# The best of both worlds

SOMETIMES as we age, we may find it harder to stay in touch with friends and it can be easy to feel isolated and lonely.

Being part of an inclusive, welcoming community can help remove many of the barriers to building and maintaining lasting friendships and genuine sense of belonging.

Here are a few ways living in a retirement living com-munity can help build great social connections:

#### You know your neighbours

It's easier to stay in touch with people who live nearby. Every day there are opportunities for social interaction such as a chat by the letterbox, a cup of tea with your neighbour, or a wave as you take out the bin.

#### You're surrounded by like-minded people

Retirement communities are designed to bring people at the same stage of life together.

Everyone is different, but when you're living among people of a similar age,



HIGH TIMES: Enjoy apartment living, like ACH Group's new Spence on Light offering, but keep in touch with neighbours and like-minded retirees through social groups and events in a retirement living community.

there's a good chance you'll centre or outdoor entertainfind plenty in common.

#### Common spaces create opportunities

Facilities that all residents can share, like a community ing area, are a central place where people can meet.

Plus, there's often groups and activities happening: gardening, exercise, card games, or happy hour get-togethers

ACH Group has retirement villages across the metropolitan area and the Fleurieu Peninsula, catering for individuals and couples with a wide range of care needs.

The mix of accommodation options provides a balance of private and communal living in home-like environments, maximising the involvement of family and friends, and maintaining the enjoyment of interests in the wider community.

"There might be a misperception that residents 'live in each other's pockets', but because retirement living is independent living, you can be involved as much or as little as you like," said ACH Group real estate services manager Nat Johncock.

"You'll never feel pressured to get involved, but the opportunities to connect are always there if you want.

"Whether you prefer to fill your days with neighbours or to spend them relaxing in the privacy of your home or pursuing interests outside the village, the choice is entirely yours. It really is the best of both worlds.

Residents at ACH Group's Elkanah Retirement Village in Morphett Vale have a sense of shared support. Neighbours provide each other with practical help and social connections.

There's the usual cuppas together and taking the bins out if needed, but reassuringly, residents also look out for their neighbours and check in on each other in an emergency.

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