

The Gatsby



Magic milestones

Our annual '5&0' celebration was a huge success. Catch up on the fun, on Page 5...

Resorts meet on the green

Find out what happened when three Palm Lake Resort locations went head to head

Refer a friend, earn a reward

Do you know someone looking to move here? Refer them, for a cash reward



Welcome.

We have some pre-loved homes for sale - Julie-Ann is keeping busy! We wish those homeowners well as they move onto their next adventure. On that same note, we would like to welcome all our new homeowners. We look forward to seeing you enjoying the beautiful facilities we have here at Beachmere Bay - I'm sure you will soon be making new friends, and finding there is more to do here than you thought possible.

Our Social Committee is keeping very busy, so keep an eye out for the social club newsletter for upcoming events.

The meals in the dining room continue to be very popular, and Jorge is doing a great job. If you are having trouble making a booking, just stop by the office and let us know.

A huge thank you to the ground staff. What a great job they have done! With the new mulch and a spring tidy-up, the grounds are looking amazing - ready for some summer rain.

Barry is our resident pianist and is often playing the piano in the clubhouse. He does love an audience, and even takes requests! Happy Hour on Friday and Saturday is always a fun get together for our residents.

A group of our lawn bowls players are off to Western Queensland in September, and I'm sure there will be lots of stories on their return. We wish them good luck in the competitions!

With this lovely spring weather, we are seeing our bird life waking up for summer. The swans have taken up residence on the back lake, and are easy to spot when you are having a lovely afternoon stroll. Last spring we were able to watch the little signets growing up, and hopefully it's the same this year.

Finally, it is travel season! We're hearing so many wonderful tales of adventure - with our mix of caravanners wandering around the country, overseas holiday makers and family get-togethers, it's hard to keep up with the amazing stories. We love catching up with you all when you come home.

Until next time,

Sue and Steve Babbage,
Palm Lake Resort Beachmere Bay Caretakers

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News in brief.

This is Your Time

The latest edition of *This is Your Time* magazine harnesses the exciting energy of spring. We cover all the new 'growth' across our company, including the unveiling of Australia's (and arguably the world's) biggest and most opulent community facility at Palm Lake Resort Pelican Waters: The Springs Country Club. We also reveal our teams' "local loves" across Palm Lake Resorts Yamba Cove, Paynesville and Foster Lakes areas. Among the lifestyle features, we urge readers to take their cues from spring and book a (literally) bloomin' great holiday or add a plant-based spring recipe to their menu repertoire. Palm Lake Resort homeowners will find a copy of the magazine in their letterbox and anyone can read the edition online at palllakeresort.com.au



Looking for care?

There are limited vacancies at Palm Lake Care Beachmere available now. Vacancies come and go quickly and Palm Lake Care prioritises Palm Lake Resort homeowners and their families. If you have someone needing high quality 24-hour nursing care in our gorgeous waterfront setting, you can phone Care Solutions to discuss their needs on 1800 24 66 77.

Get social with us

Are you on social media? Make sure you follow Palm Lake Resort on Facebook (@palllakeresort) and also over on Instagram (@pall.lake.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 (@pall.lake.care). With more than 12,000 people calling a Palm Lake address home, there's always loads going on!

Refer a friend and earn a reward

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 an established 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
11am Slice of Life (fourth Monday of month)
1pm Cards (Hand & Foot). Lawn bowls (Triples)
2pm Ukulele practise
4.30pm Mixed tennis
5.45-6.30pm Lawn bowls: Coaching
- 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 Trivia (second Sunday of the month)
4pm Croquet. Happy Hour



Let's party like it's 1945!

BY KRIS MANN, SOCIAL COMMITTEE CHAIR

To celebrate peace, and the huge efforts of so many to achieve it, we acknowledged the 80-year anniversary of the end of World War II on Saturday August 16. There were 195 homeowners in attendance, each table having its own 'street party' by sharing food with one another - just as they did all over Australia, and the world, when peace was proclaimed. Dinner comprised pea and mint soup with a loaf of warm sourdough bread, a main course of meatloaf, veggies and salad, followed by a dessert of warm Victory Cake and custard. The menu reflected the style of food that was available in 1945, but with a modern twist.

The 16-piece SCREAM Big Band was back to play swing and jazz music, with vocalists Dean and Tanya Maree. We were all super happy to see them! Our homeowners filled the floor consistently during the night, with many only coming back to tables to eat. Band leader Dean was very interactive with the crowd, dancing the Tango with Denise while Barbara and Eddie jived the night away. Everyone loved the band's version of 'In The Mood' so much that they repeated that again at the end. The music was just fantastic.

The Social Committee wish to thank the 50 or so generous volunteers who gave up their time to help set-up and tidy-up for this big event. Thanks also to everyone generally for their 'above and below' tidy-up of their table before they leave an event at the end of each night. It is these small actions, undertaken by so many, that make life easier for us when we're putting together these bigger gatherings!



The big 5&0!

BY KRIS MANN, SOCIAL COMMITTEE CHAIR

Saturday July 19 saw our Hamptons Country Clubhouse styled in red and black with Venetian masks for our 2025 5&0 Masquerade Celebration. This much-loved annual event is our most important and elegant of the year, celebrating all milestone birthdays and anniversaries which end in a 5 or an 0. Our key celebrants this year were: Shirley Janssen (90th); Jaye Barros (60th); and Anne and Mike Moore (65th wedding anniversary). In total, there were 55 celebrating their 5&0 on the night! After the cake cutting, the dance floor was full as everyone celebrated together - to Charlie's rendition of 'It's Now or Never', sung as he wandered through the crowd serenading the ladies, shaking hands and charming everyone.

Charlie Mitchell was our Michael Buble/Frank Sinatra/ swing/jazz-style entertainer for the evening, and he was an absolute crowd pleaser! Despite being only 19 years old, he has a wonderful voice, confidence and style. He responded enthusiastically to the constantly-full dancefloor and everyone who really loved his music.

The four-course dinner was catered and served by 11 people to the tables. The mains - a choice of slow-roasted beef and red wine jus or Tasmanian salmon - were delicious. The Social Committee surprised everyone with a complimentary Pedro Ximenez fortified sherry to accompany their cake for dessert. Special thanks to homeowner Elizabeth for the stunning and delicious chocolate and vanilla mudcakes and individual gluten free Celebration Cakes. The stencilling and decoration of the cakes was just sublime, and Elizabeth captured the Venetian masquerade styling so very well!





The family that plays together...

On Wednesday, Palm Lake Resort Beachmere Bay proudly hosted the Palm Lake Resorts Annual Tri-Series Bowls Competition, welcoming teams from Palm Lake Resort Eagleby and Palm Lake Resort Toowoomba.

Each club fielded 12 players, with every bowler competing in two games of 12 ends. After a hard-fought day on the greens, Eagleby emerged as the overall winners, followed by Beachmere Bay in second place and Toowoomba in third.

The event was a true celebration of bowls and community spirit. From the quality of play to the smooth organisation, warm hospitality and wonderful catering, every detail came together to make it a memorable occasion.

All players represented their clubs with great skill and sportsmanship, delivering a very high standard of bowls throughout the day.

A big thank you to everyone involved – players, organisers, and supporters – for contributing to such a successful and enjoyable event.

Rachael Fothergill
Beachmere Bowls Secretary



Sync your heart out.

BY KRIS MANN, SOCIAL COMMITTEE CHAIR

A lazy Sunday afternoon on July 6 turned out to be anything but lazy and quiet! An impressive 220 people came to either participate in or enjoy the spectacle of our third LipSync Concert.

Led by Sue and co-compered by Julie, there were 14 performances in total – and each one absolutely wowed the large crowd. From the Titanic theme 'My Heart Will Go On' to 'Jump In My Car', 'It's Raining Men' to 'Pink Shoelaces' and 'You're The One That I Want' – not to mention 'With A Little Help From My Friends', and the Beachmere Bay boys and gals version of 'Fun, Fun, Fun' – it was quite the afternoon of music.

People just kept arriving to the Hamptons Country Clubhouse with friends to enjoy the show!



Homes for sale.

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Homes for sale.

Home 175: \$975,000



Home 74: \$1,165,000



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Over the back fence.

THE PALM LAKE GROUP SPANS 27 RESORT ADDRESSES ACROSS THREE STATES AND SOME 12,000 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 'FAMILY MEMBERS' HAVE BEEN UP TO - WHETHER JOINING FORCES TO DO GOOD IN THE COMMUNITY OR JOINING FORCES FOR FUN!



Inter-resort good sports

Palm Lake Resort Tea Gardens homeowners joined Palm Lake Resort Forster Lakes homeowners at Palm Lake Resort Fern Bay recently, to slug it out on the tennis court all in the name of good sports. As is always the case when we bring multiple resorts together for 'sport', there was an equal amount of fun reported on the sidelines as was had on the courts. The event's hosts went above and beyond for their Palm Lake Resort 'cousins' - purchasing a heater and lots of blankets to keep the crowds warm on what shaped up to be one of the area's coldest days on record! After a few games, some of the tennis players decided it was warmer to go inside and play table tennis - luckily, Forster Lakes had four table tennis players in their midst! With a delicious soup lunch enjoyed, no one really cared what the scores on the courts ended up being! The next matches will be played at Tea Gardens at the end of October.

What's 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? We'd love to include it in the next editions of our resort newsletters. Simply contact your Caretakers or email the details to Belinda at belinda@bellepr.com

Merran is an Aussie champ!



Palm Lake Resort Yamba homeowner Merran is the Australian Three-Day Orienteering Champion (Women's 85A). While not competing for four years due to a hip replacement and recovery from a fractured pelvis, Merran came second on Day One, first on Day Two and second on Day Three but she was ultimately fastest over the three days and took out the Australian championship. Well done, Merran!



Kindness grows, and grows

Palm Lake Resort Forster Lakes homeowners have rallied behind their local area's flood relief effort with thanks to two key charitable neighbours, Dee and Carol. The pair wanted to help via a collection drive and with the guidance of the Pacific Palms Rural Fire Service, the social media-savvy ladies put a call out to their fellow resort neighbours and were soon inundated with donations of things like food, nappies, toilet paper and animal food. With all hands on deck, they loaded up the resort bus as well as a car trailer and headed to Pacific Palms RFS (as pictured above) to sort and then deliver the haul to the Community Flood Relief Hub in Taree. Still on their charitable high some weeks later, the group heard there was additional need for clothes and bedding. They collected, sorted and labelled another trailerload that went to hubs in Taree and Wingham the following day.

Knowing their charitable efforts were really making a difference, the Forster Lakes homeowners looked for further ways to continue spreading the love. Through Pacific Palms RFS they met two families to sponsor. They worked directly with the family members to find out what exactly they needed to get their homes and even a farm back up and running - and happily obliged with more donated kitchen and household items as well as a monetary donation. After all of the effort and success, the homeowners have decided to 'adopt' the Pacific Palms RFS and have been helping to stock their fridge with meals, cakes etc for when they are out and about looking out for the rest of the local community. As Dee and Carol say, "Helping these helpers makes us feel great!". Well done to all the selfless Palm Lake Resort Forster Lakes homeowners who contributed in some way.

Home to your best years.



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