

# Fairseat Foundation



## Fairseat News – 26<sup>th</sup> April 2021

- **Lockdown and Visitors** – as per the policy, agreed by the board and distributed to all residents last week, we will permit residents to have unsupervised visits by persons who have been vaccinated at least 21 days ago. Visits must be on the verandah where possible and masks must be worn. Please inform the office, or Ben, of any intention to visit and there is a separate form to be filled in at the gate for visitors seeing residents which is really to have an affirmation of vaccination status.
- **Quarantine** – with our new policies in place, quarantine is now for 10 days for same day medical appointments and 14 days for everything else. Can I encourage residents to avoid being in constant quarantine, where possible. Where you have to go out, can I suggest that you try and combine necessary appointments to the same day so that you avoid extended periods of quarantine. If you have a follow-up appointment with somebody, question as to how important it is for you to actually show up physically and ask if it is possible to simply have the necessary blood tests done and a report from the nurses to avoid physically going in to see the specialist. Residents in quarantine must eat meals in their residences, cannot go in the library or dining room and must mindfully social distance from all staff and residents at all times.  
**Clock Golf** - Residents can watch and play clock golf under Mike's watchful eye who is responsible for maintaining safety at all times.  
**Boules** - quarantined residents can only watch Boules and not be involved in playing.  
**Scrabble & bridge** – can only be played by residents who are NOT in quarantine and are wearing masks.  
**Movies/films** – No quarantined residents allowed inside the Widgery Room. They can sit outside the windows to watch if they wish but NOT in the door way.  
**Bingo** – No quarantined residents allowed inside the Widgery Room to play Bingo. They can sit and play from outside the windows if they wish.  
**Croquet** – who knows what happens at croquet. It is played to Steve's rules and I rely on Yvonne to maintain law & order at all times.  
**Pub Nite** – the organisers will arrange outside tables for quarantined residents with social distancing at pub nite. We can only hope that it does not rain.
- **Resident birthdays & anniversaries** – birthdays in May are Chip (on Saturday, 8<sup>th</sup> May), Yvonne S. (13/5), Barbara F. (20/05) and Edna (27/05). We have Philip and Shirley celebrating 66 years of matrimony on 14<sup>th</sup> May followed by Ben & Fiona (34 yrs on 6/6). Essentially this means that Fiona and Shirley will have enjoyed 100 years of matrimonial bliss between them on or about Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> May and we plan to have a combined celebration for everyone, so gird your loins!
- **Fairseat Pub Nite** –the next one is at 5.30 pm Wednesday, 28th April when **we have a free drinks night with Andy's estate shouting the bar**. In addition, Andy's son, Neil, instructed me to transfer the contents of Andy's drinks' cupboard over to the Pub Nite organisers. I know, Andy will be turning in his urn at such extravagance but we appreciate the gesture from Neil. We will be raising a glass to Andy, and remembering his fellow absent friends, Joe, Tony, Maureen & Doreen.
- **Vacancies** – We have prospective residents lined up for Apartment 1, Cottage 13 and Cottage 10. They have all successfully passed their medical interviews and they are all wanting to have the residences renovated to varying degrees. Gay is moving into Room 3 once we have finished doing that up for her. The builders started work on Cottage 10 yesterday. We have applications submitted to NCC for work on Apartment 1 and Cottage 13 which we hope to have approved

shortly. We have started looking for new residents for Apartment 3 and Cottage 6 to bring us back to our full complement.

- **Copacabana Club** – next one is likely to be on Fri 21/5 @ 11am but John will confirm it.
- **Exercises** – Thank you to Yvonne/John for looking after our Thursday exercise group in the mysterious absence of Sara. She is waiting for her vaccine to take effect before returning to whip the residents back into shape.
- **Vaccines** – we were due to have our second vaccines on or about 26<sup>th</sup> May but there appears to be considerable doubt as to the availability of vaccines for this exercise generally. The Government has been talking about extending it out to the 12<sup>th</sup> week after the initial vaccine which will be 23<sup>rd</sup> June for Fairseat residents. There is little we can do but hope that it does not come to that. In the meantime, please continue to practice the established “social distancing”, “mask wearing” and “hand sanitizing” policies and do not let your guard down too soon. The board have determined that Fairseat Residents need to have their second vaccine before it is safe for them to be going in and out of Fairseat on an uncontrolled basis.
- **Fairseat Rainfall** – 2021 total ytd is 541.5mm (21.3”) Vs Ave 428.1mm (16.85”) to end of April
  - Jan ‘21** – 85mm (3.35”) over 9 days Vs Average of 66mm over 4.9 days
  - Feb ‘21** – 118.5mm (4.7”) over 10 days Vs Average of 48.4mm over 4.1 days
  - Mar ‘21** – 37.5mm (1.5”) over 7 days Vs Average of 105.3mm over 8.6 days
  - Apr ‘21** – 300.5mm (11.8”) over 18 days so far Vs Ave of 200.3mm over 12.7 days for April
- Monday, 26<sup>th</sup> April,, 11am – **Crossword** on the main verandah with Jean & Shirley
- Monday, 26<sup>th</sup> April, 3.30pm - **Scrabble** on the main verandah with Joan
- Monday, 26<sup>th</sup> April,, 5pm - **Croquet on the Top Acre** with Debonnaire
- Tuesday, 27<sup>th</sup> April, 10 am – Fairseat Board Meeting by Zoom
- Tuesday, 27<sup>th</sup> April, 11 am – **Exercises** with John
- Tuesday, 27<sup>th</sup> April, 4.30 pm – **video** in Widgery Room, 10 of series 3 of “**The Crown**”
- Wednesday, 28<sup>th</sup> April, 11 am – **Clock Golf** on the Big Lawn with Mike L.
- Wednesday, 28<sup>th</sup> April, 5.30pm – **Free Pub Nite** in memory of **Andy** with Mike, Neil & Debbie
- Thursday, 29<sup>th</sup> April,, 11 am – **Exercises** with Sara on the Big Lawn
- Thursday, 29<sup>th</sup> April,, 4.30 pm – **video** in the Widgery Room “**The Private Life of Plants**”
- Friday, 30<sup>th</sup> April, 10.30am – **Bingo with Jane** in the Widgery Room
- Friday, 30<sup>th</sup> April,, 5 pm – **Boules** with Chip & Anja on the Big Lawn
- Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> May, – **Labour Day – Public Holiday. Office will be closed.**
- Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> May, – **Fiona returns** from UK.
- Sunday, 2<sup>nd</sup> May, 11am – **Clock Golf** on the Big Lawn with Mike L.
- Saturday, 8<sup>th</sup> May – Happy Birthday **Chip**
- Wednesday, 12<sup>th</sup> May, - **Eid al-Fitr marks the end of Ramadan.**
- Thursday, 13<sup>th</sup> May, – Happy Birthday **Yvonne S.**
- Friday, 14<sup>th</sup> May – **Happy 66<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary for Philip & Shirley**
- Thursday, 20<sup>th</sup> May, – Happy Birthday **Barbara F.**
- Thursday, 27<sup>th</sup> May, – Happy Birthday **Edna.**