

IRT TRAVELLING CELEBRATIONS HEAD SOUTH

IRT's 40th Anniversary Travelling Celebrations continue to the Eurobadalla next week, heading to Dalmeny Village to share the retirement living and aged care provider's proud achievement.

The travelling celebrations will include IRT self care residents at Coastwatch and community services clients who have been invited to join the Dalmeny Village residents on Wednesday, March 31.

Village celebrations of a formal presentation followed by morning tea with staff and residents at each site began last month, commemorating IRT's 40th Anniversary which began on November 14 last year.

The celebrations began at IRT's iconic original village of Diment Towers in Wollongong, before touring the Illawarra villages and then beginning the visits on the South Coast .

Chief Executive, Nieves Murray said each celebration is hosted by a member of IRT's Executive Leadership Team who love the chance to catch up with staff and residents at the villages and it was her turn for the Dalmeny event.

Each resident and staff member will receive a 40th Anniversary Booklet and DVD.

"Our residents often share the talents they've developed throughout their life with their village neighbours and our staff, so this is our chance to celebrate our achievements as a wider aged care community with them," Ms Murray said.

Ms Murray said IRT continued to evolve as a business to respond to the aspirations of residents and clients, providing commitment, loyalty and an unwavering belief in the importance of every single resident and client.

This continues the vision of IRT founder, Dr Max Diment, to create communities where older people live an active and vibrant life in secure and caring environments.

Today, IRT has become the preferred choice for aged care and retirement living for many older Australians in our communities, becoming Australia's largest not-for-profit, community based, aged care and retirement living provider.*

IRT provides products and services to more than 5000 older Australians throughout more than 30 villages and community services across NSW and the ACT.

The travelling celebrations will visit all IRT villages on the NSW South Coast, Sydney and the ACT before returning to its newest acquisition, Seaside Links in Wollongong, to share this milestone with all residents, clients and staff.

For more information feel free to call IRT's Accommodation & Customer Service team on Free call 1800 024 915.

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