

#### GARDENING

It's time to start planning our Autumn/ winter garden. Please contact Garry or Craig if you would like to get involved in choosing which plants to put in. Let them know your favourite vegetable and make sure its on the menu!

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Dear Kindred Clubhouse Family,

It's hard to find the right words to say goodbye after five years with you all. The truth is, there are no right words—only the deep gratitude, love, and respect I carry in my heart for each and every one of you.

When I first walked through these doors, I had no idea how much this place and the people in it would come to mean to me. What we have built together—this space of acceptance, courage, and hope—is something truly special, I have seen resilience in action, watched friendships grow, and witnessed the incredible power of people lifting each other up. And in that, I have been lifted too.

You have all given me more than I can ever put into words. Your kindness, your honesty, your strength in the face of life's challenges—you have inspired me every single day. I have laughed with you, learned from you, and felt a sense of belonging that I will carry with me always.

Leaving is not easy, and if I could, I would wrap up all the love I feel and leave it behind as a gift. But I know that this community is strong, and that each of you will continue to support one another, just as you always have. I take comfort in knowing that the spirit of Kindred Clubhouse—the warmth, the care, the resilience—will never fade.

Please know that you will always have a place in my heart. I will miss you more than I can say, but I also leave with immense gratitude for having been part of something so beautiful.

Thank you for everything. For your trust, your friendship, your stories, and for allowing me to walk alongside you for these years. It has been a privilege, and I will never forget it.

With all my love,

Caryl

## **Be Thankful**

# Be Be Positive

## **Be Compassionate**

Be Be Humble Strong

**Be Loving** 

Thank you Caryl

For the past five years, we have been lucky enough to have Caryl as a dedicated, passionate and compassionate employee at Kindred Clubhouse.

Anyone that's had the pleasure of meeting Caryl can not help but feel nurtured, understood and valued in her presence.

As Kindred's very first employee, Caryl has demonstrated her commitment, loyalty and reliability throughout the years and has always gone the extra mile. This has not gone unnoticed and we are extremely grateful for all you have done to support Kindred and contribute to our success.

We know this is not goodbye just "bye for now" Our door is always open and we look forward to seeing you back for a cuppa and a chat.

You will be greatly missed and we thank you for all you've done during your time at Kindred. We wish you lots of happiness and best wishes for your next chapter.

Best Wishes,

Your Kindred Community



Thanks to the Deakin Jean



A big thank you to the Deakin research team, Andrew, Tari, James and Aydin for coming to Kindred last week to conduct a theory of change workshop.

The workshop provided us with valuable insight and a greater understanding of the impact Kindred has on the members who attend and the greater community.

We look forward to the next workshop and appreciate your support, knowledge and expertise. Thank you to all the members who shared and participated. Today, Kindred Clubhouse was pleased to welcome Ben Smith, who visited to learn more about the Clubhouse model and engage with members in a relaxed environment. During the visit, he took time to chat with members about their experiences, the importance of mental health support, and the value of inclusive community spaces. The conversation highlighted key issues facing the local community, with members sharing personal stories and insights. The visit showed a genuine interest in the well-being of individuals living with mental health challenges.

## Ben Smith Independent for Flinders





April Birthdays

Claire- 2nd Howie- 8th Phillip- 10th Mario- 11th Dean - 11th Shiena - 16th Stella- 17th Emily- 29th

March Birthday Celebrations Thur April 24th 1:00pm



Fri April 4<sup>th</sup> 11am: Brotherhood of St Laurence Wed April 9<sup>th</sup> 11am: Ukulele Session with Barry

Thur April 10th @12pm: Ambulance Vic Discussion Topic Choking Emergencies

Fri April 11<sup>th:</sup> Frankston Locals Visit 10:30am

Thur April 17<sup>th</sup> Easter Egg Hunt At Kindred 1pm

Fri April 18<sup>th</sup> Good Friday: CLOSED

Thur April 24<sup>th:</sup> Garden Working Bee (all members welcome) 10:30am-2:30pm

Fri April 25<sup>th</sup> ANZAC Day: CLOSED



## Join us at 11am for a fun Easter Egg hunt in the garden





## Ukulele Session with Barry Wed April 9<sup>th</sup> 11:00am

### Come sing, strum or simply listen as we enjoy some ukulele music with our volunteer Barry.

No previous ukulele experience necessary. Just bring yourself, an open mind and a smile.



### **Kindred Garden Working Bee**

(We Need Your Help!)

#### **Thursday April 24th**

#### Come any time between 10.30am and 2:00pm

#### We need help to

- Weed and dig in garden beds
- Trim plants
- Sort out tool potting area
- Tidy Garden sign area
- Rebuild Scarecrow
- Number garden beds
- Paint Garden beds

## *Craig ,Garry, Greg and Avril will be there to guide you on the day*



#### Please let us know if you can help.

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Wednesday 2nd - Rolls Thursday 3rd - Pasta Dish Friday 4th - Friday Free Choice Saturday 5th - BBQ

Wednesday 9th- Rolls Thursday 10th - Pasta Dish Friday 11th - Friday Free Choice Saturday 12th- Pizza

Wednesday 16th - Rolls Thursday 17th - Pasta Dish Friday 18th - CLOSED (Good Friday) Saturday 19th - BBQ

Wednesday 23rd- Rolls Thursday 24th - Pasta Dish Friday 25th - CLOSED (ANZAC Day) Saturday 26th - BBQ

#### **POSTIVE QUOTES TO REMEMBER**

(Thanks to Chris)

#### DON'T BE PUSHED BY YOUR PROBLEMS. BE LED BY YOUR DREAMS. Ralph Waldo Emerson

LET US MAKE OUR FUTURE NOW, AND LET US MAKE OUR DREAMS TOMORROWS REALITY Malala Yousafzai

IT'S ALWAYS DARKEST JUST BEFORE THE DAWN

I WILL NOT FOLLOW WHERE THE PATH MAY LEAD, BUT I WILL GO WHERE THERE IS NO PATH, AND I WILL LEAVE A TRAIL Muriel Strode

IF I CAN HELP ONE DEDSON, AND THAT ONE DEDSON CAN HELP ANOTHER DEDSON, THEN IT BECOMES A CHANGE Kakenya Ntaiya

> YOUR THREE GREATEST TREASURES ARE SIMPLLICITY, PATIENCE AND COMPASSION Lao Tzu

## THINGS TO DO WITH TIME

THURSDAY MONTH SUNSET JULY CALENDAR FRIDAY YEAR NOVEMBER SECOND			A V E M L S F	WEEK APRIL WINTER BEFORE MONDAY DIARY SEPTEMBER PAST CHRISTMAS			AUGUST MOONLIGHT FORTNIGHT SUNDAY SUNDAY SUMMER FEBRUARY EASTER MARCH DECADE			FIRST HOUR WEDNESDAY DATE OCTOBER SPRING JANUARY CENTURY AUTUMN				TUESDAY SATURDAY PRESENT MAY LATER JUNE AFTER DECEMBER MINUTE					
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24/7 Mental Health Services

Is it an emergency?	If you or someone you know is at immediate risk of harm, call <b>triple zero (000)</b>
Suicide Call Back Service Anyone thinking about suicide	Lifeline Anyone having a personal crisis
<ul> <li>suicidecallbackservice.org.au</li> <li>1300 659 467</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>lifeline.org.au</li> <li>13 11 14</li> </ul>
Beyond Blue Anyone feeling anxious or depressed	Kids Helpline Counselling for young people aged 5 to 25
<ul> <li>beyondblue.org.au</li> <li>1300 22 4636</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>kidshelpline.com.au</li> <li>1800 55 1800</li> </ul>
MensLine Australia Men with emotional or relationship concerns	Open Arms Veterans and families counselling
<ul> <li>mensline.org.au</li> <li>1300 78 99 78</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>openarms.gov.au</li> <li>1800 011 046</li> </ul>
13YARN Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people	
<ul> <li>13yarn.org.au</li> <li>13 92 76</li> </ul>	J.S.
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We are only contactable Wednesday to Saturday on 0435 086 729 during office hours. We are unable to answer evening or weekend calls.

#### BUS SERVICE

We run a bus service between Frankston station and Hastings at the following times Wednesday to Friday 9.20, returning by 3.30 Saturday 9.20, returning by 2.30 Pick up point is the bus shelter in the parking lot at the back of the station, opposite Chisholm.