

The Chat.

OCTOBER - NOVEMBER 2022



Palm Lake Resort™
TWEED RIVER



Fill your diary

Our Weekly Activities program is full to the brim with things to keep you active and social.

Gone troppo'

Our homeowners sure know how to throw a party - especially when it's a fundraiser for a local charity.

Welcome home

Whether you're moving in or moving out, our expert Sales Team is there to make the process as easy as possible.



Welcome.



Welcome to the October-November edition of 'The Chat'.

We would like to thank everyone for their understanding and patience while Pauline was away working at Palm Lake Resort Cooroy-Noosa for a few weeks. She missed everyone and was excited to get back to our quaint little resort home here in Tweed.

While Pauline was away, the residents who volunteered to help Bernie did an amazing job helping him with tiding, cleaning and painting. A big thank you to those residents for going out of their way to help and make our resort the best it can be – not only while Pauline was away, but always. We couldn't do our jobs without you. Your efforts are what makes our resort not just beautiful place to live, but a real home.

A big congratulations to those involved in the wonderful and successful fundraiser that was held in September. It was a fantastic day, and it was so much fun being the photographers for the day. Well done to all the residents of Palm Lake Resort Tweed River for your hard work. We are so proud to be part of such a caring community. You can read all about the event on Pages 4 and 5.

Looking ahead, we are excited for the Melbourne Cup event which is coming up in a few weeks' time. It is sure to be a great day, hopefully with a few wins!

Until next time,

Pauline Pedulla and Bernie Paterson
Palm Lake Resort Tweed River Caretakers

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News briefs.

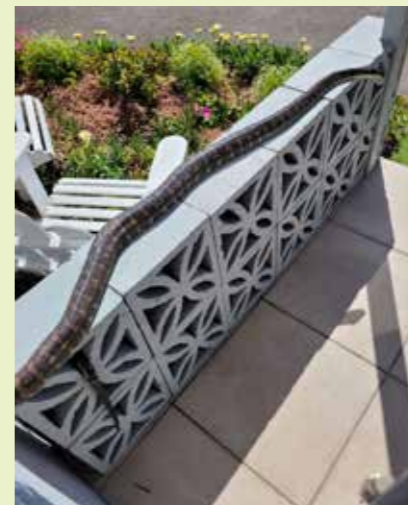
CHRISTMAS CRAFT

Not long now! Our annual Christmas Craft Day opens in the Clubhouse on Saturday November 19, from 9am until 1pm. Come along and browse a range of handmade Christmas gifts at good prices. There will be handmade items by the craft ladies, as well as woodwork from our craft club. Bring along your friends and family and enjoy a lovely morning tea – there will be cakes, slices and scones to enjoy with your tea and coffee. For any inquiries, please contact Jenny (Home 19).



A FRIENDLY VISITOR

Virginia was hesitant to go back home after she was told she had an unexpected visitor waiting for her. While it was initially hiding, homeowners Peter and Max sprayed it with water in the hope it may go home – however, it decided to come out and enjoy a spot of sunbaking on the breeze blocks. A snake catcher was promptly called, so all was well. There is never a dull day here at Palm Lake Resort Tweed River!



EXTRA! EXTRA!



If you haven't already received a copy of the Spring 2022 edition of our company magazine, Your Time, you should check it out at pallmlakeresort.com.au (click on the 'News & Events' tab).



NO FLUKE!

Finn has done it again, catching one fish off the pontoon at Palm Lake Resort Tweed River – much to the chagrin (and pride) of his dad and 'Poppy', who didn't catch any.

GO, GORDON!

Congratulations are in order for our talented homeowner Gordon Wood, who represented Queensland in the Arm Bowlers Tournament in Western Australia in September. Queensland recorded their best ever series, winning four out of five games – as a result, they finished second overall. An excellent achievement for the Maroons, but especially our Tweed Heads Osprey member Gordon.

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.

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Meet our muso

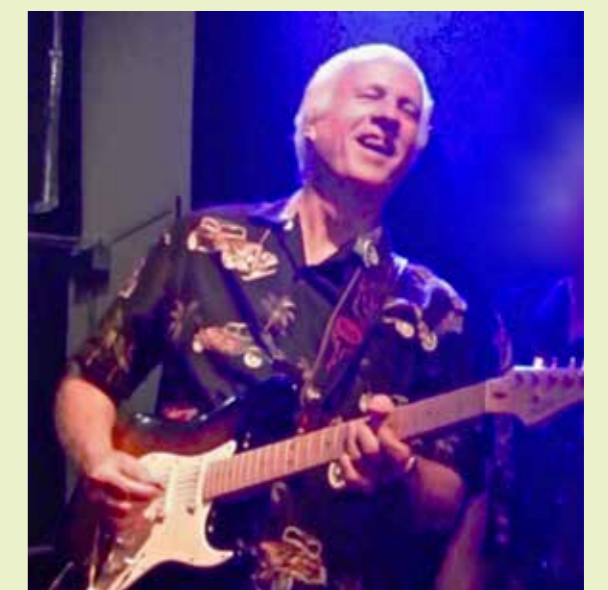
PALM LAKE RESORT TWEED RIVER IS HOME TO MANY TALENTED RESIDENTS. LYNDON LEWIS, WHO HAS BEEN PERFORMING AND PLAYING THE GUITAR SINCE HE WAS 10 YEARS OLD – IS ONE OF THEM.

With more than 50 years of playing music under his belt, it may not come as a surprise that Lyndon has shared the stage with some of the greats. Johnny Chester, Frankie J Holden, Denise Drysdale, Grantley Dee, Ross Wilson, Tex Morton, Betty McQuade, The Allstars, Lonnie Lee, Phil Emmanuel and Bill O'Rourke are just a few of the well-known Australian musicians Lyndon has performed with across the country.

He has even played alongside notable international acts like The Platters, Box Car Willy, Dave Dudley, Ariel, The Crickets and Wanda Jackson – to name a few.

So when did it all begin? Lyndon has played the guitar and performed since he was a boy, joining his first rock 'n' roll band as a lead guitarist in 1964. His aptitude for music led to a career in audio engineering, during which he was involved in the live recording of artists like Joe Cocker, George Thorogood, Johnny Farnham, Mondo Rock and many more.

Lyndon has a particular interest in 1950s rock 'n' roll, which he has spent most of the past five decades focusing on. Since moving to Palm Lake Resort Tweed River, Lyndon has put together a five-piece classic 50s rock 'n' roll band called Shadoogie. They recently played their debut performance at the resort, and we can't wait to see what's next for Lyndon and the band.



Putting the 'fun' in fundraiser

IN SEPTEMBER, A DEDICATED GROUP OF PALM LAKE RESORT TWEED RIVER HOMEOWNERS PUT ON A VERY SUCCESSFUL FUNDRAISER, WITH ALL PROCEEDS GOING TOWARD TWEED PALLIATIVE CARE.

On Saturday September 3, the Palm Lake Resort Tweed River Clubhouse came alive with the sounds of tropical drums, swaying palms and a sumptuous tropical buffet. The occasion? A much-needed fundraiser for the Tweed Palliative Centre – but who says a charity event can't be a celebration, too?

The clubhouse was decorated with surfing gear, flowers, a tropical photo booth and, of course, a Tiki Bar. The organising committee even adorned the walls with 'ocean views', which provided the perfect backdrop for the event.

After guests finished eating, they were treated to a fashion parade which was kindly provided by Maddie & Lil Boutique in Kingscliff. Several of our ladies and gentlemen got in on the fun, participating in the fashion show as 'house models'.

Fun fashion could be found off the runway, too. Over 130 homeowners and guests came dressed in their best island-inspired outfits, keen to enjoy the day and support a great cause.

Tweed Palliative Care and the Wedgetail Retreat has been our community's charity of choice for six years now. They provide end-of-life care to cancer patients from the local area. Wedgetail, which is set in the beautiful bushland hills above Tumbulgum, receives no government funding and

relies solely on the support of the local community.

We have held an annual fundraiser day every year (except for a two-year hiatus due to COVID), but this year, all expectations were exceeded. The event raised over \$7000 in total – \$5000 on the day plus a number of generous direct donations, including money raised from recycling cans and bottles throughout the year. An astounding amount, all of which will go directly to the operational costs of Wedgetail.

Throughout the event, guests participated in a number of raffles and auctions. There were some fabulous items up for grabs, kindly donated by local businesses and our homeowners. Many thanks to all for their generous support.

Thank you also to Kerry Lewis and her team, who sourced, prepared and served up a truly memorable buffet lunch. The feast culminated in a spectacular dessert buffet, the likes of which are usually found in five-star hotels and exotic cruise liners. Volunteers spent hours and hours decorating the clubhouse, arranging meals, organising raffles and more to ensure the day was a huge success. We even had former homeowners come back to help – the sign of a very special community indeed.

We can't wait until next year's fundraiser. If this year is anything to go by, it will be an event to remember.

Local experts.

THERE ARE MYRIAD BENEFITS OF BUYING AND SELLING YOUR PALM LAKE RESORT HOME VIA OUR LOCAL PALM LAKE RESORT SALES EXPERTS. THERE'S LITTLE DOUBT THAT OUR LOCAL TEAM MEMBERS ARE BEST PLACED TO HELP YOU MOVE INTO AND, WHEN THE TIME COMES, OUT OF YOUR PALM LAKE RESORT ABODE.

Highest possible sales price

Unlike traditional real estate, the sales history of our Palm Lake Resort homes is not published publicly. This means external real estate agents don't have the tools they need to appraise your home accurately within the unique Palm Lake Resort market, under our manufactured home estate structure. They are not aware of the true value of homes within our resorts which has, in the past, resulted in homes being under-valued and under-sold by these external agents. Our Caretakers and Sales Consultants work hard to ensure you get the highest possible return for your home.

Constant demand

The first place that buyers go when looking for a community lifestyle resort within the Palm Lake Group is the Sales Information Centre or Caretakers' office in their chosen resort location. Our Sales Consultants and Caretakers are currently receiving new enquiries daily and always have a wait list of qualified cash buyers ready and waiting to inspect your home.

Fast and easy process

There's little doubt that the market for over-50s homes across our Palm Lake Resort network is hot right now! Our teams are currently selling many homes off market, within days of them being listed. For Palm Lake Resort homeowners looking to move on, this eliminates the long timeframes, stress and increased costs associated with listing with an external agent. This also provides you with greater privacy and less disruption to your routine, giving you more time to focus on your next move.

Wealth of expertise

Considering the Palm Lake Resort brand celebrates 45 years of history in 2022, the majority of our Palm Lake Resort Sales Team members are very experienced in our product. For newer Sales Consultants, they are well supported by our network of expert Palm Lake Group real estate professionals right across the country. And, of course, everyone has the complete support of our experienced management team and the Elliott family company owners themselves. There really isn't anyone better positioned to sell your Palm Lake Resort home and the benefits of our over-50s community lifestyle resorts than one of our own.

Commission-free transition

Did you know that if you are a resident of any Palm Lake Resort and relocate to a brand new home in a different Palm Lake Resort location, you won't pay any agent's commission on the sale of your original Palm Lake Resort home? Maybe a move within the Palm Lake Group is calling your name? When the time comes for you to sell your Palm Lake Resort home, make your first port of call our local caretakers' office.

Preparing your home for sale.

SELLING YOUR HOUSE CAN BE EMOTIONAL AND EXHAUSTING. ENSURE YOU'VE DONE EVERYTHING YOU CAN TO MAKE YOUR HOME SALEABLE WITH THESE HANDY TIPS FROM OUR PALM LAKE RESORT REAL ESTATE EXPERT.

Many of our Palm Lake Resort Sales Team members have spent a vast majority of their careers in real estate, matching impressive homes with equally as amazing homeowners. After owning her own businesses, Pauline Pedulla made the move into real estate. She quickly gained experience in sales, renting and holiday letting and, just over a year ago, she brought her expertise to the Palm Lake Group. Here, Pauline learned from some of our best, most experienced Sales Consultants at Palm Lake Resorts Bethania and Waterford, and she now heads up the Sales Office here at Palm Lake Resort Tweed River. We asked Pauline for her tips on how homeowners can best prepare their home for sale.

"First impressions count and presentation is especially important," Pauline says. "Get your home looking spectacular before allowing inspections. Set the standard from the start. Ensure the front of your property, including pavements, the garage door and front door area, is clean and clear of any hazards because first impressions really do last. Also, deal with any minor maintenance - it's important for buyers to know they are

purchasing a home that has been well cared for."

Inside the home, Pauline says the first step is to declutter and de-personalise – a rental storage unit may be your best friend here. Not only will decluttering give you a clear space to work with, but it will also be a big help when it comes time to pack up your things and move out. De-personalising helps a potential buyer see themselves living in your home, and they won't be able to do that if every wall and surface is covered with photos of your family and personal knick-knacks you've collected over the years.

Try to keep the furniture and décor understated for the same reason – you might love your bright floral armchair, but a potential buyer might not be able to look past it long enough to envision themselves living in your home. The more space you can create – without the house looking empty – the better, so clear the bookshelves and keep the benchtops bare.

Clean out those wardrobes, too. Buyers will certainly look through them, to consider how much storage space your abode offers.

"Give your home a good spring clean," Pauline says. "Hire a cleaning company for a few hours that can help you out; it will be worth the investment. Ensure the kitchen and bathrooms in particular are immaculate and make sure that outdoor areas are manicured and maintained."

Pauline's other tips for preparing your home to go on the market

- Consider painting your bright feature walls in more neutral colours to appeal to a larger range of buyers.
- Make sure all lights are turned on and even consider upgrading a few lightbulbs to really brighten your space.
- Fresh flowers on the table, candles or air fresheners all smell welcoming and help you immediately get into a buyer's good books.
- Have your furry friend minded for the duration of the inspection and tidy up after them to ensure the yards are clear.
- Leave buyers alone with the agent during home inspections. This will put the buyer at ease and they won't feel like they are imposing on you.



Bring a plate.



WE ALL KNOW JUST HOW MUCH PALM LAKE RESORT RESIDENTS LOVE A CATCH UP. OUR COMMUNITIES ARE LITERALLY BUILT ON 'COMMUNITY'. WHETHER IT'S A STREET PARTY WITH GARAGES DOORS WIDE OPEN AND FOLD-OUT CHAIRS EN MASSE IN DRIVEWAYS, OR VISITING FAMILY CATCHING UP AROUND A BARBECUE OR OUR RESORT POOL, ONE THING IS FOR SURE – YOU SHOULD ALWAYS BRING A PLATE.

The season of entertaining is almost here, when neighbours, friends and family come together to celebrate, well, just about anything. Even when you're told not to bring a thing, it's nice to not turn up empty handed. Here are our top five easy 'bring a plate' ideas to get you through another Palm Lake celebratory season because, guess what? It's already that time of the year again!

Cheese platter

Cheese platters are always crowd favourites and should be your number one go-to. Whatever your taste, there's always something on a good cheese platter that everyone can enjoy. In our opinion, a solid cheese platter should include the following:

- A soft cheese like brie, goats' cheese or camembert
- A hard cheese like cheddar or gouda
- A blue cheese like gorgonzola, Roquefort or Stilton
- A mix of crackers and bread
- A selection of dips, both dairy-based (ie, French onion) and dairy free (ie, pesto)
- Quince paste

- Something salty, like olives, cured meats or nuts
- Something sweet, like fruit or chocolate.

Also, note that presentation is key when it comes to a memorable platter. Wooden chopping boards make a great base for your platter and don't forget a cheese knife.

Spinach cob loaf

This Aussie party classic has been on high rotation for more than 100 years (yes, really!). And it's so simple to make. Take a large cob loaf (your choice of white, sourdough or whole-meal bread) and slice off the top, allowing you to remove the soft internal bread – save it for the next steps though. Drain a bag of frozen spinach of all water and mix with sour cream, mayonnaise, red onion and powdered vegetable stock until it forms a dip-like consistency. Scoop the mixture into the hollowed-out cob loaf and, under the grill, toast the bread chunks you tore out of the middle to serve.

Sushi tray

For something a little bit more exotic, you can't go past a sushi tray. Sushi is a lot of fun to make, too! Simply cook

Up the ante.

Don't just bring a plate to that next summer soiree - bring a jug as well! Here's a fruity sangria recipe to get you through the festive months! In a large glass pitcher, pour one bottle of white or red wine over ice. Then add four tablespoons of white sugar, 60ml of brandy and two cups of ginger ale. Stir. Add sliced oranges, lemons and limes and muddle slightly with your stirrer. Garnish each glass with a fruit wedge.



some sushi rice (short grain white rice made stickier with rice vinegar, sugar and salt), lay out a bamboo sushi mat and a sheet of seaweed (nori). Spread the rice onto the nori evenly, and right to each edge. Have a bowl of water on hand to help you form the sushi without the rice sticking to your hands. Add your preferred fillings along one side – fish, chicken, fresh vegetables, avocado and egg are popular choices – then roll it all together and cut with a super sharp knife.

Skewers

Does anything beat a skewer when it comes to finger food? There are no crumbs, no cutlery needed and plenty of deliciousness – plus, they're a lot of fun! Some exciting chargrilled skewer combinations include:

- Prawn, mango and avocado
- Steak, mushrooms, red onion
- Italian chicken, zucchini, cherry tomatoes, capsicum
- Grilled tofu or tempeh, carrots and mushrooms.

And to extend on your skewer repertoire, why not do fruit skewers? Pick the most colourful seasonal fruit available and chop into bite-sized pieces. For colour, you can't go past a combination featuring watermelon, grapes, rockmelon, honeydew, pineapple and the like. Easy!

Weekly activities list.

MONDAY – FRIDAY

7.25am – 8.25am Water exercises

MONDAY

7am – 1pm Personal gym instructor

9am – 11am Carpet bowls

2pm – 3.30pm Line dancing in the Clubhouse (first half-hour dedicated to beginners)

4pm Beginners' Ballroom Dancing

TUESDAY

9am Craft

1.30pm Bingo

4.45pm Aqua aerobics (register your name in the activity folder)

WEDNESDAY

7am Golf

1pm Cards – 500

1.30pm Rummikub

7pm Movie in cinema (see door for information)

THURSDAY

9am – 10am Yoga (register your name in activity folder)

9am – 11am Shopping trip to Tweed City

10.15am Fish man outside the Clubhouse

1.30pm Mah Jong

6pm Dinner (followed by trivia on the first Thursday of the month)

FRIDAY

10am – 11.30am Line dancing in the Clubhouse (first half-hour devoted to beginners)

5.30pm Happy Hour upstairs in the Clubhouse

SATURDAY

1.30pm Fortnightly Chick Flicks (BYO drinks and nibbles)

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LISTINGS WANTED

Word has spread about our secure resort grounds, low-maintenance/high-quality homes, world-class facilities, myriad weekly activities and welcoming coastal community - so much so, we have a record number of buyers looking to purchase at Palm Lake Resort Tweed River.

If you're a homeowner here and your situation has changed, call our Sales Team for a free market appraisal. We have qualified buyers waiting to hear about any new homes as they hit the market.

To find out more, FREECALL 1800 881 041 or stop by the Sales and Information Centre anytime from 9am-3pm, Monday-Friday.

COMMISSION-FREE TRANSITION

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MARKETING AND ADVERTISING SERVICES INCLUDE:

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- Listing on realestate.com.au
- Listing on Palm Lake Resort website
- Presented in our sales newsletter
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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, you'll receive \$250 cash. Easy!

\$250
cash incentive when you refer a friend to buy an **established home** at Palm Lake Resort

For more information and to refer your friend, simply contact our Sales Information Centre on 1800 881 041. *T&Cs apply



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Living at Palm Lake Resort has been compared to living the cruise ship lifestyle everyday. Just like cruising, our homeowners have everything they need, right on their doorstep. Think resort-style pools, gymnasiums, a wealth of activities and entertainment, social gatherings, food and drink, and more. But you can captain your own ship, here at Palm Lake Resort.

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