

63% COMPLETING FOR THE FIRST TIME 37% RETURNING TO THE PROGRAM 28% REFERRED BY FAMILY OR FRIENDS SIGNIFICANT IMPROVEMENT IN MENTAL WELL-BEING FROM START TO FINISH

DIVERSITY

49%

BORN OUTSIDE, OR AT LEAST ONE PARENT BORN OUTSIDE OF AUSTRALIA

21%

SPEAK ONE OR MORE Languages other than English at home

HEALTH

4 72%

REPORTED HAVING 1 OR MORE HEALTH CONDITIONS

5 13%

RECEIVING EITHER 1 or both of NDIS or Disability support pension

TOP 5 PLACES OF BIRTH:

1. INDIA

2. UK

3. MALTA

4. VIETNAM

5. GERMANY & NEW ZEALAND

LOCALITIES



MELTON



BALLARAT



MARIBYRNONG



HUME



HOBSONS BAY



BRIMBANK



WYNDHAM

KEY OUTCOMES

96%

BETTER UNDERSTAND SERVICES OFFERED BY LOCAL HEALTH ORGANISATIONS

91%
KNOW MORE ABOUT
OPPORTUNITIES TO BE
INVOLVED IN THEIR
COMMUNITY

90%

UNDERSTAND MORE ABOUT GENDER STEREOTYPES

6 77%

MADE NEW FRIENDS

FELT CONNECTED TO THEIR COMMUNITY BY THE END OF THE PROGRAM (15% INCREASE)



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I LIVE WITH LONG TERM DEPRESSION...
THE CONNECTION TO THE COMMUNITY
WAS MOST IMPORTANT, FEELING PART OF
THE WESTERN BULLDOGS COMMUNITY
AND HAVING THE OPPORTUNITY TO FEEL
INCLUDED MEANS A LOT TO ME..

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"The SOTW is not only a physical thing, but a mental health thing. Just by talking about it [mental health] in an open form gets rid of some of the stigmas... it stops it from being a hidden away thing to be ashamed of."

"Looking at my weight it was time to hit the gym after 5 years absence and thinking better look after myself. Thanks to this program"





