



*Birchfield*  
*Luxury Residential Care Home*

**Newsletter**  
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## ***Out and About***

Our residents look forward to our trips out and most recently enjoyed a trip to Oswaldtwistle Mill. This award winning shopping village is full of charm and we all enjoyed wandering around and picking up some bargains.

Later in the day we all gathered in the tearooms for some gorgeous cream cakes and tea.



*L-R—Pat, Bev, Becky and Joan all enjoying a lovely afternoon tea*

*Ted and Alice chat whilst baking*



*Audrey and Alice enjoying the afternoon*

## ***Birchfield Bakes***

On the subject of cakes.... We all love them here at Birchfield, especially the home baked variety.

An afternoon in August saw some culinary crafting from a few of our residents who had a lovely time making apple pies and jam tarts.

Everyone felt extremely spoiled after sharing these treats and enjoyed either baking or eating them (or both!)

## ***Autumn Fair***

We had a beautiful day for our Autumn Fair. We had an absolutely brilliant turn out and we would like to thank everyone who came along to support the event.



*Audrey had a lovely morning  
with her daughters*

We would like to mention special thanks to Pam Tomlin for her very kind donation and also to Michelle and Pam for helping to organise the day. Pam sorted out all the tombola and raffle prizes and Michelle did a wonderful cake stall.



*Michelle worked very hard on the  
cake stall and it was amazing!*

In all, we raised £303.21 for the Resident's Fund which will be used for entertainments and trips out.

## ***Birthday Celebrations***



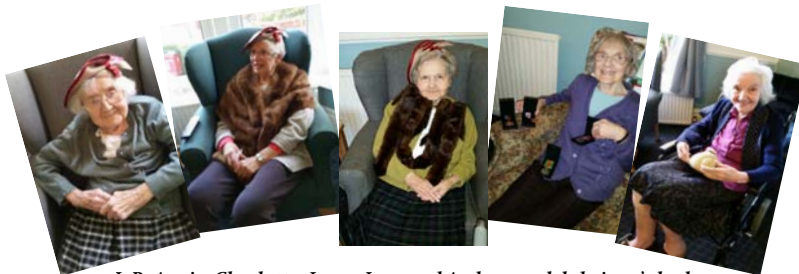
Pat (left) and Eileen both celebrated their birthdays recently and as you can see, enjoyed their special cakes and later shared a wonderful buffet tea with the other residents.



Jane celebrated her 100th birthday recently. She had a lovely family meal out the evening before and had a party here the next day.

## ***Back to the 1940's***

On 5th November we had a 1940's reminiscence show where the residents looked at clothes and other items from the 1940's. Everybody loved this and we had a great afternoon!



*L-R, Annie, Charlotte, Irene, Joan and Audrey model their 40's looks*

## ***Fun and Games***

Board and participation games are always popular in the home. Here are some of our residents enjoying a game of dominoes.



*Audrey and Ted love to play dominoes*

## ***Disney Show***

On Friday, 31st October we all enjoyed a very special visit from the Vintage Scene Academy who thoroughly entertained us with their Disney Show



*Everyone enjoyed a Disney moment!*

## ***Rachel's Wedding***

We are pleased to announce that our Deputy Manager, Rachel, married her partner, Rob, on 20th October at 10am in the Rennison Room at Gretna Green.

We are sending lots of wishes for a happy future to the new Mr and Mrs Gillard.



## ***Regular Activities***

***Keep an eye on the notice board for our new***

### ***DAILY ACTIVITY PLAN***

***Dominoes, Tasting Sessions, Afternoon Tea, Bingo, Films and Reminiscence Afternoons as well as any trips in the pipeline.***

***We also have board games placed out daily for everyone to enjoy including cards, noughts & crosses and a radio in the front seating area***

On the ***second Wednesday*** we are visited by the library so if you would like to borrow books, please let us know. Also, our **hairstylist** calls in weekly, so if you fancy a change or a bit of a 'do' we'll be happy to make an appointment for you.

## ***Upcoming Events***

**13th December**

Christmas Fair

**19th December**

Northeast Producers "The Christmas Carol"

**TBA**

Christmas meal out for our residents

## ***Respite Care***

We currently have availability in our ***dedicated respite room*** so please call us on **01254 266020** with your respite enquiries—we will be pleased to help in any way that we can.

## ***Feedback***

We welcome all sorts of feedback. If you have any suggestions for improvements to the Home or the service we provide, do let us know.

Also, please feel free to send in any articles, memoirs or photo's for inclusion in our newsletter.

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