



# Newsletter

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## Daylight Savings

*Don't forget to move your clocks forward 1 hour on Sunday the 6th of October for daylight savings!*



## From the CEO's Desk



Greetings everyone,

I am sitting in my office, writing this piece with sunshine streaming through my window for the first time in a long time. What a lovely reprieve from the cold temperatures we've endured this winter.

As customary, I'd like to welcome our new staff and clients and wish you all a long and positive experience with the Murray Mallee Aged Care family.

As I mentioned in the previous newsletter, the organization celebrated its 25th Anniversary on the 24th of August. We honoured the occasion at an afternoon event held at the Murray Bridge Greyhound Racecourse on the 24th. We were joined by many old faces and one that may be known to some of you. That is the inimitable Kay Cox, my predecessor who'd been with the organization for 9 years until 2014.

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## Snake Season

With the weather warming up we're entering the season that our reptile friends love the most. Make sure you keep a close eye on where you are stepping and try not to disturb any of our slithering friends.

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Do you need help securing your Home Care Package with Murray Mallee Aged Care Group?

Our Service Consultants will assist you in the My Aged Care Referral Process.

Book a free appointment now on (08) 8532 2255



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## From the CEO's Desk (cont.)

Kay joined the celebrations and shared some history and told us some funny stories. It was wonderful to reminisce with Board Members and former staff. We especially acknowledged the longest serving Board Members in attendance. They are Robert Sexton and Theo Weinmann both having served for more than 16 years. Our longest serving staff member is Wendy Bartlett our Finance Manager. Wendy joined the organization 18 years ago and remains an ever-loyal stalwart. I hope that the organization continues to grow and thrive as it works towards the next milestone.

I was reminded just how important community is, particularly in the regional areas where there are fewer people to fulfill important voluntary roles. Continuing on the theme of voluntary community roles, we are very fortunate to have a strong Board of Directors, made up of nine outstanding people who volunteer their time to ensure the organization is governed well. One of those people is Lilian Gyss, who runs our weekly technology class as a volunteer. In recognition of Lilian's unfailing commitment to the organization, Lilian was nominated as an entrant of the Aged and Community Services Australia (ACSA) Volunteer of the Year Award. Along with Lilian, Senior Staff and Morris Terrell, the Chairman of the Board, attended a function in Adelaide where Lilian's nomination was recognized, and Lilian was announced as the runner up.

For some time, I have been writing and talking about our Affordable Housing development at 18 Warner Road Murray Bridge. I am absolutely thrilled to announce that the

construction is now complete and will soon be ready for people to move in. We've been extremely fortunate to employ Alma and John Gillard as the site Managers. Both Alma and John have had extensive experience working in similar establishments throughout South Australia. Alma is a fabulous cook and John is a retired electrician and general all-round handyman. Please take the time to make an appointment to have a look around and see for yourself the beautiful environment that has been built right here in the heart of Murray Bridge. Until such time that we have a phone number for the managers, please contact Foster Davis to arrange an inspection on 8532 2255.

You may recall that in the last newsletter I flagged the changes to the pricing model and the requirement for transparency, along with the introduction of the new single Charter of Aged Care Rights. I'm pleased to report that all our existing clients have signed the new agreement and received a copy of the Charter of Rights. This was achieved by the great work that Carol Lake and our team in Murray Bridge undertook for us in the regions and Patrizia and her team in Adelaide.

I wish you all a happy spring and look forward to the festive season ahead.

Best Wishes,  
Anna Howard

## Warner Close Retirement Living

Discover the ultimate Murray Mallee lifestyle with spectacular and comfortable units, beautifully landscaped grounds, and an excellent location. Warner Close Retirement Living is a place to call home. Dive into the vibrant Murraylands experience in one of South Australia's most popular townships.

Immerse yourself in the growing pulse of daily activity and lively community. Take in the peaceful views of the riverfront only 4km from the village. Relax and enjoy a coffee at one of the many local cafes. Warner Close Retirement Living invites you to taste the serenity of the Murraylands in the heart of a booming rural City with charismatic neighbourhoods, iconic attractions, and layers of cultural life.

At the heart of our village is the crowning jewel, our Community Centre. At Warner Close Retirement Living life is as busy or as quiet as you want it to be. The community centre is a hub of social activity and events offering a variety of organized activities and special interest groups for you to join.

In addition to our Community Centre, the village also features a full sized shed for wood or metal work, in addition to on-site gopher storage.

With meals included as a part of your weekly rental, cooking now becomes simply for fun! Our weekly linen service means that you no longer have to worry about heavy laundry and have more time for the things you enjoy.

Receiving in-home care services? Not to worry! You can still have these services in your new unit at Warner Close, no matter the provider!

To receive a copy of our information booklet or to arrange a tour of the village, contact us on 8532 2255.

## What's Happening At Kaleidescape?

Our Kaleidescape groups have been busy visiting a number of different places for lunch recently, including the Tailem Bend Motorsport Park, Riverside Hotel, Murray Bridge Community Club and the Palmer Pub. We love any suggestions for activities and places to visit and are excited for the upcoming activities!



# Photo Gallery

Take a look at photos from our 25th Anniversary Celebrations and the ACSA Volunteer Awards.

