

MERRY
CHRISTMAS



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Welcome to the December Newsletter.

As most will now know we held our first fund raising event in November, the “First annual Auchtermairnie Ceilidh” this proved to be a great success and has raised £500 for the resident’s social fund, it was a great



night thanks to all who came along or made a donation to the fund and congratulations to all the raffle winners. For those who could not make it this time around, well you missed a great night but hopefully we will see you next year! Date has been set for Saturday 25th October.

Residents & Relatives Committee

You may have noticed a poster up looking for volunteers for the committee, so far we have managed to rope in 2 relatives and a couple of residents, more volunteers would be good, so if you can spare an hour or so a month to attend a meeting or would be interested in getting involved in the fundraising please let us know.

The first task of the committee will be to come up with the next year’s events, which off course includes another Ceilidh! They will also figure out how best to spend the money we have raised so far in addition to the funds already in



hand, the committee will be in complete control of the funds and will decide what they are used for.

In addition to fundraising etc, the committee members (and other residents and relatives) will also be asked to get involved in some of the decision making that affects residents, like the environment of the home, what can we do to improve the facilities and will most likely be involved in menu reviews etc, we want to make sure that residents and relatives have a say in any matters that affect them.

News...

Our new brochure is now ready; I have enclosed a copy, many thanks to the relatives of Nan Cobban for allowing us to use her picture for the front cover.

Welcome to our newest resident, Margaret McLaren who joined us at the end of November.



Congratulations to Lisa McNeill & Lorraine Brown who recently passed their driving tests, *I will be checking the car park walls for damage on a regular basis!*

On a sad note, our condolences go to the family of Nan Haggart who passed away on the 25th November; she will be missed by all.

Birthdays November.

Andrea, 21 again!

Nicole, Still a Youngster

Colin a mere 25!

Rae, Well Over 21!!

Birthdays December

Mandy

Lillias Reekie

Tom Burt

Scottish Care Conference & Awards

Along with myself and Joan, Fiona / Ann / Milena and Fiona J all attended the Annual

Scottish Care conference recently, this event allows those working in the care profession to see what else is out there and to talk to others in the industry, at the event Joan along with a few others in the industry gave



presentations to about 500 people on the Future of Care in Scotland.

In the evening there is an awards ceremony where those working hard in the industry can be recognised for their commitment, awards are given for best carer, best manager, best support worker etc, hopefully next year we will have a few nominees up for the awards and put Auchtermairnie on the National Map! Apart from that a good night was had and *too much wine was drunk, wasn't it Ann!*

Residents Xmas Party

On the 14th December, we will have the residents Xmas Party at the Legion in Kennoway, starting about at 1pm and finishing around 4pm, all are welcome so let us know if you can make it so we can confirm the numbers for the buffet, there will be entertainment and Santa will pay a visit, ***if any Grandchildren etc will be there please had in a parcel so Santa can hand them out.***

There will also be a raffle, first prize a Christmas hamper, donations for the other prizes would be appreciated.

Christmas Day

Can all residents or family let us know as early as you can if you plan to be out on Christmas Day so we can plan the table settings and menu etc for the day, also there is an open invitation to any families and friends to come along for a couple of hours around tea time, 5/6pm, when we will have a bit of a buffet with maybe the odd glass of wine! It would be great to see you there,

New Years Day

Open invitation to all to come along for a buffet and a couple of drinks around 5/6pm on New Year's day.

Dates for Your Diary

Jan 25 th	Burns Supper 6pm, all welcome, entertainment and Supper.
March 29 th	Daffodil Tea
July 6 th	Strawberry Tea
25 th October	2 nd annual Ceilidh
31 st October	Halloween Party

If you have any ideas for inclusion in the newsletter or would like to get involved in the residents committee please let me know.

Merry Xmas and Happy New Year

Colin & Joan.....

