

DaMinyan

WHO WE ARE AND WHY WE DO IT

Over the course of the past year, DaMinyan has flourished and expanded greatly. What began as a small Shabbos *Mevorchim* Minyan has now grown into a vibrant community; with weekly, monthly and annual functions, programs and Shiurim.

DaMinyan is leading the Melbourne Jewish community technologically by utilizing the internet to constantly update members with any news. DaMinyan.com is an interactive website where members are able to look up and update their pledges, as well as check Shabbos times. Through www.daminyan.com, members receive e-mail and SMS notifications reminding them of Shabbos Times, Shiurim and upcoming events.

The following is a general overview of the events and happenings of DaMinyan over the past year.

- Weekly Shabbos morning Minyan with an attendance of approximately 40 men
- Weekly Chasidus Shiur before Davening
- Recently added women's section with a growing attendance
- Yom Tov Minyanim
- Weekly Kiddushim / Farbrengens following Davening with guest speakers such as Rabbi Telsner, Rabbi Glick, Rabbi Leider and many more.
- Separate weekly Shiurim for men and women
- Purim Seuda at E&S Deli with an attendance of approximately 80 people
- Lag B'omer bonfire
- Shabbos Lunch with Yossi Jacobson attended by approximately 150 people
- Megilla reading
- Separate men and women Tikkun Leil Shavuot learning
- Tisha Be'av Megilla reading and learning for both men and women
- Friday night dinner with Doron Kornbluth with an attendance of approximately 50 people
- Mitzvot on Yom Tov
- Sukkos party with an attendance of approximately 100 people
- Simchas Torah dinner with an attendance of approximately 150 people
- Simchas Torah Hakofos
- Simchas Torah Kiddush
- Friday night dinners
- Social functions during the week

All the above mentioned has managed to fill a void felt by the younger Melbourne Jewish community for a long time. The Minyanim and events that have been put on by DaMinyan cater towards bochorim and girls returning from yeshivas and seminaries around the world, university students, and young married couples living in Melbourne. Its open and accepting attitude and the inspirational environment it creates has made all who come feel most welcome. Many of those who rarely attended Shul in the past, or who attended just to catch up with the weekly gossip, are finding themselves coming to Shul every week and on time, with a feeling that they are an integral part of the community. DaMinyan has created a sense of belonging and pride in all of its members.