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Hospital's 200th Anniversary celebrations continue

Liverpool Hospital's year-long 200th Anniversary celebrations continue with activities and events through the coming months.

Upcoming celebrations will include a community open day on 12 September which will feature interactive health stalls, hospital tours, free health checks, education sessions, sausage sizzle and fete stalls.

2013 marks 200 years since Liverpool Hospital's first brick building was commissioned in 1813 on the banks of the Georges River, where it was run as a hospital for convicts and soldiers.

Liverpool Hospital General Manager Anthony Schembri said celebrations had been memorable so far and more were yet to come.

"We are very excited about the upcoming community open day. It's a great opportunity for the community to see how far we've come in recent years and to learn more about the wide variety of services we offer as the largest hospital and tertiary referral centre in NSW," Mr Schembri said.

"Celebrations for the rest of the year will also include the launch of a *Day in the Life of Liverpool Hospital* pictorial, a staff reunion, commissioning of Burnside Drive in recognition of Matron Burnside, the longest serving Matron at Liverpool, Mayoral Reception at Casula Powerhouse and a staff Hospital Ball.

"I feel very fortunate to be General Manager of the Hospital during such an important time in our history.

"To see how the Hospital has transformed over the last 200 years is truly amazing. We are proud to be able to showcase the staff and hospital's achievements throughout this time," he said.

Celebrations officially kicked off in March this year with the launch of the Liverpool Hospital Museum, which houses historical memorabilia including medical equipment, instruments, films and recordings, artwork, uniforms and published documents.

The Hospital has also marked the milestone anniversary with a permanent photographic display along the Hospital's concourse and a dedicated anniversary website at www.swslhd.nsw.gov.au/liverpool200/

The Hospital's regular annual events have also been themed around the 200 year anniversary including Anzac Day commemorations, International Nurse's Day and the SWAN Trauma Conference which is held each July and draws international experts in the field of emergency trauma care.

For more information about upcoming events at Liverpool Hospital visit www.swslhd.nsw.gov.au/liverpool200/.