

MARCH - APRIL 2024



The Edge



Activities galore

There are dozens of weekly activities to do and special interest groups to be part of at our resort. Learn more inside...

Over the back fence

The Palm Lake Group is one big 10,000-strong 'family' - find out what your counterparts are up to in our new regular series

Refer a friend, earn a reward

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



Welcome.

Well, there has certainly been a lot going on in the first three months of 2024! We've seen our homeowners enjoy lots of trips, functions and activities which has made for interesting times.

It is actually so nice to see our homeowners using our resort's facilities to their full potential, making wonderful memories by sharing fun experiences with their likeminded homeowner neighbours. When you think about any Palm Lake Resort, life is not so much about the bricks and mortar facilities and homes (even though these are award-winning examples of design and construction!) but, more so, it's the people who make up the rich fabric of life within our resort that are the important ingredient.

On that, we should give a shout out to our Social Club, Residents' Association and volunteers who do a huge amount of work and organising behind the scenes to make all the fun things happen! If you have the time and would like to be more involved in our Palm Lake Resort Toowoomba community, I know the Social Club would warmly welcome your support.

Until next time, take care.

Mark Kelly & Karen Hopkins,
Palm Lake Resort Toowoomba Caretakers

PS. There are limited vacancies at Palm Lake Care Toowoomba available now. Vacancies come and go quickly and Palm Lake Care prioritises Palm Lake Resort homeowners and their families. If you have someone needing high quality 24-hour nursing care in this award-winning community, FREECALL Care Solutions on 1800 24 66 77.

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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.



Get social with us

Are you on social media? Make sure you follow Palm Lake Resort on Facebook (@palllakeresort) and also over on Instagram (@palllake.resort) to see what's happening right across our dozens of Palm Lake Resort locations. We also feature many warm-and-fuzzy stories from our seven Palm Lake Care aged caring communities on both social platforms (@palllake.care). With more than 10,000 people calling a Palm Lake address home, there's always loads going on!

PS. Check out Page 11 of this newsletter for your chance to win a \$200 gift card via Palm Lake Resort's Instagram page.

Want to get your RSA?

The bar is always looking for more homeowners to get their Responsible Service of Alcohol (RSA) Certificate to maintain the great service that is provided by our volunteers. If you would like to get behind the bar, please contact Darryl on 0419 767 778 or Tony on 0427 316 947 and they will be happy to fill you in on what is required to achieve your RSA.

Refer a friend

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.

JPs on hand

Did you know we have a number of homeowners here at the resort who are qualified JPs?

- John Robinson (2228)
- Shirley Holm (1204)
- Kelly Logan (1295)
- Wendy Taylor (1222)

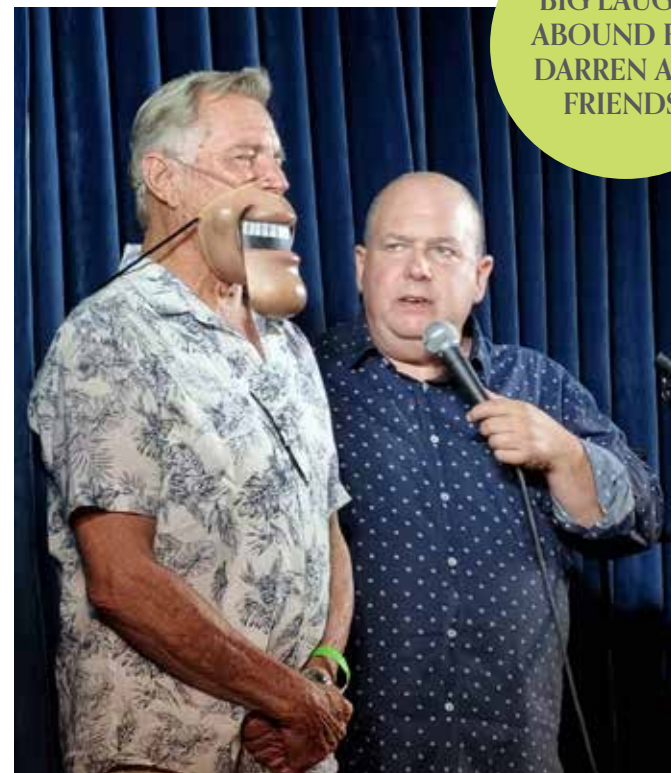
Also, Margaret Murphy (2343) is a Commissioner of Declarations.



It's "Your Time", time

The start of another beautiful Aussie season means another Palm Lake Resort company magazine has just dropped. Our Autumn 2024 edition gives readers their first look at the incredible display homes just unveiled at Palm Lake Resorts Yamba Cove and Pelican Waters. We also explain how you can embrace the 'dopamine decor' trend in your own abode for the ultimate 'happy home'. And we've got some great recipes for you to try when you're invited along to your Palm Lake Resort neighbours' homes and that age-old question crops up: "What can I bring?". Never fear - the answer is here (pictured below)! Grab a copy of the magazine from your letterbox or you can also find it online at palllakeresort.com.au





BIG LAUGHS
ABOUND FOR
DARREN AND
FRIENDS!

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cash bonus simply for
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refer your friend,
FREECALL 1800 455 307.
*T&Cs apply



THE BEST IN OVER-50s LIVING. THIS IS YOUR TIME.
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Around the grounds.

Bus trip to Crows Nest Museum

It was second time lucky for the Social Club, as pictured above. The morning started out very disappointing as we thought we may have to cancel our trip to the Crows Nest Museum & Historical Village again. But, the sun came out and a wonderful day was had by all. The volunteers have done an exceptional job in maintaining the exhibits at this museum. It is one of the best set out villages and we're sure everyone who attended would highly recommend a trip to Crows Nest to visit the village.

Darren Carr didn't disappoint

February Social Club events included two concerts by ventriloquist, Darren Carr (as pictured left). There were approximately 250 in the audience over the two separate shows, as Darren entertained with his puppets, his great singing voice and lots of comedy.

On the Saturday, everyone had a fabulous night - laughter filled the room and everyone was singing Darren's praises as they left. Then again on the Sunday, we saw another great show at the Pinnacle Country Club.

'Crystal' and 'Arthur' were big hits but that cheeky 'Darryl' and his furry little friend 'KB' were equally entertaining. A big thank you to Daphne, Kelly and Jim for being good sports. And thank you to everyone who helped to make them both such great nights; the bar staff, bus drivers, Betty and all the ticket sellers, and all who helped set up and clean up afterwards.

Upcoming events

Make sure you keep an eye out for the most up to date information about all the upcoming events around our resort grounds. Among those to keep on your radar are:

March 20: Bus trip to visit the Qantas Training Centre at Wellcamp. Cost is \$17pp.

March 21: Dinner at "Thai on High". Buses will be leaving both our Country Clubs at 5.30pm. Make sure your name is on the list ASAP.

March 23: St Patrick's Day 'Big Trivia' event at Misty Ridge Country Club. Make sure to dress up in your best green outfits to enjoy this event that will also feature the Palm Lake Singers and ukulele players.

***Pictured right:** Looking for ways to bend and stretch, while making some time for relaxation? We have **Yoga with Lesleigh** on every Wednesday in the Misty Ridge Country Club from 10.15 – 11.30am. There's also **Tai chi with Carol** on three times every week. You can catch Carol on Tuesdays at 10am in the Pinnacle Country Club Music Room, then again at 2pm that day in the Pinnacle Bowls Club. On Wednesdays, find her at 9am in the Misty Ridge gym.*



Weekly activities.

- MONDAY**
8.30am Aerobics, Misty Ridge (PLR)
8.30am 500 cards, Pinnacle (RC)
9.15am Beginners line dancing, Pinnacle (PLR)
10.15am Transitional line dancing, Pinnacle (PLR)
10.45am Improvers line dancing, Pinnacle (PLR)
12noon 500 cards, Misty Ridge (RC)
1pm Mahjong, Misty Ridge (RC)
1pm Hand and Foot cards, Pinnacle (RC)
2pm Darts, Pinnacle (RC)
3pm Indoor bowls, Misty Ridge (RC)
- TUESDAY**
8.30am Beginners line dancing, Pinnacle (PLR)
8.45am Bus to Grand Central (PLR)
9.30am Beginners line dancing, Pinnacle (PLR)
10am Beginner Tai chi and Qi Gong, Pinnacle (PLR)
10.30am Aqua aerobics, Misty Ridge (PLR)
12noon Bistro lunch, Misty Ridge (PLR)
1pm Craft work and Canasta, Misty Ridge (RC)
1pm Pool/billiards, Pinnacle (RC)
2pm Aqua aerobics, Pinnacle (PLR)
2pm Advanced Tai chi & Qi Gong, Pinnacle Bowls (PLR)
6pm Dinner, Pinnacle (PLR)
- WEDNESDAY**
8.30am 500 cards, Pinnacle (RC)
8:30am Table tennis, Misty Ridge (RC)
9am Tai chi and Qi Gong, Misty Ridge (PLR)
9am Pilates mat class, Pinnacle (PLR)
10am Steady steps, Pinnacle (PLR)
10.15am Yoga, Misty Ridge (PLR)
12noon Bistro lunch, Pinnacle (PLR)
1pm Hand and Foot cards, Pinnacle (RC)
5.30pm Dinner, Misty Ridge (PLR)
- THURSDAY**
8.30am Intermediate line dancing, Misty Ridge (PLR)
8.45am Bus to Clifford Gardens, departs both Country Clubs (PLR)

- 9am** Stitchers and Knitters, all day, Pinnacle (RC)
12noon Bistro lunch, Misty Ridge (PLR)
12noon Lunch, Pinnacle (PLR)
12noon 500 cards, Misty Ridge (RC)
1pm Craft work, Misty Ridge (RC)
1pm Trivia, Pinnacle (RC)
1pm Pool/billiards, Pinnacle (RC)
1.15pm Bingo, Misty Ridge (RC)
2pm Aqua aerobics, Pinnacle (PLR)
2pm Ukulele lessons, Pinnacle (RC)
3pm Indoor bowls, Misty Ridge (RC)
6pm Dinner, Pinnacle (PLR)
- FRIDAY**
8.30am 500 cards, Pinnacle (RC)
9am Steady Steps, Misty Ridge (PLR)
9am Bus to Bunnings, last Friday of the month (PLR)
9am Craft work, Misty Ridge (RC)
9.15am Zumba Gold, Pinnacle (PLR)
10am Pilates mat class, Misty Ridge (PLR)
11am-1pm Milon Gym inductions, Pinnacle (PLR)
12.30-4.30pm Watercolour painting, Pinnacle (RC)
1pm Mahjong, Misty Ridge (RC)
- SATURDAY**
9am Colouring-in, Misty Ridge (RC)
12noon Cards, Misty Ridge (RC)
1pm Backgammon, Misty Ridge (RC)
1pm Billiards, Pinnacle (RC)
- SUNDAY**
12noon Cards, Misty Ridge (RC)
- PLR = Palm Lake Resort-sponsored activities.
RC = Activities organised by our homeowners. Please check with the Homeowners' Committee and/or the specific organisers of each event for more info.*



A BUSLOAD
(OR TWO!) OF
THEATRICAL
FUN

Ageing disgracefully.

**BY BETTY MCCREDDEN,
SOCIAL CLUB PRESIDENT**

On Sunday, March 3, two buses took 23 of us homeowners to the Ipswich Little Theatre in Queens Park, Ipswich, to see six short plays with the theme “Ageing Disgracefully”.

One play in particular was of interest to our group as it had been performed at our resort by our own drama group. The play was “Dotty’s Inheritance”. Our drama group members were very keen to see how the play was performed by an experienced group of actors compared with our own performance.

The buses departed our resort at 10am, arriving at Queens Park Cafe for lunch and giving us plenty of time for a look

around Queens Park before proceeding to the Ipswich Little Theatre for the shows. The Theatre complex consists of two theatres; one is the Jean Pratt Auditorium and the other is the Incinerator Theatre. As the name suggests, the Incinerator Theatre was originally built as the Council's incinerator. As the building was designed by Walter Burley Griffin (the only building in Queensland with that feature), it had historical significance and was eventually restored and converted to a theatre. Both theatres seat 50 patrons.

Our group watched the first four plays in the Jean Pratt Auditorium and the other two, including “Dotty’s Inheritance”, in the Incinerator Theatre. They were all thoroughly enjoyable. Our drama group members who attended really enjoyed seeing our roles performed by other actors.



***Pictured above:** What a difference 7.5 years makes! The left photo was taken in October 2016 and the photo to the right of it was taken last month. It's great to watch our community grow and mature.*

Homes for sale.



FOR HOME APPRAISALS, PRIVATE RESORT TOURS AND ANY OTHER GENERAL SALES ENQUIRIES,
FREECALL PALM LAKE RESORT TOOWOOMBA'S SALES INFORMATION CENTRE ON 1800 280 129.

Home 364 - \$760,000

Beds
2

Bath
2

Living
1

Study
1

Alfresco
1

Garage
2

Three years young

Only three years 'young' and presented in excellent condition, this superbly appointed home is conveniently situated within easy walking distance to the resort's Pinnacle Country Club and many of the other amazing facilities that Palm Lake Resort has to offer. With a welcoming and luxurious feel, this modern, open plan and light-filled Montalto design home boasts spacious indoor and outdoor living areas that are perfectly positioned. The covered outdoor alfresco area is the ideal place to relax and catch plenty of warm sunshine throughout the day. Features include: 3kw solar system, zone-controlled ducted air con, ceiling fans, LED lighting, a 5000-litre rainwater tank, plenty of storage space and established gardens.



Your sales update.



As Toowoomba is a highly sought after location, I have a number of cash buyers and leads who are interested in homes in both our Misty Ridge and Pinnacle areas. If you have been considering selling, now might be a good time. Please reach out for an obligation-free appraisal. Freecall 1800 280 129 or you can catch me on mobile 0417 189 927.

For Sellers: I have several buyers on my wait list who are specifically interested in the following designs: Derwent, Riverina, Majella, Belvidere and Miraval.

For Buyers: There are always homes coming on the market and some homes actually sell prior to coming on the market as buyers can leave their details with me and are then informed as soon as a suitable home becomes available. If you are looking to purchase a home at Palm Lake Resort Toowoomba, please call and book a tour and we can discuss your circumstances in a confidential manner.

Amanda McGilvray
Sales Consultant



Home 391 - \$790,000

Beds
2

Bath
2

Living
1

Activity
1

Alfresco
1

Garage
2

Sought-after location

This 'Montalto' design offers plenty of space (182.31m²) and is in excellent condition. With a modern open-plan design, raked ceilings and quality finishes, this home is low maintenance and makes for a comfortable, relaxing lifestyle. Two built-in bedrooms (the main complete with large robe and huge ensuite) plus a handy third bedroom/activity room. Impressive gourmet kitchen with SMEG appliances, plenty of bench and cupboard space that looks over the spacious living and dining area. The outdoor living area has plantation shutters, for all-weather use. Double lock-up garage with epoxy resin flooring provides internal access to the home. A 5000-litre rainwater tank is plumbed to the home. There is 3kw of solar and established gardens.



Home 545 - \$970,000



Beds
3

Bath
2

Living
1

Alfresco
1

Garage
2

Home 186 - \$660,000



Beds
3

Bath
2

Living
1

Alfresco
1

Garage
2

Over the back fence.

THE PALM LAKE GROUP SPANS 30 RESORT COMMUNITIES 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 NEW 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 PALM LAKE RESORTS, 'PEOPLE' REALLY IS OUR SUPERPOWER!



Our homeowners have charitable hearts.

PALM LAKE RESORT HOMEOWNERS PROVE TIME AND TIME AGAIN THAT THEY HAVE WONDERFUL, CHARITABLE HEARTS. HERE ARE JUST SOME OF THE STORIES WE'VE HEARD LATELY...

Tweed River: Around 150 homeowners and guests descending on the resort's Country Club for a stunning art-deco inspired high tea to raise funds for Tweed Palliative Support and the Wedgetail Retreat. The Country Club looked more like a fashionable hotel lounge, reminiscent of The Ritz in London or The Peninsular Hotel in Hong Kong, as fantastic multi-level platters of cakes, scones and savoury treats were prepared and served by the volunteers. Musicians from the Northern Rivers Symphony Orchestra volunteered their time and musical talent to present an incredible classical string concert (pictured above). The high tea was followed by raffles and a lively auction of kindly donated items resulting in more than \$11,000 being raised! This included a donation from the Residents' Committee plus the proceeds of refunds for bottle and can recycling from throughout the year. This total amount was much more than previous annual fundraiser events and much appreciated by the worthy charitable recipient.

Deception Bay: Just before Christmas, the resort's Quilters Group drove up to the Centre Against Domestic Abuse (CADA) at Caboolture with enough goodies to fill three car boots! The CADA people were stunned and so grateful. Along with all the toys for children and necessities for

women, there were 70 handmade Christmas stockings and more than 80 fabric drawstring bags for the women (pictured above). The group also donated 12 quilts to CADA to hand out to their clients in the New Year. The quilters were amazed by the wonderful response from their fellow homeowners who also donated toys and goods.

Upper Coomera: This resort's Jane McGrath Foundation charity fundraiser "Girls' Night In" event raised \$1060.

Bethania and Waterford: Two neighbouring Palm Lake Resorts came together for the sake of breast cancer research, hosting a charity event that raised more than \$3000 for the McGrath Foundation. Everyone turned out in their best pink outfits and a special visit was made by Federal MP Bert Van Manen who also donated to the cause via some lovely hampers that were raffled.

Carindale: The resort's annual Market and Craft Day saw a variety of stalls selling handicrafts, paintings, bric-a-brac, clothes, jewellery, toys, restored furniture, cakes and more. Through event proceeds, a morning tea and a raffle, Care Kits for Kids Qld (a children's charity that donates backpacks filled with clothes, toiletries and school supplies to disadvantaged children) received a donation from the resort of more than \$1400! This resort's knitters also do good with their spare time. Gathering fortnightly, the knitters produce gorgeous teddy bears for the Red Cross to distribute to needy children (pictured top).

BATTLE
OF THE TWO
BOWLING
BEACHMERES!



Sport brings us together.

OUR SPORTIEST HOMEOWNERS HAVE BEEN HAVING FUN, TAKING ON TEAMS FROM OTHER PALM LAKE RESORT LOCATIONS. HERE'S HOW SOME OF THE MOST RECENT MATCH-UPS HAVE PLAYED OUT...

Tea Gardens vs Fern Bay vs Forster Lakes: Golf has been the inter-resort game of choice recently for these nearby communities. In a three-game series, Forster Lakes was victorious once but Tea Gardens proved too good on the other two competition days. The total points overall were: Tea Gardens 454, Forster Lakes 444 and Fern Bay 423 so it was a close competition all 'round.

Beachmere Sands vs Beachmere Bay: The annual inter-resort lawn bowls competition between our Beachmere neighbours took place late last year. It's always a fierce competition and this one was no different. After a tough afternoon and evening battling it out, Beachmere Bay came out on top.

Best wishes to these legends!

WE LOVE CELEBRATING A MILESTONE MOMENT AND THERE ARE LOADS HAPPENING ALL OVER THE PALM LAKE GROUP EVERY WEEK.

Toowoomba: Pictured right, gorgeous Muriel has just batted her century at Palm Lake Resort Toowoomba. She's been a fixture there since 2011 and her daughter, Lurlene, also calls the resort home.

Mt Warren Park: Congrats to homeowners Don and Yvonne who celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary recently.

Carindale: When homeowner Eric celebrated his 96th birthday in December, we learned there were actually three neighbours in 'Club 1927' at that resort - all born in the same year. There'll no doubt be a big party in 2027 when Eric, Shirley and Mavis all mark their centuries at Palm Lake Resort!



Get social with us and WIN!

Are you following Palm Lake Resort on our various social media platforms? While you can catch up on all the company news on our Facebook page, you may not know that we also have a vibrant Palm Lake Resort Instagram account. During the month of April on Instagram, we are giving away a gift card valued at \$200 in our 'Tag a friend' competition. Entry is easy. All you need to do is be following Palm Lake Resort on Instagram (@palm.lake.resort) and tag your friends in the comments section on any of our posts from April 1 - 30. Every friend you tag counts as one entry and you can enter as many times as you like. Tagging a friend is as easy as placing the @ symbol in front of their Instagram name, for example: @marysmith. We'll announce the randomly drawn winner in our next newsletter and they can collect their prize from their Caretaker. *Note: Instagram is not in any way associated with this competition. Good luck!*



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? Email the details to belinda@bellepr.com

Holiday, everyday.



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