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# Chronicle

## WELCOME TO AUTUMN?

March signifies the beginning of autumn, however someone forgot to tell the weather gods! Heat and humidity continue to be high, and rain has been more regular over recent weeks. The bright side is that we get to enjoy the lush surrounds and outlook that the rain generates. It definitely helps the mindset!

You may be aware that Cooinda is currently the base for several groups (Community Bus, Robin's Roses, Cooloola Potters to name a few). This month we would like to mention a couple of the newer members of the Cooinda family.

We are working with **Daisy Learning** to offer work integrated training through the Certificate III in Individual Support (Ageing). Training is delivered onsite with work placement scheduled regularly throughout the course and carried out in the wards at Cooinda. Students study 13 units over 5 days per week for 8 weeks, with class size being around 10-12 participants. The certificate issued upon successful completion of the training is nationally recognized and fulfils the requirements for our AIN (Assistant in Nursing) role.

By basing the training here, participants get to experience, first-hand, what it's like to work in the aged care industry. The Department of Education and Training (DET) may provide funding towards course costs if students meet relative eligibility criteria. Daisy Learning oversees the enrolment process and all associated information can be found on their website: [www.daisylearning.com.au](http://www.daisylearning.com.au) or by calling 07 5479-6301. The next course begins on 11/6/18.

We all know that horticulture and gardening are high on the agenda at Cooinda. **Core Industry Training** is currently running the Certificate III in Parks and Gardens here at Cooinda. This course consists of 16 units and is run over 20 weeks. Students attend on Wednesdays between 9am and 2pm for classroom sessions and on Thursdays, they work with our gardener, Ang, to put the theory into practice - see photos over page. Whilst the course started a few weeks ago, trainer Steph Chadwick advises that it has a rolling start and participants can join at any time. Course costs may be funded by the Qld Government's Certificate 3 Guarantee Program if eligibility criteria are met. All relevant information is available on their website: [www.coreindustrytraining.edu.au](http://www.coreindustrytraining.edu.au) or please call Steph Chadwick on 0479 063 001.

We are very happy to work with both Daisy Learning and Core Industry Training - the benefits resulting from the training they provide are invaluable. We thank the trainers and students for their tolerance and perseverance as we have at times had to ask them to relocate from room to room at quite short notice. Hopefully, the construction of a new wall in the gym area will assist with sound proofing and provide some privacy (and continuity) for everyone.

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CN on site on weekends  
from  
8.00am to 4.30pm





*Maree weeding outside Hibiscus.*



*Mitchell pruning the hedge near the Hibiscus carpark.*



*Daisy Learning students  
(from left):*

*Leanne  
Jade  
Tayla  
Stephen*

*are currently completing  
the Certificate III  
in Individual Support  
(Ageing)  
here at Cooinda.*

*And what a happy group  
they are!*



**Our phone woes continue..... The gremlins are still with us and we are aware that many staff and family members are unable to make contact with us by phone.**

**Our email is working well, so if you are experiencing issues calling us, please drop an email to Renae ([reception@cooinda.org](mailto:reception@cooinda.org)) advising the time, date, and type of problem so that we can add these to our log. This information is "ammunition" which we are forwarding regularly to Llew O'Brien's office as he and his staff work behind the scenes on our behalf.**

**We appreciate your patience as we work towards a solution.**



# Valentine's Day Dinner Dance



*Love was "In the Air" in the beautifully decorated Linga Longa Lounge (thank-you Ruth!) on Valentine's Day as Residents dressed in their finery for dinner and dancing.*

*Many thanks to our fabulous Lifestyle staff for their innovative ideas - our Residents really appreciate the diverse range of activities you provide for them! Thanks also to our catering staff for the special dinner - the chocolate heart with strawberry mousse was amazing!*







## ***The Ladies Auxiliary's Easter Raffle***

*is now on display in Reception.*

*1<sup>st</sup> Prize: A beautiful cake, 2<sup>nd</sup> : Basket of Easter chocs.*

*Drawn 22/3/18 - get your tickets for a chance to win!*



Happy Birthday to all  
our March born  
Residents:

William	95
Geoff	86
Stella	87
Eunice	86
Marie	92
Merle	88
Lina	92
Ruth	91
Eileen	95

Our best wishes for a  
special day!

## ***GYMPIE WEATHER FOR FEBRUARY***

*Our hottest maximum was 38.1° on the 11<sup>th</sup>*

*Our coldest minimum was 15° on the 9<sup>th</sup>*

*Rainfall was 283mm over 22 days;*

## ***DID YOU KNOW.....***

<i>Hottest February Day</i>	<i>41.3° on 12/2/2017</i>
<i>Wettest February</i>	<i>934mm in 1893</i>



Celebrations will be held on  
Wed 14<sup>th</sup> March.....Stay  
tuned for further details!

## ***RESIDENT FAMILY SUPPORT MEETING***

*Our next meeting will be held towards the end of March. Keep an eye out for email advices and notices displayed around the facility for details of date, time and venue.*

Please RSVP to [thorbjorg@cooinda.org](mailto:thorbjorg@cooinda.org).

