

SOMERSET HOUSE NEWSLETTER



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Homemade Christmas



Our wonderful fully decorated tree showcasing the Residents' homemade decorations. In recognition of their efforts we have submitted an entry into the NAPA Christmas Tree Competition. Results awaited!

We also iced our homemade Christmas cakes and used fresh foliage from the garden to make table decorations for Christmas Day.



Activities & Entertainment

Sue, our Activities Coordinator, is now full-time as of January 1st. Hours will vary to include weekends and some evenings. As usual weekly programmes will be posted on the two notice boards. If you have any suggestions for activities or any questions please speak to Sue.

Christmas Party



What a gang the Filtonaires are, Christmas greetings by guitar! There was a good crowd at the party, with standing room only, spilling from the garden room into reception. The Filtonaires music created a great atmosphere with good company, good food and nice glass or two what a way to start the Christmas celebrations!

Gareth

Christmas Entertainment

The Lochrian family folk band were great - two violins, guitar and flute. They were very interactive and really encouraged us all to join in and enjoy the Christmas spirit.



Likewise the 9 – 5 Ladies Choir were lovely to listen to but also came amongst us and had us all joining in. I love their style of singing. It was so nice how they stayed afterwards and joined us for a chat, a cup of tea and a mince pie.



Alma

Yatton Village Pantomime

I was genuinely amazed at the costumes and vivacity of the cast of Jack and the Beanstalk. All the cast were very good, the character of Fleshcreep was played so well you wanted to boo him as soon as he entered the stage. And the lad who applied for the role of milkmaid and was required to perform a dance to qualify was outstanding.

The scenery was very good. I was particularly impressed by the success of the lift complete with sliding doors and a lift attendant dressed as you would expect an air hostess to be. Very professional!

The cast sang together well but it was the little details that made the afternoon so special. One such moment was when the little lad who played Dr Beat came on stage to tend to the King and tested his reflexes with a little hammer – the Kings leg duly jerked up every time in response.

Many thanks to all involved and to the Yeo Valley Lions for organising the afternoon for us and providing the transport.

Darrel

Silver Bells Christmas Show



SG Productions brought their Silver Bells Christmas Variety Show to us between Christmas and New Year. It was, as always, greatly enjoyed by all. The artists were very professional and friendly and put on a first class interactive show. We look forward to seeing them back in April for their Frank, Sammy and Dean Show.



Spring Event

At the recent residents meeting we have decided to hold a charity tea party in the Spring to raise money for Guide Dogs for the Blind. Please look out for notices, giving details, in reception nearer the time.



Dining Room Refurb

We have nearly completed our refurbishment of the dining room and thank everyone for their patience and understanding whilst this work was done. After six years the dining room carpet was at the end of its life. The new hard flooring in the Garden room had proved a success and given its ability to be easily cleaned, was the ideal choice for this room. This meant that the existing floor had to be repaired and levelled which took some time, but now should last a lot longer and keep looking good. Together with a redecoration, brighter light fittings and new chairs the room is looking much better. Tablecloths, pictures and a mirror over the fireplace are still to come in the next few weeks.

Kitchen

In addition to the dining room, the kitchen has had an improvement with a new sink, pull out rinser tap and pass through dishwasher. This is a significant enhancement and will make a tedious task much easier and safer for the staff, quicker and hopefully with better results.



Survey

We continue to improve the Home for the benefit of all residents and staff. If you have any ideas or requests please let us know. As part of our desire to meet or exceed expectations we are sending out our annual Resident's Survey with this Newsletter. I do urge all residents and family to complete the questionnaire as your views are very important to us. It is "your Home" and we want to strive to make it the best for you all.

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