



January 2022 was a tough month for the entire Glenview community. Korongee was in lockdown twice, and Windsor Street was in lockdown for a few weeks - both facilities could not accept visitors and there were only a few Covid safe activities for our residents.

Our thoughtful activities team organised video calls with residents and families - that helped us all feel connected.



Beautiful Blankets

Barbara has an issue with her arm that causes a lot of pain and soon she will have an operation to relieve it.

To take her mind off the pain, she crocheted 20 blankets in about 6 weeks and has now donated them to Korongee.

They are the best quality wool and amazing colours!

Barbara delivered the blankets with Dr Frank Nicklason.

Best wishes for a successful op, Barbara and thank you!





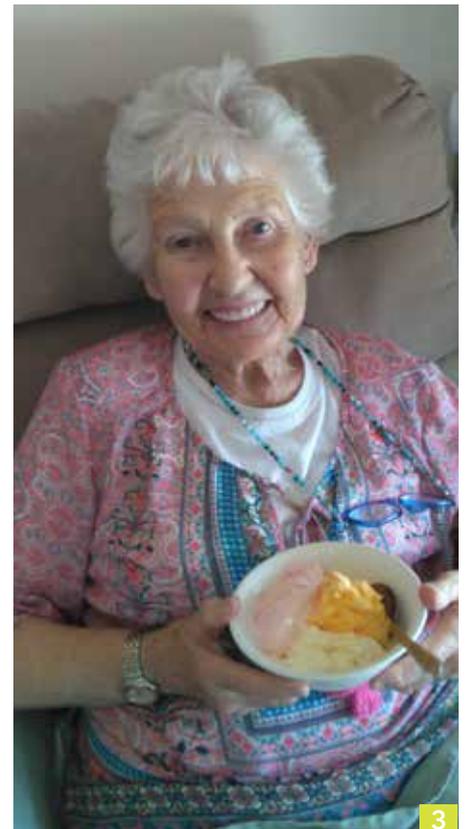
A few activities we enjoyed in between lockdowns, were carpet bowls and Gene's movie matinee featuring the Beatles.

And we had a mystery visitor, an ISA Brown chicken who probably didn't sign in. Cluck cluck, cluck.





Arthur and Genevieve made the most of technology and had video calls with their families. Linda got stuck into her boredom buster pack and others enjoyed simple pleasures like ice cream in bed, bingo and fresh flowers from a home garden.



After the Windsor Street lockdown we were so pleased to hold small group activities and get outside into the garden!

Thank you to all residents, families and staff for your understanding, and your compliance with the Public Health requirements.

Our activities team are continuing to facilitate video calls for the present. To arrange a call, leave a message on 03 6277 8802.

Meagan Lee

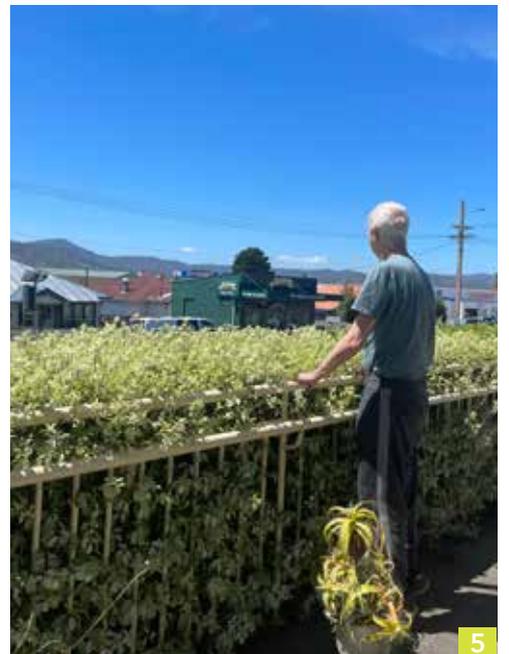
Activities Program Coordinator





Welcome to our new Glenview residents:

Leonie H, Pamela B, Julie F, Murray H, Christa T, Marlene W and Frederick W





Glenview Close meeting of residents

Our residents in the independent living units meet up with Glenview senior staff, quarterly. It is an opportunity to express their views, and consult on matters that are important to them.

At our recent meeting we discussed the gardens, general maintenance, and a plan for improvements to the units. This was followed by a delicious afternoon tea.

Bisdee Community Centre

A few Bisdee outings happened after Christmas, thank goodness!

Trips were to Granton, Richmond bakery, the beach, and to Tassie-T where we had a self-tour of the tea farm and enjoyed three varieties of tea.

Bisdee Community Centre and respite care will be open again soon. Thank you for your patience while we work around the staff shortages at Glenview.

It will be great to have you all back for some fun!

Tammy Blackwell

Community Centre Coordinator



Being fire safe

The Fire Safe at Home referral program is an initiative of the Tasmania Fire Service that identifies fire hazards and eliminates risks. The program assists those in our community to be safer in their home.

To use the program, the person being referred must be a client of an aged care, community health or disability service/ agency.

They must have no reasonable means of installing smoke alarm/s themselves such as family, friends, a fire safety business or a home maintenance service to help them.

For more information go to fire.tas.gov.au/firesafeathome

If you have any questions about home fire safety or have concerns about a person's fire risk, please contact communityed@fire.tas.gov.au or phone 1800 000 699.



Hello from the CEO

At Glenview, it seems that we will be affected by the Covid pandemic in waves. As I write, we are nearing the end of a second lockdown at Korongee, while lately we have managed to keep Windsor Street open to visitors.

I think it is worth highlighting to our community that Glenview have certainly been a leader in our approach to reduce the impact of the current high levels of community transmission in Tasmania.

We are proud to report that Glenview's Rapid Antigen Test (RAT) screening clinics were the first to be established within residential aged care in our state.

Very quickly we realised that the health system was focused on supporting facilities only when it was too late, and infection had already entered our aged care homes. We worked on a preventative approach, by keeping residents and staff in our workplace as safe as possible. We managed this by applying a screening process to all who entered our homes.

Of course, RAT testing is not 100% accurate.



The risk remains that re-infection of Covid can occur, particularly given the current high levels of community infection.

A particular advantage of operating our clinics from the outset, was the reduction of outbreak timeframes. That is, the length of the outbreak, and the number of residents affected by the outbreak, compared to those at many other facilities.

I acknowledge that it is absolutely no fun to be away from your family and friends. I thank each one of you for your strength and resilience during the outbreak periods.

Our RAT clinic teams have received a large amount of praise from our broader community, families and residents.

Of course, our community based programs (Help at Home, NDIS and Bisdee) have been affected as well, but they continue to provide invaluable care and support services.

Stay safe

Damien Jacobs

Chief Executive Officer
Glenview Community Services

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