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Birthday Girl — Ailsa Irene Grant (Left)

Ailsa was born in Brisbane and lived at Hendra with her parents and younger sister Beryl for 23 years. She went to school at Hendra State School and left at the age of 14 years to get a job at a fabric wholesaler in Fortitude Valley. Beryl didn't want to be left behind so put her age up so she could work with Ailsa. When Ailsa was 18 she joined the WAAF. She was assigned to Adelaide for training. After training she was supposed to return to Brisbane however found herself and a girlfriend AWOL in Melbourne after an administration bungle. They enjoyed their brief stay in Melbourne before the air force tracked them down and packed them off back to Brisbane! Ailsa met her husband Harold during their re-orientation training after the war. Harold had served in the war as a soldier but Ailsa only found out 30 years later that he was actually in army intelligence. It had to remain a secret until the government authorised the release of information. They lived at Yeronga overlooking the river. They were not blessed with children however family ties were strong and they looked after Ailsa's ailing father and later on Harold's mother. After 20 years Harold and Ailsa moved up to the Sunshine Coast and lived there for 13 years. After Harold's death Ailsa moved to Palm Lake Banora Point. She lived there for 6 years before moving to Palm Lake Redland Bay to be closer to her sister Beryl and her family. She has been here for 6 years and wouldn't live anywhere else. Her interests include reading, crosswords and catching up with friends.

Birthday Girl — Dorothy Alcorn (Right)

Dorothy was born 17th December 1928 in the family home in Red Hill, Brisbane, a younger sister for Brian. They moved to New Farm and went to New Farm State Primary School. Dorothy then attended Stott's Business College in Brisbane. Her first job was in the office at Plumridge's Confectionery in Fortitude Valley. Dorothy met her future husband Elwin when he introduced himself to her and asked her out. Dorothy said yes, and their first date was at the Regent Cinema in Brisbane. Dorothy doesn't remember the name of the movie! They were married 2 years later and started their married life in a modest army hut in Gumdale, with no power or water. They built their own home in Gumdale and raised their 3 children, John, Noela and Heather. Dorothy worked at Silky Oaks Childrens Home at Manly West for 3 years and then at Camp Hill State Pre School as a Teacher Aid for 18 years. She retired at 65 and moved into Palm Lake Redland Bay. She has been living here for 6 years and finds the lifestyle suits her very well. Her interests include church, pottering in the garden, crosswords and she is a dab hand at mending the odd garment for fellow residents.

A WORD FROM GUNNAR AND ALLISON,
ROSS AND ALICE

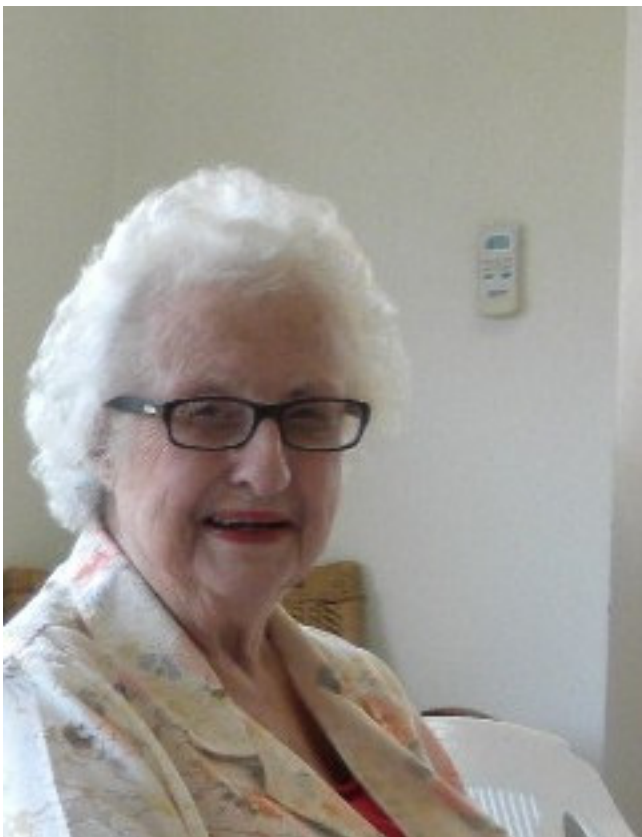
Welcome to Ross and Alice who have now joined us permanently. Ross has done wonders in the garden, and Alice has taken to the catering side most enthusiastically.

We had an enjoyable Melbourne Cup luncheon, with a couple of sweeps running.

We had our Open Day on the 12th November, and it was a success from all points of view. Visitors inspecting the display units stayed on for a BBQ lunch, lingering over coffee as the ambience was enhanced by Ebony, who entertained us with her keyboard and singing.

Merry Christmas to everyone and a very happy new year!

Ailsa and Dorothy—the birthday girls for December



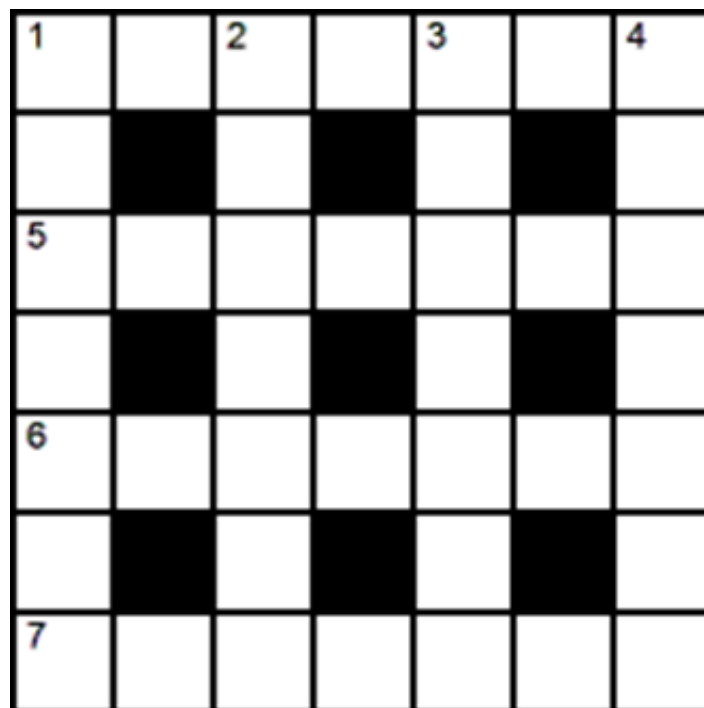


BIRTHDAYS

This month we have Ailsa celebrating her birthday on the 11th

And Dorothy on the 17th

Mini Crossword - 03



Across

1. Amusing
5. Associate
6. Run
7. Trigonometric function

Down

1. Compatibility
2. Physician
3. Dressing
4. Sincere

Open Day
12th November

Gunnar the cook



Enjoying the entertainment and lunch.

View of one of the rooms



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