

## *Elections, Europe, Emergencies and Easter*

There is so much uncertainty in the world right now, I have pondered for several days trying to choose a topic for this month's cover that would still be relevant by the time it goes to print next week and decided that I can be sure that all 4 of these topics will dominate the news in April.

At the time of writing this, I am expecting that a Federal Election will be called in April for some time in May. The Election must be held before 21<sup>st</sup> May 2022, and with the minimum time between when the writ is issued and polling day being 33 days, we can be certain that sometime between now and Easter Monday (April 18<sup>th</sup>), the writ will be issued and the Federal Election date made known. The Federal Budget is scheduled for March 29<sup>th</sup> (earlier than usual this year) so this will also play into the election date selection.

As with any election, we are aware that we have Residents with many different political views and affiliations living in the Village. As always, we do not allow door to door campaigning on our private property and unaddressed letterbox drops are also not permitted. This remains consistent with our blanket advice to all Residents that if someone knocks on your door to sell you a product or a service you can be certain that they are doing this without Village Baxter permission. At election time, we place Campaign materials supplied by candidates in the same location as letterboxes so that Residents can collect the ones that interest them. At every election we receive many complaints about unsolicited campaign materials being placed in private letterboxes - if you receive election material that is not addressed to you in your letterbox, you can be certain that this was not placed into your letterbox by Village Staff. If you object to any material that was placed in your letterbox, please take it up with the individual candidate concerned.

The situation in Eastern Europe and the Flood and Covid Emergencies closer to home here in Australia are impacting prices and financial markets across the board. The prices of food, petrol, insurance and other necessities are all being pushed higher because of the issues both here and overseas and these will impact all of our budgets over the coming year. The 2022 – 2023 service fee budget will be discussed with your elected Village Baxter Residents' Committee at the April meeting. Whilst we hear a lot about this 'post-covid' world, we continue to see infections in the thousands every day and hundreds of Victorians in hospital with Covid and this is impacting emergency room and surgery waiting times for all people not just those with Covid. Please continue to be aware of any signs and symptoms you have and get your booster vaccine if you haven't already done so.

On a much brighter note, we do get to enjoy Easter in April – our biggest and most anticipated long weekend in Australia and very special time for people of Christian Faith. This year it will be extra special with Covid restrictions lifted and Church and family gatherings once again largely back to what we knew as 'normal'. This April is both a time of renewal as we celebrate Easter and reflection as we acknowledge ANZAC day the following week.

On behalf of our Board, Management and Staff, I would like to say thank-you for all that you have done to keep our staff safe at work and wish you and your families every blessing and happiness this Easter.

Kim Jackson, CEO



## Announcements

### ➤ *Welcome* ✦

We welcome the following new residents and wish them well in their new home.

Mr William Everitt—Suite 816

Mrs Patricia Everitt—Suite 817

Mr Clive Rendell—Suite 819A

Mr Daniel Imrei—Unit 341

Mrs Patricia Anderson—Unit 161

Mr Stephen Pollard—Unit 184

Ms Diana Frank—Unit 183

### ➤ *Congratulations* ✦

The following Residents have achieved memorable years of occupancy.  
We hope they enjoy many more years in the Village.

#### ***10 Years***

Les Cunningham

#### ***15 Years***

#### ***20 Years***

Peg Phillips

### ➤ *Transfers* ✦

The following residents have transferred within the ILU, to the Lodge, to the Manor, an Apartment, or to the Community. We wish them well in their new home.

#### ***Community***

#### ***Lodge***

#### ***Manor***

Loris Mott

### ➤ *In Memory* ✦

Sadly, we advise the following residents have passed away and we extend our sincere sympathy to their families and friends.

Mr Sydney Wilson—Suite 860

Mrs Wenda Cunningham—Unit 397

Mr Brian Smith—Suite 517

Mr Angelo Taranto—Suite 815

Mrs Phyllis Timewell—Suite 509

Mrs Olga Oakes—Suite 859

Mrs Gloria Munro—Suite 836

Mrs Joan Stokes—Unit 217

Mrs Marjorie Howe—Suite 848

Mr Angelo Taranto—Suite 815





## SCOOTER TYRE PUMPING



Dean from Mobility Help will be at Clarke Centre on the back veranda on **Wednesday 6th April** for Tyre Pumping between 9:30am-10:00am. Social Distancing applies.



## CHAPLAINCY SUPPORT GROUP



### Chaplaincy Support Group

Our General Meeting this month is on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> at 2pm in Parkside and also this month you are invited to a **seminar on Advanced Care** which will be held on **Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> in Parkside at 1.30pm**. See the brochure in this issue of Village Voice and on your community notice board!

### The Shed Op Shop

The Shed will be open in April on Friday 1, 8, 22 & 29 from 2-4pm (N.B. closed on Good Friday)

And on Saturday 9 from 10-12noon.

Remember that if you **need a new watch** you can check out the huge variety they have in the Shed, large or small, men's or ladies. Come and check them out! Just see Bernie who will help you!

As Doug Andersen has resigned from the Shed team, we thank him for his contribution over the last two years and wish him well in the future. Please note that the contact person for Shed matters is Sheila Blyth on either 5971 6923 or 0429 928 969 and if she's not available you may leave a message and she will call you back.

Margaret Knight, Secretary



## SOLO PLAYERS



We are looking for new and used Solo players. If you enjoy 500 it is very similar. We meet on Monday afternoons from 2 - 4 in the meeting room at Clarke.

For any enquiries please contact Cate Nelson 5971 6889.



## CORRECTION TO DIARY DATES



Please note that Line Dancing on Wednesdays starts at **10:15am**, not 10:30am as printed in the Diary Dates.



## MAINTENANCE REQUESTS



Just a reminder to not approach the gardening and maintenance staff with queries or job list.

**All enquiries are to go through your Resident Services Liaison where they will be logged and followed up in the correct manner.**

Contact details for the Resident Liaisons are listed on the Diary Dates insert and all their phones have voicemails that they check frequently. If you would prefer to email them instead, you can do so.



## IMPORTANT SAFETY NOTICE



We have received reports of residents approaching staff while they are mowing, brush cutting and using power tools.

This can be very dangerous for both the resident and staff member. Please respect the job they have to do and keep to a safe distance.

Lastly, **DO NOT enter the maintenance yard**. Once again with cars, equipment and machinery this can be a dangerous area.

# VBRC REPORT

## Ongoing items under consideration –

Speeding in the Village.

Speed Limit signage.

Car parking.

Footpaths.

Reliability of Internet.

Disaster Plan information.

Provision of door bells at units.

Design of disability access in new units.

Clarification of Groups with non-Residents using Community Centres.

Cost to residents of calls forwarded to Mobiles.

Residents' Workshop Management.

The meeting included a useful discussion with the Infrastructure Manager.

Concern was raised regarding Mount Erin parents of students, blocking vision at entrances and creating traffic hazards.



## SOCIAL GROUP



This is addressed to GENTLEMEN without partners.

WHERE ARE YOU? I have heard that some of you live in the village but I am beginning to wonder.

The Social Club has started, and we have met a few times for coffee, but the absence of males is perplexing. Ladies have attended but the males are few and far between. You really are missing out. The ladies are lovely, amusing, witty, funny, intelligent and are looking for witty, intelligent conversations from us males. WE NEED YOUR HELP. We are finding it hard to keep up the pretence of being witty and intelligent, both at the same time, even for an hour, twice a fortnight. They can only take so much of our nonsense before they see through us and then our reputations are shot.

If help is not forthcoming, I suppose we will have to soldier on and reap the benefits for myself and my male friends. It's a heavy load to have to carry but sometimes you just have to man up and do it for the greater good.

Bob Peachey 0490552847 59715291



## COVID-19 VACCINATIONS



All residents who are fully vaccinated and have their certificates, please get a copy to the Village Nurses for our records.

If you do not have access to a computer, a printed version of the COVID-19 Digital Certificate can be obtained by calling Services Australia on 1800 653 809 and asking them to send your Immunisation History Statement to you. You will need to provide your Medicare number. It can take up to 14 days to arrive in the post.

You can leave a copy of your certificate with Resident Liaisons or at Reception.

Have something that you would like to share? Want to thank someone? Have any feedback?

Please send your submissions, photos, and feedback to [newsletter@villagebaxter.com](mailto:newsletter@villagebaxter.com) or you can also drop off a note to your Resident Services Liaison.



## RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Volunteering is good for you and good for us and, the opportunities to volunteer around the Village are almost endless. In fact, if I started to try and list them all the most likely outcome would be to reveal the gaps in my knowledge. But they are all there to be found and at least one of them needs your particular skills.

Of course we do need those bigger issues dealt with but those issues are now, very largely, in the hands of others. Our job is making our own little world a better, happier more caring one to live in. Think about it, the opportunity to contribute to our community is very often a win/win experience – we all stand to gain. What can you do to make someone smile?

Tyre Pumping and the RA morning tea at Parkside are on again this month. Dean from Mobility Help provides us with an excellent free service in making sure mobility scooters can function as they should and time spent chatting with old friends and new ones at the RA morning tea is always time well-spent.

We also have some special events this month - ***It's a scarf affair***, which also brings us clothes, pays its first visit to the Village on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> April (the day before Good Friday). I'm sure the change in day is good news for those with regular Tuesday commitments. Please don't forget to put your name on one of the "Expressions of Interest" sheets attached to the ***It's a scarf affair*** poster on the RA noticeboard in your mail room.

We'd love to see you at our ***Easter Morning Tea*** on Easter Monday, the 18<sup>th</sup> April at Clarke and, we will also be providing morning tea after the annual Anzac Day service on the Clarke lawn on Thursday the 21<sup>st</sup>.

Deborah Haydon  
President

### Diary Dates for March:

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> April – Tyre Pumping, 9.30-10am (Clarke back verandah)

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> April – RA morning tea 9.30 – 11.30am (Parkside)

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> April – It's a scarf affair, 2.00pm (Clarke)

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> April – Hot Cross Buns Monday 10.00 -11.30am (Clarke)

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> April – RA General Meeting, 1.30pm (Clarke)

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> April – Anzac Day Memorial Service morning tea (Clarke)

Celebrate Easter  
with a Hot Cross  
Bun and a Cuppa

COVID Safe protocols  
apply if necessary

Clarke Centre  
Monday 18<sup>th</sup>  
April

9.30am - 11.30am

\$2.50 per person



### Pete's jokes for April:

Understanding Engineers:

To the optimist, the glass is half-full. To the pessimist, the glass is half-empty.

To the engineer, the glass is twice as big as it needs to be.

Always remember - you don't stop laughing because you grow old, you grow old because you stop laughing!



## VEGGIE GROUP

G'day all,

March was another busy month in the Veggie Patch with the remains of the summer veggies being harvested and the beginning of the big cleanup for the Winter crop. The last of the tomatoes, capsicums eggplant and beans were picked and sent up to the Kiosk. The old beds will be stripped of spent plants, weeded, dug over and fertilised, then the winter plantings will begin. We put in a few broad beans again and hope that the damp weather that is expected doesn't result in another failed bean crop. Also planted a few beds of different brassicas; cauliflower, cabbage, silver beet, lettuce and broccoli.

The winner of the biggest tomato this year goes to.....drum roll, please.  
ME! 550 grams.



The group had their first face to face meeting at Parkside in March. Our first big social event was the Autumn BBQ at the Veggie Patch. We had 41 people attend and from most of the comments I heard everyone was pretty pleased with it. Big thank you to Norm and Marian for their efforts in most of the organising, huge thanks to Ansley who had very short notice to organise the raffle which consisted of well over 40 prizes. Thanks to Dick for his efforts at the BBQ cooking snags and hamburgers. Also the help given by Roy Seabridge in doling out the bread and plates and afterwards his BBQ cleaning skills. Lastly thanks to those who assisted in the cleanup and putting away of chairs and tables.

The fig trees have begun to produce, the lemon trees have plenty of immature fruit on them but nothing usable due to the stripping of the fruit over the summer period. The orange trees also have plenty of fruit coming on but a long time before they are useful.

Running a bit late in compiling the newsletter this month so it's been a bit short so that's yer bloomin' lot!

Regards, Rod and the team.



Perhaps the name is confusing; it seems time to explain what Finding Our Feet is all about.

FOF has evolved into a walk aerobic class. We walk forward - sideways, etc. in time with the music and the Farrah Fawcett look alike instructor.

We have a drink (and chat) break and then finish the class.

We then have coffee (gold coin) and bikkies and a chat.

Friday afternoon in Clarke hall, 2 - 3 or maybe 4p.m. (depending on the chat)!!!

All welcome, wheelie walkers especially.



### INVITATION RESIDENTS' WORKSHOP

Any resident interested in the Workshop and maybe becoming involved in using this facility, is invited to visit the workshop at sometime during April.

The Workshop is managed by volunteers, who will endeavour to have it open as follows -

**Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday  
and Friday mornings.**  
(Public Holidays excepted)  
**between 9.00 AM and 12 Noon**



We held our second dance on Tuesday March 15th. It was a small group, (we had Blumes in Clarke in the afternoon, and then it rained around 5 p.m. so maybe that kept people home).

Those who came, thoroughly enjoyed themselves, with lots of laughs and lovely food to share.

We are changing the format from ballroom to 50's, 60's and 70's, so lots of singing along as well as dancing.

As the 15th April is Good Friday, we have decided to hold the next one on Thursday the 14th. So perhaps get a table together like C.L.E.O. (no partners needed), you are guaranteed a lot of fun!!



## NOTICE FROM ANZ KARINGAL



*We're committed to continually improving our services to meet the needs of our customers. That is why we're changing the services offered at ANZ Karingal with this location becoming a dedicated Hub for our business customers.*

*As a result of this change, the current branch at 330 Cranbourne Road, Karingal will close at 4.00pm on Wednesday 13 April 2022.*

*Our new Karingal Business Hub will open at 9.30am on Wednesday 27 July 2022 with a dedicated team of specialists.*

*We appreciate your patience and apologise for any disruption to your banking services while we're making these improvements.*

*We look forward to bringing you a better banking experience and welcoming you to our Karingal Business Hub soon.*



On **Friday the 8th of April**, Manning Craft will hold an Easter Sale at **Robinsons Centre** from **11:00am to 2:00pm**.

If weather permits, the stall will be outside the entry at Robinsons.

As well as a variety of Easter gifts, there will be a range of hand-crafted goods for sale.

Please come along and support our Crafty Ladies as the money raised will be offered to our hard-working Village Nurses.



We have been practising our repertoire of old army songs as lead up to Anzac Day - they have a great swing to them, a feeling of camaraderie with an uplifting message of hope & happiness as we play and sing with gusto!

Each time we meet (Friday at 1.15pm in the Parkside Centre) we enjoy every minute of the time spent together so if you would like to join us please contact Audrey - 5971 1767 who would love to chat with you.



## THINGS TO PLANT IN APRIL

Beetroot, Bok Choy, Broad Bean, Broccoli, Brussel Sprouts, Cabbage, Carrot, Cauliflower, Chives, Coriander, Daikon, Endive, Fennel, Kale, Kohl Rabi, Leek, Lettuce, Marjoram, Mint, Mustard Greens, Onion, Oregano, Parsley, Parsnip, Radish, Rocket, Rosemary, Sage, Salsify, Shallot, Siverbeet, Swede, Thyme, Turnip, Wombok

List taken from: <https://www.yummygardensmelbourne.com/autumn-vegetable-garden.html>



# VILLAGE BAXTER BOWLS CLUB

*“Much more than just a bowling club”*



## **Indoor Bowls:**

At the main hall Clarke Centre, every Monday from about 1.00 – 1.15pm. The contact persons are **Joan Riley or Maureen Brett**. If you are new to the Village please contact them, just front up on a Monday and introduce yourself, or ask the duty hostess.

## **Social Outdoor Bowls:**

Social bowls has been well attended since our last report, particularly on Saturdays and the numbers on both days will now increase with the ending of the pennant season.

Unfortunately, due to difficulties in complying with Covid restrictions and an abundance of caution, we could not run “**Twilight Bowls**” this year. Let’s hope will be a different story next year.

## **Club Championships:**

The Club Championships are underway with the newly introduced system to encourage greater participation by all members. All competitions will be a mixture of both women and men based on entries. If you have any queries please contact Ron Osborne. **Check the notice board for fixtures and completion deadlines.**

## **Special Event:**

Over 80 members and partners gathered in Clarke Centre for a much needed get together to just have some fun and farewell daylight saving. It was also a good chance to “meet and greet” our new members, as we have been somewhat restrained by the Covid restrictions. As usual our thanks go to our Provodore Noeleen Bates, her committee and helpers for organising the night. As we say It’s **“more than just a bowling club”**.

## **MPBR Midweek Pennant Report:**

22<sup>nd</sup> February we defeated Main Ridge 1 at Main Ridge – by 3 shots, 60 to 57.

1<sup>st</sup> March we were defeated at home by Karingal 13 shots - 62 to 49.

8<sup>th</sup> March we faced Somerville at Somerville and they unfortunately defeated us by 17shots - 57 to 40 - thus ending our season earlier than had we hoped. In fact we finished 3 points shy of fourth place. Nevertheless, a good effort and we all enjoyed our pennant season. A special thanks goes to our selectors and all those players who regularly participated, or filled in, thus strengthening our team. We also found some new bowlers and hope more will follow for next year’s pennant. Congratulations also to the MPBR who guided us through this difficult Covid period giving us the pennant season we didn’t expect would happen.

## **Coaching Clinics:**

Russell Chandler with Ron Burgess run coaching groups on Thursday mornings at 9.30am until 10-30am for new and old bowlers.

### **Coaches Corner.**

Tip! After putting down a bowl, stay on the mat and watch where the bowl finishes. This will give you a good idea of what you need to emulate, or adjust (length or width) on your next bowl.

### **New Members.**

**David & June Tennant**

## **Future Events for Your Diary:**

**Saturday & Tuesday Social bowls now both commence at 12.30pm from 26<sup>th</sup> March.**







FOR SALE



Pride Jazzy 623 Mid wheel drive electric wheelchair (Candy Apple Red)

18" seat width, 19" seat depth  
Central flip up footplate with gel calf support  
Active Trac suspension  
Tilt in Space seat function  
Elevating leg rest function  
Flip back headrest  
LH user controls  
RH attendant controls at rear  
Australian Standard tie downs for multi taxi transport  
Max speed 8kmph, Range up to 25km

ROHO Quadtro Select 1011 high profile pressure cushion with spare cover  
Folding Portable 3 ft ramp and rubber threshold wedge also available  
Cost \$14,000 in 11/2017  
Price negotiable

Contact Liz for more information or a test drive!  
0419 885 230



PINCHAPOO



Some of the information in the insert below can now be updated.....Pinchapoo began **12** years ago and distributes **8.5 million** personal hygiene products each year to many thousands of disadvantaged people.

Last May we collected 146kgs. from the amazingly generous folks of the Village Baxter! Can we do it again.....??

On Sunday, May 1 this year, collection boxes will be placed at Clarke, Grant, Parkside and Robinsons Centres for the whole month as collection points for toiletry items that you would like to donate to this very worthy cause. Health regulations demand that all must be new and unopened; if you don't have hotel give-aways to donate, normal-sized products from the supermarket or chemist are also very well-received.

Goods may include toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap, disposable razors, roll-on deodorant, shampoo, conditioner, brushes, combs, dental products (mouthwash, floss) shaving cream, hand sanitizer, lip balm, skin care, make-up, baby care products, toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo, conditioner, brushes and combs. Please note that shower caps, sewing kits and bath salts are not required. If you would like more information, check the website: [www.pinchapoo.org.au](http://www.pinchapoo.org.au)

Be assured that your generosity is appreciated not only by the people working at Pinchapoo but especially by the recipients who, for various reasons, are facing difficult times.

Kate Austin, C.E.O. and founder of Pinchapoo, will be here from about 9.30 a.m. on Friday, June 3rd with the van to pick up our donations. She is happy to meet any residents who would like to be at the Clarke Centre at that time.

THANK YOU in anticipation!!

Heather Charman

## So, what's Pinchapoo?

**P**inchapoo is proudly responsible for creating a cheeky hotel toiletry 'pinching' movement 8 years ago.....and for good reason! Using this concept, **we have been able to proudly redistribute in excess of 1.6 million personal hygiene products** to thousands of disadvantaged men, women and children around Australia.

**P**inchapoo works alongside **over 120 leading organisations nationally** as a total hygiene solution providing products via homeless shelters, soup vans, domestic abuse refuges, community

shower programs, refugee support centres, short-term housing, crisis accommodation, hospitals, schools, jails and emergency relief efforts for bushfire and flood victims.

**B**y donating to Pinchapoo, you become part of the profound transformation that occurs when self-confidence and self-worth is restored. Help us honour this basic human right, essential to physical and mental well-being today!

To learn more about Pinchapoo and how to donate go to [www.pinchapoo.org.au](http://www.pinchapoo.org.au) or visit us on Facebook

 Pinchapoo  @pinchapoo\_au  
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## FAMILY HISTORY:

To be developed.

# COMPUTER CLINIC

## ZOOM MEETINGS:

If you want to set up a “Zoom” meeting with family or friends because of the tyranny of distance, or whatever or just to celebrate birthdays, anniversaries, or remotely contacting overseas relatives, the Computer Clinic can help you arrange and set up these meetings. Just contact John or Chris should you wish to avail yourself or family of this service.

## WINDOWS & APPLE SESSIONS:

On one occasion John Thompson took both groups as Chris McMillan was not available for one session. John Covered a wide range of valuable general interest topics relevant to both Windows or Apple users, these included:

*Search engines / Government websites / Google earth & computer help desk / Vic Services App problems / digital newspaper access / national geographical site and an introduction to duckduckgo browser with a video and text answers.*

On his return at the following session, Chris McMillan covered the following topics.

*Scams / scammers in email messages / Adding words on the scroll bar / Transferring photos from your iPhone to your iPad using air drop / printing email attachments from your iPhone and discussed the benefit of using Google maps.*

In the other session, in the computer room, John covered the following:-

“Gmail” - switching over from the Village email to Gmail and setting up your new address. Should you require further assistance with this process please come to the clinic meetings.

### Other Useful websites:

techradar.com / howtogeek.com (free newsletter) / makeuseof.com / Magazines online. e.g. pcworld.com / pcmag Australia / VPN info. Suggest subscribe to a paid version / Askwoody.com / Entertainment – youtube (playback).

## FAMILY HISTORY:

At the last Family History session Sue Hinds went back to the basics of commencing research of a family and later listed a number of websites to assist in finding your family’s data. Sandy Fletcher later joined the meeting via Zoom and highlighted many of the sites mentioned below. Should you have any queries about the sites mentioned below Sue or Sandy will be happy to help. Thanks to John Thompson who handled the big screen and Zoom.

Websites Information.

www.bdm.vic.gov.au / www.nsw.gov.au / www.qld.gov.au / Ryerson index – ww.ryerson.index.org(deaths) / Google Archive Newspapers - news.google.com (The Age 1854-1989) / – trove.nla.gov.au ( Australian Old Newspapers) / paperspast.natlib.govt.nz ( New Zealand old newspapers) /

prov victoria / www.scotlandspeople.gov.uk -( bdms, census and more) / irishgenealogy.ie (bdms) / General Registry Office UK - www.gov.uk / free - BMD uk - www.free bmd.org.uk (reference numbers to order certificates from GRO). national archives.gov.uk - (Wills 1384-1858) / After 1858 - www.gov.uk / findagrave.com / Cemeteries - smct.org.au - Springvale, St. Kilda, Bunurong / Carol’s, Headstone Photos - www.ozgenonline.com - Headstone photos available free by emailing request to Carol, ( All states) / Facebook page - Dating Old Photos (Genealogy CLUES - Dating Old Photographs).

## GENERAL:

**If you are having difficulties with your device or system, please let John or Chris know in advance and they will try resolving your issue over the phone or at a future session.**

Contact details are:- John Thompson 5971 6833 or Chris McMillan 5971 6865.

## COMPUTING NOTES:

This month there have been a number of important security, system and feature updates for a variety of products. Some of the key ones are listed below, but you should check what is appropriate for your computing system:

**Apple:** A new version of Apple iOS (15.4) been released for all Apple products and already updated.

**Google:** Introduced a significant update to fix some serious security problems and feature improvements.

### **Windows:**

**MS Edge:** This browser provider, introduced and update version(99) to fix a number of security issues and introduce some new features.

**Window 10:-** this month's "Patch Tuesday" fixed system vulnerabilities and some MS Office issues.

**Windows 11:-** Updates fixed security issues and introduced some new features.

**Firefox:** A new version of Mozilla Firefox (98) was introduced on the 8<sup>th</sup> March. If you use this product you should update to the latest version.

**HP:** Has released a laptop and desktop UEFI Bios update to fix 16 security vulnerabilities they discovered in their system for a number of their models of computers. You should check with them to see whether your model requires this update.

## UPCOMING MEETINGS:

- Tuesday 12th April—from 2pm.
- Tuesday 26th April—from 2pm. (Including the Family History Session).
- Tuesday 10th May—from 2pm.
- Tuesday 24th May—from 2pm. (Including the Family History Session).

***New Members are always welcome***

## **FACING THE FUTURE SEMINAR**

# **ADVANCED CARE PLAN**

Advanced Care Planning provides an opportunity to write our own preferences regarding care and medical treatment in advance, in case the time comes when we are unable to make such decisions.

All our questions will be answered.

**Wednesday**

**April 27th**

**1.30 pm**

**Parkside Lounge**

Presented by Peninsula Health.

Sponsored by the Chaplaincy Support Group

Please place your name on one of the lists provided in Grant, Robinson, Parkside or Clarke Centres

## ANZAC DAY SERVICE



At the Anzac Memorial

(Clarke Centre)

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2022

10.30am

All Residents  
and Staff Welcome





## THANK YOU

Sadly we would like to inform the Village Baxter community of the peaceful passing of our beloved mother Marj Howe on 5th March 2022.

Marj and her husband Grevis were residents of Unit 30 for 4 years, until her illness, and Grevis' death in June 2017. Marj was well-known and respected around the Village for her work in The Shed, library, church and various other social groups.

Marj moved into The Manor in July 2017 following a stroke which left her confined to a wheelchair. Despite her physical hardships, Marj retained her warmth, kindness, interest in people, and her lovely bright smile. She particularly enjoyed opportunities to go back out into the Village community, admiring the beautifully maintained gardens, and enjoying her "Skinny Capp" and toasted sandwiches in The Café.

We would like to express our sincere thanks to all the friendly staff throughout the Village Baxter community, but especially to all the wonderful caring staff at The Manor, who looked after Marj so well in her final years. Our particular thanks and acknowledgement go to DoN Bridget and the Lifestyle staff, for helping the residents stay safe but still connected to family and friends during the past 2 difficult Covid years.

Marj's smile will be missed by all.

- Liz Porter, Jenny Fisher & Peter Howe -





## FROM THE CHAPLAINS

### *New Beginnings—Resilience and Recovery*

Recently Dorrie (my wife) and I spent two weeks holidaying on the south coast of New South Wales. Whilst staying at Batemans Bay we visited Eurobodalla Regional Botanic Garden. It is located on a 42-hectare forest site, five kilometres south of Batemans Bay. The garden has an abundance of fauna and flora, with many of the plants, trees and shrubs being sourced from the local region.



On New Year's Eve, 2019, a bushfire swept through the Eurobodalla Shire with devastating effects. The Botanic Garden suffered major damage to its infrastructure, with much of the plant collection, trees and shrubs being destroyed as well as numerous wildlife.

However, the bushfire has given the local shire the opportunity to future proof its infrastructure – replacing timber-framed bridges with steel and selecting less flammable landscape materials. By the end of 2024, the living plant collection should be restored to what it was just before the 2019 bushfire.

When we consider the devastation of bushfires and floods we see within nature and people, a resilience to recover. We see the green shoots of regeneration from trees that have been burnt and we see communities coming together after floods to help each other.

In many ways, life is all about new beginnings – new beginnings after devastating bushfire and floods, new beginnings after health issues, new beginnings after tragic circumstances and loss.

Further, God by his very nature is a God of new beginnings. May we continue to have open eyes to see what God is doing.

*“He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away. He who was seated on the throne said, “I am making everything new!” ( Revelation 21: 4 & 5)*



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on all Public Holidays, including:

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**Easter Monday - Monday 18th April**

**ANZAC Day - Monday 25th April**

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**Friday 22nd April**

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## DIARY DATES – APRIL 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<p><b><u>DISCLAIMER</u></b></p> <p><b>Dates &amp; Events are correct at time of deadline 18/03/2022</b></p>				<p><b>1</b></p> <p>9.30am-11am <b>Exercises (M)</b> 10am-4pm <b>Craft (RC)</b> 1.15pm - 3.30pm <b>Village Strummers (P)</b> 2pm-3pm <b>Finding Our Feet (C)</b> 2pm-4pm <b>The Shed</b></p>	<p><b>2</b></p> <p>9am-12pm <b>Croquet (M)</b> 10.30am <b>Outdoor Bowls (C)</b> 1pm-5pm <b>Cards-500 (CC)</b></p>
<p><b>3</b></p> <p>10am - Church Service (CH)</p>	<p><b>4</b></p> <p>11am <b>Exercises with Noriko (C)</b> 9-4pm <b>Craft (CC)</b> 1pm <b>Indoor Bowls (C)</b> 2pm <b>Cards-Continental Rummy "May I" (P)</b> 2-4 pm <b>Cards-Solo (CM)</b> 2-4.30pm <b>Croquet (M)</b></p>	<p><b>5</b></p> <p>9am-3pm <b>Art (DCA)</b> 9.30-11am <b>Exercises (M)</b> 10.30pm <b>Outdoor Bowls (C)</b> 2pm <b>Snooker (R)</b> 2.30pm <b>Darts (R)</b> 5pm – <b>C.I.E.O. Club (C)</b></p>	<p><b>6</b></p> <p>9.30am – 10am <b>Tyre Pumping (Clarke back verandah)</b> 10.30am-12.30am <b>Ladies Sewing/Craft Group</b> 10am – 11.30am <b>Fresh &amp; Frozen Fish (Clarke Centre Carpark)</b> 10.30am <b>Line Dancing (C)</b> 2pm <b>CSG (P)</b></p>	<p><b>7</b></p> <p>9am-3pm <b>Pottery (DCA)</b> 11am-4pm <b>Craft Group (P)</b> 11am-5pm <b>Mahjong (P)</b> 2pm <b>Snooker (R)</b> 2.30pm <b>Darts (R)</b></p>	<p><b>8</b></p> <p>9.30am-11am <b>Exercises (M)</b> 10am-4pm <b>Craft (RC)</b> 1.15pm - 3.30pm <b>Village Strummers (P)</b> 2pm-3pm <b>Finding Our Feet (C)</b> 2pm-4pm <b>The Shed</b></p>	<p><b>9</b></p> <p>10.00am-11.30am <b>RA Morning Tea (P)</b> 9am-12pm <b>Croquet (M)</b> 10.30am <b>Outdoor Bowls (C)</b> 1pm-5pm <b>Cards-500 (CC)</b> 10am - 12pm <b>The Shed</b></p>
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**Unless otherwise advised Administration Hours**  
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Monday to Friday

Church Services

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