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Bayside Aged Care



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We listen.
We respect.
We care.



Vale Lesley (Yvonne) Falloon, OAM



Lesley passed away at Fairway on 17 August 2023. Laurence Evans, a Board Member, Jennifer Taylor, our CEO, a number of residents, and myself as Chairperson, attended the Funeral and Thanksgiving Service for the life of Lesley at Holy Trinity Anglican Church in Hampton on Monday 28 August 2023.

Lesley's daughter Janet gave a beautiful eulogy to Lesley which outlined so many of the achievements in Lesley's life. And there were so many. Lesley's life was one of enormous community service and involvement in local organisations, which included serving as a Councillor at the former City of Sandringham from 1978 to 1992, and being the Mayor of the City of Sandringham in 1982/83 and in 1991/1992.

Lesley was the recipient of an Order of Australia award in 1995 for her enormous community service.

But it is Lesley's involvement in Fairway Hostel, the prior name of Fairway Bayside Aged Care, that I want to acknowledge in this tribute.

Lesley was instrumental in the establishment of Fairway Hostel. She, with a number of other founding members, had the vision to establish a facility to better cater for the needs of the elderly in the then City of Sandringham. It is one thing to have a vision, but it is another thing to turn that vision into reality, and the enormous amount of time and work that it takes.

When I proposed to the Fairway Board in May 2020 that consideration should be given to a further expansion of Fairway, and to carry out works to rectify a number of current operational issues with the existing layout, I had to review a significant amount of the documentation relating to the establishment of the 30 bed Fairway Hostel, which opened on 30 April 1996.

And Lesley's name was everywhere. Whether it was in liaising with governments of all levels regarding funding for the facility, or fundraising with community organisations, or dealing with then City of Sandringham or the then Sandringham Hospital regarding the development of the facility, Lesley was heavily involved.



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Lesley and others were also involved in the establishment of the incorporated association known as Sandringham Aged Care Association Inc (SACA) which drove the development of Fairway Hostel, which was the legal entity that operated Fairway Hostel when it opened in April 1996.

Lesley was the inaugural president of SACA as well as a generous financial founder, and was a Committee person for many years. She remained a member of the governing body of Fairway until her death, and retained an active interest in Fairway, and I am told attended every annual general meeting until her health allowed otherwise.

It was only fitting that Lesley became a resident at Fairway in June last year for the last part of her life.

The Fairway community and the wider Bayside community, and all the residents and families who have enjoyed the benefits of Fairway, owe an enormous debt of gratitude for all the work that Lesley did for Fairway.

There are many persons in life who will tell you why things cannot be done as they are too hard. And there are those who tell you it can be done, even though there are significant hurdles and obstacles to overcome, and who get on and make dreams a reality. Lesley was one of the latter, and how fortunate Fairway is for everything she did.

Vale Lesley, and on behalf of everyone associated with Fairway our sincere condolences to Janet and Lesley's family.

Michael Scully
Chairperson
Fairway Bayside Aged Care



NEWS FROM THE LIFESTYLE TEAM....

We enjoyed a presentation from the Sandringham Historical Society in June. As several of our residents have lived in the area most of their lives there were a lot of memories shared and discussed. The afternoon benefited both parties as I believe the presenter also gleaned previously unknown facts from our residents.



Ian McCloud from Golden Days Radio, a not-for-profit local station, (95.7fm) visited us recently and gave an interesting presentation about the forming of the station, its growth and the financial supporters that keep the station afloat. Ian entertained, was informative, and kept residents' interest. He closed the session with a quiz and donated books and CDs as prizes he presented to residents who excelled in the quiz.



We were also delighted to welcome Simon Morrison back to Fairway to host a trivia morning. We thank Simon for all the effort he put into this activity and as always, our residents shone.

We have added Matt Callan, Claire McCorkell, and Ron So to our list of entertainers. With a wide range of musical genres, we can cater to a variety of tastes.



PARTY TIME!!

Residents and family members gathered at the end of July for a party. Cocktails, mocktails, and finger food flowed all night in between amazing dancing to the music of The Old Favorite's trio. Greg, Fiona, Dean, and the lifestyle team excelled with their dance moves as they encouraged everyone onto the dance floor. We all had a wonderful time and have vowed to repeat the experience when we have caught our breath!





Matt Callan had his audience in the palm of his hands as he entertained with music from Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin, Doris Day, Elvis Presley, and more! Julie loves the music of ol' blue eyes as you can see by her gorgeous expression as she danced with Tanya.



Kaylah – Exotic Dancer



Ah the pictures say it all! We invited Kaylah back after a stunning performance last year. As you can see residents enjoyed the performance and loved having their photo taken with her at the conclusion.



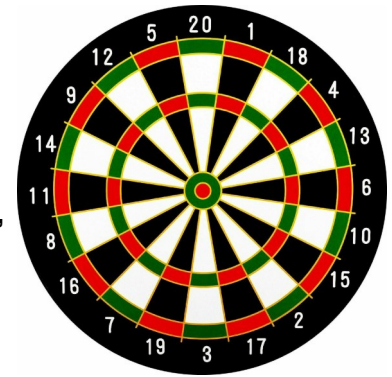
Students

Two students, Jemma, and Max, from St. Leonard's College spent time completing their community placement with us in July and August. Residents and students had fun playing darts,



ten-pin bowling, scrabble, cards, and chess. Jemma and Max assisted staff with clearing out books from the library and with

gift wrapping. Residents and students exchanged stories from their lives and different upbringing with respect and kindness shown both ways. I think both parties agreed that although born in different times parallels could still be drawn. We look forward to hosting more students in 2024.



Café

We have enjoyed having year 11 students from Sandringham Secondary College learn the ropes and assist us in keeping the café open during the first part of the year. Unfortunately, due to other commitments, they have been unable to continue. Hopefully, we can continue this relationship in the new year.

Meanwhile, the café has gone from strength to strength and with extra assistance from volunteers we are now able to open Monday to Friday 10am until 12pm.



Staff Profile Austin Gene EEN

Austin was born in Calcutta (now called Kolkata) India. He attended the Australian Christian Brothers boarding school from the ages of 5-17. The school was extremely large with 7,000-day students and 6,000 boarding. Austin's parents were conscious of the education their sons would receive at the school which meant all four sons attended whilst Austin's two sisters were lucky? unlucky? to move to the school when they were much older.

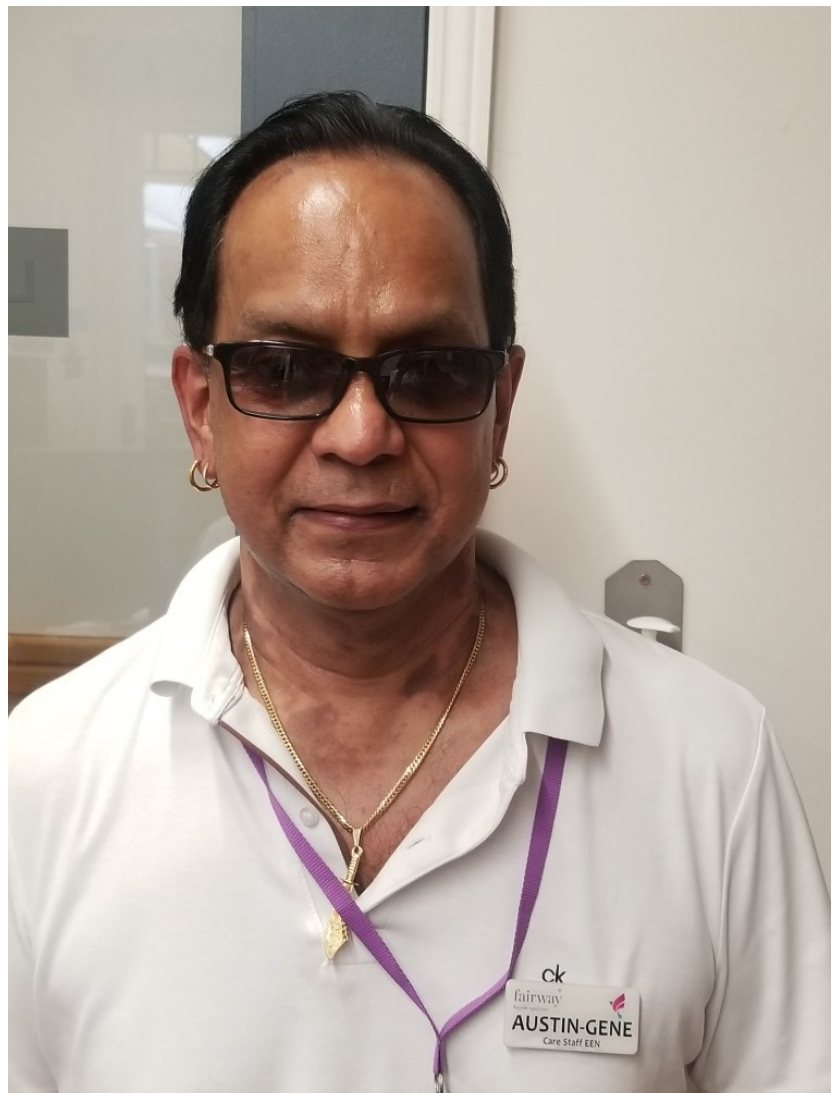
Austin was consistently in the top ten percent of his classes which meant he could transition to the Senior Cambridge School, which is akin to a selective finishing school, with ease.

Austin enjoyed a variety of sports from boxing to kickboxing, kung fu, and hockey.

One of the highlights of his life was meeting Mother Theresa who used to visit his school regularly. Austin admired and was in awe of this tiny, courageous, and caring woman whose love for everyone she met was an inspiration.

In 1970 Austin's parents brought the whole family to Australia, apparently it was a toss-up between here and England! Austin's first job was anodising followed by apprentice engineer, fitter and turner, toolmaker, hydraulics, and robotics. Phew! Austin married his Scottish wife at aged 24 and had three beautiful daughters. Austin is now a grandfather of two girls and a boy.

At the age of 47 Austin had an epiphany regarding his career and decided to train to become a nurse. Whilst he was training Austin worked as a cleaner at the Moorabbin town hall as there was no way he was going to break his record of continuous employment. The rest I guess is history. Austin has been working at Fairway for three years and hopes he will be able to continue as he loves his job.



Volunteers

A big shoutout to our wonderful volunteers who assist in areas such as Cycling Without Age, dog therapy, companionship, bus outings, golf, religious services, men's breakfast, the kiosk, and the café. We are so grateful for the time and energy you give freely to our residents and staff.



Thank You!

We would like to extend a big thank you to the Beaumaris Men's Shed whose members worked with Fairway along with some wonderful family volunteers to complete the task of refreshing the outdoor furniture in our courtyard and garden spaces. We are grateful to all who were involved! Our Residents, Families and Friends are making good use of the outdoor spaces and rejuvenated furniture and cushions, especially now the good weather has arrived.



Fundraising

Our prolific, and generous knitter Yvonne donated several dozen beanies that were sold on the sales table during winter. Thanks to Yvonne we have been able to purchase a balloon tank, games for House 5, and a laminator.

Thank you, Yvonne!





To those Residents who have
recently joined us:

Greta Haverfield

Elaine Lane

Maurice Lane

Margaret Burston

Judith Fielding

We welcome you and are pleased to
have you as part of the Fairway family!



In Loving Memory

*of those Residents who have recently
left us*

Robert Marcombe
Lorna Ficken
Rudy Haas
Lesley Falloon
Brian Hales

You will always be remembered



Staff Movements



We welcome the following staff members to the Fairway team:

Amber Lyu - RN

Sanchita Panta - RN

Zhenyue Zhao - RN

Andy Singh - RN

Emily Pham - RN

Liyan Du - RN

Phoebe Zhang - RN

Jack Hodonu - EEN

Reena Dangol - EEN

Michael Yumul - PCA

Dhurba Khanal - PCA

Laxman Khanal - PCA

Yashnoor Sandhu - PCA

Ken Petty - PCA

Tanya Mitchell - PCA

Sarah Murray - PCA

Gloria Kemei - PCA

Gloriah Jerono - PCA

Lovepreet Kaur - PCA

Shamanpreet Kaur - PCA

Amit Khatri - PCA

Rhianne Manners - Catering Assistant

Kimberlee Baker - Catering Assistant

Akira Murakami - Housekeeping Assistant

Roy Perera - Housekeeping Assistant

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Thank You!

**Farewell
and
Good Luck**

We thank the following staff members for their hard work and dedication to Fairway and we wish them all the best for the future:

Anne Holland – Housekeeper

David Berresford – PCA

Jessie Linsangan – PCA

Fiona Harding – General Manager

Greg Harding – Business Manager

Andréa Browne – Receptionist



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