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*Welcome to our
September Newsletter*

*BOARD, MANAGEMENT
AND STAFF
WISH ALL OUR RESIDENTS,
CLIENTS, PATIENTS
AND THEIR FAMILIES
AND FRIENDS,
A FUN FILLED & HEALTHY
OCTOBER*



From the Operations Manager's Desk

My first 7 months at Finley Regional Care have just flown by. Meeting all the wonderful residents and staff would have to be one of the biggest highlights. As this is my first venture into aged care, I continue to be amazed every day at the level of care, kindness and compassion shown to the residents that live here.

My main focus in the Operations Manager role is to ensure we have a talented, skilled workforce to provide the highest level of care to our residents. As we are working towards accreditation next year, I am currently reviewing all of our policies and procedures, contracts and position descriptions. Staff appraisals are also fully underway with most completed prior to 30 September 2017.

One of the projects I am currently working on is our Compliance System, WHS Online. Finley Regional Care will be introducing iPads over the next month to allow staff to quickly record Maintenance Requests, Hazard and Incident Reports. This will streamline processes and allow for quicker recording and monitoring of compliance issues.

Finley Regional Care has also been working closely with Finley Tafe this year to offer placement hours for students completing Certificate 3 and 4 in Aged Care and Community Services. Finley Tafe have provided fully funded training for 10 of our staff this year in Medication Management, Dementia and Palliative Care. We have also provided work experience for Finley High School Students and will continue to support the local community through offering school-based traineeships in 2018.

As this year slowly draws to a close, I can't help but be excited about 2018 with Alumuna and some other exciting new projects commencing. Xmas will be here before we know it, stay safe and enjoy the warmer weather.

Tanya Coulter
Operations Manager



Dave, our Maintenance Team Leader, & his Assistant John take time out of their busy working schedule to enjoy the beautiful blooming scenery at Finley Regional Care. We thank them for their ongoing wonderful job keeping our gardens looking fabulous.



From the Leisure & Lifestyle Team Leader's Desk

Wendy is back on Deck – here is a report of her Adventures



We had a wonderful 3 months away in the caravan and travelled up the centre to Alice Springs where we called in to see the Truck Hall of Fame. Some Finley people are listed there eg Lois Harley, Baxters & Stan Gardner. It takes a long time to get around it all but very interesting.

Then onto Katherine for 3 nights where we went for a helicopter ride over the Katherine Gorge before going onto Timber Creek where it was very hot; we only stayed there for 1 night. Travelling over to Western Australia we saw a lot of Boab Trees.

We then headed for Kununurra where we went on a boat trip on Lake Argyle & the Ord River. It was amazing to see the amount of water that just runs out to sea. We headed to Fitzroy Crossing & then onto Derby for 3 nights. Beautiful Sunsets at Derby. From there we went to Broome where we went Whale Watching & had a fantastic trip to the Horizontal Falls. We flew over the falls & landed on the water & then went over the falls in a boat. Lots more Sunsets at Broome.



After staying in Broome for a week we travelled to Pardoo & then to Port Hedland for 3 nights. We came across a set of toilets that read Blokes, Wheelies (disabled) & Sheilas. We went & had a look at the big gas plant at Port Hedland. Saw lots of Gorges out at Tom Price which were beautiful, spectacular & very deep.

Whilst in Tom Price we went on a Mine Tour which was very interesting. The town has lots of sporting facilities for kids & adults. When we headed down the coast to Kalbarri it was very cold, windy & raining. Travelling down we came across Oakabella Homestead which was very interesting. We visited a few Museums with lots of old buildings & Churches. We then moved onto Cervantes where we went & saw the Pinnacles which were spectacular they looked like graves coming out of the ground.



From the Leisure & Lifestyle Team Leader's Desk

Wendy's Amazing Adventures Continued.....

We then headed to Geraldton & then on to Perth. Stayed in Perth for 5 days for a friend's 60th birthday. We then went onto Kalgoorlie we looked at more museums, and then onto Norseman & across the Nullarbor. We stayed at Penong where there are lots of windmills, then off down to Coffin Bay where there are big yummy Oysters. Another Museum & then a look around Port Lincoln before driving onto Crystal Brook where there was a beautiful Caravan Park on the creek. We had a beautiful drive through Clare Valley & onto Hahndorf and then we came across the best museum that I have ever seen at Taillem Bend. All the old shops & farm equipment were fantastic.



We then zig zagged across Victoria to Hamilton, Halls Gap, Talbot, Maryborough & to Bendigo. The Canola & Wheat crops are looking great. We spent 3 days in Bendigo looking around & visiting family.

It was a wonderful trip but glad to get home. Great to see everyone again & all the Residents were happy to see me back.

Wendy Sutton

Leisure & Lifestyle Team Leader

Activities for September 2017



Our Team Leader Kristen & Comic Host Colleen looking simply gorgeous at Dancing with the Stars

Robert (Crowie) & Peter enjoying Father's Day luncheon



Activities for September 2017

Dancing with the Stars 1st September 2017

What a treat! On Friday 1st of September as an introduction to Spring the competitors in this year's Dancing with the Stars, including our very own Di Gray, Team Leader put a spring in all of our steps when they staged a special performance of their spectacular routines just for our residents here at Finley Regional Care.

The residents and staff are still blown away with the generosity of the time and courage that the couples showed and we thank Di Gray & Micka Littlejohn, Marcia Pyle & Greg Lawler, Emma Hurlston & Paul Bramley, Ally Rourke & Matt Clark and Anna Jewel & Peter Brunt for a wonderful show. A special mention to Vicki Akers who trained all of the couples to such a high standard and also thank you to Colleen Rockcliffe for her wonderfully comic hosting.

Over 70 residents, staff and community members crammed into our Activities Room to be treated to one of the highlights of our 2017 calendar. The dancing was inspiring, the smiles on everyone's faces were wide and just about everyone's feet were tapping.

All that were there are still talking about what fun it was and we can't wait until next year to do it all again.



Our Gorgeous Lady in Red Team Leader, Di Gray, with partner Micka Littlejohn showing their style.

The talented Dancing with the Stars group with the Fabulous Comic Host Colleen, our Gorgeous Team Leader Kristin, Fantastic Trainer Vicki Ackers and a group of young ones who came and enjoyed the show.



Activities for September 2017

Kelly Family Donation

When Vincent 'Tibby' Kelly approached me with a handwritten story and an old photo from 1941 and asked if he could have it framed to donate to Finley Regional Care as his legacy, I was absolutely thrilled with the idea.

Firstly, the story plaque was created, then the photo went off to Yarrawonga to be restored and beautifully framed by Jill Allen.

Tibby decided on Saturday 23 September 2017 at 11.30am for the grand unveiling as this allowed for his family to travel to Finley due to being school holidays. Tibby wanted his wife Mary to unveil the picture but it was to be kept a secret from her.

On the day, as the Kelly family were arriving and Tibby was looking very handsome in his shirt and tie, Mary decided to make a trip to his room for a visit. She thought he was being 'ridiculous' wearing a tie for a family visit and decided to make her way back to her own room for the rest of the day. Family members quietly ushered her into the Activities Room on the premise that there were too many family members visiting to fit into Tibby's room.

Mary, seeing me, of course asked why I was at work on a Saturday so I had to come up with a reason quick smart (my first lie). Morning Tea was served prior to the unveiling and Mary also wanted to know why they were getting morning tea (my second lie). At this point I thought she might have known we were up to something but she just really seemed to be enjoying the company of her family.

Greg McNamara was present, representing the Finley Regional Care Board and once all the Kelly family members and visitors had arrived, I asked everyone to step into the hallway for the unveiling. Mary was confused, wondering what was happening, Tibby just sat there grinning the whole time! We asked Mary to stand next to the covered picture while everyone was gathered around and she said, "I feel like the Queen." Mary's son John assisted her with dropping the curtain and the picture was revealed.

From all at Finley Regional Care, thank you to the Kelly Family for this most generous donation of a piece of Finley history.

Story by Tanya Coulter – Operations Manager



ACTIVITIES PHOTOS

Red Shift



CEO, Ben, enjoying a chat with our Residents



Octec Kids & their Mentors & Teachers

Card Making with Volunteer, Julie



Literacy Day



Literacy Day



Resident's enjoying reading



BIRTHDAY & CELEBRATION PHOTOS

Maureen's 90th



Kevin



Valda



Keith



**We have celebrated the following
Residents & Clients Birthdays in September 2017**

September

Maureen W, Valda S, Tony M, Kevin G & Keith G

DONATION



Marg Maxwell, President of Finley Regional Care Auxiliary, kindly accepts a wonderful donation from Shirley Randall & Wilma O'Neill from Finley Senior Citizens.

This donation will be used for the purchase of a lovely white organ to entertain our Residents plus a Bain Marie used in our Activities Room for special luncheons, Bacon & Egg Breakfasts etc for our Residents and Visitors.

Finley Regional Care thanks Finley Senior Citizens for this very generous donation.

STAFF HAPPENINGS



CSE: Darryl Anderson

Hotel Services: Melissa Lunn

RN: Cielo Azarcon

We welcome all our new Staff and hope they enjoy their time at Finley Regional Care



RN: Dianne Clarke

CSE: Rochelle Bosco

We wish these resigned staff members best wishes for their future endeavours and thank them for their contribution to Finley Regional Care

COMMENTS & SUGGESTIONS

Finley Regional Care welcomes comments and suggestions about any aspects of our service including direct care, catering, cleaning and gardens.

There is a form which can be utilised for the purpose and these are available throughout the facility or by contacting Administration on 03 5883 9600 Monday to Friday

NOTICE BOARD

RESIDENTS MEETING

Next Meeting is
scheduled for
Tuesday
10th October
@ 10.30am
All welcome



Thursday 12th
October 2017
@ 2pm
in the
Activities
Room



Joke Time!

I'd like to buy a
new boomerang
please. Also, can
you tell me how
to throw the old
one away?

PRESENTATION OF YEARLY REPORTING

Meeting is
scheduled for
Wednesday
18th October
@ 7pm in the
Activities Room
All Welcome

Puzzle 68

WEDDING BELLS!

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BAND
BOUQUET
BRIDE
BRIDESMAID
CHURCH

DANCING
GIFTS
GROOM
GUEST
PRIEST

RECEPTION
RING
SPEECH
TOAST
VOWS



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