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# Seasonal celebrations at Dandenong Plaza

Join in a full weekend of celebrations at Armada Dandenong Plaza this month.

The plaza will be celebrating the 2020 Lunar New Year, Year of the Rat on Saturday 25 January with Chinese-themed activities, and Australia Day on Sunday 26 January with Aussie-themed activities.

To celebrate the Lunar New Year, chef Lillie Giang - known as the Food Affectionist - will be demonstrating delicious Asian dishes that locals can replicate at home for their own Lunar New Year feast.

The live cooking demonstrations will be held in the Fresh Food Precinct at Armada

A traditional Lion Dance performance will weave around the centre bringing good luck to all and welcoming in the Lunar New Year 2020 in a special performance from 11.00am on Level 2.

On Sunday 26 January the plaza will mark Australia Day with a free wildlife show featuring a range of native Australian animals including mammals, reptiles and birds by Reptile Encounters. Two live shows will be held, at 11.30am and 1.00pm in Centre Court on Level 2 near Connor.

Armada Dandenong Plaza will also be fundraising for Victorian wildlife affected by the

Customers can make a gold coin donation which will go to Wildlife Victoria. The pop-up fundraising initiative will be located next to the Australia Day Native Animal Show.

Customers can also make an online donation by visiting the Armada Dandenong Plaza Facebook page, or visiting <https://give.everydayhero.com/au/emergency-donations-to-help-wildlife-1>

The shopping centre aims to raise \$1000 by the end of January 2020.

To find out more about the Lunar New Year 2020 and Australia Day 2020 activities at Ar-

