

A MAGICAL DAY IN THE SWISS ALPS

Ian Moller

21 May 1992. Welcome to Zermatt (pop. 5,500) at the head of the Matt Valley, surrounded by 38 peaks over 4000m in height, dominated by the Matterhorn. Although it's summer, all are snow covered. Access to Zermatt is only possible by cog railway - no cars are permitted in the village, and transport is by silent electric cars or horse drawn sleighs or carriages. Rugged timber houses cling to the mountain sides, and a brawling snow-fed river cascades through the town. Modern shops bridge the time lag with historical architecture.

Fifteen cable ways and ski lifts give access to 400 km of walking trails, but today we have other plans; given a brilliant cloudless morning, we hike to the top of town and catch a vision of the snow covered spire of Mt Matterhorn, silhouetted against a clear blue sky - a dimension all of its own. Then we hasten back to catch the Gornergrat Cog Railway (111 years old, and the first Swiss electric cog railway) - it rises 3089m in 10km and takes skiers to several snow fields.

We alight at the second stop (Rifflealp) 1200m up amid patchy snow, then start a 5km forest walk down through trees, walking on a carpet of moss and pine needles. The wandering path reveals several isolated little villages bordering the snow fields, and many small old timber houses, each with their own shrine or crucifix; some have a cow or sheep grazing on lush green grass. We are entertained by lots of brown or black squirrels darting around the trees.

Half way down the mountain we are quite chilled in the crisp mountain air, despite wearing gloves, a slicker and a woolly hat, and are glad to see a cafe with a million dollar view across the valley to giant snow capped mountains. We sit out in pale sunlight with hot coffee - suddenly the silence is broken by a giant roar, and on the opposite alps we witness an avalanche! Luckily it is remote from civilisation.

We continue on the zig-zag path below a cable car that serves the cafe; now we are well below the snow line and pass through alpine meadows of knee-high flowering plants showing bright blooms.

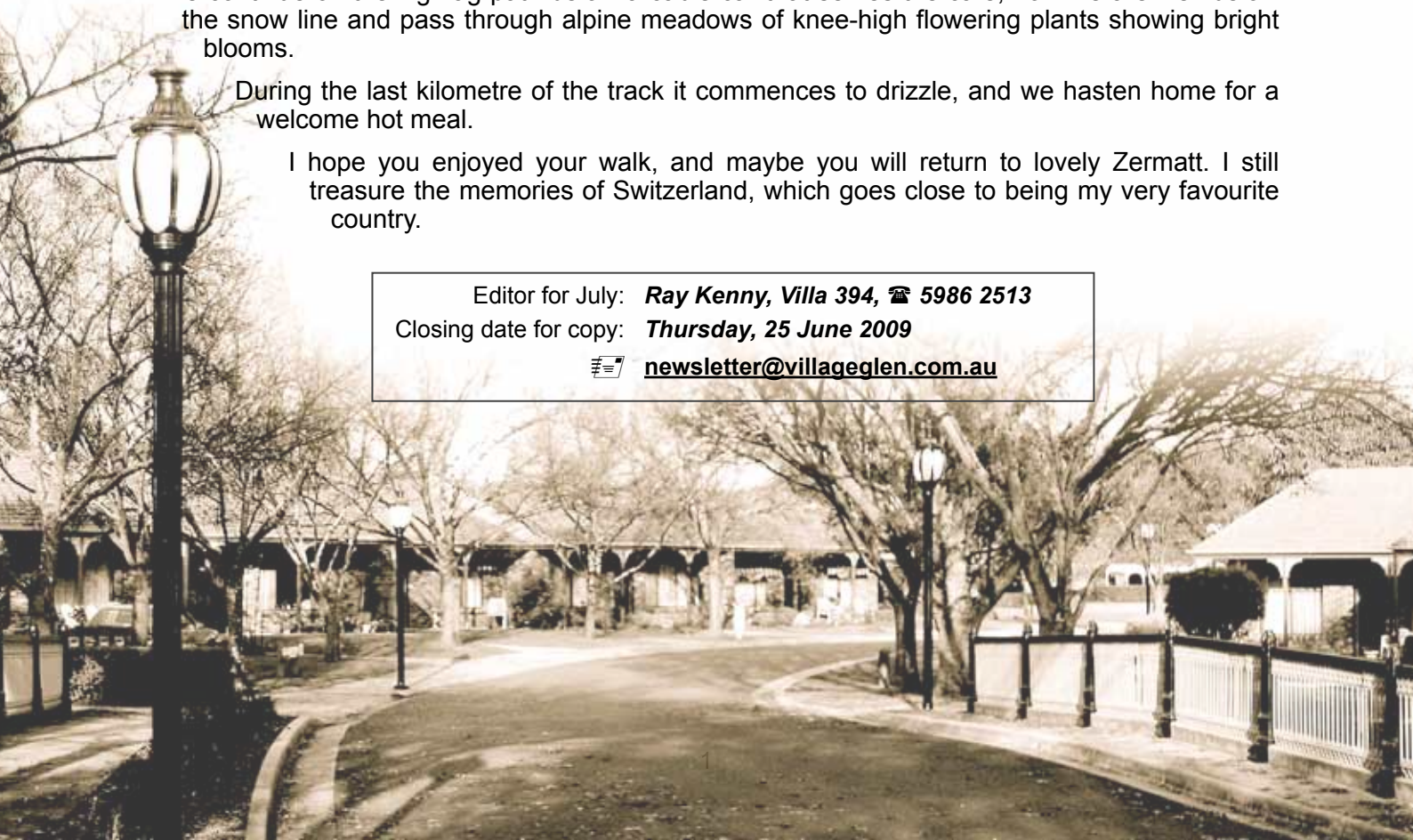
During the last kilometre of the track it commences to drizzle, and we hasten home for a welcome hot meal.

I hope you enjoyed your walk, and maybe you will return to lovely Zermatt. I still treasure the memories of Switzerland, which goes close to being my very favourite country.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

JULY

1	Jim Patrick	John Skinner
2	Kevin Taylor	17 Helen Olston
3	Merle Uglow	18 Joyce Allison
4	Norma Powlesland	Dawn Cracknell
5	Laurie Rymer	19 Barend Van Den Bovenkamp
	Elsie Weston	Jean Bowers
	Edna Salisbury	20 Morris Pollock
8	Win Crouch	Bev Glenn
	Anne Williams	21 Ray Ives
	Pamela Craine	22 Madge Leigh
	Pat Down	Frank Noyes
9	Ian Lardner	Don Mackey
	Yol Groenewegen	23 Mora Dodd
	Roger Treacher	Mary Hill
10	Billie Molyneux	Bev Boyle
	Martin O'Hara	24 Elizabeth Scaife
	Betty Roberts	Margaret Cosgriff
11	Bruce Rolls	Bob Salisbury
	Gene Sparks	Mary Marshall
	Stella Collier	25 Ron Booker
12	Bob Mason	Charles MacLeod
	Burdie Palmer	Julian Coles
13	Joyce Moore	27 Betty Pollock
	Richard Hanmer	28 Greta Quick
14	Kevin Scattergood	29 Mary Twentymen
	Roma Dawson	30 Don Woodman
15	Geoff Higgs	31 Elaine
	Carolyn Ockley	Montgomery
	Brian Smith	Frank Thorpe
	Ian Nunn	Del Kennedy
16	Zoe Renshaw	Bill Eggert

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Newsletter Contributions



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If you compose your article on a computer please email it to: newsletter@villageglen.com.au

WELCOME

Graham & Elaine Rogers	V109
Shirley Falkinder	V358
Noel & Nanette Worsley	V290
Gertrude Bohmer	V194

THANKS

Wilma & Colin Beaumont, V356, would like to thank our wonderful neighbours and residents for their support, cards, care and food during Colin's illness. Our heartfelt thanks to Rupe and Val Halliwell and our friends of 40 years. I will never be able to repay them. Col is on the mend slowly. Also thank you Nurse Megan. Where else would you get this support except in the Village Glen.

Elizabeth McFarland, V513, wishes to thank all her friends at the Village Glen for their care and support during her husband Doug's long illness. Doug passed away at Ti Tree Gardens on 26 April. The care he received at Ti Tree Gardens was exceptional.

Thomas Hand, V51. Over the last six months, I developed severe pain in my right hip and leg. Following investigation it turned out to be acute arthritis in the spine, hip and knee I was fortunate to get a bed at Beleura and my right hip was replaced on 22 April by Mr Peter McCombe, a great surgeon. My sincere appreciation goes out to all my friends and neighbours, who were interested in my welfare through letters, telephone, emails and visits. Thank you all for your thoughts and prayers. It certainly assisted me on my road to recovery as I am now back in the Village feeling very good and walking well without pain. It is wonderful to have the support of the Village Glen Nursing staff in these trying times, when the chips are down.

Jan & Barry Dimond, V70, wish to thank all our friends & neighbours for their concern during Barry's illness and the help given to Jan. With special thanks to Lurleen and to all the golfing members for their cards and best wishes. Barry is on the mend and hopes to be back at golf within the next couple of months.

June Hearn, V122, and family wish to thank all our friends and neighbours for their support and kindness shown to them on the passing of Bob - "The Village Glen Idol". His humour, laughter and not forgetting his whistling will be sadly missed. A special thank you to the wonderful nurses of the Village Glen and the District Nursing Service.



What did Clyde Tombaugh discover in 1930?

Hint:



GET EXCITED – GET THE BOOKS OUT

IT'S BACK!

FAMILY DAY TRIVIA NIGHT 2009

Start studying now!

Friday, 31 July, 6.00pm

\$24.00 per head

BBQ Dinner & Dessert

BYO Drinks

\$250.00 Cash Prize for the winning table.

Maximum number per table is 10.

Many wonderful prize giveaways on the night along with some great prizes on the Spinning Wheel - so don't forget to bring some gold coins along.

Bookings now open – limited seating so book early.

CHRISTMAS IN JULY

Friday, 10 July, 6.00pm, \$25.00ph



I know there are a number of residents living in the Village who can't wait another six months for Christmas! Now is your chance to book a table with fellow residents and celebrate Christmas in JULY.

The cost will include a three-course meal, as listed below, and entertainment provided by the Cranbourne Chorale Group.

- Entrée** Roast Pumpkin Soup garnished with toasted almonds
- Main** Traditional roast turkey, Virginian ham, apricot and sage stuffing, roast potato, roast pumpkin, fresh vegetables, cranberry sauce and gravy.
- Desserts** Christmas pudding with brandy custard OR Chocolate mousse with strawberries
- Tea & Coffee

Please notify of any special dietary requests when booking.

Bookings to be made at the Office. Payment please at the time of booking.

dates for your diary ...

Come Alive Folk Group	14 June
Movie	16 June
Tim McKew (p11)	19 June
Saving Water Presentation	26 June
Kay's Fashion Parade	27 June
Buffet Breakfast	28 June
Ploughman's Lunch	4 July
Movie	7 July
Christmas in July	10 July
Dorothy Baker (p11)	17 July
Trivia Night	31 July

PHOTOGRAPHER'S CORNER



Photographs taken at the following functions are now on display and available to order.

Jeanette, V527
☎ 5946 0057

Functions & Events

Croquet Presentation Evening

FIDELITY CLUB

Due to the absence of President Bill, the meeting was chaired by our Vice-President Kevin Rutley, with 34 members present and 29 apologies recorded.

All members stood for a moment's silence as a token of respect for Doug McFarland. The members voted that the following members were to be made special members; Jack Hardy, Keith Taylor and Doug McFarland (posthumously).

Speaker for the day, Doug Clark, was introduced and entertained all present with an interesting talk on his family (traced back to the 1700s) and his working life until retirement. Kevin presented him with a card and pen as a token of appreciation.

Members were reminded of the June quarterly dinner.

Colin Beaumont is now home, moving very well and improving everyday. Well done mate.

Graham Westmore has had heart surgery, spent time in rehab, and is now home and recovering well.

Graham Hall has spent several weeks in hospital. Speedy recovery Graham.

Rupe Halliwell

SATURDAY NIGHT LOUNGE

Saturday, 20 June, 6.00pm

Craft Centre

Come and join us in the Craft Centre on Saturday, 20 June, for a quiet (well, maybe not too quiet) evening with friends. Bring your own drinks and nibbles. There is a microwave and pie warmer available if you need it.

A 20 cent donation per person is all we ask. We would love to see you there.

All enquiries this month to:

Elaine Cleaver ☎ 5986 8982

Leola McColl ☎ 5986 7429



HOLY COMMUNION

For the information of new residents, Holy Communion is held on the first Friday of the month, at 9.30am, in the upstairs lounge above the Library. Everyone is welcome to attend.

For enquiries contact:

Travis Ellis, ☎ 5986 8473

U3A classes @ the Village Glen

DISCUSSION GROUP -

"Words of Wisdom??"

This group is held in the home of Anne Hunt on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month at 10.00am. The topics for discussion are many and varied from current affairs, ethics, contentment to imagination.

For information please phone Anne on ☎ 5982 3197.

HISTORY LUNCHES

Our next meeting will be held on 9 July, 2009 in the Craft Room at 12.30pm.

We meet on the 2nd Thursday of every month in the Craft Room. This is a friendly, social occasion in the form of a buffet lunch. Everyone brings a plate of finger food to share.

The lunch is followed by a speaker with an interest in history. Our speaker this month is Martin Dickson MP, our local member for Nepean, who will speak on the History of Parliament House, Victoria.

Please note correction to our program printed in the May newsletter. The final meeting for the year is on 10 December, not 20 December.

Contact Edna on ☎ 5982 3021 if you require further information.

FRIENDSHIP CLUB

Elwyn and Ida have both been on small trips, Elwyn around Victoria, and Ida to York Peninsula - all very enjoyable.

There is certainly a chill in the air as winter rolls in, so out with the winter woollies friends. Our next meeting is Saturday, 27 June. Until then keep well.

Elwyn and Ida

COMPUTER CLUB

Our next Computer Meeting is on Friday, 19 June at 10.00am in the Craft Centre.

Our next XP Meeting will be held on Thursday, 2 July at 10.00am in the Craft Centre.

Doug Clark



WANTED

NEWSLETTER COLLATORS prior to delivery

With the winter exodus from the Glen upon us, volunteers would be welcomed to assist in collating the VG Newsletter for delivery. Approximately 1 to 2 hours assistance on a Friday, once a month, is required.

For further details contact

Dorothy Shell

☎ 5982 3165



There are currently a limited number of vegetable plots available for Village Glen residents.

Please contact Jenny at the Office for allocation.



“ Are you on the ball?”

STRENGTH BALL TRAINING

A 45-minute workout with music.

Simple and fun exercises using a variety of balls of different sizes and weights.

- Improves adult functional fitness with cardio and core strength training
- Improves posture
- Uplifting music
- Improves balance and flexibility
- Includes aerobic, strength and chair exercises

A stronger core is the strength centre for most movement.

“Get to the core of the matter with Strength Ball Training.”

A demonstration of the class will be held at 11.00am on Friday, 19 June, at the Sports Building by the Bowling Green.

All are welcome!



AFTERNOON TEA MOVIE

Tuesday, 16 June, 2.30pm

“The African Queen”

Starring Humphrey Bogart and Kathryn Hepburn

Coffee & cake served at 2.00pm.

Movie commences at 2.30pm.

NEXT MOVIE

Tuesday, 7 July, 2.30pm

“Slumdog Millionaire”

Please note: Rated MA+

LOST ‘N FOUND

Last month, the Office displayed all items of lost property currently being held. Some items were reclaimed, however a number of glasses, keys, garage remotes and jewellery pieces remain. If you are missing any of these items please see Village Reception. We will keep these items for a limited time only, so please assist us by enquiring next time you are at the Office.



★ biggest afternoon tea ★ thank you



Thank you to all the hard working volunteers, scone makers and those who gave generous donations. Also to Helen Hall for her coordinating skills and assistance in our first year running this event. The total raised was in excess of \$1,000. Thanks also to Helen Olston who again donated a beautiful painting, which was won by a delighted Val Williamson.

The afternoon tea was enjoyed by all as was the friendship which is always apparent in The Village Glen. Thank you all again and we look forward to next year's event.

The Village Glen Croquet Club

“I'M BORED”

What a silly word, if you live in the Glen
 it is quite absurd, for -
 You can play bowls or go for a swim,
 Take a walk round the lake
 or work out in the Gym,
 Play Petanque, Mahjong, have a game
 of Snooker
 Go and learn all about the Computer
 There's Bingo and Craft and books to read
 And the 'Vege' plot which you have to weed,
 Devotions, Exercises, Table tennis,
 No need to be idle that's a menace
 Tai chai, line dancing, go see the Film
 Collect your Pottery out of the kiln
 Join the Woodwork group or the
 Friendship club
 Have Dinner with friends down at the Hub
 Water aerobics, Circuit training
 A game of Cards if it should be raining
 Golf and Croquet, what more can I say
 So many activities to fill your day
 In fact there are so many things to do
 It's really just up to you.

Dorothy Shell



International Nurses Day

Thirty past Nurses met for afternoon tea on 12 May to celebrate International Nurses Day, which is Florence Nightingale's birthday.

We also celebrated our 5th anniversary in the Village. This was a great afternoon of friendship and a time to share past nursing experiences.

We think we are the largest professional group in the Glen! Do we have any challengers?

Helen Hall

Perfume



“I want my husband to pay more attention to me.
 Got any perfume that smells like a computer?”



KAY'S FASHION PARADE Winter Collection

**Saturday, 27 June, 2.00pm,
Dining Room**

Come and see our WINTER fashions which are sure to excite you and take away the cold and gloom of the coming months.

Select from knits, vests, fleecy, blouses and pants. Black and grey are very fashionable at the moment and can be highlighted with a touch of colour.

As usual, refreshments will be served after the Parade.

We look forward, ladies, to shopping with you on the day.

Enquiries:

Maureen McKenzie ☎ 5986 7159

Avril Cross ☎ 5981 1277



South East Water SAVING WATER PRESENTATION 26 June at 11.00am in the Dining Room

A representative from South East Water Education Division will give a presentation on how we can all do our bit to save water and therefore make sure that we have enough water in the future for our children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. The water situation is becoming more dire by the day so we all need to save water where we can. Definitely there are many areas, of which we are unaware, where we can improve on water consumption, and South East Water will give us some direction in this area.

PET REGISTER

To ensure Management has an accurate record of all pets within the village the Office keeps a Pet Register. This register must be continually updated and we ask that all pet owners confirm their pet details when next they are at Reception. Could you also inform the Office if your pet passes away.

EMERGENCY PET CARERS

From time to time Management may need to place a pet in emergency care if a resident is unexpectedly taken ill or admitted to hospital.

We would like to update our list of residents within the Village who are available to offer to care for pets. If you are interested in assisting, please leave your name at Village Reception.



MAC USERS GROUP (MUG)

9.30am - 11.30am, Craft Centre
Prospective MAC Users welcome

PROGRAM for JUNE - JULY

- Tues, 16 June iFamily
- Tues, 23 June iDVD
- Tues, 30 June iDVD
- Tues, 07 July NO CLASS
- Tues, 14 July 'Senior Moments' or 'MAC Moments' ?
- things you've forgotten!!!!
- Tues, 21 July Pages

Contacts:

John Morris, V463, ☎ 5982 3308
or **Jeanette Marshall, V527, ☎ 5946 0057**



'Welcome to New Residents' Meeting

Management would like to extend an invitation to all residents who have moved into the Village Glen since December 2007 to an informal morning tea in the Dining Room on **Thursday, 30 July, at 10.00am.**

Management is hoping these gatherings will be beneficial to new residents, assisting them to meet with others and to discuss any relevant issues they may have.

We look forward to seeing as many residents as possible in July.

Management

DELIVERY + IN-HOME SERVICES

A reminder to residents within the Village that there are several companies that offer deliveries to Village Glen residents. Details of some of these services are listed below and, with winter approaching, you may feel it is time to avail yourself of these deliveries. There are also a number of services that are available in your own home.



Judy's Drycleaning and Laundry Service

Judy will collect your items from your Villa and then deliver them back when they are completed. An order sheet is on display at the Noticeboard in the Hub, just fill in your details and Judy will collect them next time she is in the Village.

For any further information ring ☎ 9789 9550 or ☎ 0412 519 225.



Dromana Hub Fruit Shop

Free home delivery service is available to all Village Glen residents. No order too large or small. Deliveries are made every Tuesday afternoon. Please phone your order through by 4.00pm Monday. A list of products sold is available on request.

☎ 5987 3051.

It's Fresh

Fresh to your door pack of staple fruit and vegetables, priced to suit your budget. Packs range in size and price. Order at the Village Glen Office by 5.00pm Wednesday, for delivery Friday, directly to your Villa. Cash on delivery.



Bants Amcal Pharmacy

Prescriptions can be left at the Village Glen Office before 11.00am Monday to Friday. Your prescriptions will be delivered to your Villa that afternoon with payment made directly to the Bants staff member.

Soggie Doggies

Will come to your Villa and wash and groom your 4-legged friend.

☎ 0417 838 292



Podiatrist

Hamish Barker will visit you at your Villa.

☎ 0414 343 424



IGA Ritchies

Delivery Service operates by either phone or personal shopping.

☎ 5986 4888



Newsagent

West Rosebud Newsagency, for home delivery.

☎ 5986 4437

Two little boys, ages 8 and 10, were excessively mischievous. They were always getting into trouble and their parents knew all about it. If any mischief occurred in their town, the two boys were probably involved.

The boys' mother heard that a preacher in town had been successful in disciplining children, so she asked if he would speak with her boys.

The preacher agreed, but he asked to see them individually. So the mother sent the 8 year old in the morning, with the older boy to see the preacher in the afternoon.

'Do you know where God is, son?' the preacher asked.

The boy's mouth dropped open, but he made no response, sitting there wide-eyed with his mouth hanging open.

So the preacher repeated the question in an even sterner tone, 'Where is God?'

Again, the boy made no attempt to answer.

The preacher raised his voice even more and shook his finger in the boy's face and bellowed, 'Where is God?'

The boy screamed and bolted from the room, ran directly home and dove into his closet, slamming the door behind him.

When his older brother found him in the closet, he asked, 'What happened?'

The younger brother, gasping for breath, replied, 'We are in BIG trouble this time.'

'GOD is missing, and they think we did it!'

Social Calendar

AFTERNOON MOVIE.....	
APARTMENT RESIDENTS' MEETING.....	Tuesday, 16 June & 7 July - The Hub
ART CLASS.....	Quarterly - Next date, to be advised
AUSTRALIAN HEARING.....	Every Wednesday - 1.00pm - Craft Centre
BEAUTY THERAPY	1st Friday & 3rd Wednesday each month - The Hub - ☎ 5982 0799
BOOK CLUB.....	Every Mon (9am - 1pm) & Thurs (1pm - 4pm) - Bookings ☎ 5986 4400
BOWLS	4th Wednesday each month - 1.30pm - The Hub
BRIDGE.....	See Noticeboard in Sports Building
BRIDGE, EVENING	Every Friday - 1.00pm - Sports Building
CAFE - BUFFET BREAKFAST	Every Tuesday - 7.00pm - Sports Building
CAFE - PLOUGHMAN'S LUNCH	Last Sunday of month - Clubhouse Cafe
CIRCUIT TRAINING.....	1st Saturday each month - 12noon - Clubhouse Cafe
COMPUTER CLUB.....	See Noticeboard in The Hub
CONCENTRATION.....	3rd Friday each month - 10.00am - Craft Centre
CRAFT.....	Every Saturday - 7.15pm - The Hub
CRAZY WHIST.....	Every Monday - 1.30pm - Craft Centre
CROQUET	Every Wednesday - 1.00pm - Upstairs Lounge
DEVOTION.....	Played six days per week - ☎ 5982 1045
FIDELITY CLUB MEETING.....	Every Tuesday - 9.30am - The Hub
FRIENDSHIP CLUB.....	1st Tuesday each month - 9.30am - Craft Centre
GOLF COMPETITIONS (Shot Gun Start).....	4th Saturday each month - 5.00 to 7.00pm - Craft Centre
INDOOR BOWLS	Monday - 1.30pm, Wednesday - 2.30pm, Friday - 2.30pm
HOLY COMMUNION.....	Every Thursday - 1.00pm - Sports Building
LINE DANCING.....	1st Friday each month - 9.30am - Upstairs Lounge
'MAC' USERS GROUP	Every Saturday - 2.30pm - The Hub
MAHJONG & RUMMIKING.....	Refer to newsletter item for dates - 9.30am - Craft Centre
MASSAGE THERAPY.....	Every Monday - 1.00pm - Sports Building
MEDICAL TAXI.....	Every Wednesday & Thursday - Clubhouse - ☎ 5975 4037
NEW RESIDENTS' MEETING	Mondays 2.00 to 6.00pm. Confirm appointment with Office
PETANQUE.....	Last Thursday of odd-numbered months - 10.00am - The Hub
POTTERY.....	Every Monday - 9.30am - near the Lake
RESIDENTS' COMMITTEE MEETING	Every Monday - 9.30am - Craft Centre, kiln firing Thursday
RESIDENTS' MEETING	Thursday, 2 July - 9.30am - Upstairs Lounge
ROSARY.....	Wednesday, 8 July - 7.30pm - Sports Building
SATURDAY NIGHT LOUNGE.....	Every Friday - 4.30pm - Upstairs Lounge
SNOOKER - MEN'S.....	3rd Saturday each month - 6.00pm - Craft Centre
SOCIAL GATHERING & AFTERNOON TEA....	Every Monday, Wednesday & Saturday - 12 noon
SOLO.....	Every Thursday - 2.00pm - Upstairs Lounge
STRENGTH BALL TRAINING.....	Every Tuesday - 1.00pm - Upstairs Lounge
SWIMMING LESSONS - BEGINNERS.....	Every Friday - 11.00am - Sports Building
TABLE TENNIS.....	Every Tuesday from 11.00am - Pool closed until 12 noon
TAI CHI CLASS.....	Wednesday & Friday - 8.30am - Sports Building
TAI CHI EXERCISE.....	Every Monday - 9.15am - Sports Building
U3A - WORDS OF WISDOM.....	Wednesday, 7.00am, & Friday, 7.30pm, Sports Building
U3A - HISTORY LUNCHES.....	1st & 3rd Wednesday each month - Anne ☎ 5982 3197
WATER AEROBICS.....	2nd Thursday each month - 12.30pm - Craft Centre
WEIGHT-BEARING EXERCISE.....	Monday & Thursday - See Noticeboard in the Hub
WORKSHOP.....	Every Monday - 11.00am - Sports Building
'XP' SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP.....	Every Monday - 9.00 to 11.00am - Workshop



WINDOW CLEANING - BOOK AT OFFICE

Tuesday 16 June, 7 & 28 July



☆☆☆ eat, drink and be merry ☆☆☆

TAKE AWAY MEALS

A reminder to all residents that Takeaway Meals are available to purchase from the Dining Room on Wednesday and Thursday evenings. Takeaway meals are also available from the Clubhouse seven days a week. Containers are provided by the kitchen. Should you wish to arrange for a takeaway meal you need to phone Village Reception on ☎ 5986 4455 during office hours. Reception will be able to advise you of the evening's menu when you phone.

Takeaway lunches are also available every day from the Clubhouse Café. You can phone the Café direct on ☎ 5982 3161, prior to 11.30am each day, to arrange your meal.

BUFFET BREAKFAST

Sunday, 28 June

PLOUGHMAN'S LUNCH

Saturday, 4 July

12.00noon - 2.00pm

Book and pay now to avoid disappointment.

HOME DELIVERIES NOW AVAILABLE

from the Clubhouse every Friday Night (commencing 19 June)

Orders can be placed from 2.30pm Friday direct to the Clubhouse on ☎ 5982 3161.

This service will be available on a trial basis over the next six weeks.

Please see Menu insert for further details.

CREATING PANORAMAS

The digital camera, because it is really a light capturing computer, has much more versatility than the old cameras that stored the image on film. The camera has become an essential part of any traveller's kit so it is good to know what the device can do to improve your enjoyment of your trip.

A feature not used a lot by photographers is the panoramic scene. In the days of film, panoramic cameras had a wide angled lens and used only part of the film to give width without height. Panoramic scenes could also be created by physically cutting and pasting the photos.

With the digital camera and a feature called stitching, the cutting and pasting is done for you. Many cameras have this feature in the software that comes with the cameras or it is part of Photoshop Elements. Free software is available on the internet called Hugin, Pos Panoramic Pro and Image Composite Editor.

Taking a panorama is easy. Position yourself so you can see all the scene with no interfering trees, etc. Look through the view finder and star on the left side and check the view. Move the camera to the next making sure there is adequate overlap, preferably with some object appearing in both views. Do this for as many times as needed to capture the full scene. Four is good, three is better. The more you take the thinner the final panorama when printed out.

Using my program which comes with the Olympus camera I just drag the photos onto the stitching window and roughly match them up. I push the stitch button and the computer does the rest. It adjusts the lighting where necessary and, with little obvious seam, completes the panorama.

In the panorama of Golf Course Drive, shown below, I have used various trees and poles as my markers. Give panoramas a try, they are very rewarding.

Doug Clark



That's Entertainment

DOROTHY BAKER AND FRIENDS

perform at the Village Glen

Dorothy Baker, accompanied by Helen Jowsey on piano, Paul Jennings (impressionist) and Kevin Trask as your compere will be performing at the Village Glen on **Friday, 17 July** at 1.30pm in the Dining Room.

Dorothy is a well-known singer dating back to the days of "In Melbourne Tonight" and many more live shows of that era; Paul Jennings is well known for his impressions of John Howard, Bob Hawke and many more famous people; Kevin Trask is currently on 3AW of a Sunday evening.

Combine these three entertainers and you have a show of variety, music and comedy.

Book early to ensure we have enough numbers to go ahead with the performance. The cost for this performance is \$7.00 per person. Bookings and payments to be made at the Office.

TIM MCKEW TOASTS NOEL COWARD

Tim McKew performs a cabaret tribute to the great Noel Coward – with a twentieth century twist. Piano accompaniment by Peter De Ryk.

Tim tells the story of the Master's life while giving a modern twist to some of his best loved songs, such as "Mad Dogs and Englishmen", "Poor little rich girl", and more.

The performance will take place on **Friday, 19 June** at 1.30pm in the Dining Room. The cost will be \$6.00 per person.

If you think you may like to come along, book early to ensure that we have enough numbers to go ahead with the performance.

Bookings and payment to be made at the Office.

COME ALIVE FOLK GROUP

SUNDAY, 14 JUNE, 2.30PM - DINING ROOM

A number of you have been to previous performances at the Village Glen by the "Come Alive Folk Group", and have enjoyed their singing very much.

You now have the opportunity to enjoy their singing again on 14 June.

A \$2.00 gold coin donation is all that is required. CDs of the group will also be available for purchase.

HUB SHOP

**Your own convenience shop
at supermarket prices.**

A warm welcome to our new residents, please visit the shop if you haven't already done so. Our volunteers are there to help you with any information about what stock we keep, and also any other information you may like on the many activities going on in the Village.

SITUATION VACANT!!!

We need a male volunteer to assist with carrying the papers into the shop on Saturday mornings before 8.30am. Also, to prepare the bank and order the milk for the following Monday after 11.30am.

If you are able to help, please ring Graeme Hindson ☎ 5982 2753.

To keep our shop running efficiently, we have many willing volunteers, and we thank them all, but we do need one for the above **urgently**.

SUDOKU



A most **SINCERE APOLOGY** to all Sudoku addicts for the error in last month's newsletter. Swap the 3 and 1 around in the first box of May's Sudoku and you'll have an additional puzzle to solve this month!
Jeanette

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BOWLS REPORT

LADIES' BOWLS

On 30 April, nineteen of our lady super veterans were driven to Dromana to take part in Super Vets Day for the Flinders District. Some ladies enjoyed playing on the Dromana carpet, while others had a chat with their friends from other clubs. A basket lunch was provided and Joy Briant, Helen Bruce and Rosa Machin were presented with their badges.

On 5 May, Moira and Julieanne accompanied Shirley Rolls to Balnarring where she was presented with a medal and certificate for being the District Winner of State Title Over 60 Singles. Congratulations Shirley.

Joy Jones organised an end of season bus trip for 32 of our members to Merimbula ... a great time was had by all. Thanks Joy for a wonderful eight years of organising these great trips "Happy Retirement"!

Thursday, 21 May: Twenty-four of our members got together in the Hub Dining Room and had a very enjoyable evening meal. The next dinner will be on Thursday, 18 June. Come along and meet up with some of your bowling friends from the Village. Please put your name on the list in the Sports Building.

The Opening of the 2009-10 bowling season will start with an official dinner in the Terrace Court Dining Room in the Hub on Tuesday, 1 September, commencing with drinks and nibbles at 5.30pm. Further information will be in our July and August Newsletters.

Ladies Pennant: This year the ladies will be in Division 2 and are looking forward to a very good year. Our new Club Shirts have been ordered and we hope to have them for our first game on 29 September. Next season all our home games will be played at West Rosebud.

Helen Hall

MEN'S BOWLS

Our Secretary's Winter Newsletter advises the season will open with a Dinner Dance on Tuesday, 1 September, and it is planned to open the new green on Sunday, 31 January. We look forward to the new Bowling Fixture in anticipation of another challenging year in all the circumstances, plus the pride in wearing the new Club Shirt.

SOCIAL BOWLS: The Bendigo Bank monthly Dinner was held on Thursday, 21 May, when 25 members were present on this happy occasion. The list is on the board for the 18 June Dinner in the Hub Dining Room.

Our members are encouraged to make use of the Social Bowls and other programs available at West Rosebud Bowls Club - our continuing host for Season 2009/10. Make up a group and come along.

INDOOR BOWLS: Please continue to support Derek's indoor bowls on Tuesday and Thursday at 1.00pm.

CORRECTION: Men's Pairs Competition 2009. WINNERS: Howard Marsh and Max Barton.

RUNNERS UP: Clarry Webb and David Nilsson.

COACHES CORNER

One of our noted skippers has reached the opinion that the most important factor in making a successful delivery is the BACKSWING.

Firstly,: Place your whole body in the direction you are going to bowl.

Secondly: Be absolutely clear in your mind of the strength of the shot required.

Thirdly: Clear your mind of everything and just deliver the bowl.

This is where our noted skipper's advice takes over. THE BACKSWING: that shouldn't be all that difficult. I've got length and direction all worked out so why not just let go. Skip says it's not that easy. The act of taking the bowl back exactly on the delivery line needs concentration. The length of a backswing needs concentration to get the right length. The fluid movement of the bowling arm combining line and length really needs concentration in order that the bowl is allowed to roll off the fingers along the correct line and to the desired length. Keep that pendulum swinging, and I'm sure you will get good results.

A final gem from Keith Dunstan's "The Lawn Bowl Directory". Bowls is the one sport where bent behaviour is compulsory. Legend has it that bias began with the Duke of Suffolk in 1522. His Grace was playing at Goole, Yorkshire, when he split his bowl in two. He dashed inside, sawed a wooden ball off the top of the banister and went on with the game. Naturally the bowl had a flat bottom and rolled off kilter in a delightful curve. The Duke was able to get round his opponents' bowls and won four ends in succession. Nobody could stop bias after that.

Harry Hutchins



CROQUET NEWS

Hello again Croqueteers.

Once more we attempt to bring to you all the exciting events of the premier Establishment of the Village Glen. First off thanks Lorraine for penning the last two editions of our letter, which due to various circumstances I was unable to attend to.

So, that's another season over and done with, gone, finished, ended. I must say though that there have been some big, big moments in that twelve months. Introduction of the off-side rule, our version, we now play VG Croquet and the World Croquet Federation version. It was WCF Croquet that brought our first rewards into the Village when nine intrepid members ventured forth into the depths of Deer Park to return with a magnificent trophy. Let us not forget events off the field. Twilight Tucker, Stan's coaching classes. Membership exceeding 100. Refreshments available every day. I know I've said it before but the absolute greatest thrill was the primary school children coming into the Village to learn croquet, which of course we will carry on again next season.

The presentation night seemed to go down well. Heaps of raffle and door prizes. I did not win one (make a note to fix that for next year).

"Sharni" making her first appearance in the Village duly provided suitable 'music to munch by'.

Our major trophy, the Syd Harmer Shield, is awarded for the highest accumulated score over the seven monthly tournaments. This year's winner was Reiner Krause, who gave a consistent performance to gain 21 points, closely followed by Peter Doyle on 20 points.

The John Young Trophy, awarded for most points accumulated in our Fun Day competitions, went to Stan (the Man) Dipple, with a score of 124 points over Peter Doyle with 119.

The Chas Jacobson Trophy went to Joyce Moore who well and truly stretched the field. So it's congratulations to Reiner, Stan and Joyce.

There's no doubt about it, the outstanding trophy of the year is the "GuzundaCup" secured after a hard fought battle against the Keilor Retirement Village.

We have had some encouraging news on the weather shelters, no details, but a commitment for next season. With that good news I shall sign off. Best of luck to you all.

Regards Peter

GOLF CLUB NEWS

While performing my weekly gym program last Tuesday at 9.30am I noticed several lady golfers hitting off at the first tee. I doubt these ladies take part in our competition events but it was gratifying to see them enjoying their golf and getting exercise in very pleasant surroundings. Good on you ladies - this is what our golfing facility at the Glen is all about.

A list of local rules has been prepared by our Captain together with members of the Match Committee. I hope each golf member has taken a copy and studied these rules to assist in clarifying any situation arising during competition events.

We have had some rain during the last few weeks, which, has certainly done our course some good, and the fairways are looking much greener.

The May monthly medal was won by Peter Webster with a handicap of 22 and score of 51. Well done Peter!

We have had two more holes-in-one. Ivan Elvish on hole 8 (his second ace, although, much earlier, he achieved another but not in competition). The second one was by Richard Westwater on hole 1. Well done to both players.

At a meeting called for 22 May at the Clubhouse, a motion from the Village Glen Golf Committee (previously circulated to all members) was placed before those present for the Village Glen Golf Club bank account to become autonomous. Permission had been sought and granted from Management and the Village Glen Residents' Committee. Those present voted for this to be implemented and, as of 29 May, the Golf Club has opened its account at the Bendigo Bank Community Bank, Dromana.

Whilst we have had several of our members on the sick list, I am very happy to report that President Barry is back on deck and starting to make his presence felt.

Reiner Krause has had a stay in hospital but is looking forward to playing golf again very soon.

One of our lady members has been spending her golf days sitting in the "Members' Lounge" in the Clubhouse, feeling very frustrated as her arm is taking so long to heal. Helen, we miss you and trust you will soon be back on the golf course.

To our "warrior" Jim Shilton, keep smiling and please come back ASAP.

Happy golfing.

John Craig

DAYTRIPPER

& Village Glen, Rosebud

MELBOURNE INTERNATIONAL CRAFT AND QUILT FAIR

Friday, July 24 ... \$36.00 pp

- ☼ The daytripper will depart the Village Glen at 9.00am.
- ☼ Learn from Craft experts in a variety of fields, from designing contemporary jewellery pieces to re-discovering traditional art forms.
- ☼ See inspirational displays of quilts and other crafts, such as embroidery, beading, scrapbooking, patchwork, knitting, sewing, doll making and much, much more.
- ☼ Shop! In the largest specialist craft retail centre you will find all year, filled with hard-to-find items and enough unique supplies to keep you busy until the next fair.
- ☼ Trip includes morning tea, Craft and Quilt Fair entry.

KINGLAKE & YARRA GLEN

Friday, 14 August ... \$39.00 pp

- ☼ The daytripper will depart the Village Glen at 9.00am to begin an interesting day-trip, stopping for morning tea enroute to Kinglake.
- ☼ As you know, this area was devastated by bushfires during our 2009 summer, and with a little help from you and me, can and must continue to re-build their lives, communities and properties.
- ☼ Today's trip will include a 2-course lunch at the National Park Hotel Kinglake. First built in 1907 as a "wayside inn", it was later completely destroyed in the Black Sunday bushfires of 1926. 13 people lost their lives that day, but the pub was rebuilt, "out of old tin sheets" and serviced the locals until the current building was completed in 1928. It stands today as an important community meeting point, which locals, travellers and indeed the fire and emergency services used as refuge during Black Saturday.
- ☼ We then retrace our steps a little and head to Yarra Glen. As you will see, this township was surrounded by the fires and is lucky not to have suffered even further. Local communities such as Steele's Creek and Dixon's Creek use Yarra Glen as a "service town", and these localities were almost wiped out during the fires. We will stop at the local shopping centre where you have the opportunity to visit the bakery or other shops in the town that will welcome your custom.
- ☼ Tour includes bus, morning tea and hotel lunch.

GOULBURN VALLEY EXPLORER

19 - 23 October (5 days/4 nights)

- ☼ The daytripper will depart the Village Glen to begin a 5-day adventure into the 'fruit-bowl' of Victoria, the Goulburn Valley.
- ☼ Shepparton is one of the most progressive provincial cities in regional Australia. A range of industries is based there, including the huge fruit processing industry.
- ☼ SPC-Ardmona is a giant of the fruit industry and is central to the success and growth of the region.
- ☼ Shepparton draws shoppers and visitors from across northern Victoria and southern New South Wales. The Victoria Park Lake precinct is a community icon which attracts residents and visitors to a picturesque, passive recreation area all year round.
- ☼ You'll learn much more about Shepparton and the district surrounding it on this informative tour.
- ☼ Price \$595.00pp (\$160 single supplement). Full itinerary is available from the Office. Bookings now open.

\$50.00 deposit payable at the time of booking. Balance due by 19 September, 2009.

Price includes wine tasting, various guided bus and walking tours, all attraction entries, Murray River cruise, cheese tasting, 4 nights excellent twin/double accommodation, 4 hot-cooked breakys, 5 morning teas, 1 afternoon tea, 4 hot-buffet dinners, and a lot of fun!!!

**Bookings and payment for all
Daytripper tours at Village Glen Office.**

Vonda Goddard, A1411, didn't move far from her West Rosebud home to the security of the Glen. Vonda joined the Land Army when she was 17 and served for three and a half years. She has been widowed three times and has six sons, a daughter, 14 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren as well as some step-children. Most recently she was married to Stan who was the CEO of the Red Cross for 20 years. Vonda has played bowls for 20 years and has moved from the Rye Club to the Village where she hopes to enjoy social bowls. A past interest has been square dancing.

Geoff and Gwen Perkin, V103, spent the last 10 years in Rosebud. Geoff's training was in mechanical engineering and his most memorable assignment was with the Snowy Mountains Authority where he was a Mechanical Inspector for 6 years. He also worked for Esso on the off-shore oil rig. While living in Cooma he won the Champion Garden Award and plans to create a beautiful garden in the Glen. As well as raising their three daughters (they now have 9 grandchildren and one great-grandchild)) Gwen worked in the retail world of haberdashery and women's clothes. She enjoys embroidery and is thinking of joining water aerobics. For years she was a keen tennis player.

David and Elizabeth Scaife, V571, lived in Flinders for 21 years before moving to our side of the Peninsula and a smaller garden. David worked for the CSIRO for 35 years in mineral chemistry and Elizabeth also has a scientific background. Coming as she did from a mining family it is no wonder that for years they have enjoyed exploring many mines all over Australia. David was a keen rower for many years, dabbles in golf and loves classical music and his computer. Elizabeth's interests have been tennis, embroidery, her church, Red Cross and U3A. Both of them are busy with Probus at Flinders and Main Ridge. They had a son and their daughter has given them two granddaughters.

Denis and Alva Chambers, V42, moved from a big house at Blairgowrie to join us in the Glen. Denis was born in England and served in the British Army just after WW11 before settling in Australia in 1949. His experience as a morse code operator gained him employment with the Overseas Telecommunications Commission where he worked for 39 years. Now he uses his keyboard skills on his computer. He married a Melbourne girl, Alva. Now they have two sons and a grandson. Alva worked as a stenographer and is interested in water aerobics. Denis's interests are Freemasonry and bowls.

A DIAMOND ACHIEVEMENT

Popular golfer John Craig and his wife Dorothy celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on 4 June with a family dinner, and received congratulations from Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth, and the Governor General Quentin Bryce.

John was discharged from the Royal Navy in 1945 and settled in Malvern, Victoria. To obtain new friends he joined the Brighton Soccer Club where he met Dorothy, who was one of the Soccer Queens of the Club involved in raising funds and social activities. They became engaged on her 21st birthday and married six months later in 1949.

John joined the Myer Emporium Finance Department, and later had the opportunity to become Credit Manager for Kodak.

Their two boys Roger and Philip were born during this time and they built their first home in Beaumaris - borrowing the princely sum of £3000 (later sold to Tom Hafey when he came from Shepparton to coach the Tigers).

Later, with John's best friend and brother-in-law they purchased the Two Ways Service Station in Mentone, owned by Dorothy's father, and developed it into a car dealership business.

Several years later John returned to Credit Management with Email Air Conditioning, later moving to NEC selling PABX switchboards and car phones at \$3000 a pop!

Tragedy struck them both when their youngest son was tragically killed at the age of 29, on Dorothy's birthday.

While at NEC, John undertook a correspondence course to obtain his full real estate licence and later formed his own company - Ray White Real Estate of Somerville.

Dorothy owned a ladies boutique at Mount Martha, named "Pomegranate". They have made several trips to the USA to visit their son Roger. Their grandson, a Captain in the US Army, served in Germany and Iraq.

They have been in the Village for 10 years where they have shared many friendships and enjoyed golf and table tennis. Dorothy was a member of the Social Group.

John left school at the age of 15 and at that age, and even now at the age of 84, has an intense love of music. He is a member of the Probuskers, a family music group, which entertains at Nursing Homes and other venues.

I first met John and Dorothy when John was undergoing major surgery, and was most inspired by their devotion and courage, along with John's determination to return to his beloved golf.

Helen Hall

BACKPAGE—JUNE, 2009

As you are all aware, last week the budget for the 2009/2010 financial year, a letter and explanatory notes were forwarded to every household in the Village. As was detailed, an Extraordinary Meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday the 30th June at 2.00 p.m. in the Dining Room at which time residents will be able to pose questions to management pertaining to the budget presented. If acceptable, residents at that meeting will then be asked to pass a motion and vote on the adoption of the proposed service fees.

Should the new service fees be approved as proposed, we would ask that all residents refrain from paying their July service fees until Wednesday the 8th July. There is a lot of work which needs to be undertaken by Robyn in striking the new service fees and in completing the end of financial year accounts. We will therefore not be able to accept service fee payments until that time. I thank you for your co-operation.

In relation to those residents who pay their service fees via direct deposit, we would ask that you notify your bank as to the change in the amount to be paid, including your current electricity fee. Could you please also request your bank to identify your payment with your villa number when depositing your service fee. I understand from Robyn that it is very difficult to reconcile these amounts without a reference.

We remind all residents and their guests that when visiting, the visitor's car parks should be utilised as opposed to parking on lawns and on thoroughfares. Please be mindful of other residents needing to gain access to their villas and that clear access should be maintained. Residents are permitted to park on their lawns temporarily for the purposes of unloading their shopping etc. only.

We would also ask residents not to park and leave their cars unattended under the canopy of the Clubhouse at any time. Please feel free to drop off your partner or guests at the front door but we would appreciate it if you could then park your car in the appropriate car parking areas thereafter.

Any resident using either caravan storage areas, please make sure you lock the gates on leaving.

A notice appeared in the Leader this week regarding television transmission coming from the Arthurs Seat Television Broadcast facility. It states that there will be interruptions to the analogue and digital UHF television broadcast services of channels 7, 9 and 10 on Wednesday the 17th June, 2009 from 9.00 a.m. until 4.00 p.m. to allow improvements to the site's infrastructure. This will most likely affect the Village Glen signal so we ask you to be patient until these scheduled works are complete.

In both the Administration offices and the Clubhouse we have 4 sets of automatic sliding doors. Apparently the doors are being forced open when residents arrived without their R1 key or are forcing the doors open whilst waiting for their partner or friends to enter. The doors are being damaged and rendered inoperable which then poses a security concern. It is also extremely expensive and costing the service fee significant amounts in repairs. These costs are avoidable so please assist us with this problem as it is occurring regularly. If the doors are not functioning correctly, please inform the office or the nurse on duty.

Stan Medew, our after hours emergency representative, will no longer be continuing his employment at the Village Glen. Stan has been with us for 2 1/2 years and we would like to thank him for his care, attention and dedication to all of our residents in the time he has been with us. We of course wish him the very best of luck in his future endeavours. Due to statutory and other obligations in the administering of medications to our residents, we have advertised for a Division 1 registered nurse to fill this after hours nursing position. We will keep you informed as to the progress and in the meantime, these shifts are being filled by our current nurses and nurse bank staff.

Many of you will have noticed that we have employed a new maintenance officer, Graeme Howson, to assist Earl. We are very pleased to welcome Graeme to the team and trust that he has a very long and rewarding time with us. Earl is certainly a very happy and grateful Mr. Fixit!

Until next month—Chas

