

Eagleby Star



Palm Lake Resort homes for sale

Do you know someone looking to make the move? We might have just the abode for them...

Phil hits a major milestone

Our entire resort (and more) came together to celebrate our newest centenarian

Over the back fence

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



Welcome.

Welcome to the February and March edition of our newsletter. Hopefully by the time you are reading this we will have had some good weather, and not as much rain as we've been having.

January saw us celebrating a big milestone birthday for one of our homeowners. Phil McDonald turned 100 on January 19, and celebrated on Monday January 20 with all of his Palm Lake Resort Eagleby friends... and a few special guests! Thank you to the dignitaries in attendance - including the Mayor - and congratulations to Phil on reaching this amazing milestone. Here's to many more to come.

I hope you enjoy reading this newsletter and catching up on all the fun we've been having around the resort. Thank you to the many people who make this publication possible by contributing content - we love hearing about what's going on in the many sport and social groups we have in our resort.

Speaking of which, don't forget about our program of exercise classes. We have Zumba, tai chi, aqua aerobics and gentle exercise, as well as help from Aubrey, our gym instructor. See what's happening on Page 8.

See you around the resort!

Until next time,

Michaela Gee
Palm Lake Resort Eagleby Caretaker

Contact us.

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News in brief.

Hosing hours

Please make note of our hosing hours for recycled water:

Mornings: 7am - 8am
Afternoons: 4pm to 5pm

Please hose during these times from Monday to Friday only. Please do not use the recycled water on weekends.

Waste reminder

Green waste (Tuesdays):
February 4 and 18
March 4 and 18

Salon specials

At our resort salon, in February, receive a NAK travel size four-pack shampoo, conditioner treatment and styling product, plus a style cut and blow dry, for \$65.95. Then, in March, receive a full colour, eight foils, style cut and blow dry for \$109.95 Call the salon at 3489 7988.



Bulk billing skin clinic doctors

Dr Brent Paine and Dr Jeffrey Yu, working from Mount Warren Park Medical Centre, offer bulk billing and are now seeing new patients for skin checks. Please call their reception on 3807 8588 to make an appointment.

We want to hear from you!

Whether you've snapped photos at a recent event or there's a new activity you'd like to announce, this newsletter is the place to share the latest and greatest resort happenings. Chat to your caretaker about how to submit content and to find out deadlines for upcoming editions.

Medical & Disability Aids Register

A number of homeowners have asked me if I know of anyone who can lend them equipment for them to use after having a knee or hip operation. Through the generosity of our residents, I have made up an extensive list for anyone needing to loan this equipment. If you need anything after an operation, contact me and I will put you in touch with the owner of whatever it is that you require.

John Matheson
(Home 231, ph. 1431)



Your summer page-turner

Summer and the end-of-year holiday season are upon us and so we have another edition of Your Time magazine packed full of festive reads. In this edition, you can catch up on the progress we're making at Yamba Cove, Paynesville and more. There's also a wonderful feature story based on a 50-year-old Elliott family scrapbook that contains the most nostalgic newspaper clippings and photos. We've also got plenty of stories in our popular Lifestyle section around how you too can collect your own prized family history - it's the perfect time of the year to be thinking about that. If you haven't received a hard copy in your mailbox, you can always catch up and read it online at palllakeresort.com.au

Doctors' surgery hours

Dr Anthony Ting
Wednesday 8.30am — 9.30am

Dr Nicholas Ting
Friday 11.30am — 12.30pm

Please phone Mt Warren Park surgery for an appointment or home visit on 3807 8588.

Podiatrist is available Tuesday (bookings sheet is in the Lakeview Clubhouse).



100 years young!

Born January 19, 1925, this year's birthday was our homeowner Phil McDonald's 100th. He grew up in the small country town of Minyip, about 320 kilometres northwest of Melbourne. Interestingly, Minyip served as the setting for 'The Flying Doctors' TV series, which was hugely popular in its day. His father served in World War I, fighting in both Gallipoli and France. Phil's two late brothers, Ian and Allan, followed in their father's footsteps, also serving in the armed forces.

Phil moved from Minyip to Ballarat for schooling, though he left at age 15. During his time at grammar school, Phil sang in both the school and church choirs. He even competed in the Southport singing competition. He was also passionate about rowing, serving as the coxswain for his school team, which won the inter-school competition.

Phil's working life began as a clerk for D & W Chandler in Melbourne and ICI Melbourne Clerical. At 17 and a half, he joined the Air Training Corps. When he turned 18, he joined the Air Force, aspiring to fly planes. However, being colour blind meant this wasn't an option, so Phil trained as a very high-frequency directional finder. He was stationed in New Guinea and Darwin, working in a building resembling a silo. Phil attained the rank of corporal and, after three years of service, was discharged at the age of 21.

Phil loved tennis and played a lot in the Melbourne suburb of Preston. It was there that he met a 16-year-old girl on the tennis court. After three weeks of playing together, Phil decided she was too young and stayed away from the club for 18 months. When he finally returned, she was still waiting for him. Phil proposed to Joan, and they married when she turned 21.

Phil and Joan enjoyed 67 years of marriage until Joan sadly passed away in 2018. Together, they had two children: Carolyn and Geoffrey (who has since passed away). Carolyn has two children, Shaha (who passed away several years ago) and Jarryd, who now has a family of his own.

After retiring at 60, Phil and Joan moved to the Gold Coast, buying a house at Mermaid Beach. However, retirement didn't last long. The couple purchased the management rights to units in Tugun, which they managed for three years. In 1994, Phil became president of the Currumbin RSL, holding the position for two years. Then, at the age of 85, he and Joan moved to Palm Lake Resort Eagleby, buying a home there in 2010.

Nowadays, many of us know Phil as an avid bowler. As a 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.

Even though Phil decided to give up alcohol at the age of 90, we hope he snuck a sip or two in celebration of his 100th birthday. Here's to you, Phil - an extraordinary life, well-lived.

Words supplied with help from John Matheson



From the Social Club...

The social scene was particularly busy at the end of 2024, with many opportunities to come together and celebrate the festive season.

Our annual Christmas concert took place in mid-December, and we were lucky enough to get a visit from the man in red himself! Thank you to Santa and his happy helpers for putting on such a show. Thanks also all organisers and participants for a wonderful event.

December was also the month to draw our Christmas raffle. There was plenty of suspense around who would win the big hamper, as well as the smaller (though equally delicious) prizes on offer. Congratulations to the lucky winners!

Coming up, we have a bus trip to the Outback Spectacular and the Baker Boys at the Summer House, as well as performances by our very own DJ Trevor and ReZident Band. Check out what's on the calendar below.

ON THE CALENDAR...

FEBRUARY

- **Friday February 7:** Happy Hour & Villa Draw at Lakeview
- **Friday February 14:** Happy Hour & Music night with resident DJ Trevor – 'Disco Night'
- **Saturday February 15:** Summer House Entertainment with The Baker Boys Band
- **Friday February 21:** Happy Hour & Villa Draw at Lakeview
- **Tuesday February 2:** Bus Trip to 'Outback Spectacular'
- **Friday February 28:** Happy Hour & Snack Night at Lakeview
- **Monday February 24:** Home Owners General Meeting & Annual General Meeting at Summerhouse 10.30am

MARCH

- **Friday March 7:** Happy Hour & Villa Draw at Lakeview
- **Friday March 14:** Happy Hour & Music Night with Blonde Chocolate
- **Saturday March 15:** ReZident Band at Summer House
- **Friday March 21:** Happy Hour & Villa Draw at Lakeview
- **Friday March 28:** Happy Hour & Snack Night at Lakeview

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From the HOC President...

Christmas has come and gone, and we had lots of festivities around the resort. The decorated houses were just amazing.

Our Christmas trees and decorations went up early in the clubhouses – the Summer House one was ready for the Bowls Club presentation night and dinner, which had over 120 residents in attendance and many trophies and awards being presented.

Friday nights at Lakeview featured entertainers – both local and outsiders. New Year's Eve was celebrated with "Lovely Daze" performing at Lakeview to a big crowd.

Our Residents Christmas Show was on December 15 and what talent we have here! Singing, dancing, musical instruments, all with Santa in charge, of course.

By the time you're reading this, Australia Day will have come and gone. We have a big day planned, including a morning concert, sausage sizzle lunch and bowls afternoon.

Our Home Owners AGM is at the end of February and I am happy to say that most of our committee will be continuing on next year.

Ann Shannon
Home Owners' Committee President

Bowls Club news...

Here we go again, into another new year for all the club members. I would like to wish a happy New Year and good health to all.

Welcome back to all members - including the new bowlers - for 2025. I would also like to extend a congratulations to our new president John Matheson and our team members.

The club had a very good 2024 playing against the other resorts. Well done!

We now have four electronic scoreboards, so we are the envy of other resorts thanks to Niagra our main supporter.

Our first big day is the Australia Day bowls and barbeque on January 26. We then start off the championship triples on February 9. We are looking forward to a big year, both at home and away.

We had a special occasion in January as our Phil McDonald is turning 100 years old - and still putting down good bowls. It was a very special celebration indeed.

Cheers everyone,

Chris Lee
Eagleby Social Bowls Club

Let the games begin...

The time is approaching when we begin to organise our annual Rugby League Tipping Competition. Last year (2024), we had 70 dedicated "tipsters" who faithfully entered their tips for each round. We would love to have you all back again and any new residents who think they know something about rugby league.

At the end of the 2024 season, we paid out \$2300 in major prize money and \$240 in jackpot prizes. On top of that, we hosted an end-of-season lunch where winners collected their prizes and everyone else got a bottle of wine. Our aim is to make no profit and disperse all money collected.

The new season starts on Sunday March 2 and concludes after 27 rounds. Everyone pays \$2 per round (total \$54), preferably paid up in full before the season begins. Notices will be placed in your letter box early in February, and if you decide to join us, instructions will tell you how to do it.

I can assure you that the "friendly" sledging that occurs each week regarding favourite teams and their supporters makes for an enjoyable part of our life in this great village.

Just to be clear, I am a Broncos and Maroons supporter and can take all the 'chatter' that goes with that.

Bryan Martin
Home 319

From the pool group...

Hi all you Pooligans,

Well, the Christmas pool party for 20 saw over 35 people attend. A great time was to be had by all with a premium steak lunch, a heap and helping of drinks and a good laugh.

Now that 2025 is well underway, it is time to look forward to the click-clacking of ball and the unmistakable rumble of blokes solving all the world's problems. You too can join in on the fun every Saturday afternoon commencing at 12.30pm and finishg at around 4pm. All are welcome, we hope to see you there.

Here are the results for the final couple of months of 2024...

October 26: Number of players: 18. Outright winners: Harry Creevey and Karl Vorhauser

November 2: Number of players 20. Two way tie: Winners were Kevin Swords and Hugh Wilkins

November 9: Number of players: 20. Two way tie: Winners were Ross Reeves and Jim Smith

November 16: Number of players: 16. Outright winners: Tony Say and Phil Mangano

November 23: Number of players: 22. Two way tie: Tony Say and John Beattie

November 30: Number of players: 20. Five way tie: Frank Buckley and Hugh Wilkins

December 7: Number of players: 16. Outright winners: Boyd Everett and Tom McMahon

December 14: There was no play due to set up of an event in Lakeview

December 21: End of year Christmas breakup party for the pool competition members.

Phil Mangano
Pool Club Facilitator

Helping friends become neighbours.

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 one of our established Palm Lake Resort homes (or a new home from elsewhere in the group, for that matter), you'll receive up to \$500* cash. Easy! For more info, Freecall 1800 781 101.

Weekly activities list.

- MONDAY**
9am Gentle Exercise LV, Knitting/Crocheting SH
1pm Cards, Paper Craft, Club Bowls
3pm Ukulele LV cinema
4.30pm Happy Hour LV
- TUESDAY**
8am Tennis, Aqua Aerobics
9am Patchwork Quilting, Aqua Aerobics
9.30am Mah-jong SH, Ukulele LV cinema
1pm Ladies Bowls
6.45pm Trivia SH
- WEDNESDAY**
8.30am Mixed Pool LV
8.30am Zumba SH
9.30am Sewing/Craft SH, Colouring in SH (*til 11.30am)
1pm Cards SH
1pm Gym with Aubrey (*til 4.30pm)
- THURSDAY**
9am Aqua Aerobics
10.30am Tai Chi SH
12pm Art Group workshop SH Craft (*til 3pm)
1pm Mens Bowls
2pm Bingo LV
6.30pm Movie Cinema SH
7pm Indoor Bowls LV
- FRIDAY**
7am Gym with Aubrey (*til 1pm)
8.30am Table Tennis LV
9am Embroidery (*til 2.30pm)
10am Garden club (first Friday, SH)
1pm Club Bowls
4.30pm Happy Hour LV
5pm Darts LV
8.30pm Relaxation SH, Cinema (first & second Friday)
- SATURDAY**
8am Tennis, Mixed Bowls
10am Trevor on Keys SH (*til 12pm)
12.45pm HOY at the Bowls Club, Pool Players Comp LV
1pm Cards SH
2pm Movie SH
4.30pm Happy Hour Bowls Club

Important contact numbers.

- Emergency Ambulance/Police/Fire**
0 000
- State Emergency Service**
0 132 500
- Poisons Information Line**
0 131 126
- Beenleigh Police** 0 3801 0777
- Communications Co**
0 5607 4030
- Doctors Room**
0 3489 7983 or 7983
- Alfords Plumbing and Gas Services** 0411 109 806
- Logan City Council**
0 3412 3412
- Logan Hyperdome Library**
0 3209 6133
- Locksmith (Blacks Mobile)**
0 3382 0755
- Logan Hospital** 0 3299 8899
- Logan Animal Pound**
0 3286 5397
- RSPCA** 0 3462 9999
- Air Train** 0 3216 3308
- QR City Train** 0 131 230
- RACQ Breakdown Service**
0 131 111
- Newspaper Delivery**
0 1800 630 130
- Palm Lake Resort Hair Salon** 7988 or 3489 7988
- Kitchen (Summer House)**
1592 or 3489 1592
- Kitchen (Lakeview Clubhouse)** 7998 or 3489 7998
- Caretakers Office (Micky)**
1590 or 3489 1590
- Workshop** 1594 or 3489 1594
- Resort Gym** 7993
- Bowls Club** 7987 or 3489 7987
- Local Snake Catcher** 0 0434 146 109
- JP Dave Murphy (H334)** 1534
- JP (Qual) Qld June Steinweiss (H305)** 1505
- Michelle Tavli – Travel Agent** 0414 716 443
- INF Electrical** 0411 964 401

Homes for sale.

Home 45 \$565,000

Beds

2

Bath

2

Living

1

Alfresco

2

Garage

2

Acacia.

This home has two good size bedrooms, with an ensuite in the main bedroom. This home is well presented, ready to move in. There is a spacious living area, well laid out kitchen and a dining area with sliding doors leading out to the covered entertainment area and rear garden. There is a double garage, low maintenance gardens to front and rear. Included in the price of the home is a four-seater golf buggy, that can be used around the resort. Plantation shutters throughout.

Home 317: \$575,000

Beds

2

Bath

2

Living

1

Study

1

Alfresco

2

Garage

2

UNDER OFFER

Eucalyptus.

This spacious home features two generously sized bedrooms, including a master with an ensuite and walk-in robe. At the front of the home, you'll find a well-proportioned study. The open-plan living area is bright and inviting, with doors leading to two separate outdoor areas, ideal for relaxing or hosting guests. The kitchen, located at the rear of the home, offers ample space and functionality. The property also includes a double garage on one side and a covered single carport on the other, large enough to accommodate a small boat, trailer or caravan.

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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!

Palm Lake Group 'Rizes' to the occasion.



OUR
CHRISTMAS
HAUL FOR
THOSE IN
NEED

This year, all seven Palm Lake Care communities, a number of Palm Lake Resorts and our Palm Lake Group Head Office team supported the RizeUp Christmas Appeal. PLC Chief Operating Officer Patricia Heke says the Group collected “a mountain of beautiful presents” (pictured above) that were gifted to children of families in domestic violence situations who otherwise might not have had a gift under their Christmas tree. “Our efforts were for smiles we will never see, but will know were there, on Christmas morning,” Trish says. “A massive thank you to all for your generosity.”



Twenty years young.

Recently, there was a vibrant gathering to mark the 20th anniversary of Palm Lake Resort Mt Warren Park. The day was filled with much fun and celebration. Best of all, it was great to honour Mt Warren Park's original 14 homeowners – those who have proudly called this community home since 2004 (as pictured left). Hip hip, hooray!



Waterford's Toy Boys continue their epic project.

Palm Lake Resort Waterford is home to a delightful group of fellows who adore their time together in the resort workshop. Not only do they use that quality time to chew the fat on all the topics of the world, they also like to build wooden toys for very grateful local children. And they've been doing it for longer than a decade!

The "Toy Boys" spend the whole year crafting gorgeous, high-quality toys from donated materials (and other materials that they purchase with funds raised through resort events and donations). Then, come December,

they put on their Santa hats and gift their toys to local groups. Toy Boys committee president Ray Johnstone says the Beenleigh Special School and Woodmans Mitre 10 Beenleigh's Community Christmas Tree appeal were the two grateful local organisations that received their hand-crafted gifts this past Christmas (all gifts under the Mitre 10 tree were provided to Night Light Outreach who distributed them to needy local families). Among the haul was everything from doll beds to a ride-on digger - all handmade in the Palm Lake Resort Waterford workshop. Bravo boys!



Wedding belles.

Congrats to Palm Lake Resort Beachmere Sands residents Allyson and Graham (pictured top) who tied the knot in a wedding ceremony at the resort's fabulous Beach House late last year.

We also saw Palm Lake Resort Bethania homeowners Dawn and Vern (above) tie the knot in a private function at their resort's Country Club in front of 60 guests.

Doing it for charity, again and again.

You can tell we've just enjoyed the 'season of giving' - not only did our homeowners enjoy giving Christmas gifts to their loved ones, they didn't forget about those less fortunate. We've seen so many great stories of charity fundraisers being held across our resorts in recent months - here's a little snapshot of some of them:

- Cooroy-Noosa hosted a 'pink' event for the McGrath Foundation. More than \$4000 was raised for breast cancer research and patient support.
- Carindale's inaugural jumble sale raised \$3000 for Care Kits for Kids and Beyond DV.
- Beachmere Sands and Beachmere Bay converged for morning tea to raise \$430 for Alzheimers research. The Sands crew also held a Bowls event fundraiser for prostate cancer research and raised another \$800.

Doggie dates.

At Palm Lake Resort Carindale's Home 52, an ever-changing and random assortment of resort doggos gather early each morning to greet each other. Homeowner Betty welcomes these morning gatherings on her front step where she and her dog, Lucy, provide delicious morning treats. There are often 4 or 5 puppies dropping in each morning, she tells us. It's a lovely way for our four-legged community members (and their humans!) to stay connected.



New Year, new you.



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