

Fairseat News – Thursday, 3rd February 2022

1. **Residents** – John is going to Diani on Sunday for a week. Mandy has been visiting Angela but is due to leave on Monday, back to USA. We are expecting Carol from Arusha on respite whilst she recovers from surgery on the neck of her femur. Suki arrives from Australia on Friday night to see Nyambura for two weeks. We have a couple coming into our guest apartment for a week to experience the pleasures of Fairseat life. Nigel's daughter, Pam, arrives from Spain for about 4 weeks from the middle of February with Nigel's niece, Saskia, joining them for a week.
2. **New Residents** - We expect to welcome our latest new resident, Mike Doughty, later this month.
3. **Covid** – we have no known cases of Covid amongst the staff or residents at this stage but we continue to be careful.
4. **Vaccines** – Almost all our staff and residents have now been fully vaccinated and had a booster
5. **Staff** – we were sad to farewell one of our nurses, Laura, who left us last month to seek greener pastures in UK. However, it does give us the opportunity to welcome our newest recruit, Mildred Odero, who started this week.
6. **Anglican Communion Mass** - will be held on **Friday, 4th February, 10.30am in the Widgery room**
7. **Copacabana Club** – next one is **on Fri 18th February @ 11.00am** with John G and he is promising a **“Comedy, Dance & Magic Show”**
8. **Resident birthdays & anniversaries** –We have four residents celebrating birthdays in February starting with **Vi C.** (102 yrs on 16/2), **Neil** (a “noughty” number on 16/2), **Anja** (also a “noughty” number on 24/2) and then **Nigel** (92yo on 28/02). We plan to **celebrate the February birthdays on Wednesday, 16th February** with pre-lunch drinks in the dining room followed by a garden lunch – weather permitting. On the day, we will be celebrating four birthdays but each individual will be in a different decade, from 70th through to 100th. We encourage residents to invite visitors but they need to let Ben know as we have a seating plan on the day. It will be a full moon that night for the those partying late.
9. **AGM** – it is planned to hold the AGM followed by a traditional lunch on Saturday, 28th May starting at 12.30pm on the big lawn. We look forward to catching up with old friends again.
10. **Croquette and Boules** – we are cancelling the formal croquette and boules sessions for now as numbers are too low to warrant the effort involved in organising them. If residents want to organise their own games please just see Ben for assistance.
11. **Bridge** – Shirley & Fiona are organising bridge on Fridays for residents who are interested.
12. **Bycanistes brevis** – I last gave you an update on Boxing Day, 2021. So, John & Mary continue to make all the right moves. We were expecting the family numbers to increase at the end of January, and right on time, Mary chucked out a rather smelly, second-hand egg shell which showed all the evidence of having done its job. John

continues to dutifully bring them food and fight off potential nest invaders. Amongst the usual healthy diet of fresh fruit, John likes to offer some protein, normally in the shape of chameleons which are generally still fresh and very much alive when they are regurgitated from his crop. So, having spent 45 days getting their nesting chamber ready, and about 40 days for incubation, we now wait for another 80 days plus whilst the chick develops and grows its flight feathers. During that time Mary & her chick will be completely reliant upon the male, John, to continue feeding them. Around the end of April, all being well, Mary and the chick will then break out together.

13. **Fairseat Rainfall – 2022** yr to date total is 100 mm (3.9”) Vs Ave 114.5 mm (4.5”) until end of Feb
January '22 – 97.4 mm (3.8”) over 9 days Vs Ave. of 66.1 mm (2.6”) over 4.9 days for January
February '22 – 2.5mm (0.1”) over 2 days mth to date Vs Ave. of 48.8 mm (1.9”) over 8.9 days for Feb
1. Friday, 4th February, 10.30am – **Anglican Communion Service** in Widgery Room
 2. Friday, 4th February, 2.30 pm – Bridge with Fiona in Manager’s house
 3. ~~Friday, 4th February, 5.00 pm – Boules with Anja on Big Lawn~~ **Boules cancelled until further notice**
 4. Saturday, 5th February – **Suki comes to visit Nyambura**
 5. Saturday, 5th February, 10.30am – **Bingo with Carlyne** in the Widgery Room
 6. Sunday, 6th February, 11am – **John Goodwin goes to Diani**
 7. Sunday, 6th February, 11am – **Clock Golf** on the Big Lawn with Mike L
 8. Monday, 7th February, 11am – **Crossword** on the main verandah with Jean & Shirley
 9. Monday, 7th February, 3.30pm - **Scrabble** on the main verandah with Joan
 10. Tuesday, 8th February – **Hairdressing with Lovey**
 11. ~~Tuesday, 8th February, 11 am – Exercises with John~~ **No Exercises John away**
 12. Tuesday, 8th February, 4.30 pm – **video** in Widgery Room, 3 & 4 of series 1 of **“All Creatures Great and Small”**
 13. Wednesday, 9th February, 11 am – **Clock Golf** on the Big Lawn with Mike L.
 14. Thursday, 10th February, 11 am – **Exercises** with Sara on the Big Lawn
 15. Thursday, 10th February, 4.30 pm – **video** in the Widgery Room **“The Wizard of Oz”**
 16. Friday, 11th February – Ben & Fiona away, back on Monday, 14/2 late afternoon
 17. Friday, 11th February, 10.30 am – Bridge with Shirley in Manager’s house
 18. ~~Friday, 11th February, 5.00 pm – Boules with Anja on Big Lawn~~ **Cancelled until further notice**
 19. Saturday, 12th February, 10.30am – **Bingo with Carlyne** in the Widgery Room
 20. Sunday, 13th February – **John returns.**
 21. Sunday, 13th February, 11am – **Clock Golf** on the Big Lawn with Mike L
 22. Monday, 14th February, 11am – **Crossword** on the main verandah with Jean & Shirley
 23. Monday, 14th February, 3.30pm - **Scrabble** on the main verandah with Joan
 24. Tuesday, 15th February, 11 am – **Exercises** with John

25. Tuesday, 15th February, 4.30 pm – **video** in Widgery Room, 5 & 6 of series 1 of **“All Creatures Great and Small”**
26. Wednesday, 16th February – **Happy Birthday Vi Crosby**
27. Wednesday, 16th February – **Happy Birthday Neil**
28. Wednesday, 16th February, 11 am – **Clock Golf** on the Big Lawn with Mike L.
29. Wednesday, 16th Feb, 12.30 pm – **Pre-lunch drinks under the sail followed by Garden Lunch for Feb Birthdays**
30. Wednesday, 16th February – **Full Moon**
31. ~~Wednesday, 16th February, 5.30 pm – **Pub night** with Neil, Mike & Debby under the sail postponed until 23/02~~
32. Thursday, 17th February, 11 am – **Exercises** with Sara on the Big Lawn
33. Thursday, 17th February, 4.30 pm – **video** in the Widgery Room **“TBC”**
34. Friday, 18th February, 11.30 pm – **Copacabana Day Club “The C.D.M Show”**
35. Friday, 18th February, 2.30pm – Bridge with Fiona in Manager’s house
36. ~~Friday, 18th February, 5.00pm – **Boules with Anja on Big Lawn**~~
37. Friday, 18th February – **Suki goes back to Melbourne**
38. Saturday, 19th February, 10.30am – **Bingo with Carlyne** in the Widgery Room
39. Sunday, 20th February, 11am – **Clock Golf** on the Big Lawn with Mike L
40. Monday, 21st February – **Remembering Barbara Dods**, died on this day 2020
41. Monday, 21st February, 11am – **Crossword** on the main verandah with Jean & Shirley
42. Monday, 21st February, 3.30pm - **Scrabble** on the main verandah with Joan
43. Tuesday, 22nd February, 11 am – **Hairdressing with Lovey**
44. Tuesday, 22nd February, 11 am – **Exercises** with John
45. Tuesday, 22nd February, 4.30 pm – **video** in Widgery Room, 7 & 8 of series 1 of **“All Creatures Great and Small”**
46. Wednesday, 23rd February, 11 am – **Clock Golf** on the Big Lawn with Mike L.
47. Wednesday, 23rd February, 5.30 pm – **Pub night** with Neil, Mike & Debby under the sail
48. Thursday, 24th February – **Happy Birthday Anja**
49. Thursday, 24th February, 11 am – **Exercises** with Sara on the Big Lawn
50. Thursday, 24th February, 4.30 pm – **video** in the Widgery Room **“TBC”**
51. Friday, 25th February, 10.30– Bridge with Fiona in Manager’s house
52. Friday, 25th February, 5.00 pm– **Boules with Anja on Big Lawn**
53. Saturday, 26th February, 10.30am – **Bingo with Carlyne** in the Widgery Room
54. Sunday, 27th February, 11 am – **Clock Golf** on the Big Lawn with Mike L
55. Monday, 28th February – **Happy Birthday Nigel**
56. Monday, 28st February, 11am – **Crossword** on the main verandah with Jean & Shirley
57. Monday 28st February, 3.30pm - **Scrabble** on the main verandah with Joan

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