

Dear Family Members, Friends and Staff,

Here at Norwood House both staff and residents are getting excited about our Summer Garden Party. This year we will be enjoying: Mr Bean doing Circus Skills and Face Paining, feeding and petting the Mini Donkeys and enjoying the music of the Ipswich Hospital Brass Band.

## Don't forget to add the date to your diary ~ 17th August 19 From 11am to 2pm ~ See You Soon......

June saw our residents enjoying various entertainers; including the welcome return of Gwyn Pritchard and Barry Tone. We also enjoyed another visit from the Ipswich Hospital Band who enjoyed performing in our band stand.

As usual our residents have been producing some beautiful pieces of art work. The Butterflies made with Foteini, from Creative Mojo, went on display in Devon as part of the 'National Care Home Open Day. Have a look at them through the link provided.

A family member with Dementia affects each of the other members of the family in different ways. Molly Howick is a 13 year old who's grandmother suffers with Dementia. Her mother sent in a piece of writing to Dementia UK that Molly had written for the BBC '500 words' competition It's a story told from the point of view of her grandmother. Here is an extract from Molly's story:

"They keep telling me I have dementia, to me it's just a meaningless word, but it's not only me who suffers. Every name I lose sight of, every face I can't quite recall causes devastation. It's like throwing a pebble into the sea, it triggers ripples all around. Waking up each morning and having to walk through an isolated forest, searching desperately for a piece of recognition, just something to call mine. It scares me beyond belief. But then through the mist will appear a bright familiar light guiding me to safety, through the depths of my foggy mind."

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Regards from; All at Norwood House



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- 2nd July 19 Sing-As-We-Go - 2:30pm
- 5th July 19
  Creative Mojo 10am
- 8th July 19 Brian Shaw - 11am
- 10th July 19 Creative Minds - 10am
- 12th July 19 Annika - 2.pm
- 14th July 19
  Gwyn Pritchard 2pm
- 16th July 19
  Sing-As-We-Go 2:30pm
- 19th July 19
  Creative Mojo 10am
- 21st July 19 Vintage Cars Visit - 2:30pm
- 23rd July 19 Barry Tone - 2pm
- 24th July 19 Creative Minds - 10am
- 25th July 19
  Church Service 11am
- 26th July 19
  Sharon Jarvis 2:30pm
- 27th July 19
  Tickled Pink 11am
- 30th July 19
  Somethin Else' 2:30pm

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June saw three of our lovely ladies; Jan, Carol and Maureen, celebrating their Birthdays. All



enjoyed cake, gifts and visits from friends and family.





Our staff also enjoy celebrating with our residents on their Birthdays.

Tammy, a member of our Activities Team, also celebrated her 21st Birthday on the day she organised the Alzheimer's Cup Cake Day. Staff surprised her with a special 'Birthday Cup Cake' of her own!







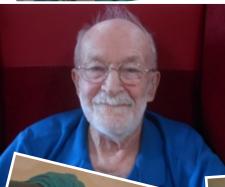


Despite having to cancel our

planned Fathers' Day BBQ, some of our dad's still enjoyed visitors. To celebrate all our gentlemen residents, we have put together some photographs of them from their time here at Norwood House.

























Regardless of all the rain we had in June, as soon as the sun was shining our residents wanted to be outside. Some enjoy walking around the local area with John and Paula from our Activities Team. Others like to do a bit of planting in our raised beds; and some just like to sit and enjoy the sunshine.



**Many** thanks to Revd. Susan Warne, Revd. and everyone from our local Church of England church who regularly visit us to provide a service and hymns and prayers for some of our residents . A BIG THANK YOU to everyone who supported our Alzheimer's Cupcake Day. Tammy, from Activities, and Ruth from the Kitchen, worked hard to make sure everything went well. Some cakes were made by our kitchen staff, and some were brought in by staff.

Both of them worked hard to ensure that we had plenty of Cup Cakes to sell.





Well done! We raised £63.33 for the Alzheimer's' Society.



**John** has been creating some unique pieces of artwork to help residents recognise their own walking frames and brighten up their wheelchairs.

Jan, who was born in Italy opted for a 'Ferrari' emblem. Geoffrey opted for some, Cards and Ruth wanted a reminder of Scotland. Joyce is particularly fond of music, as is Sandra one of our new Support Workers.



**Charles**, a former percussion musician, also always enjoys music, so a drum was apt for him.

**Don't** forget to look out for more individual wheelchair and walker signs on your next visit to Norwood House.





Taking part in Arts & Crafts is extremely important for some of our residents, and they have produced some wonderful artwork over the years. John, our Activities

> Lead, is a keen artist and when



not working with either Creative Mojo or Creative Minds, enjoys doing 1 to 1 art with our residents.







John has been creating

some wonderful backdrops for our residents to create different and interesting scenes. Our residents always enjoy doing this type of art work, so look out for some of their pictures on your next visit.













Our Activities Team recently increased by two with the welcome edition of Andra and Sarah. Andra, Paula and John have been making sure our residents enjoy a morning session of 'Wake & Shake'!







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Andra has also been keen to join in some Karaoke sessions, singing duets with Mihaela, her mum! She has also had to practice her card skills to keep up with some of our other residents.



**Our** residents always enjoy hearing a mixture of different song types, from old time favourites to new contemporary tunes. When they are able, some of them always love to get up and have a dance. Amelia, one of our new residents, loves music, and is always keen to take her turn at the mike.



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Radiohead EnnioMorricone PietraMontecorvino RueKetani LhasadoSela PearlJam









**M**ichelle and Justine, from Sing-As-We-Go, are our most regular singers here at Norwood House. They perform a mix of 20s', 30s' 40s' and 1950s' music which is always a hit with our residents. Their music always seems to bring out the musician and singer in everyone; including in some of our less vocal and able residents. Don't forget they will be performing at our BBQ on the 17<sup>th</sup> August 2019 if you would like to come and enjoy singing along with them.















**B**rian Shaw decided to increase his repertoire by singing a selection of Country & Western songs to our residents. Doreen as usual made sure she had front row seats as Brian is one of her favourite entertainers. Kay, our Hairdresser, was invited to do a Dolly Parton

and Kenny Rogers number with Brian but declined the offer! Amanda,

from Reception, was roped in to do it with him – Dolly Parton she is not!





We were delighted to welcome back to NWH Gwyn Pritchard and Barry Tone; always favourites with our residents.

Annika delighted our residents with a selection of songs

from the 1950's and 60's that most of our residents remembered. When not singing along, they



certainly enjoy dancing instead.













**Sharon** Jarvis loves to do some reminiscing with our residents



about singers and songs that they may remember from years gone by. They love to then sing along with Sharon. Please add the dates that our entertainers are with us to your diary and join us for some wonderful music.









**Tammy**, from Activities, regularly plays the piano for our residents. she has a beautiful voice and can quite often be heard singing to them. The tunes she plays are always

relaxing and our residents enjoy just sitting and listening to her sing.



**Mr Bean** returned to Norwood House last month to bring his Circus Skills & Drumming Workshop to our residents - though some of our staff also enjoyed testing their circus skills!





**Don't** forget that Mr Bean will be at our Garden Party on the 17th August 2019 - so why not join us and see how well you can perform!

Thank you our lovely ladies who once again did the flower displays for around our home, and in the dining room.





We were delighted to have the Ipswich Hospital Band join us again in June for a wonderful afternoon of music, sunshine and Pimms. Almost a dozen members of the band visited us, and as it was a beautiful day they played outside in our Band Stand.



















Many thanks to Donna, one of our Support Workers, who acted as 'Bar Maid' for the afternoon. After the band had finished



playing everyone enjoyed a delicious finger buffet in the sunshine.



**Here** at Norwood House we love to have visitors including the four legged ones! Maureen and Jan enjoyed seeing family and friends on their birthdays and Ruth, one of our Chefs, brought in her dog to 'meet & greet' the residents.



Carol enjoyed meeting Ruth's dog 'Daisy' and Abi, from Pets Welcome Reception was extremely reluctant to let her go!





Back in May some of our residents worked with Foteini, of Creative Mojo, to make some butterflies for the 'National Care Home Open Day'. These were then sent to Devon to form part of the National Trust display. You can see our butterflies on display at: https://www.facebook.com/1982425798453667/posts/2674808649215375?sfns=xmo

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