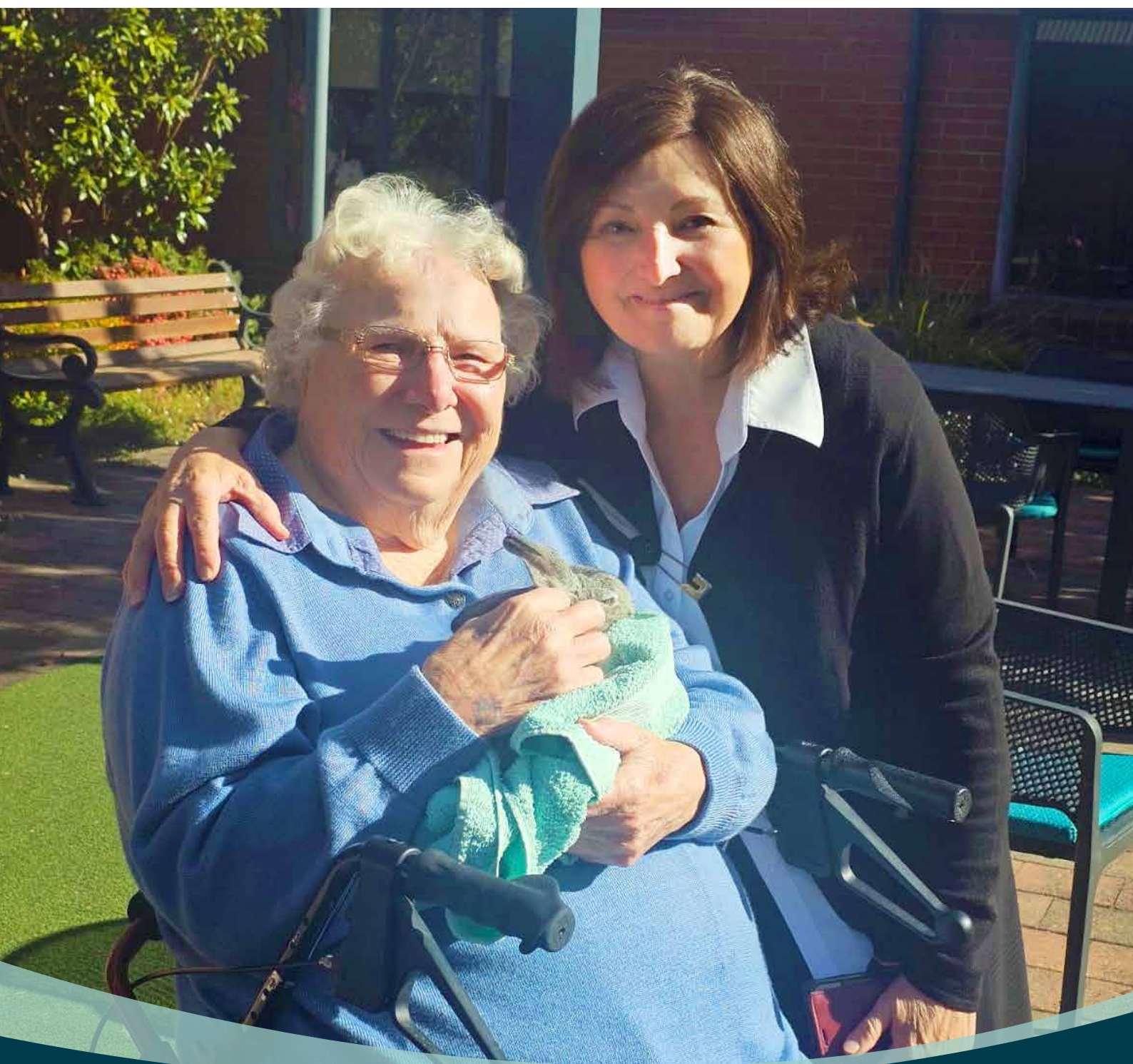




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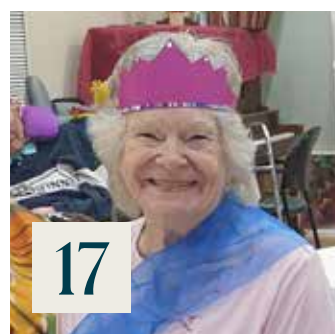
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at Warrina Court
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CEO Message

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Andrew Curle
Chief Executive Officer



Dear residents, families and friends,

As we reflect on the exciting journey ahead, I want to acknowledge the upcoming implementation of the new Aged Care Act on 1 November 2025. This significant legislative change, recently deferred from July to November to allow more preparation time, marks a major step forward in enhancing resident-centred care across our Residential Aged Care facilities. The Act introduces a strong, rights-based framework designed to empower older Australians by putting their choices, dignity, and individual needs at the heart of everything we do. It brings a more streamlined approach to access, clearer accountability for Providers and stronger protections to ensure safe, quality care, all of which will elevate the standard of living for our residents and their families.

On 7 August 2025, we proudly commemorated Aged Care Employee Day, taking the opportunity to pay heartfelt tribute to our dedicated employees. Their tireless commitment, compassion and expertise form the foundation of everything we achieve. In an environment marked by a national labour shortage in the Aged Care sector, their ongoing devotion fuels our Mission. To address workforce challenges, we continue to innovate recruitment strategies, enhance professional development and

foster an inclusive workplace culture that nurtures retention and growth, ensuring we attract and sustain the skilled colleagues essential to delivering exceptional care.

On the property front, we are undertaking significant development and refurbishment projects to maintain our asset base in excellent and welcoming condition. These upgrades are essential to both resident safety and comfort and reinforce our long-term commitment to providing a quality environment that complements the enhanced care models under the new Act. Investing in modernising and maintaining our facilities ensures our environment not only remains safe and comfortable but also reflects the warmth, dignity and professionalism our residents deserve.

Our financial year has been marked by substantial success, notably through the integration of a major acquisition that strengthens our service capacity and secures our financial sustainability long-term. This achievement is a testament to the extraordinary teamwork exhibited across our organisation. Every staff member's contribution, from direct care to administration and support, has been vital. We humbly acknowledge this collective effort and, with gratitude, give God the glory for guiding and blessing our journey towards delivering world-class care. Together, we

continue to build an organisation that honours life, dignity and the trust placed in us by those we care for.

Governance remains a cornerstone of our organisation. The rollout of multiple new systems and enhancements to our organisational IT architecture will bolster our operational effectiveness and compliance, allowing us to meet the increasing demands of regulation while supporting our teams on the ground. Looking ahead, we are preparing diligently for our Annual General Meeting on Monday, 27 October 2025. This will be an opportunity for our Members to share in our successes, discuss strategic directions and continue building a strong foundation for ongoing excellence.

A sincere thank you to all the Retirement Villages residents who joined us for the mid-year lunch on 18 July 2025. It was a wonderful afternoon filled with great conversations and a strong sense of community, enjoyed by everyone who came along.

In closing, thank you for your ongoing commitment and passion for our shared Mission. The future is promising, and I look forward to what we will achieve together.



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Devotional

My name is John Piovesan, and I have had the honour of serving as Chaplain at Warrina Vales for just over six months. In this time, I have had the privilege of accompanying many residents and learning from your diverse experiences.

The chaplaincy service is committed to supporting all residents, regardless of their faith background. I find great meaning in building genuine connections, believing that each point of understanding brings us closer together and helps foster a compassionate community, something that benefits us all. One of the most rewarding aspects of this role is seeing residents from a variety of Christian traditions come together in Chapel, united in fellowship. These moments reflect the spirit of unity and shared humanity we seek to cultivate at Warrina Homes.

I am grateful to serve in a near full-time capacity, which enables me to provide dedicated support tailored to the needs of a facility as vibrant and varied as ours. Supporting residents here requires

sensitivity to each person's unique history and perspective. In my work, I am continually inspired by the words of Paul's prayer at the opening of his letter to the Philippians, which remind me of the importance of care, gratitude, and shared purpose in our community.

“And this I pray, that your love may abound still more and more in knowledge and all discernment,”

Philippians 1:9 NKJV

A guiding principle in my professional life is the importance of understanding. Genuine care is grounded in truly comprehending the needs and perspectives of others; similarly, to receive care, one must be open to being understood. I have found that deep insight is essential for building meaningful connections and for determining how best to offer support. I remain grateful for the experience I have gained through caring for older

individuals, as well as for the collective wisdom of our dedicated staff. This process of understanding is continual and ever-evolving.

Additionally, I find reassurance in the belief that God knows and understands me completely, even before I am able to articulate my needs. This assurance provides comfort and confidence as I approach Him, trusting in His knowledge of each of us, often more deeply than we know ourselves.

“For your Father knows the things you have need of before you ask Him.”

Matthew 6:8 NKJV

God not only knows us intimately, but He also fully understands our dependence on Him and recognizes our human vulnerability. This aspect of His character is both remarkable and deeply comforting. It is beautifully illustrated in the book of Isaiah, where God's mercy



is extended to a once-rebellious Israel. Although Israel could have been irretrievably scattered and lost, God, in His grace, provides an opportunity for them to return and restore their relationship with Him.

Whenever there is even the slightest possibility of reconciliation, God ensures that the door remains open. He assists us in our weakness, responding not with exploitation or judgment, but with grace and mercy. Isaiah 42:3 expresses this profound truth: while the verse points to Jesus, it also reveals how gently and compassionately He interacts with each one of us.

*"A bruised reed He will not break,
And smoking flax He will not quench;
He will bring forth justice for truth."
Isaiah 42:3 NKJV*

There are times when we may feel weakened or fragile, much like a smouldering wick that could easily be extinguished. Yet, even in these moments, God extends continual opportunities for us to turn to Him, address our shortcomings, restore our souls, and renew our relationship with Him.

One of the most inspiring aspects of my experience at Warrina Homes has been witnessing residents, some of whom have not attended church for decades, feel compelled to join Chapel services and rediscover a desire to reconnect with God. This is a profound testament to the power of His mercy at work in their lives.

Gaining knowledge and deep insight that enables us to love others is truly valuable. It is also reassuring to know that God understands us completely. However, the greatest blessing is the privilege of truly knowing God Himself. While it can be difficult to achieve this understanding on our own, God, in His grace, removed the uncertainty by sending Jesus to live among us, revealing His

character and compassion. Through Christ's sacrificial act at Calvary, He took the initiative to remove the barriers that separated us from Him.

Through these acts, we are offered forgiveness and the promise of an eternal relationship with God, unburdened by the brokenness of our world and our physical limitations. The invitation remains open to all: we are welcome to turn to Him and embrace His offer. He transforms us from within, making us more like Jesus.



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Aged Care Employee Day 2025

A Heartfelt Thanks from Warrina Homes



Diana van Jaarsveld (PhD)
Executive Manager People & Culture

On Thursday, 7 August, we proudly came together as a Warrina Homes family to celebrate Aged Care Employee Day. This special occasion honours the incredible individuals who dedicate their time, energy and compassion to enriching the lives of our residents every single day.

This year's theme, 'Thanks for Caring', couldn't be more fitting. It reflects not only the professional excellence our team consistently delivers, but also the deep empathy, resilience and unwavering kindness that define what it means to work in Aged Care. At Warrina Homes, these qualities shine through in everything our staff do, and Aged Care Employee Day gave us a chance to celebrate and express our heartfelt gratitude.

Photobooth fun!





Celebrations took place across all our sites at Warrina Vales, Warrina Park, Warrina Court and Warrina Crescent, with each location enjoying a lively and joyful atmosphere. We arranged pizza food trucks and refreshments, giving staff the chance to relax and enjoy some well-deserved treats. Photo booths captured meaningful moments, where team members and residents came together to share smiles, laughter and heartfelt appreciation.



Thank you notes, warmly written by staff and residents, were displayed throughout our facilities, creating a warm and uplifting environment that reflected the deep mutual respect and care shared in our community.



As a token of appreciation, each staff member received a Warrina Homes cooler bag to acknowledge the significant impact they make every day.

Guided by our core Values of Christian principles, Care, Teamwork, Sustainability and being a Good Corporate Citizen, we take great pride in the work we do. These Values guide us as we strive to create a nurturing and supportive environment for both residents and staff. On a day like this, they are brought to life in the connections we share and the appreciation we show one another.

We recognise that working in Aged Care can be as demanding as it is rewarding. It requires not just expertise, but a heart for service and a commitment to upholding dignity, compassion and respect. Whether it is our Clinical Care Teams, delivering person-centred care with professionalism and empathy; our Hospitality and Administrative Teams, ensuring every day runs smoothly; our Maintenance and Gardening Teams, who keep our homes safe and beautiful; or our Leadership Team, offering strategic direction and support, every team member plays an integral role in the Warrina Homes community.

To all our staff, thank you. Your dedication, care and compassion do not go unnoticed. You are the reason our residents feel loved, supported and at home. Your work truly makes a difference, and it is our honour to celebrate you.



Clinical Care Update

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Executive Manager Residential Services



I am delighted to share some significant updates regarding the ongoing development and improvements within our Residential Aged Care facilities (RACFs). As many of you are aware, Warrina Homes has experienced steady growth over recent years. Simultaneously, the Aged Care sector is undergoing major reforms that present both opportunities and challenges.

Leadership Structure Update

As part of our commitment to proactive and innovative leadership, we have reviewed the role of Executive Manager Residential Services. To better meet the demands of the evolving landscape, we are introducing a new position: Executive Manager Clinical Operations.

While we are currently recruiting for the Executive Manager Residential Services role, I am pleased to announce that I will be stepping into the newly created role of Executive Manager Clinical Operations. This structural change is designed to strengthen our strategic response to sector changes and enhance the quality of care we provide.

New Aged Care Act and Standards – Coming 1 November 2025

The new Aged Care Act and Standards are expected to take effect from 1 November 2025. In preparation, Warrina Homes is actively working to ensure compliance well in advance. Our Executive and Leadership teams continue to monitor the progress of our action plans every month to ensure we are ready to meet and exceed the requirements.

Strengthening Clinical Governance

Clinical Governance is a critical focus of the upcoming Aged Care Standards. In response, we've reviewed and optimised our Quality Team's organisational structure for greater impact. We are pleased to announce the appointment of a Quality and Assurance Manager, who

will be supported by two Quality Care Coordinators and a Quality Support Officer. This revised structure will enhance our capability to deliver safe, high-quality care and meet all regulatory requirements.

Digitisation of Clinical and Lifestyle Documentation – Warrina Vales

We are proud to share that Warrina Vales has successfully completed the digitisation of its *Medication Management System* on schedule. We are now progressing with the digitisation of Clinical Care and Lifestyle Documentation, with a go-live date set for September 2025.

Over the past 15 months, this standardisation across all four of our RACFs marks a significant milestone in improving consistency, efficiency and quality of care.

Quarterly Focus Reviews

To enhance our connection with residents and staff, the Warrina Homes Executive Team will be conducting Quarterly Focus Reviews at each Residential Aged Care facility. These visits are an opportunity to:

- Celebrate successes together
- Hear directly from residents and staff
- Ensure ongoing improvement through open dialogue

The General Manager Residential Services, in collaboration with the Leadership Team, will coordinate these visits. Dates and times will be shared on the facility noticeboards in advance. We strongly encourage all staff and residents to engage with the Executive Team during these sessions.

Thank you for your ongoing dedication and commitment. These initiatives reflect our shared vision to provide outstanding care and lead the way in a changing Aged Care environment.

Admissions Update



Alana Fahey

Admissions & Customer Service Manager

This quarter, we've focused on finalising the standardisation of our Admissions and Customer Service process across all Warrina Homes sites. With the recent addition of our fourth Residential Aged Care facility, it's more important than ever to ensure a consistent, high-quality experience for every new resident entering our care.

To support this, we've introduced two key initiatives:

1. Internal Admissions Checklist

We've developed a standardised checklist for our team to follow. This tool ensures a consistent and seamless experience for every resident and their families, no matter which of our four sites they're joining.

2. Welcome Bags for New Residents

We're partnering with our HR Team to introduce thoughtful Welcome Bags, designed to bring comfort and warmth to those who may be feeling nervous about the transition into care. These will be rolled out across all sites by the end of the year.

Your feedback is invaluable to us as we continue to grow and refine our services. We encourage you to complete a Feedback Form about your experience with our Admissions Team. Forms are available on-site and can be submitted via the site letterboxes or emailed to customerservice@warrinahomes.com.au

As Warrina Homes continues to grow, so too must our processes and the service we deliver. We are committed to evolving with the needs of our residents, the people who matter most. If you'd like to learn more or need assistance, please reach out to our team at admissions@warrinahomes.com.au

Test your Sudoku Skills

Sudoku is a memory-training activity. Like chess, it encourages you to think a few steps ahead to your next move, which is a good exercise for the brain.

The rules for sudoku are simple. A 9×9 square must be filled in with numbers from 1-9 with no repeated numbers in each line, horizontally or vertically. To challenge you more, there are 3×3 squares marked out in the grid, and each of these squares can't have any repeat numbers either.

Solution p35

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RESIDENTIAL AGED CARE

Farm Animal Visit

Warrina Court



Lifestyle at Warrina Court and Warrina Park

Seema Khatri
Lifestyle Coordinator
Warrina Court and Warrina Park

SPECIAL EVENTS

We are excited to share some of the wonderful moments, updates and highlights from our recent lifestyle activities at Warrina Court and Warrina Park. It has been a busy and joyful time, filled with celebration, reflection, and meaningful connections.

Bus Trip to Adelaide Hills

Our recent bus outing to the beautiful Adelaide Hills was one of those days that stays with you. The drive itself was a calm, scenic treat, filled with quiet moments as we passed through rolling hills and countryside. When we reached Hahndorf, residents were charmed by the town's quaint streets, heritage buildings and unique shops and cafés, each with its own story to tell. There was something special in the air—maybe it was the fresh country breeze, or maybe it was simply the joy of being out together, making memories in a place that felt a world away from the everyday. As is tradition, the trip ended on a sweet note with an icecream cone for the journey home. A small pleasure that never fails to bring a smile.



Farm Animal Visit

The recent farm animal visit to Warrina Park and Warrina Court brought a special kind of warmth to the day. Residents were delighted to spend time with a friendly mix of lambs, goats, chickens and rabbits. Each animal bringing its own charm and personality. There was a wonderful sense of calm as residents gently interacted with the animals, stroking soft fur and exchanging smiles. For many, the visit stirred fond memories of growing up on farms or caring for pets, sparking heartfelt stories and joyful conversations. It was more than just a fun activity, it was a moment of connection, comfort and shared happiness that lingered long after the animals had gone.

Warrina Park



Italian National Day

To honour Italian National Day, residents at both Warrina Park and Warrina Court enjoyed a vibrant celebration that embraced the rich culture, heritage, and traditions of Italy. Both homes were beautifully decorated with Italian flags, red, white and green streamers, and themed table settings, creating a festive and inviting atmosphere. The day featured a delicious Italian-inspired menu, including a selection of cakes, biscuits and a classic favourite, tiramisu. Residents gathered to enjoy the meal together, with traditional Italian music playing in the background, adding a joyful energy to the occasion. Staff dressed in Italian-themed attire and joined residents in dancing, singing, and laughter, making the celebration both meaningful and memorable. The event was a wonderful opportunity to acknowledge Italy's national pride while promoting connection, cultural appreciation, and shared enjoyment within our community.

Warrina Park



Marian's Entertainment

Warrina Park and Warrina Court recently welcomed Marian, a talented local musician, for an afternoon of beautiful live music that truly lifted the spirits of all who attended. With her warm presence and rich, expressive voice, Marian created a lovely, welcoming atmosphere that resonated through the room. Her performance featured a wonderful selection of timeless classics and singalong favourites. These brought back fond memories and had residents clapping, tapping their feet and joining in with joy. It wasn't just entertainment; it was an experience filled with heart. After the concert, residents gathered for a relaxed and sociable afternoon tea, complete with freshly brewed tea, coffee, scones, and a selection of sweet delights. The dining area buzzed with happy chatter and reflections on the performance. It was a special reminder of how music can uplift, connect, and inspire. Both residents and staff thoroughly enjoyed the afternoon, and we look forward to welcoming Marian back again soon.



Monthly Birthday Party

Each month, we take time to celebrate our wonderful residents' birthdays, which is always a joyful highlight for everyone. The room is transformed with colourful balloons, streamers, and cheerful decorations that set the tone for a fun and festive gathering. Residents come together to enjoy delicious cakes, sweet treats, and warm conversation, all shared in the spirit of community. A hearty round of "Happy Birthday" fills the room as we celebrate each resident's special day. These moments bring smiles, laughter, and connection, making every birthday truly meaningful and memorable.

Warrina Court



Warrina Park



King's Birthday

Warrina Park and Warrina Court marked the King's Birthday with an elegant and heartfelt celebration that brought residents and staff together in true royal style. The day had a special charm, filled with tradition, conversation and a lovely sense of occasion. Residents gathered for a beautiful afternoon tea, featuring all their favourites, including fluffy scones with jam and cream, dainty finger sandwiches and a selection of teas served in fine china. The atmosphere was reminiscent of a traditional British high tea, offering both comfort and a touch of class. Throughout the day, the sounds of classic British tunes filled the air, encouraging singalongs and joyful memories. Some residents shared stories of the royal family and moments from history, adding meaning and nostalgia to the occasion. Staff embraced the spirit of the day, dressing in royal-themed outfits and helping create a warm, festive environment. It was a lovely celebration that honoured tradition, sparked conversation and brought a genuine sense of joy and connection to everyone involved.

Warrina Court



Warrina Park



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Warrina Court



Christmas in July Celebration

Christmas in July was a truly special occasion, celebrated with elegance and joyful enthusiasm across both Warrina Park and Warrina Court. The homes were decorated with Christmas trees, lights, and tinsel, creating a warm and cosy atmosphere. Residents looked forward to the day, which was filled with familiar traditions and cheerful activities. Staff, residents' families, and volunteers dressed in Santa hats and festive outfits, adding to the holiday spirit. A highlight of the celebration was the traditional Christmas lunch enjoyed by all. At Warrina Park, the facility welcomed a group of school children who played beautiful music for the residents after lunch, adding a joyful and heartwarming touch to the afternoon. At Warrina Court, residents were entertained by a live band whose music brought energy and festive cheer to the celebration. Families were encouraged to join in, making it a heartwarming and inclusive event. The celebration brought smiles, laughter, and a strong sense of togetherness, helping residents feel valued and connected.

Warrina Court



Warrina Park



High Tea

Residents enjoyed a touch of elegance and tradition during a beautifully hosted High Tea event at both Homes. The occasion brought a refined atmosphere to the afternoon, with tables adorned in crisp linen, fine china, and floral centrepieces, setting the scene for a truly special gathering. Residents dressed in their finest attire, with many donning hats, pearls, and smart outfits, adding to the charm and sophistication of the event. The sense of occasion was evident as friends greeted one another with smiles and warm conversation. The menu featured a delightful assortment of finger sandwiches, freshly baked scones with jam and cream, petite pastries, and a selection of teas served in delicate cups. Gentle background music created a relaxed ambiance, allowing residents to fully savour the experience.

Fashion Parade at Warrina Park

The activity hall at Warrina Park turned into a runway recently as Warrina park and Warrina Court residents and staff enjoyed a colourful fashion parade. Outfits ranged from elegant to playful, and the smiles said it all. Families clapped along, music filled the room, and the atmosphere was full of fun. Thanks to the staff who helped make it happen, it was a day that truly brought everyone together.



Warrina Homes Values



Christian

Our Christian ethos is the foundation of everything that we do because we believe this approach best reflects the greatest of values and ideals.



Care

Excellence in care is achieved by prioritising the wellbeing of our residents, and creating relationships built on respect, dignity and trust.



Teamwork

We achieve when we are working together fostering an environment that champions personal and professional growth.



Sustainability

We actively support sustainable business practices that reduce environmental impact, meet the evolving needs of our community and support our economic viability for future generations.



Good Corporate Citizen

We are committed to contributing to a stronger South Australian Aged Care system by investing in service design and innovation to deliver better outcomes for our community.

Upcoming Special Events

Please check our monthly Activity Calendar for additional updates as events may be subject to change based on residents’ needs or unforeseen circumstances. Any changes will be posted on the Daily White Board in each Home.

Be happy, keep smiling and thank you for your support.
From the Lifestyle Team
Silvana, Rajitha, Kinjal, Reema and Eden



Warrina Court

SEPTEMBER

- Friday 5 September at 1:30pm**
Father’s Day Celebration
- Tuesday 16 September**
Pyjama Day
- Thursday 25 September at 1:30pm**
Footy Tipping Presentation
- Tuesday 30 September at 1:30pm**
Monthly Birthday Party

OCTOBER

- Tuesday 7 October**
Bus Trip
- Monday 13 October at 1:30pm**
Memorial Service
- Tuesday 21 October at 1:30pm**
Cultural Celebrations
(Festival of Lights)
- Friday 31 October at 1:30pm**
Monthly birthday party with entertainment

NOVEMBER

- Tuesday 4 November at 1:30pm**
Melbourne Cup
- Tuesday 11 November**
Remembrance Day
- Thursday 27 November at 1:30pm**
Monthly birthday party with entertainment

Warrina Park

SEPTEMBER

- Thursday 4 September at 1:30pm**
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Pyjama Day
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Monthly Birthday Party

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In Memoriam

WE REMEMBER...

WARRINA COURT

Graham Bassham
Desmond Paley
Pamela Ayling
Rodney Cribb

WARRINA PARK

Joyce Kirby
Aileen Brown
Filomena La Paglia
Denise Putland
Bernadette Jeffree
Dianna Nash
Trevor Starling
Valerie Best

Our thoughts and prayers are with their families and friends.

“Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.”
Matthew 5:4 NKJV

WELCOME

Staff and Management at Warrina Homes extend a warm welcome to our new residents. We hope you are settling in and will be very happy in your new Home.

If you have any questions, feel free to ask a member of our lifestyle team, and we will do our best to assist you.

WARRINA COURT

John Bailes

WARRINA PARK

Magaret Barnes
Siegfried Funk

Resident Birthdays

Residents at Warrina Court and Warrina Park look forward to the monthly birthday celebrations with great excitement. This special event, held on the final Thursday of each month, features music, entertainment, birthday cake and a delightful afternoon tea.

WARRINA COURT

SEPTEMBER

8th - John Bailes
11th - Henry Birrell

OCTOBER

2nd - Peter Emery
3rd - Rozemaria Tudorache
4th - Barbara Andrew
6th - Rosa Orlando
10th - Carole Mills
22nd - Robyn Engler

NOVEMBER

7th - Marjorie Birrell
23rd - Annie De Vink
23rd - Carmel Adams

WARRINA PARK

SEPTEMBER

26th - Betty Padley
28th - Desmond Hines

OCTOBER

10th - Jenny Charlesworth
12th - Yvonne Fleetwood
23rd - Margaret Barnes

NOVEMBER

6th - Roger Chapman
8th - Pamela Fidock



Noticeboard

Contribute to our Newsletter

We welcome and encourage contributions to our Newsletter! Submissions of articles, photos, staff news, trivia, poetry, and residents' life stories are greatly appreciated. Please deliver your submission to the reception area or reach out to the Lifestyle Team for more details.

Continuous Improvement

Residents, families, and friends are reminded that there are several ways to express views, suggestions, and any feedback. Feedback forms are available at reception and near the activity halls at both Homes. Verbal feedback is also welcome, and we encourage everyone to contribute so we can continue to provide the best care and experience possible.

Volunteers Wanted

We are seeking enthusiastic individuals who would like to volunteer at Warrina Court and Warrina Park. If you have some time to spare and would like to contribute, we would love to hear from you! Please send an expression of interest to Seema Khatri (Lifestyle Coordinator) at snehal.khatri@warrinahomes.com.au or contact 0477 281 762.

Hairdresser

The hairdresser visits Warrina Court every Thursday and Warrina Park every Tuesday. If you would like an appointment, please speak with reception or ask a staff member to add your name to the hairdresser's book located at the nurses' stations.

Library Service

Would you like to join our library? It's free to join and filled with enjoyable reading options. Every two weeks, the Campbelltown Library provides a mobile service to both Warrina Court and Warrina Park, offering books, magazines, DVDs, and CDs. A selection of audiobooks is also available. Simply ask the Lifestyle Team for more information, and they can arrange a membership form for you. If you need extra time to finish your reading, don't worry – you can request an extension.





Lifestyle at Warrina Crescent

Malina Bastola
Lifestyle
Coordinator



SPECIAL EVENTS

Welcome to the latest update from the Warrina Crescent Lifestyle Team! We hope you're all keeping warm and well as we make our way through the final weeks of winter. Our team at Warrina Crescent is excited to share some of the memorable events, activities and special moments that have brought joy and connection to our community in recent months.

Before we begin, I'd like to introduce myself. My name is Malina and I joined Warrina Crescent in mid-June as your new Lifestyle Coordinator. It has been a pleasure meeting many of you already and I look forward to getting to know everyone even better in the weeks ahead. I would also like to extend a heartfelt thank you to Bhumi and Pam for the fantastic job they did as acting Lifestyle Coordinators prior to my arrival. Your support during this transition has been truly appreciated.

King's Birthday Afternoon Tea

Residents enjoyed a special celebration where two of our very own residents, Peter Clegg & Lorraine Vivian, dressed up as King and Queen in regal robes and crowns. The highlight of the day was when Peter, our King, anointed staff one by one with his royal sword, sparking lots of laughter and smiles. A delightful afternoon of laughter, tea and treats.





Bus Trip

Our residents enjoyed bus trip to coastal areas in June, and to Gumeracha in August. According to Lifestyle Team members, residents were visibly relaxed and engaged, pointing out birds, hills, trees and beaches along the way.

These moments out in nature offer not just beautiful insights, but also meaningful sensory experiences that support emotional wellbeing.

We have a bus trip scheduled each month. Please refer to our Lifestyle Calendar for the scheduled dates and times.



Birthday Celebrations

Each month, we come together to celebrate the birthdays of our wonderful residents near our Oliver's Café. It is a special time to enjoy cake, music, cappuccino and good company.

In July, we introduced a fun new addition to our birthday celebrations – a game called “Guess Who I Am?”, which features famous celebrities born in that same month. Residents receive clues and try to guess the celebrity, sparking laughter, memories and lively discussions.



Acknowledging NAIDOC Week

In early July, we proudly recognised NAIDOC Week with our residents through meaningful craft, connection and cultural reflection.

Our creative sessions included dot painting & craft sessions – making boomerangs, rainbow serpents and barramundis in Aboriginal art-form style, rich in symbolism and story. Residents were supported by the Lifestyle Team to create beautiful works that were proudly featured on our NAIDOC Week display board.

We were honoured to share this special moment with our resident Daryl Wilson, a proud Aboriginal man, who is pictured sitting near the artwork display. Daryl's presence and active participation has brought depth and meaning to our celebrations.

Fun fact: The word "Warrina" comes from an Aboriginal language and means "place of rest" or "peaceful place." A perfect name for our organisation, symbolising comfort, dignity and belonging for all.

Gardening in Waratah

Our residents in Waratah have been busy tending to the new garden beds by planting colourful seasonal flowers. Staff and residents have enjoyed time outdoors tending to plants and watching the garden bloom. Please take a stroll and enjoy the beauty when you pass by.

Cooking Group Kick-Off

Our new cooking group launched this month with great success. Residents made Cupcakes and shared recipes and stories. Later, they enjoyed the cupcakes together. We will be coming up with new cooking recipes each month. If you have a special recipe, feel free to share with us so we can facilitate it in our next cooking session!



Concerts

We enjoyed two wonderful musical performances:

- The UkeaBees, a lively community ukulele group. Our hearts were strumming along with the UkeaBees Group, who brought not only their ukulele but also smiles and toe-tapping tunes to our home. Residents couldn't help but join in the fun – dancing, clapping and singing along to the cheerful melodies.
- An accordion performance in celebration of French Bastille Day from performer Lino.



Choir Group

We have recently started a joyful choir group at Warrina Crescent with a special goal in mind, to prepare for a heartwarming Christmas performance later this year. On Sunday afternoons, residents have been gathering to sing familiar favourites and enjoy the uplifting power of music.

We are now looking for a special name for our choir group, something that reflects the spirit, joy and harmony of our group. If you have a creative name idea, please feel free to share them with the Lifestyle Team. We would love to hear your suggestions!



Choir Group



In Memoriam

WE REMEMBER...

Shirley Kearvell
Maria Lantieri
Ilse Kreutner
Thelma Watson
Dianne Moss
Klasina Ullers
John Burgess
Kevin Sly
Allen Warren
Kevin Dearman
Rae Callinan

Our thoughts and prayers are with their families and friends.

"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted."
Matthew 5:4 NKJV

WELCOME

Staff and Management at Warrina Crescent extend a warm welcome to our new residents. We hope you are settling in and will be very happy in your new Home.

Ian Fullston
Margaret Fullston
Cassandra Erasmus
Marlene Thompson
Raelene Goodenough
Roger Goodenough

Warrina Crescent Resident Birthdays

SEPTEMBER

3rd - James Newland
3rd - Raylee Johnson
3rd - Yvonne Kite
12th - David Rushby
14th - Philip Loney
17th - Lorraine Matthias
19th - Rosalyn Smith
30th - Lorna Eckert
30th - Kathe Schulz

OCTOBER

2nd - Peter Cornelius
6th - Ian Nathan
7th - So Tong
10th - Katherine Pascale
10th - Kathryn Fyffe
14th - Peter Clegg
14th - Kay Smith
18th - Barry Hughes
21st - John Brighton
24th - Saviour Farrugia
30th - Jim Nicolopoulos

NOVEMBER

13th - Helen Van De Ven
13th - Barry Stanley
18th - Ann Ashwell
21st - Lorraine Frahn
22nd - Benjamin Lam
25th - Karalyn Josephson

Happy
Birthday

Upcoming Special Events



Warrina Crescent

SEPTEMBER

Thursday 4 September

Father's Day Special Concert
'Satin Swing'

Friday 5 September

Father's Day Special
'Men's Luncheon'
(Father's Day raffle draw)

Friday 12 September

School Choir Visit
(Primary school students from
Ingle Farm Primary School)

Friday 19 September

Bronny Rees Concert

Tuesday 23 September

Footy tipping presentation

OCTOBER

Friday 3 October

Oktoberfest: Happy Hour –
Accordion Performance 'Lino'

Thursday 9 October

Memorial Service

Thursday 16 October

Cultural Celebrations
(Festival of Lights)

NOVEMBER

Tuesday 4 November

Melbourne Cup Afternoon
(Melbourne Cup sweeps on sale)

Friday 14 November

Sue Conway Concert

Friday 21 November

Wine & Beer Tasting

DECEMBER

Friday 5 December

Twilight Christmas Carols
starting at 6pm

Friday 12 December

US to Entertainment Concert

TBA

Carols by our very own Sunday
Choir Group



A snapshot of September Events

12 September, Ingle Farm Primary School Choir Visit

The young voices of Ingle Farm Primary School Choir will be visiting to share their music and energy with us. Intergenerational connections are so special, and we are thrilled to welcome these talented students for a joyful morning of song and laughter.

19 September, Bronny Rees Concert

We will be welcoming back the much-loved performer Bronny Rees. A lovely afternoon of entertainment awaits.

23 September, Footy Tipping Presentation

It's time to celebrate the end of the footy season! Our Footy Tipping Presentation will recognise and reward those who took part in this year's competition. Whether you're a seasoned fan or just joined in for fun, it's a chance to celebrate and cheer on the winners.

Christmas in July



Christmas in July

Our snow-themed Christmas in July event turned Warrina Crescent into a winter wonderland, with festive decorations and holiday cheer. Residents had been busy from the start of the month doing craft activities for decorations for the event. The theme was “white” and we brought the snow to Crescent through paper craft snowflakes and white/ silver decorations. The afternoon tea catered chocolate chip cookies and Hot Chocolate with marshmallow- perfect for the cold rainy July afternoon!

Staff Baby Shower

We celebrated a special baby shower for our lovely team members (Jan Diez, Arshpreet Kaur, Monika Sharma, Haley Harvey & Meenakshi Kalia)! Although Arshpreet, Monika and Meenakshi couldn't make it; we had great fun with staff members and residents trying baby food and guessing the ingredients – which was harder than it sounded, and playing “Put the diaper on the baby” Game to see who had the best nappy changing skills – or the fastest! It was a fun afternoon spent with lots of laughter, fun, cake and afternoon tea catered for residents and staffs.

Warrina Crescent wishes our lovely mums to be a smooth and joyful journey into parenthood!



Welcoming Spring

As spring arrives in September, we'll continue to expand our outdoor programs. From sunshine group to strolls in the Rose Garden, we can't wait to enjoy the warmth and colour the new season brings.

Thank You to Our Lifestyle Teams

A big thank you to all our dedicated Lifestyle team - Bhoomi, Pam, Julie, Girlie, Raman and the lovely care staff who have been assisting us with lifestyle – your care, creativity and teamwork makes everything we do possible.

Thank you to all residents, families, and staff for your ongoing support and participation. If you have any suggestions or ideas for activities, please don't hesitate to reach out - we would love to hear them.



Lifestyle at Warrina Vales

Laurie Joraslafsky
Lifestyle Coordinator, Warrina Vales



We're excited to share that new activities have been added to the schedule at Waratah, Tennyson and Jacaranda. Residents have welcomed the update with enthusiasm, enjoying a wider range of ways to participate, socialise and connect with others in the community. These additions are helping to foster new friendships and create vibrant social experiences.

Additionally, we've welcomed a dedicated Lifestyle Assistant into the Memory Support Unit (MSU) each day. Their presence has already made a remarkable

difference, with noticeable improvements in resident participation and peer interaction. The positive energy and increased engagement have brought renewed enthusiasm to daily life in the MSU, and we look forward to continuing this uplifting momentum.

The health, safety and wellbeing of our community remain our top priority. To support this, some events have been rescheduled so residents can still enjoy the activities they were looking forward to in the printed program.

LIFESTYLE ACTIVITIES

Men's Group

The Men's Group is an exciting addition to our lifestyle program, designed to create a comfortable space where our male residents can connect, chat and unwind. Michael, one of our dedicated carers here at Warrina Vales, is leading the group, and his warm and approachable nature makes him the perfect fit. Michael brings more than just conversation, he offers genuine support and a listening ear, always ready to chat when someone needs it. This new group has quickly become a space for laughter, reflection and meaningful moments.

Music Singalong

Music has struck a joyful chord at Warrina Vales! One of the standout activities has been our resident-led music sessions, headlined by the talented Bruce Carter, who brings the room to life with his guitar playing and heartfelt singing.

What makes these sessions truly special is the way residents join in by playing instruments, clapping along, and sharing in the rhythm and fun. It's more than just music; it's community, creativity and connection at its finest.

We love seeing everyone light up with each strum and chorus. Thank you, Bruce, for inspiring us all and turning everyday moments into musical memories.



Table games in our MSU

There's been a wonderful buzz of activity in our Memory Support Unit lately, as residents have been gathering around tables to enjoy a variety of interactive games and creative initiatives. These moments are more than just fun, they're opportunities for connection, stimulation and joy. From the classic memory game to the energetic hoop toss that brings out laughter and friendly competition, each activity is thoughtfully chosen to suit the needs and abilities of our residents. The Tovertafel, our interactive light projection table, has been a favourite. Its playful visuals and responsive design invite movement, curiosity and delight. Residents have also enjoyed building with blocks, which encourages fine motor skills and creativity, and spending quiet, reflective time colouring, which offers a calming outlet for self-expression.



Music / Sing along



Italian Day

Our National Italian Day celebration was a resounding success, enjoyed by all and bursting with festive cheer! The space came alive with vibrant decorations in red, white, and green, transporting us straight to the heart of Italy.

The highlight was undoubtedly the fabulous menu crafted by our talented kitchen team. From bruschetta and authentic pasta to pizza and a decadent tiramisu, every bite was a flavourful tribute to Italian tradition.

After the feast, we kept the energy flowing with a friendly game of boccie, sparking laughter and some healthy competition. It was a beautiful blend of culture, cuisine, and community.

Grazie to everyone who helped make the day unforgettable!



Upcoming Special Events

Warrina Vales

SEPTEMBER

Friday 5 September

Father's Day Happy Hour

Wednesday 10 September

Rock 'n' Roll Dancers

Tuesday 16 September.

Memorial Day

Friday 26 September

Footy Tipping Presentations

Saturday 27 September

AFL Grand Final Day

OCTOBER

Friday 3 October

Oktoberfest

Wednesday 8 October

Belly Dancers

Wednesday 15 October

Cultural Celebrations
(Festival of Lights)

Thursday 16 October

Memorial Service

NOVEMBER

Tuesday 4 November

Melbourne Cup

Tuesday 11 November

Remembrance Day

Wednesday 26 November

Food, Beer and Wine Tasting



NAIDOC Week

In Memoriam

Sadly, we lost some of our residents at Warrina Vales.

Our thoughts and prayers are with their families and friends.

WE REMEMBER...

Keith Smith
Nicolae Oprea
Marlies Schulze
Mervyn Rudd
Glenys Owens
Murray Cullingford
Johanna Ubert
Alan Wilkinson
Maya Coorey
Stanley Wright
Alistair Robertson
Harry Apostolou
Edward Henderson
Alan Weightman
George Clark
Mark Hall
Elizabeth Kovaleff
Marjorie Dawkins

Resident Birthdays

BEST WISHES TO WARRINA VALES RESIDENTS FOR THEIR UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS.

SEPTEMBER

1st - Margaret Bowden
1st - Marlene Tragenza
6th - Glenis Kuhlmann
11th - Margaret Thredgold
17th - Maria Sandallis
22nd - Richard Mildred
24th - Milivoj Gregov

21st - Lionel Sutter
24th - Roger King
26th - Kennith Harris
27th - Juan Roa
29th - Neil Smith
29th - Edward Parkin
30th - Rosemary Spencer
31st - Bruce Anesbury

OCTOBER

1st - Lynne Oliver
5th - Denis Levi
11th - Heather Galbraith
11th - John Vaiciulis
16th - David Crawshaw
18th - Heather Klaasen
20th - Doreen Miles
20th - Catherine Parkin

NOVEMBER

4th - Denis Rogers
8th - Peter Lemon
8th - Joyce White
8th - Jean Willis
13th - Patricia Leck
15th - Lina Russell
15th - Singh Jarnail
19th - Dudley Nitschke



NAIDOC Week

NAIDOC Week was a colourful celebration of Indigenous culture, creativity and community spirit. The halls of Warrina Vales came alive with traditional decorations and the proud display of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags, symbols of strength and heritage.

Residents immersed themselves in hands-on activities, including boomerang painting, rock art and dot painting, each a tribute to the rich traditions and storytelling of

First Nations peoples. The creative energy was inspiring, with everyone contributing their unique flair.

We also tested our knowledge with engaging NAIDOC-themed quizzes, sparking great conversations and appreciation for Australia's Indigenous history and achievements.

Thank you to all who participated and helped honour this important week, it was truly a meaningful and memorable celebration.



Spring Update



Amandeep Kaur
Hospitality Services Manager

As we move through the year, it's the perfect time to reflect, refresh, and look ahead. Over the past few weeks, we've been busy behind the scenes, focusing on continuous improvement, from upgrading kitchen facilities and food service systems for creating memorable experiences for our residents. Here's a look at what's been happening and what's coming up across our sites.

Council Audit Success

We're proud to share that all our Northeast sites have successfully passed their recent council food safety audits. Auditors praised our teams for their exceptional cleanliness, food handling, and kitchen operations. This is a fantastic achievement and a direct reflection of the hard work, care, and professionalism our hospitality teams bring to their roles every day. Thank you, and congratulations to all involved!

New Digital Hospitality System Launching in September

Next month, we'll be rolling out a new digital hospitality system aimed at enhancing both resident satisfaction and operational efficiency. This upgrade will allow for more personalised dining experiences, giving us greater flexibility and insight into individual preferences. Training sessions will be held soon to support a smooth transition. We appreciate your cooperation as we prepare to launch this exciting new tool.

Wine Tasting Afternoons at All Sites

Following the great success of previous wine tasting experiences, where residents sampled beautiful wines from Adelaide Hills, we're thrilled to announce our next event will highlight the Clare Valley region.

Taking into account the featured region, a small group of residents joined us to carefully select the wines for this round, and we thank everyone who contributed their taste buds to the task!

We're planning a relaxed, social afternoon complete with cheese platters, light nibbles, and of course, plenty of laughter and conversation. We love seeing everyone come together over these shared experiences and we'll continue to bring more food and beverage events like this throughout the year.

Kitchen Refurbishment Plans at Warrina Crescent

We're in the planning phase for a full refurbishment of the Warrina Crescent kitchen. This upgrade will provide a modern and efficient space to prepare meals and support our Hospitality Team.

During the works, there will be temporary adjustments to how meals are delivered, but please rest assured that we will continue to uphold the high quality and standards you have come to expect. We will keep everyone informed as plans progress and will do everything possible to minimise disruption.





Updates from Warrina Vales

Rahul Hans
Chef



Supporting Resident Comfort & Independence

Thoughtful initiatives have been introduced at Warrina Vales to enhance daily living and dining experiences for our residents.

To promote greater comfort and independence, all kitchen pantries will now be stocked with a variety of snacks available at any time. Whether it's a quick bite between meals, or something to enjoy during social activities, this change provides more flexibility and choice for residents throughout the day. In addition, vibrantly coloured, moulded meals will soon be available for residents with dysphagia. These meals are carefully designed to be safe, nutritious and visually appealing, ensuring that every resident can enjoy mealtime with dignity, confidence and satisfaction.

Quarterly Food Tasting Experiences

In addition to our regular Wine and Beer Tasting events, we're excited to launch a new quarterly Food Tasting experience. Combining our culinary and Lifestyle Team's expertise, residents can enjoy beautifully presented canapé-style dishes featuring bold, seasonal flavours. It's a wonderful way to explore new tastes in a welcoming, social setting.

Culture Day Meals – A Taste of Italy

Our first Culture Day Meal took place on 2 July in celebration of Italian Independence Day. Residents enjoyed classic dishes including pizza, pasta, bruschetta, and of course, tiramisu. Events like this bring people together through food, and we look forward to continuing these cultural culinary journeys throughout the year.

New Fortnightly Hot Brunch

We're delighted to introduce fortnightly hot brunches at Warrina Vales! Residents can look forward to freshly cooked bacon, eggs and other hearty brunch favourites. It's a great way to start the day with warmth, flavour and a sense of comfort.

Thank you to all our team members, residents and families for your continued support. We're committed to enhancing Hospitality services and look forward to bringing you even more exciting updates in the coming months.



Independent Living News

Kristy Morrow
Retirement Village Manager



We've successfully completed three months of digital confidence sessions, helping residents feel more comfortable and capable when going online. The initial information sessions were attended by just under 100 people across our Retirement Villages, including residents, family members and friends. After the first round at Warrina Valley Estate, we made improvements to the experience and also introduced a new session titled "My Digital Legacy".

So, what is a digital legacy?

It refers to the online footprint we leave behind, our emails, apps, social media accounts, subscriptions, online banking, photos, and more, and what happens to them if we pass away or can no longer manage them ourselves. Have we appointed someone to take care of these? Do they have access to the passwords?

Interestingly, Apple introduced a Digital Legacy option in 2021 under Password & Security settings, where you can nominate a legacy contact. However, each company

has its own policies and often proof, such as a death certificate or power of attorney, is required, so it's essential to plan ahead.

Our hands-on mini sessions covered topics such as managing apps, uploading documents, using iCloud, email basics, and passwords & security. Residents had the chance to ask questions, get one-on-one help and ensure their devices were up to date, whilst in a safe and supportive environment.

We also gathered feedback after the sessions to see what residents found most helpful and whether there's interest in future workshops. The responses were overall positive, though we acknowledge the challenge of meeting everyone's tech needs at different skill levels.

We're also proud to acknowledge that these sessions were made possible through a grant from the Australian Government's 'Be Connected' program. This fantastic initiative offers a wealth of resources for older Australians, including step-by-step guides, video tutorials and helpful articles to support you as you

continue to build your digital skills. If you're looking for further help or want to continue learning at your own pace, it's a great place to start.

A special thank you to Cate Taylor, a resident at Warrina Court, for her efforts in applying for these grants to benefit all Warrina Homes' residents. Your initiative and dedication are truly appreciated.



RETIREMENT VILLAGES & SERVICED APARTMENTS



Here's what some residents had to say:

"The one-on-one tuition was especially helpful. It gave me the confidence to explore without fear of losing something or doing it wrong. I now feel much more capable of trying things on my own."

"We use Apple devices, and the Q&A sessions were very helpful for understanding the basics. Older people are often challenged by technology, but we're never too old to learn! We'd definitely attend more sessions."

"We attended several sessions, including 'Managing Your Digital Legacy.' While we didn't learn much new, it reminded us to share key access information with our daughters. It's hard to cover everything for everyone, but we appreciated the effort."

"Firstly, I must thank you and Cate for the many hours you spent arranging the classes. Having only basic computer skills, I did learn a lot and was fortunate to have some personal time in the last class. I did say I would like some private tuition."

"I found it useful from the point of view of reinforcing information I already had, and I did also learn a few new things. I did find myself wondering how useful it would have been for people who didn't have any prior knowledge. I would have liked to have seen a few more demonstrations when Carolyn was explaining some of the ways the devices can be used."

"The digital building skills sessions that we attended were very informative and made us very aware of the problems that can occur to cause difficulties with our computers, tablets and phones. The sessions highlighted what we can do to be more aware and safer. They highlighted the different uses of our devices. The presenter was very approachable and therefore very helpful."

"I would be interested in further classes and would like to suggest that they be at a slower pace with more in-depth information/instruction."

Coming Up

SEPTEMBER

TALK: Improving your Memory with Margaret Blades

Thursday 4 September at 1:30pm, Warrina Homes Community Centre Campbelltown

ACH Information Session: 'Simplify Home Care Package Changes' Q&A

Thursday 18 September at 10:30am, Warrina Homes Community Centre Campbelltown

Movie: Downton Abbey The Grand Finale

Thursday 25 September at 10am, Regal Theatre
\$11.50 for movie, tea, coffee and biscuits.
(This series is my absolute favourite and I really hope many will attend.)

October

Bus Trip to Virginia Nursery – I Tours

Wednesday 22 October from 10am to 3pm.
Three location pickups. Pay for lunch at the venue on the day.

November

TALK: Depression with Margaret Blades

Thursday 13 November at 1:30pm, Warrina Homes Community Centre Campbelltown

End of Year Christmas Lunch

Friday 28 November
Venue TBC

December

Sausage Sizzle Day

TBC

Christmas Lights

Tour/Dinner

TBC



Rostrevor ACH Wellness Hub Tour

A Day of Discovery and Inspiration!

What a fantastic experience it was to accompany nine of our residents on a tour of the brand-new ACH Rostrevor Wellness Hub! We were warmly welcomed by the Health Studio team and guided through the impressive range of modern equipment, allied health services and wellness classes available.

Thank you to Ludi Marchesan, Customer Growth and Partnership Manager, for organising and joining us on the tour. It's no surprise that several of our Warrina Homes residents have since signed up and are already enjoying the many benefits this hub has to offer. We're thrilled to see our community embracing new ways to stay active, connected and well!

Mid-Year Luncheon

Our mid-year lunch at the Payneham Hotel was a fantastic day filled with great food, laughter and friendly conversation. It was wonderful to see so many residents from across all our Retirement Villages come together to enjoy each other's company and make new connections.

The venue proved to be an excellent choice with a spacious and comfortable environment and with convenient parking for everyone. Serving nearly 70 meals was no small feat for such a large group!

It was also great to have members of management attend, allowing residents the opportunity to chat in a relaxed and friendly social environment. Thank you to everyone who came along and made it such an enjoyable outing. Based on the positive feedback, we'd be more than happy to return in future!



RETIREMENT VILLAGES & SERVICED APARTMENTS



What's Happening Around the Villages

WARRINA COURT & WARRINA CLOSE

Fashion Parade

Another fabulous Fashion Parade took place in June at the Warrina Homes Community Centre, with residents from across our Retirement Villages coming together for an afternoon of fashion, fun and community spirit.

Admission was \$5, with the impressive \$250 in proceeds donated to the Arthritis Association. Guests enjoyed afternoon tea, a door prize, and even a surprise appearance by special guests from our Maintenance Team, adding to the fun and laughter of the day. Thank you to everyone who supported the event and helped make it such a great success!

Craft Group

Marianna's recent craft project is a true testament to patience and dedication. Her handiwork is not only beautifully detailed but also a wonderful example of the time and care she puts into each piece. Be sure to take a look - it's inspiring!



WARRINA PARK

Movie Day

Movie Day continues to be a well-loved event at the Warrina Park Community Centre. In July, they celebrated “Bogart Month,” with 12 residents attending to enjoy classic films featuring the legendary Humphrey Bogart. The perfect occasion to enjoy some popcorn!

New Keyboard Has Arrived!

Exciting news: the new keyboard has arrived and is now safely stored in the library. Ruth and Trevor Bettison have already given it a successful test run and will be leading the group once they return from their trip. We look forward to seeing and hearing what’s to come!

Birthday Celebration

Junette Axford recently celebrated her birthday with loved ones at the Warrina Park Community Centre. Her family shared, *“The day went really well... thanks so much for your help with the arrangements. Junette absolutely loved having everyone together, and the venue was just great.”* Happy birthday, Junette, from all of us at Warrina Homes!



Birthday Celebration



Movie Day



New Keyboard

WARRINA VALLEY ESTATE - BILLABONG



Cancer Council Fundraiser Lunch on 19 May

Birthdays

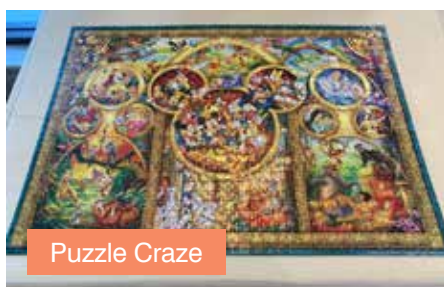
It's been a joyful few months in the Serviced Apartments, with several birthdays celebrated across June, July and August. A special mention goes to the amazing Win Hunt, who turned 101. What a remarkable milestone!

We also celebrated with Robert Birse, Gillian Pilcher, Vivian Gaston, and Allan Cresswell, each enjoying their special day surrounded by friends, family and neighbours. From icecream cakes and classic sponges, to a toast with wine and a splash of Baileys, there's been no shortage of treats and cheer.

Happy Birthday to all!



Christmas in July



Puzzle Craze

Puzzle Craze Continues at Warrina Park Serviced Apartments

Puzzles remain a favourite pastime among our residents, with a new one being completed almost every week! The puzzle pictured proved to be a bit more challenging than usual, but that didn't stop our dedicated puzzle team. Great teamwork and persistence on display once again!



Christmas in July Lunch

Christmas in July was celebrated in style with a beautiful three-course lunch, prepared by our talented Hospitality Team at Warrina Park.

A special thank you to our Chef, Fleur, for her hard work and dedication, not only in supporting the Residential Aged Care facility, but also in providing such delicious meals for our Serviced Apartments residents. Your efforts are truly appreciated and helped make the day feel extra special.





Volunteer Recognition

Congratulations George Zillante

We're proud to acknowledge one of our dedicated community volunteers, George Zillante, who is also a close friend of one of our residents. He is well known for his wonderful cooking during our shared meals at Warrina Homes Community Centre in Campbelltown, and from what I've heard on the grapevine, the calamari was superb!

George was recently awarded a Member of the Order of Australia (AM) in the King's Honour List - a prestigious recognition of his significant service to architectural tertiary education, and to the fields of construction and building surveying. Congratulations, George, on this well-deserved honour!



Fire Safety Awareness Across our Retirement Villages

We were pleased to welcome Jake from Bob May to deliver a series of engaging and informative fire safety awareness sessions. Jake's enthusiasm and expertise made for an excellent presentation, focusing on practical steps to stay safe at home. Residents learned what to do if a smoke alarm goes off, including how to reset it safely. Jake also spoke about responding to a fire in the home, using the RACE method where safe to do so, and the importance of checking in on neighbours during an alarm, particularly those with hearing or mobility impairments.

The session covered fire blanket and extinguisher use, including the easy to remember PASS method, and highlighted the importance of knowing your evacuation assembly point. The idea of running a fire drill next year, especially around our Community Centres, was well supported by residents. Fire blankets were very well received, and we thank everyone who attended for their interest and engagement in helping keep our community safe.

New Podiatrist at Warrina Park Community Centre

Wendy Kennedy

Appointments available to clients:

- With or without private health cover
- Enhanced Primary Care Plan referrals
- DVA
- Home Care Packages

Please register your interest on the form located in the library of the Warrina Park Community Centre or contact Kristy Morrow for more information.

Sudoku Solutions

6	5	3	7	8	9	4	1	2
1	7	9	5	4	2	3	8	6
8	2	4	3	6	1	5	7	9
7	4	2	8	1	3	9	6	5
9	3	1	6	2	5	7	4	8
5	8	6	4	9	7	2	3	1
3	1	7	9	5	8	6	2	4
4	9	8	2	7	6	1	5	3
2	6	5	1	3	4	8	9	7





Council Services

One of the suggestions from our Annual Resident Survey was to provide more information about council services, particularly transport options. In addition to what's shared through our own newsletters, both The Gully Grapevine and the Campbelltown Bi-Monthly Newsletter are fantastic resources. They're full of up-to-date information on local support groups, regular events and programs, exercise classes and social activities.

Please note that some programs may require a referral code through My Aged Care to access, so feel free to reach out if you'd like help navigating this process.

Campbelltown City Council

Free – Door to Door Service Shopping and Library pick up
Wednesday, Thursday and Friday mornings

This service enables residents of the City of Campbelltown to access any one of the following places: Campbelltown Shopping Centre, Centro Newton-Target/Foodland, Campbelltown Public Library, Newton Village-Coles/Woolworths, The Arc Campbelltown and Firlie Shopping Centre

If you wish to use the service, please call the Council Office on 8366 9283. Bookings close at 11am the day before pickup and the driver will contact you the night before to confirm your pickup time. Permanent weekly or fortnightly pickups can be arranged.

Chat Seats 10am - 12pm
(Every week on Wednesday, until further notice)
Campbelltown Public Library Free

Our chat seat program is a great way to have a chat, meet a new person or share a story with one of our volunteer listeners.

In a bid to tackle social isolation, residents of Campbelltown city Council are being encouraged to stop and say hello to one another and create supportive connections with the help of 'chat seats'. This initiative aims to be a safe and inviting place for people to talk and is just one way the community can help combat a loneliness epidemic affecting one in four Australians.

Look for the banner outside the library lounge. No bookings required, just drop in for a chat!

City of Tea Tree Gully Council

Transport services
The Active Ageing program helps eligible residents who are unable to actively use public transport.

Assisted shopping
Services provided by volunteers:

- Drive you to and from your shopping destination.
- Help with unpacking of goods into trolleys or at home.

Door to door shopping bus
For clients who can shop independently but need transport to get to shopping centres and home again.

Door to door library bus
For clients who need transport to and from the library.

- Runs fortnightly on Monday mornings.
- You'll have two hours at the library.

Medical transport
Provided by our volunteers

- A minimum of 5 working days' notice is required.
- Transport to your medical appointment or other health-related appointments.
- Transport back home when possible.

Community bus
(Runs through Warrina Valley Estate Thursday mornings for an 8.50am pickup to Tea Tree Plaza.)

Transport for residents of all ages who have difficulty using public transport or are transport disadvantaged. Contact the Active Ageing team for registration. Please call the Active Ageing team on 8397 7444 to enquire about the services provided and eligibility criteria.

Grief and Loss Café
A peer support group who listens to each other through grief and loss. Led by volunteers. Second Thursday of the month 1 - 2.30pm, Surrey Downs Community Centre. Free and includes tea and coffee.



One-Pan Dumpling Bake

Recommended by the HR Team at our
Warrina Homes Community Centre in
Campbelltown.



Super quick & easy!

Recipe from Snacking Emily
snackingemily.com

INGREDIENTS

- 1 400g can of lite coconut milk
- 3 tablespoons Thai red curry paste
- 3 garlic cloves – minced
- 3 tablespoons soy sauce
- 2 teaspoons fish sauce
- 2 teaspoons sesame oil
- 3 cups of baby spinach
- 14-20 frozen dumplings
- ¼ cup chopped coriander for garnish
- ¼ cup sliced spring onions for garnish
- 1 tablespoon sesame seeds for garnish
- 1-2 tablespoons chilli crisp for garnish

METHOD

1. Preheat the oven to 190°C.
2. Make the curry broth: In a 9×9 baking dish or 3 litre baking dish, add in the coconut milk, curry paste, garlic, soy sauce, fish sauce and sesame oil. Whisk to combine until smooth and the Thai red curry paste has dissolved into the coconut milk.
3. Toss the spinach into the dish and stir so the leaves are fully coated and evenly distributed across the base.
4. Arrange the frozen dumplings pinched side down in the baking dish. Spoon some of the liquid over the top of each dumpling.
5. Cover the dish tightly with a lid or foil and bake for 15–20 minutes, or until the dumplings are tender and cooked through.
6. Remove from the oven. Finish with chilli crisp, coriander, spring onions and sesame seeds. Serve and enjoy.

In Memoriam

Sadly, we lost two of our Retirement Villages residents.

Ada VanKampen, Warrina Grove
Ken Green, Warrina Close

Our thoughts and heartfelt prayers are with their
loved ones and families during this time.

Communication Boxes

Green Boxes have been placed across all Community Centres
and in the Serviced Apartments for your convenience.

Find your local communication box here:

- Warrina Homes Community Centre Campbelltown library
- Warrina Park Community Centre library
- Warrina Valley Estate Billabong meeting room
- Serviced Apartments dining room

This box is checked weekly for:

- Forms or messages for Kristy Morrow
- Community Centre Bookings
- Feedback Forms
- Communication to Highbury Corporate Office

WELCOME

We're delighted to welcome Mr & Mrs Owers to Warrina
Valley Estate. It's a pleasure to have you join the Warrina
Homes family, we hope you have settled in.

MY LIFE SO FAR...



Cate Taylor

I was born on 29th September 1946, in Fulham, London. I attended Finlay Park Primary School and Bishops Park Girls' School. I loved school and sport, playing netball for my school and County teams, and participating in many rowing competitions on the River Thames. In 1965, after completing sixth form, I attended Bishop Lonsdale Teachers' College in Derby, where I trained to be a physical education (PE) teacher. I qualified in 1968 and returned to London, where I started teaching at South Hackney Comprehensive School. It was a challenging school in which to begin my teaching career, and I learnt a lot.



The next year, I met my future husband, Jeff, when he began teaching at the same school. He was already seriously considering going to Australia. I was not as keen; however, he persuaded me to join

him. We were '15-pound Poms'! Jeff arrived in September 1971, and I arrived the following February. 1972. We began our teaching careers in Adelaide at Salisbury North Technical High School. On March 25th, 1972, Jeff and I married in the Adelaide Botanic Gardens, with most of the school staff attending.

In 1973, Jeff and I were appointed to the first 'Open-Space' High Schools in SA, Jeff to Para Hills and me to Para Vista, where I became Head of PE and then Student Counsellor. Our daughter, Sophie, was born in 1978. In 1980, I returned to teaching as a Student Counsellor at Parafield Gardens High School. Our son, Ross, arrived in 1983.

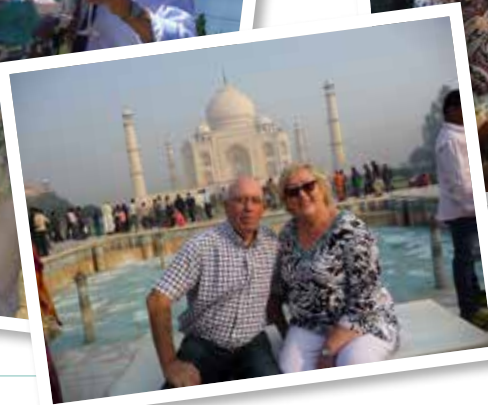
In 1986, we moved to the Barossa Valley, as Jeff had become head of PE at Nuriootpa High School. I commuted to work in the northern suburbs. As a family, we loved our 11 years of living in the Barossa, enjoying all its delights and making lifelong friends. Returning to Adelaide in 1997, we bought a home in Trinity Gardens, where we lived for 23 years.

Blessed with school holidays, we enjoyed many family camping trips and travelled extensively throughout Australia, as well as several family trips visiting relatives in the UK, and traveling throughout Europe and the USA. Over the years, I was a Deputy Principal and Principal at several

High Schools in Adelaide. Since retiring in 2010, I continue to work in a casual capacity with Adelaide University School of Education.

After Jeff retired in 2008, he taught at a school in Shanghai for a year. I took 6 months long service leave and joined him, and we travelled extensively in China. In retirement, we continued our travels in Australia and overseas. I am an avid Bridge player, playing three times a week at the SA Bridge Club! I also enjoy the theatre, movies and singing in a women's a cappella group, as well as a 'ladies who lunch' Book Club. I love spending time with family and enjoying time with my grandsons, James and Alex.

Due to Jeff's deteriorating health, we moved to Warrina Court in 2020. Sadly, Jeff lived with dementia for about 8 years. He died in October 2024, and I miss him dearly. I have become involved in Village life and am currently the Secretary of the ILU Committee. I enjoy life at Warrina Court and have been fortunate to make many new friends.



Cate Taylor lives in Warrina Court





Facilities Update

Victor Faisca

General Manager, Assets and Operations



Maintenance Highlights

While things may be quieter indoors during winter, our team has been just as busy:

- **Operational Efficiencies** – The volume of logged jobs has increased by 80%. In July alone, we completed 582 tickets (excluding Warrina Vales), compared to 310 in January. An amazing result, especially with reduced turnaround times.
- **Safety First** – We've completed audits on traffic signage and external lighting at all sites. Rectification and improvement plans are underway where needed.
- **Upgrades to Independent Living Units** – Two unit upgrades are currently in progress and will be completed in the coming months.
- **Room Refurbishments** – We continue to refurbish and upgrade rooms as they become vacant across all Residential Aged Care facilities.
- **Warrina Vales Staff Room** – This project is now complete and looks fantastic!

What's Coming Up

- **Admin Bathroom Renovations** – Work will soon commence on the admin bathrooms at Warrina Vales.
- **Electrical Upgrades** – Planned works at Warrina Vales and Warrina Crescent to improve infrastructure.
- **Billabong Community Centre (Warrina Valley Estate)** – This project is nearly ready to go to tender. Stay tuned for more updates.
- **Corporate Office Extension (Highbury)** – Council has approved this project and we're preparing for the tender process.
- **Kitchen Refurbishments (Warrina Vales and Warrina Crescent)** – These works have been slightly postponed to ensure the appropriate infrastructure is in place before commencement. More details coming soon.

Sustainability Focus

We remain committed to improving sustainability across all our operations, both environmentally and financially:

- **New Utilities Contracts** – Recently renegotiated gas and electricity contracts for two sites, delivering approximately \$70,000 in savings over 3 years.
- **LED Lighting Rollout** – Internal lighting audits revealed most fittings are not LED. We're preparing a project to transition all sites to energy-efficient LED lighting.
- **Fully Electric Kitchens** – All new kitchen upgrades will be fully electric to provide a safer, more efficient and environmentally friendly solution.

Future Projects in Development

- Expand solar energy production, including the potential introduction of battery storage.
- Replace electric/gas water heaters with heat pump systems.
- Upgrade older air conditioning units to modern reverse-cycle systems.

Thanks again for your ongoing support.

If you have any suggestions, garden ideas, or maintenance concerns, please don't hesitate to get in touch. We're always happy to help!



A New Financial Year Begins

Strengthening Governance and Innovation

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Priyanka Padale

Executive Manager Governance & Compliance



As we enter the 2025–26 financial year, Warrina Homes continues to evolve as a leader in Aged Care and retirement living across South Australia. This new chapter brings with it exciting opportunities to strengthen our Governance, enhance resident engagement and embed systems that support quality, safety and transparency.

Annual General Meeting 2025 – Building a Stronger Community Voice

Preparations are in full swing for the Annual General Meeting (AGM), scheduled for Monday, 27 October 2025 at the Warrina Homes Community Centre, 55 Hill Street, Campbelltown SA 5076. The AGM is a vital event in our Governance calendar, providing members with the opportunity to reflect on our progress, contribute to strategic decisions, and help shape the future of Warrina Homes.

This year's AGM will be particularly significant, with several key developments underway:

- Membership letters will be distributed to all residents across our Residential Aged Care facilities and Retirement Villages. These letters will outline the benefits of membership and provide details on how to participate in the AGM.
- All letters will be received by the end of September, allowing us to establish an active register of members in preparation for the meeting.
- This year we are proud to extend the membership opportunity to residents at Warrina Vales Residential Aged Care facility, ensuring broader representation and inclusivity across our organisation.

A major agenda item will be the finalisation and endorsement of the revised Constitution. This comprehensive review has been led by our Governance and Compliance team in consultation with legal advisors, the Board and members. The proposed changes aim to modernise our Governance Framework, clarify roles and responsibilities, and align with recent legislative reforms in Aged Care.

We encourage all eligible members to attend the AGM, participate in discussions and cast their votes on these important matters. Your voice is essential in guiding Warrina Homes into the future.

GRC System Update – Launching a New Era of Compliance and Feedback

In parallel with our Governance work, we are making strong progress on the implementation of our new Governance, Risk & Compliance (GRC) system, which is now scheduled to go live on 10 November 2025.

This system represents a major step forward in how we manage risk, monitor compliance and respond to feedback. It is being designed not just as a reporting tool, but as a platform that supports a culture of accountability, transparency and continuous improvement.

Key components currently in development include:

- Policy Connect Module – providing staff with streamlined access to up-to-date policies and procedures, improving consistency and compliance across all services.
- Assurance Module – enhancing our ability to track incidents, audits and regulatory obligations, with clear visibility for managers and leadership teams.

One of the most exciting features of the new system is its integrated feedback reporting tool, which will allow residents, families and staff to easily submit:

- Compliments – recognising outstanding care and service
- Comments – sharing general feedback
- Suggestions for Improvement – helping us identify opportunities to grow

As we approach the go-live date, a memo will be distributed to residents and families with information on how to access and use the system. Training and support will also be provided to ensure everyone feels confident and empowered to engage with the platform.

Looking Forward

The beginning of a new financial year is a time for renewal and re-commitment. At Warrina Homes, we remain focused on delivering high-quality care, fostering vibrant communities and strengthening the systems that support our Mission.

We thank all residents, families, staff and Board members for your continued support and dedication. We look forward to seeing many of you at the AGM and sharing more exciting updates as we move toward the GRC system launch.



Autumn Leaves, Winter Progress and a Look Ahead



Steve Tozer
Grounds and Gardens Manager

With the last of the autumn leaves now on the ground and winter well underway, our gardening and maintenance teams have been working hard behind the scenes to keep everything looking great and running smoothly.

Here's a quick snapshot of what we've been up to and what's coming next!

In the Garden

Autumn into Winter

There's always plenty to do during the cooler months, and our team has been making the most of the crisp mornings:



- Gutter Cleaning – All gutters have been cleared of autumn leaves to prevent blockages during winter rains.
- Rose Pruning – Our roses have had their winter cut-back and will return strong and beautiful in spring.
- Mulching & Soil Prep – We've topped up garden beds with mulch to suppress weeds and nourish the soil.
- Tree Trimming – Overhanging branches have been pruned for both safety and tidiness.
- Planning for Spring – We're designing new garden beds and refreshing quiet nooks for residents to enjoy as the weather warms up.

Benches, paths and courtyards continue to be kept safe and tidy for those who enjoy a walk or a cuppa outdoors.



Bringing People Together

The Heart of our Community

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Diana van Jaarsveld (PhD)
Executive Manager People and Culture



As we embrace another beautiful month in our community, I want to take a moment to reflect on what truly makes our Aged Care facilities special - Our People.

Every day, I see acts of kindness, patience, laughter and love exchanged across our halls - between Personal Care Workers, Nurses, Kitchen staff, residents and families. It is this spirit of connection that lies at the heart of our workplace culture.

For our residents, your stories, resilience and wisdom shape the soul of our facilities. We are deeply honoured to support you and walk beside you in this chapter of life. Your feedback continues to guide how we improve our services and ensure that you feel safe, respected and genuinely cared for.

As we celebrated Aged Care Employee Day this month, on 7 August 2025, I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to all our employees. Whether you are on the floor providing direct care to our residents or preparing nourishing meals, cleaning with care, or working behind the scenes, you are essential. Your commitment and compassion do not go unnoticed. As part of our commitment to your wellbeing, we are continually exploring initiatives that support work-life balance, professional growth and meaningful recognition.

In addition, we strive to seek new and meaningful ways to recognise and value our employees. As a reflection of this commitment, our workforce has been identified as one of the key pillars in the Board's Strategic Plan this year.

In the coming weeks, we are excited to launch our annual Employee Survey – an important initiative that gives every team member the chance to share

their thoughts, experiences and ideas. Employee feedback plays a vital role in shaping our workplace culture, guiding improvements and helping us understand what matters most to our workforce.

Let's continue to build a culture where people feel proud to work, live and visit. After all, this is more than a workplace or a residence - it is a community. And together, we make it a home.

Celebrating Our Shining Stars – Employees of the Month

Recognising those who go above and beyond

At the heart of our Aged Care facilities is a dedicated team of individuals who bring compassion, energy and excellence to their work every single day. Each month, we shine a spotlight on a staff member at every facility who embodies our Values and makes a meaningful impact on both colleagues and residents.

I am proud to share and celebrate our recent Employees of the Month winners.

We are grateful to each of these team members - and to all of you - who make our organisation a place of comfort, dignity and joy.

If you would like to nominate a colleague for next month, please speak to the General Manager Residential Services or Human Resources Manager to submit a nomination.

Let's continue to celebrate the everyday heroes among us!



Napoleon Kumar

Personal Care Worker at Warrina Court

Well done, Napoleon! You have demonstrated exceptional performance, dedication and a valuable contribution to both our residents and the team.



Melanie Sorto

Enrolled Nurse at Warrina Crescent

Congratulations to Melanie for delivering exceptional care to our residents, their representatives and colleagues. Well done and thank you for your outstanding dedication!



Silvana Centofani

Lifestyle Assistant at Warrina Park

Your outstanding commitment, consistent hard work and positive impact on both our residents and colleagues have truly stood out. Thank you, Silvana!



Chenara Guare

Hospitality Services Worker at Warrina Vales

Chenara, your reliability, warm approach and behind-the-scenes efforts ensure our residents are well cared for each day. Thank you for all that you do!



Vivienne Hart

Customer Services Officer at Warrina Court

Your ongoing dedication, compassionate care for our residents and support to the team are truly valued. Thank you for everything you bring to the team, Vivienne!



Peter Grasso

Maintenance Officer at Warrina Crescent

Peter, your kindness, helpfulness, and willingness to go above and beyond are never unnoticed. Thank you for the positive difference you make every day!



Lorraine Marquez

Customer Services Officer at Warrina Park

Thank you, Lorraine, for your hard work and dedication, and for always going the extra mile for our residents and the team. Your commitment is truly appreciated!



Arina Khadgi

Care Manager at Warrina Vales

Arina was recognised for helpfulness, leadership and care shown to both staff and residents. Well done, Arina!



Sandhya Palagummi

Enrolled Nurse at Warrina Court

Thank you, Sandhya, for always going above and beyond to ensure our residents feel supported, safe and valued. Your dedication to high-quality care is deeply appreciated!



Noel Amoguis

Registered Nurse at Warrina Crescent

Congratulations, Noel! Your compassionate care, dedication and thoughtful approach are making a real difference to our residents and team members every day.



Cary O'Keefe

Personal Care Worker at Warrina Park

Cary, the number of nominations you received from residents speaks volumes. Your kind nature, passion and willingness to always help are truly appreciated. Well done!



Michael Davis

Personal Care Worker at Warrina Vales

Michael, you've been recognised for your kindness, positivity and dedication to our residents. Your caring approach and bright smile make you a valued part of the team. Thank you!



Stanislaw Barsznica

Personal Care Worker at Warrina Court

Stanislaw has been recognised by both residents and colleagues for her unwavering dedication, consistently showing genuine care in everything she does. Her strong connection with residents and commitment to high-quality care are at the heart of all she does. Stanislaw is also a valued mentor to students on placement, offering guidance and encouragement while leading by example. Thank you, Stanislaw, for your hard work and outstanding contribution!



Jeanette Wilson

Customer Service Officer at Warrina Crescent

Jeanette's friendly and professional manner creates a welcoming environment for residents, families and visitors alike. Her calm and approachable presence at reception sets a positive tone and leaves a lasting impression on everyone who walks through our doors. Thank you, Jeanette, for the warmth and care you bring to your role every day!



Linda Graeber

Hospitality Services Team Leader at Warrina Park

Linda is recognised for her genuine compassion, supportive nature and unwavering dedication. Residents and colleagues alike value the warmth and care she brings to every interaction. Thank you, Linda, for always going above and beyond for our residents. You truly make a difference every day!



Sarah Harris

Enrolled Nurse at Warrina Vales

Sarah was nominated for her consistently kind, approachable and supportive nature. She demonstrates exceptional commitment to lend a hand wherever it's needed. Her warm smile makes a genuine difference in the lives of both residents and colleagues every day. Thank you, Sarah, for your dedication and for living out the Values of Warrina Homes. We appreciate all that you do!



Amritpal Dhaliwal

Registered Nurse

We are proud to feature Amritpal Dhaliwal in this quarter's employee profile. Amrit joined Warrina Homes in March 2020 as a Registered Nurse at Warrina Court and has since progressed into the role of Clinical Care Coordinator at Warrina Park. She has also stepped into the role of Acting Care Manager at both Warrina Court and Warrina Park for extended periods. Her commitment to providing high-quality care and her genuine compassion for our residents are evident in all she does. Get to know Amrit a little more through the questions below:

What inspired you to pursue a career in Aged Care?

Coming from a family deeply involved in social and community work, I have always had a natural connection with older people. I am particularly passionate about advocating for elderly individuals, who are often more vulnerable to neglect or abuse. I want to help educate others on how to provide better care and support for their unique needs.

Where were you born? Have you travelled or lived anywhere else in the world?

I was born in India and have not had much opportunity to travel yet. However, I am looking forward to planning a trip to visit my brother in Canada soon.

What's a fun or surprising fact about you that your colleagues might not know?

I am a very good cook! Another fun fact - once I have cleaned the house after 8pm, no one in my home is allowed to walk on the floor. It's my rule!

What are you passionate about?

I am deeply passionate about palliative care - particularly around early symptom identification and educating others on this important area of care. I will be starting a postgraduate course in palliative care next month and am excited to eventually write my own thesis on the subject.

What hobbies or activities do you enjoy in your free time?

I love going on long walks in nature, especially along the dry creek near my home. Cooking and cleaning also help me relax and de-stress after a long day.

What does a "good day" at work look like for you?

A good day is one without incidents or dramas - when everything runs smoothly and the team on the floor is made up of Warrina Homes staff. That is when the work feels especially cohesive and residents are at their happiest.

What do you think sets Warrina Homes apart from other organisations?

The teamwork here is exceptional. We have a dedicated, passionate group of employees who genuinely care about our residents and support one another.

What is your message to fellow Warrina employees?

Work hard and support each other as a team. Do not be afraid to ask questions - Warrina Homes fosters a very supportive workplace culture, and there is always someone willing to help you learn and grow.





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