

# Matthew Flinders Care Services Monthly Journal - December 2023

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# **Special Dates**

24th - Christmas Eve 25th - Christmas Day 26th - Boxing Day

Day Centre Closed from 25/12/23 to 9/1/24

31st - New Years Eve





# Congratulations to Glenn Manfield on winning Matthew Flinders Care Services Staff Member of the Month for December 2023



Keep up the great work!

If you would like to nominate a Staff Member from Home Care, Day Centre or Residential Care for this award there are forms available at each of our offices to do so.





# **DIRECTOR OF RESIDENTIAL CARE**

Hello everyone!!

We are fast approaching the silly season once again and preparing for Christmas. We welcome family members who are visiting loved ones from our local community and afar. I do hope you can catch up with family members and can enjoy some Christmas spirit together. Our Catering team are busy planning for another beautiful Christmas lunch for our Care Recipients. We will soon be asking Care Recipients and family members to advise us of your plans for Christmas Day so we can carefully plan care needs and catering on the special day. We hope our Care Recipients can spend some quality family time with loved ones and we can facilitate assistance if you ask. We are unable to cater for additional family members on Christmas day for meals but encourage you to come in and share some special food or treats or quality time during the day. Our Lifestyle team will enjoy preparing for Christmas Day for those Care Recipients who will remain in the home for the day. We also acknowledge the staff who will be working on Christmas Day and thank them for their dedication.

We are extremely proud to have presented some Residential staff with service awards at our recent AGM. Nicola Duns, Leah Slape, Lyn Prosser & Amanda Thomson all received

15-year service awards. Sue Jenkins received 20-year service award and Cathy Loudoun an amazing 30 years' service award. We are extremely proud of all our staff and appreciate their care and dedication. Congratulations!





# **DIRECTOR OF RESIDENTIAL CARE**

The UNISA training centre is officially complete and UNISA staff are now occupying the building. An opportunity for staff to look though the centre was available on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November. From all reports both UNISA staff and MFCS staff are thrilled with the

finished product and excited to be using the facilities soon to enhance Aged Care education and provide training to UNISA students and MFCS staff. We look forward to our continued relationship with UNISA and the students who will spend time with our staff and Care Recipients making improvements to our services and care. It is a very

exciting time with the only facility in SA being built right here in Port Lincoln at Matthew Flinders Home Inc.

I will soon be sending all Care Recipients and/or their family representatives' information about our vaccination program. It has been encouraged by SA Health that we offer ALL our Care Recipients a COVID booster if the previous vaccination has been more than 6 months. Some Care Recipients who had COVID in our last outbreak will not be eligible for a further vaccine until February 2024. We will keep track of these Care Recipients and offer them a vaccine when eligible. We will also be encouraging our Care Recipients to take up the offer of a Shingles vaccine now encouraged for those over 70. I will keep you well informed with offers of vaccines and to gain consent for vaccination. We are lucky to have Sarah our Clinical Nurse who will be our vaccination nurse as she has much experience and knowledge about the Australia Vaccination program.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish ALL our Care Recipients and their loved ones a MERRY CHRISTMAS and HAPPY NEW YEAR!! We thankyou for trusting us with your care and look forward to spending another year providing and improving our services. Your feedback is always welcome and encouraged and hope that you provide all feedback to us so that we can continue to improve.

Many Blessings and much love.....

Danielle DRC







# TRADITIONAL LIONS CHRISTMAS **CAKES & PUDDINGS**

1kg Cake - \$15.00 1.5kg Cake - \$20.00 900g Pudding - \$15.00

**Traditional Lions Christmas cakes and puddings** are available from reception.



Support your community with a Lions Christmas Cake.





# LIFESTYLE NEWS

# Christmas Cooking Competition









This year we are changing it up and you now have a choice of entering a Gingerbread House, decorated Ginger an biscuits or a Christmas Cake!!

All entries need to be at the Main Home by no later than Monday I I<sup>th</sup> December ready for judging by 2 CWA Judges on Tuesday I2<sup>th</sup> December.

Lifestyle team would love anyone to be involved including anyone from the Community who would like to participate.

So get those family recipes out and start COOKING everyone!



# **LIFESTYLE NEWS**







# Regular Events

### **Resident Meeting**

**Date: 29th December** 

@ 130pm

**Main Dining Room** All family or care givers welcomed



Hairdresser visits on most Tuesday afternoons book appt @ reception





Missing your loved one or family, talk to the lifestyle staff to organise a time for facetime.



### **Church Services**

First & Second week of the Month in Sleaford Lounge





# **RESIDENTS HAVING FUN**













































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24th No lifestyle Activities	Port Lincoln City Band @ 130pm	10th Christmas lights tour Leaving  830pm	3rd 1pm-230pm Bingo	31st 1pm-230pm Bingo/New Years Eve drinks	Sunday	
25th Marry Clarisomas	No lifestyle Activities	11th 1030am: Cooking Gingerbread Biscuits 130pm: Move & groove!	4th 1030am: Christmas craft 130pm: Move & groove!	SAPEY NEW YEAR		Ma
26 <sup>th</sup> Watch Carols in the Domain	19th  11am Catholic Church Service  130pm: Wheel of fortune	12th 1030: Let's Play together! 130pm Gingerbread & Christmas cake judging by CWA	5th 11am: One Heart church service 130pm: Lawn Bowls		Tuesday	## ders Lifestyle Programme December 2023
CHRISTMAS REMINISCENCE	20th Men's group Christmas lunch @ Northern Hotel	Christmas  Outperformant	6th 1030am: Alice in Wonderland Pantomime PLHS 130pm: Probus		Wednesday	style Programme
28th 1030am: Walking group @ foreshore 130pm: Monthly Birthday Party	21st 1030am: Walking group @ foreshore 130pm: Secret Santa	14th 1030am: Walking group @ foreshore 130pm: Christmas Cake baking	7th 1030am: Walking group @ foreshore 130pm: Christmas Cake baking		Thursday	December 2023
29th 1030am Piano music 130pm: Bingo	11am United we made it Choir 130pm: Bingo 3pm: Happy Hour	15th 1030am Piano music 130pm: Bingo 3pm: Happy Hour	201 CO. C.	1st 10-12am Christmas tree festival 130pm: Bingo	Friday	
Physical Activities	No lifestyle Activities	Sensory Wizard	9th Sunshine out in the Garden courtyard	Physical Activities	Saturday	



# DAY CENTRE NEWS

October in the Day Centre has just flown by as we have well and truly settled back into the refurbed Day Centre!

The month started off with a bang on our Science Day with a vast array of different experiments from Milk Art, Walking a Rainbow, Ice Fishing, Storm in a Glass, Volcano and Water Fireworks.









This was followed by Melbourne Cup the following week, with some competitions, Fashions on the Field and the ever popular Sweep.







A highlight of the month was a visit from Paige, who came along with her Wombat; this was a real treat and was thoroughly enjoyed by all.









# **DAY CENTRE NEWS**

Additional activities for the month included: outings to Sleaford and the Tumby Bay Hotel, in-house BBQ, DIY projects, Gardening and exercise.







Welcome Dani – Lifestyle Coordinator

We are delighted to introduce Dani, who is our new Lifestyle Coordinator; Dani comes to us with extensive experience and has been a welcome addition to our team. We are looking forward to having Dani on board to revamp and revitalise our Lifestyle Program, with some exciting new activities planned. If you are out and about, please call into the Day Centre, to say hello and see what we have in store for the New Year!





# **DAY CENTRE PROGRAM**

# Day Centre Lifestyle Program December 2023

Matthew Flinders Home Inc.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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A.	SRY Y		₽ <sup>2</sup> /	22	CFS: Bushfire action plan "take home"	
Christmas	tingas			5	Puzzles/Bingo	
	4th Mosaic crafts	5th Partonimo	6th Xmas tree & hall decoration	7th Ellie Cheeseman	8th United Choir	
	Xmas tree & hall decoration	The Old Blokes	Dog therapy	Garden tour -Matthew Flinders Home	Knitting/Xmas craft	
	11th	12th	13th	14th	15th	
	Exercise with Deanne	Winter Wonderland	Xmas Cards Decorations	Exercise with Deanne	CFS: Bushfire action	e e
	Make a recycled planter	Cummins 10am start early pickup	Garden Club: Plant	Skittles	2000	
			propagation		Tioo	
	18th Exercise with Deanne	19th Sing a long	20th	21st Exercise with Deanne	22nd BBQ at Day Centre	
	Xmas carols matching	Christmas Lunch	Xmas movie and craft at Day Centre	Xmas cookies decoration	Scrambled Eggs Game	
	25th	26th	27th	28th	29th	
	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	

\* Clients are scheduled to arrive by 10:30 am. Morning tea, lunch, and afternoon tea will be provided.

\* Activities highlighted in red indicate that we will be outside the Day Centre.



# **HOME CARE NEWS**



Hi all, Happy festive season, we cant believe it has come around this quickly again, it has been one busy year again. We thank you for all your support throughout the year, we want to remind you that if you're going away during Christmas, please notify us so we can cancel your services. in advance.

We would just like to inform you the Home Care Office will be remaining open over the Christmas and New Years holiday period, we will only be closed on the public holidays, and the weekends as per normal.

If you need to get in contact with us please call the on call phone after hours, on weekends or the Public holidays.

0400 121 855.

From the staff of Matthew Flinders Home Care, we hope that you all have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Stay safe during the holiday period if you are travelling, and we will see you all in the new year 2024

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# HOME CARE SPREAD

**Home Care Office Reno's** 





# **HOME CARE NEWS**

# **Office Staff Hours**

Doug (Manager) 08:30am-16:30pm Mon-Fri

Sara (Admin) 08:30am-16:30pm Mon-Fri

Kerry (Senior HSW) 08:00am-16:00pm Mon-Fri

Virginia (CM/EN & TL) 08:30am-16:30pm Mon-Fri Jess (CM/EN) 08:45am-15:00pm Tues-Thurs 08:45—16:30 Fri

Kelly (CM/SW) 08:30am-15:30pm Mon-Thurs

Georgie (CM/EN) 08:30am-16:30pm Mon-Fri

Office Staff Away In December

Sara 28th-29th

Jess 27th-29th