

Sunnyside Snippets

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Cudjee Wildlife Park

What an amazing day out for the residents who visited Cudjee Wildlife Park!



Cudjee (Continued)

Residents were treated to a Show & Tell, Meet & Hold experience. Park staff Zara and Josh did a great job of introducing each of the animals to us, explaining their characteristics, back stories, and species information.





Residents got to meet and hold lizards, snakes, a baby bettong, and a young wombat. Two stunning birds (a Red-tailed Black Cockatoo and a Major Mitchell Cockatoo) flew around the room squawking. A few curious deer and emus peeped through the window, wondering about our sandwiches.

After lunch we went outside to explore the Park. We saw some huge wombats as well as kangaroos, koalas, dingoes, Cape Barren Geese, silky chickens, deer and, got to hand feed lots of animals too.



Cudjee (Continued)

We met a Barking Owl that Tim couldn't help but tease, and we learned why the Barking Owl has its name. Overall, we all had a fantastic day. It is well worth checking out if you have never visited before. Residents are already looking forward to the next trip to Cudjee Wildlife Park.



April Birthdays

On April 1st we celebrated Jack's birthday. It was big turn out with fun, laughter and delicious cake for all.

Pat had a lovely celebration for her birthday. Once again Catering made a delicious cake, and there was lots of fun and laughter.

Leo's family made sure his birthday was extra-special, with a fabulous balloon bouquet and a special family outing.



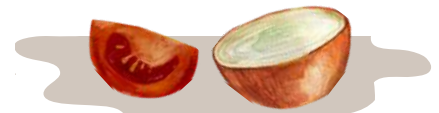
Student Work Experience

In April we were fortunate enough to have Alex with us for work experience. He was very handy and knowledgeable, and fitted in well with Sunnyside staff and residents. Alex took charge of preparing the Easter raffle prizes, helped make pizzas, and ran an Easter basket craft session with residents. We hope Alex enjoyed himself as much as we enjoyed having him here.



Cooking Corner

Residents and staff pitched in together to chop up the heap of green tomatoes Adam brought in. They were mixed with onions and other ingredients, and are rumoured to have been made into a delicious chutney.



Bus trip views

A group of residents went on a drive to take advantage of the beautiful April sunshine. We saw lots of freshly shorn alpacas with funky new haircuts, and went up Mt Leura for the marvellous views. We are lucky to live in such a picturesque area!



Easter Raffle Winners

A great big thank-you to all who bought tickets for our Sunnyside Easter Raffle! The money raised will go towards resources for residents. A great big congratulations to all our lucky winners! We hope you enjoyed your special treats and gorgeous decor items.



New TV for Residents' Lounge

Thanks to the generosity of the Camperdown P&A Society, residents now have a fancy new TV in the shared lounge. It's great to watch programs on because it is BIG and has all the bells and whistles. Residents enjoyed watching the TV's installation too, as Bec, Justin and Adam struggled to make it fit without it hitting the ceiling.

Do you want to contribute to Snippets?

We would love to print your poems, stories, artworks, photographs, tall tales, memories, or anything else you'd like to share. Please leave your contributions with Reception or Activities staff, or email rec@sunnysidehouse.com.au





Installation Works

We've had lots of maintenance works carried out in April. All the emergency lighting was replaced with energy-efficient globes, the old boilers were removed, and an energy-efficient heat-pump hot water service was installed. The water service had to be craned into place over the top of the Moornong Room, which was very interesting to watch. Rowan (Maintenance) has certainly been getting lots done. We don't think we have ever seen a person as busy as Rowan.



ANZAC Day

We had a pleasant and memorable ANZAC Day Service on the 25th, with prayers, readings and song. It was an emotional time for some of us as it conjured up memories of our past. The Service included staff and residents, with Heather laying the wreath and Jillie, Jack and Marg doing readings and prayers.

Adam, Al, Joy, Bill and Tim enjoyed a traditional game of Two-Up later in the afternoon. Tim reportedly ended up taking all the coins home.





Easter Crafts

This month, residents created beautiful Easter baskets to hold all those chocolate eggs the Easter Bunny brought. Jillie's grandson Alex worked hard to make this a successful craft session.



Outdoor Bingo

Residents made the most of a beautiful afternoon and played Bingo out in the courtyard. Alex D showed us his Bingo calling skills and we all enjoyed the sunshine and fresh air.



New Staff Members

This month we welcomed Nick H, Lou P and Lu W to our Maintenance and Nursing teams. Please say hello when you see them around!



Staff Leaving

Goodbye to Julie Grauer (Leisure & Lifestyle). We will miss you! We wish you all the best in your future endeavours.



Welcome



This month we welcomed new resident Lorraine, and respite resident Inez. It's been lovely getting to know you both, and we hope you are enjoying life with us at Sunnyside House.



Acting CEO's Report

The football season has started, and while I've made sure that Aussie is a Saints fan, I've yet to convince any of the residents.

I will keep trying.

Go Saints.

Bec Siemon,
Acting CEO.

