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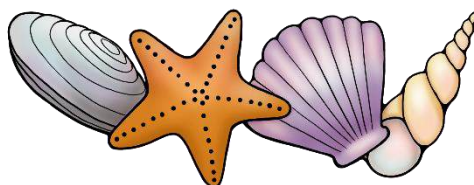


A Seashore Song

The little waves of water
Ripple over the thirsting sands;
The little shafts of sunlight
Sail off to distant lands.

The little clam and seashells
Are ships of the ocean blue,
The seashells are the captains
And the calm shells are the crew.

By Lenore Hetrick



Birthdays this month!

June R
13th June

Sylvia J
13th June

Julie D
15th June

Peter B (80)
16th June

Tom H
17th June

Lynne B
20th June

Staff

Princesse
9th June

Robyn
15th June



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News



Welcome

We would like to welcome Bill to Hewlett Court. We hope you have a happy and healthy future with us.

Welcome

Sad News

Sadly, Resident Bryan Wilde passed away on 3rd May 2025.

He will be missed dearly by all; we send love and wishes to his family and friends at this sad time.



Polite Reminder

Could all visitors to Hewlett Court please refrain from parking on the double yellow lines. Can we also remind everyone that the yellow grid area in front of the main entrance is for emergency vehicles only and should not be parked in at any time.

Building Work

Towards the end of the month there will be construction work taking place with the conservatory being knocked down and rebuilt. We ask that all residents stay clear of the area. This will take up to six weeks. We thank you in advance for your cooperation.

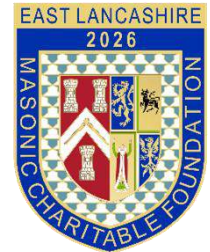
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ELMC/ Festival News



ELMC Treasure Hunt Walk

On Sunday, May 18th, East Lancs Freemasons organised a special walking event to celebrate the “Bi-Centenary of the Masonic Province of East Lancashire.” The event brought together friends and families, all for a noble cause. Every year, a new adventure, a new route, and the same desire to get together.

All participants arrived at Hewlett Court for registration before setting off over the Kirklees Trail and to the Burrs in search of the treasure hunt clues. As this year was a Treasure Hunt of a total of 10 miles, all the walkers were equipped with a map in groups of no more than 6 to maximise participation for everyone who took part.

At the walk, 110 people attended from all over the Province. The RW Provincial Grand Master Robert Frankl, alongside with the VW Deputy Provincial Grand Master John Griffin, the Assistant Provincial Grand Master Dave McGurty, the Assistant Provincial Grand Master Wes Marchant and Area Chairman W Bro Ed Beaman attended the event, alongside with a delegation of members from the East Lancashire Level Club (ELLC).

The success of the event was further amplified by the extraordinary generosity of the volunteers who arrived early to build up the stand and prepared a nice BBQ for the walkers at the finish line.

Jersey Girls ice cream came to serve their delicious ice creams. There was also a bouncy castle, face painting and a balloon artist available for the children to enjoy.

The charity walks not only generated financial support to the Masonic Charitable Foundation but also created an atmosphere of camaraderie and compassion, with laughter filling the air as participants engaged in conversations and shared stories, strengthening the bonds that held the community together

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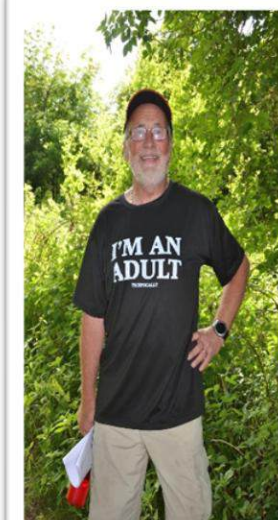
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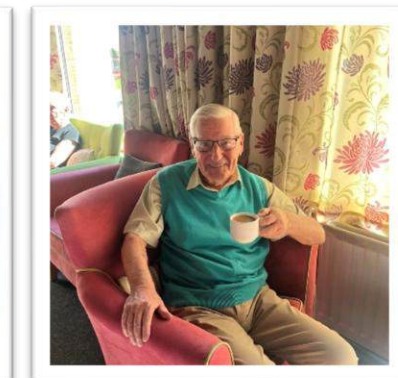
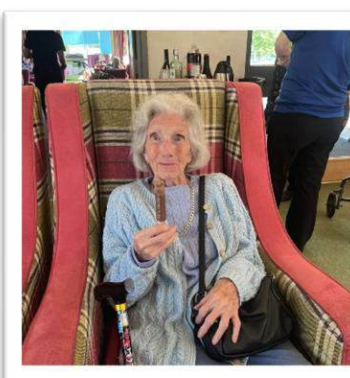
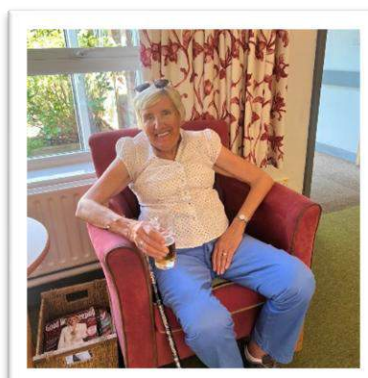
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Sunny Days at Hewlett Court



The ladies and gents have been enjoying the sunny days. They've been keeping cool with ice lollies and refreshing cold drinks. Just a reminder to make sure you have suncream and a hat on hot days and stay hydrated.



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Lee Lambert

The ladies and gents enjoyed another visit from Lee Lambert on Tuesday 6th May. Lee always has the residents smiling, dancing and singing along to all the songs, resident June even had a solo sing along in the performance. We all look forward to Lee's performances.



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VE Day Memories

On Thursday 8th May Hewlett Court celebrated the 80th anniversary of VE Day. Many residents spoke about memories from the day. Here are a few from the inspirational ladies and gents.



Tom, 95 was 16 years old and lived in Nelson, Burnley when the Second World War ended.

'I remember going to the local park with my wife-to-be. It was a sad occasion as I lost my Brother in the war, he was in the Dambusters Air Crew of the RAF.'

In 1943, the family received a telegram to say he was missing. A few months later, the family received a letter to inform them sadly, all the crew had been buried in Reachfield Forrest on the borders of Holland and Germany.



June, 92 was 12 years old when the Second World War ended.

'I remember feeling excited and happy to think the pain and suffering was about to stop. It was a joyous occasion. I remember being in the Chapel with my Mother, Father and Brother when the Minister stopped the service to inform us that war had been declared with Germany. I was very frightened of what was to come.

We had practices for air raids in school, we went to people's homes and sat on the floor. They weren't good memories, it was a frightening time. We were always short of food.

My Father fought in the First World War, he wanted to fight in the Second World War but he was too old so he became an Air Raid Warden looking out for bombs.'

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Pat's Story



Pat, 93 was 13 years old and lived in Radcliffe, Bury when the Second World War ended.

'I remember the street parties and celebrations, tables were in a line down the street and everyone was dancing and singing.'

'It was a frightening time during the War, I used to dread the planes going over. 2 bombs were dropped in Radcliffe, one landed on a school and everyone gathered in the morning collecting the shrapnel. We had ration books and could only have so much butter, sugar and tea. It was a scary and difficult time.'



Dorothy's Story



Dorothy, 95 was 10 years old when the Second World War started.

'I remember at 12 o'clock there was an announcement to say the War had been declared.'

On VE Day, I remember the bells ringing and everybody gathering in the streets to celebrate and dance, everybody was happy again.



Vera's Story



Vera, 96 was 16 years old when the Second World War ended.

'I remember working in the office with the ladies, when we were told to go outside to celebrate. I remember having to carry a gas mask around with me, the planes going over and the bombs/flares over Manchester. We had Street Parties to celebrate when we got home.'



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Margaret, 87 was 7 years old when the Second World War ended.

'I remember going to Lewis's in Manchester for a special meal, the planes came over and the sky was lit up.'

At 1am, I remember staying up to see the illuminated bus go past, it was the first time I had seen anything like that.'



Margaret, 91 was 11 years old when the Second World War ended.

'I specifically remember being in Carlisle on VE Day, I was with my cousin who was 15 years old and there were masses of people celebrating and dancing in the streets.'

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VE Day 80th Anniversary Celebrations

Celebrations ran throughout the day today to reflect, remember, and celebrate the end of the Second World War and the sacrifices made by those involved. We honour the bravery and resilience for our today.

To start off the day, we were joined by Kirsty Allen and a trip down memory lane with fantastic renditions of all the war time classics that everyone enjoyed singing along to.

The ladies' gents and their family and friends then took on the challenge with our war time quiz! Well done to team 'Mary's Gang' for winning, team 'M&N' for being the runners up and team 'Moore's' for coming in third place!

The celebrations continued with garden and indoor games and finished off with a brilliant BBQ, street party style! Not to mention the finale of 'Tug of War' between the staff and friends and family which went down a treat to end a perfect day.

We would like to thank all the families and friends for joining us, all the staff for their continued hard work to make it such a wonderful day, to Hewlett Courts cook, Mel for preparing all the food and making some scrumptious VE Day cupcakes and to Dan Wilcock for hosting the BBQ! We couldn't have done it without you all!



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Katie Fiddlestix

The ladies and gents were delighted to welcome back Katie Fiddlestix to finish off a wonderful week of celebrating the VE Day 80th anniversary. The ladies and gents were taken back down memory lane from some of the memorable songs that Katie played.



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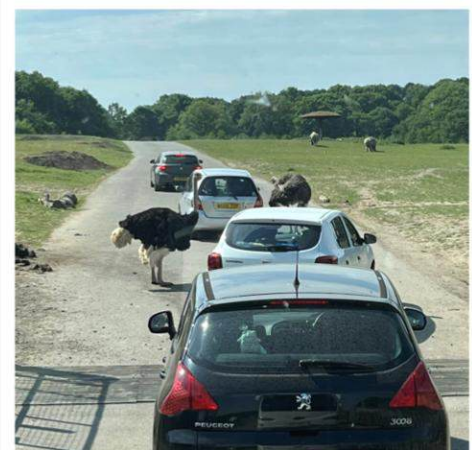
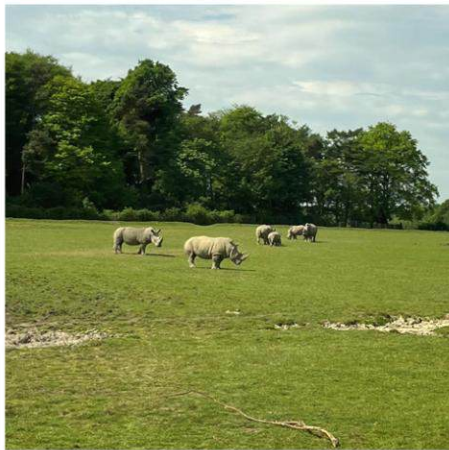
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Knowsley Street

Some of the residents took a trip to Knowsley Safari Park on Monday 12th May, where we encountered many different species of animals including White Rhinos, Camels, African Lions, many different species of Deer, Buffalos and Baboons.

The ladies and gents took a short stroll to the sealions where we watched the sealion frolicking in the water.

After the adventure at the Safari, we headed to The Copper Pot where everyone tucked into a two-course meal with a refreshing drink before heading home. A wonderful day was had by all.



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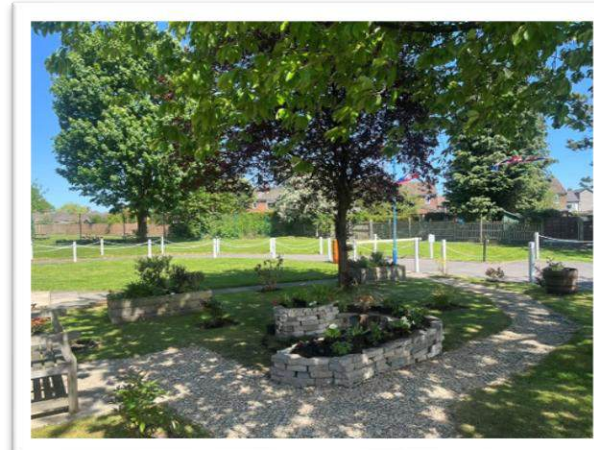
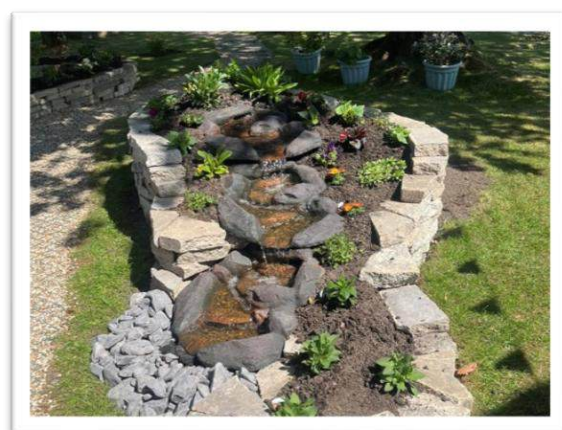


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Hewlett Court in Bloom

I'm sure you will agree that the gardens at Hewlett Court are looking spectacular. We always receive lovely comments about the grounds, and it is all thanks to the hard work and dedication of Head Groundsman Paul Sellers and his Assistant Alston Hall. The new waterfall feature looks absolutely stunning in Charles' Memorial Garden.

A huge thank you to all the hard work Paul and Alston do as volunteers.



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Coeliac UK Cake Sale

On Friday 23rd May, Hewlett Court held a cake sale, raising funds for Coeliac UK. There were lots of home-made cakes available to buy as well as a 'Guess How Many Sweets Are In The Jar' game to play. The winner was resident Joyce who guessed 200 which was the nearest answer to the 267 jellybeans that were in the jar. Thank you to everyone for the support and donations for the charity, it is much appreciated. A total of £155 was raised for Coeliac UK.



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Fish & Chips Friday

On Friday 23rd May the residents and staff were treated to a chippy lunch from Brandlesholme Chip Shop. The Fish & Chips went down a treat with everyone.



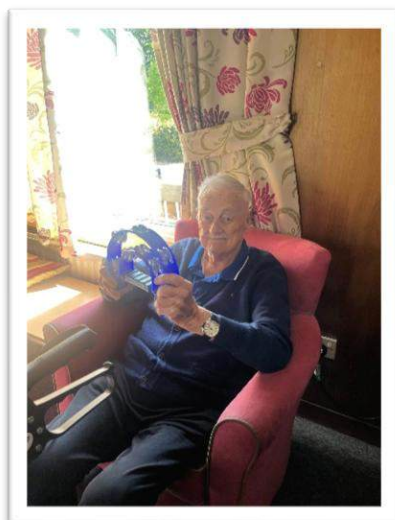
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Melodies and Memories

We finished off a fabulous Friday with the lovely Suzy from Melodies and Memories performing in the lounge with a range of exercises incorporated in to her performance as well as a singalong with musical instruments which everyone joined in with.



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May Birthdays!



**Jimmy celebrated his
birthday on
1st May**



**Doreen celebrated her
birthday on
4th May**

**General Assistant
Evelyn celebrated his
birthday on 17th May**

**General Assistant Emily
celebrated his birthday
on 18th May**



**Cook Mary celebrated
his birthday on 18th May**



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Monday 2nd June 2025

Italian Themed Tea 4:45pm

Wednesday 4th June 2025

Lewis singing in the lounge 3pm

Friday 6th June 2025

National Fish & Chips Day Dinner 12:45pm

Tuesday 10th June 2025

Greater Good Project in the lounge 11am

Sunday 15th June 2025

Fathers Day Celebrations in the lounge 3pm

Friday 20th June 2025

Fishers Mobile Farm on the carpark 2pm

Saturday 21st June 2025

Kings Birthday Afternoon Tea 4:45pm

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