## Newcastle Meals on Wheels CHAT **Farewell from Kathleen**

NTUMN 2013

It has been my honour to have been the Manager of Newcastle Meals on Wheels since 1998, (yes, almost 19 years!), and although I have not had the opportunity to meet everyone of you, I know your names and from which branch you receive your meals. My prime focus during these years has been to ensure the service you receive is one we can be proud of and helps you to stay independent in your homes for as long as you desire.

So, it is with mixed feelings that I announce my retirement in June as I have loved guiding this organistation and providing service to you through our fabulous staff and volunteers.

I am however excited that we have found a person to step into the role who genuinely cares for people and recognises the privilege and responsibility we are bestowing on him to continue to grow this organisation whilst keeping you, our clients at its heart. So I feel confident in handing the Managers position to Damien Isaacs, who will be starting in May, as I know he will give the organisation 110%.

It's the people that make this service great, the wonderful Volunteers that show up in the pouring rain and the stiffling heat to get the meals out. The Staff who genuinely care for their clients and believe in the service we provide and the Management Committee who, like me, work behind the scenes but are always making the hard decisions to ensure a strong future for the service. So, I thank you all for a job well done, you have all made this a fabulous place to work.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a bright future with health and happiness at its core.

Let me leave you with this little quote - ' in a world where you can be anything, be kind.



Chit

Kathleen



Just a reminder that we will be closed for deliveries on Good Friday 14th April and Easter Monday 17th April.

Clients getting out and about on some of Grace's Get-together events. See back page



## Support Person

If you wish, you may choose someone to speak on your behalf when dealing with us. This can be a family member, a friend or an organisation etc.



This advocate may be with you when the Client Liaison Officer comes to visit or they can speak for you, if you wish to make a complaint or notify us about anything.

To appoint a support person to advaocate for you, we can provide you with a form which you will need to name the person you choose, sign and return. Check out our Facebook page. Just search:-Meals on Wheels Newcastle.

Click follow and you will be kept informed on what's happening.

# facebook.

### **Amazing Lady!**

In January, we celebrated Grace Woolcocks 87th birthday. Grace has been volunteering for over 50 years now and is always up for a chat and most weeks is baking and bringing in treats for the Lambton volunteers. Well done Grace, we love you.



*Is that two birthday cakes !!* 





Do you have something interesting to share, a story perhaps or had an interesting life? Why not drop us a line as we would love to hear about it.

Send it to :-

'Share your Story' Newcastle Meals on Wheels 273 Brunker Rd Adamstown 2289



#### Call Chris on 49616116 to join the fun & good company

Tues 19th April

Bingo at Grace's Place. \$18 includes bingo

Thurs 20th Apr Games Day at Grace's Place \$15

<u>Thurs 27th Apr</u> *Movies at Grace's Place* – 'Kangaroo' with Colin Friels & Judy Davis \$14

Tues 2nd May Movies at Grace's Place – 'Inferno' a thriller with Tom Hanks \$14

<u>Thurs 4th May</u> *Toronto Markets*. \$10 transport only.

Tues 9th May Movies at Grace's Place-'The Light Between Oceans' drama/romance \$14

Thurs 11th May Movies at Grace's Place- 'Sully' true story starring Tom Hanks \$14

Tues 15th May Bingo at Grace's Place. \$18 includes bingo. .....

Come along & meet the new Manager! <u>Thurs 18th May</u> Mothers Day Lunch at Grace's Place \$15

Tues 23 May Games Day at Grace's Place \$15

Thurs 25th May Craft Day at Grace's Place...Cost is \$18 includes craft supplies

Tues 30th May Lunch at Grace's Place. \$15.

Tues 6th June Games Day at Grace's Place \$15

Thurs 8th June Queens Birthday Lunch at Grace's Place. \$15.

Wednesday 14th June Bingo at Grace's Place. \$18 includes bingo.

Thurs 15th June Movies at Grace's Place – 'Hacksaw Ridge' war / drama \$14

Tues 20th June Movies at Grace's Place – 'Hidden Figures' with Kevin Costner \$14

Tues 22nd June Movies at Grace's Place – 'Lion' with Dev Patel & Nicole Kidman \$14

<u>Tues 27th June</u> *Explore Wallsend* & lunch at Wallsend Diggers \$10 transport only.

Thurs 29th June Movies at Grace's Place-'La La Land' Ryan Gosling & Emma Stone \$14

