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Longbridge Deverill House

Equality Care Ltd

Welcome to our Summer Newsletter

We've had lots of exciting events and activities recently and thought that we'd share some of our memories with you.



Petting Zoo in the garden!

We had a wonderful visit from a petting zoo, which brought along some alpacas, a pony, Charlie the duck, along with a host of chicks, guinea pigs and rabbits. It was lovely to be able to utilise the garden and the weather managed to hold for the event. All the residents had the opportunity to stroke the animals and engage with the organisers. Many residents chatted for a long time about all the different types of animals and how they are looked after, it was a lovely afternoon for everyone.

Upcoming events at Longbridge Deverill House

Summer Ball

Date to be confirmed. This will be an opportunity for relatives and residents to have a wonderful evening of dancing and music.

Residents meeting

The next meetings are scheduled for the 27th July and the 24th August.

Garden Games

An afternoon of garden games- weather permitting of course! 31st July.



World festival month

World festivals month was a wonderful opportunity for our residents to engage with culture from all over the world. With plenty of craft opportunities, music appreciation sessions and food tasting, which always goes down a treat.



The residents made some fantastic lanterns to go with the Waisak festival and even had a go at making rockets for the Thai rocket festival. Cinco de Mayo was a fantastic hit with the residents, quite literally! Residents enjoyed bashing a colourful piñata filled with sweets; along with listening to Mexican music and tasting Mexican inspired foods.

Birds of Prey

Colin Sutherland came to visit, bringing with him some beautiful owls for our residents to interact with. Many of the residents were able to hold the owls and be really close to them. Colin was extremely informative, and was able to tell the residents all about the owls diet, upkeep and even how he manages to train them.



Colin also informed the residents about how his rescue project has grown over the years and how he is continuously increasing the number of animals he has in his care. We are hoping to have Colin back, later in the year to meet some of his other birds of prey.

Music and Movement

Music and movement is on every two weeks here at the house and recently we have had some wonderful themes. We've had music from the blues brothers and some fantastic reminiscence on holidays, dinner dances and family occasions.



Using a variety of props, such as parasols, lights and material residents are encouraged to engage with the theme and discuss freely how they feel about the theme topic, or anything else that springs to mind. Music and movement sessions are a fabulous part of our activity programme and give all our residents the opportunity to participate in a fun and relaxed environment.

Summer Fete

This year's summer fete had an American theme; it was the 4th of July after all! We all had a fabulous time with cream teas in the garden and thankfully the weather was fantastic. We had a variety of stalls on offer, including sumo wrestling suits, coconut shy, cake stall and of course our summer raffle and tombola.



The garden looked absolutely fantastic and we have to thank the maintenance team for all their hard work. We would also like to thank all the volunteers who helped on the day, the residents had a fabulous time and it wouldn't have been possible without everyone's generosity. Photos from the day will be put on our notice board shortly. Should anyone like a copy of a photo please feel free to ask and we can arrange that for you.

Welcome!



We have a new resident Andy Pritchard who joined us in May. We would like to extend a warm welcome to Andy and look forward to finding out more about Andy's CB radio hobby.

We would also like to extend a warm welcome to our new members of staff who have joined us over the last few months.

Kirby Baggs
Bushra Bundy
Alesha Callacher
Lisha Graham
Beth Lewis
Dan Pelling
Ashleigh Shergold
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