Albury Wodonga Says YES to Equality and Respect: Canapés and Conversations with Phil Cleary

Do you want your workplace or sport club to be the best it can be?

Does your workplace or sporting club want to be inclusive and respectful?

Then this event is for you.

Two Cities One Community initiative (Albury City and Wodonga Council) wish to invite local business leaders and sporting club representatives to attend this evening to learn about the importance of equality and respect.

Guest speaker, former footballer Phil Cleary, is a passionate advocate for change in attitudes and behaviours that perpetuate gender inequality. He will share his insights and thoughts on this important topic, its links to violence against women and the role we can all play.

A Q and A session will follow with panel members including:
- Phil Cleary – gender equality advocate
- Naomi Bailey - Capacity Building Leaders for gender equity at Women’s Health Goulbourn North East
- Steve Montgomery – Men’s Behaviour Change Co-ordinator at Gateway Health
- Karyn O’Loughlin –Director of Allied Health at Albury Wodonga Health

Gaye Pattison will MC the evening.

Friday, November 23, 2018
5.30pm to 7.30pm
The Cube Wodonga
$10 per ticket
https://wod.city/PhilCleary

For further details on this event please contact:
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16 Days of Activism against gender-based violence
November 25 to December 10, 2018
Phil Cleary grew up in Coburg in Melbourne’s northern suburbs where he completed an Arts degree at La Trobe University, majoring in politics and sociology. He is a former teacher, VFA/VFL premiership player and coach, and Independent member of the federal parliament – winning former PM Bob Hawke’s seat of Wills at a by-election in 1992 and at the general election in 1993.


Since the murder of his 25-year-old sister, Vicki, in 1987 Phil has been at the forefront of the campaign to stop violence against women. It’s widely acknowledged that his books, newspaper articles and media commentaries were pivotal to the abolition of the law of provocation in Victoria and changing community attitudes to violence against women. Phil is active in speaking to football clubs, community groups and businesses on how they can play a role in ending violence against women.

In July 2016, Phil was appointed to the Victim Survivors’ Advisory Council. Following the recommendations handed down by the Royal Commission into Family Violence, the Victorian Government established the council to advise and consult on the extensive family violence reform agenda in the state. Chaired by former Australian of the Year, Rosie Batty, and comprising of 12 members who all have a lived experience of family violence, Phil has contributed to the work of the council in many significant ways.

Phil has played a major role in shaping how Victoria responds, and works to prevent, family violence. The level and type of engagement is unseen in other jurisdictions both in Australia and overseas.