

Who are we?

The site upon which Village Baxter operates has been a Retirement Village since 1974. There are currently 418 units with construction expected to commence by Christmas for 5 more and planning approvals currently being sought for 5 other units with construction expected to commence later in 2023. The site upon which Rosebud Village operates has been a Retirement Village since 1980 and contains 105 units.

How do the Villages compare?

Number of Units	Village Baxter	Rosebud Village
1-bedroom units	56	25
2-bedroom units	312	77
2 bedrooms + study units	50	3
Currently under construction	5	0
Community Centres	4	1
Average Unit price compared to median house price	26.69%	33.82%

Independent Living Unit Resident Population Demographics	Village Baxter	Rosebud Village	2022 Industry Average for Villages
Number of units	418 units	105 units	114 units
Residents living in the Independent Units	536 people	111 people	140 people
Average number of Residents per unit	1.30 people	1.10 people	1.23 people
Average Age of Current Residents	83 years	84 years	81 years
Average Age of New Residents	74 years	75 years	75 years
Average Age of Female Residents	83 years	84 years	N/A
Average Age of Male Residents	84 years	84 years	N/A
Ratio of Females to Males	1.85:1	2:1	N/A
Average years living in the Village (current Residents)	9.3 years	7.7 years	8.5 years
Average time in the Village (at time of moving out)	11.2 years	13.1 years	9 years

Our Staff:

Staffing	Numbers	Averages / Ranges
Total Staff	261	Length of service ranges from 1 week to 29.5 years
Casual	85	Average length of service 3.09 years
Part Time	136	Average length of service 6.78 years
Full Time	40	Average length of service 5.19 years
Average Age	47 years	Age range: 20 to 78 years
Gender	27 men, 234 women	10% male, 90% female

Each time I do this summary, the Resident data remains largely unchanged, our average age of entry has hovered between 73 and 74 for more than 20 years. However the pandemic has significantly changed our staffing profile with the closure of the Lodge and the impact of the pandemic promoting lifestyle / location changes and retirements. Overall, we still have a good mix of long term and new staff, but generally speaking, we are a new generation of Staff with the average age falling from mid-50's to mid-40's and the average length of service also falling from over 8 years to 5.29. The Village is a great place to live and work.

Warm regards, **Kim Jackson**, CEO



Announcements

⇒ *Welcome* ⇐

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

Mr James Veitch—Unit 926

Mrs Glenys Ford—Unit 342

Mrs Margaret Johns—Unit 338

Mr Garth Lewis & Mrs Margaret Tildesley—Unit 335

⇒ *Congratulations* ⇐

The following Residents have achieved memorable years of occupancy.

10 Years

Denise Potter

15 Years

Malden Rowe

Norma Andrews

20 Years

⇒ *Transfers* ⇐

The following residents have transferred within the ILU, to the Manor, an Apartment, or to the Community.

We wish them well in their new home.

Community

Manor

William McQuiston

Cornelia Jung

⇒ *In Memory* ⇐

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

Margaret Danswan—Suite 825

Barbara Neate—Suite 811

James Brasher—Suite 801





FROM THE VILLAGE MANAGER



Welcome to our October '23 edition of the Village Voice.

I was given a Newspaper article to share with you all. The article was submitted to the paper by Joy Jackson and printed some time ago I believe. I hope you enjoy reading it!

CHANGE FOR THE BETTER

We are the Senior Citizens of today, We were here before TV, VCR's, FM radio, tape recorders and CDs; making music would often involve cranking a wind-up gramophone.

When we were young there were no dishwashers, refrigerators, freezers, clothes-dryers or electric blankets.

Frozen food, instant coffee, tea-bags, zucchini, yoghurt, and avocado were unknown. No one had invented Kentucky Chicken, McDonalds or Red Rooster. We thought that fast food was what you ate during Lent.

There were no ball-point pens, disposable nappies, frisbees, fluorescent lights, remote-controlled toys or credit cards. Graffiti was virtually unknown, maybe because there were no spray cans, or perhaps because our parents would have found out and thumped us if we'd tried it!

Only old men wore beards, but everyone wore a tie and three piece suit when they went out. Long hair and earrings for men would have been ridiculed.

Chips were small pieces of wood, and we used them in a bath heater to heat the water for our Saturday night bath. A mouse was an animal caught in a trap when it invaded our kitchen. Hardware was nails and screws and software wasn't even a word.

No one had thought of sniffing glue, we used it for repairing things. Acid went in a car battery and grass was fed to the cows. Pot was for cooking in, though sometimes there was one under the bed.

Speed had to do with how long it took to ride down the street on your bike and if we were lucky we might have a joint for dinner on Sunday. LSD meant pounds, shillings and pence.

Queer meant peculiar and gay meant happy. If asked to explain UFO, RSL, NATO, UNESCO or AFL we would have said "Alphabet Soup".

We worked a 44 hour week or even longer, and annual leave was two weeks. WorkCare and Medicare were unknown.

We married first, lived together afterwards.

Perhaps we are a little hard to understand at times, but be a bit tolerant towards us; your turn may come.

Village reminder: I'd like to remind residents that all visitors and family members must be accompanied and supervised by a resident whilst visiting any of our Community Centres and Village facilities at all times.

Many thanks,

Dawn Tanner, Village Manager



CHAPLAINCY SUPPORT GROUP



On Sunday 13th September residents and friends gathered in the Chapel, and enjoyed a wonderful afternoon of entertainment by 'The Couriers'. We all joined in for some wonderful songs as well. We are so grateful that they freely gave us their time.

Re Open Day in Parkside; there will be a cake stall, sandwiches, scones, woodwork and patchwork sales. The 'Highland Dancers' will also entertain us at 11 am. If the weather permits, we shall extend our seating to outdoors.

All proceeds go to support the Chaplains.

Thank you to those who have already registered to provide cakes and preserves for sale on Open day. Please contact Brenda Bavinton on 5971 2291 if you wish to bake etc.

We will forward information to you regarding ingredients and delivery time to Parkside.

The Shed Op Shop

The Shed will be open in October on every Friday from 2-4 pm and on Open day Saturday 14th 9-1pm.

Please note that on Friday 13th, the day before Open Day, the Shed team will be busy preparing for the big day.

If you have goods for the Shed, please phone Maree or Bernie on 5971 4079. They will advise you what items are acceptable and when they may be delivered to the Shed.

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday 4th of October. Newcomers are very welcome. We go through our program for the coming month and share ideas. We have a short devotional and prayer time followed by afternoon tea and a quiz.

Irene McGladdery
Secretary

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

Have any feedback?

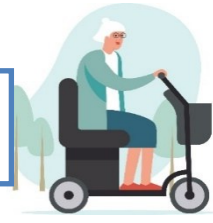
Please send your submissions, photos, and feedback to

newsletter@villagebaxter.com

or you can also drop off a note to your Community Centre Receptionist.



SCOOTER TYRE PUMPING



Dean from Mobility Help will be at Clarke Centre on the back verandah on **Wednesday 11 October** for Tyre Pumping between 9am - 9.30am.

Attention **Mobility Scooter Users**

**Do you have issues using your
mobility scooter within the Village?**

**Please put your name and contact details on the
lists which will be available at the
Community Centres from
1 September 2023 to 30 November 2023**

**Please call
Marie Newton
0428 486 541
to discuss.**

Marie is a member of the VBRC.



CONTENTS INSURANCE



Village Baxter Unit Build details for Insurance

The following information will be of assistance when answering questions to obtain your own quotes and insurance policy.

All Village Units are brick veneer with a tiled roof.

Units 1 – 15 were built in 2011, Units 16 - 31 were built in 2012, Units 35 -37, 42 – 45 were built in 2016, Units 35 -37, 42 – 45 were built in 2016, Units 32, 34 38, 39 were built in 2017, Units 40, 41, 46, 47 were built in 2018, Units 48, 49, 50, 51 were built in 2022, Units 52, 53 were built in 2023, Units 54-57 were built in 2020, Units 77 to 144 were built in approximately 1973, Unit 145 to 197 were built in approximately 1986, Units 201 – 418 were built in approximately 1978, Units 200 A to 200 K were built in 2015, Units 900-920 were built in 2004, Units 921 – 924 were built in 2019, Units 925 – 960 were built in 2008, The Apartments were built in 1981, The Manor was built in 2003.



A Reminder to all RESIDENTS, VISITORS, FAMILY MEMBERS, STAFF
AND CONTRACTORS

The Village has a strict speed limit of 20km/h

We would appreciate everyone respecting this; we would like to keep everyone safe!



*"I always wanted to learn a musical instrument but somehow
it never happened..."*

If that's your experience come and try ukelele. It's a great little instrument!

We sing as we strum so both voices and fingers get a valuable workout.

We'll lend you a ukelele to start off and teach you the first three chords. Soon
you'll be playing along with the group. We are always

practising for our next performance or just playing
for pleasure and fun.

Acoustic Guitar Players Welcome!!

Why not pop into

Parkside one Friday afternoon

between

1.15pm and 3pm to hear the ukes,

or after 3pm if you just want to

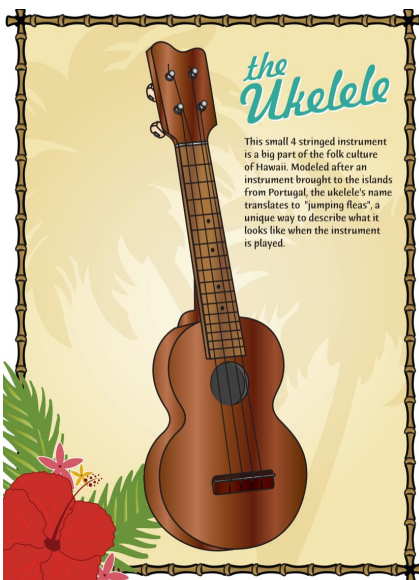
Chat over a cuppa.

If you like singing along join us to do just that.

For more information phone

Robyn Thatcher 0412 331 011 or

Marg Smith 0499 919 005





RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

SPRING!! Time to turn off the Aircon then open the doors and let the lovely warm breeze drift through the house, chasing out that chill and with it all the cobwebs. Winter will soon be a distant memory.

Of course we still have some winter events to finish, most importantly the Footy Grand-Final. My team Essendon is well out of the running, so I'm hoping to see Collingwood win on the big day. My family have threatened to exile me. I think it's hilarious to find myself an orphan this late in life. Whoever you are pinning your hopes on, get together with friends, have a meat pie and enjoy the day.

October 14th is Open Day, a big day for the Village and Residents, so be sure to bring along family and friends and join in as much as you can fit into the day.

On another note, it has come to our attention that seven snooker balls have been removed from the set at Clarke Centre billiard room, rendering the set unusable. A new set will need to be purchased at a cost of \$150. This equipment is provided by the Residents' Association for the use of Village Residents, so the replacement cost comes from funds raised within the Village. It is very disappointing that the actions of one impact many.

Stay well and keep warm.

Marlene McKenzie
President

Diary Dates for October

Wednesday 11th – Tyre Pumping, Clarke back verandah 9-9.30am

Wednesday 18th – RA General Meeting Clarke 1.30pm

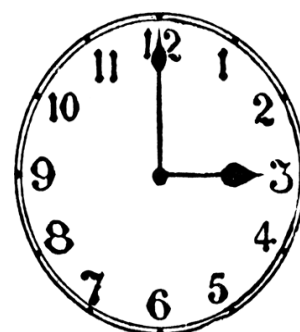
Thursday 19th – U&I Designs Clarke 1.30pm

Pete's Jokes for October

- ◇ Hard to believe I once had a phone attached to a wall and, when it rang, I picked it up without knowing who was calling.
- ◇ Apparently RSVPing to a wedding invitation "Maybe next time" isn't the correct response.
- ◇ She says I keep pushing her buttons. If that were true, I would have found mute by now.
- ◇ So you've been eating hot dogs and McChicken's all your life, but you won't take the vaccine because you don't know what's in it. Are you kidding me?

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME STARTS

1 October 2023—Daylight Saving Time STARTS
Sunday 1 October 3am clocks are turned
FORWARD 1 hour



Don't Forget Our Fashion Parade This Month

- Flyer Out Soon -



The Manor Lifestyle team would love a Village Volunteer who has the following criteria to join us for sing-alongs once a month at The Manor.

Can play Piano and sing (singing not compulsory), 3 X Covid vaccination, 2023 Flu Vaccination (required annually), Police Check (completed through VB), Volunteer Paperwork to be completed upon application. Other requirements are that a mask must be worn at all times whilst in The Manor.

Please contact Dee and Shelley if interested. manorlifestyle@villagebaxter.com
or call the Manor and leave your details on 5971 6355



VEGGIE GROUP

This month we celebrated with our annual Life Members' luncheon.



Due to our usual caterer having to go to hospital suddenly Marian had to quickly re-arrange the catering and did so with excellent results. It was especially wonderful to see nearly 40 current and retired gardeners thoroughly enjoying themselves, although there were a few complaints about Norm and his quiz! We thank the staff from the Manor, they brought one of our longest serving members, Evelyn Evans, to join with us.

Unfortunately we forgot to take photos during the lunch but if you use your imagination you can see people sitting at these tables eating, chatting to their hearts content.

GARDEN TOOLS. Over the years we have managed to accumulate countless tools some of which are pictured here. We had planned to sell these during September but the weather got the better of us and so now they will be available on OPEN DAY, all going CHEAP.

Also shown here are the **TOMATO SEEDLINGS** that are being grown in the hot house. Watch out as these may be available before Open Day.

Have you ever tried to grow or eat **YAKON**? I'd never heard of it until Geoff N gave me some tubers. Also called the Peruvian Ground apple it can be eaten raw (yuk), stir fried, in soups and casseroles and roasted. If you would like to try one pop down to the veggie patch early one Monday morning and I'll dig one up for you.



Our **broad beans** are looking better than they have for several years. We are hoping the wind stays away and we are able to send the beans up to the KIOSK. The brilliant red flowers of the broad beans shown here belong to Robin H.



Regards
Norm Eys (U935)



**COME AND ENJOY
A GAME OF SNOOKER**
All are Welcome

Where: Robinsons Centre

When: Every Thursday

Time: 2pm - 4pm

**Come and have a fun time -
let us teach you how
to play a game of snooker**



SOCIAL GROUP



Social Club October Dates

Village Café 5th and 19th

Roundabout Café 11th and 25th

Always at 10.30am

I have noticed during the winter months that there is a general lack of fitness in the group. I do not intend to name and shame, but we all know who the slackers are. If we are to engage in physical activity this spring, like hiking and camping and such like, we as a group need to start thinking about lifting our level of physical fitness, of course only thinking about it is a good start. Owing to my ongoing medical problems I can only offer my support, but rest assured I will be with you in spirit in any endeavours you decide to do.

Bob Peachey (266) 0490 552 847 or 5971 5291

Spring Flower bouquet



MEN'S BRUNCH



9.30am at Parkside
\$5.00 pay on the day

ALL MEN WELCOME

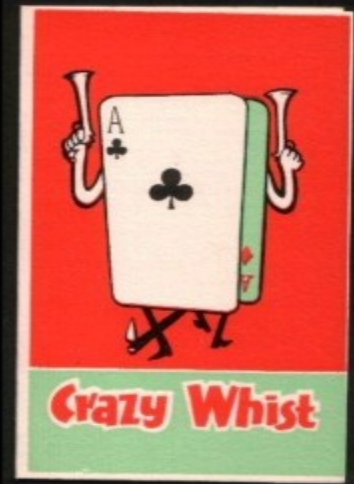
**Please enter via the main entrance
at Parkside only**

**** We will only be catering to order****

Men's Brunch at Parkside at 9.30am on the
3rd Tuesday of every month.

Great morning for the men where they can enjoy a
delicious egg and bacon sandwich with coffee, tea,
and great conversation.

**Please RSVP for CATERING PURPOSES your details on
the notice boards at Grant, Robinsons, Clarke &
Parkside.**



**Have you always wanted to
play cards but can't?
Or do you need a
refresher course?
HAPPY TO HELP!**

**You are invited to our
CRAZY WHIST**

**afternoon on
Mondays**

1.30pm-3.30pm

@ Clarke Centre Green Room

**If you can't play cards,
we would be
pleased to teach you.**

**We need more
players and your
company would be
most welcome.**

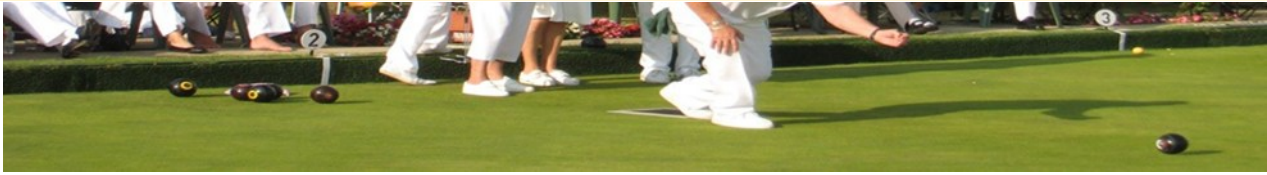
**Contact: Eileen 5971 1029
Edna 5971 6841/0498 647 303**



VILLAGE BAXTER BOWLS CLUB



Much more than just a bowling club



Indoor Bowls

Looking to get involved with Indoor Bowls? **Contact either Joan Riley or Maureen Brett, or the Clarke Centre receptionist Meridee.** Our great facilities, air-conditioned warmth, have attracted good numbers in recent weeks and there is a great camaraderie to boot. Action is on Mondays starting from about 1.00 – 1.15pm. You are invited to come to the Clarke Centre on Mondays to watch and/or join the fun if you wish.

Just come and get involved.

Social Outdoor Bowls

Winter bowls is winding up and we are getting ready to start our Spring/ Summer activities. Thanks to all those who contributed to keeping us on the green or indoors in the Clarke Centre hall over the Winter months and we all now look forward to the new season, which includes the Peninsula Pennant season, which kicks off on the 17th October.

General-Pizza & Pasta Night

The final themed dinner with the Wallara Organisation at the helm was held in the Grant Cafe on the 25th August with a sizeable group of over 30 bowlers attending the Pizza & Pasta dinner. We thank the Wallara Organisation and staff for all their efforts during their tenure and wish them well at their new Seaford Sports Centre location. We also now look forward to the next themed dinner with our new incumbents Mooney's and to welcome them to the Village.



Calendar

Upcoming Events for Members

2023

- 30th September - **Grand Final Day – Pies, Pasties & Sausage Rolls - \$5 per head.**
- 13th October - **Twilight Bowls begins— see flyer below**
- 7th November - **Cup Day - \$20.**
- 14th December - **Christmas Dinner - (Clarke Centre; includes entertainment) - \$30.**

2024

- 1st February - **Pizza Night - \$10.**

Bowling Club cont....

Twilight Bowls Dates – 2023-2024.



October	13 th	January	12 th
November	10 th	February	18 th
December	15 th	March	15 th

Staff v Bowlers Challenge - 16 November 2023, 4pm - more details to come!

FYI – Bowls Show

Viewing – Great bowling can be viewed on Sundays, at 3pm on channel 72 & repeated on Wednesdays at 2.30pm, for those interested in lawn bowls.

Indoor Bowls:

Contact: Conveners
Coaching: by arrangement
Refer Centre Notice Boards

Bowls - Mondays 1.15pm at Clarke Centre
- check notice board for details of times
and any changes.

Outdoor Bowls:

Contact: The President or Secretary
Coaching: Thursday mornings by appointment.
Refer Centre Notice Boards

Social Bowls - Saturdays & Tuesdays
- check notice board for details of times and
any changes.

Much More than just a Bowling Club!



NEWSPAPERS



Just a friendly reminder to all residents, especially new residents in the Village, that we raise money for the residents of The Manor, by collecting and selling newspapers to a local commercial business. Therefore, I am appealing to you all to PLEASE, PLEASE DO NOT PUT YOUR NEWSPAPERS IN THE RECYCLE BINS. We have collection points in all Community Centres and as we all go to collect our mail it should be quite easy to take your old newspapers with you. If you are not sure where to place them, ask your receptionist. Most have a cupboard under the mail boxes. We also have collection bins at Gate 4 driveway on both sides of the road, near the carports.

We have a team of residents who sort and bundle the papers each week. It is quite important that NO GLOSSY supplements are included. This will greatly assist our volunteers in sorting and bundling each week.

Thank you to all who already save papers, as we have raised many thousands of dollars over the years. The money raised now goes to the Residents' Association who will distribute funds to The Manor to cover items not funded by the Government funding.

Martyn Edwards

Newspaper Coordinator U13



Village Baxter **Free Bus Mystery Trip**



Mystery Trips are held on the 1st and 2nd Wednesday afternoon of the month.

The bus driver decides on where you will go on the day, making sure it is somewhere with toilet facilities and a café close by if you would like to buy your afternoon tea instead of bringing it.

Please arrive by 12.45pm for collection at Clarke and Manning Centres.

You are usually back at the Village between 4pm-5pm.

Please book with the Clarke or Robinsons Community Centre Receptionists, as seating is limited.



RESIDENTS' WORKSHOP



HOME PROJECTS

The workshop is generally open between the hours of 9:30am – 12:00 noon

Located near the Greenhouse/Veggie patch

*Contacts: **Don Hunt 0427 597 132 or Graham Wilson 5971 2536.***

Visit the workshop and speak to the members about your requirements.

Do you want to join the group? Do you need assistance completing a project or simple repairs?

Join the...

Village Baxter Computer Club

Learn

Share

Help

New members
always welcome!

A fun, friendly environment for residents new to Tablets, Smartphones & Computers, or for those just wishing to update their knowledge or solve a problem.

**We meet every 4th Tuesday
at Parkside, from 2pm - 4pm
with a break for refreshments.**

For Windows or Android help:
please call John on 5971 6833.

For iPad/iPhone help call Chris on 5971 6865.

Annual membership is only \$20 and includes access to the internet in all community centres.

Call for more details or email: cclinic3@gmail.com



Samaritan's Purse is a Christian organisation bringing physical relief and hope to victims of war, poverty, disaster, disease and famine around the world. *Operation Christmas Child* is one of its projects, a hands on way of showing God's love to children in need.

For many of the children this shoe box of toys, hygiene items, school supplies and fun gifts is the first gift they have ever received.

Since 1993 more than 209 million boxes have been collected and distributed in more than 170 countries. In 2023 they hope to reach another 11 million children.

This month, following the response in previous years, we are aiming to collect 100 boxes here in the Village.

Residents can pack multiple boxes or share a box with a friend. Some people may prefer to donate items for others to pack in a box.

Boxes are available in the Centres. Each box contains a pamphlet with all the information you need about what to pack in your box and how to pay for shipping.

When you have filled your box, please hand it to your Village Receptionist no later than Friday October 13th.

For more information phone Barb Allison on 5971 6854.



BOOK GROUP



Book Group 2023

Enjoy Reading ? Like Sharing your Thoughts ?

Small Group Meeting Monthly & A New Book each time

You choose from a Wide Book Selection

4th Wednesday of the month @ 3pm to 4.30pm in Parkside

Contact Neil or Sandra Graham 5972 8941



THINGS TO PLANT IN OCTOBER

Amaranth, Artichoke (globe), Asparagus, Basil, Beans, Beetroot, Bok Choy, Broccoli, Cabbage, Capsicum, Carrot, Chicory, Chilli, Chives, Corriander, Cucumber, Eggplant, Fennel, Garlic, Kale, Kohl Rabi, Leek, Lettuce, Mustard Greens, Oregano, Pak Choy, Parsley, Parsnip, Potato, Pumpkin, Radish, Rhubarb (crowns), Rocket, Rockmelon, Salsify, Silverbeet, Spring Onion, Sunflower, Swede, Sweet Corn, Tomato, Turnip, Watermelon, Wombok, Zucchini

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



CLARKE CENTRE KIOSK

The Kiosk is open Monday to Friday

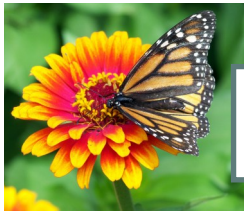
9.30am – 11.30am

Selling a variety of goods including:-

Eggs, Milk, Bread, Frozen and Dairy items and fresh seasonal fruit and vegetables supplied by the Village Veggie Gardens.

Just a reminder we are looking for Volunteers either 2 hours a week, fortnight or month.

Please call **June Austin 5971 1780** or **Lesley McMillan 5971 6865** for more details.

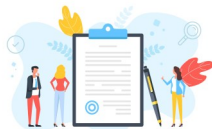


THANK YOU



Thank you for all my friends in the Village who sent me kind wishes and cards when my husband William passed away. They were a comfort to me.

Rosemary Morris



BY-LAWS OF THE MONTH



If you'd like to brush up on your Village By-Laws, they can be found on our Website at the link below

<https://www.villagebaxter.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/Bylaws-2018.pdf>

by scanning the QR code, or in your copy of your Lease Agreement.



11 — STORAGE OF GOODS

The Resident shall not store or permit to be stored on the Premises, or any part of the Village, any material or goods other than material or goods reasonably required by the Resident for use for household or recreational purposes unless BVB first consents thereto and which consent may be revoked by BVB at any time. Nor shall the Resident do or permit anything to be done which may in any way invalidate or violate the terms of any relevant insurance policy or which might cause the premium thereon to be increased.

12 — PETS

The Resident shall not keep or permit to be kept on the Premises or on any part of the common areas any animal or bird without the prior written consent of BVB. The Resident acknowledges the right of BVB to revoke or withdraw such consent if any pet creates a nuisance which does not cease within a reasonable time after notice thereof is given by BVB to the Resident. The Resident shall ensure that proper control is maintained over pets brought into the Village by his visitors, and in the case of a dog, such animal must be restrained on a leash at all times.



VILLAGE BAXTER RESIDENTS' COMMITTEE



Report for Village Voice October 2023

Meeting held on 8th September 2023

There was an opportunity to meet with

Steve Kouloumendas (Maintenance Manager), Mark Henderson (Maintenance Supervisor). Steve and Mark spoke of their backgrounds and Committee members shared their individual career backgrounds. The Committee welcomed Steve and Mark to the Village.

Action Item topics that the Committee has asked Management to address on behalf of all Residents

- Electric Vehicle Fire Risk Mitigation
- Garden—Croquet lawn
- Survey mobility scooter users re. their safety issues
- Progress report on Grant Centre development
- VBRC election process information to residents
- Report on Footpaths and Crossings
- Finance report

Action item topics that were resolved and closed out

- Village plan for GAS & Inventory of appliances
- Suitability of PwC as Auditor for 2023/24
- Optimization of BVB Investment portfolio
- Café Management transition
- Resident data update request from Management
- Review 2023/24 anticipated expenditure for ILU's
- Request repainting program for Road Markings
- Cleaning & Maintenance of ILU Air conditioners
- Storage area near substation & ILU 54

VBRC MEETINGS WITH RESIDENTS

A reminder that VBRC members are available at the end of Residents' Association Monthly Meetings to meet with residents to discuss any issues.

Daffodil Day Update

Thank you to everyone who contributed to Daffodil Day.



I also wanted to give a special mention to Meridee who put up a fabulous display in the Clarke Centre



Thank you to everyone who contributed.



FETE & OPEN DAY

Saturday 14 October
9am - 1pm

Arts and craft displays, second hand books, trash & treasure, cakes, Devonshire tea, lawn bowls exhibitions, plants, pottery, woodwork display and Highland Dancing.

Fun for the whole family!
Face painting, animal farm, jumping castle, CFA displays, fairground organ and much more!

Special Performances/Displays
Australian Welsh Male Choir, Mount Erin Music Department Students
Village Strummers, Classic Car/Bike Parade



**Village Units & Independent facilities
open for inspection.**

Village Baxter - Retirement Village Living in a Caring Environment.
8 Robinsons Road Frankston VIC 3199 - 5971 1349



FROM THE CHAPLAINS

Open day

Next month we have open day in the village, a time when we invite others into our village to see if they like it. There are stalls, food, bus rides and even a petting zoo!

It's the one day a year when we are happy to have strangers around and want them to see what our village has to offer. We plan it, we prepare, we are ready for it.

But.....

It seems to me that God has open day in our lives sometimes, but forgets to tell us it's happening, and gives us no time to prepare.

We are confronted with strangers who want us to do things for them, or people we hardly know who need our help, and we don't have much of a say about it.

Just like the people in Hebrews 13 who showed hospitality to strangers, that didn't know they were caring for angels, we must put our own needs aside to care for others who suddenly need our help.

God seems to use our lives as a thoroughfare for people who need our help, without letting us know when this will happen, or asking us if we are willing to help.

But it seems to me, it is a sign that God is willing to entrust us to show His love and care to them. God knows that we are just the right person to help them, and show them His love, even when we least expect it. It's like being fruitful in and out of season (2 Timothy 4) and being willing to love others when we may feel uncomfortable about it, or be inconvenienced by it, or have to go out of our way for it.

We prepare for Open day in the Village, and we want to put on our best face, and make people feel welcome, but our challenge is to do the same when we least expect it, or have to sacrifice our time and schedule to help others.

When God trusts us, He will call on us to help others at any time, and without telling us in advance. He needs us to draw on His strength and compassion, as we are called to meet the needs of people in any situation.

If your life seems to be constantly interrupted by people needing your help, it's probably a sign that God can trust you to love anyone He needs you to.

We don't have to help everyone, in fact sometimes people are just using us instead of doing the thing they needed to do themselves! But if you find you are constantly being interrupted to help others, there's a good chance God is working through you every day in ways you may not see or expect, but you are making a difference in the Kingdom of God on earth.

We are fulfilling what we pray; 'Thy kingdom come.'

Feel free to email or call at any time, and share your needs or stories with me.

Thanks

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