

AUGUST - SEPTEMBER 2024



The Buzz



We've got lots to report

Hear from some of our thriving sport, social and special interest groups inside

One big birthday bash!

With 18 homeowners turning 80 this year, a party was certainly in order

Refer a friend, earn a reward

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



Welcome.

So, we are well into another Queensland winter! At least the longest night has passed (Friday June 21) and we can now expect more daylight hours as spring approaches.

You may have noticed a little bit of activity around the grounds when the aquatic weed harvester team was onsite clearing the lakes (*pictured above*). They have made a real difference to the outlook over the water.

This past July was the AGM for the Residents' Meeting and the new Residents' Committee will have been elected. Though details are not available as we go to print, we would like to thank the outgoing team - under the leadership of President John Woolley - for the efforts on your behalf. We look forward to working with the newly elected committee.

We have another two new homeowners to welcome this month: Mathew Jong (Home 129) and Narelle Beeby (Home 173). Please say hello when you see them around the resort.

A reminder that Monday August 12 is a public holiday for the Moreton Bay region (Ekka Show) and the office will be closed.

Thank you once again to all the contributors for this issue. A reminder that the content deadline for the October-November edition of 'The Buzz' is Monday, September 2.

Regards,

Lyn and Phil
Palm Lake Resort Deception Bay Caretakers

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News in brief.

Farewell, Fullo

The family of John 'Fullo' Fullerton would like to thank everyone for attending John's service, and for the many cards and messages of support at this sad time.

'Thanks for the memories.'

Robyn Fullerton
Home 86

Vale John Morgan

Thank you for all the beautiful words of comfort and sympathy during our sad loss of John Morgan.

Husband, Father, Grandfather.

From Lee, Michelle and Mark Morgan



Refer your friends!

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 Beachmere Sands home, you'll receive \$250 cash. Easy! Ask about our 'Refer a Friend' incentive at the office.



Get social

Are you on social media? We are, too! You can find Palm Lake Resort on Facebook and also Instagram. Make sure you like and follow our social media profiles to see even more news from right across our dozens and dozens of locations, across the east coast of Australia.

Facebook: @pallmlakeresort
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Your Time is out now!

Grab your copy of the Winter 2024 edition of our company magazine, Your Time, now. In it, we celebrate the progress of our newest resort locations, including Yamba Cove, Pelican Waters and Forster Lakes. You can also read about Fern Bay's 10th birthday and our features on active ageing, pickleball and more. If you haven't received a copy in your mailbox, you can always catch up online at pallmlakeresort.com.au



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.



OBE: Over Bloody Eighty!

There is a common saying these days that anyone who reaches the age of 80 years qualifies for the award of an OBE (Over Bloody Eighty). Some residents in Palm Lake Resort Deception Bay realised that there are so many who would qualify this year that there should be an event to mark this important milestone. As a result, a get-together was held in the resort's Sports Club on June 29 (close to the middle of the year) to commemorate those born in 1944, celebrate their achievement in reaching the age of 80, and award OBE certificates.

Eighteen qualifying residents (11 'girls' and 7 'boys') and their partners attended. The resort's caretakers, Lyn and Phil Payne, were also welcomed to the presentation. A summary of facts and events relating to 1944 was distributed for information and discussion. Group photos were taken. Those wishing to do so displayed baby photos and childhood mementos and spoke about their childhood years. While most had been born in Australia, a few were born in England, New Zealand or The Netherlands. Some grew up in states other than Queensland, in cities, major towns, smaller villages or farms, but all with a wide range of experiences to relate.

Each qualifying resident was presented with an OBE certificate of achievement. A further two qualifying residents, who were unable to attend, were presented with their certificates at a later date. One qualifying resident (selected at random) had the honour of cutting a celebratory group birthday cake.

The occasion was a very enjoyable social one, with some residents (out of a total of approximately 430 in the Resort) meeting others they had not met before – despite all having one thing in common.

Thank you to the organising group of Patsy Paynter, Gael Itzstein, Lorraine Humble and my wife Phyllis Powell (who is too young to qualify this year) for their hard work in developing the concept of an OBE presentation and making it happen so successfully. Thank you also to Robyn Williams, who took the accompanying photos as a record of the occasion, and to the volunteers who cleaned up afterwards.

Brian Powell (Home 226)



From the Red Hatters.

The Degani Restaurant at Capestone looked after us well. They gave us a secluded table which was good for us to be able to chat freely without disturbing other customers, and especially suitable for those of us who like a quiet spot with little background noise. We were able to discuss an activity we are going to try at our future meetings. This activity will be fun and raise a small amount of money incidentally. There was also a perfect place for photos with the lake in the background.

From the Craft Club.

Don't forget Market Day will take place on Saturday November 16. A bit of information about Market Day, for the new homeowners...

If you are a crafty person and make items that you would like to sell, you may have a table at our show. However, you must come and register at the stallholders meeting on Friday September 13 at 3.30pm in the Beach House.

We have a challenge at the show where a person can enter the specified item (this year is a decorated candle). On the day, all the items will have a number and a corresponding container where people will select their preference and place a coin in the container. The three containers with the most money will receive a prize (not the money raised, though, as that will be donated to a charity specified closer to the date).

Morning tea will be available at a small cost, and also raffle prizes. For all enquiries, please phone Margaret (ph. 812) or Hazel (ph. 978).

Happy crafting!



From the Bowls Club.

The 2023/2024 bowling season draws to a close on a very sad note as we acknowledge the sudden passing of our club president, John Fullerton.

John was keen to continue as president for another year – however, this was not meant to be. He will be remembered not only for his presidency, but also for the many chores and favours he did for residents in this resort. Rest in peace, John. We will miss you (even your sometimes colourful vocabulary).

As a club, our thoughts are with John's wife Robyn and their family.

Adding to recent departures from our green, John Morgan has sadly passed away as well. Again, our thoughts are with Lee and their family.

Club competitions have begun as members have battles for honours in the Consistency Challenge (Murray Liddell beat defending two-time champion Jim McArthur).

The pairs competition opened with two of the games going to 'golden point' extra ends, which also happened in one of the semi-finals and the grand final. It is indicative of the standard of competition.

A close and well contested final went deservedly to Mike Danks (skip) and Brian Powell, who triumphed over the more experienced pair, Murray Liddell and Sheryl Wall. Brian said it had 'been a long time between drinks'. Well done to all contestants.

The AMG and Election of Officers has been and gone, and we welcome some new faces to the Club Committee:

- **President** Murray Liddell
- **Vice President** Gael Itzstein
- **Secretary** Mike Danks
- **Treasurer** Ross Heaney
- **Providore** Robyn Williams
- **Games Director** Robyn Fullerton
- **Greens Director** Jim McArthur

Unfortunately, we will not have an immediate past president however, with a little coercion, Bill Hoggetts (the last vice president) may oblige the members in that role.

We are expecting Green Wattle to visit in mid-July, reciprocating our challenge. It's always a good day of bowls and friendly banter.

Stay warm this winter and we'll see you all on the green in spring.

Murray Liddell
Home 158, ph. 966



From the Garden Group.

The last meeting of the Garden Group was on June 4 with President Margaret Munro in the chair.

Unfortunately, the lower attendance is continuing. We would love to see new members come along, and old members return. We are a friendly group, and everyone is welcome. Please bring \$2 entry and a plate to share for morning tea.

We have had some interesting guest speakers at previous meetings, from the likes of Grow Organics, Searles, Helloworld Travel and AAT Kings Tours, as well as fellow member Keith Lawson.

In May, Leesa Cornford from Leesa's Little Farm was the guest speaker – she told us about the roadside stall she keeps at her front gate on Old Bay Road, and all the wonderful things she grows. Her main topic was her speciality, dragon fruit, which we all tasted at morning tea. She also grows many other fruits, herbs, etc. when they are in season.

Our June speaker was Kelly Ashford who is the Senior Local History Officer from City of Moreton (MBRC). She entertained us all with information about the Deception Bay Heritage Trail. It was so interesting to learn about the original settlers in the late 1890s, and also to look at the chart that showed where Matthew Flinders sailed into the mouth of Deception Bay in 1799.

The May winner of Bloom of the Month was Val Wallace with a lovely red and white rose. In June, the winner was Sue Mackley with an attractive air plant.

John Fullerton, one of our valued members, passed away in June. Our condolences go to his wife Robyn and family.

Marie Heggie is running a bus trip to the QCGC Garden Expo at Nambour on July 4, 2024. It is a well-priced outing but again, the numbers are down.

Our next meeting in July is the AGM. As this report goes to print there are no written nominations for the new committee and it is hoped they will be forthcoming from the floor.

Clean up at the resort garden is the last Tuesday of the month at 9am. Everyone is welcome to lend a hand, pruning or whatever they can contribute.

Happy gardening,

Margaret Munro, President (ph. 850)
Mary Higgs, Secretary (ph. 995)

From the Social Committee.

Everybody at the free ladies' morning tea appeared to enjoy themselves. Thanks to all the committee members who contributed. The setting and food were lovely, and it was great effort by the team, plus a couple of volunteers. This was followed by a talk from Pastor David about the work done by The Lighthouse. We were able to donate a total of \$700 from this fundraiser: \$500 collected from the ladies' donations and subsidised by the committee, plus \$200 donated by Portofino Fashions. There was a great response to the fashion parade.

We had a full house for the barbeque lunch on June 16. The burgers and ice cream were yummy! It's nice when someone else cooks for you. A great big thank you to the volunteers who stepped forward to help, especially with the cooking.

At the time of writing, there is great excitement ahead of our next big function on Sunday July 20. The theme is 'The Best of British', which is the name of the band that is to provide the entertainment. Their reputation has us all excited we and anticipate a great afternoon of enjoyable music. People are being encouraged to dress with this topic in mind – think red, white and blue dress, etc. Hopefully royalty will join us. A British pub lunch will be served up.

Dates for your calendar:

- **Saturday August 31:** Men's morning tea
- **Sunday in September (date TBA):** Rock 'n' roll display by guest artists

2024 Garden Group Committee

The Garden Group held their AGM in early July, and the new committee was elected. Committee members are as follows:

- **President** Margaret Munro (Home 131)
- **Vice President 1** Paul Clough (Home 222)
- **Vice President 2** Colin Briggs (Home 51)
- **Secretary** Desley Young (Home 186)
- **Assistant Sec.** Fran Knight (Home 185)
- **Treasurer** Margaret Cunningham (Home 5)
- **Raffle Convenor** Marie Heggie (Home 63)

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Home 244 - \$520,000

Beds

3

Bath

1

Living

1

Outdoor Living

Garage

1



Cottage II

Come and join all that Palm Lake Resort Deception Bay has to offer.

This well-maintained home is situated at the end of a quiet street and has a large north-facing veranda where you can sit and relax on.

Walk in and start enjoying life, create a lifestyle with as many of the activities we offer as you desire. Close to a shopping centre, medical services and walk ways but still remaining peaceful. The home and resort are in a great location, come and see for yourself.

Home 117- \$435,000

Beds

2

Bath

1

Living

1

Outdoor Living

Garage

1



Charisma

Come and view this tidy, easy-care property in a great location. Enjoy your morning 'cuppa' in the sun overlooking the croquet lawn. A short walk to all the wonderful facilities Palm Lake Resort has to offer, with all the clubs and groups to join there is always something to do.

The world is your oyster when you come and enjoy the lifestyle of this community. Make an appointment to view and see for yourself this gem of a property.

Features include air con and ceiling fans, electric sun screens and a garage with ramp access.

Home 173 - \$410,000

Beds

2

Bath

1

Living

1

Outdoor Living

Garage

1



Charisma

Discover your perfect retreat within this meticulously tended home, complemented by effortlessly manageable gardens. Positioned conveniently close to resort amenities, a nearby shopping centre, medical facilities, and a picturesque bay-side promenade, this residence offers unparalleled convenience and excellent value. Unwind on the veranda, and watch the world go by. With the potential to infuse your style, this home awaits your personal touch to transform it into your perfect place.

Home 17 - \$395,000

Beds

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Bath

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Living

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Outdoor Living

Garage

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Fairhaven I

This property has lots of potential to become something special. With a north-facing veranda to enjoy the afternoon sun and a large shaded deck perfect for BBQs on warm summer evenings, it offers plenty of outdoor living space.

If hobbies are your thing, there is a spacious room to spread out in, as well as a large garden shed. Palm Lake Resort provides a great lifestyle with clubs to join and facilities to use, making life easy and enjoyable. Situated close to shops, medical enters, and a walkway along the Esplanade, this home offers both convenience and leisure.

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Over the back fence.

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!



Our Thelma reigns supreme.

When it comes to volunteering, there's one Palm Lake Resort homeowner who is quite literally top of the pops - and that's Thelma Hansen of Willow Lodge. Thelma has been at the resort since 2000 and has clocked up 23 years of volunteer work in that time. While this queen of volunteering is 95 years young, she's quite happily living on her own and heading to The Lodge Country Club on Tuesday and Saturday mornings each week to lend a helping hand. Thelma is a true inspiration, selflessly giving back to her community for more than two decades, which is why she's the inaugural winner of her resort's new Volunteer Recognition prize. Keep up the great work, Thelma! We appreciate you.

Sharing a cuppa, for charity.

Right across our 27 Palm Lake Resort addresses, we bet there's a jug boiling right now! Coming together over a piping hot cup of tea or a reinvigorating mug of coffee is what we all love best. It's not so much the drink itself as it is the enjoyment when the moment is shared with friends, family and likeminded neighbours. So, it's little wonder why the Cancer Council's annual 'Biggest Morning Tea' fundraiser seems to strike a chord across all our resorts, year after year. Not only do we all know someone who has been affected by cancer, we know that supporting a worthy cause like this will support the future of cancer research and patient care. And to do it by sharing a cuppa? Too easy! At the time of printing this newsletter, more than \$14 million has been raised across Australia at Biggest Morning Tea events in 2024 alone. More than \$24,000 of that has been contributed by Palm Lake Resort. Well done!



Pictured: The Biggest Morning Tea celebrations at Willow Lodge.

Green and gold for grandie.

There's going to be one proud Palm Lake Resort Tweed River homeowner with her eyes glued to the television come the 2024 Olympic Games. Laurie Galloway's granddaughter, Kaitlyn Torpey (pictured right), has been selected to play for the Australian Matilda's soccer team at the Paris Olympics. Well done to Kaitlyn! The whole of Palm Lake Resort will be cheering you on.



What's happening over your back fence?

Has your resort got a warm and fuzzy "Over the back fence" story to share with the greater Palm Lake Resort community? Are you and 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.

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

Weekly activities.

MONDAY

- 8am** Zumba Gold - Beach House, Weight Group - Craft Room
- 9am** Tai Chi - Beach House
- 10am** Sing-along (first and third Mondays)
- 1.30pm** Lawn Bowls
- 2pm** Smart Moves - Beach House
- 6.15pm** Social Tennis

TUESDAY

- 9am** Mah Jong - Sports Club, Garden Group (first Tuesday of the month) - Sports Club
- 9.30am** Oil Painting - Craft Room (not first Tuesday of the month), Scrabble - Beach House
- 1pm** Cards (500) - Beach House, Indoor Bowls - Beach House
- 5pm** Residents Meal - Beach House
- 6pm** Square Dancing - Beach House

WEDNESDAY

- 7.30am** Aqua Aerobics - Indoor Pool
- 8am** Group Fitness - Beach House
- 12noon** Residents Meal - Beach House
- 1pm** Cards - Sports Club (5 Crowns)
- 1.30pm** Round Dancing - Beach House
- 3.30pm** Lawn Bowls
- 4pm** Croquet - Croquet Park
- 6pm** Line Dancing - Beach House

THURSDAY

- 9am** Tai Chi - Beach House
- 10am** Red Hatters meeting (third Thur of the month) - Sports Club, Painting (Artist) Group - Craft Room
- 10.30am** Smart Moves- Beach House
- 2pm** Cards (Euchre) - Beach House, Line Dancing - Beach House
- 5pm** Residents Meal - Beach House
- 6.30pm** Table Tennis - Sports Club, Cards - Beach House

FRIDAY

- 8.30am** Lawn Bowls
- 8.45am** Aqua Aerobics - Indoor Pool (Alternate Fridays)
- 9am** Craft Club - Craft Room
- 10am** Legacy Morning Tea - Beach House (2nd Friday of the month)
- 2pm** Bingo - Beach House
- 6.30pm** Cards - Beach House
- 6.15pm** Social Tennis

SATURDAY

- 8am** Keyboarders (alternate Saturday) - Sports Club
- 9am** Quilters Group - Craft Room
- 1pm** Cards (500) - Beach House, Indoor Bowls - Beach House
- 4pm** Croquet - Croquet Park

SUNDAY

- 6pm** Cards (500) - Beach House

DAILY

- 1.30pm - 4pm** Billiard and Snooker Club (Ladies' Day Tuesday)

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Caretakers/Managers/Sales: 1800 725 652

Beach House: ext. 605

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Prince Charles Hospital: '0' 3139 4000

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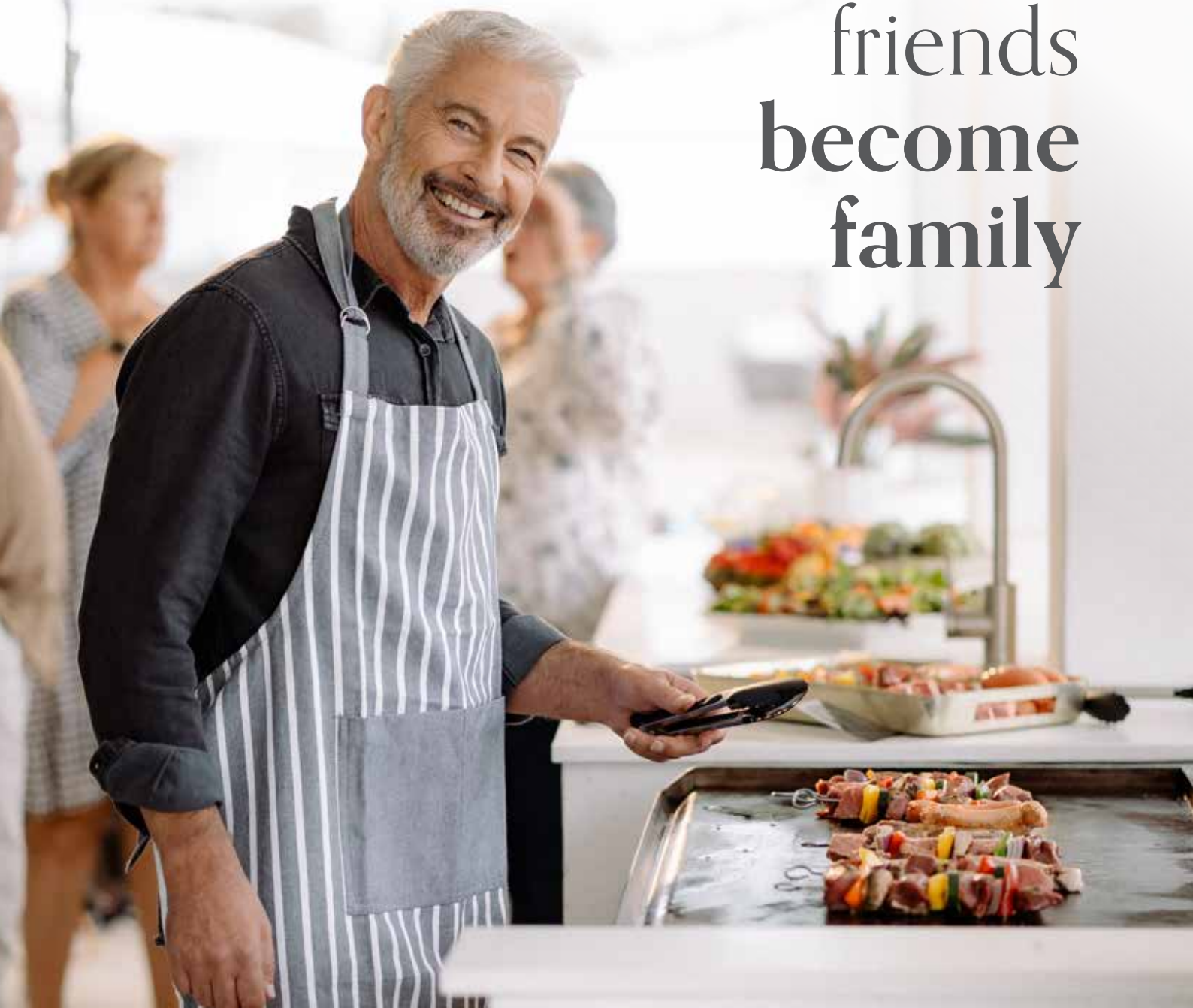
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