

All cuppas count

Why not share a cuppa to help a great cause.

THE Campbelltown community will come together in the fight against cancer over the coming weeks by holding Biggest Morning Teas across the area.

Last year Campbelltown raised over \$32,000 and local fund-raisers are excited about creating another successful event.

Rokeya Ahmad, women's worker for the Macarthur Diversity Services, is one of the many hosts of an Australia's Biggest Morning Tea in the area.

"I have been to many Australia's Biggest Morning Teas in the past and this year I have decided to hold my own at the Macarthur Diversity Services," she said.

"As a women's worker, working with women from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds, I think it is important to raise the awareness of cancer in the community.

"Sadly, my mother passed away from uterus cancer when I was a young girl.

"Australia's Biggest Morning Tea is one way I can turn my loss into a positive for my community."



Cuppa for a cause: Sana Al-Halloun, Najla Abou-Halloun, Rokeya Ahmad, Bronwyn Hennessy and Hanh Tran from Macarthur Diversity Services will get together for a cuppa on Wednesday. Everyone is invited.

Picture: Jeff de Pasquale

Around 2250 people are diagnosed with cancer each year in the Campbelltown region and 851 die as a result.

The official day is May 24, but Mrs Ahmad is getting her office together a bit earlier.

"I invite the community to attend our Australia's Biggest Morning Tea which will be held on May 16 at Macarthur Diversity Services, Level 2, 101 Queen Street, Campbelltown at 10am," Mrs Ahmad said.

Pina Asekona, from the Cancer Council's western Sydney office said each year they are amazed at the way Campbell-

town embraces Australia's Biggest Morning Tea.

"Last year 133 residents from Campbelltown hosted a morning tea, which enabled us to deliver more than 80 talks on cancer prevention and early detection to local groups in western Sydney," Mrs Asekona said.

"Anyone can host their own morning tea, it doesn't matter how big or small it is - every cup counts in the fight against cancer.

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