In the month of August

Some of Melbourne's hottest foodies, artisans and performers will once again cosy up under the historic sheds for Queen Victoria’s Night Market. Food wise there are over 30 stalls, so plenty to choose from, and to keep those winter chills at bay, why not stroll around with a cup of hot mulled wine.
Hello Everyone,

We gained a lot of interest in our Name the Kitten competition, who now goes by the name of Toby. Next time you see Amy with our newest fur baby visitor say hello! He is rather cute, gorgeous and a lovely calm personality.

Also celebrated in July was Jean’s 100th Birthday and we were made to feel part of her celebrations with her family and friends, so thank you for including your Trinity friends Jean.

Our Cultural Days continue to be welcomed by Elders and their families. I have to give a huge pat on the back to the Lifestyle team of Cinzia & Josh who did amazing work behind the scenes in getting our NAI-DOC Week up and running weeks prior to the event. Their enthusiasm and time spent in research and gathering all items to ensure that Elders received a wonderful 2 days of celebration was amazing to see.

8th August we have our Residents & Relatives Meeting which I always look forward to. I would like to propose to Elders and Family a possible new way of structuring the meetings with looking at possibly one or two subjects that they wish to focus on to give it more time. We will see on the 8th whether Elders are agreeable.

For August keep the 10th aside for the Trinity Golf Masters being held over the course of the day. I know a lot of people are already building up their resolve through Josh’s new Fun and Fitness group each Wednesday.

Another date to keep aside will be 24th August where we have been able to engage Pauline Meaney who is an Elder Advocacy Consultant. We invite Elders, their Families, friends and any other interested party’s to join us, gather information and understand your rights and how your rights can be supported.

High Tea has become quite popular which is wonderful to see, it was almost standing room for our recent High Tea where Cinzia researched information on popular Red Heads.

Our VIP Coffee Club is due to commencing in August/September and we wish to thank ahead of time a new Volunteer in Kath C who is happy to host this afternoon of sitting back and get to know one another better.

**VOLUNTEER VACANCIES:** Our regular Bingo Volunteer has had to resign due to personal reasons and we are now on the look out for a weekly Bingo Caller to Volunteer. Also vacant is a second person to assist our volunteer Janine on Thursday mornings for Carpet Bowls. If you wish to learn more, please do not hesitate to speak to Jessie for a non obligatory sit down over a coffee (my shout!)

Please remember to look out for our Weekly Activities Planner to see what is happening for the week and also keep an eye out for special Posters too. As always we look forward in receiving any suggestions you may have to include in our Activity Program for 2017. Remember to look us up on Facebook too and give us a big like! We hope you enjoy the August newsletter.

Cheers, Jessie Bainbridge, (Lifestyle Manager) & The Lifestyle Team
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Suitable Activities offered in 1st Floor from 9.30 til 4.00pm
Suitable Activities offered in Garden Court from 9.30 til 11.30am—3.15 til 4.00pm

Genazzano Students Visit this School Term

16th August – Catholic Communion – 3.30 – 4.00pm – Reflection Room
17th August — Carpet Bowls with Janine – 10.30 – 11.30am – Lower Ground Floor
17th August — Movie of The Week—1.30—3.00pm—Reflection Room
18th August—Denise—Clinical Therapist Here Today
18th August—Tai Chi—10.30—11.30am—Reflection Room
18th August — G2 ENTERTAINERS—Graham & Gary—1.30—2.30—Lower Ground Floor
21st August – Bingo – 10.30 – 11.30am – Reflection Room
21st August—Omega Potts Music Therapy—1.30—2.15pm—1st Floor
21st August — Armchair Lecture with Cinzia—1.30—3.00pm—Reflection Room
22nd August —Gym Group with Physio—10..30—11.30am in Gymnasium
22nd August—Fran, Beauty Therapist Visits Today—Everywhere
22nd August - Book Reading Group—1.00—3.00pm—Reflection Room
22nd August—Scenic Bus Outing with Dave (Volunteer) - 2.00—3.30pm
23rd August — Gym Group with Physio – 10.30 – 11.00am in Gymnasium
23rd August – Hairdressers here today – Beauty Salon
23rd August —Huxley—Delta Therapy Dog—Visits Everywhere Today
23rd August —Fun & Fitness with Josh—1.30—3.00pm—Reflection Room
23rd August – Catholic Communion – 3.30 – 4.00pm – Reflection Room
24th August - Carpet Bowls with Janine – 10.30 – 11.30am – Lower Ground Floor
24th August—An Afternoon with Pauline Meaney from Elder Rights Advocacy Group interesting information for Elders, Family & Friends—1.30—2.30pm + Afternoon Tea—Reflection Room
25th August —Denise—Clinical Therapist Here Today
25th August – Tai Chi – 10.30 – 11.30am – Reflection Room
25th August—Knit n Natter with Volunteers—2.00—3.00pm—Reflection Room
28th August —Bingo – 10.30 – 11.30am – Reflection Room
28th August—High Tea with Cinzia—Winter Theme—2.00—3.00pm—Reflection Room
29th August— Gym Group with Physio—10.30—11.30 in Gymnasium
29th August—Book Reading Group with Chris (Volunteer) 1.00pm—2.30pm—Reflection Room
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31st August —Carpet Bowls with Janine—10.30—11.30am—Lower Ground Floor
31st August— Classical Music Appreciation with Peta (Volunteer) - 2.00—3.00pm—Reflection Room
Kitten is Named!

Over the past month we have been delighted with visits by an unnamed kitten. Amy who volunteers with us brought in her new boy, however he did not have a name. Hence a competition was developed.

We had a stunning 60 odd names entered for our kitten naming competition. Many great names we mentioned, thanks very much! Here are some of the entries!


We had a fun filled morning of playing with the 7 week old kitten, watching it's cute and funny ways, having a laugh and sharing memories of our own pets over a cuppa and cake for morning tea.

- Funniest name goes too.... Bev S with - 'Mr Fluffy''
- Most call-able name goes to....Enid C - 'Whiskers'
- Craziest name goes to.....Marj H - 'Sergeant Major'

AND...... the most favoured name the Amy and Janine goes to..... Merle - 'TOBY'

After the morning tea we had a fun game of carpet bowls, which Little Toby showed quite a lot of promise as a carpet bowler!
NAIDOC Week is from 2nd to 9th July and at Trinity we celebrated the rich history of our Indigenous community and incorporated our monthly Lecture plus a trial at Bark Painting. Cinzia’s Lectures are looked forward to by our Elders; photos of Bush Tucker, Artworks, also famous Aboriginals in history including Artists, Sports men and women as well as Activists and Politicians that have paved the way in change and reform for their people were highlighted.

Highlights: decorating the room in the colors of the Aboriginal Flag. As we had an abundance of Autumn leaves in our Trinity garden, I scattered red and yellow leaves throughout the room, as well as a floral arrangement of Australian native flowers. I brought in a Bark Painting and a hand painted hunting tool from my own Collection. This was passed around for the Elders to see. They were fascinated to see authentic Aboriginal works of Art up close.

It is always pleasing to have a captivated Audience, their curiosity and fascination made for much conversation, as well as asking lots of questions and even adding their own stories and experiences.

Aboriginal Australian artist Loongkoonan is being honored with the first international exhibition of her work, minutes from the White House.

She only took up the paint brush at the age of 95. And now, at what she calls the “still very lively“ age of 105,
Cinzia with her ‘Serious Lecturer’ face on!.

Stuart our ‘Artist in Residence’ listens intently as Cinzia spoke about The origins of Dot Painting and the complex symbolism, proving that it is never too old to learn about other

‘Full House’ – including family and friends that are always welcome to join us.
Josh undertook a class on Ancient aboriginal art. Elders looked at several old bark paintings & dot painting styles, old school and more contemporary indigenous art too. Using an Aboriginal 'symbols sheet’ we learnt their meanings and how it would be use in Aboriginal art and what these mean in their culture. We used these same symbols in our paintings, to try and tell a story, which was a lot of fun! First we practiced on brown paper, and then worked our way up to paper bark, then finally did our master pieces on a polished brown bark.
YEEEEEEIIIIIIIIIIII HARRRRRRRR

COXY THE COWBOY WAS BACK IN TOWN!

Coxy took us around Australia to the back of Burke and Beyond playing his Guitar in his cowboy style and even got us learning how to play a didgeridoo! We had a lot of fun along the way.
Claire is a songstress of many years on the Stage and entertains in many venue’s. We were thrilled that she was able to come to Trinity Manor and enthral us with her amazing voice. As always she happily mills around us, enticing us to join her in several songs that we know so well.

A great afternoon
Some of us had the opportunity to accompany Claire in a few of her songs!
Meet The Back Up Band

Morrie— On Percussion & Merl—Tamborine

Judith (Left), Marj & June — All adding further background music
A HIGH TEA WITH A TWIST. A flush of color throughout the room and at each table setting – all adding to the heightened excitement to see what would be uncovered. Our VIP Guest; Pompon our resident four legged ‘Red Headed Dog played up to the Camera, as well as prancing around the room with the airs and graces of a Queen. Which was quite appropriate - really - when we uncovered later in our Mystery Red Head Quiz – that there were two Regents that were Red Heads. Can you guess who they were?

We had a blockbuster turnout and only just fit everyone in.

All Elders were intrigued to discover who the Bold and Beautiful Reds turned out to be – particularly the Rare Reds with Blue Eyes! Much laughter and merriment was had by all. Particularly popular when helping with the Quiz and passing around the Quiz Winners with a selection of chocolates and Lollies. (red, of course).
Everyone was listening intently on backgrounds of famous Red heads.
During the School Holidays, we were approached to see whether we would host 2 students in playing their violins.

This request was made by Nicole, who has become part of the Trinity family in her role as private companion for Enid, one of our Elders here. Nicole graced us by bringing her beautiful children to perform for Elders.

They literally blew our socks off—such amazing talent who are currently Victorian College of The Arts students. The wonderful talent and skills shone brightly through their musical pieces which we all appreciated.

The boys were strolling minstrels as they played from the top floor through to joining Elders at Carpet Bowls in the lower ground floor.
Elders felt appreciative that we were invited to be part of Jean's 100th birthday celebrations alongside with her family and friends before they held their own private party.

We were able to highlight what happened 100 years ago on 25th July when Jean was born.

Jean was then surprised with a letter from The Queen, congratulating her on her birthday and other letters from Prime Minister, Malcolm Turnbull; Governor General, Peter Cosgrove and our local Member of Parliament, Josh Frydenberg.
At our recent Classical Music Appreciation session, Bernie with our volunteer Peta, who surprised us all with a live performance.

It was fabulous.

Fun & Fitness with Josh is now on the weekly calendar.

Come along and lets have some fun while we get fit. We start every week with AFL ZOOMBA!! and other fun cardio warm ups, such as boxing where we can take out any frustrations - ha ha ha,

From there we have a bit of chaos where we throw a variety of soft balls, some small some massive and boot them around in a circle, we raise a sweat with time taken to catch our breath, a quick refuel with a cuppa and a little bite to eat with some fruit, then the last 30 mins to hour, we play fun short hand eye coordination games, or a game of volleyball, Netball, Basketball, soccer, hockey.... each week its different and you have to be ready for anything!!!
Marj is such ‘a Natural’ when she has Knitting Needles in her hands – clicking AND chatting.
June loves the chat to the rhythm of the Needles, . . . *clickitty clack! clickitty clack!*

Betty above shows a fabulous & fun purse she is making during our Leather workshops conducted at Trinity.

It is all concentration with Helen, Betty and June (our volunteer) during Knit n Natter.
Lorli (above) and Enid (right) enjoying being part of our Flower Arranging Group in Garden Court.

A huge thank you to one of our dear friends, George, who organised a musical trip around the world. George selected over 50 songs that represents various countries. It was a foot tapping trip along memory lane to music.
LIZ AND MERLE ‘GLAMMING IT UP’
Taken at RIPPONLEA HOUSE, 27TH JULY

Liz and Merle joined our volunteer Bus Driver, Dave & Cinzia at a Fashion Exhibition called ‘Night Life’ drawn from the fashion collection of the National Trust. They marveled at the extraordinary Evening Gowns as well as accessories, which revealed embellished surfaces with hand sewn beading, pearls, embroidery and lace and followed the history of Designer Fashion history over 20 years from the early 1920s to the ‘Moderne Style’ of the 30’s.

Directly after; all enjoyed a Devonshire Tea at Ripponlea (walking through this vast Mansion is thirsty work)!
Hello and welcome to — Carl’s Comic Corner

For any jokes please send to Jessie from Lifestyle—
jessiebainbridge@trinitymanor.com.au

“THE SECRET TO
STAYING YOUNG IS TO
LIVE HONESTLY, EAT SLOWLY,
AND LIE ABOUT YOUR AGE
LUCKY BALL”

“Redheads are lucky,
it’s frequently said.
My friends all assure me
while patting my head.
Redheads have freckles,
a fact I can’t hide.
So I count my self special
and wear them with pride.
I’ve heard the expression
that blondes have more fun.
But when it comes to us
redheads
we’re the true lucky ones!”

“The question isn’t
who is going to
let me; it’s who is
going to stop me.”
— AYN RAND

“I have seen what a laugh can do. It can transform
almost unbearable tears into something bearable,
even hopeful.

(Bob Hope)”
Big Birthday Wishes to our following Elders coming up in August 2017

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Happy Birthday to Liz who celebrated her ‘90th’ Birthday which was a 2 day affair. Sunday was a Special Lunch-Out with friends and family. Monday the partying continued and coincided with our High Tea ‘Famous RedHeads’.

_How fortuitous that Liz was born a Red Head!!!_

Happy Birthday Wishes to Bernie who celebrated this special occasion also with Trinity friends during Classical Music session.

Bernie literally sang for his birthday cake!
Trinity Manor has an active Health and Safety Program and has systems in place to identify and eliminate/control hazards. If an elder or visitor identifies a hazard please inform staff verbally or complete an Improvement Form for us to follow up. Please ensure your own safety and that of other elders and staff by being mindful of closing doors behind you.

Staff have been trained for emergency procedures. In the event of an emergency, for example fire, follow staff's instructions. Emergency practice drills are conducted each year. You may be asked if you would like to participate.

Trinity Manor is well protected with its advanced and extensive fire detection and fire-fighting installations. However, it is recommended that you familiarise yourself with the fire exit locations.

If you hear fire alarm sounding, please await instructions from a staff member.

Please remember in the event of a fire:

♦ DO NOT USE THE LIFTS
♦ REMAIN CALM
♦ PRESS THE NURSE CALL BUTTON TO ATTRACT THE ATTENTION OF A STAFF MEMBER

If you are evacuated, please:

♦ Remain calm
♦ Leave all belongings behind you
♦ Follow the instructions of the staff member
♦ Go to the designated assembly area and await further instructions
♦ Any visitors or family with an Elder at the time of a Fire or Emergency are also requested to remain in your room and await instructions from staff to ensure an ordered response to emergency procedures.

BOOKING OF CAFÉ WESTBURY

It is wonderful to see families celebrate special occasions with their Elder. As a reminder to everyone, for 3 or more people, we do require you to use the Café Area and fill a booking form. You can have our wonderful Chef prepare food for you or you can bring in your own delights.

This is for the convenience towards other Elders whilst they go about their day to day activity.

So please, for 3 or more people celebrating, we do ask you to book and use the Café Area; note this does incur a cleaning charge.

For a booking form just ask Joseph Chacko or Lifestyle Staff who will be able to organize one to be either e-mailed or collected.

VISITORS SIGN IN BOOK

LOCATED AT RECEPTION

Visitors are reminded that ALL visitors need to sign the visitor’s book on your way IN and OUT of the facility. Not only will this enable us to account for everyone in the case of an emergency, such as fire, but it is an OH&S requirement. The book is located in the entrance foyer.
We love to see relatives and visitors join Elders for a meal. However, a reminder for you—please remember that we require you to order your meal a minimum of 2 hours prior to a Lunch or Dinner Meal and collect a Meal Voucher to present to catering staff. You can book days ahead too!!

All Elders are served their meals first then those that have pre-ordered their meals. In not ordering prior to a meal we cannot guarantee that there will be a meal there for you and hence cause disappointment.

Please help us to enable you to have an enjoyable meal at Trinity Manor.

Another reminder, please check with us for any mail that may have arrived. Mail addressed to elders is kept in the Nurse's station, both 1st Floor and Ground Floor areas. Next time you are in just ask one of the staff to check for you.

Deepdene Pharmacy is the Pharmacy Group who supplies all medications. Drop in and see them, they are a friendly group and they are just up the road on the corner of Pretoria St and Whitehorse Road.

For Queries Contact:
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ELDERS OUTINGS & HOME VISITS
When Elders relatives organize to take their loved one home or out for outings, it is important to please let the Care Manager know for our information so that they can assist you in any particular needs and provide any medications required.

Elders must be signed out whenever they leave the facility and signed back when you return.

See Care Manager for appropriate form based in Elders file.

FOOD BROUGHT IN:
If visitors bring food for the Elders, please see the Care Manager first, as specific forms in Elders files must be completed. High Risk foods like meat, fish and dairy will be discarded if not eaten immediately.

Cooked food brought in, again, must be eaten immediately and cannot be stored. Non-perishable items such as biscuits, must be in a sealed container, labeled and must be dated if kept in the Elders room.

We ask Visitors not to give brought in food to other Elders not only because of the food safety requirements but because the resident may have a medical condition or allergies that may prevent them from eating the food including the possibility that they may choke.
History

The Rippon Lea Estate was built in 1868 for Sir Frederick Sargood, a wealthy Melbourne businessman, politician and philanthropist. Frederick and his wife Marion purchased Crown Allotment 253 and either all, or part of Crown Allotment 260 in the Parish of Prahran, Elsternwick giving them a total area of 11 hectares (26 acres). Located about 8 kilometres from the Melbourne central business district, he contracted a two-storey, 15 room house be built. An extensive pleasure garden was laid out around the house, together with glasshouses, vegetable gardens and orchards. The gardens were designed to be self-sufficient as regards water, and the large man-made lake on the property was designed to store stormwater run-off from the surrounding area. By the late 1870s Rippon Lea was a total of 18 hectares (45 acres) with the kitchen garden alone taking up 0.81 hectares (2 acres).

The Sargood family lived at Rippon Lea until Frederick's death in 1903, and over the years extended the house on several occasions. Sargood made his money selling softgoods on the gold fields. The greatest structural changes occurred in 1897 when the house was extended to the north, and a tower was added. The style of the house has been described as "polychromatic roman-esque" and the architect, Joseph Reed, was said to have been inspired by the architecture of the Lombardy region of northern Italy. The house also contained many other innovations; it was one of the first in Australia to be lit by electricity, produced by its own generators, and Sargood employed a full-time electrician to maintain the system, and the fittings included an electrically powered bell system to communicate with the servants quarters and kitchens below stairs.

There were 7 maids, a butler, 7 gardeners, a coachman and a groom. Unusual for its time it had internal toilets. Sargood himself was a keen gardener who was particularly interested in orchids and ferns.

On Frederick's death in 1903, the property was sold to a consortium of real estate developers who had plans to demolish the house and subdivide the land. Elsternwick at this time was a new suburb on the outskirts of Melbourne; 35 years earlier when the Sargoods bought the land, it had been well outside the built-up area of Melbourne.

The house was empty for six years, while the developers sold off various parcels of land, particularly the orchards and paddocks. However, before the final carve-up of the estate could be undertaken, the leader of the consortium, Sir Thomas Bent, died and the property was put on
It was bought by Ben and Agnes Nathan, who owned the Maples chain of furniture stores in Melbourne. The Nathans lived there until Ben’s death in 1935. The property then passed to their eldest daughter, Louisa, along with a legacy of £1 million.

Louisa (married name, Mrs Timothy Jones) was a leading figure in the Melbourne social set in the 1930s. She undertook extensive remodelling and renovation of the house to allow her to entertain on a lavish scale. The interior of the house was redecorated in a restrained classical 1930s style, drawing heavily on Hollywood film style of the 1930s and Syrie Maugham's "all white room" as influences. These renovations substantially altered most of the surviving Victorian features of the house—for example, the wallpaper in the entrance hall and corridors (originally embossed in gold) was over-painted in white, as were the marble columns around the main entrance.

The ornate iron-framed ballroom built by Frederick Sargood (which was converted from an earlier conservatory) was demolished to make way for a lavish "Hollywood style" swimming pool and ballroom and 5.7 hectares (14 acres) of gardens were maintained. Mrs Jones also installed a new modern kitchen on the ground level and the original basement kitchen and service areas were closed up, which preserved many of the surviving 19th century features of this section of the house, including the cool room, the wine cellar and the large fuel stove.

In preparation for the 1956 Olympic Games in Melbourne, a section of the property was compulsorily acquired by the Victorian government to house a new television studio complex for the Australian Broadcasting Corporation (ABC). The Rippon Lea studio became the ABC's Melbourne studio and in later years were used as the production centre for many renowned ABC programs including *Bellbird*, *Countdown*, *The Big Gig* and *The Late Show.*

Another section of the property was compulsorily acquired by the state government a few years later and Mrs Jones fought a long-running legal action against it. She eventually settled with the government, agreeing that, on her death the house and the land still in her possession would be bequeathed to the National Trust. With Mrs Jones death on July 27, 1972, the house and gardens were reunited with the disputed acquisition, saving the estate from the threat of sale and subdivision and allowing the public to enjoy the estate in perpetuity.

Of particular note in the grounds are the lake, the spectacular iron-framed fernery, the swimming pool and associated ballroom (1939, now leased to Peter Rowland Catering for social functions) and the stable complex (1868). The rooms of the basement kitchen complex are also of special interest, having been built in the 1880s and then abandoned in 1938 following the installation of a modern kitchen on the ground floor. Today they are a rare surviving Australian example of a 19th-century kitchen suite; comprising kitchen, scullery, pantries, cool rooms, servants' hall and wine cellar.