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Rembrandt Living's Home Care Newsletter

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ALLIED HEALTH CLASSES

Green Fields (North)
Every Tuesday
2.30pm - 3.30pm
Strength & Balance 4 Life

FEEDBACK

We welcome all feedback,
good, bad or
indifferent at any time.

Call us on 8198 0392;
Complete a "Have your Say"
form or email us on
feedback@rembrandtliving.
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DEMENTIA AWARENESS WITH REMBRANDT LIVING

Dementia affects close to half a million Australians. That number is set to double in the next 25 years.

Many Australians will start experiencing the impact of dementia amongst their own family and friends in the coming years.

Rembrandt Living is dedicated to helping our residents, Home Care clients, staff members and families to better understand dementia care and the importance of it within the Aged Care Sector!

SO WHAT IS DEMENTIA?

Dementia is a condition which gradually disrupts one's memory, speech, concentration, judgment and ability to plan. The most common forms of dementia are Alzheimer's Disease, Vascular Dementia, Lewy Body Disease and Frontotemporal Dementia.

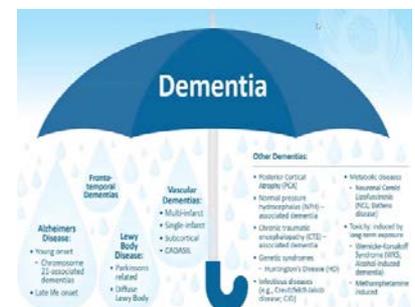
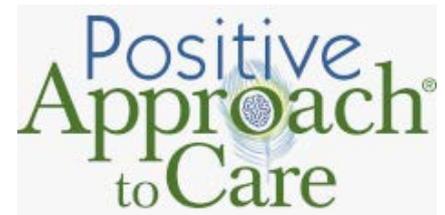
WHAT IS HAPPENING WHEN SOMEONE HAS DEMENTIA?

It is estimated that with most dementias the brain shrinks one third of its original size causing many changes in structural and chemical ability. Dementia is not a memory problem, it means brain failure. A person with dementia will have increasing difficulty in understanding what is said or what is going on around them. They may gradually lose their speech, or repeat a few words from time to time. But continuing to communicate with them is very important. Remember, although many abilities are lost as dementia progresses, some - such as the sense of touch and ability to respond to emotions - do remain!

As always if you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact any of our staff members directly or contact your Coordinator.

living with Dementia:

- Never **argue**, instead **agree**.
- Avoid **reason**, instead **divert**.
- Don't, **demand**, try to **ask**.
- Never **shame**, instead **distract**.
- Avoid a **lecture**, instead **reassure**.
- Don't say "Remember..." instead **reminisce**.
- Don't say "I told you..." instead **repeat**.
- Never "You can't..." instead **allow them to try**.
- Never **condescend**, rather **encourage**.
- Don't **force**, but **reinforce**.



GET TO KNOW THE GREENFIELDS STAFF

Name: Robin

Job Title: Support Worker

How long have you been with Rembrandt Living: I have been with Rembrandt Living for two years now.

What is your country of birth? I was born in Indonesia.

What do you like most about working at Rembrandt? What I like most about working at Rembrandt is the pay never delays!

What do you like to do in your free time? I like doing gardening and going fishing in my leisure time.

What is your favourite restaurant or cafe? I like the International Buffet at Watermark restaurant in Glenelg, and of course Muratti Cakes in Prospect.

What is your favourite food? My favourite food is Noodle Salad.

What has been one of your best holidays? Going to Bali is one of my best holidays.

Mention something about YOU that people may not know: People might not know that I am a nervous type of person. But I gradually overcome it by being well prepared and being as natural as I can.



Social Harmony Chit Chat

Rembrandt Court
Main Hall
(SOUTH)

1 Madras Street
Oaklands Park
Fridays

Open Door Community
Church
(SOUTH COAST)

1 Collingwood Street
Goolwa
Thursdays

Victor Harbor
Recreation Centre
(SOUTH COAST)

5 George Main Road
Victor Harbor
Fridays

GROUP SESSIONS

Home Care & Health Centre
(NORTH)
21 Greenfields Drive
Green Fields

TRAVEL FREE WITH YOUR SA SENIORS CARD - ALL DAY EVERY DAY

Information from Seniors Card

Have you heard that from 1 July 2022, all South Australian Seniors Card members can travel for free on all Adelaide Metro buses, trains and trams - all day, every day.

PLEASE DON'T FORGET PHOTOS PLEASE?

When making payments please remember to use your Client ID, especially when making payments on behalf of others. Your ID can be found in the top right hand corner of your invoices and statements.

We would love to receive photos from our Home Care clients who have had renovations done using their Home Care Package funding. Photos can be forwarded to your Coordinator or Support Worker or email to info@rembrandtliving.org.au

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Aged Care
Employee Day

Thanks for caring

agedcaresday.com.au

#ThanksforCaring

From CEOs to team leaders, family members to the wider community, let's take the time to thank an aged care superhero or a quiet achiever and show we care.

OUR WONDERFUL STAFF AND CLIENTS



Home Care Client, Julia enjoying a coffee with her support worker



Home Care Client, Wilhelmina showing off her knitting skills



Support Worker Eva and two of her adorable grand-children, 11 month old Wes and Joseph



Home Care Client, Meredith enjoying her new mobility scooter with Teddy! Meredith is loving her newfound independence!!!



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Rembrandt Living is a not-for-profit incorporated association owned by Members and governed by a Board of Directors.

The Board is responsible for the overall governance, management and strategic direction of the organisation including performance in line with our goals and objectives. The operations of the organisation are delegated to the CEO.

The Board meets at least 10 times per year.

Upcoming meetings

Finance, Audit, Risk & Compliance Committee
31 August 2022

Capital Works & Infrastructure Committee
17 August 2022

Board Meeting
7 September 2022

Clinical Governance Committee
19 August 2022

Consumer Reference Group
20 August 2022

BOARD MATTERS

The monthly newsletter of the Rembrandt Living Board

The July Board meeting was held on Wednesday 3 August, at the Marion Hotel, as the Board continues to be extremely cautious of the possibility of bringing COVID-19 into Rembrandt Court. It was once again a very full agenda, and we continue to be very lucky to be served by such a considered and thoughtful group of directors.

Reports presented to Board were considered, with a number of innovations made that reflect the development of our directors and their experience on other Boards. These changes will be initiated in the next CEO Report to Board.

A review of Board Policies commenced, with Board approving the adoption of the PolicyConnect Privacy Policy. Directors agreed that the policies available on CompliSpace PolicyConnect were verbose, and directed the CEO to bring back a series of Policy Principle Statements that can be inserted at the beginning to 'Rembrandt' them.

Preparatory work commenced in earnest for the forthcoming Annual General Meeting, with consideration given to succession planning for directors, particularly in light of the fact that three directors' terms were lengthening. The director Skills Matrix was noted, however as there are currently 9 directors, and that is the number allowed in accordance with the Constitution, it was agreed that consideration might be given to co-opt external members to sit on Committees that operate under the Board. The Business Improvement Fund grant funding was reported on, with the Board very pleased to learn that the entire amount allocated had been expended within the very tight timeframe.

GET TO KNOW YOUR BOARD

Name: Sue Cantor

Job Title: Board Director

How long have you been with Rembrandt Living: Since May 2020.

What is your country of birth? I was born in England.

What do you like most about working at Rembrandt? The people and learning new things about the Dutch.

What do you like to do in your free time? I love to cook, walk and cycle in my spare time.

What is your favourite restaurant or cafe? The Currant Shed, Bai Long Store, Concubine.

What is your favourite food? Anything, I love variety!

What has been one of your best holidays? Touring Slovenia & Croatia

Mention something about YOU that people may not know: I'm a diver and love underwater photography.



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