

EDGARLEY ASSISTED LIVING

Specialising in complete quality aged care and independent living.

NEWSLETTER July 2024





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From the CEO



Hi Everyone,

Whilst winter has hit with very cold temperatures it has not brought much rain for our local farmers. I would like to do a "call out" to the entire team of the Casterton U/14's Footy team who on Saturday the 22nd June played a brilliant game of football and came away with the win.

Edgarley has hit a new milestone, we are almost 100% full in the home with a number of new admissions in the last few weeks. We have had a number of new staff start with us and will shortly welcome 2 more Registered Nurses and a new Physiotherapist.

The Grant for further redevelopment that we applied for earlier in the year was unsuccessful however the Government released a second round and we have re submitted our application. This means we are now waiting again and will not know if we are successful or not until September /October.

Some works around the outside of the Home will be delayed due to the weather – such as the retaining wall that needs to go in around the back and side of the building. We will look at an interim solution to improving the visual presentation of the home from the street.

Sue Wray

July Trivia

July was named by the Roman Senate in honor of the Roman general, Julius Caesar, it being the month of his birth. Prior to that, it was called Quintilis.

Quote of the Day

Not all those who wander are lost.



Cancer (June 21 – July 22)

Cancer personalities are very emotional and sensitive, and care deeply about matters of the family and their home.

Leo (July 23 – August 22)

Leos are natural born leaders.

They are able to achieve anything they commit to.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO -

Princess Diana, 1st of July 1961

Olivia De Havilland, Actress, 1st July 1916

Tom Cruise, Actor, 3rd July 1962

Ringo Starr, Musician, 7th July 1940

Tom Hanks, Actor, 9th July 1956

Harrison Ford, Actor, 13th July 1942

Stanley Kubrick, 26th July 1928

Mick Jagger, 26th July 1943

Product Birthday Spotlight: Monopoly

The Monopoly board game was copyright registered in July 1933. Carles Darrow, the inventor, became the first millionaire game designer after he sold his patent to Parker Brothers.



LADIES AUXILIARY

We are a very small band of volunteers that work towards supplying equipment to Edgarley or help with assistance to the residents in many forms. We would really like to get some new members to help us in this endeavour. We hold monthly meetings on the first Monday of the month in the Alma Vickery function room Edgarley at 2 pm. If you feel you cant commit to this maybe you could help us out on an adhoc basis with some of our fundraisers. You don't have to have a connection to Edgarley to join our group. We look forward to any enquiries you may have. Please contact Margaret Currie for a membership form on 0478 608 332.

Membership is \$5 for the 12 months.

FOOD REGISTER BOOK

Any fresh food brought into our facility for the residents will need to be entered into the register accordingly. The books can be found to the right of the Glenelg door

Thank you for your co-operation

Residents meeting

GLENELG Thursday 4th July 1.30.

We wish to invite family members to these meetings which will be held on the first Thursday of each month.

Judy Smith is the resident/family representative on the Medication Advisory Committee.

If any resident or family member has any questions or issues regarding their medication management at Edgarley (this does not include pharmacy accounts, they are to be taken up directly with the Pharmacy) Please contact Judy on 0429 192 841 and she will bring those question/issues to the meeting.



CAN YOU CONTRIBUTE?

Contributions to our newsletter are encouraged and appreciated!

Articles, photos, reports on community outings, staff news, trivia, poems, or jokes are most welcome.

Please email your contribution to office@edgarley.com.au

Thank you!

OLUNTEER "Volunteers don't get paid,

not because they're
worthless, but because
they're priceless."
– Sherry Anderson

LEGURE AND LIFESTYLE WOLUNTEERS WANTED

Being a volunteer in Edgarley can offer companionship, and help with recreational activities. Volunteers can also provide emotional support, social engagement, and help to enhance the overall quality of life for residents. By offering their time and skills, volunteers can make a significant difference in the lives of the elderly and contribute to a positive community.

For further information, please phone Edgarley on 55811211, to speak to our Leisure and Lifestyle team.









Many
Happy
Returns
To
Elwyn
Val
Mick
And
Alice











Edgarley Assisted Living completed specialised Dementia training on May 28th and 29th that featured Virtual reality technology.

Staff completed a Full day training session facilitated by external Educators that involved half day theory and then the Virtual reality session where they got to wear Virtual Reality Goggles that allowed them to walk in a Resident with dementia's shoes.

The staff found this experience to be ground breaking in how they approach the residents giving them new insight.















Our beautiful artist Beth, admires her art work that has be put in lovely frames.







John thoroughly enjoyed being at the Kelpie auction. But he had to be reminded to keep his hand down, otherwise he may have ended up with a very expensive dog.









An Afternoon at the local primary school was enjoyed by all. Our Residents were greeted with wonderful entertainment and a lovely afternoon Tea















Dominies can be a very challenging game, but when you have a win like John did, it's time to celebrate.







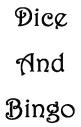














Our recent outing took us to Dartmoor to see the carvings followed by a delicious lunch and scrumptious dessert at the local Pub

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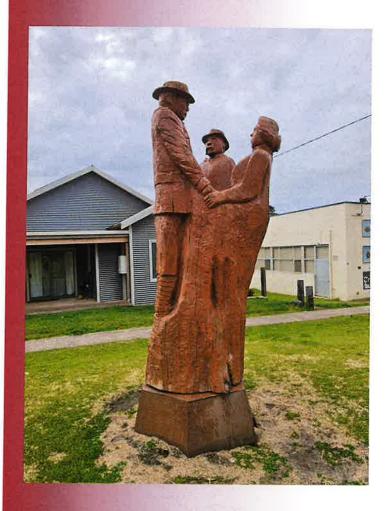












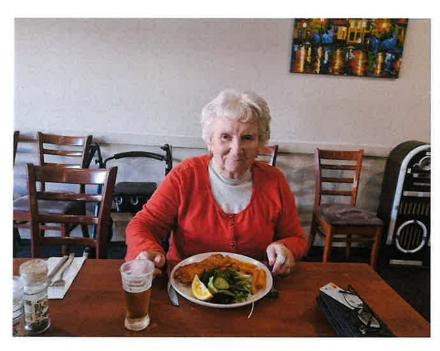




Residents enjoyed a lovely meal of fish and chips and beer down at the local Albion Hotel, before taking a relaxing drive around the hills of Casterton.









Albion Hotel Castenton







In what town did you live in? Casterton, Vic.

What did you do when you left school? I worked a variety of jobs including working on the Balkin's farm, shearing and in the bakery for many years.

What was your main occupation? Farming.

What are or have been your favourite past times? Partying with friends.

What is the most exciting thing that happened in your life? Too many to mention. I have many great memories.

Who is your hero or the person you most admire? My grandmother. I lived with her for 7 years, as a child. She looked after me well and taught me right from wrong.

What is or has been your greatest achievement? Breeding stud cattle.

What do you think is the most important thing in life? Everything is important.

What words of wisdom can you share with other readers? I would advise the young ones to get on the property market and buy their own home. It will change their life.





In what town were you born in? I was born in Adelaide, but moved to Casterton when I was 6 years old.

What did you do when you left school? I joined the public service in Melbourne.

In which place did you live most of your life? I've moved around a lot, but spent most of my time here in Casterton.

What is your job role at Edgarley? I volunteer a couple of times a week. I run History Group and Knitting Group, as well as joining in for games most Sundays.

What do you like best about your job? I love interacting with the residents.

What are or have been your favourite past times? I love craft, horse racing, and history.

What is the most exciting thing that happened in your life? Becoming a mother and grandmother.

Who is your hero or the person you most admire? My father, he never gave up.

What is or has been your greatest achievement? When I returned to work after having children. I was told I had no skills, but worked my way up to be an office manager.

What do you think is the most important thing in life? Health and happiness.

What words of wisdom can you share with other readers? If you can be anything in life, be kind.





DEAL OR NO BEAL









In our June game of Deal or No Deal Alice accepted her bank offer deal of \$10,000, Alice had \$15,000 in her case so Alice did well. Joan also did well by accepting her bank offer of \$8,000. Both Fay and Joan both guessed the correct amount of money in their cases. Even though not real money all our Residents had lots of fun playing this game.









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A reminder to all NOK.

If a resident receives an updated Medicare or Pension card, we will need a copy for our records.

Thank you

June Winners Page

Dice Games

Ron Gill Ann P John H Alice

Dominoes

Rob H x2	
Gill	
Nancy	
Alice	

Liars Dice

Des	
Gill	
Alice	

R.C.L

Vera	
Nancy	
Rebecca	
Alice	
Des	

Sports games

Joan R
John H
Ron
Nancy

Battleships

Gill
Nancy x2
Rebecca
Ron

Find 10/Pairs

Peter G	
Gill	
Faye	
Alice	

Bingo/Hoy

Alice
John H
Ron
Nancy x2
Des
Rob H

UNO

Vera x2
Faye
Rebecca
Ron
Des

















THE RESCUE AT DALEY'S FARM,

SUNDAY MARCH 17th, 1946

by John F. Gorman

St. Patrick's Day, Sunday March 17th, 1946 is a day that will be long remembered by the residents of Casterton. It was the year of the Big Flood. Forty years had lapsed since the Glenelg and Wannon had spilled their banks surging into Henty Street, and the village of Sandford on the Wannon three miles below.

Older residents, who as boys and girls in 1906 had watched the flood waters racing through Henty Street in front of the Post Office and Grant's Albion Hotel, had told their children there never could be another flood like the 1906 flood. It could never happen again. How wrong they were. Happen it did, with a sudden terrifying, intensity that sent residents scurrying in fear like rats caught in a trap from their low-lying homes overnight. Many old age pensioners who ignored the warning sirens and preferred the seclusion of their four walls to the raging torrent outside in the streets, had to be forcibly evacuated to safety in boats by the local police.

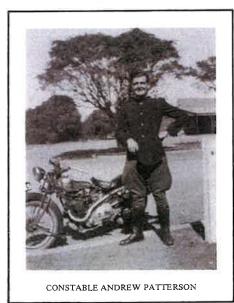
Commencing on the Friday, six hundred and twenty eight points of rain fell in four days. A local auctioneer who walked home through Henty Street after the pictures on Saturday night, and heard the warning siren shortly afterwards, was staggered as he returned to his office to find the flood waters swirling around his ankles in Henty Street and rising rapidly. As he opened the front door of his office, the entire contents, furniture, office books and fittings, floated into the flood. Some late revellers leaving the Glenelg Inn, as they opened the side door, walked straight into the river.

In McKinlay Street where the flood waters had risen to nearly five feet, two terrified elderly spinster dressmakers, the Misses Gambles were found crouched in fear with a pet dog in their arms on top of a dining room table, and had to be forcibly removed to safety. On Bahgallah Road, Hee Ben an elderly Chinese market gardener, greatly agitated as the flood waters streamed rapidly over his garden, hut and vegetable truck, cursed volubly in the language of his ancestors as the police ferried him to safety.

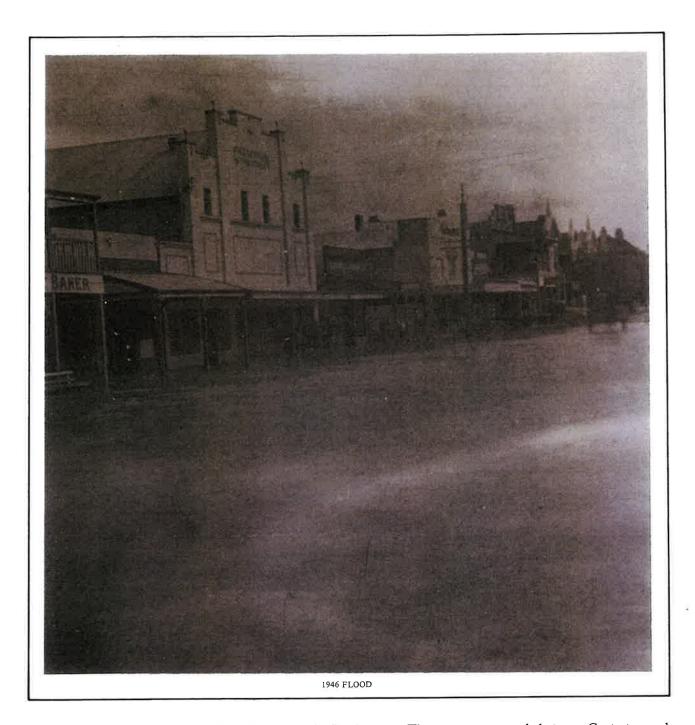
With petrol rationing still in force, bystanders watched stunned as 170 drums of petrol and power kerosene floated from Stookes' stores yard, some of which were found as far away as Dartmoor. The flood was at its highest peak from 11 p.m. on Saturday night till about 2 a.m. Sunday. There was an appalling loss of stock. At the Wilkin, Mr. G. Fellows had just on 1000 sheep drowned. Mr. W. Lampard, a market gardener near Bahgallah Bridge, lost his entire market garden.

Mr. C. Humphries of the Wilkin lost his whole apple orchard and market garden, the result of seven years of hard work, all lost overnight.

With the Glenelg rising at the rate of a foot an hour, Saturday night in Casterton was a night of fear and terror as sixty families were evacuated to safety. But the worst was yet to come. As the Sunday church bells tolled out on Sunday morning, Casterton and the surrounding district presented an awe inspiring spectacle. It was like an inland







sea. As far as the human eye could see there were the flood waters. The town water supply between Casterton and Coleraine was dislocated. The railway service between Casterton and Henty was closed as miles and miles of fencing, and bridges were swept away.

Throughout the day Casterton's Fire Bell called boatmen and swimmers to help Police evacuate marooned families.

By telephone the Post Master at Harrow, 40 miles upstream, early the day before told Casterton that waters had reached his Office, and he was closing down.

Late in the afternoon the Post Master at Chetwynd, 20 miles upstream from Casterton, warned the Casterton Post Office that the river at Burke's Bridge had risen five feet.

Near the junction of the Wannon and Glenelg, the only portion of Mr. Tom Baxter's home visible was the roof. He left it, never to live there again.

At the Ess Lagoon, Mr. R. White and family who were camped in tents and with a motor truck, barely escaped with their lives.

On the Sandford Road, the flood waters were so high that the local police had to bob their heads as they rowed boats under the telephone wires.

Major Mitchell's monument on Sandford Road, a well known land mark, was covered nearly to the top at flood level. With the railway line the only means of communication with Sandford three miles away on the Wannon, the police placed boats on rail trolleys to rescue marooned residents at McCormack's farm, but the current proved too strong, and they were forced to abandon their efforts.

Many elderly people, terrified by the incessant roaring of the flood waters as it lapped around their homes, seemed powerless to act, but in the wake of the 1946 flood there were some incredible stories of bravery and raw courage. The rescue at Daley's Farm, which is indelibly inscribed in the annals of the Royal Humane Society of Victoria, is one of these stories.

From Casey's Hill, and his vantage point from his home of Racecourse Road, Mr. W. O'Connell, anxious for the safety of his close friends the Daley's, was keeping a close watch on the Wannon.

At midday, the Wannon though well in flood, did not appear dangerous and nowhere near Daley's farm. After lunch when he returned to his watch, he was startled to see that the river had risen several feet in that short time and no sign of land or the farm was visible. He immediately gave the alarm, ringing Constable Dandy Patterson who was on duty at the police station and suggested a boat should be sent to the rescue. He suggested to Constable Patterson that he should procure the assistance of Mr. Alby Baugh and his boat.

Daley's farm situated on the banks of the Wannon, was only about 200 yards from the river at the rear of the Casterton racecourse, and very close to the junction of the Glenelg and Wannon.

Nestling in the background are The Sandford House, Hills. On March 17th, 1946, the homestead was occupied by Miss Nance Daley an elderly spinster, and her nephew Mr. Frank Daley. Miss Daley who had lived and survived in the same dwelling in the 1906 flood, steadfastly refused to leave her home. By Sunday afternoon all access to the farm was cut off, and the inmates completely marooned by the flood waters.

Constable A. Patterson, accompanied by Mr. A. Baugh, the boat and Mr. W. O'Connell went to the railway embankment opposite Daley's home.

When they arrived at the railway line they found Constable G. Murray, Frank Miller and Jack Kennedy already there, having returned from a similar mission at Henty.

Although he must have been near exhaustion from a strenuous Saturday night rescuing marooned people, and not a young man by any means, Constable Murray and Frank Miller braved the fierce currents to reach Daley's farm.



F. DALEY AND HIS MOTHER MRS. HEENAN



NANCE DALEY



FLOODED STREETS

When they saw the danger of trying to bring Miss Daley out in her weak and terrified condition, they decided to stay at the farm.

Constable Patterson and Alby Baugh, seeing as it was impossible to use the boat in such strong currents, plunged into the flood waters in an effort to reach Constable Murray and the marooned people at the farm.

The two police officers met between the embankment and the farm, and after a short discussion, Constable Murray and Frank Miller returned to arrange for the rescue over the last dangerous twenty feet of the river. Constable Patterson and Alby Baugh then went on to the farm as Miss Daley had to be quickly rescued or she would not be saved at all.

There was no possibility of a rescue being made without ropes to hang on to and Mr. O'Connell made a hurried trip to his home, and returned with ropes and provisions.

As they gazed across the turbulence between the railway line and Daley's, the spectacle for the rescuers was enough to strike fear into any man.

A drowned horse floated by. The seething brown waters were choked with flotsam. Old drays, farm implements that had lain rusted for years, domestic pets, dogs and cats swimming together, debris from the town rubbish dump, uprooted buildings, snakes, dead cattle, all hopelessly lost in the flood. Underneath the waters, snags, rusty barbed wire fences with broken posts, some worn to a point with the passage of time and as sharp as a Samurai sword.

On Daley's side of the Permanent Way, there were five large pine trees and some stunted gum trees. The rope was tied to a pine tree, but the rescue party was alarmed to see Constable Murray lose his footing, and he was only saved from being swept away by the prompt action of Frank Miller. When the rope was eventually tied, one end was held by Constable Murray, Frank Miller, Miss Silvie Sharam and W. O'Connell. The rescue party holding on to Miss Daley and hanging onto a fence, were still about two chains from the embankment. When the ropes were secured, Miss Daley was brought to safety. Most of the rescue party had now been in the water for about three hours

Miss Daley and her nephew were treated for shock and exposure by Sister J. Taylor.

Alby Baugh and Vic Aldridge, then went to the assistance of some of the rescuers still at Daley's farm. Alby Baugh was successful but Vic Aldridge who was small in stature, but game as a fighting cock, was swept off his feet. In desperation he grasped a barb wire fence and hung on grimly. The focal point of danger now was Vic Aldridge, completely exhausted, he called for help.

Constable Patterson plunged in again to help Vic Aldridge, but he was utterly worn out and could not return to the rope line and hung grimly with Vic Aldridge to the fence. Constable G. Murray and A. Baugh, who by then must have been in a weakened state, tried to reach the endangered men but this was in vain. A rescue attempt was also made on horseback, but the horses terrified by the roaring of the flood waters, refused to enter the current.

As the plight of Constable A. Patterson and Vic. Aldridge was rapidly deteriorating, an S.O.S. was sent to Casterton for further aid.

Two of Casterton's finest athletes, Messrs. C. Norris and J. Osborne, prepared for another attempt. C. Norris who was a big man in every sense of the word, tied a rope around his waist, and by using a fencing wire, attached a life line to the bank. Whilst these preparations were under way, the rescuers were alarmed to see that with the river still rising rapidly, the fence posts, old and rotten, were gradually pulling out, and the stranded men were now left with only two. Acting swiftly, Messrs. Osborne and Norris successfully reached the posts, but the first one pulled out, and when C. Norris attached the rope to the second one, it pulled out also.

Fortunately however, he found a precarious foothold, and held post and wire against the current, whilst J. Osborne and Constable A. Patterson, after a severe struggle against the floodwaters, got V. Aldridge to safety.

It certainly was a very close call for all concerned. Although both Constables and most of the rescuers received severe lacerations from their grim ordeal in the flooded waters, they all quickly recovered.

GOVERNOR'S VISIT

The Governor (Sir Winston Dugan) and Lady Dugan will leave Melbourne today to visit flooded areas in the Western District.

Sir Winston Dugan yesterday received the following message from the Governor General (The Duke of Gloucester). -

'The Duchess and I are most distressed to hear of the serious floods which have occurred in Western Victoria. We send our sympathy to the relatives of those who have lost their lives, and to those who have suffered such grievous losses. We hope that conditions will soon be restored to normal.'

On the following Wednesday, the rescue party, along with many other citizens of Casterton who played a noble part in rescue operations, were publicly thanked by His Excellency, the Governor, Sir Winston Dugan and Lady Dugan.

Constables G. Murray and A. Patterson who upheld the highest traditions of the Victorian Police Force, together with Messrs. V. Aldridge, C.L. Norris, A.J. Baugh and E.J. Osborne, were all awarded the Silver Medal by the Royal Humane Society for their bravery in the Rescue at Daley's Farm.

THE CITATION

JAMES JEROME MURRAY, First Constable of Police,

ANDREW GEORGE PATTERSON, First Constable of Police,

VICTOR RAYMOND ALDRIDGE, Truck Driver,

CHARLES LESTER NORRIS, Farmer,

ALBERT JAMES BAUGH, Labourer, and

EDWARD J. OSBORNE, Merchant, all of Casterton, who worked unceasingly for many hours in raging flood waters on March 16 and 17, 1946.

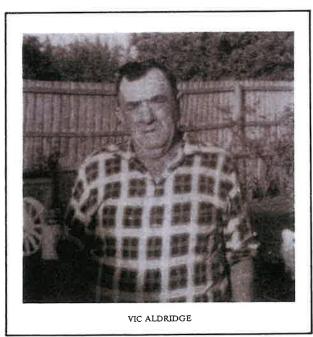
First Constable Murray did everything possible to warn or rescue persons from danger. In fact, in the end, he had to be pulled out of the torrent in a state of collapse, and was off duty for some weeks as the result of injury. From 11 p.m. on March 16 until he was relieved at midday on March 17, he was almost continually in the water. He is a weak swimmer and was in danger.

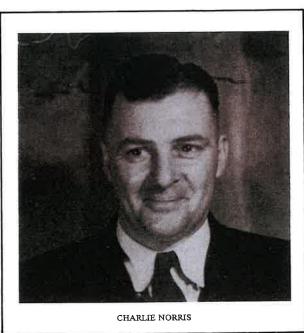
First Constable Patterson, a much younger man than Murray, worked long hours, most of it in the water, helping and rescuing settlers. He had to be rescued himself when, in attempting to save Aldridge, he went in again and was rescued by Norris and Osborne two hours later. He was cut badly by barbed wire and bruised considerably.

V.R. Aldridge, who is a small man just over a bout of rheumatic fever, in wading to assist Constable Murray, was swept off his feet and clung to a post until rescued by Norris, Osborne and Constable Patterson. He was in imminent danger throughout.

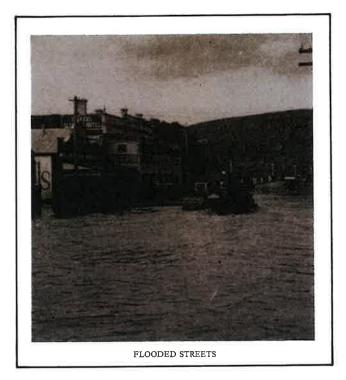
C.L. Norris and E.J. Osborne worked in the height of the flood in great danger and were repeatedly swept downstream in their efforts, particularly in rescuing Aldridge and Constable Patterson.

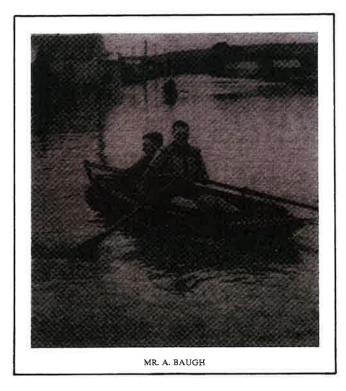
A.J. Baugh rendered splendid service, first in a row-boat and later with a rope across the current. His work was long and arduous and fraught with great danger.

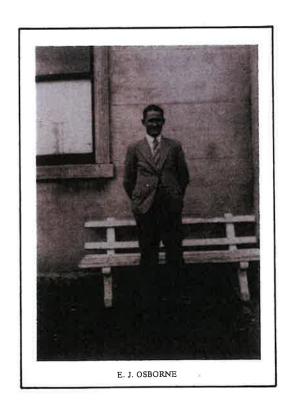
















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	Date	Activity
1.	Monday	Lower Floor: Bingo 10.30 AM
		Upper Floor: UNO Shuffle 1.30 PM
		L&L Meeting 10.00 AM
2.	Tuesday	Upper Floor: Dice 10:30 AM
		Lower Floor: Spot What 1:30 PM
3.	Wednesday	Lower Floor: RCL 10.30 AM
		Lower Floor: Residents meeting 1.30 followed by Bus Trip
4. Thurse	Thursday	Lower Floor: Dominoes 10.30 AM
		Upper Floor: Shooting Hoops 1.30 PM
5.	Friday	Lower Floor: Find-10s 10.30 AM
	-	Upper Floor: Morning Tea Bus Run 1.30 PM
6.	Saturday	Lower Floor: Cards 1.30 PM
	-	Upper Floor: Jacks 3.00 PM
7.	Sunday	Lower Floor: UNO 2.00 PM
	,	Upper Floor: Cover the Numbers 3.00 PM
8.	Monday	Lower Floor: Dice 10.30 AM
	,	Upper Floor: Musical DVD 1.30 PM
9.	Tuesday	Lower Floor: Golf 10.30 AM
	,	Upper Floor: Craft 1.30 PM
10.	Wednesday	Lower Floor: Hangman 10.30 AM
	,	Upper Floor: UNO 1.30 PM
11.	Thursday	Lower Floor: Church 11 AM
	marsaay	Upper Floor: Pairs 1.30 PM
12.	Friday	Lower Floor: Anagrams 10.30 AM
12,	Tiday	Alma Vickery Room: Bowls 1.30 PM
		All Areas: Happy Hour 3 PM
13. Satur	Saturday	Lower Floor: Anagrams 2.00 PM
	Jaturuay	Upper Floor: RCL 3.00 PM
14. Sunday	Sunday	Lower Floor: Liar's Dice 2.00 PM
	Juliuay	Upper Floor: Memory Cards 3.00 PM
15. Monday	Monday	Lower Floor: Bingo 10.30 AM
13.	ivioliday	All Areas: Country Bus Run 1.30 PM
16	Tuesday	
16.	Tuesday	Lower Floor: Book Club (Library Run) 10.30 AM
17	Madaasday	Upper Floor: Pamper Day 1.30 PM
17.	Wednesday	Lower Floor: Dice 10.30 AM
4.0	Thomas	All Areas: Country Bus Run 1.30 PM
18.	Thursday	Lower Floor: Cover the Numbers 10.30 AM
		Alma Vickery Room: Choir 1.30 PM

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19.	Friday	Lower Floor: Cover the Numbers 10.30 AM
		Upper Floor: Remember/Recount 1.30 PM
20.	Saturday	Lower Floor: Table Games 1.30 PM
		Upper Floor: Cards 2.30 PM
21.	Sunday	All Areas: Morning Tea Bus Trip 10.30 AM
22.	Monday	Lower Floor: Table Games 10.30 AM
		Upper Floor: Word Bingo 1.30 PM
23.	Tuesday	Lower Floor: Colour Art 10.30 AM
		Upper Floor: Deal or No Deal 1.30 pm
24.	Wednesday	Lower Floor: Dice 10.30 AM
		Upper Floor: Country Bus Run 1.30 PM
25.	Thursday	Lower Floor: Sing-A-Long with Judy 10.30 AM
·		Upper Floor: Battleships 2.00 PM
26.	Friday	Lower Floor: RCL 10.30 AM
<u> </u>		Alma Vickery Room: BBQ Day 12:00
27.	Saturday	Lower Floor: UNO 2.00 PM
		Upper Floor: Pairs 3.00 PM
28.	Sunday	Lower Floor: Find-10s 2.00 PM
		Upper Floor: Cards 3.00 PM
29.	Monday	Lower Floor: Bingo 10.30 AM
		Upper Floor: History Group 1.30 pm
30.	Tuesday	Lower Floor: Painting 10.30 AM
		Upper Floor: Knitting Group 1.30 PM
31.	Wednesday	Lower Floor: Digby Pub Lunch 11.30 AM
		Movie Day



Kerri from Hairwize will be here 9.15 AM 5th August

Nicki from Hair on Mane will be here at 1.00 PM on the Thursday, 4^{th} of July

Father George will be holding a Church Service in the Alma Vickery Room on Friday 19th of July

All welcome

Father Wayne will be holding a Church Service in the Alma Vickery Room on Thursday 11th of July

All welcome