



MEDIA RELEASE

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Cancellation of the Hartley High Tea 2020 due to COVID-19 Pandemic

After extensive discussions and consultation with the ACT Government in relation to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the Hartley Lifecare Board has made the difficult decision to cancel the 2020 Hartley High Tea.

This decision was based on Hartley's responsibility to safeguard our clients, staff, volunteers, and event participants from the risks associated with holding such an event during the current pandemic. The safety of the wider community was also at the forefront of the Board's decision-making process.

We understand that this may be disappointing for some, however we must put the safety of our clients, staff, and volunteers first.

Hartley Lifecare would like to thank all our amazing participants, sponsors and support crew for their hard work and relentless effort so far. We enjoyed an excellent response from the Canberra Community and our team had been working hard to try make this year's High Tea a COVID-safe event, however the risks remained too high to go ahead.

At Hartley, our purpose is that our clients and their families have the opportunity to live their best life. Although this is a set-back for our organisation, we will continue to build on our strong foundations in order to move forward with strength and resilience.

Please continue to monitor your emails, social media, and our website for updates regarding next year's High Tea.

To Canberra and the wider community, we say thank you for your ongoing support and encourage everyone to please continue to stay safe.

More information: [ACT Health Website](#)

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