

Kintyre welcomes new residents

The "red carpet" for new residents rolls out at Kintyre Living long before they move in.

"I was invited to the Christmas party here almost a year before my home was built," resident of just three weeks, Rhonda Millar said. Kintyre staff worked with Rhonda to address her personal wishes and allow finishing touches to make the house her home.

"I had the timber flooring put in, the fire-place and the hanging lights in the kitchen," she said.

"The fact I was shown the map of where the new houses were being built. The fact I could choose and make some changes made me really happy. The quality of the build is also great," she said.

While new premises like Rhonda's continue to come on the market, residents of just five weeks, Helen and Malcolm Blackstock say the Kintyre home they'd previously seen a couple of years ago, was available this time again, and was seeming to be telling them to stay.

"When we first went through it, I just had a quick look over my shoulder," Malcolm said. I didn't want to come because I thought we couldn't afford it, and Helen kept saying, 'oh, it's nice isn't it?'"

"Since then, I heard of friends that are living here which I didn't know. One couple we know have been here for 12 years and love it."

The Blackstocks' Kintyre home backs on to an extended yard and a fringe of nature strip with established trees. Helen has no trouble attracting the birds she loves to see in their garden, including a magpie that appears to have adopted her.

"I do like having our own yard and not feeling closed in," she said. David and Marilyn Cosier moved from Wellington to Kintyre in April this year.

"Kintyre were very, very good to us," Marilyn explained about their move during COVID restrictions. "We used the garage and left our things in there as we needed. Kintyre really helped us with the transition," she said.

Since moving in, the couple have wasted no time to beautify their patch, planting a colourful flower garden, trees and veges.

For all new residents the welcome is warm and empathetic the transition can be challenging.

"I owned a business and had a two-story four-bedroom home with three living areas on a 32-acre property," Rhonda said.



David and Marilyn Cosier moved to Kintyre from Wellington in April.

"I had bought a one-acre block because I love trees and space, but my kids just told me, 'mum, get real.' "Then a lady I've known for 20 years came to my business and I asked her where she was living now, and she said Kintyre, which I didn't know about and she explained it was a little out of town and opposite the zoo.

"I felt comfortable as soon as I drove in here. It's quiet, it's private, it's quite amazing how many people I know here already. The fact it was a little out of town and the trees in the zoo will never be taken down and I can hear the lions and the monkeys daily, which is just beautiful.



Resident of three weeks, new resident Rhonda Millar.



Helen and Malcolm Blackstock have found their patch.

"If I travel next year, as I plan too, everything's safe and will be maintained for me. Even if it comes to the point where I can't look after myself anymore, the facilities are here," Rhonda said.

Downsizing for the Blackstocks meant an upsize in their living area.

"We had a three-bedroom house but the lounge room and dining room were smaller than this. Even though this a two bedroom, the bedrooms here are actually bigger." Kintyre Living welcomes all new residents in their transition to the retirement village lifestyle.

There are numerous opportunities to socialise, connect and share in community, at the Country Club, the Men's Shed, by the pool, library, exercise room, and more choices, classes, activities and social groups at the Country Club and a Men's Shed.

"All I have to think about when I wake up in the morning is ask Helen, 'what we should do today?'" Malcolm Blacklock said.

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