

The Chatter



To be sure, to be sure!

From St Pat's to TC Alfred, we live in such a fun, engaged and supportive community

Green thumbs up for indoor plants

Bring the outdoors in with easy-care indoor plants for every different room

Over the back fence

Keep up to date with all the good things your fellow Palm Lake Resort family is up to



Welcome.

We have now been at Palm Lake Resort Carindale for over two years. What a blast it has been! The homeowners at Carindale are lots of fun. Wayne and I have had some short holidays recently, and the telephone numbers of homeowners who can assist in our absence really works well.

The biggest news of recent weeks here at the resort has been Cyclone Alfred. We at Carindale definitely fared better than some of our brother/sister resorts. For the first time ever, the flood waters actually came into our community from Wright Street. We constantly checked the levels there and in the creek. The Palm Lake Resort brollies defintely came in handy (as pictured above)! We had Stuart (Home 168) monitoring the creek and reporting in to us and trusty Ken (Home 113) reporting from the other end of the resort. We were in good hands. What an incredible team.

While 28 homeowners left the resort to be with their families, we still had more than 200 homeowners stay in the resort throughout the cyclone. Those who stayed were in good hands, as we had many many homeowners checking on their older neighbours, boiling them water when they lost power. Some homeowners' cars were stuck in their garages, due to the power loss to their garage doors, but we were able to get some generators from our contractors to help them 'escape'. Our communal halls were left open so homeowners could gather together with other homeowners. Luckily we had arranged some extra food for sandwiches, as well as milk and water so we could all meet at the Grand Hall and have toasties - mostly made by Bob (Home 98)! Some homeowners were scared (mostly because of the fast flood waters) as they live on their own, but we made sure that someone dropped in on them regularly to keep them in the loop.

We are actually so proud of our caring homeowner network. Families were also wonderful, offering to shop etc. Wayne and I worked extra hard to ensure everyone felt safe and had what they needed, whether via us or from our 'gang' of helpers. We must have looked tired as some of the homeowners got together and kicked us out of the resort for a break. We did look a bit disheveled! One lovely homeowner even nominated us for a Local Heroes award. We were absolutely wowed by all the kind and caring homeowners who rose to the occasion. Our beautiful Palm Lake Resort Carindale community certainly comes together well in tough times.

In closing, we can never thank our volunteers enough. They help us with bus driving, closing and opening of the resort community halls, dinner nights and more. We have homeowner volunteers mowing and blowing the leaves off the bowling green. We have volunteers for the library and checking on the pool at times. And some ladies deliver the weekly newsletter each week. We love you all! Thanks so much for getting involved in your community!

Karen and Wayne,
Palm Lake Resort Carindale Caretakers



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News briefs.

Go green

With your yellow-top recycle bin, please crush, compact or cut up your items as best you can before putting them into these bins. Also, make a diary note for our these green waste collections:

- **April 7**
- **May 5**

Please have green waste out the front ready for pick up on these days. Please do not put green waste in bags.

Homes achieve great prices

As you will be aware houses sell very quickly at Carindale. Usually within a fortnight! If you are thinking of selling your home, let Caretaker Karen know as she is currently getting some great prices. We have had some homeowners leave us recently which is always a little sad – but sometimes they are going to be closer to their families, or to receive more support. We always keep in touch and drop in on them from time to time (check out our Caretakers with ex-homeowner Kathryn, on Page 6, who they met at a coffee shop on the northside of Brisbane recently). For more information about the real estate market, stop by the office.

Refer a friend, earn cash

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.



Autumn's here, and it's Your Time

With the coming of Autumn, there's a new edition of *This is Your Time*, our company magazine, hitting mailboxes around the nation. In this edition, let us introduce you to Mirador Wellness Centre which is part of Palm Lake Resort Pelican Waters. Mirador is the largest and most opulent over-50s wellness centre in the Southern Hemisphere. We couldn't be prouder of this one - it's a showstopper. We've actually taken that wellness theme and sprinkled it right throughout this magazine edition. Learn more about all those wellness therapies that are 'trending' right now (spoiler alert: they aren't 'trending' as much as they are here to stay!) and why you should incorporate a little more wellness into your daily life. We also catch you up on the progress we're making on our construction sites. If you haven't received a hard copy in your mailbox, you can always read it online at pallmlakeresort.com.au

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.

Weekly activities.

MONDAY

9am Bus service: Westfield Carindale, with pick-up at 12 noon (booking sheet in Hall)
9am Snooker, Billiards, 8 Ball (Grand Hall)
10.30am Aqua aerobics (indoor pool, booking sheet in Hall)
1.30pm Darts (Recreation Room)
6.15pm Bingo (Recreation Room)

TUESDAY

8.30am Beginners' line dancing (Grand Hall)
10am Gentle Exercise class (Grand Hall)
10am Trauma teddies (2nd & 4th Tuesday, Craft Room)
3pm Gents' BYO Happy Hour (Recreation Room). All gents welcome
4-5pm Lawn bowls (on the green)
6.30pm Cards Hand & Foot Canasta (Recreation Room)

WEDNESDAY

7am Gym instruction with Aubrey (Gym), with your doctor/physio's approval
9am Snooker, Billiards, 8 Ball (Grand Hall)
9am-10am Line dancing (Grand Hall)
5.30pm Dinner (Grand Hall). Book your meal before noon on the Friday prior
6.30pm Movie night (Theatre). Movie announced at dinner

THURSDAY

9am Tai chi (Grand Hall, booking sheet in Hall)
10.30am Aqua aerobics (indoor pool, booking sheet in Hall)
1pm Bus service: Shopping at Capalaba, pick-up at 3.30pm (Grand Hall)
4pm Ladies' BYO Happy Hour (Recreation Room). All ladies welcome

FRIDAY

9am Bus service: Westfield Carindale (booking sheet in Hall)
1pm Cards - Rummikin, Scrabble, Mah-jong (Recreation Room)
4pm BYO Happy Hour (Recreation Room)

SATURDAY

9-10am Line dancing (Grand Hall)
9.30am Cards - Hand & Foot, Canasta (Recreation Room)
1pm Cards - 500 (Recreation Room)

SUNDAY

9am Mah-jong (Recreation Room)
4pm-5pm Choir (Grand Hall)



Workshop news.

On February 8, a meeting was held to establish a committee to oversee the development and management of our Palm Lake Resort Carindale Workshop. The following homeowners were elected into office

- **President/Chairman:** John Meredith
- **Vice President:** Gregor Kruberg
- **Secretary/Treasurer:** Patricia Benson
- **Committee Member:** Stuart Liversidge
- **Workshop Manager:** Stuart Liversidge
- **Safety Officer:** Gregor Kruberg

A follow-up meeting with Caretaker Karen in March was designed to discuss a plan to upgrade the current equipment and provide new equipment. The items of importance being (in no particular order):

- Provision of a bench saw stop (an OH & S issue to prevent injury to the user)
- Replacement of the band saw
- Purchase of a sander
- Purchase of a planner.

It was decided that a priority list be established and that requests for approval for Palm Lake Resort management to provide this equipment be staggered. Stuart Andrews is continuing to sand back and re-stain the Palm Lake Resort bench seats from the Lawn Bowls Green. Another project currently underway is a plan to sell the existing work bench and build a new smaller bench.

Social Club update.

Brisbane Motor Museum

In February, the Social Club organised a visit to the Brisbane Motor Museum in Banyo. On arrival, we had morning tea in the Café before looking at the magnificent display of motor vehicles and motorbikes showcasing the best in motoring history in Australia and the world. The cars featured were the icons of the 1960s, '70s and '80s.

We all enjoyed our outing and agreed it's really worth a visit. We are planning to visit again later in the year for the Sports Car Spectacular.

Valentine's Day

This annual event of love was celebrated by heart chocolates being placed on every placemat at Dinner Night on February 12, followed by the movie "Valentine's Day" which was a romantic romp with a lot of well-named actors. It was a very enjoyable evening.

St Patrick's Day

A bus trip to Currumbin RSL, which sits on the banks of the beautiful Currumbin Creek, on Monday March 17 was a great day out. We travelled by Blue Bus on a lovely sunny day and had an hour to spare before lunch so we could have a drink on the patio. An Irish duo played lots of well-known Irish songs and reels and had us all clapping along to the music. We enjoyed a two-course lunch, green sparkling wine and Guinness (of course).

We thought we were taking the scenic route home through Burleigh, Miami, Mermaid Beach and Broadbeach but soon realised that there were too many road works (due to the construction of the tram line extension) to be able to see the water and therefore ended up heading to the freeway instead. All in all, everyone enjoyed a very relaxing, entertaining day. Slainte!

Date claimers

- Bremmer River Boat Trip: April 11
- Mothers' Day High Tea: Saturday, May 10
- Musical Trivia: Saturday, May 24
- Duelling Pianos Cabaret Night: Saturday, July 5

Judy Henson,
Social Club Secretary



HOA update.

Welcome to the 2025 committee

Well, this year has started with a bang. In February, the new committee for the Palm Lake Resort Carindale Home Owners' Association, as pictured above (note: some members are missing from this photo as they are travelling).

Our Vice Chairman, Elaine McClure has decided to take a break and the new Vice Chairman is Roni Harvey who is ably assisting the Chairman, John Toogood.

Kristine Warren is the Secretary and Norman Wilson has continued to hold the position of Treasurer. Maree Snowdon has taken a backward step for this year and is currently serving as a very valuable Committee Member.

The rest of the Committee are some stalwarts and some new members including: Maree (as mentioned above), Hazel Holman, Chris Riordan, Patricia Benson, Trish Pepper.

Norma Marl has been in England since January and is due home shortly and continues as the Events Organiser.

Special events

Pictured right, we had a lovely morning tea with Ross Vasta our Federal Member and he has provided Palm Lake Resort Carindale with a new Australian flag for the flagpole at the entrance to the Grand Hall.

The State Member for Chatsworth hosted a morning tea recently to answer our homeowners' many questions that they had about issues presently of concern.

Upcoming event

Maree Snowdon is presently in the midst of finalising our Care Expo Open Day which will held on April 14 in the Grand Hall. This should be a very informative and helpful event for our homeowners .

Contact us

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THANK
YOU FOR THE
FLAG, ROSS





Pictured above: Volunteer Shirley has helped a number of our homeowners (especially those with mobility issues) with walking their dogs or feeding their cats. Shirley really cares about your pets and we think she's wonderful.

Pictured below: Qantas is now sponsoring Australian Red Cross Trauma Teddies. Qantas is flying them free of charge to any disaster areas in Australia and overseas. Some 50,000 Trauma Teddies are made in Australia each year. Our own group at Palm Lake Resort Carindale contributes to this figure, making about 50 to 80 each month. The group is after more knitters as it is difficult to keep up the supply. If you can't knit, wool donations would be gratefully received. If you are interested, see Cathy (Home 22). Great work ladies!



Pictured above left: Alan is our Groundsman's helper, or "2IC" as David calls him. He's always ready to lend a hand. Thanks to Annette for loaning Alan to us!
Pictured above right: Introducing a new bus driver, Gary (Home 55). Gary has lived in the resort before, many years ago. He knew a good thing and has come back to us! Gary is pictured with Margaret (Home 40) who is a regular bus user and has never had her photo in *The Chatter* - so we had to fix that!



Pictured above: In February, we had Romio & Juliette attend and perform. Great crowd! Fabulous performers. Thanks to all those who came along and supported our first Afternoon Melodies concert for 2025. Thanks to Chris (Home 10) for organising these musical afternoons.



Pictured left: Our Caretakers caught up with Kathryn (previously Home 76) who recently moved out. She's doing well and says hello!

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IN TOUCH!**

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PA Hospital (24 hour emergency) 3176 2111
QEI Hospital (24 hour emergency) 3182 6111
Veterans Affairs 1800 838 372
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Bus, Ferries and Trains Information 13 12 30

Palm Lake Resort Carindale: Recreation Room 1195
Palm Lake Resort Carindale: Grand Hall 1196

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Bev's Mobile Hairdressing 0411 353 446
Carpet cleaning Sun Clean (Frank) 0421 334 797
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Chemist: Meadowlands Road 3398 6709
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Painter (Geoff) 0407 944 428
Paper Delivery 3390 4969
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Plumber (Andrew) 0434 018 008
Podiatrist (Jason) 0475 276 740
Pressure cleaning (David) 0409 483 645
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Smoke alarms (Myles) 0431 963 199
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Taxi: Black & White 13 32 22
Taxi: Yellow 13 19 24
TransitCare Community Flyer 1300 153 636
Wayne's Lawn Mowing Service 0401 136 533
Westy's Pressure Washing 0435 030 305
Window cleaning (Cameron) 0412 574 257



Pictured above: So many of our trusted contractors turned up after Cyclone Alfred offering help - and they even brought generators with them. Among our key contractors are:

- Our electrician, Glenn, and his apprentice, Jai. A valued contractor who goes above and beyond for our homeowners and certainly helps us look after the resort!
- Paul is our air conditioner cleaner. He does a fantastic and thorough job at a good price.
- Gavan has been coming to the resort for many years and often doesn't charge for small jobs. Gavan offers us deals for garage doors around the resort, as some of the doors and motors are starting to show their age. Some homeowners got locked in their garages during the cyclone power outage so Gavan was here to help them by installing longer quick-release ropes.
- Dan, our fencing contractor, has now fixed and installed many fences around the resort. He's a great guy and is so caring towards our homeowners.
- Andrew and his apprentice plumber son, Jaxsen. Andrew knows more about the resort than we do, and is always available to help. Andrew does not charge a call-out as most of the time he is in the resort!

THE COLOUR
GREEN PROMOTES
CALM, BALANCE,
RELAXATION,
RENEWAL

Green thumbs up.

IT DOESN'T MATTER WHERE IN YOUR HOME YOU PLACE THEM, POTTED PLANTS ADD A SPECIAL SOMETHING TO ANY AND EVERY INTERIOR. THEY INJECT LITERAL LIFE INTO INANIMATE SPACES AND BEYOND THAT, THEY BENEFIT HOMES – AND THE HUMANS THAT INHABIT THEM – BY FILTERING AIR AND ABSORBING AIRBORNE TOXINS.

The biggest problem homeowners have with incorporating potted plants into their interior scheme is keeping them alive. Yes, unfortunately, many of us either set and forget our plants or at the other end of the scale, we shower them with too much love (read: water) and the end result is the same. Having said that, the biggest mistake homeowners make around indoor plants is in the very first step: Choosing the wrong plant for the space. You simply can't enter a nursery, fall in love with any lush pot of greenery and expect it to live anywhere in your home. Just like humans, plants can be fussy when it comes to their living arrangements. To help get you off on the right foot with adding plants to your home interior, follow these guidelines and suggestions to find a plant for some of the most obvious places...

In the kitchen

A lovely little potted plant on a bright kitchen windowsill or a bright benchtop, can do wonders for the heart of your home. Try these options that are cute in size but add mighty impact:

- **Geranium:** Compact. Flowers beautifully in full sun.
- **African Violet:** Prefers bright light but not extreme heat, making it great for sunny but cooler windowsills.
- **Kalanchoe:** A flowering succulent that enjoys direct sun.
- **Echeveria:** A beautiful rosette-shaped succulent that does well in sunny spots. Enmasse, these guys add even more

impact. For example, put four different Echeveria in four individual but matching/coordinating pots and group them together on a bright bench.

- **Basil:** Grows well in a sunny spot with regular watering.
- **Thyme:** A hardy herb that loves warmth and sunlight.

In the bathroom

Bathrooms are typically high humidity, low light spaces with temperature fluctuations, so the best plants for these conditions are ones that thrive in moisture-rich environments.

- **Peace Lily (Spathiphyllum):** Handles low light and high humidity, plus it purifies the air.
- **ZZ Plant (Zamioculcas zamiifolia):** Extremely hardy, tolerates low light and moisture.
- **Cast Iron Plant (Aspidistra elatior):** Almost indestructible and thrives in low light.
- **Boston Fern (Nephrolepis exaltata):** Loves humidity but needs regular watering. The good thing here is that you're probably more likely to remember to water your boston fern given it's a room where water is easily accessible.
- **Maidenhair Fern (Adiantum spp.):** Thrives in high humidity, though it needs consistent moisture. Again, a great location to remember to water your fern.
- **Bird's Nest Fern (Asplenium nidus):** Tolerates low light and loves moisture.

In the living area

These spaces call for larger plants that make more of a statement. Living spaces can be bright, or offer lower/ indirect light, depending on the orientation of your home and the available windows so you'll want something that can handle filtered light while also able to grow to a good indoor size.

- **Fiddle Leaf Fig (Ficus lyrata):** A popular indoor tree with large, glossy leaves. Prefers bright, indirect light and occasional watering.
- **Rubber Plant (Ficus elastica):** Low maintenance with dark green or variegated leaves; thrives in bright, indirect light.
- **Bird of Paradise (Strelitzia reginae or Strelitzia nicolai):** Large tropical plant with broad leaves. Loves bright spaces but not direct sun.
- **Kentia Palm (Howea forsteriana):** A graceful, slow-growing palm that adapts well to indoor conditions.
- **Parlor Palm (Chamaedorea elegans):** Classic indoor palm with a soft, tropical look; thrives in bright, indirect light.
- **Dragon Tree (Dracaena marginata):** Tall and slim with striking foliage, easy to care for, great for indoor air quality.
- **Umbrella Tree (Schefflera actinophylla):** Lush and bushy with an elegant shape, perfect for bright rooms.

From the ceiling

Hanging pots can provide unexpected drama in the right interior spaces. They can fill a space well and bring height to that space. Low-maintenance, lush indoor hanging plants are quite inexpensive and many require minimal care, including:

- **Heartleaf Philodendron (Philodendron hederaceum):** A fast-growing, trailing plant that thrives in indirect light and only needs occasional watering.
- **Spider Plant (Chlorophytum comosum):** Hardy and adaptable, this strappy-leafed specimen gets better and better as it matures as it produces baby 'spiderettes' that drape beautifully down from the pot.
- **Devil's Ivy (Epipremnum aureum):** One of the easiest plants to grow. It tolerates low light, occasional neglect and still looks full and lush. If you like this one, you'll also love the striking green and yellow variegated leaves of **Philodendron Brasil** and the bright lime-green version called **Neon Pothos** and finally, **Marble Queen Pothos** for its variegated white/green marbled leaves.
- **Silver Satin Pothos (Scindapsus pictus):** Another close relative of Devil's Ivy with velvety, silvery-speckled leaves.

...and a few other hot tips

- If you want to make a statement in your living space but your preferred indoor plant is smaller and doesn't have a tall, upright shape, simply choose a tall statement pot that lifts your plant off the ground.
- If the spot you want to fill is simply too dark for any plant to thrive, a vase filled with greenery is a great substitute. Monstera (Monstera deliciosa) offers iconic split leaves that last weeks in water. Lucky Bamboo (Dracaena sanderiana) thrives in water, adding height and structure to a vase. Eucalyptus branches are another great option.
- It's always a good idea to have a few indoor plants on an indoors/outdoors rotation so they are always getting a period of time outside to recharge and revitalise. They'll also love a little incidental nitrate-filled rainwater while they're outside having a holiday.

Home for sale.

Home 107



Move-in ready

This immaculate home is the perfect move-in-ready opportunity — there's nothing to do but enjoy! Recently upgraded with high-quality new carpet, modern fixtures and fittings, a new gas hot water system, and new air conditioning units, every detail has been thoughtfully refreshed for comfort and convenience. The established, low-maintenance gardens provide a peaceful outdoor space without the upkeep. Whether you're downsizing or seeking a relaxed lifestyle in a well-maintained setting, this home offers exceptional value and ease of living.

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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 ARE OUR SUPERPOWER!

Palm Lake Care needs you.

As you know, the Palm Lake Group portfolio includes more than two dozen over-50s resort communities as well as seven aged caring communities across Queensland's south-east corner.

While our Palm Lake Care teams provide highly reputable 24-7 nursing support and engaging Lifestyle programs, they are currently on the hunt for community volunteers. In each community, these volunteers can choose to spend one-on-one time with the residents or support our teams in running group activities and excursions etc.

Palm Lake Resort Beachmere Bay's Robyn Crosbie says she loves nothing more than volunteering her time at Palm Lake Care Beachmere's aged caring community which is conveniently across the road from her resort.

"I've been volunteering there every week for the past six years, helping the Lifestyle Team facilitate their activities program," she smiles.

For example, you can find Robyn going on bus trips with the residents - taking them out to lunch and on scenic drives, sometimes also to church.

"Volunteering is not for everyone but I love it. My Dad was in aged care for seven years so I'm very used to the setting," Robyn explains. "I love a chat and find it very easy to talk to the residents. I love listening to their stories and they love listening to mine."

If you're based nearby one of our seven Palm Lake Care communities and would like to assist as a volunteer, we encourage you to make an inquiry. Simply visit www.palmlakecare.com.au and you'll find all the contact details you'll need there.



100
YEARS
YOUNG!

Lucky Phil.

Palm Lake Resort Eagleby homeowner Phil McDonald has just celebrated his 100th birthday! The Eagleby community knows Phil as an avid (lead) bowler. He's a favourite teammate among the skips, always close to the jack. Even if his bowl lands just a few feet out, he curses himself, though most of us would be thrilled to bowl as well as he does! His dedication to the game has undoubtedly kept him active and young at heart. At this rate, we wouldn't be surprised if he's still bowling at 110! Congrats to Phil, from all across the Palm Lake Group!

D-Bay delight.

It's been a record-breaking year for the charitable bunch at Palm Lake Resort Deception Bay. In 2024, they recycled a record 39,141 containers and donated more than \$3900 to Farm Angels (Farm Angels provides support to rural communities in time of flood, fire, drought and plagues). They also collected and donated items for hampers for the needy over the festive season, supporting organisations such as Community Care Network and The Lighthouse. Go team!



Homeowner golfers unite on the green.

GOLF IS DEFINITELY ONE WAY THAT OUR HOMEOWNERS BOND ACROSS RESORT ADDRESSES - AND THE MOST RECENT PALM LAKE INTER-RESORT GOLF CLASSIC IS PROOF OF THIS.

For the third successive year, Caloundra Cay golfers won the Palm Lake Resort Cup, but this time it was by the skinniest of margins. The winning resort team score was 60.32 (Caloundra Cay) over Pelican Waters (60.857) and Beachmere Bay (61.0). Golfers from Palm Lake Resorts at Pelican Waters, Toowoomba, Cooroy-Noosa, Beachmere Sands, Beachmere Bay, Hervey Bay and Caloundra Cay took part in the annual event, teaming up at the superb Pelican Waters Golf Course which is owned and operated by the Palm Lake Group.

And despite an absolute drenching in the days leading up to the event – which had been abandoned five days earlier – the course was presented in unbelievably good condition for the 31 teams and 120 individuals representing Palm Lake Resort homeowners.

Competing in a four-person Ambrose, the Beachmere Bay team of Graeme Clark, Michael Gregory, Stephen Walton and Ronald Rosenberger won the day, returning a nett score of 58.625. The Pelican Waters group of Steve Whitehead, Brendan Francome, Glenn Stamp and Ronald Wilkins (59) finished second, and Caloundra Cay's Ian Chew, Heather Busch, Trish McConnell and Terry Jones (59.625) came in third. But it was the overall scoring of the nine Caloundra Cay teams that resulted in the win, and the trophy returning to its 'home' at Hemingways Country Club.

– By TONY DURKIN

Our congrats to Greg.

Palm Lake Group was pleased to hear that Australian sporting identity Greg Norman was handpicked by Prime Minister Anthony Albanese to join the board organising the 2032 Brisbane Olympic and Paralympic Games. Greg Norman Golf Course Design was the team behind the original Pelican Waters Golf Course layout and they also helped our local team reconfigure the course to make way for Palm Lake Resort Pelican Waters. Greg is a supporter of the Palm Lake Group and we couldn't think of anyone more perfectly suited to this Olympic role. We send our congratulations to Greg and look forward to hosting him at Pelican Waters for a round, when he's in town.



Bravo Barnacles!

Palm Lake Resort Bargara's "Palm Lake Singers" is a choir formed by the resort's homeowners. This choir's male members have formed an additional separate choir group called "The Barnacles". Pictured above, the group stopped by Palm Lake Care Bargara recently and made a huge impression on the very grateful audience. We love seeing our homeowners involved in inter-resort events but it's just as great to see our resort homeowners and aged care communities coming together for mutual benefit. Bravo Barnacles!

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.

Simply contact your Caretakers or email the details to Belinda at belinda@bellepr.com

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