

HOMEOWNER NEWSLETTER JANUARY 2024



KANGAROO FLAT
LIFESTYLE ESTATE
by LINCOLN PLACE



COMMUNITY UPDATE



Happy 2024 to you all!

It was lovely to see so many of you attend the Christmas lunches provided by Lincoln Place.

As I said in my talk, the year provided some much requested items around the estate and this is due to your input and requests. The next budget is being formulated now. It is important that if you are seeking any upgrades to facilities or items you think will upgrade your living experience here, to please let the ARA know or come directly to Allyson and she will ensure I get the information to include in my 'wish list' for the next financial year.

A big thank you to the 96 residents who filled in their resident surveys. Your feedback, both positive and negative, is vital for me to understand where changes need to be made and what is important to you all.

I would love it if the next time a resident survey is put out, we get over 250 surveys returned. Just in case some of you did not fill it in because they had to be returned to Allyson and you had concerns that I may have read them before sending off, next time we will have stamped, self-addressed envelopes that you can collect from Allyson so you can return them directly to head office.

Have a great January!

Mandy

RESIDENT ASSOCIATION NEWS



A lot has happened in 2023, but I am not going to dwell on the past ...
GOODBYE 2023 and HAPPY AND HEALTHY 2024

During 2023, the ARA has promoted a variety of projects to Lincoln Place and been given a good hearing on most of them, e.g., the new pathway, gardens and lighting leading to the front door of the BV Community Centre and the installation of umbrellas adjacent to the pool. Now is the time to start making suggestions for equipment or facilities to further improve our lifestyle, safety and security. Lincoln Place will be setting the village's 2024-25 budget during the next few months and it will be keen to work with the association to compile a wish list of projects.

One avenue for making a suggestion exists inside the back page of this newsletter. The slip is there for residents to make comments and recommendations to the ARA. Should you choose to use it, be sure to add your name and contact details and post it in Box 220 at the BV Community Centre. Another means is to speak directly to a member of the committee. Don't be frightened to make a suggestion; the ARA exists to represent residents. It will consider any that it receives and present the best of them to Lincoln Place.

Further change is afoot! As previously advised, the ARA Committee is considering a change to the Association's name: Furness Street Residents' Association. It's keen to adopt one that will not be affected by any change to the ownership of the village. It is also seeking to modify the current Model Rules for an Incorporated Association and develop its own set.

Information on the proposed changes is available within a folder at each community centre. Please ... apathy towards the changes will be counterproductive. Feedback is required to a) assess the level of their acceptance, and b) determine whether or not they are to be put to the next AGM. Furthermore, to effect the changes, at least 75% of members considering them must declare their approval.

RESIDENT ASSOCIATION NEWS



I am pleased to see that the LP Facebook page is celebrating events that are happening in the village and giving timely advice to residents. The use of the page has increased dramatically with the handover of its management to some keen residents. From its genesis – a means of communication during the pandemic – it has morphed into something special. If you're not yet a subscriber, you're missing out on some great photographs, timely information and helpful prompts.

Finally, if you're not a member of the ARA and wish to be on the Committee and/or a contributor to the AGM in March, you'll need to become one. Get in contact with Brian Pawsey on 0409 825 495 as he has a membership offer that's too good to refuse.

President: John Burr

Vice President: Robin Mills

Secretary: Janine Dunstan

THE STAR SIGNS ALIGN ON...

CAPRICORN

DEC 22 - JAN 19

Smart, hardworking, and fully in control of their destiny, Capricorn signs will always get what they set their mind to, in both personal and professional life—no excuses. Capricorns may get a reputation as stubborn, but they simply know what they want, and also know how they wish other people would behave. Capricorn is intelligent, detail-oriented, and will not take no for an answer when they want something. Their hard working attitude is an inspiration to all, and they truly believe they can achieve anything with hard work.

BIRTHSTONES

Garnet - Stone of Health

The word “garnet” comes from the 14th century Middle English word gernet, meaning “dark red.” The word is derived from Latin granatum, which means “seed,” and is called so because of the gemstone’s resemblance to the beautifully red seeds of the pomegranate.

Garnet is the name of a group of minerals that come in a rainbow of colors, from the deep red of the pyrope garnet to the vibrant green of tsavorites. Some rare garnets are even blue, colorless, or—most rare of all—change colors in different lights. But the most common garnet color is a beautiful range of reds, from rust colored to deep violet-red.

The garnet is so durable, remnants of garnet jewelry have been found dating as far back as the Bronze Age. Other references go back to 3100 BC when the Egyptians used garnet as inlays in their jewelry and carvings. The Egyptians even referred to it as the symbol of life.

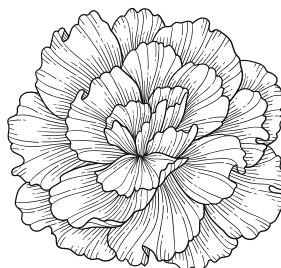


BIRTH FLOWERS

Carnation & Snowdrop

Native to the Mediterranean area, the carnation (*Dianthus caryophyllus*) is a widely cultivated fringe-petaled flower with a spicy fragrance. It was first imported to the United States in the 1850s, and within two decades, more than 50 varieties had been made available. It has long been a staple in the flower industry—especially for Mother’s Day and Valentine’s Day—thanks to its meanings of love and remembrance.

Notably, the earliest garden flower to bloom, the snowdrop (*Galanthus*), emerges in late winter or early spring, sometimes when snow is still on the ground. According to one Christian story, an angel turned snowflakes into snowdrops and gave them to Adam and Eve as a sign of hope after their banishment from the Garden of Eden.



COMMUNITY INFORMATION

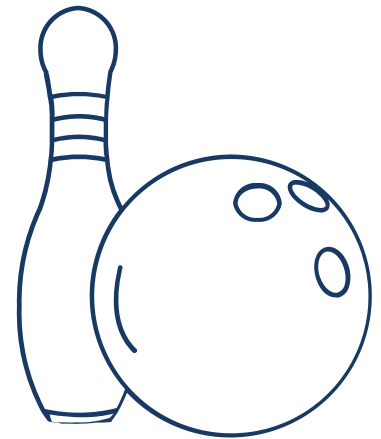
Fire Warden Update

Mandy is in talks with the local CFA branch to hold a meeting for all current fire wardens and any residents interested in becoming a fire warden. It is really important that the CFA are involved with any Fire Warden training to ensure that our fire wardens know what is expected of them by the CFA in case of fire. As soon as there is a date locked in, a flyer will be sent out to you all.

LETS GO BOWLING!

For all those interested in a game of Ten Pin Bowling, a game at the Bowling center has been booked for the morning on the 16th of January at 9:45am

Interested bowlers, please place your name on the lists found at the BV & KG Clubhouses by the 13th of January.



SUDOKU

Get ready to unwind and engage your brain with this Sudoku puzzle. Whether you're a Sudoku veteran or new to the game, this challenge strikes the ideal balance between relaxation and mental stimulation. Grab a comfy chair, find a cozy spot, and embark on a satisfying journey of logical thinking.

Answers can be found on the last page of newsletter.

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COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Come along for Combined
Lawn Bowls at the BV
Clubhouse!

January 15th
2:30pm with a 3pm start!

Afternoon tea with nibbles
provided by Lincoln Place



Christmas Lunch 2023

We were so pleased to see such an amazing turn out for our Residents Christmas Lunch with a total of over 200 residents attending! The team at KFLE enjoyed seeing all your friendly faces and we hope you all had as much fun as we did!



COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Some New Toys!

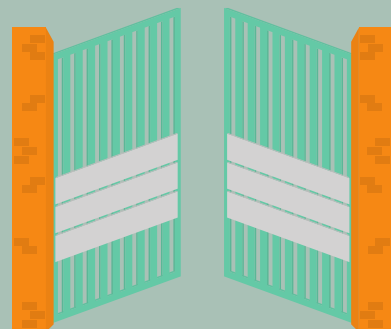
Santa came early this year to KFLE and dropped off some new features for the residents in the Community. A lovely ornament feature has been added to the new fountain garden - it really does add to the space nicely!

Residents who use the pool may have also noticed the handy new pool shades installed. Installation of these shades will make use of the pool during hot and sunny weather safe and cool!



Community Gate Codes

If you are uncertain on codes required to access gates and doors within our community, please contact Allyson at the Concierge desk to be given a card including all relevant codes.



TRIVIA QUESTION

AUSTRALIA

Answers at end of newsletter

1. Which Australian Prime Minister disappeared at sea?
2. During which year of the 1980s was it first possible to spend a \$1 coin?
3. Who was the first person to perform at the iconic Australia landmark, the Sydney Opera House, when he sang Ol' Man River?
4. Australia and the world's first feature film was about which bushranger?
5. Advance Australia Fair replaced God Save the Queen to become Australia's national anthem in which year?
6. Australian breakfast staple Vegemite is known for its salty taste and high levels of which vitamin?
7. What name is given to a baby koala?
8. Which was the only Australian state settled without the use of convict labour?
9. Who was the first Aboriginal Australian to win a world title in sport?
10. Which is bigger, Kangaroo Island or Fraser Island?

TIME TO CELEBRATE!

Happy Birthday

Jan 2nd

Loris Isma

Jan 22nd

Colin Finch

Jan 4th

Ruth Stirling

Jan 28th

Ellenor Jacobs

Jan 7th

Lyn Ardley

Courtesy of KG Social Group

Jan 10th

Geraldine Finch

Jan 12th

Marjorie Hasler

Jan 15th

May Lundberg

Jan 15th

Mary Coppock

Jan 19th

Wendy Howe

Jan 21st

Bert Byleveld

2024 COLLECTION CALENDAR

Put the
right thing in
the right bin!

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Be sure to get it right on bin night
and have your bins kerbside the
night prior to your collection day.

From February 5, 2024, your Organics collection is every week

This colour indicates your General Waste collection week

This colour indicates your Recycling collection week

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W: www.bendigo.vic.gov.au/waste



BV SOCIAL GROUP



December as always was very busy. Thanks to Mandy for reinstating the annual Xmas lunch at KG and BV. Residents look forward to their annual catchup.

Diners at the BV Xmas Happy Hour were tantalised by the delicious smells coming from the Spit Roast. A great gathering of 87 residents enjoyed a 2 course meal and music from Grant Featherby.

Thank you to the very hard working group of Robyn, Eva, Raelene and Janine who work under a lot of pressure at times to put a meal on the table. They are supported by Betty, Sue, Val, Marianne, Ron C, Max P, Trevor, Corrie, Jill and everyone else who steps in to help when needed.

A huge thank you to Barry Langley who stocked the Bar for so long and to Chris McDaniel who has taken over to do the job. There are so many people who contribute to the overall running of Community events in quiet and unassuming ways.

Bob Short organises the Bar Rosters for service at Happy Hour and special events and steps in to do the purchasing when needed. Guy Creedy does the buying, making sure there is enough stock on hand. He also does our barbequing for the Bowls Meal and Happy Hour. Who can forget his fiery effort in November?

John Burr is President of the Resident's Committee and liases informally with Mandy to sort lots of things out. He also waters the Bowling Green at weekends, puts the pool cover on and makes sure the lights are out and the buildings are secure. Brian Pawsey is Membership Officer and quietly wanders both villages talking to people and listening to their concerns. He also organised the Footy Tipping in 2023. Janine Dunstan doubles up on Social Group duties and is Resident's Committee Secretary as well as volunteering outside in the community. Ron Clark is Treasurer of the Resident's Committee and counts and banks the Happy Hour Takings and Raffle money and he also does the Fish & Chip run each month.

BV SOCIAL GROUP



Monday and Wednesday Bowls and the Corona Cup don't just happen. Barry Langley had organised Monday and Wednesdays for quite a while but there is now a Bowls Committee (Joe B, Malcolm J, John G, Corrie V, Barry L } who organise Mondays, Wednesdays and the Corona Cup events. Robyn T and Raelene double up at Games night twice a month from October to March.

As well as now stocking the Bar, Chris McDaniel organises the monthly ten pin bowls, a fun social activity for all residents and checks on everyone's safety with his Fire Warden duties.

Cards tick over nicely with Max Collins always there early to set the tables up as well as holding the fort on Fridays with Last Man Standing and let's not forget his brilliant "Sweep " organisation on Melbourne Cup day.

Trevor Sharpe never says no when asked to help table setups and does the monthly Fish & Chip run. He also put in a lot of work to organise the music segment of our Trivia night. Although he has now retired from BBQing through ill health, a big thank you to Bryan Ferguson for his help over the last 5 years.

Thank you to Mandy, our Community Manager for replacing the damaged BBQ so quickly as it will be put to good use over the Summer. Thank you to Allyson for her support with notices and other office work.

XMAS RAFFLE WINNERS

Hamper 1 John G

Hamper 2 Robyn T

Hamper 3 Wendy Scott (Hams & a box of chocolates were added to the donated items)

A big thank you to all the residents who donated items so generously.

Teapot set Genni Tog.

Towels Elaine F

Drawer Organiser & Bonbons Maura J

BV SOCIAL GROUP



\$30.00 Windermere Card Trevor S.

\$30.00 Windermere Card Marg. G

\$30.00 Sportsman Card Judy L.

\$30.00 Sportsman Card Noel S.

\$30.00 Coles Card Jan W.

\$20.00 Bunnings Card Phyllis

\$20.00 Bunnings Card Ken

\$20.00 Zing Zing voucher John O.

\$15.00 Cadbury's Choc. Rhonda R.

Gingerbread House Lori (KG)

Thank you to Betty Arbuckle for making and donating the beautiful
Gingerbread House.

Thank you to all the residents who support the bi monthly raffle at Happy Hour.

This support means we can give back on Mother's Day, Father's Day and
Christmas.

A very heartfelt thank you to all of those who contributed to the Gift Card I
received at Xmas Happy Hour.

Joy Daniel on behalf of the BV Social Group

LP SOCIAL GROUP



As Christmas and the new year have just passed, wow it's 2024 already, we the LPSG committee are looking forward to a busy year with lots of happy hours to plan.

Our Xmas happy hour with a delicious roast and entertainment of Drag Bingo by Lady Lou Bricant was a great success and lots of prizes were won on the night. It was wonderful to see everyone enjoying themselves. The Lip Sync Battles were great. The joker for our joker poker game wasn't picked on the night, the jackpot amount stands at \$517.

I've noticed we have some new residents and I would like to welcome you to the community, please feel free to put your name down and come along to our happy hours on a Thursday. We started our group with the intention of catering to the overflow of residents both new and old. Also, for the residents that don't get to leave the village it is an opportunity to have a restaurant experience and enjoy a delicious meal within the community.

Our expectations weren't high when we started only 6 months ago. We thought 30 – 40 residents would be great, but we've quickly grown and now have residents from all over the village come along, we had 67 residents for the Xmas happy hour. It is thanks to so many of you that the group is a success & we couldn't be happier. Your kind words and appreciation are what keeps us going. We do it for all of you & we will keep doing it for your enjoyment.

We are now having a new year break, a few of us are away for holidays, and look forward to seeing you all again on THURSDAY 15TH FEBRUARY 2024 for some more delicious food, fun and games.

Information about the night will be in your letterboxes in due course.

Susan Dean,
On behalf of the LP Social Group

KG SOCIAL GROUP

Sad news this month was the passing of Betty Neyland. Our sympathy goes out to Betty's family & friends.

Our Christmas Lunch on Dec 12th was a great success & we thank Lincoln Place.

We at KG are having a free sausage sizzle for all residents on Australia Day. A notice will be up for you to put your name on by January 23rd.

On behalf of the KG Social Group, I would like to wish everyone a happy, healthy & safe New Year.

Jenny Williams on behalf of the KG Social Group

BV GARDEN GROUP

The BV Garden is looking very lush, thanks to our team of hardworking volunteers. Please resist the temptation to pick the veggies before they reach a decent size. Veggies don't survive once pulled out and replanted because they are too small.

Watering this time of year is vital to the survival and growth so if you are unable to water on your rostered week, please swap.

The hot houses are available for anyone to use, so please feel free if you want to propagate plants either for your own use or to plant in the community vegetable patch.

The next gathering will be on Wednesday the 10th of January starting earlier at 9am, or whenever you get there, to beat the heat.

Any help would be much appreciated.

**Thanks,
Wendy B (206)
Barry and Jan (149)**



BV CRAFT GROUP



Hi to our Craft Ladies & Gentleman,

I put a notice on the Aviva Page re Craft on last 2 Fridays in December. It was decided by those attending on 15/12, that we wouldn't have craft on 22nd December or the 29th Dec.

hope this doesn't unduly affect our Members.

Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas & a Happy & safe New Year 2024.

BV CRAFT will resume on Friday Morning 5th January, 2024. @ 9.30am to 12.00 Noon.

I would like to thank our Members Girls & a couple of Men, for all the amazing items they've made or purchased from a few Op Shops in Bendigo. Either The Red Dove, Forest St Bendigo, Or Salvation Army, Kangaroo Flat, plus others.

When we started the BV CRAFT GROUP, a few years ago, I never dreamt that we'd be able to donate so many items to our designated charities. We've donated numerous items to the Sunshine Foundation, Bendigo. They've been so appreciative to receive so many beautiful items. We donate hand knitted or crocheted clothing items from 000 to 8 yo., & also many Baby Rugs or Cot Blankets etc. alternatively if anyone has any children's used but in good clean condition, the Sunshine Foundation are very happy to receive these as well.

We have also donated blankets & Jumpers to a few overseas groups, providing these people with some warm clothes & Rugs, for Children in need.

We have also donated some Scarfs & Adult Beanies etc to the Red Dove Op Shop in Bendigo, they were thrilled with the donations given to them. Also many Beanies to local Church Groups to be given to some Homeless Adults, who attend for a free meal. We have also donated a few items to Castlemaine dogs & cats, sml rugs etc. to an Op Shop over there. Plus also tiny Baby Caps to the Joan Kerner Unit at the Sunshine Hospital.

We have also donated many Lap Rugs to Some local Nursing Homes. Benetas, Kangaroo Flat & Benetas, Long Gully. Plus a few other Nursing homes & a few gifts to residents who've moved from LP to a Nursing Home.

Looking forward to another year 2024 & more, of BV CRAFT GROUP, On Friday Morning's 9.30am to Noon, In the Pool Room. Wishing all residents a very Happy & safe, 2024.

From BV Craft Group & Christine Smith U 196, 0428617152.

RECIPE OF THE MONTH

STRAWBERRY RHUBARB DROP BISCUITS

Ingredients

Fruit Mixture:

- 1 1/4 cups cubed rhubarb
- 1 1/4 cups cubed strawberries
- 2 tablespoons white sugar

Dough:

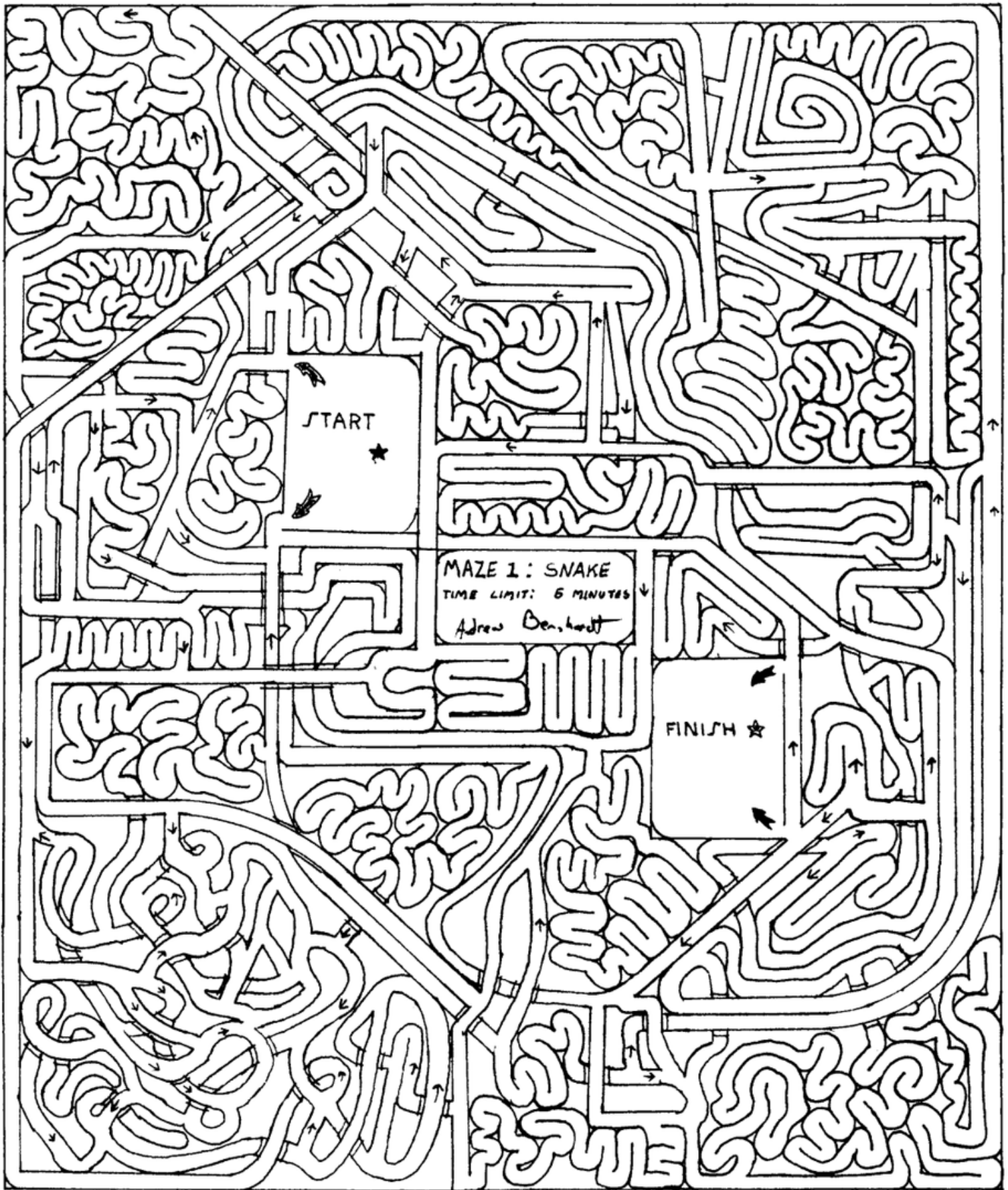
- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 2 1/2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/2 teaspoon fine salt
- 1/2 cup (1 stick) frozen unsalted butter
- 1/4 cup white sugar
- 2 tablespoons reserved fruit syrup
- 3/4 cup cold buttermilk

Directions

1. Cut ribs of rhubarb in half lengthwise and slice into 1/4-inch pieces; place into a bowl. Add cubed strawberries and 2 tablespoons sugar. Toss to combine, cover, and let fruit macerate in the refrigerator for 1 to 2 hours.
2. Combine flour, baking powder, baking soda, and salt in a mixing bowl; whisk to combine. Drain fruit in a strainer set over a bowl. Reserve the syrupy juices that pass through.
3. Grate frozen butter into the flour mixture, while stirring with a fork several times to coat butter pieces with flour. Add 1/4 cup sugar, and drained fruit, mixing with a fork until fruit is coated with flour.
4. Add 2 tablespoons of the reserved fruit juices, and pour in buttermilk. Mix with a fork just until the dry ingredients are incorporated into the dough. If the mixture is too dry to come together, add a little more buttermilk. If it seems too wet, and sticky, add a little more flour.
5. Preheat the oven to 450 degrees F (230 degrees C). Line a baking sheet with a silpat mat. Scoop or spoon equal portions of dough onto the prepared baking sheet. Whisk together egg and water in a small bowl. Brush biscuits with egg wash, and sprinkle with sugar.
6. Bake in the preheated oven for about 25 minutes. Transfer to a wire rack and let cool completely.
7. Mix powdered sugar, lemon zest, and lemon juice together in a small bowl for the lemon icing. Fill icing into a piping bag or a plastic bag with the tip cut off and drizzle icing over cooled biscuits.



HAVE A GO AT THIS MAZE!





Dear Residents,

New Initiative from the ARA

If you have any concerns and/or suggestions for the ARA, please write in the space below, include your name & unit number & post in Box 220 or in the mailbox at KG (in an envelope addressed to ARA). Any suggestions/concerns for Lincoln Place management are to be given directly to Allyson or Mandy.

Trivia Answers

1. Harold Holt
2. 1984, May 14 to be exact!
3. Paul Robeson sang to workers on the construction from the concrete foundations of the Concert Hall.
4. Ned Kelly - The Story of the Kelly Gang, was released in 1906.
5. 1984
6. Vitamin B
7. A loey
8. South Australia
9. Lionel Rose (boxing 1968)
10. Kangaroo Island is 4416 km2 and Fraser Island while our biggest sand island is only 1653 km2.

Sudoku Answers

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