

CARE CENTRE NEWS

The winter months of December, January and February often show a slight decline in our client attendance figures and this is due to adverse weather conditions and the resultant ill health it sadly brings to our clients.

But thankfully as we have crept into March and witnessed the spring flowers popping up, the nights draw out and the days becoming warmer I am pleased to say it has encouraged clients, old and new to venture out again and either rejoin or join us for day care.

We have lots to look forward to in the coming months here at the centre with the celebration of events like Easter, The Queen's Diamond Jubilee, Wimbledon and the Olympics. The ever popular barge trips will be included in our calendar of events and the 27th of July we will join forces once again with our onsite pre school nursery to host a combined 'young and old' garden party, which proved extremely popular last year.

If you have a loved one or know of anyone in the community that you feel may benefit from spending time with us for day care (could even be half day if that is more suitable) then please contact either myself or our care Manager Aneta Allcock. We have limited spaces available but we would be very happy to discuss your requirements either here at the Centre or in your own home. Don't be shy, give us a try.



Sylvia Harland, Centre Manager

SERVICES WE OFFER AT THE DAY CARE CENTRE

- *Day Care for the elderly.
- *Tuesdays—Dementia Day Care.
- *Experienced qualified staff.
- *Full and varied entertainment programme.
- *Companionship & stimulation.
- *Award winning 3 course meals.
- *Special individual diets catered for.
- *Lunch Only service available.
- *Specialised Bathing facility.
- *Disabled Access Transport provided.
- *Outings and trips.
- *Respite for carers.
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Newport Cottage Care Annual Plant Sale

The ever popular NCC Annual Plant Sale will be held this year on Saturday 19th May at the Care Centre starting at 10am until 12 noon. Entry is free. There will be plants and cuttings for sale and refreshments available.

We would be very grateful for any donations towards the plant sale. Seedlings, bulbs and planted up cuttings are all most welcome. If you would like us to collect any plants you are donating for the sale please contact us on 01952 820893.

Let's hope for some good weather!



FORTHCOMING EVENTS

 **Grease Theatre Trip**—Thursday 10th May — Regent Theatre, Stoke-on-Trent. Tickets £30 (includes coach).

 **NCC Annual Plant Sale**—Saturday 19th May. At the Newport Cottage Care Centre. Starts 10am—12noon. Free Entry.

Skittles Evening—Saturday 16th June. At the Parish Rooms Newport 6pm—9pm. Adults £8, children £5 (up to 16yrs of age). Ticket price includes Fish & Chip Supper.

 **Burton Borough School & NCC Joint Summer Concert**—Saturday 30th June featuring the award winning Burton Borough School Band. To be held at Burton Borough School. Tickets £6. There will be a bar and raffle on the night.

For more information on all events contact Sylvia / Celia on 01952 820893 at the Care Centre or email reception@newport-care.org.

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Message From Our Chairman

The town, and particularly the Care Centre, have just lost a great supporter and friend with the passing of Alan Roberts. He was a founder trustee and the treasurer until 2 years ago. His friendly approach to life allied to his financial expertise and personal integrity made him an invaluable member of the Trust. Even though we will not have Alan at our meetings his influence will be there for many years to come. All at the Care Centre express their sorrow to Judy and family at their sad loss.

Since its inception the Cottage Care Centre has received considerable support from the people of Newport and surrounding areas. This has included volunteer helpers and involvement in fund raising activities.

The initiative to have an ambulance and paramedic staff base at the Care Centre to provide 24 hour cover for the town and surrounding areas (subject to planning permission being granted) will allow us to return the favour to the people of Newport.

An enhanced service and shorter response times are good news for Newport.

John Airth—Chairman



League of Friends

During the weekend of March 25th and 26th, we had our change over from Winter to Summer in the League of Friends Shop. We cleared the shop completely and re-stocked. You are all very welcome to come in and browse and have a chat with our volunteers.

The League of Friends have passed a proposition to donate £5000 towards new lighting in the care centre lounge, dining room and conservatory areas.

The League have had lots of good comments regarding the x-ray department, but we have had one or two complaints about the length of time the reports are taking. This is being investigated and I will put the result of this investigation in the next newsletter.

In March we celebrated two shop volunteers birthdays:

Sandra Morris was 70 and Brenda Simcox was 80. Happy Birthday to them both.

Once again I would like to say a very big thank you for your continued support.

Margaret Woodcock—Chairman of Newport League of Friends.

How To Become A Trustee

At NCCC our Trustees are the people legally responsible for the overall management and decision-making of the Trust and are responsible for the overall direction and performance of NCCC. All of our Trustees are volunteers and give time to take an active part in the running of the charity. It is a role that can at times be demanding and challenging but is also very rewarding.

If you are interested in becoming a Trustee of NCCC we would be very interested to hear from you. There is a formal procedure to be undergone before you can become a Trustee so please contact our chairman John Airth at the Care Centre on 01952 820893 for further details.

Ambulance Service To Come To NCCC

The NCCC Trust has been approached by the ambulance service to see whether the Care Centre could be used as a permanent base. We were delighted to be asked and a planning application has been submitted to allow a new ambulance station in the grounds. If approved, the move will create a new purpose built station which will improve efficiency and response times. We feel it is important that Newport keeps an ambulance base in the town and are pleased to be able to help.

Charity Bike Ride Donation

The West Midlands Police annual charity bike ride has been taking place since 1994. Each year members of the force together with friends and family take part in a sponsored bike ride from Wolverhampton to Aberdovey raising money for different charities. We are delighted and very grateful that this year once again Newport Cottage Care has been selected to be one of the local beneficiaries and has received a donation of £5,000.



We would like also like to thank Mark Hesbrook of the Red Lion Pub at Sutton for his continued support of this event and promotion of the Care Centre.

Acknowledgements

We would like to acknowledge the following kind donations to the Care Centre:

Telford & Wrekin Council £800

Earl of Bradford Charity £250

The Lynn Foundation £500

Newport Town Council £500

LOTTERY RESULTS

January
£150—633
£50—179
£25—546
£10—190

February
£150—254
£50—536
£25—278
£10—297

March
£150—257
£50—639
£25—687
£10—120

