRL Dolphins, Queensland Firebirds - Netball), Australian defence force (Reservist - Army) and Corporate (Logan City Council - Brisbane).

In 2021 he became the first Samoan ADF chaplain. In 2022 Ray was sports chaplain to the NRL New Zealand Warriors, 2023 with Netball Queensland and the Queensland Firebirds and in 2024 with NRL Dolphins.

His education includes a Bachelor of Theology, Bachelor of Ministry and Bachelor of Teaching from Avondale University in NSW, Diploma in Youth Work and Certificate IV in Juvenile Justice.

Ray's greatest achievement is being a father and husband. Married to Chantal for 14 years and together they have 3 daughters.

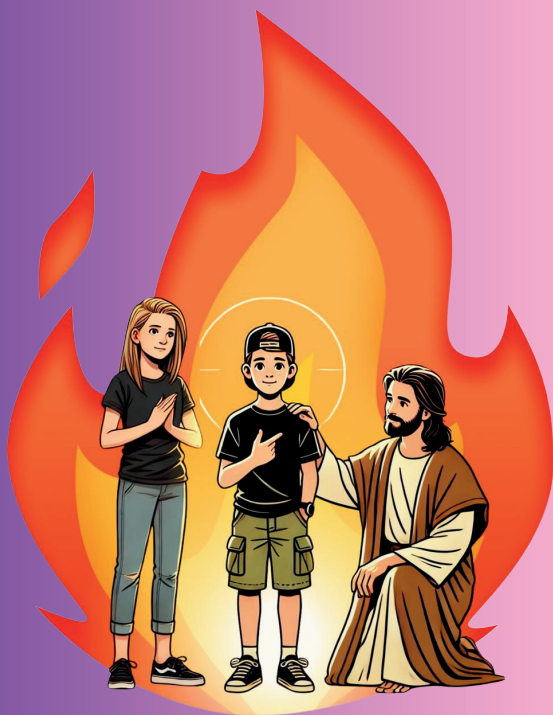
With a passion to serve and help others to become the best versions of themselves, Ray's unique and vast experiences have equipped him to understand, build rapport with people and communicate the gospel in a unique and meaningful way.

	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
9:00 AM		Staff Prayer		Staff Prayer					
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM		SS & Church starting @ 9:30am	Super Sunday	Morning Bible study Q&A	Canberra Power Karts	Morning Bible study/ Q&A			SS & Church starting @ 9:30am
2:00 AM - 5:00 pm		Baptism @ 3PM	Super Sunday	Thredbo pools	Canberra Power Karts	Battle of the Kingdoms	Amazing Race	Free Time	
7:00 PM - 8:30 PM	Evening Program					BIG TENT			
8:30 PM - 9:30 PM	Cafe								

JUNIOR

Bold To Share

For I am not ashamed of
the gospel, because it is
the power of God that
brings salvation
Romans 1:16



JACOB BOEHM

My name's Jacob Boehm, and I'm a pastor based in Toowoomba, QLD. I'm so excited to be part of Big Camp this year—and especially to be hanging out in the Junior Tent all week!

I've been a pastor for four years now and have loved every minute of the journey. Earlier this year, I married my beautiful wife, Nay, which has been such a blessing. I'm a bit of an adrenaline junkie and love all things motorsports—but more than anything, I love sharing the incredible story of Jesus.

If you see me around camp, don't be a stranger—I'd love to have a chat!

I pray this week is a powerful one for you, no matter what tent you're in. But just so you know... in Juniors, we're definitely having the most fun!

	9:00 AM	10:00AM - 12:00PM	2:00 PM - 5:00PM	7:00 - 8:30PM	8:30 PM				
Friday	Staff prep and prayer time								
Saturday						Worship and Sabbath Activity	Baptism @ 3:00PM		MILO / BISCUITS & GAMES
Sunday						SUPER SUNDAY			Evening Program Bold to Share with Pr Jacob Boehm
Monday						Worship / Activities / Craft / Music lessons / Puppets training / Drama class		Mt Bike/FrizbeeGolf.	
Tuesday	Arrow Tag	MILO / BISCUITS & GAMES							
Wednesday			Thredbo Pools						
Thursday	Canberra City Trip			Testimony Development					
Friday	Worship / Activity / Craft		FREE TIME		Evening program Opening Sabbath				
Saturday	Sabbath Worship				BIG TENT				

PRIMARY



TENT INFO

PR ANDRE HAMILTON

I'm Andre Hamilton, and I have had the privilege of pastoring in South Queensland for the past 18 years. I am blessed with a wonderful family: my beautiful wife Natalie, who is a passionate Tech teacher at Northpine Christian College, and our three adorable children, Sam (8), Amara (5), and Zade (3).

As a family, we cherish our time together playing games like Minecraft, dominos, and puzzles, going swimming, enjoying ice cream, and attending rugby matches.

Currently, I have the honor of ministering to two vibrant churches in the heart of Brisbane: Brisbane Central and Red Hill. One of my favourite Bible verses is Psalm 18:30, which beautifully states, "As for God, His way is perfect: The Lord's word is flawless; He shields all who take refuge in Him." This verse is a powerful reminder of God's unwavering goodness, even in tough times.

I'm passionate about serving and nurturing young families and youth within our church community. There's nothing I love more than sharing Bible stories and fostering faith among primary kids.

	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
9:50am – 12:15pm	Sabbath School 9:30-10:30am	Sunday Fun Day	Worship/ Craft	Worship/ Craft	All day excursion Yarrangobilly Caves (8:00am leaving)	Thredbo pools 9:00am-12pm	Worship/ Craft	Sabbath School 9:30-10:30am
	Lunch				Lunch @ (Yarrangobilly Caves)	Lunch		
2-5pm			Movie	Round Robin Games	Yarrangobilly Caves) (arrive back at camp)	Worship/ Craft	Water Games	Concert in Big Tent

KINDY



ROADWORKERS



FOR JESUS

	Kindy Week day schedule
9:30-10:00	Free play
10:00- 10:15	Welcome / Prayer /Whats happening today
10:15 - 10:35	Song Service
10:35 - 10:50	Bible story (puppet show)
10:50 - 11:30	Bible story craft
11:30	Closing prayer

	Sabbath Schedule
9:30-9:40	Welcome / Prayer /Whats happening today
9:40 - 9:55	Song Service
9:55 - 10:10	Bible story (Puppet show)
10:10 - 10:30	Bible story (craft)
10:30	Closing Prayer

BEGINNERS



Weekdays
10:00 - 11:30AM

ROCHELLE FORD

Hi, my name is Rochelle Ford, and I'm thrilled to be part of the Beginners team this year! I have the absolute joy of serving as the Chaplain at Canberra Christian School—truly the best job I could imagine.

I'm married to my amazing husband, Huston, who pastors the South Canberra and Charnwood Seventh-day Adventist churches. Together, we have a delightful two-year-old son named Judah who keeps us on our toes and fills our lives with joy. I'm deeply passionate about sharing the gospel with people of all ages, but I find particular joy in telling children about Jesus. Their excitement to learn about the Bible and the thoughtful, curious questions they ask constantly inspire me. I'm often blown away by their ability to grasp deep biblical truths—and I'm learning every day not to underestimate what God can do through them.

When I'm not working, I love spending time outdoors—bike riding, hiking, working out, and taking Judah to the park. I also really enjoy good food and making memories with family and friends.

One of my favourite Bible verses is Philippians 4:13: "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." It reminds me that when we step out in faith to serve God, He is with us every step of the way.



STEPHANIE FORD - Children's Ministries

The SNSW Conference are excited to have Stephanie Ford come on board as Children's Ministries coordinator. Steph is married to Hunter and they have 3 beautiful children. Steph works at Wagga Base Hospital as a radiographer and sonographer.

Steph is passionate about teaching children about God, and she has always gravitated towards working with children, volunteering in children's Sabbath school since she was a teenager.

Steph believes that sowing the seed that Jesus loves you from a young age is crucial and should not be overlooked. In Mark 10:14, Jesus said "Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of God" By teaching our children from a young age, we give them the opportunity to have a relationship with Him as they grow. This relationship with Jesus will help them through difficult times as teens to adulthood.



Adventist Community Services

For too long the Adventist Church has been hiding its light under a bushel. Adventist Community Services has to become the public face of the Adventist church in Australia. It is essential to our mission that we are known in the wider community for who we are and what we do. Our name is our purpose and mission, and by hiding it we disobey God and dishonour our calling.

Service is now the 5th element of the Solid Not Fancy vision moving forward. To find out why, join us in the Big Tent from Tuesday to Friday 11am-12pm for practical workshops and information that will give your dreams traction. We are Here to Serve.

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Cedarvale Workshops
Monday - Thursday 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm

The team from Cedarvale Health & Lifestyle Retreat in Kangaroo Valley will be presenting four workshops demonstrating how our lifestyle choices impact our wellbeing in significant ways. The workshops will inform on what we can do to maintain our strength and resilience to finish the work God has called us to do.

Workshop 1

Monday 14th - Metabolic Health.

35% of Australian adults have metabolic syndrome. How can we protect ourselves from developing this and the diseases that arise as a result?

Workshop 2

Tuesday 15th - Brain Health.

When asked if diet can influence thoughts and decisions, very few people think it can. But what is the truth? And is cognitive decline par for the course or can we enjoy wisdom in our old age?

Workshop 3

Wednesday 16th - Gut Health.

What is the importance of fibre in maintaining a healthy gut?

Workshop 4

Thursday 17th - Bone Health.

Where do our bones gain their strength and how can we maintain that throughout life?

NEVER MADE A WILL?

Big Camp gives you the opportunity to have your complimentary legal will prepared by our **onsite Trust Services director**.

Pr Josh Wood will be taking appointments from
Sunday 13th 10am-4pm,
Monday 14th 9am-12pm, 1pm-3pm

Visit the General Camp Office to

BOOK AN APPOINTMENT



ADRA

ADVENTIST DEVELOPMENT
AND RELIEF AGENCY

FUN RUN

**SUNDAY
13 APRIL**

**7:30am
Start Time**

Check-in from 7am

**REGISTER
NOW**



Meet us on the road near the Big Tent

JOIN THE RUN AND RECIEVE A FREE SHIRT!

*limited stock available

Super Sunday

Sunday, 13th April

**10:00 am - 2:00 pm
ON THE OVAL**

