

The Arbour Newsletter

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CONSTRUCTION IS FINISHED

THE END OF THE BEGINNING

2015 saw the achievement of a major milestone with construction of all new homes completed. It was a relief for all our Residents who have patiently endured construction traffic, although many have confessed to enjoying watching the hive of activity onsite every day.

We appreciate everyone who has contributed to constructing The Arbour, especially our principal builder Strongbuild. We also take the opportunity to wish our site foreman Geoff Collins an enjoyable retirement which will be able to observe closely as he is also resident at The Arbour.

In reality though we are still at a very early stage of our journey. We have a well-established, vibrant Community and we now will concentrate on enhancing our Facilities and amenity. We have a special opportunity with our large parklands that total nearly 20 acres including wide open pastures and intimate pocket parks. The landscape has flourished since we started and we continue to plan walks and further enhancements so everyone can enjoy the beautiful Berry countryside.

We appreciate that there is still great interest in The Arbour and over time there will be opportunities for new Residents to join our Community. To this end, we have started a waiting list and provide more details on the back of this newsletter.



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THE SOCIAL SCENE AT THE ARBOUR

RESIDENT TOURS

Sydney Conservatorium of Music



Nan Tien Temple



THE ARBOUR BUSHWALKERS

Drawing Room Rocks, Woodhill Mountain



SPECIAL EVENTS



Picnic on the Green



Annual Fire Lighting



Resident Phil Crocker at Brigadoon

The Little Blowhole, Kiama



WHAT'S ON AT THE ARBOUR FOR RESIDENTS

Aqua Aerobics	Current affairs discussion	Pilates
Book club	Duplicate Bridge	Scrabble
Bushwalking	Happy Hour	Sketch
Choir	Mahjong	Tennis group
Craft	Movie nights	Woodwork

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THE ANNUAL LIGHTING OF THE FIRE

Each year to welcome the arrival of winter, residents of The Arbour come together to celebrate the Lighting of the Fire. This year John McEwan was the lucky resident whose name was drawn out for the honour of lighting the fire. Settling by the warmth of the fire place, Guests enjoyed a supper of delicious soups served by residents, accompanied by damper, and desserts.

All money raised on the night has been donated to John McEwan's charity of choice, The Dunn Lewis Youth Development Foundation Ltd, a youth harm prevention charity in Ulladulla on the South Coast.

THE ARBOUR RESIDENTS VISIT WIVENHOE VILLAGE AT KIRKHAM RISE

Fifty of The Arbour's residents and staff travelled 1hr north-west of Berry to visit The Arbour's sister village in Camden for morning tea.

Residents and staff were given the opportunity to tour The Lodge and enjoy the comforts of Wivenhoe's brand new community facilities building with Wivenhoe's residents and staff.

If you would like more information please contact Kristy on 1300 660 107 or visit our website www.wivenhoevillage.com.au



SAVE THE DATE: 14 August 2016

YOU ARE INVITED to our 'Taste of The Arbour' Winter BBQ on 14 August 2016.

Held in the sandstone paved courtyard of The Enclave at The Arbour, the BBQ is an excellent opportunity to meet The Arbour Management team, explore The Arbour with friends or family and meet some of the existing residents. It's a social yet relaxed way to see first hand what your life at The Arbour could be.

RSVP 1300 727 034



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INTRODUCING THE WAITING LIST

From time to time we will have homes becoming available through resales at the Arbour. To allow those interested to be kept readily informed we have created a Waiting List which any eligible Applicant can join on payment of a \$200 fully refundable fee. The intention is that all homes available for resale are offered to the Waiting List for an exclusive period during which purchase terms can be agreed. So far this year 3 homes have been purchased by members of our Waiting List and over time opportunities will grow. We will also continue to offer those on our Waiting List priority invites to functions and events. Waiting List forms are available on request.



RENTAL OPPORTUNITIES AT THE ARBOUR

Many times over the years we have had enquiries about being able to rent a home at The Arbour. There are now very limited upcoming opportunities for eligible Residents to rent homes at The Arbour. Our homes are tremendous lifestyle properties and renters also have access to luxurious facilities. There would be no better way for someone interested in The Arbour lifestyle to try it out. Subject to availability we are able to provide specific details to interested parties and arrange inspections.

Mike Lans
General Manager
Villages
*Wivenhoe Village
Management*



What is your role at Wivenhoe Village

My role as General Manager - Villages is basically to oversee the administrative functions of our villages. This involves listening to feedback from residents and striving to obtain the best opportunities for quality living within an independent framework; recruiting and working with staff teams; writing budgets and providing financial management; implementing compliance standards and developing policy to ensure the village remains a highly desirable living location.

Meeting with staff and residents is important and all of our staff have an 'open door' policy. First we try to ensure resident and staff well-being, plus any urgent maintenance is being addressed. Problem-solving, approving expenditure and general decision-making are key tasks, plus I like to walk around the village once a week see what is being maintained and how we can improve.

What is something people may find interesting about you?

I am the third son of Dutch immigrants, my mother was born in the Netherlands and my Dad was born in the Dutch East Indies (now Indonesia). I was an educator (Physical Education and Head of Boarding) before moving to the retirement village sector. I had a brief stint playing for the Parramatta Eels in the early 1980s which I enjoyed. I am passionate about building teams and leadership styles and enjoy analysing how quite different models can be successful in sport and business.

Describe Wivenhoe Village in 5 words or less... A truly unique village!