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HARDI NEWS

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LETTER FROM THE CEO

Welcome to the first edition of the Hardi Aged Care eNewsletter!

This monthly newsletter will provide you with the latest updates on what is happening at Hardi Aged Care across all of our facilities, including the latest events and new appointments.

It has been a busy time across all of our facilities with activities and various upgrade works being undertaken. Further works are planned across our facilities and we will keep you informed regarding the nature of these works and timing.

We are pleased to announce we have now completed the installation of the Sprinkler Systems at our facilities, 12 months ahead of schedule. Our last facility is awaiting sign-off from the Building Certifier which is expected early May 2015.

In addition, we are rolling out new menus to all facilities which we believe offers greater choice for our residents. Residents and relatives had the opportunity to have their say on the "Resident" choice of meals offered, a number of residents provided their own recipes for submission. After a review by our dietician and a trial run at one of our facilities the new menu has received a positive response.

Robert Oxford
CEO



WHAT'S ON AT HARDI AGED CARE

BLACKTOWN

Blacktown celebrated Easter last month with a gospel concert on 2 April as well as an Easter morning high tea. On 15 April, residents enjoyed a bus outing to the Hawkesbury Heights lookout in the Blue Mountains where they were able to get back to nature and take in the spectacular views of the Nepean River and vast bushland.

The Toongabbie RSL sub branch led residents in an ANZAC Day memorial service on 24 April and entertained residents with an afternoon concert.

This month we look forward to celebrating a number of events including a Mother's day concert performed by the Seven Hills Primary School on 5 May; a bus outing to the Marconi Club on 13 May where residents will be treated to a gourmet dining experience; Australia's Biggest Morning Tea on 15 May to support the Cancer Council; and on 28 May residents will commemorate National Reconciliation Week.

MANLYVALE

Manly Vale held a number of exciting events with residents enjoying the Easter raffle, an ANZAC Day BBQ and a musical performance by jazz trio, The Banjo Kings.

On 1 April staff and residents celebrated "April Falls Day", where staff wore colourful t-shirts and filled the facility with coloured balloons to bring awareness to the high risk of falling and how to prevent it.

Other events included the weekly "Sing Out Loud" choir with residents and staff and the popular outdoor bowls. The weekly bus trips to various locations are also proved popular with the residents, as the staff members are taking on the role of tour guides, turning each outing into an adventure.

This month we look forward to a visit from Mayor Michael Regan for an afternoon tea with residents on 5 May at 2pm. Families are also welcome to attend, for more information contact Grace 02 9949 1911.

GUILDFORD

Recent upgrades have been continuing at Guildford with the installation of new fire sprinklers now complete, as well as the roof guttering and insulation, tiles on the front veranda and stairs and the a hairdressing salon and new gardens for residents to enjoy.

Throughout April, residents paid their respects with an ANZAC Day memorial service and have enjoyed the reintroduction of pet therapy to boost the health and wellbeing of residents.

During May residents will participate in a number of activities including Mother's day celebrations and Australia's Biggest Morning Tea, to help fight cancer. Residents will be treated to a morning tea and donate to the Cancer Council to support research into finding a cure for cancer.



SEVEN HILLS

Seven Hills got crafty this April, celebrating Easter by making and assembling chocolate baskets with the assistance of Afterlife Funerals who kindly donated their time and resources. Residents and staff also participated in an Easter raffle. Congratulations to all the winners!

During the month, the Ron Ashton concert got the residents grooving with his one man band performance and they commemorated ANZAC Day with a memorial service and cooking ANZAC biscuits for everyone to enjoy.

Residents and relatives had the opportunity to have their say on the choice of meals and recipes to be served at the facility. More than 15 different recipes have been included which will be introduced this month.

The facility has been conducting various upgrades throughout the month with the installation of a new fish tank in the B wing Dining Room and continuation of the bathroom renovations. Upgrades are scheduled for a garden and outdoor area and the dining room to include a kitchenette in the near future.

PENRITH

Mountainview residents have kept busy with various activities and events throughout April including a visit to Wollongong where fish and chips were enjoyed by the beach, attending an ANZAC Day with a memorial service and visiting to the poppy flower display in Penrith.

Throughout the month, residents also fed the ducks in North Richmond, tasted the delicacies of the Herbutus German Club and enjoyed a coffee and tea at the Sweet 4 U Patisserie.

Recently, a few upgrades have been completed to the nurses' station, hairdressing salon and the administration office, a new call bell has been introduced as well as a new coat of paint providing a fresh look to the facility.

This month we look forward to celebrating a number of events including Mother's day, International Nurses day and Australia's Biggest Morning Tea.

SUMMER HILL

April was a big month with plenty of activities and events to keep the residents entertained. Easter activities saw the residents decorate eggs to be included in the Easter display, enjoy chocolate eggs on Easter Sunday and participate in the Easter raffle. Congratulations to all the winners!

Throughout April, the facility has completed the upgrades to the new reception area located on the lower ground floor, which now includes a new entry point. The former reception has been converted into a new lounge area for residents. The sensory garden has also been finalised and includes a waterfall pond filled with goldfish for all to enjoy.

During May, we look forward to concerts by the talented Chris Castle and Russel Lynch, a bus outing where residents can enjoy the scenery and fine dining, Mother's day celebrations and a BBQ lunch.

