

Winter 2018

# Open Door

Family Fun Day  
at The Terraces

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Easter at McKenzie

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Ray turns 100!



# CRUISING AROUND AT CapellaBay



**Beautiful weather,  
great company, why not go  
on a cruise?**

Residents and Staff love the outings at CapellaBay. A recent highlight was the cruise down the Brisbane River on the Kookaburra paddle steamer! The sun was shining, spirits were high and we all enjoyed the delicious lunch and a glass of wine. A big thank you to everyone who came along and made this lovely Friday afternoon a memorable one.



# Happy 100th Birthday Ray

It's not every day that a McKenzie Resident turns 100! Ray at Seabrook celebrated this very special milestone in March. Ray isn't the only centenarian at Seabrook, he also shared his birthday month with Mertyle who turned 102.

To celebrate this very significant milestone, the staff and chefs at Seabrook prepared a birthday party for Ray and his friends and family.

Ray also enjoyed a very special outing with the Men's Club at Seabrook. They visited the Caboolture War Plane Museum, which was meaningful because Ray, along with other members of Seabrook and the Men's Club, served in the war. Ray worked on planes during his wartime service.

Residents and Staff had such a great day seeing some very familiar planes. Stories and moments were shared between everyone who came along.

Everyone loved it so much, a visit to the War Plane Museum is definitely going to be planned again.



Ray's family at his party at Seabrook



Happy Birthday wishes from The Queen!



Ray as a young boy



# St. Patricks Day Cheer

St. Patricks Day always brings with it a lot of green and cheer! Residents really got into the St. Patricks Day celebrations by decorating, dressing up and eating green coloured foods. Irish music was played, songs were sung and poems were shared. We can't wait to make it bigger and better next year!



CapellaBay got everyone involved!



Seaton Place went all out Green for St. Patrick's Day

# Family fun day at The Terraces!



Nothing better than getting families together for a fun day!

The Terraces always has fun and exciting activities on, and May was no exception! Sam and Lachlan from 'Wild Encounters' visited and brought along some scaly friends. Snakes, baby crocs and other creepy crawlies that everyone, including family and friends, came along to see. Face painting, balloons and of course a BBQ made for a great day. Thank you to everyone involved in organising this fantastic day. We look forward to what's in store at the next one!



Julie made a new friend!



Everyone had a pat



Nerves of steel!



# Royal Wedding Fever!



The Ashley's staff and residents got into the spirit



CapellaBay made everyone feel like royalty!



Charlesbrook looked very British



Wedding memories at SandBrook

The Royal Wedding of Prince Harry and Meghan Markle was hard to miss in May! It was talked about by everyone all over the world, including everyone at McKenzie Aged Care.

Our homes all celebrated in their own ways. SandBrook encouraged staff and residents to bring in their wedding memorabilia to display on a table and share stories of their own special days. Charlesbrook decorated their residence with some very British memorabilia. CapellaBay had a royal wedding high tea. Staff and residents wore crowns and definitely felt like royalty!

Do you want to find out about what some of our other residences did for the Royal Wedding? All McKenzie Residences have their own Facebook page with many more photos and stories of activities. Take a look on Facebook to see what we got up to!

## Memory Walk 2018

Staff and friends from McKenzie Support Office and McKenzie's Victorian residences got together and walked in the Alzheimer's Australia's 'Memory Walk'. The 5km Memory Walk was held at Westerfold's Park in Templestowe. Participants could choose to walk or run. McKenzie Aged Care had such a great turn out with everyone wearing the vibrant McKenzie People sports shirts and apparel. Thank you to everyone who came along to raise funds and awareness!



# Residence Birthdays!

It's been a very busy Birthday time of year at McKenzie Aged Care! Nine of our homes celebrated their birthdays in the past few months. That's a lot of cake!

Each one celebrates in their own unique way, and you can be sure that there is amazing food prepared by our chefs and music by local entertainers. One of the highlights at these residence birthday parties is the Milestone Staff Awards ceremony. Certificates and pins

are awarded to McKenzie staff that have been with us for five, ten or fifteen years. For more pictures of your residence's birthday party, head to the Facebook page, there are simply too many to print!

Thank you to everyone who helped plan our parties and participated, we always have a great time at a McKenzie Birthday Party!



Cheers to Bribie Cove!



Glasshouse Views knows how to throw a party!



Bribie Cove's Milestone Staff Awards



A Rock 'n' Rolling Birthday at SandBrook



Party time at Seabrook



# The Circus arrived at The Ashley

**Clowns, Balloons, Fairy Floss and Popcorn, it was all at The Ashley for their birthday party!**

The Ashley's staff went all out to make sure everyone had a great day with lots of fun, games and delicious food.

Staff dressed up as clowns and circus characters creating an enjoyable carnival atmosphere.

Make sure you get your copy of the activity calendar every month to stay up to date with all of our creative activities!



## International Nurses Day

McKenzie's nurses and staff really are what make McKenzie a special place to work and live. International Nurses Day was on the 12th of May and our residences chose individual ways to celebrate.

Seaton Place started getting ready days before to put all of the finishing touches together for their event. Nurses dressed up in an array of fun and traditional nursing costumes and enjoyed a special afternoon tea.



Looking good ladies!

## Some very special visitors!

On top of a very exciting circus day, The Ashley had some very cute visitors.

The visiting animals included adorable bunny rabbits, baby lambs, miniature horse and other cuddly creatures. The residents thoroughly enjoyed their interaction with these new furry friends and we're counting the days until they come back!



# ANZAC DAY 2018

ANZAC Day is always celebrated at McKenzie residences, with many of our residents having served in the armed forces. Every residence holds their own personalised events, ensuring that everyone plays a part and can pay their respects.

All of the services were absolutely beautiful and some had the local RSL members come along to help conduct services. Wreaths were laid and flags

flown at half mast. ANZAC Day can be an emotional event and always carried out with dignity and respect. Thank you to all of the staff, volunteers and others who helped organise the events, ensuring everything ran smoothly.



Our residents helped make home-made wreaths to lay



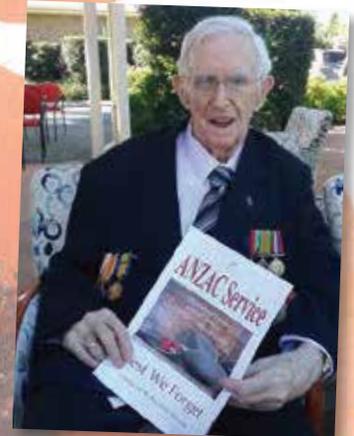
A beautiful day and a beautiful wreath laying service in the gardens at CapellaBay



The flag coming down to half mast at Heritage Lodge



Getting ready for the CapellaBay Service. Looking very smart in suits and medals



ANZAC Day service at Glasshouse Views



Newmans' ANZAC service



Laying of the wreaths at Lynbrook



Bagpipe march through Seabrook before the laying of the wreaths



Raffles and their memorial display



A great turn out at SandBrook's service



Everyone's ready at The Terraces



Seaton Place ANZAC service

# The Easter Bunny steals the show

Easter is always a time for family, friends and chocolate of course. The Easter bunny was busy visiting all of our homes handing out chocolate eggs and bunnies, and sharing lots of laughs and hugs.

Many residences had Easter themed activities leading up to Easter Sunday which included egg painting, and decoration making.

Some residences, including CapellaBay and SandBrook, had chickens hatch in the lead up to Easter. The residents were particularly excited by this activity and kept a close eye on proceedings, eagerly awaiting the hatchings!



Stealing a hug and a kiss from the Easter Bunny at Glasshouse Views!



The Easter Bunny also made it to Seabrook



Easter presents for everyone at Seaton Place.



Lots of Bunny hugs at The Terraces!



These baby chicks were the talk of SandBrook!



# A very special Mother's Day



High Tea for the ladies at Seaton Place

One of our favourite celebratory days of the year is Mother's Day. It always creates a hive of activity and excitement in all the McKenzie homes.

There was no shortage of High Tea, cakes and teats as residences celebrated and included all of our friends and family.

At Seabrook, they had a Baby Shower for Sheri, a staff member who was expecting to deliver her baby very soon!

It was great to see so many families coming together and celebrating Motherhood and all that our Mum's have done for us.



Lots of smiles and laughs at CapellaBay



Yummy food at Raffles!



Taking turns measuring Sheri's baby belly!



Mother's Day tea on the terrace at SandBrook



## McKenzie Locations

### Queensland

#### Bribie Cove

199-213 Goodwin Drive  
Bongaree QLD

#### Buderim Views

383 Mooloolaba Road  
Buderim QLD

#### CapellaBay

260 Old Cleveland Road East  
Capalaba QLD

#### GlasshouseViews

96 Peachester Road  
Beerwah QLD

#### SandBrook

10 Executive Drive  
Burleigh Waters QLD

#### Seabrook

15-29 Bonton Avenue  
Deception Bay QLD

#### Seaton Place

111 Smith Street  
Cleveland QLD

#### The Terraces

74 University Drive  
Varsity Lakes QLD

### Victoria

#### Charlesbrook

1 Innisfallen Avenue  
Templestowe VIC

#### Lynbrook Park

42 Olive Road  
Lynbrook VIC

#### Newmans on the Park

33 Newmans Road  
Templestowe VIC

#### Rosebrook

441 Waterfall Gully Road  
Rosebud VIC

#### Sutton Park

126-134 Exford Road  
Melton South VIC

#### The Ashley

17-21 Ashley Street  
Reservoir VIC

### New South Wales

#### Heritage Lodge

194 Byangum Road  
Murwillumbah NSW

#### Raffles

Peregrine Drive  
Tweed Heads South NSW

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## Look at how far we've come!

McKenzie Aged Care's newest residence in Buderim is coming along so quickly! The 'Top Out', which is the installation of the roof, is to be completed in mid June with everyone looking forward to the Grand Opening and finally making the building a home.



## Find your residence on Facebook

Did you know McKenzie Aged Care Group and all of our residences now have their own Facebook pages? It's a great way for residents and family members to stay in touch. Also for staff to share photos of our many and varied activities. Make sure you friend us to see all our updates. There are plenty more photos and videos of the fun we get up to.

Just search for '**Facility Name – McKenzie Aged Care Group**'.



## Give us your feedback!

A feedback form can be found at the reception of all residences. We'd love to hear from residents and families.

