

# Resident of the Day

Thursday  
18th May 2023

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Today's resident spotlight is on Betty Plant, who had a passion for gardening and flower arranging during her working life. We planned to set aside this day for her. She has poor eyesight and has very limited involvement in activities. She is not able to do activities on her own but can respond to them.

We wanted this day to be focused on her. We did flower arranging together this morning. As she was not able to do it on her own, she joined the group and watched others arranging the flowers. She enjoyed watching the flowers and responded positively with a pleasant smile.



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## Day out



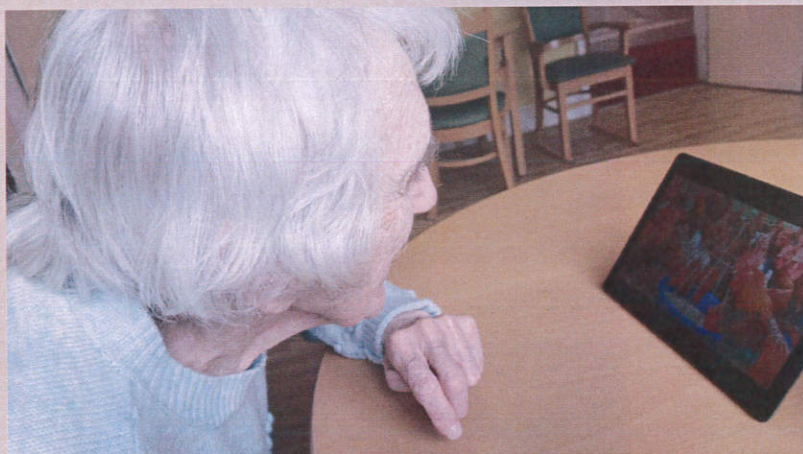
One of our resident who usually declines the activities at our home is James Lewis who is deaf and mute. We decided to take him out to the park as he loves animals and birds. He was not happy when we informed him about the plan to spend some time in the park. When we reached the park, he was confused at first. But he gradually started responding to the birds and fountain. He was happy to take photographs together, which he usually doesn't and started waving and showing thumbs up.



# Exploring the Possibilities of Digital Medias

6th June 2023

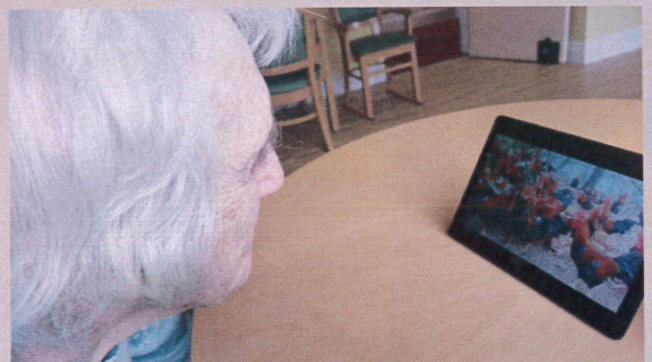
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Joan Bowes was born in Bagby and during her childhood she used to help her grandparents in the farm to collect eggs and raise chickens.

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Her memories about her grandparents and the farm often makes her talk about her birthplace and life there. The digital medias often helps our residents to explore the world outside. Joan was happy to spend her time watching the chicken farms and the activities there once again.





# Flower Arranging

17th June 2023

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Dorothy moved in to our home in May 2023. She loves watching others doing different activities but retreats herself from getting involved in those. She used to enjoy gardening during her young age.

When we invited Dorothy for flower arranging she refused taking part. But we encouraged her to sit with the group and watch the activity. Her mood switched after seeing the flowers and she took those flowers, and gave instructions on how it should be done. She remained active till the end, cleaning up the remaining leaves and made sure the flowers had enough water. She kept on asking about the level of water each day. The activity made her comfortable in the new environment. We shared the pictures in our social media and her family was so happy to see her enjoying her new home.



# Creating Memories

Thursday 6th July 2023

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We make sure to capture the joyous moments of our residents and update them on our social media pages for the families. We also update the photo board at our home with these pictures for the residents and families visiting. Most of our resident love to see these pictures and often asks for copies.



Our resident Cliff was a farmer at his young age. He stays in his room and has restrictions to come to the lounge due to his medical conditions. We gifted him a framed picture of himself with the pony visited at our home. He was so happy to see it and his response was priceless. These simple steps are the ones that often brings the happiest moments.



# Seaside Day

19th July 2023

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Many of our residents have restricted mobility and require support to meet their personal needs. Even though this often acts as a barrier in taking them out to farther destinations we do not want them to miss any of those experiences because of their condition.

The idea to keep a day aside just to focus in creating the experience at seaside was from this fact. It was made sure that the decorations, games, music, food and dress code of staff as well as residents were based on the theme. The activities were comprehensive that it included social, physical, sensory activities (kinetic sand) and traditions( punch and Judy show) to support each of our residents according to their ability. The involvement of families and staff contributed to the celebrations and was enjoyed by everyone.





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# Activities including families

Thursday 20 July 2023

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Including families in our activities have positively impact on the participation and mood of residents as well as the overall atmosphere at our home.



The families were happy after joining in for the coffee morning as they were able to spend a much relaxed time with their family member at the home and got the chance to know other residents and their families as well.

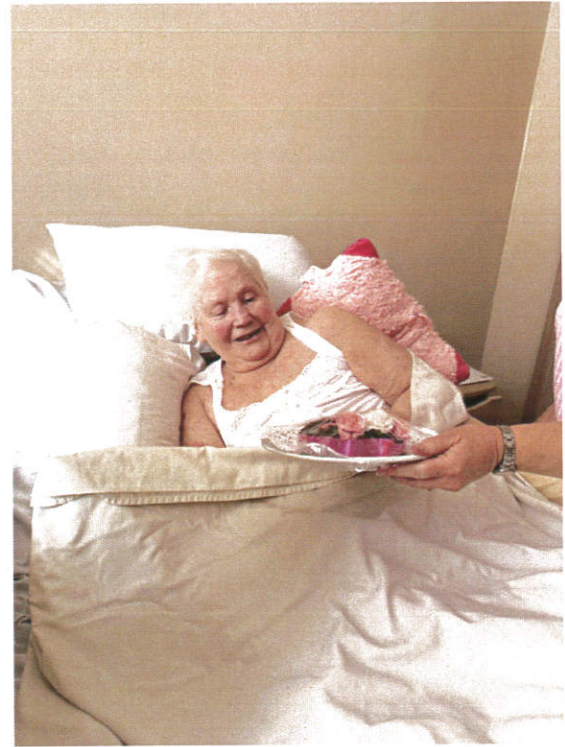
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The trip to Trentham Gardens was emotionally appealing to our resident Phyllis and her family. Her daughter was happy and thanked the staff for inviting her too as it was the place where her mom and dad used to spend a lot of time together. Seaside day was another event where the residents, families and staff came together and enjoyed the most.



# Maintaining Homely atmosphere

Wednesday 9th August 2023



**Our resident Elizabeth (Anne) came to our home in April 2023.**

**Unfortunately, she had to move to hospital after a month for treatment. We wanted to welcome her back from the hospital and make sure she feels like home.**



**We decorated her room and presented her a cake. She was so happy to see everyone. Anne is unable to sit fully upright due to spinal fusion, this often prevents her from getting fully involved in activities. The small effort and celebration to welcome her back helped in changing her mood a lot and now she takes part in activities more than before.**



# Day out

Friday 22nd September 2023

We try to include more excursions in our activities schedule to ensure our residents can interact with more people and have a sense of independence. Emily Reeves is one of our residents who refuses these day out even though she loves going out. We planned a day out to a pet shop and educational centre 'The Unconventional Menagerie' in Longton and to go shopping after that.



Emily was so excited to go shopping and prepared a shopping list for herself. She enjoyed watching the animals as well as shopping for herself. Emily thanked everyone after the trip and said she always wanted to go shopping, and shared the stories with staff after coming back home. She also expressed her wish to join in for more trips.



# Interests and Hobbies

Friday 22nd September 2023

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Our resident Leslie Dean moved to our home by the end of July 2023. He shared his interests and hobbies with us and the stories about his pet budgies and his love for birds directed us in planning personalised activities for him.



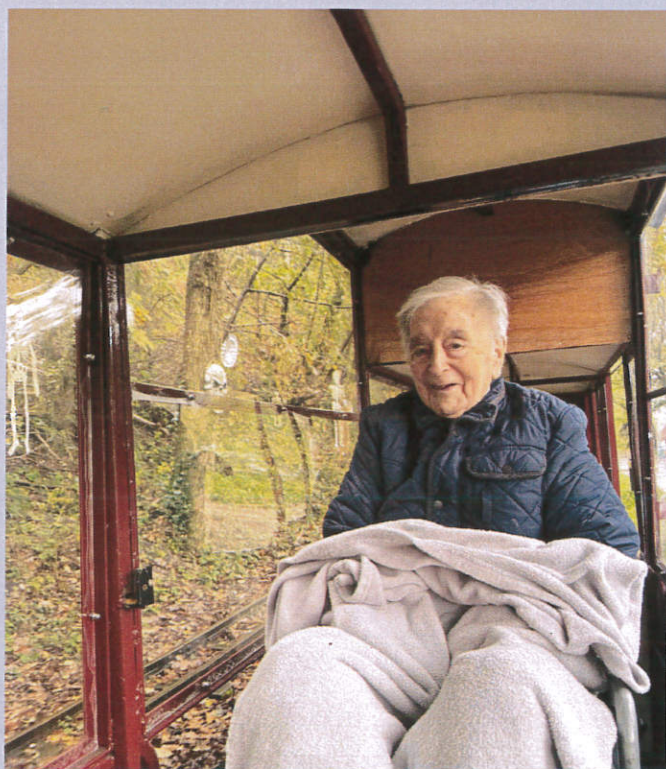
We went to Hanley Park with him and fed the birds. Leslie was so happy that he got the chance to feed birds after a long time. We planned our second trip to a pet shop and educational centre in Longton. Leslie was so happy to see different birds and animals and shared different stories and memories about his pets.



# Journey Through Memories

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Tuesday 31st October



Reginald Malcolm and his wife Margaret Malcolm moved into our home in July 2021. He loves to talk about Crew, where he and his wife used to reside and about the various parts of a steam train as he was an employee of the railway for over ten years.

We planned to take him and his wife on a steam train ride in Rudyard. Margaret had tales to tell as well. She related her memories of riding in the driver's compartment during her childhood since her father was a train driver and that both her brother and father worked for the railway.





# Meaningful Moments

Thursday 09th November 2023

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**Gordon, one of our residents, is a huge football fan. While in the Army, he played football for over ten years. He doesn't participate in many activities, but when he does, he enjoys talking about football and his family.**

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**Gordon was taken out to the Stoke Football Stadium for a tour. All this time, he was paying attention and reacting to his surroundings. Above and beyond our expectations was his response, "It is Unbelievable". It seemed to be fun and meaningful for him.**

