

All the highlights from the special Doing Retirement Right information event at Brookland Robertson, hosted by Kay McGrath.

Were you one of the 140 retirees who joined us for a special Doing Retirement Right information event at Brookland Robertson in February?

If so, we trust you gained a wealth of valuable insights from our panel of experts and are now ready to embrace the next chapter of your golden years, doing retirement the right way.

Hosted by award-winning journalist and seniors advocate, Kay McGrath, guests discovered tips and insights to everything needed for an easy transition into retirement, including care and support options available, what to look for when selecting a retirement village, contracts, and finance considerations.

In case you missed it, here's some of the highlights from the day.

Lifepath Financial Advisor Brad Monk recommended retirees consider what financial legacy they want to leave, and what lifestyle they want to enjoy in retirement before creating a plan.

Millerson Dufek Lawyers Principal Nica Millerson said it's important to consider the personal and practical aspects of retirement living – such as fees – and get advice before making a decision

Five Good Friends CEO & Co-Founder Simon Lockyer explained to everyone about the importance of friendships, and the role that friends, families and communities play in determining a long and happy life.

Reside Communities CEO Glen Brown and Group Operations Manager Craig Syphers talked about the Reside philosophy and a holistic approach to resident wellbeing that considers everything from their move in experience, through to programs to enhance their emotional, mental and physical wellbeing.

Kay also shared her inspiring philosophy on ageing and left attendees excited for their future retirement journey.

Hear direct from our industry experts on these topics in our Doing Retirement Right information sessions – a five-part video series available to watch online for free on any of our Reside community or corporate websites.

We're getting ready to roll out the red carpet at Esperance

The team is rolling up their sleeves and applying the finishing touches at Esperance Hope Island, getting ready to welcome the first residents' home.

As we draw closer to opening day, the finishing touches are being made to ensure everything is ready to go for residents to enjoy Stage 1 of Esperance, Esprit from day one.

Across Esperance's manicured gardens, trees are being planted in gardens and lines are being marked in the car park.

Heading inside the community, furniture is arriving and being carefully placed into position. Artwork is also being hung on the walls, carpets are getting a final vacuum and lights are being tested and set.

Over at the bar, the team is stocking the shelves with the finest selection of refreshments, the café menu items are being tested and all crockery and cutlery is being washed. It's exciting to think this space will soon be buzzing with excitement as residents and staff toast to new beginnings.

Esperance's resident services and concierge teams are also busy at work finalising the welcome program, creating a calendar of activities and ensuring everything is in place for when residents arrive.

The last thing left to do? Sit back and watch the magic as the remaining few weeks of fit-out works are completed ahead of move in day for Esperance's first residents.



Unveiling Samford Grove's new display home

The thriving community of Samford Grove keeps getting bigger and better as construction reaches Stage Three, welcoming with it new residents and a brand new display home.

Progress on Stage Two of Samford Grove's expansion is nearing completion, which means all eyes are now on Stage Three as new residents join the community and the new display town home prepares to open.

The new single storey display town home, which will be open for inspection this June, boasts innovative features and inclusions such as an entertainer's kitchen, private sanctuary master suite with large walk-in wardrobe, open plan dining and generous outdoor living.

The perfect combination of modern, low-maintenance living, with the benefit of being located close to Samford Grove's five-star community facilities and on-site staff. These town homes offer a unique option for retirees looking to downsize without compromising superior style and modern luxuries.

Register your interest to be among the first to view the new display when it opens this May. Contact Samford Grove Sales Manager Desley Arnold on (07) 3289 3372.

Progress powers along at Fairway Carindale

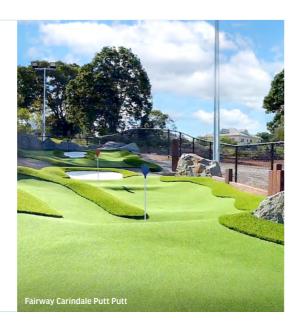
Putters at the ready... the new mini golf facility at Pacific Golf Club is quickly taking shape.

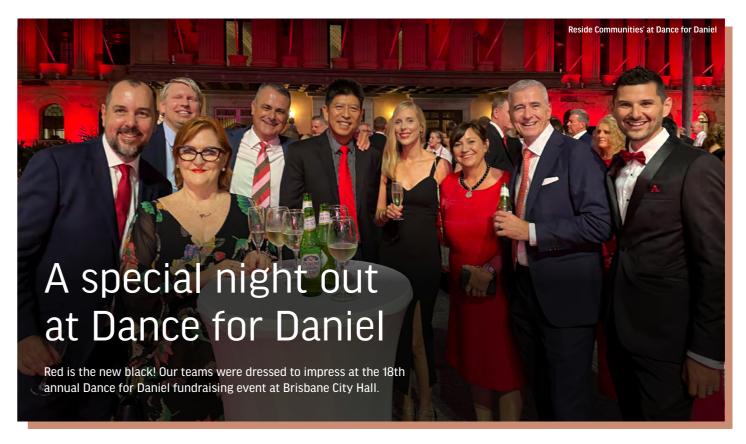
Located alongside the new Fairway Carindale luxury retirement community, Pacific Golf Club will soon be home to a slew of new and upgraded facilities including a putt putt course and five-star Clubhouse with entertainment options aplenty.

Installation of the artificial turf is now completed on the putt putt course and construction of the new Clubhouse car park is being finalised. Once open, the improved underground carpark will provide additional spaces for Club members and guests.

In exciting developments, construction works on the main Clubhouse are progressing well with the first of the suspended slabs now poured. At the Fairway Carindale retirement community, internal fit outs are coming to life within building one and two.

Stay up-to-date with the latest progress by visiting the Fairway Carindale website.





In support of Reside Communities' charity of choice, the Daniel Morcombe Foundation, our team enjoyed a night of entertainment, a three-course dinner and live and silent auctions.

A cause close to our heart, the evening raised funds and awareness for the Daniel Morcombe Foundation to continue creating free child-safety resources and providing counselling for young victims of crime.

Reside Communities formed a partnership with the Daniel Morcombe Foundation in late-2022 to strengthen the valuable connections between grandparents and children, encouraging the sharing of community safety advice. At our two established communities in south east Queensland, residents have welcomed the Foundation with open arms, participating in fundraising activities and awareness days, including the annual Day for Daniel.

We look forward to continuing this partnership alongside Reside Communities Ambassador, Kay McGrath.

Then and now – The Brookland café

Known for its peaceful atmosphere, connected location and green spaces, did you know Brookland is also known (among residents) for its great coffee?!

Brookland has always been home to a café, but it's safe to say that it's looking a lot different nowadays since the completion of the new five-star Community Clubhouse in 2022.

Let's take a look at what's changed behind the café counter over the years!

Check out the Brookland Robertson café for yourself at an upcoming Tea and Tour event.



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Brookland Robertson's own Village Manager, Leilani, would serve freshly brewed coffee, tea and treats for residents and guests. She really is a jack of all trades!

There was also a small amount of seating at the entrance to the community centre.



NOW

The new Brookland café has a whole team of attendants and baristas.

The menu features gourmet treats from pies and salads, to fish and chips, lasagne, toasties, cakes, croissants and more! Tasty beverages are also available and include milkshakes, juice, coffee, tea and iced drinks.

With plenty of seating around the café, billiards table and piano, the community centre is often filled with residents, their families and guests for special events and social catch-ups.

Find out what makes Brookland so special, tour our display apartments and learn more about our five-star community amenities at one of our Tea and Tour events.

To register your interest in attending a Tea and Tour event at Brookland, contact Suella on 0491 252 766 or submit your details at brookland.com.au.





As our communities continue to grow, so too does our team!

If you've been out and about lately at Samford Grove or Brookland Robertson you may have noticed a few new team members.

Debbie Lewis-Blank is Brookland Robertson's newest café attendant. She's been busy serving lunch and tasty beverages to residents at the Village Café - make sure you swing by for a treat!

At Samford Grove, Cathie
MacLean has joined Ali and
Jacqui as the team's newest
village administrator. Since she
started, Cathie has been busy
helping residents around the
community and completing
general administration and
reception duties



Fairway is sporting community connections

Reside Communities' Fairway Carindale community is proud to be a supporter of local Belmont Services Bowls Club.

Building strong connections within the community is an important part of what we do at Reside, and it's no different at Fairway Carindale where we're building our community from the ground up.

Along with our strong partnership with neighbouring Pacific Golf Club, Fairway is also proud to support longstanding Belmont Services Bowls Club.

Fairway Sales Manager Geoff Henderson

attends the Club multiple times each year and is always happy to have a chat about what our future community has to offer. Geoff also provides regular updates on construction progress to ensure our local community members are kept well informed.

Look out for Geoff at the Club next time you're there for a game, or catching up with friends.





Get to know our team: Daniel Garland

Esperance Hope Island's new Lifestyle Concierge

"I'm most passionate about getting to know our future residents, and listening to people's stories about life and their experiences."

To ensure future residents have a first-class lifestyle experience that supports their next chapter in retirement, Esperance's Lifestyle Concierge Daniel Garland is on hand to help with anything they need.

Daniel may be new to the retirement living industry, but he is certainly no stranger to hospitality and the concierge role, bringing with him his genuine commitment to five-star-service.

Previously working as Chief Concierge at the InterContinental Sanctuary Cove Resort, Daniel will be pivotal in establishing a best-inclass service at Esperance, building relationships and supporting the needs of residents.

"As the Lifestyle Concierge, I will be assisting and supporting residents to live a healthy and active lifestyle, being their point of contact for everything lifestyle from arranging, internal and external events as well as building emotional connections," said Daniel.



Residents of Brookland Robertson are enjoying getting fit and feeling great with the community's aqua exercise classes kicking off in the Health Club!

Brookland Robertson's weekly aqua exercise classes are now in full swing!

Running every Tuesday, residents can now join Dana, Physiotherapist at Fully Integrated Therapies, for a fun and low impact session in the recently opened indoor pool.

The first session went swimmingly well!





The Faces of Reside

Meet Don and Robbie of Samford Grove

Drawn to the peace and tranquillity of Samford, the friendly and active village lifestyle and being close to family, Don and Robbie relocated from Sydney to start an exciting new chapter in their lives.

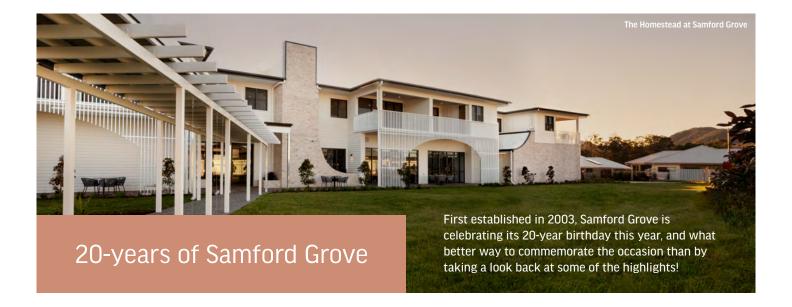
The Samford Grove community continues to grow as we welcome the community's newest residents, Don and Robbie Creed, who have recently moved into their home within Stage 3A.

"Everyone at Samford Grove is so friendly and welcoming. It's refreshing to see that residents are still living active, social and independent lives. The village atmosphere is fantastic, and we couldn't feel more at home," said Robbie.

"We moved into our new home at the end of January and it's the perfect location. We love to sit out on our patio and look out to the paddock with the horses and listen to the birds and nature. It's very peaceful. Our home is perfect as it offers minimal maintenance, but we still have the space and privacy."

With family living only 15 minutes away in Brisbane, Don and Robbie say Samford Grove is exactly what they were looking for.

"It's exciting to look to the future and be part of the community here!"



2003

Samford Grove is born with only 27 independent living villas.

2006

Samford Grove is acquired by the Live Life Villages group, a specialist provider of retirement living in Queensland. The group also own a sister village, Brookland Robertson, which was established in 1984.

2010

Solar panels are installed on the community's 27 villas, improving sustainability. Residents share their love of retirement living at Samford Grove, enjoying a Christmas party in the community centre.



2014

Beloved Samford Grove resident, Olive, moves into her first home within the Samford Grove community, choosing a villa to be close to her sister who also lives at the community. Olive still lives in the community today but has since moved to a modern new apartment!

2018

Reside Communities acquires Samford Grove!

2019

Samford Grove receives development approval for the addition of 120 independent living villas and apartments and a five-star community centre as part of a major multi-million-dollar expansion.

Works commence on the community expansion's first stage which includes the community centre and apartments.

2020

The Homestead' opens! The new resort-style community centre features a cinema, lounge and bar, lap pool and gymnasium.

The Homestead also incorporates

The Homestead also incorporates a café, hair salon and large library with an open fireplace on the ground floor and 12 stunning new apartments on the top level.



2021

Ausmar Homes, the building team behind the construction of the community's new Homestead, are awarded the 2021 Master Builders Queensland award for 2021

best 'Commercial building from \$5 million up to \$50 million'.

The community's expansion continues, with new villas built in stages throughout the site.

Samford Grove launch a new living option – townhomes! These single level residences work with the natural typography of the community and feature all the latest in design, modern appliances and inclusions.

2022

All homes within Samford Grove's Stage One and Two expansions sell out, including all apartments within the boutique Homestead Collection

Works continue on Stage Three which features more independent living villas and town homes.

Samford Grove is recognised as a finalist for the 2022 UDIA Queensland Awards for Excellence for Seniors Living.

2023 and beyond...

Samford Grove continues to be a thriving and celebrated village community with more and more retirees choosing to call it home. Head over to the Samford Grove Facebook page to see more as we continue the celebrations this year!



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