# What's Happening this week...

18th July 2022- 24th July 2022



# Monday 18th July 2022

11:30am Anti-Ageing Exercise class 2:30pm Canasta

# Tuesday 19th July 2022

2pm Art class 2pm Scrabble

# Wednesday 20th July 2022

11am Anti-Ageing Exercise class 6:30pm Social Dinner

# Thursday 21st July 2022

2pm Art class 2pm Stitch-In-Time

# Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2022

09h30 - Residents Walk

# Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2022

Sunday 24th July 2022



# **JULY 2022**

Date	MENU
MONDAY 18 July	Minestrone Soup with Homemade Bread R50.00
TUESDAY 19 July	Three Cheese Quiche with Chips & Garden Salad R60.00
WEDNESDAY 20 July	Harissa Chicken and Cauliflower Pilaf with Pan Fried Greens R65.00
THURSDAY 21 July	Sweet & Sour Pork with Egg Noodles & Stir- Fried Vegetables R65.00
FRIDAY 22 July	Crumbed Calamari with Savoury Rice, Lemon Wedges, Garlic Aioli & Coleslaw R70.00

KINDLY BOOK YOUR LUNCH BY 14H00 FOR FOLLOWING DAY.

PLEASE ADD AN EXTRA R10.00 FOR TAKE AWAY CONTAINERS AND FOR DELIVERIES, R7.00

PLEASE NOTE: NO CASH PAYMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED.



# **BISTRO**

Our lunch offering includes a special of the day, a selection of breakfast, toasted sandwiches, cake plus hot and cold beverages. Kindly be sure to give us a heads up by 2pm the day before if you would like to order the Daily Special in the Bistro. Kindly note that no cash payments will be accepted. Kindly pay on pre-paid account, credit or debit card.

**Social Dinner** is hosted every Wednesday evening at 6.30pm. Bookings to be confirmed no later than 12pm on a Monday. Late bookings will not be accepted. No-show or last minute cancellations will unfortunately have to be charged to your account.



# RESIDENTS WALK

22 July 2022

09h30 - 11h00 - 5km and 7km

10h15 - 1km

Join us for our monthly Resident walk.

> Friends & Family Welcome 5km and 7km route 1km Buddy's Garden Route

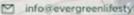
R5 to join the walk towards refreshments along the way.

## **BRUNCH OFFERING**

Breakfast Croissant filled with Bacon and Scrambled Egg topped with Rocket Includes a Glass of Bubbles

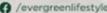
R60

Book your Spot with Jenjen on 33007 or Myrle on 3053 by the 18th July 2022











## **MIRIAMS SHOES**

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> JULY 2022 10am – 13pm

#### IN THE CLUB HOUSE

Come and have a look at the variety of shoes for you to choose from.





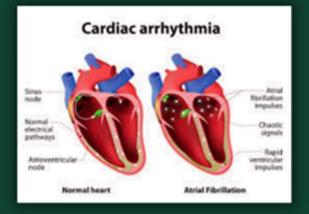


# IRREGULAR HEARTBEAT

What is atrial fibrillation and is it serious

Atrial fibrillation (AF) is an irregular heartbeat. It is caused by a failure of the heart's natural pacemaker, which is responsible for managing the contractions of the heart.

Under normal circumstances the pacemaker first makes two chambers at the top of the heart (the atria) contract, squeezing blood into the lower chambers (the ventricles). Theses in turn are triggered to contract, squeezing blood into the arteries.



In atrial fibrillation, a malfunction of the pacemaker interrupts this sequence of contractions causing the atria to twitch erratically - known as fibrillation - and the ventricles to contract more often and irregularly.

Not surprisingly the heart works less effectively as a pump in atrial fibrillation, resulting in symptoms like a rapid heart rate, difficulty breathing, tiredness and light-headedness. Now there are also areas within the heart where blood flow is slow or stagnant. Where this happens blood clots can form and it is these that account for the increased risk of stroke associated with atrial fibrillation.

#### Why atrial fibrillation increases your stroke risk

The problem with a blood clot in the heart is that some or all of it can break away and travel along major blood vessels directly into the brain.

As these very large blood vessels branch and get smaller/narrower in size, at some stage the clot or piece of clot is going to be too large to travel any further and will block the blood vessel in which it is travelling.

This means that the area of the brain beyond the clot can no longer receive the oxygen and nutrients that the blood normally delivers, causing the nerve cells to stop working and ultimately die.

This is what happens in a stroke – or more specifically in a ischemic stroke (meaning one caused by an interruption in the blood supply). Because clots forming in the heart may be quite big, they can block the larger blood vessels that supply large areas of the brain.

Consequently, strokes arising from an irregular heartbeat or atrial fibrillation can be very serious, which is why it is so important to prevent clots forming in the heart.



#### How to avoid a stroke from atrial fibrillation

If you have atrial fibrillation, you are at an increased risk of stroke due to the formation of blood clots in the heart. So, what can be done to reduce this risk?

Your risk of stroke depends on several factors - age, gender, diabetes, high blood pressure, vascular disease and history of previous strokes. Cardiac electrophysiologist Dr. Shang-Chiun Lee with Mercy Clinic Cardiology has seven things you can do to help lower your risk of stroke while living with AFib:

Get your AFib under control. By itself, AFib isn't too dangerous, but the potential complication of a stroke can be deadly. Several medications can be used to control the rate or rhythm of your heart. One of those is a blood thinner, designed to decrease the risk of stroke by keeping blood from clotting. Discuss the options with your doctor who can develop a strategy designed for you.

Cardiac ablation is also an option to alleviate discomfort or symptoms of AFib. An ablation is a minimally-invasive procedure in which the doctor destroys (by burning or freezing) tissue in your heart that's sending the wrong electrical signals. This procedure reroutes the signals to get your heartbeat regular again. Even after an ablation, your doctor may recommend you take blood thinners to lower your stroke risk.

#### Exercise

Being inactive or obese can raise your risk of stroke, high blood pressure, diabetes, high cholesterol and heart disease. Getting at least 30 minutes of activity each day offers many health benefits and can decrease your risk of these diseases.

#### Maintain a healthy weight

If you're carrying extra pounds, you're more likely to have high blood pressure, heart problems and diabetes. These conditions make a stroke more likely. Your target blood pressure should be 120/80. Take your blood pressure twice a day, and share the numbers with your doctor.

#### Incorporate fruits, vegetables, whole grains and healthy fibre into your daily diet

Even though it can be tempting, try to avoid sugary drinks and sweets.

#### Avoid alcohol

Regular alcohol use can lead to a stroke. Women who have more than one drink a day and men who drink an average of more than two drinks a day tend to have higher blood pressure, increasing stroke risk.

#### Don't smoke

Research links many diseases to smoking, such as stroke, heart disease, lung cancer and respiratory issues. Quitting will significantly reduces the risk of disease.

#### Keep diabetes in check.

Diabetes and AFib are linked in several ways, and they both increase your risk for stroke and heart disease. It's important to get control of your blood sugar so you can control your AFib symptoms.

#### Get quality sleep.

Researchers have discovered a connection between people getting less than six hours of sleep a night and stroke. Sleep apnea, a sleep disorder that affects your breathing, is also associated with stroke risk factors like high blood pressure, AFib, heart failure and diabetes. If you are snoring at night, talk to your doctor about getting a sleep study.









Sherry on Arrival

Main Course
Roast Lamb with Mint Jus

Or

Cranberry Stuffed Chicken

Cranberry Stuffed Chicken Amarula Glaze

Served with Roast Potatoes, Caramelized Brussel Sprouts & Roasted Maple Butternut

Dessert

**Christmas Cake with Cassata** 

Price: R165 per person

Date Friday , 29 July 2022

Time 18h00

RSVP to BISTRO by 23 July 2022