

**Visiting hours 9am to 11am and 1pm to 4pm every day including weekends and public holidays**

Dear Residents and Representatives

I hope you have all been enjoying a burst of summer in recent days and avoiding bush fire prone areas as much as possible.

This is just a reminder that access to Boneham for visitors coming from designated hot spots in NSW are still restricted to people who have quarantined for 14 days and have been tested as COVID free. Exceptions can be negotiated with visitors who are seeing residents in palliative care. In those cases however the visitors are required to wear full personal protective equipment such as masks, gowns and gloves at all times whilst on site.

Boneham has recently purchased a new automated thermometer on a stand which we will be installing into our reception area. The aim of this is to help reduce the queues of people waiting to sign in and have their temperature taken by a staff member. Staff will still be on hand to ensure that all people entering are below the mandated temperature and to provide help to people as they learn the new system. A brief description is however provided below.

To take your temperature, walk up to the thermometer and place your forehead within 5-10 cm (2 to 3 inches) of the thermometer. It will automatically read your temperature and beep. If your temperature is within requirements (under 37.5 degrees) it will give a single beep and display the temperature with a green light. If you are over 37.5 degrees it will give a 10 second alert and display the temperature with a red light. In those cases, we will ask you to sit down for a few minutes and then try again as your body temperature may be adversely affected by the outside weather.

For those visitors who are quite small (children and small adults) the thermometer can also read your temperature from your hand or forearm.

Our staff will still have a temperature gun at reception for those with difficulties.

Stay safe and be bushfire aware over the coming weeks!

Kind regards

Michael Filsell (CEO BACS)