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The Gatsby



Social butterflies

We love any excuse to dress up and get together for fun. Check us out, inside...

Around the grounds

Catch up on news from our fishing, golfing, sketching groups and more

Refer a friend, earn a reward

Do you know someone who is looking to make the move here? Refer them, for fast cash!



Welcome.

Hello everyone - Well, spring has definitely sprung hasn't it? In this beautiful balmy weather, the gardens are blooming, the magpies are swooping and the plovers are nesting! We have a family of 12 ducklings on one of our lakes, near the 8th golf tee. The ducks are definitely providing a great photo opportunity for the photographers and bird watchers amongst us!

The Beachmere Bay Bowls Group have only just returned from their week away, bowling at Palm Lake Resort Bargara, as this newsletter goes to print. I'm sure there will be stories to tell and we can't wait to hear the results!

The Social Committee's 5&0 party was a huge success and is still being talked about. We would like to thank all of the volunteers involved. Without their continued support these events would not be able to be held. There are so many social events going on here - check out Pages 6-7 of this newsletter for just a snapshot of the fun and laughs we all have. We know our Sports Bar is also going to be very busy over the next few weeks with the football finals on. May your favourite team win! Go the Lions!

A very warm welcome to our new homeowners here at the resort. We hope you are settling in well, enjoying our amazing facilities and making new friendships. As you will know, we have been in our new office space for a few weeks now and we are all very happy with having some extra space around us and some privacy for you all when you come to see us.

Take care. We'll see you around the resort grounds.

Sue and Steve Babbage,
Palm Lake Resort Beachmere Bay Caretakers

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News in brief.

Get social
with us!



Are you on social media? Make sure you follow Palm Lake Resort on Facebook (@palllakeresort) and also over on Instagram (@palllake.resort) to see what's happening right across our dozens of Palm Lake Resort locations. We also feature many warm-and-fuzzy stories from our seven Palm Lake Care aged caring communities on both social platforms (@palllake.care). With more than 10,000 people calling a Palm Lake address home, there's always loads going on!

Don't forget to check your speed

Please remember the speed limit around our community grounds is 10km/h. It is not hard to keep your foot off the accelerator so please keep an eye on your speedo as it is very easy for someone to have a mishap. Please slow down - and make sure to remind your visitors and/or invited tradespeople to do the same.



The spring edition of 'Your Time' is here!

Spring has arrived and so too has your copy of the Spring 2024 edition of our company magazine, *Your Time*. In this edition, we celebrate our two recent Master Builders' Association Awards for Palm Lake Group projects on the Sunshine Coast, QLD. We've also got plenty of coverage of our most recent events and, in our popular Lifestyle section, you can become a 'pasta master' - yum! If you haven't received a copy in your mailbox, you can always catch up online at palllakeresort.com.au



Refer a friend

We know your friends love coming to visit your Palm Lake Resort home and enjoy sharing our resort facilities with you, right? Refer a friend to join you and become part of our exclusive community, and if they purchase a Palm Lake Resort home, you'll receive \$250 cash. Easy! Ask about our 'Refer a Friend' incentive at the Sales Information Centre.

Weekly activities.

MONDAY

7.30am Sands golf competition
9am Zumba. Lawn bowls: Ladies' morning
10am Mah-jong. Social golf. Yoga
1pm Cards (Hand & Foot). Lawn bowls (Triples)
2pm Ukulele practise
4.30pm Mixed tennis
5.45-6.30pm Lawn bowls: Coaching
6.30pm Slice of Life (fourth Monday of month)

TUESDAY

AM, TBC Ladies' golf competition
8.15am Senior exercise class
9am Lawn bowls: Novice Pairs
9am Ladies' pickleball. Ladies' social golf
10am Book Club (second Tues of the month)
1pm Cards: Hand & Foot
3pm Lawn bowls: Scroungers, Mixed social
7pm Cards: 500

WEDNESDAY

All day Social golf
7.30am Aqua aerobics
8.15am Mat Pilates
8.45am Chair yoga
1pm Lawn bowls: Self-selected pairs
1pm Duplication Bridge
7.15pm Movies at The Bay

THURSDAY

All day Social golf
8.15am Yoga
8.30am Mixed tennis
9am Lawn bowls: Pot luck games, skill sessions
1pm Cards (500). Supervised Bridge
1.30pm Craft, coffee and chat
6pm Mixed pickleball
7pm Lawn bowls: Winners & losers, mixed

FRIDAY

AM, TBC Mixed golf competition
8.15am Mat Pilates
9am Chair yoga
9.30am Tai chi
10am Mah-jong
1pm Social golf. Line dancing (beginners)
1pm Lawn bowls: Men's
2pm Line dancing (intermediate)
4pm Happy Hour (second Friday: Raffles)

SATURDAY

All day Social golf
9am Mini Bridge
10am Remote-controlled boats
2pm Men's pickleball
2pm Lawn bowls: Scroungers, Mixed social
3-5pm Live music (fourth Saturday of month)
4pm Lawn bowls: Scroungers
5.30pm Villa draw (third Saturday of month)

SUNDAY

All day Social golf
8am Mixed pickleball
1pm Mixed cash triples competition
2.30pm Bingo (first Sunday of the month)
2.30pm Trivia (second Sunday of the month)
2.30pm Ballads with Barry (fifth Sunday)
4pm Croquet. Happy Hour



Drawing on experience.

BY GARRY HEALING (HOME 157)

The Beachmere Bay Sketch Group recently hosted a 'Learn to draw' pencil sketching workshop during our Sunday afternoon Happy Hour in the Hamptons County Club. It was a great opportunity for those who believe that they have no artistic ability to join in and surprise themselves!

All materials were supplied and the Bar was open. We had about 12 brave pending artists who participated, and probably another dozen who joined in but were a little reluctant to have a go. Well, the results of that short session (about an hour) were amazing, with all who participated getting well into completing their drawing!

Those who didn't complete their piece, took it home to complete in their own time. Well done to all those who participated!

This little exercise has seen a big increase in the number of budding artists attending our weekly Pencil Sketching Group meeting at 9.30am on Wednesdays in the Craft Room. All homeowners are welcome to attend this weekly meeting - attendance is free.



PENCIL
SKETCHING
GROUP MEETS
WEDNESDAYS
9.30AM

Pictured above: A wonderful piece completed by one of our newer group members.



Pots prove the pick for Fishing Club.

BY GARY (HOME 157)

The Palm Lake Resort Beachmere Bay Fishing Club has been eagerly awaiting our first deep sea fishing trip. Our planned trips have so far been cancelled due to strong winds.

Local fishing has been very slow to say the least. It seems that the Tilapia in our lakes have hibernated for the winter. We are hopeful that things will change now that the water will be warming up.

Some of our members have been down the river chasing mud crabs and one lucky member was able to make himself a lovely mud crab sandwich. With the contents of one of those big nippers (pictured above), you just need to add some crusty fresh bread, a little sliced lettuce and a spread of seafood sauce. Yum! Members have also been catching a few nice bream off the rock wall on the evening high tides.

All homeowners are welcome to attend our regular Fishing Club meetings in the Sports Bar. Contact a club member for more information.



Fergy's our matchplay champ.

BY ROSS SCHULTZ, CLUB CAPTAIN (HOME 39)

The Westhampton Golf Club's 2024 Matchplay Championship was played recently. We had 30 players who nominated themselves to play in this event. After the qualifying rounds, the final pair were Ian Ferguson ('Fergy' as he is commonly referred to) and Ray Cruickshank. The final match was played on September 5 and Ian was clearly the winner. Ian and his wife, Marilyn, moved to Palm Lake Resort Beachmere Bay in March 2024. Fergy told me that he has never been a member of a Golf Club nor had an official GA handicap. However, after moving to Beachmere Bay, he started playing regularly on our Shoalhaven Golf Course. He has recently become a member at Woodford Golf Course with the aim of getting an official GA handicap.

In Fergy's words - this is how he described his Matchplay journey: "I drew a bye in my first round, won my second round and progressed through the third round due to a forfeiture!"

"In the final round, I (24) teed off against Ray Cruickshank (19) - note: they are not our ages but our handicaps! The weather was perfect and the course was in good condition. I was 2 up after two holes but Ray fought back valiantly and the match was all square after 5 holes," he wrote.

"I won the 6th hole and the 7th hole. Luck was on my side when my ball, heading towards the bush, struck a tree and rebounded back on to the 7th fairway. We both stepped up to the 8th where we went shot for shot but the handicapping system decreed me the winner (3/1)."



Social spotlight.

BY LIZ PARRY
SOCIAL COMMITTEE ACTING CHAIR (HOME 207)

Country Music Show

There is always so much variety in the things that homeowners can do at Beachmere Bay. In July, the Social Committee hosted a theatre-style concert show involving stand-up comedy, music and dancing (pictured left). A delicious snack pack was prepared for everyone to enjoy as well. Rob Rosenlund (formerly of Wickety Wak) and his band brought some cheeky comedy; most laughs were for the Chad Morgan look-alike who made an appearance and got a special guest on stage to help; well done Paul. Other characters to grace the stage included Willy Nelson, Johnny Cash and Frank Spencer who performed a beautiful rendition of 'The Prayer'. This delighted everyone.

A big thank you goes to all our Bay homeowners for giving new styles of events a try - your support is tremendous and encourages us to keep doing what we do. The Beachmere Bay management team is also acknowledged for their support of the Social Committee in bringing these events to our community. The volunteers who help move the furniture in and out each time, those who stay behind to help put the room back together in no time, those who help decorate and those who prepare food for us all; you are all sensational and have our biggest thanks.

Lazy Sunday Afternoons under way

Here at the Bay, the Social Committee introduced a new way to spend Sundays. We call it "Lazy Sunday Afternoon". Twice each month, our homeowners are entertained by a variety of events, including professional and inhouse music, board games, card games and crazy games, as well as a team challenge. One week, Sir Les Patterson, in his trademark overdressed style, led the bingo and 'kickback cocktails', adding to the enjoyment of the afternoon. Well done to our cocktail makers, who have even given us Olympic-inspired cocktails. Delicious!

Without a doubt, the crowd favourite was the Sunday Afternoon Lip Sync Show, where 11 acts were performed by very brave and *talented* homeowners. The audience was entertained by Little Pattie, Neil Diamond (giving no more flowers to Barbara Streisand), the cheeky Bob Seger, Nancy Sinatra and friends (in their walking boots), Abba without BandB!, the prettiest little Polka Dot Bikini you've ever seen, the Blues Brothers, Spice Girls and Freddy Mercury. We had everything from the colourful, to a bit cheeky, to nostalgic and all things in between. From the opening act of Elvis to closing finale of Tina Turner singing 'Simply the Best' with all the performers backing her, you couldn't ask for a more entertaining Sunday afternoon! Lip Sync will be back to an upcoming Lazy Sunday Afternoon, by popular demand.



Pictured this page: Lazy Sunday Afternoon is the best time of the week here at Beachmere Bay - just ask our spirited homeowners!



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Home 70: \$1,500,000

Beds

3

Bath

2

Living

1

Alfresco

1

Garage

2



Home 256: \$910,000

Beds

3

Bath

2

Living

1

Alfresco

1

Garage

2



Home 46: \$989,000

Beds

3

Bath

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Living

1

Alfresco

1

Garage

2



Home 223: \$1,500,000

Beds

3

Bath

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Living

1

Alfresco

1

Garage

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Home 65: \$1,190,000

Beds

3

Bath

2

Living

1

Alfresco

1

Garage

2



Home 47: \$1,070,000

Beds

3

Bath

2

Living

1

Alfresco

1

Garage

2



Home 219: \$1,400,000

Beds

3

Bath

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Living

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Alfresco

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Garage

2



Home 108: \$949,000

Beds

2

Bath

2

Living

1

Study

1

Alfresco

1

Garage

2



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Over the back fence.

THE PALM LAKE GROUP SPANS 30 RESORT ADDRESSES ACROSS THREE STATES AND SOME 10,000 PEOPLE CALL PALM LAKE GROUP HOME, SO THERE IS ALWAYS PLENTY OF GOOD NEWS AROUND OUR GROUNDS. IN THIS REGULAR SERIES, WE SHARE WITH YOU SOME STORIES OF WHAT YOUR FELLOW PALM LAKE RESORT 'FAMILY MEMBERS' HAVE BEEN UP TO RECENTLY - WHETHER THEY'RE JOINING FORCES TO DO GOOD IN THE GREATER COMMUNITY OR JOINING FORCES FOR FUN. ACROSS ALL OUR PALM LAKE RESORTS, 'PEOPLE' REALLY IS OUR SUPERPOWER!



Community helping community.

We hear so many lovely stories of our craftiest homeowners donating their time and talents to support the less fortunate in their community.

At Palm Lake Resort Upper Coomera (QLD), the lovely ladies from the Monday Craft Group have been busy knitting trauma teddies for donation to their local doctors' rooms. Pictured above left, the teddies are kept with the pathology nurses to give to any tearful visiting children, to help cheer them up on a sad day.

Down at Truganina (Victoria) on Wednesday afternoons, a group of homeowners gets together to handcraft the most beautiful items for the greater good. The Craft Group ladies have been working hard getting beautifully handmade crafts ready for delivery to vulnerable children in war-affected Syria. It is no understatement to say that these pretty little bags

filled with haircare accessories for the dear children in war-affected Syria will make such a huge difference in their lives (pictured above, middle). You can imagine just how special these children will feel when they open their packs to reveal their beautiful handmade bag with goodies inside.

The group also makes and donates other goodies to Victoria's most loved family charities including St Kilda Mums, Geelong Mums and Eureka Mums. Items they create for donation include knitted jumper, beanie and mitten sets, beautiful baby cardigans, blankets and toys.

The Truganina Craft Group ladies all say it's rewarding to knit for such wonderful causes. They know there will be such joy among the children when they receive a handmade gift.

At Palm Lake Resort Bethania (QLD), the wonderful Tuesday morning ladies'

Craft Group (pictured below) has also been giving back to their local community knitting beanies, scarves and gloves for the homeless as well as dolls for the children's hospital. These ladies are always seeking donations of wool to continue their great work. You can also purchase one of their handmade beanies for just \$10 with all funds raised going towards the purchase of more wool for knitting and stuffing for the dolls.



'Love' these milestones!

Celebrating their 65th wedding anniversary recently, Kevin and Helen of Palm Lake Resort Carindale (QLD, pictured above) were congratulated with cheers and acclamation by all at the resort's Wednesday dinner. The pair met at a tennis night in Sydney on July 10, 1959. Both are keen gardeners who have been living at Palm Lake Resort for 16 years where they have graciously endeared themselves to fellow homeowners and our management team. Congratulations to you both!

Over at our sister company, Palm Lake Care, another incredible milestone anniversary was recently noted. Max and Joan of Palm Lake Care Caloundra (QLD, below) just clocked up 73 years of wedded bliss! What an incredible achievement!



Organ brings back yesteryear.



There's a beautifully restored original cinema theatre organ that can be heard right across Palm Lake Resort Beachmere Bay (QLD). Homeowner/musician Barry Moore painstakingly restored the organ himself. On completion, the organ looked perfect on display in its rightful place, at the resort's plush Hamptons Country Club cinema, akin to the days of yore when all the prestigious cinemas featured a similar organ. Barry is more than happy to play a tune whenever asked.

'Big O' bash at Beachmere Sands.

Palm Lake Resort Beachmere Sands (QLD) residents recently came together to celebrate a very big milestone - several of them, in fact. The resort's annual 'Big O' party is held for those celebrating a milestone birthday that year. This year's 'Big O' event was another fantastic night. There have been whispers around the resort that it was the 'best one yet!' The most impressive 'Big O' of them all was Agnes (right), who turns 100 this year!



Award winners, five years in a row.

The Master Builders Association Queensland's independent judges recently named a Palm Lake Resort Pelican Waters' display residence the best in its category on the Sunshine Coast.

At the same glittering awards ceremony, the renovation of Pelican Waters Golf Club (also owned and operated by the Palm Lake Group) was named best Commercial Refurbishment/Renovation project.

These two recent wins see Palm Lake Group's award-winning streak stretch to five consecutive years - a proud achievement for all those involved and for anyone who calls a Palm Lake Resort address home!

Tell us what's happening over your back fence.

Has your resort got a warm and fuzzy "Over the back fence" story to share with the whole Palm Lake Resort group? Are you and/or your neighbours doing something special that you're proud of - and you know we'd be proud of too?

We'd love to hear from you and include your story in these pages in the next editions of all our resort newsletters.

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