

Kerrisdale Gardens

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**A collection of news items and information for the
Villa and Apartment Residents of Kerrisdale Gardens**

June 2017



Hello again

Well, the year is flying by very quickly as I saw something the other day that said only 29 Fridays until Christmas! We have had a few short weeks recently with Easter, Anzac Day, then quickly following on with the Labour Day Holiday. Back to normal for a few short weeks with the Show Day Holiday rapidly approaching.

We have welcomed a new resident in the Apartments and she has been made feel most welcome. Moving from another area can be daunting and it is wonderful to have a caring and welcoming community, you should be very proud.



Our Open Day was held on Saturday 8th April after having been postponed due to Cyclone Debbie. It wasn't as busy as we would have hoped, however, a number of people came to have a look around. Please let all your friends know how wonderful it is at Kerrisdale gardens and that we have villas available for them to inspect.



Mackay Seniors Expo 2017 will be held this year on Tuesday August 22nd from 9am to 1pm at the Mackay Showgrounds "Big Shed". This is a new Venue as the Seniors Expo was previously held at the Senior Citizens Centre. This year they are expecting 80 exhibitors and is a must for people to make a connection with organisations and businesses that offer services and facilities to our seniors.

In conjunction with our Insurers and Paynter Dixon, we have been working through some issues arising from Cyclone Debbie's visit in March. This work will be ongoing over the coming months.

We attended the Mackay Home Show on 19th – 21st May with a stand offering information on Retirement Village living at Kerrisdale Gardens and Good Shepherd Lodge. This is a great way to get our brand awareness out to the public, as we are the only facilities offering 24HR Nurse Call Emergency Assistance.

Australian Hearing visited on Tuesday morning and we had around a dozen or so residents take advantage of the information session, free screening, and lucky door prize (which was a lovely esky filled with goodies). They advised they would be very happy to come back and do further screenings etc if there was enough interest, so those of you who missed out will have another opportunity for free screenings, discuss any concerns you may have and check out the wide range of accessories they offer apart from hearing aids.



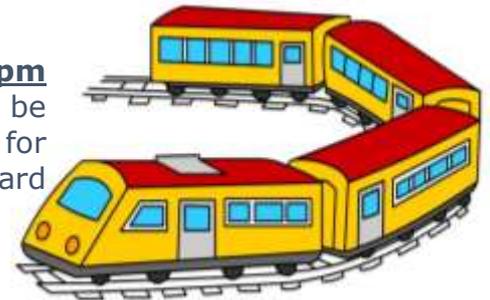


On the 27th April, a number of residents ventured to "The Old Station Tea House" for morning tea. The comments on the return of the bus was that everyone had a thoroughly enjoyable outing and that these trips will become a regular occurrence.

*So, in saying that, we are asking you to "SAVE THE DATE" on **Thursday 20th July** for the next outing. Pauline and Sue will have further details closer to the event.*



Another "SAVE THE DATE" is **Monday 24th July at 12:30pm** with a guest speaker from QLD RAIL TRAVEL. They will be eager to answer questions and pass on a number of tips for travelling with Qld Rail as a Senior/Pensioner. I look forward to seeing you there!



We are holding an information afternoon tea on **Monday 26th June at 2:00pm** in the Function Room. If you have friends who would like to have a look around and gather information on Retirement living in an informal atmosphere, please bring them along. We will also have a guest speaker from Enlightened Financial Solutions in Wood St to answer questions and explain common retirement financial issues that surface as you move to another age bracket. We will be advertising this event on Radio and in the Daily Mercury and would really love to have a significant attendance of interested people. Anyone you know who is contemplating selling their home and thinking of downsizing to a Retirement Village – bring them along!



What's available at Kerrisdale Gardens

- ✓ The bus leaves for the shops at 9:00am every Thursday
- ✓ Bloomingdales Café is open 6 days a week for great coffee and scrumptious food and snacks
- ✓ Don't forget fish 'n chips Friday lunch - order before 10:30am.
- ✓ The Wellness Centre is open for appointments if you are requiring physiotherapy or podiatry - see Reception for available days and times
- ✓ A variety of cards are available for sale at Reception at \$2.00 each
- ✓ Healthpoint Pharmacy is open Monday / Wednesday / Friday from 9:30am - 12 noon
- ✓ The Hairdresser is available for appointments on 0439072112 or pop in and see Jenny
- ✓ Chapel every Wednesday morning at 9:30am with Canon Ann, and following at 10:30am enjoy a chat with Rev Keith
- ✓ Tai Chi on Friday mornings at 9:30am in the Level 3 Training room with Renae. Gold coin donation.
- ✓ Art Classes are held with Sue monthly, at a cost of \$3.00 per session. Dates listed on monthly Activities Sheet.

It is wonderful to have our residents attend and join in the various activities on offer as your support encourages us to source other speakers and events.

Cheers, Raylene.

