

### Greetings from the DON

#### *Hello and Welcome,*

*Greetings to all, can you believe we are now in December and Christmas is but a few weeks away. What a lovely time of year, looking back over the year it's been, reflecting on the good and bad, spending time with family and friends and enjoying all the excitement that Christmas brings.*

*It's that time of year where Boronia House springs into action preparing for Christmas, it's decorating time. Our residents enjoy decorating the Christmas trees around the facility, creating Christmas Craft and getting that festive feel.*

*Over the past few months our residents have enjoyed lots of fun activities, outings, entertainment, craft, bingo and the list goes on. We do encourage all our residents to join in these activities.*

*In 2024 Thompson Health Care are establishing a Consumer Advisory Board and we encourage you to send your expression of interest to sit on this board. Along with this, there are other initiatives in the planning which will be implemented and updated to you in 2024.*

*Welcome to all our new residents and their family. We hope you are enjoying Boronia House.*

*As always, if you have any feedback or suggestions, please either complete the Feedback Form which you can find at Reception, phone, email or see me in person.*

*I would like to take this opportunity to wish each and every one the most wonderful Christmas and a year ahead that brings happiness to all*

**Kind regards**  
**Sonu Poudel**



### Baby shower for Ashmi's Baby boy:

*Residents & staff participating in traditional baby themed games as everyone celebrated Ashmi's baby shower. A fun time had by all!*



### NRL tipping competition:

*Congratulations to our winners and competition participants.*



*Jean Davis taking 1<sup>st</sup> place, two years in a row.*



*Noel Tuckwell taking 2<sup>nd</sup> place, two years in a row.*



*Equal 3<sup>rd</sup> place Reg Gibbs and Alafaga Ituau Puletua*



*Jim Hopkinson took out the wooden spoon 3 years running*

*Thank you to all the residents who joined in the footy tipping competition this year - looking forward to next year to see if Jean can make it a 'hat trick'!*

### Celebrations:

#### Dorothy 100<sup>th</sup> birthday:

Dorothy celebrated her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday with High Tea surrounded by family, friends, staff and residents. Everyone enjoyed a wonderful afternoon celebrating Dorothy's milestone. Dorothy was delighted and happy to join in all the fun.



### Resident's contribution:

*Hi, my name is Norma Byrne, I have been living at Boronia House for 4 months. I enjoy participating in all activities that RAO'S offer, it makes life a lot more pleasurable to be involved in everything. I have made some good friends here. My favourite activities are happy hour and bus trips. All the staff have made me feel very welcome and at home, everyone is always helpful and very cheerful.*



Norma Byrne

### Cupcake Decorating:



Everyone had a great afternoon decorating cupcakes and doing food quiz games.

### Breast cancer awareness High Tea:

*We celebrated Women's Health Week with a High Tea morning tea. Our RAO Kerrie made special cupcakes with pink and white icing to highlight awareness of women's breast cancer. Residents and Staff wore pink colours to commemorate the day.*



### Melbourne cup:

*Melbourne Cup celebrations this year were wonderful with everyone getting dressed in their finest hats, fascinators and going into the traditional sweep stakes for the race that stops the nation! Drinks and nibbles were also served...Winners were Grinners!*





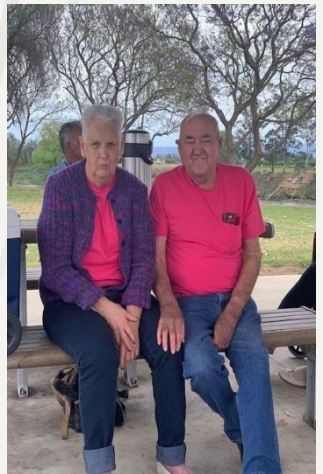
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### Bus trips Highlights:

*Residents of Boronia House enjoy a variety of weekly bus trips to various locations, usually ending the trip with a cuppa and some treats. Everyone always enjoys being out in the fresh air, taking in the wonderful scenery and basking in the sunshine.*



### Themed happy hour:

*FUN afternoons were had by all as we celebrated Oktoberfest, pyjama day, Halloween and R U OK day.*



### Diwali:

*A big thank you to all the staff who put on a wonderful performance for our residents as we celebrated Diwali. A very appreciative crowd enjoyed watching them all sing and dance.*



### Remembrance Day:

*Remembrance Day wreath placed by our returned Vietnam serviceman.*



*Darryl Aesche*



*Residents visiting Darrell Lea and Lindt chocolate factories.*

### Activities:









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### *Staff Christmas party.*



### **Upcoming Events:**

*Residents Christmas – Party Dec 13<sup>th</sup>*

*Christmas Day – Dec 25<sup>th</sup>*

*Australia Day – Jan 26<sup>th</sup>*

*Valentine's Day – Feb 14<sup>th</sup>*