

BASS Care operates a number of services:

- ◆ Faversham House Aged Care facility
- ◆ Seventy eight Independent Living Units in four different locations across Canterbury and Surrey Hills
- ◆ Two large kitchens at Conochie Hall & Faversham House, Canterbury, providing over 236,000 meals each year, including the majority of Meals on Wheels services throughout the area and to community dining facilities in Canterbury, North Balwyn and Balwyn.
- ◆ Maranoa House Dementia Day Centre in Canterbury
- ◆ A senior citizens club in North Balwyn
- ◆ The Marwal Centre in North Balwyn
- ◆ A variety of social support services and day activity programs
- ◆ Conochie Hall hire and catering

Staff & Volunteers...

Volunteers are an integral part of the organisation, working side by side with paid staff to ensure a quality service to the frail, aged and disabled in the community. There are over 180 permanent and casual staff employed by BASS Care, ably supported in their work by more than 200 volunteers.



BASS Care (Boroondara Aged Services Society) is a proudly independent not for profit organisation providing a range of services to the local community since 1956.

The Society is one of the largest providers of social support services within the City of Boroondara. BASS Care's services are accessible by all, irrespective of their financial, religious or cultural status.

Our services assist clients to maintain independence and achieve a greater quality of life.

Maranoa House

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The following organisations may also be a useful source of information:

Carers Victoria

Level 1, 37 Albert Street, Footscray 3011
www.carersaustralia.com.au
Carer Advisory Line 1800 242 636

Alzheimer's Australia

www.alzheimers.org.au
National Dementia Helpline 1800 100 500



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Dementia Services

A range of programs specially designed to cater for the needs of people with confusion and memory loss and their carers

Maranoa House

A welcoming, secure and homely environment

BASS Care provides a range of programs at Maranoa House which are specially designed to cater for the needs of people with confusion and memory loss and their carers. Maranoa House provides a welcoming, secure and homely environment in a charming garden setting.



Adult Day Activity Program

The Adult Day Activity Program operates 7 days a week and provides activities to suit the abilities of people with mild, moderate or severe dementia. Familiar household tasks, meal preparation, gardening, walking, music and other recreational activities form the basis of the programs. The activities include:

- ◆ In House Programs
- ◆ Going Out Groups
- ◆ The Italian Day

- ◆ 'Just Blokes' Group
- ◆ Sunday Outings (carers welcome)

The programs are conducted Mondays to Saturdays from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm and Sundays from 11:30 am to 4:30 pm and the 'Going Out' groups meet Wednesdays and Fridays. A small fee covers a hot midday meal, morning and afternoon tea and restricted local bus transport.

Incontinence, wandering and other behavioural changes do not exclude people from the programs, however, mobility is desirable. Occasional supervised care before and after all weekday programs is available on request.

Anyone in the community may refer prospective clients who live in the Municipality of Boroondara or surrounds and are cared for at home. If you have a friend or relative who would like to attend the Adult Day Activity Program you need to contact the Manager of Maranoa House on 03 8809 4979 for an assessment.



The Maranoa Carers Groups

The task of caring for a person at home often falls to a close relative or a friend and can be complex and demanding - and often made more difficult through the lack of understanding and support. Carers often



find their life is no longer their own, their relationships are put on hold and their leisure time gradually disappears. The people who are most likely to know how to help and who understand how you are feeling are those who have had similar experiences.

The Maranoa Carers Groups offers support in a number of ways by providing an opportunity for Carers to:

- ◆ enjoy some time out
- ◆ learn more about the changes and challenges of care giving
- ◆ share experiences with others in a supportive environment
- ◆ make new friends through regular social gatherings
- ◆ assist and encourage one another

The Maranoa Carers Groups organise special social events as well as meeting monthly for Support Sessions.

For information about meeting dates and times contact the Manager of Maranoa House on 03 8809 4979.