



COMMUNIQUÉ

Being a communication to residents about our Book Club

4th October, 2017

Dear Booklovers all,

We have a bumper month for you in October as our very own Gerd Pontow will be leading a discussion on philosophy. Many have asked, *"what is philosophy all about?"* and *"sounds awfully academic and over one's head?"*

Well here's your chance to find out just what it is all about during an interesting and interactive Book and Coffee morning **on Tuesday, 17th October at 10.30am** in the Clubhouse.

We will also, at that meeting, tell you what little more we know about the new Clubhouse library and any other matters that have arisen.

So please join us, all are welcome.

Two other attachments are included for your information.

The one deals with some frequently asked questions [and answers] regarding the library and its arrangements.

Please have a look through it and if further questions arise, let us know and we will gladly answer them.

The other attachment is the report from the August book and Coffee morning.

It has been on the library notice board, but just in case you missed it, here it is again.

So folks, hope to see you on the 17th October, and until then, keep well and good reading

Kind regards,

The Library Ladies - Libby, Isabel, Pat, and Kathy.

Our next Book and Coffee morning 17 October 2017

Topic: Philosophy – a search for meaning
Speaker: Gerd Pontow
Time: 10.30am



This promises to be an exciting and interesting morning.

Gerd Pontow is well versed in Philosophy from a spiritual viewpoint, and brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to the subject. His talk will be a general overview as well as exploring many of the questions we humans have been asking ourselves since time began.

Topics he suggested: The meaning of the word 'Philosophy'
Why study Philosophy?

The search for meaning, and the art of wondering

The three basic categories of Philosophy

Approaches to the Divine

How do we see God?

How do we relate to the Universe?

Some points of view from Socrates, Plato and Aristotle.

The nature of Time

What is life?

Some views on Death and Immortality.

However Gerd would also like to open the discussion, to invite your comments and observations. So do join us with your cup of tea or coffee on 17 October 2017 at 10.30am for a stimulating morning.

EVERGREEN LIBRARY

Some frequently asked questions

Who can use the library?

All Evergreen residents have free access to the library

Non-Evergreen friends or family may borrow books provided the books are signed out under the name of a resident, who undertakes to ensure the books are returned.

How are books arranged on the shelves?

Fiction books are arranged alphabetically using the author's surname.

Non-fiction books are grouped in categories, e.g. Biography, Sport, etc.

How are the books borrowed?

Write the following details in the log book –

Book number – found on the spine of the book

Author and title of the book

Borrower's name and unit number

Date borrowed / returned

For how long and how many books can be borrowed?

No defined time or number limits have been set – be reasonable.

Where should returned books be placed?

Please do not replace books on the shelves.

Returned books should be placed in the box on the floor marked "Returned Books"

What are the three boxes on the floor for?

Left hand box: Returned books

Centre box: New books in the library which may be taken out

Right hand box: Books from storage that residents have requested be re-shelved.

Donated books, where should they be put?

Books donated to the library can be left in the room in front of the toilets.

Leave the books in packets or boxes and the library ladies will sort them out.

If you have any further queries the Library Ladies will gladly assist.

Libby Baker ***intercom 102***

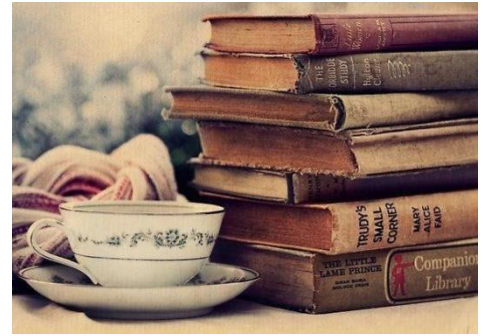
Isabel Labuscagne ***intercom 130***

Pat Bayley ***intercom 117***

Kathy Möhlig ***intercom 142***

Evergreen Broadacres Book and Coffee morning

15 August 2017



Dear Book lovers,

Believe it or not, this was our 13th Book and Coffee morning; attendance has grown steadily and it was good to welcome several new faces.

All of us were interested in knowing more about the *library facilities in the new Clubhouse*. Basil Bold came to speak to us about this. Unfortunately, despite his efforts, very little information could be obtained. However we identified our main priority as shelving – and as we now have the room measurements, can start obtaining quotes.

Moving Day: on that day we plan to call for volunteers to help us pack books into boxes. These will then be wheeled across to the new Clubhouse in wheelbarrows or trolleys, and placed on the shelves in their correct order. Let's make it a fun day with some refreshments on hand too. So please save your boxes – we'll need those that are reasonably easy to lift and carry.

Some aspects of the Library system were explained –

- *Returned books:* place in the box [labelled Returned Books] on the floor behind the Pool table.
- *2nd Box on the floor labelled "New Books in our Library"* – these are newly processed books and can be taken out.
- *Borrowing of books by non-residents:* Our library rules state that any book borrowed by non-residents must be signed out by a resident, who then undertakes to ensure that the book is returned.
- *Donated books* – please place in the box [labelled Donations] outside the toilet. Books in this box are not to be taken out.
- *Boxed books* - books that were older, damaged or deemed to be of lesser interest had been stored in boxes. Lists of these books were circulated during the morning to ascertain whether residents were interested in having them in our library. Several books so identified have been restored to the library. Most of the others were donated to the SPCA – who was delighted to receive them.

Residents were then invited to share with us their thoughts and opinions about the books they had been reading. Their reviews were varied and interesting and a short synopsis of each can be viewed on the shelves in the library.

Many thanks to all who attended and made the morning such an enjoyable one. Also a special thanks to those who provided the delicious sandwiches and cakes.

All the best and good reading