

# **November 2025 Newsletter**

## **Cathy Gill's Report**

**Christmas/New Year roster is available.**

**Please ensure if you would like a shift swap that your request is in and organised by Friday 21 December 2025.**

**There will be no interruptions to our usual pay days over this period.**

**Pay dates will Tuesday 23 December 2025 and Tuesday 6 January 2026**

**No leave will be available from 22 December 2025 to 4 January 2026.**

**Annual Leave in 2026 is filling fast, please check roster and leave availability on sharepoint or speak with Cathy Gill ASAP for leave in 2026.**

## **Dates of importance**

**Residents Christmas Lunch -Thursday 18 December 2025 11am - 1:30pm**

**Please let Lynn, Lichelle or Cathy know if you would like to attend.**



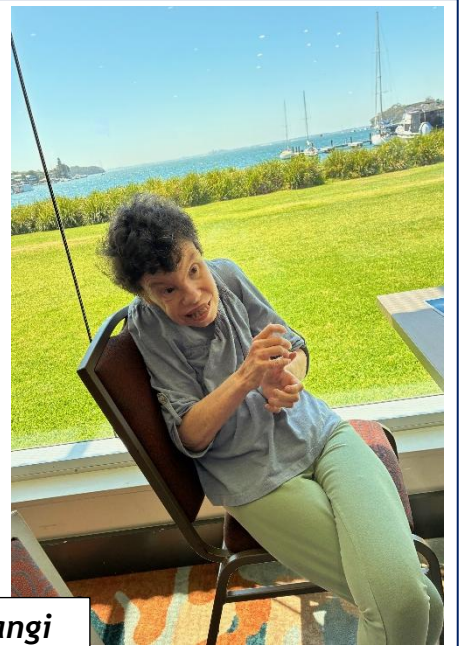
We are currently hosting a work placement student. Tristan is completing his Cert 111 in Individual Support through Essential skills.

Tristan will gain knowledge and experience of the disability sector while working alongside our experienced and skilled staff members.

David & Tristan demonstrating the correct procedure for donning & doffing PPE.



Robyn, Lisa, Helen, Suzie & Raeline ready for the big race



Lisa, Susan & Suzie enjoy morning tea at Wangi



Susan & Kabin out for a walk



Suzie & Raeline out for lunch



Raeline & Helen out enjoying a bit of the Xmas vibe



Donna supported by Janet & Tristan

# Spotlight on Staff Engagement Day 2025





### Staff Engagement Day 2025

My sincere thank you to **Janet & Heath** who stayed at First Street and supported our residents. Also thanks to **Jan & Errol Lind** and **Carmyl Mukherjee** who supported their family members. & of course all our committee members who support all our staff activities throughout the year. It is near impossible to get all staff together, but leave it with me, I already have an idea for next year.



Front: Kath, Seeta, Deb, Cathy, Sheryn, Kelly, Tanya, Lichelle  
Back: Lynn, Liz, Jenny, Louise, Amanda, Sharon, Leanne, Tanika, Leisa, Kabin, Laura, David.



Kath, Leanne, Laura & Tanika enjoyed an early Christmas get-together on our beautiful Lake Macquarie aboard "Lady Mac."

What a great gift idea.  
A gift voucher for a Lake Mac cruise.



Happy Birthday to all our Scorpion ladies

Kelly, Amanda, Kath, Lichelle & Tanya

&

a big Happy 60<sup>th</sup> Birthday to Lisa Morrow



Lisa, David, Vanessa, Cecily, Jennifer & Lynnette and partners.

**Lisa spent her birthday week with her brother David & sister-in-law Vanessa who flew over from Perth to celebrate Lisa's 60<sup>th</sup> birthday with her.**

**Lisa also spent time with her mum, Cecily and her sisters Jennifer & Lynnette and their families.**

**Westlakes Access & Support Inc Ph: 49 587 442 a/h Ph: 0409 587 442**

**National Disability Insurance Agency Ph: 1800 800 110**

**NDIS Quality & Safeguards Commission Ph: 1800 035 544**

**Disability Advocacy Service -Hunter Ph: 49 27 0111 / 1300 365 085**

**Hunter Region Tenants Advice & Advocacy Service (HTAAS)**

Free telephone advice, information, advocacy, and (where appropriate) representation at the NSW Civil and Administrative Tribunal (NCAT).

**Access is via the telephone advice line on 4969 7666 or freecall 1800 654 504.**