



May: the light in our lives

May is a beautiful time to be in the Village, the colours of Autumn are vibrant, mornings are light and bright and evenings, dark and cosy.



International Day of Light

16 May

On May 16th, we celebrate the [International Day of Light](#), acknowledging its profound impact across science, religion, culture, art, education, and sustainable development. Artists have long been captivated by the play of light, a fascination that persists through the ages. Our interconnected world of fibre optic light cables allows renowned galleries like the [National Gallery of London](#) and the [Louvre](#) use host virtual tours that transcend time and distance, allowing people all over the world to immerse themselves in the timeless beauty of their art collections and join in milestone celebrations and events like the NG200 event commencing on 10th of May to mark the 200th birthday of the National Gallery of London.

In our daily lives within the Village, light serves as a metaphor for the warmth of communal gatherings, the bond forged through shared moments, and the radiance of newfound friendships. Whether it is the sun's gentle embrace streaming through our windows, illuminating shared meals in the Cafe, or the sparkling evenings filled with laughter at CLEO, light infuses vitality and significance into our Village life. It embodies hope, resilience, and the promise of each new day.

Shining a light on our performance in delivering care, service, and accommodation is integral to our ongoing continuous improvement program. A heartfelt thank you to all who participated in our Resident Survey, your feedback is invaluable. The data is currently being compiled and will be presented to the Village Baxter Residents' Committee during their May meeting. In June's edition of the Village Voice, we will share the findings with all Residents. Please remember, your input is always welcome, whether it's compliments, suggestions, concerns, or complaints, feel free to share them anytime using the green paper forms available at the Community Centres or through the feedback link on our website: www.villagebaxter.com. Your voice helps shape the growth and development of our Village community.



As we celebrate Mother's Day on May 12th, let us extend our heartfelt appreciation to the extraordinary mothers and mother figures who enrich our community. We honour the enduring legacies of those no longer with us, and cherish every precious moment spent with those who continue to grace our lives with their love and guidance.

Warm regards, Kim Jackson, Chief Executive Officer.

♥ HAPPY ♥

Mothers Day



Announcements

Welcome

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

Jim and Jennifer Smith —Unit 334

Janet Ashab —Unit 958

Congratulations

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

10 Years

Brenda Price

15 Years

Dorothy Hodgens

Ron & Melva Osborne

Peter Wade

Pam Bowers

Jim & Trish Charman

Margaret Clarke

Des & Margaret Stewart

Peggy Carson

20 Years

Anne Van Alphen

Sylvia Lee

Ken Lee



In Memory

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

Jacque Jackson—Unit 285

Elizabeth McNamara—Manor



FROM THE VILLAGE STAFF



New Resident Survey results

In April we invited new Residents who had moved in during the last 6 months of 2023 to undertake a survey to help us improve our information and processes for new Residents. Overall, we recorded 83.3% with increases in all Sales process related questions from the previous survey. It is no surprise that our largest opportunity for improvement related to maintenance information and our new team is hard at work improving our Welcome Kit information. Thank-you to the Residents who participated in this survey and a reminder to all Residents that you can provide feedback at anytime through the green forms available in our Community Centres, attached at the end of this newsletter or using the feedback tab on our website www.villagebaxter.com



Our Maintenance Team has been very hard at work on improving our grounds and gardens. We have had many issues with our 2 ride on mowers and delays with repairs and servicing due to parts shortages and recalls, which has meant that we have only been able to have 1 lawn mower trying to keep up with the mowing around our grounds for the last month. The Village has purchased an additional mower of a different brand to help ensure we have 2 mowers available when service or repairs take so much time. This has been a big help for our team to be able to get back to keeping our grounds as trimmed and maintained as possible.



In addition to getting our mowing schedule back on track, we received a report from the Residents' Committee detailing issues



with footpaths and walkways and work has begun on improving our paths and walkway hazards in the Village.



Blake from the mowing team hard at work on the new ride-on.



RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

March has been an eventful month at the Residents' Association

A new Committee has taken form after our President, Secretary, Treasurer and 2 other committee members bowed out. Jan Patten and June Tennant have both left the committee (after many years) and we thank them for their work and friendship and wish them well.

The remaining members elected a new President (me!): Jill Macrae, Secretary: Sheila Blyth and Treasurer: Val Ralph. We will be welcoming 4 new members at our next meeting.

The Mattress Shop visited with a pop up shop and I hope those of you who invested in new beds are happy with your choice. Our Saturday morning tea was well attended as was the Cliche Clothing fashion parade. Thanks to our models who were fabulous!

Market Day was very successful. Thank you to all the volunteers who helped on stalls, the BBQ, and the ukulele group who kept everyone entertained!

Peter had asked at the last General Meeting for help to pack up at the end of the market and the response was much appreciated. We were all packed up by 2pm which I think was a record.

So thank you so much to all who pitched in, it was wonderful.

Just a reminder that Tyre Pumping will resume in May.

Thank you all, **Jill** (President)

Diary Dates for May:

8th Tyre Pumping 9am-9.30am Clarke Centre back veranda

9th U and I designs Fashion Parade 1.30pm Clarke Centre

11th R.A. Morning Tea 10am-11.30am Parkside

15th R.A. General Meeting 1.30pm Chapel

16th Sherwood Orchard Outing (Please see CSG for details)

Pete's jokes for May

Wife said "Our new neighbours are so in love. He kisses her, strokes her hair and hugs her. Why don't you do that?" I said. "Because I don't know her well enough"

He said "There's no spark between us any more"
So I tasered him!! (I'll ask again when he wakes up)

A man and a woman were travelling in a train.
Woman : Every time you smile I feel like inviting you to my place.
Man : Aww...! Are you single?

Woman : No. I'm a dentist....

My wife asked if she could have a little peace and quiet while she cooked dinner...

So I took the battery out of the smoke alarm.



SCOOTER TYRE PUMPING



Wednesday 8 May - 9am - 9.30am Clarke Centre back veranda



VEGGIE GROUP

It's been a very good season with the tomatoes but they have now finished. I have really enjoyed the flavour this year and I hope you have had the opportunity to purchase some through the kiosk.

We have pumpkins, cabbage, broccoli and silver beet coming along nicely and the figs are delicious – well I think so. One of our passionfruit plants is looking very healthy and Rod is singing to the other trying to encourage it!

If you are pulling up **tomato plants**, please make sure they **do not go in the compost bins** as there is always a possibility that they carry diseases that stay in the soil.

Also being placed in the compost bins is grass, which can be ok, but lately we have been finding couch runners in there as well. As you can imagine they grow quickly in the bins and it does mean we spend a lot of time weeding (pun intended) them out.

Many people are placing their kitchen waste in the large compost bins and this is very much appreciated.

We have been fortunate enough to obtain several loads of horse manure for the use of the vegetable gardens. It's been hard yakka for the likes of Rod, Wayne, Geoff, Graeme and myself but worth it for the good it does the veggie patches.

I was delighted to hear that one of our former Veggie Gardeners, now residing in the Manor, is now plying his trade there and sharing with others. Well done Ken. More to come on this, watch this space.

A recipe you may like to try, provided by Ansley.



Chinese Pickles

4 cucumbers, peeled & cut into half cm strips.

1 tsp salt 4 tsp vinegar 4 tsp sugar

Mix all together.

Let stand at room temperature for 15 minutes, then overnight in fridge. Ready to eat, crispy and delicious.

And speaking of cucumbers, last month's picture was an African Horned Cucumber (Kiwano). It was prickly! The picture is here again to remind you

The next Veggie Group meeting will be on Wednesday 12TH June at 10am in Parkside. A strange day and date but trips away have interfered.

Cheers

Norm Evers (U935) 0407 820 395



PINCHAPOO

Pinchapoo is short for "pinch a shampoo" from those products supplied by hotels and included in your room fees. It began 14 years ago and distributes 8.5 million personal hygiene products each year to many thousands of disadvantaged people nation-wide.

Each year since 2018, we have collected around 100 kgs. of goods from the amazingly generous folks of the Village Baxter!

In fact, over the past 6 years we have collected a total of 596 kgs.....more than half a tonne!!!

On Friday, September 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 certainly 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 and baby care products. 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

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.

THANK YOU in anticipation!! Heather Charman



Have you booked your vaccines yet??

Shingrix

Clarke Centre with Dr Nita and Nurse Jess

Tuesday 7 May 9.30am-1pm

Flu Vaccine

Clarke Centre: Dr Piotr Kalan and Nurse Laura

Thursday 16 May 9.30am-1pm

Bookings essential please call

9781 3300



We will now be at the Village on a regular Monday afternoon alternating between the Clarke and Grant Centre's

1:30pm until 5:00pm

STARTING at the

Grant Centre on the 29th of April

And then the Clarke Centre on the 6th of May

Fiona Vines – Audiometrist
Nick Petersen – Audiologist

We will still be providing Unit visits for residents who are unable to attend either of the Centre's.

New Clients welcome.

Free Hearing Screenings for all residents

Please call our clinic on 9783 7677 to arrange a time or pop in and see us.

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.



MEN'S BRUNCH



9.30am at Parkside—\$5 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 noticeboards at Grant, Robinsons, Clarke & Parkside.



THE VILLAGE STRUMMERS



We meet Friday afternoons at Parkside Centre at 1.15pm. Then at 3.15 we have a cuppa and chat. We are always after new members to join. So if interested in learning the ukulele come on by and say hello.

So far this year we have had a couple of gigs. The first one was here at our village on market day in March. It went really well with a very enthusiastic audience. So thanks for coming out in the cold and supporting us.



Then on Saturday April 13th we really hit the big time (lol) and entertained staff, customers and friends at Bunnings Frankston. Folks enjoyed our selection of songs old and newer. Being led by our singer Robyn. A big thank you to Sharon Start, a friend of our group for coming along with her trusty



uke and singing harmonies with us. It was a very different venue to play in and we had heaps of fun. We have several happy snaps of the afternoon and one of Bunnings representative Andrea presenting Robyn with a Bunnings voucher which will be put to very good use. Thanks to friends for supplying these photos.



So if you have always wanted to learn the ukulele but too nervous, don't be. Audrey will gently get you started on the first three chords and lend you a uke.

Give **Audrey Mutton** a call on 0480 105 701 or **Robyn Thatcher** 0412 331 011.





VILLAGE BAXTER BOWLS CLUB

Much more than just a bowling club



Indoor Bowls

New members are always welcome to join in the fun. Please contact Joan Reilly, Maureen Brett, *just front up on a Monday* or ask your receptionist. Action starts from about 1.00 – 1.15pm. Afternoon tea is provided.

Social Outdoor Bowls

Note: - Social Bowls now starts at 12.30pm following the end of Daylight Savings time.

EFTPOS

The Village Baxter Bowls Club's EFTPOS Machine is up and running and now accepting **card** payments. Note; our machine is only to be used for payments such as subscriptions, for attendance at social events and any other miscellaneous purchases. **It is not to be used for the payment of game day green fees.** We can accept payments from all debit and credit cards, including Google, Apple and Samsung pay. The VBBC will absorb any card charge fees associated with the use of this facility for the time being. The use of this machine is simply for the convenience of the members and their guests. All other forms of payment that are usually used, cash, direct debit and cheques, etc. are still very welcome.



Club Singles Championship.

The final of the 2023-24 Open Club Championship was held on Sunday 7 April. The two protagonists, Peter Gillin and Ron Crosling fought it out over 16 ends of high-standard bowling. The scorecard shows just how close the game was. After 15 ends it was still anyone's game. Peter was able to achieve the only multiple of the game on the 16th end with two shots, giving him the victory by one shot. The picture shows the two shots at the last end. The game was marked by our club president Ron Osborne and the game was played in great spirit and over 20 member spectators followed the game on the sidelines.

2024 Healthy Heart Week.

We are running a special invitation bowls day for all the Bowling Clubs around and beyond the Peninsula, sponsored by Peninsula Private Hospital with support from the Village Baxter Retirement Village. Bowling on the day is by invitation, but the **Heart Checks** are free for all village residents, visitors and bowlers on the day. This is our collective contribution to Healthy Heart week which is of *“some importance to all of us”*.

Indoor Bowls

Contacts Joan Reilly or Maureen Brett.
Coaching by arrangement
Refer Centre Notice Boards, or ask our
Receptionist
Bowls - Mondays at 1.15pm in the Clarke
Centre - check notice board for details of
times and any changes.

Outdoor Bowls

Contact : The President, or Secretary
Coaching: By appointment.
Refer Centre Notice Boards
Social Bowls: Saturdays & Tuesdays -
check
notice board for details of times
and any changes.

Diary Dates

Healthy Heart Day – Saturday 4th May Clarke Centre.
Christmas function – Tuesday 17th December.

Defibrillator Training.



The Bowling Club would like to thank all those who organised our instructor Nigel, and the Village management for supporting our efforts to update our members and Villagers in the use of this life-saving device. As a club we not only have ourselves to think about, but our many visitors who join us throughout the year and particularly in the pennant season. A very informative session with good attendance.



PROUDLY SPONSORED BY PENINSULA

PRIVATE HOSPITAL

Cardiac Rehabilitation & heart failure Services

(PART OF THE RAMSAY GROUP)

HEALTHY HEART DAY SATURDAY 4th MAY

**FREE HEALTH CHECKS FOR
ALL VILLAGE RESIDENTS**

9:30 am TO 12:00 NOON—CLARKE CENTRE

As part of this day there will be Nurses from Peninsula Private Hospital on site to Carry out HEALTH CHECKS in the Clarke Centre . These checks are completely free of charge and are part of the ongoing support of the village Bowls Club and Peninsula Private Cardiac Rehabilitation and Heart Failure Service.

COME ALONG and RECEIVE YOUR WRITTEN HEALTH ASSESMENT

YOU ARE INVITED TO ENJOY A DELICIOUS MORNING TEA





ANZAC DAY



The Village Baxter Anzac Day 2024 went extremely well.
 It was lovely to see the Residents and Staff
 come and brave the cold weather.
 I would like to thank all the Residents and Staff who assisted
 In making the morning a success.
 A special thanks to Maintenance for having the
 Anzac Memorial Garden looking wonderful and all their assistance.

Anne Maree
Village Activities Coordinator



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.



CONCERT

THE CLARKE CENTRE

Wednesday 26 June 2024 at 11AM

by the *Voices of Frankston Choir*

This year, *Voices of Frankston Choir* are celebrating 10 years of singing. They will be bringing to the Clarke Centre a concert filled with uplifting and popular music for your entertainment.

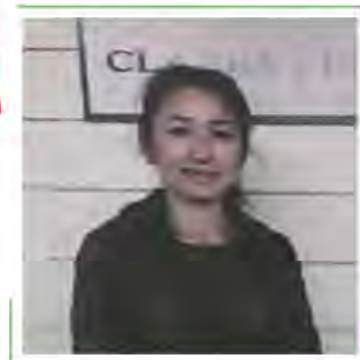
The choir provides an inclusive singing environment, bringing together people from all walks of life and all abilities, all supported by our lovely volunteers.

Public performances, such as this concert, allow our choir members to experience success and boost self-esteem.

**PLEASE COME ALONG TO SUPPORT THIS LOCAL
CHARITY**

Donations of \$2 or more are tax deductible

NEWS FLASH



Noriko's "Aging Gracefully" Group is going to conduct an additional session each week on Thursdays in the Clarke Community Centre. The session will commence on Thursday 2nd May until Thursday 19th December starting at 10.15am for about 45 minutes.

This session is designed for those who want to keep more active and have fun by:

- **Having an extra session per week.**
- **For those who can't make the Monday's session.**

Cost \$5.00 per person, per session (on occasions we also ask for a \$1.00 coin to cover tea / coffee / milk, cake and a chat.



All Villagers both MEN & Women and friends are welcome to come and try, join in, or just come and watch to see if it's right for you.

Note: We do not get down on the floor.

Mother's Day

LUNCH

May 12th 2024

Roast Lamb

Roast potatoes, honey pumpkin, peas,
cauliflower and gravy

or

Creamy Mushroom Pasta with garlic bread

Dessert

Pavlova with fresh fruit and cream

Coffee or tea

\$20.00pp

Book before May 5th in the cafe



NEWSPAPERS



If you need to get rid of newspapers, please DO NOT place them in the recycling bin. At each of the Community buildings there is a container for the collection of newspapers which are gathered, bundled by volunteer residents and resold.

The proceeds go to the Residents' Association Committee which passes the money on to be used within the village.....this is often given to the Manor. Every little bit helps!



SOCIAL GROUP



Social Group May 2024 dates

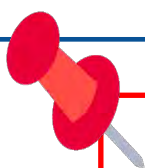
Village Café 2nd 16th and 30th

Roundabout Café 8th and 22nd

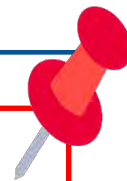
Last month we talked about loneliness, so this month we will talk about FOOD. The most common comment I have heard in the Village regarding food is “I will eat it if somebody else cooks it”. Bearing that in mind, a group of selfless people have decided, for the good of the community, to embark on a journey of discovery to find suitable eateries that we can all enjoy. This is arduous and dangerous work, and they require your help. In the past the response to requests for input has been, to put it mildly, abysmal, so we have decided to offer a prize this time. We would like your suggestions for suitable eateries. The judging panel will visit each of the suggested venues and mark them out of ten. The person who suggested the best venue will be declared the winner and be treated to a meal, with a drink, chauffeured to the winning venue in the presence of the judging panel.

Judges’ decision is final, no correspondence will be entered into.

Bob Peachey(266) 0490552847 59715291



RESIDENT REMINDERS



AUSTRALIA
POST

MAIL DELIVERY

AUSTRALIA
POST

Australia Post have changed their delivery schedules for general mail, they will now be delivering on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday one week and then Tuesday and Thursday the following week.

All parcel deliveries are unchanged.

Visit www.auspost.com.au for more details



VB COMPUTER CLUB



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: call Terry on 5971 4473

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



MOONEY'S CAFE

INDIAN NIGHT

25TH JUNE 2024

PLEASE BOOK BEFORE 18TH
JUNE 2024

5PM TO 8PM

CAFE 0481 845 582



Sing For Enjoyment

If you like singing and making new friends, then come along.

WHERE: Grant Centre Lounge

WHEN: Every Thursday

TIME: 11.00am – 12.00pm



VILLAGE BAXTER RESIDENTS' COMMITTEE



Report for Village Voice May 2024

Meeting with Management held on 12th April 2024

There was an opportunity to meet with Shane Filius (Buildings Manager) and it was encouraging to hear that the new team is settling in and catching up with outstanding works. He was enthusiastic that new procedures will bring about a big improvement to the operation of his department.

The progress of on-going items was noted. These included -

- Café operations.
- A list of Village Baxter approved contractors and traders.
- Croquet lawn garden replanting.
- Footpaths & Crossings areas of concern.
- Mobility scooter safety issues.
- Program of repainting road surface marking and signage.
- Refurbishment of outdoor seating and directional signage.
- “No Parking” signs at bus stop near 381-383.
- Maintenance feedback to residents.

Other items discussed -

- Finance Report for March was tabled.
- Detailed report of bus stops, signage etc. was tabled and forwarded to Management.
- The Committee indicated that they would be interested in learning about the Investment Management Strategy of the company.
- The placement and availability of Village defibrillators to be further investigated.
- The need for staff and contractors to wear ID badges.
- Visibility of pedestrian crossing at the Manor.

Des Stewart VBRC President

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.



**Fridays - 12pm - 1pm
at Clarke Centre**

An hour to think just of yourself away from everyday life.

Come and do gentle exercises, seated or with your chair as support.

Best of all learn to use your breathing to stop those annoying scattered thoughts.

A lovely way to wrap up one week and prepare yourself for the next.

Contact: Deborah Haydon
5971 6822

EVERYBODY WELCOME

Clarke Kiosk: Your Village Shop

"Many Hands..."



"Make Light Work"

**Volunteers urgently needed
for a couple of hours
a week or month.
If you can help....**

**For servicing please phone:
June Austin on 5971 1780**

**For ordering/unpacking:
Lesley McMillan - 5971 6865**



**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**



**LOTS OF FUN
EASY TO LEARN**

**ALL WELCOME
TO
COME AND PLAY**

**If you have your own cards, please bring
them in case we don't have enough.**

WHERE: MANNING CENTRE

WHEN: Every Thursday

TIME: 1PM - 5PM

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.



THINGS TO PLANT IN MAY

Bok Choy, Cabbage, Carrot, Chicory, Chives, Daikon, Endive, Garlic, Jerusalem Artichoke, Kohl Rabi, Lettuce, Marjoram, Mint, Mustard Greens, Oregano, Parsley, Pea, Radish, Rocket, Rosemary, Sage, Salsify, Shallot, Silver beet, Snow Peas, Swede, Thyme, Turnip

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



BY-LAWS OF THE MONTH



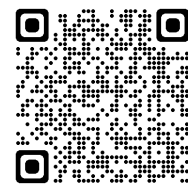
If you'd like to brush up on your Village By-Laws, they can be found on our Website at the link below

<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.

1— INTERPRETATION

As per Clause 1 in Occupancy Agreement.



2— UNOCCUPIED UNITS

The Resident shall advise BVB if he intended to be or is likely to be absent from the demised premises for any period exceeding seven days.

The Resident shall not without first advising BVB in writing of his intention to do so allow the Premises to remain unoccupied for any one continuous period in excess of sixty days.



FROM THE CHAPLAINS

Managing our thoughts....

As I get older, it seems that the news on TV and in all the different media, gets worse and more depressing each day.

Murders, wars, financial disasters, pandemics and countless other problems bombard us and make us sad, depressed and less likely to go out our front door !

In the letter from Paul to the church at Philippi, the Apostle Paul says this:

8 Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things. 9 Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me—put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you.

Paul's encouragement to the Philippians here isn't a bad idea for us too, in this age of crisis. We have to be careful what we spend time looking at and worrying about, or the worries of the world will incapacitate us completely.

I find myself watching cooking shows, car enthusiast shows, prospecting shows and generally anything that helps me to keep my heartrate down and feel relaxed.

I refuse to watch the news because there is very little response I can make to all the disaster in this world. What I CAN do, is care for my family and those around me, and focus on making their lives better.

Jesus himself warned us that the cares of the world can literally choke us from knowing Him and the truth that matters.

SO my suggestion to us all is to care less about the worries of the 'world' that bombard us day in and day out, and focus on loving and caring for those around us, and for ourselves.

We are the only one who can decide what is best for us to watch or listen too, so that we can keep a balanced perspective on what we need to do, and what is good for us to do.

Then as Paul suggests, the God of Peace will be with us, as we let His word teach us, and His Spirit guide us.

I pray for you, that in the days ahead you will find peace and the fellowship of family and friends, that will give you joy and peace, as you journey through this year.

Rod Wilson

Chaplain



CHAPLAINCY SUPPORT GROUP



We always look forward to having new faces come to our meetings held at the Parkside Centre on the 1st Wednesday of each month at 2 pm. It is such an encouragement to welcome new people from our Village to hear what is happening in regards to our Chaplaincy program here in our community.

Following our meetings we enjoy an afternoon tea and a quiz.

The Shed Op Shop

The Shed will be open on every Friday in May. If you have any goods for the Shed, please phone Maree or Bernie on 5971 4079 and they will advise you what items are acceptable and when they may be delivered.

Just a reminder to residents that as the winter months approach, The Shed may not be open on very cold or wet days. We believe this in the interest of both our residents and the Shed staff. You may still contact Bernie or Maree for items you may wish to pass on for sale.

We apologise for the Shed not opening on Friday 19th of April at such short notice due to unforeseen circumstances.

We thank the many who support the Chaplains, through giving, and buying goods from the Shed, week by week.

Irene McGladdery
Secretary



WATERING YOUR GARDENS

Weepholes are small openings or gaps left intentionally in brickwork, typically near the bottom of a wall or structure. They serve an important purpose in allowing moisture that has penetrated the brickwork to escape. When rainwater or other sources of moisture get into the brickwork, the weepholes essentially act as drainage points, ensuring that water doesn't pool inside the wall.

Please take care when tending to and planting your garden beds along the walls of your unit. It is crucial to keep weepholes clear to maintain their functionality. If they become blocked or obstructed by garden beds, mulch or leaf debris, water won't be able to drain properly, and moisture problems may occur.

Additionally, when watering plants near the walls of your units, it's important not to spray water directly into the weepholes. Doing so can introduce excess moisture into the wall, defeating the purpose of the drainage system. This helps to preserve the integrity of the brickwork and prevent moisture-related issues.



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Monday 20th May

Please send submissions to

newsletter@villagebaxter.com

Late submissions will be held for the next month's edition.



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Ask questions, get answers

**Residents' Association (RA)
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- ◆ Would you like to access a gentle exercise program, to maintain circulation, health & mobility?
- ◆ Our professional Daycentre staff are committed to providing you with a socially stimulating day, our leisure & lifestyle activities are specifically tailored to meet your individual goals, needs and preferences.

[ONSITE activities in our Day Centre at Village Baxter](#)

- ❖ Word games to promote active minds
- ❖ Ball games for hand-eye coordination
- ❖ Gentle Chair Exercises
- ❖ Music & Pet Therapy
- ❖ In house Entertainers
- ❖ Guest Speakers
- ❖ Weekly Kinder Program
- ❖ Cooking, Gardening & Craft Activities
- ❖ Massage & Aromatherapy sessions

[OUTING DAY Activities -](#)

- ❖ Botanical Gardens
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Please contact MY AGED CARE (MAC) on 1800 222 422, as we ask that all members are registered or in the process. If you are not on a Home Care Package you may be eligible to receive Commonwealth Home Support Package (CHSP) funding through MAC, fees for our service are then Government subsidised.

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Retirement Living Feedback Form

You can submit this form online by using the link on our website www.villagebaxter.com or by using the QR code above.

1. What best describes your relationship to this village?

- | | | |
|---|---|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Resident | <input type="checkbox"/> Staff Member | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family Member | <input type="checkbox"/> Staff member on behalf of a resident | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Representative | | _____ |

2. Your Name: _____ Unit _____

Village Resident's Name (if form is not being completed by the Resident themselves)

_____ Unit _____

Date you submitted this form to reception _____

3. Would you like someone to contact you about your feedback? If so, please advise your preferred method of contact:

- Phone: _____
- Email: _____
- Please contact me in person (Village Residents only)

4. What type of feedback would you like to provide?

- Compliment Suggestion Complaint

5. What does your feedback relate to:

- | | | |
|---|--|--------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Billing and Statements | <input type="checkbox"/> Communication | <input type="checkbox"/> Maintenance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cleanliness | <input type="checkbox"/> Activities | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Management | <input type="checkbox"/> Staff | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Food | <input type="checkbox"/> Grounds and Gardens | |

6. Please tell us more about what you would like to discuss including what you would like done in response to your feedback:

- Concerns related to care and safety may require immediate response**, please contact:
- Administration during business hours (03) 5971 1349 or
 - after hours, weekends and public holidays, Village Nurse Emergency number 0408 591 263

Upon completion of this form, it should be handed in to Reception or forwarded to:

Dawn Tanner, Village Manager
8 Robinsons Road, Frankston South. Vic. 3199

If you are dissatisfied about the way in which your feedback has been handled, or would seek the services of an external agency, there are a number of external resolution processes available to you including:


Consumer Affairs Victoria, GPO Box 123 Melbourne Vic 300. Telephone 1300 558 181

Alternatively, you may wish to complete a Management Complaint/Resident Dispute form available from the Community Centre Reception areas

Office Use only:

Form received by _____ Date _____
Form entered into Carepage portal by _____ Date _____

DIARY DATES – May 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<p><u>DISCLAIMER</u> Dates & Events are correct at time of Deadline. 18/04/2024</p>		<p>1 10.15 11.15am Line Dancing (C) 10am – 11.am Fresh & Frozen Fish (Clarke Centre Carpark) 12.45pm Mystery Bus Tour (C) and (M) 2.00 – 4.00pm CSG (P)</p>	<p>2 7am Veggie Group (VS) 9am - 3pm Pottery (DCA) 10.15am – 11.15am Exercises with Noriko (C) 11am – 12pm Sing for Enjoyment (G) 11am – 5pm Mahjong (P) 1.00 – 5.00pm Cards Canasta /500/ Rummikub (M) 2.00 – 4.00pm Snooker (R) 2.00- 4.30pm Darts (R)</p>	<p>3 9am - 4pm Craft (RC) 12noon – 1pm Chair Yoga (C) 1.15pm - 3.45pm Village Strummers (P) 2.00 - 3.30pm Finding Our Feet (C) 2pm - 4pm The Shed</p>	<p>4 9.00am – 12noon Croquet (M) 9.00am – 3.00pm – Peninsula Private Healthy Heart Day (C) 10.30am – 6.p.m VB Outdoor Bowls (C)</p>
<p>5 10.00am - Church Service (CH) 5pm C.I.E.O. Club (C)</p>	<p>6 7am – Veggie Group (VS) 8 -15am Winter Walkers (M) 9am - 3pm Craft (CC) 10.45am – 11.45am Exercises with Noriko (C) 1pm – 3pm Indoor Bowls (C) 2pm - 5pm Cards - Continental Rummy “May I” (P) 2pm - 4.30pm Croquet (M)</p>	<p>7 9am - 3pm Art (DCA) 12.30pm – 6.00pm VB Outdoor Bowls (C)</p>	<p>8 9 – 9.30am Tyre Pumping (Clarke back verandah) 10.15 – 11.15 Line Dancing (C) 12.45pm Mystery Bus Tour (C) and (M)</p>	<p>9 7am Veggie Group (VS) 9am - 3pm Pottery (DCA) 10.15am – 11.15am Exercises with Noriko (C) 11am – 12pm Sing for Enjoyment (G) 11am - 3pm Crafty Critters (P) 1.00pm – 5.00pm Cards Canasta /500 / Rummikub (M) 1.30pm U & I Designs (C) 2.00 – 4.00pm Snooker (R) 2.00- 4.30pm Darts (R)</p>	<p>10 9am - 4pm Craft (RC) 12noon – 1pm Chair Yoga (C) 1.15 - 3.45pm Village Strummers (P) 2pm - 3.30pm Finding Our Feet (C) 2pm - 4pm The Shed</p>	<p>11 9.00am – 12noon Croquet (M) 10am - 11.30am RA Morning Tea (P) 10.30am – 6pm VB Outdoor Bowls (C)</p>
 <p>12 10.00am - Church Service (CH) 2.00pm – 4.00pm Sing Along with Robyn (C)</p>	<p>13 7am – Veggie Group (VS) 8 -15am Winter Walkers (M) 9am - 3pm Craft (CC) 10.45 – 11.45am Exercises with Noriko (C) 1 – 3pm Indoor Bowls (C) 1pm - 4pm Book Club (P) 2.00 – 5.00pm Cards - Continental Rummy “May I” (P) 2pm - 4.30pm Croquet</p>	<p>14 9am - 3pm Art (DCA) 12.30pm – 6.00pm VB Outdoor Bowls (C)</p>	<p>15 10.15 -11.15am Line Dancing (C) 1.30pm RA Residents Meeting (CH) Followed by Q & A with VBRC Members</p>	<p>16 7am Veggie Group (VS) 9am - 3pm Pottery (DCA) 10.15am – 11.15am Exercises with Noriko (C) 11am – 12pm Sing for Enjoyment (G) 1pm – 5pm Cards / Canasta/500 /Rummikub (M) 2 - 4pm Snooker (R) 2 - 4.30pm Darts (R)</p>	<p>17 9am - 4pm Craft (RC) 12noon – 1pm Chair Yoga (C) 1.15pm - 3.45pm Village Strummers (P) 2pm - 3.30pm Finding Our Feet (C) 2pm - 4pm The Shed</p>	<p>18 9.00am - 12noon Croquet (M) 10.30am – 6pm VB Outdoor Bowls (C)</p>

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10am – Chapel (non-denominational)
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9.30am - Clarke Centre
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2:30pm - Parkside

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Useful Contact Details:

Homecare: 5971 6308 or homecare@villagebaxter.com

Grant Centre: 5971 6364 or grantcentre@villagebaxter.com

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Clarke Centre: 5971 6381 or clarkecentre@villagebaxter.com

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 Doctor Nita Sharma – 9781 3300 (Wed)
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Roast Lamb

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or

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