



Corpus Christi Village Newsletter

Unexpected Benefits

For Les Mullins and his wife, Val, retirement meant moving from their Glen Waverley home, where they lived for many years while raising their four children, and a sea change to Rosebud. They planned to explore Australia in the near future. Unfortunately, soon after the couple sadly discovered that Val, who had taught at Avila College in Mt. Waverley, had Parkinson's disease.

Life changed, and as Val's disease progressed, she moved to Corpus Christi's Aged Care Facility in Clayton. Still living in Rosebud, Les was frequently on the road, travelling between his home and his wife. On one of many visits to Val, Les noticed building activity on the old seminary site, next door to his wife's building. So Les became a pioneer purchaser at Corpus Christi Village, moving into his two-bedroom unit in January. He says it is a great relief, especially for his children, who, with their own family to look after, can now visit both parents at the same time and more often, instead of much driving and juggling. Les and Val can now tell them "Come and see us, and they will." Now that they live in close proximity, Les is also "closer" to Val.

"We do things spontaneously now", he says, "and Val can also take her role in family affairs. Corpus Christi Village keeps us switched on." He is getting to know other residents and is confident that it will be a good community. Les feels that the move to Corpus Christi Village brought the family back together, and says you have to live here to get the full benefits, that you didn't expect.



Les and Val Mullins can spend more time together thanks to the proximity of Corpus Christi Village to the Corpus Christi Aged Care Facility.

We're Growing!

From small beginnings....by the end of February we will have 18 units occupied and 26 residents!

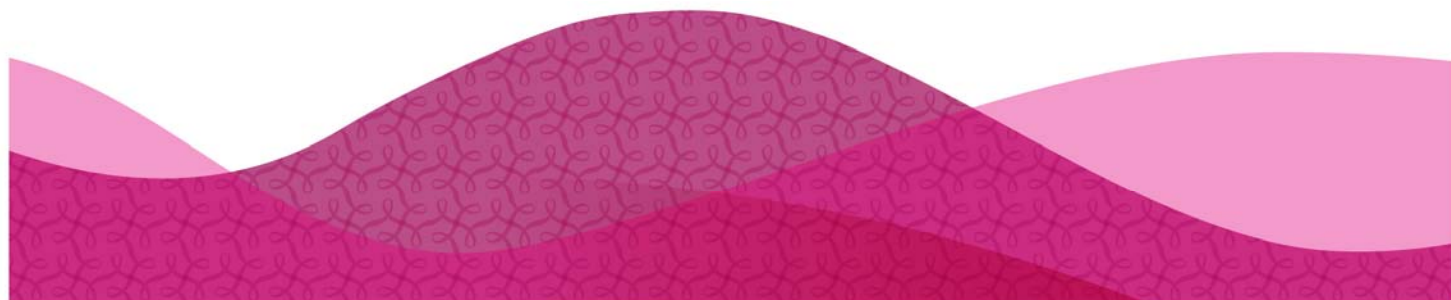
Up-Coming Events in March

On Wednesday, 18th March, at 2pm, Monash University Sports Centre will talk to us about keeping fit and access to their facilities for village residents.

On Monday, 23rd March, at 1pm our local pharmacist will talk to us about the wise use of medication and answer questions. It's important to be aware of side-effects and the interaction of medications. You are welcome to invite friends.

It's Ours!

We encourage you to use the Community Centre. It's there for you to enjoy with your family and friends. Mass is offered at 11 am daily. Come to relax in front of the wide-screen TV, to play cards, billiards or indoor bowls. Or just come to relax.



Sending `em down.

We had our first lesson in indoor bowls at the start of last month. About 10 residents attended and found it surprisingly easy to pick up and lots of fun!

How easy is this?



BBQ

Don't forget to use and enjoy the barbeque at the back of the Community Centre.

Holy Family

Thank you to all the Holy Family parishioners who attended the open day on February 18th. The turnout of fifty parishioners made it a special event.

Medical Care

Waverley Medical Centre is about the only medical practice around that is taking new patients. They can be contacted on 9814 9999 and are located at 244 Springvale Road, Glen Waverley, at the corner of Hinkler Road & Springvale Road, opposite "The Glen".

Community Committee

To make our village into a true community, we have a residents' committee. Your input is vital in making Corpus Christi a true community. Please advise Mark of any ideas, issues, problems, queries, etc. you would like to have discussed at the meetings. The next meeting will be over afternoon tea at 2.00 pm on Wednesday 11th March in the Community Centre. We look forward to seeing you there!

Thank You!

Thank you all for your patience and cooperation in having the floor tiles in your units treated to make them safer. Your understanding is much appreciated.

Birthdays

Happy Birthday to John O'Meara on 10th March!

Conundrum – Terrific Puzzles!

I THEN is to NOW as PAST is to ?

- A: sometimes
- B: previous
- C: future
- D: present

Answer will be in next month's newsletter.

Internet Savvy Residents!

A group of residents recently learned the intricacies of using the Internet. So be prepared for a flood of information, emails and learning!

Our New Vehicle

We now have a brand new Tarrago vehicle for your use. It has the village signage on it and can be booked via Mark.



Your Editor

Heather, my wife of 55 years and I moved into Corpus Christi Village last October. We have six children, 10 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. I had 46 years in journalism, including stints in suburban, country, provincial daily and metropolitan daily newspapers as well as PR – the last 20 years as a sub-editor at The Age.

Newsletter Contributions Welcome!

Please do not hesitate to speak to Mark (Ext 600) or myself (Ext 601) about any ideas you have for this newsletter – personal, family, amusing items, poems etc. But please, make it BRIEF!