

JUNE - JULY 2025



The Buzz



Quilting talents on show

The recent quilt show proved our resort is home to some talented crafters!

We will remember them

Catch up on the highlights of our resort's Anzac Day commemoration, inside...

Over the back fence

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



Welcome.

Anzac Day was once again well attended by residents, Scouts and the Member for Bancroft, Chris Whiting. Thank you to all involved in making this a very special day in the resort, especially Pat McGloughlin and her volunteers, and to our veterans and families. Some photos of the day are included in this issue - please turn to Page 4.

We have two more new residents to welcome this month: Zoey Lovejoy (Home 103) and Nancy Kitschke (Home 7). We hope you enjoy living in our wonderful community.

Apologies for the typo in the last issue. Of course, Lynnette and Laurence moved into Home 43 - not Home 48, as Angie and Tony still live in that one.

It's great to see so many of you enjoying the complementary meals in our Beach House. Please remember to book one week in advance on the portal or contact the office - our capacity is limited to 100 for the service on Tuesday and Thursday evenings, and Wednesday lunch. The menus change each week; for those who don't come to meals, please note that they are prepared by our Executive Chef Steve and are always delicious.

Congratulations and many happy returns to Olive Hull (Home 153), who can be seen pictured on the opposite page. Olive has just celebrated her 96th birthday and as of this month has been a homeowner at Palm Lake Resort Deception Bay for 23 years.

If you have any notable occasions to announce or would like to contribute to the next issue, the close off date is Monday July 21.

Regards,

Lyn and Phil
Palm Lake Resort Deception Bay Caretakers

Contact us.

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News in brief.

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.



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

Social Club Committee

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Pamela Hill (Home 234, ph. 739)

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- Sharon Barnaby (Home 30, ph. 968)
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- Julia and Clive Nutley (Home 17, ph. 964)
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- Elinor Radke (Home 84, Ph. 753)
- Mary Jacobsen (Home 270, ph. 702)
- Tina Burrows (Home 231, ph. 892)



Happy birthday, Olive!

Mystery bus trip

Our next bus trip will be on Thursday July 3, leaving at 9.30am, to a mystery destination with morning tea on the way. There will also be good lucky door prizes. The \$75 cost includes morning tea, coach and two course luncheon. The list will be out on June 6, with payment due on June 23 in the Beach House between 11am and 12noon. For enquires, contact Marie (Home 63, ph. 832).

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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Lest we forget.

ANZAC DAY IS ALWAYS A BIG EVENT HERE AT PALM LAKE RESORT DECEPTION BAY, AND THIS YEAR'S SERVICE WAS NO EXCEPTION.

The commemoration was beautiful, complete with stories of service, wreath laying and Anzac Day traditions. A special thank you to everyone who was involved in the event together - we appreciate the time and effort that goes into this service, year after year.



Craft club.

Results from the AGM were as follows... **President:** Margaret (Home 5); **Secretary:** Jackie (276); **Treasurer:** Wendy (Home 122); **Committee:** Joan (Home 223), Betty (Home 47), Joy (Home 109).

Please mark Saturday November 15 on your calendar as Market Day. For those wishing to have a stall, a meeting will be held on Friday September 26 and Friday October 24 at 3.30pm in the Beach House. Please also mark these dates down.

The challenge this year is a Christmas themed decorated garden pot. To be fair to all interested, the pot is to be 14cm high

and 13cm wide (across top) with no plant or flowers in pot. If you would like a pot or wish to see the size, call in at the craft room on a Friday morning or see Margaret (Home 5).

Thank you to everybody who has given wool and craft items to the club. The ladies have made good use of the wool, making all types of rugs, scarves, beanies, baby items, toys and other things. These items – two large garbage bags full – have been taken to Charleville by one of our homeowners, where they will be given to the Charleville Hospital and the needy. There's a possibility that some will go to Thargomindah.

Thank you to Dorothy's family and friends for giving us all the craft and sewing items, which have been offered to the craft and quilting ladies.

Until next time, happy crafting,

Margaret (Home 5)

From the Red Hatters.

We join Red Hatters for the friendship and enjoyable mornings - and of course, the red hat or fascinator or adornment of some kind we wear on our heads. We wear a lot of purple as well, and these practices come from a poem written by one of the early members. At least once a year we have a Gala Night when we wear clothes, from our wardrobes, that we have from a special occasion but perhaps have not worn since. We also wear lots of bling, and we take photos using our frame to help us record these occasions. Hot finger food, desserts and drinks are all on the menu. As usual, at our recent Gala Night, we played a couple of games and had a great evening.

We can thoroughly recommend a visit to the Strawberry View Coffee Shack at Bellmere. The strawberries were just so sweet and the morning tea of scones, strawberry jam and cream was delicious, including the fresh strawberry (which definitely encourages you to purchase a punnet to take home). There were many other choices on the menu, too, and several strawberry-themed items on sale. The food was even served on plates in the shape of strawberries.

We all arrived safely after just a thirty-minute drive, mostly through picturesque green countryside. Thanks to the drivers and navigators. The weather was on our side with the sun brightly shining so it was a most enjoyable morning.

Until next time,

Mary





Our fashionable residents put on a show!



Happy Mother's Day to our amazing mums!

Garden Group.

Our meeting on April 1 was well attended, with guest speaker Noel Brauer and his wife Estelle. They brought a wonderful assortment of anthuriums and indoor plants to show us and advised us on their care. Some were also for sale.

We had a good attendance at the meeting on May 6, with guest speaker Janeen Harris from MT Kings Tours joined by travel agent Nicole Young from Helloworld Burpengary, showing what was available and the prices.

We are heading for winter but getting a lot of rain now, and it's still quite warm for autumn. Coming up...

- **June 24** Garden clean up in garden at 8.30am
- **June 26** Committee meeting in Sports Club at 2pm
- **July 1** Garden Group meeting at 9am in the Sports Club. This is the AGM, so please all attend on this day. Morning tea as usual, with no guest speaker.
- **July 29** Garden clean up in garden at 8.30am
- **July 31** Committee meeting 2pm in Sports Club
- **August 5** Garden Group meeting in Sports Club at 9am. For guest speaker, look on the noticeboard in the Beach House.

Garden Group meets once a month on first Tuesday of the month. We have the best morning teas, as we bring a plate to share, tea and coffee provided. The cost is \$2 per meeting to help with garden expenses, tea and coffee. Plus, a lot of our guest speakers we pay for – they are not all free.

For our outings we carpool to local places. For example, we have a planned outing for Plant Shack in September when new plants will be in bloom. So come along we are a friendly group and welcome new people to our meetings.

Margaret Munro, President (ph. 850)
Fran Knight, Assistant Secretary (ph. 952)



Social Club.

Our functions so far this year have been well received, and have included St Patrick's Day celebrations, Easter Eggs at pre-Easter meals, Anzac Day morning tea, Mother's Day morning tea and raffle, and the Portofino fashion parade and sales. Portofino even donated a door prize, which was won by Glenda Hart.

We've had great support from our residents of the raffles at meals. Please keep the funds going for further functions.

Our next major function is a Gala Night on June 28, which will include live music to dance to, courtesy of Maggie and Tim (The Baby Boomers Band). A raffle will run in conjunction with this event.

Pamela Hill, President

Bowls Club.

On March 23, the final of our blue riband event, the Club's Singles Championship, was contested between Ian Virgen and Murray Liddell. Ultimately, it was Murray who prevailed in a nail-biting last end.

Ian had skipped away to an early lead, but Murray slowly clawed his way back. The lead seesawed and on the 19th end, Ian bagged three shots to lead by two. Then Murray took the last end with three superb bowls, securing the win and his fourth Singles title.

Both players deserve congratulations for a memorable final.

Our Anzac Day shield competition was played on April 28, and was won convincingly by Bill Hodgetts (Lead), Wally Pampuch (Second) and Bruce Nicholson (Skip). Congratulations to all three.

On Sunday May 4 we hosted Green Wattle village for a 24-end inter-resort competition and unfortunately went down 81 shots to 129. As usual, the camaraderie between players made the loss less painful. We are looking forward to turning the tables when we return the visit on June 29.

For any homeowner who can bowl or would just like to learn, please phone Mike (ph. 886) or come down and chat to one of us any Monday afternoon, Friday morning, or Wednesday after 3pm. We'd love to see you.

Mike Danks
Secretary



Quilts on show.

Thanks to all who attended our annual Quilt Show in April. Our raffle was very successful, and the results are as follows...

- **First Prize:** 'Cheerful Squares' made by Coral was won by Margaret McRae
- **Second Prize:** 'Paw-Fect' made by Kim Jerks was won by Beth Kuhl
- **Third Prize:** 'Puff the Magic Dragon' made by Win Morris was won by Pen Hall
- **Fourth Prize:** Placemats made by Kim Jerks were won by Beth Kuhl.

And our challenge this year was to make a kids' quilt. The votes were counted, and the winner was Jan Scott with her quilt 'Happy Days'. Congratulations Jan! We also sold 9 quilts, and as usual, all funds raised go towards backings and wadding for our charity quilts.

On that note, we are currently working on quilts which will be taken out to the Farm Angels charity in Chinchilla, to help those who have lost so much in the recent floods. We will also be



taking other handmade items such as beanies and scarves, so any donations would be gratefully accepted.

Thanks to all for your support once again – and we'd love to see you down at the Craft Room on a Saturday morning if you'd like to join us. Even if you've never quilted before, we can show you how it's done!

Dawn Toomey (Home 89, ph. 806) and Jan Scott (Home 105, ph. 802).

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 COMMUNITY OR JOINING FORCES FOR FUN.

Neighbours lend a hand as Alfred comes to town.

The strength of our Palm Lake Resort communities, and the Palm Lake Group as a whole - was put on show when Tropical Cyclone Alfred rolled into Queensland's south-east corner recently. In scenes reminiscent of the Covid pandemic, our Palm Lake Resort homeowners rallied to support one another and ensure their communities were not only prepared for the hit, but also quickly mopped up afterwards.

Palm Lake Resort Carindale Caretakers Wayne and Karen said that while 28 homeowners left the resort to be with their families, more than 200 stayed in the resort throughout the cyclone.

"For the first time ever, the flood waters came into our community from Wright Street (pictured above)," Karen says. "We constantly checked the levels there and in the creek. 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. What an incredible team.

"Those who stayed were in good hands, as we had many many homeowners checking on their older neighbours, boiling them water on gas stoves when they lost power. 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 - mainly because of the fast flood waters - as they live on their own, but we made sure that someone kept dropping in on them regularly to keep them in the loop.

"We are actually so proud of our caring homeowner network," Karen smiles. "Our beautiful Palm Lake Resort Carindale community certainly comes together well in tough times."

The same types of stories were heard right across the Palm Lake Group - with our resort homeowners even supporting their local Palm Lake Care aged caring communities. For example, the sleepy seaside town of Beachmere does not have its own local police station, so officers were brought in to keep an eye on local residents during the storm. When the power in that neighbourhood went out, our Palm Lake Care staff returned the favour and offered the police officers hot meals and coffee, which they gratefully accepted. What's more, three volunteers (retired registered nurses) from Palm Lake Resort Beachmere Bay and Beachmere Sands - located just across the road - provided support and personal care to the elderly aged care residents. A lovely gesture of selfless care that embodies the PLR spirit!



Wedding bells ring loud and clear.

THERE HAVE BEEN NEW WEDDING BELLS RINGING ACROSS PALM LAKE RESORT AS WELL AS CELEBRATIONS FOR MARRIAGE LONGEVITY - ALL WE KNOW IS THAT WE LOVE, LOVE STORIES!

Palm Lake Resort Bethania

Pictured above left, check out the new "Mr and Mrs Remy" (also known to homeowners at Palm Lake Resort Bethania as Steve and Kate), who tied the knot on February 15. Their official ceremony was held at their resort - how wonderful! We wish the Remys the best for their future life together.

Palm Lake Resort Yamba

Shirley Foley married Denis Kelly on May 15, 1965, at Tumut, New South Wales. Little did they know, 136km away on that very same day, their future friends (and future neighbours) Carole Wilson and John Joyce were also tying the knot. In the late 1960s, the Joyces moved to Tumut and, sure enough, met the Kellys. The couples have been firm friends ever since. And they have more in common than just their wedding anniversary - nowadays, you'll find Denis and Shirley in Home 4 at Palm Lake Resort Yamba, and John and Carole in Home 63 (all four pictured above right, including a photo of the Kellys on their wedding day).

Palm Lake Resort Eagleby

It all began in Liverpool, England, in the early 1960s. The school dance was in full swing when John, who was working as a roadie for the band that night, spotted Joan across the dance floor. He winked at her and, as he fondly recalls, "that was it". The couple married on March 27, 1965, in Liverpool and in 1976, John and Joan made the bold decision to move to Australia, with their young family in tow. After more than two decades in Sydney, they moved to Queensland in 2000, making Palm Lake Resort Eagleby their home in 2009. Pictured above (middle), six decades on from their wedding day, family remains at the heart of their lives through six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Palm Lake Resort Cooroy-Noosa

Long-time Sunshine Coast locals, David and Nola, just marked 60 years with their proud family, including nine grandies and 11 great-grandies (with more on the way!).

Fiona is 102 years young

One of our oldest homeowners at Palm Lake Resort Willow Lodge is Fiona Ryan. She turned 102 years young in April. The Lodge Country Club hosted a party for Fiona, with many of her family and Palm Lake Resort friends stopping by. What a milestone for this resort matriarch!



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



Helping friends become neighbours.

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For more information and to refer your friend, simply contact our Sales Information Centre on 1800 974 981. *T&Cs apply

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Weekly activities.

MONDAY

- 8am Group Fitness - Beach House, Weight Group - Craft Room
- 9am Tai Chi - Beach House
- 10am Sing-along (first and third Mons), Red Hatters meeting (second Mon of the month) - Sports Club
- 1.30pm Lawn Bowls
- 2pm Smart Moves - Beach House
- 6.15pm Social Tennis

TUESDAY

- 8am Dance Fitness - Beach House
- 9am Mah Jong - Sports Club, Garden Group (first Tues day of the month) - Sports Club
- 9.30am Oil Painting - Craft Room (not first Tuesday of the month), Scrabble - Beach House
- 10.30am Aqua Aerobics - Indoor Pool
- 1pm Cards (500) - Craft Room, Indoor Bowls - Beach House
- 5pm Residents Meal - Beach House

WEDNESDAY

- 12noon Residents Meal - Beach House
- 1pm Cards - Sports Club (5 Crowns)
- 1.30pm Round Dancing - Beach House
- 3.30pm Lawn Bowls

THURSDAY

- 9am Tai Chi - Beach House
- 10am Painting (Artist) Group - Craft Room
- 10.30am Smart Moves - Beach House, Aqua Aerobics - Indoor Pool
- 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
- 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

SUNDAY

- 4pm Croquet - Croquet Lawn
- 6pm Cards (500) - Beach House

DAILY

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

Important contact numbers.

EMERGENCY NUMBERS (Police - Fire - Ambulance):
Remember '0' before the 000

To open gate from your home: 11

Air Conditioning (Connor Harm): '0' 0407 310 767

Police-non emergency: '0' 131 444

Tel/Internet support: '0' 5607 4030

Office: ext. 601

Caretakers/Managers - after hours: ext. 600

Caretakers/Managers/Sales: 1800 725 652

Beach House: ext. 605

Electrician - Air Spark (Paul) '0' 0417 147 180

Gas - smells/leaks: '0' 1800 808 526

Gas - Origin Energy: '0' 132 461

Garage Door Repairs - Brisbane & Bayside Garage Doors: '0' 3888 1577

Home Assist: '0' 5490 6820

Neil Judge - JP Qualified: ext. 743

Newspapers - The Courier-Mail & The Australian:
'0' 1800 630 130

Painter & Decorator - Andrew McNamara:
'0' 0438 801 320

Palm Lake Aged Care: '0' 3293 5800

Plumber - North West Plumbing: '0' 0418 868 848

Handyman/Builder - Barry Corocher: '0' 0407 678 419

Poisons Information Centre: '0' 131 126

Prince Charles Hospital: '0' 3139 4000

Redcliffe Hospital: '0' 3883 7777

Royal Brisbane & Women's Hospital: '0' 3646 8111

RACQ Breakdowns: '0' 131 111

State Emergency Service: '0' 132 500

Sports' Club: ext. 603

Taxi - Redcliffe Taxi Service: '0' 131 008

For emergency
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