



## Newsletter of Summerhill Care Home

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### Greetings

Wow 2025!, I hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and a Fabulous New Year. We had a really busy December with lots of music and fun to be had, including celebrating one of our residents 100th birthday.

Our Christmas party was a huge success with our residents being supported by their families and we welcomed the New Year in with songs from our very own Westend singer David Brewis.





## Christmas Decorations

We started the month by making wreaths for the residents doors, those that attended really enjoyed this arts and crafts session and were over the moon with the results. I have to agree, they all looked wonderful and very professional!



More pictures from our wreath making session x



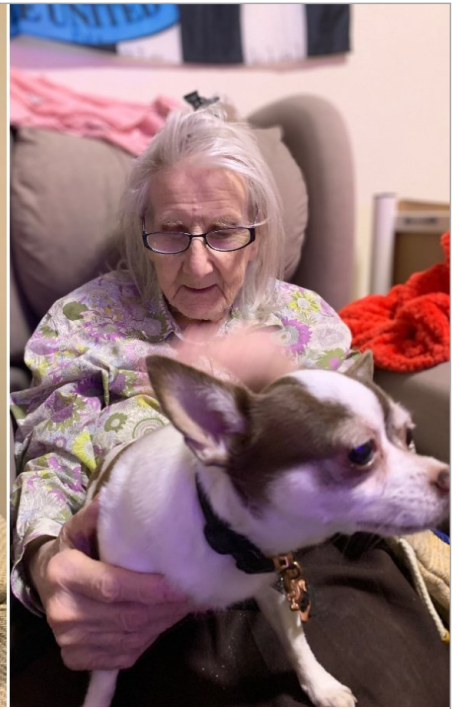
### 100th Birthday

We celebrated with Kathleen and her family, what an amazing feat to reach 100! Kathleen showed off her card from His Majesty the King. Everyone enjoyed a fabulous afternoon tea. All the food, cakes and cake decorations are all made in house from our wonderful talented team.



More pictures from Kathleen's 100th





## Therapy Animals

We absolutely love animals coming to visit our home, we welcome Jessie the little pooch at least twice a month and we also have a mixture of furry animals and reptiles from Animal Antics every six weeks. The joy on our residents faces when they hold an animal is priceless , we had both visit in December.



## Animal Antics

A visit from Animal Antics



## Music

We've had lots of lovely music and singer this month, from Misspent Ukes, Elvis, Carol singers, Fine Vintage and some wonderful acts for our Christmas party.

Everyone loves a good old sing-a-long and the memories the music evokes.



Jean enjoyed having her picture taken with Elvis and Ethel is having a ball listening to Elvis and has not stopped speaking about it since!  
We enjoyed the Christmas Carols, getting us all in the Christmas spirit x



We welcomed Fine Vintage singing their Christmas set, some fabulous singing from our Margaret, she knew all the words.



## Memorial Service

We had our annual memorial service, a time of reflection and to remember those we have lost over the year .





## Christmas Party

We had an amazing time at the Christmas party, we were joined by Steven Swales, singing all the golden oldies followed by Sam singing all a woman classics, followed by a buffet tea for some fabulous tea and cakes, again all decorations and food made in house by our talented staff members.



More pictures from our party





Christmas party food!!



### Elf Breakfast

Christmas Eve was our early morning Elf Breakfast, this is a time for the residents little ones to join them for breakfast, a little fun and also to do some activities - it was a great success and everyone had a great time. Afterwards our residents made Christingles for their rooms.





Everyone enjoyed waffles and pancakes with chocolate, white chocolate, fruit and cream



Jackie and her family enjoying the Elf breakfast x



Margaret, Anne and Helen showing off their Christingles - what a marvellous job they have done.



### New Years Party

Finally we end the year with a New Year's party, we were joined by the fantastic David Brewis, our very own Westend singer who sang songs from all the old musicals followed by buffet tea and bubbles to cheer in the new year in. **HAPPY NEW YEAR!!**





Cheers!!!



## Happy birthday to...



- Helen Michelson  
(5 January)

- Anne Flanighan  
(19 January)

- Linda Fairbairn  
(26 January)

## Upcoming events



Tuesday 7th January we are joined by singer Tony DeSousa @11am

Wednesday 15th January we will be joined by Robert Whitehead @11am

Friday 17th January we will be joined by Alnwick Allstars @ 1.30pm

Monday 20th January we will be joined by Elvis @ 2pm

Wednesday 22nd January we will be joined by Denise to do one of her talks @11am

Friday 24th January we will be joined by the Northumbrian Pipes @11am, they will also be addressing the Haggis for our Burns lunch -we will also be joined by the Mayer of Alnwick

Wednesday 29th January we will be having our monthly church service with Annette from St Michael's Church Alnwick @11am

Friday 31st January we will be joined by the Puppets @11am