

Local News

The annual Exmouth Kite festival took place over the last weekend of May, with an outdoor picnic concert featuring the fantastic Joey The Lips, who were supported by Rainy and The Dust. Exmouth seems to be a favoured spot by UFOs at the moment. Recent footage of a UFO flying in the sky over the seas at Sandy Bay was taken by a family from a chalet at Devon Cliffs Holiday Park. Specialist lifting barges have been positioned around the hidden remains of MSC Napoli to start removing the last of the stricken container ship, beached off Branscombe two years ago.

Sports News

Tennis – Britain’s Andy Murray has been having a very impressive run getting himself into the second week of the French Open.
Football – Budleigh Reserves had a great day to celebrate in May, winning the Seaton Cup Final and staying in the premier Division
Cricket – Kent captain Rob Key remains confident he will make an impact for England at the ICC World Twenty20, despite some indifferent domestic form.
Weather – Sun, sun and more sun are on the forecast over the initial couple of weeks in June with just a few drops of rain here and there. Temperatures should be cooling as the month develops, but still remain warm.

And to finish a few facts about sport that you might be interested to know.....

- Fishing is the biggest participant sports in the world.
- Football is the most attended or watched sport in the world.
- In 1898, one of the first programmes to be broadcasted on radio was a yacht race that took place in British waters.
- Golf is the only sport that has been played on the moon - on 6th February 1971 Alan Shepard hit a golf ball. Australia took the Cup in 1983.
- A badminton shuttle easily travels 112 mph.

Pinewood Fête Raises £377.26 for local charity



Pinewood Residential and Nursing Home was packed full of people on Saturday 16th of May. A Spring fête was being held in order to raise money for the Budleigh Salterton Lions Club and people from all over the local area came to join in. With £377.26 raised, it can safely be regarded as a resounding success. A lot of thanks should go to all those people who donated their items for the bring and buy, raffle and cake stall. Other events included two owls from Sharandys Birds of Prey and cream teas with some lovely clotted cream from the Budleigh Salterton Creamery. Mike the minibus driver also had his pottery out on display. The weight of the cake in the weigh the cake competition was a healthy 7lb 7oz and the teddy bear's name was John!

In other Pinewood News.....

Outstanding library books: If anybody has finished with the following could they return them to the quiet room:-

Marriage Bargain by Lisa Andrews

Diagnosis Murder: The Double Life by Lee Goldberg

Searching for Tilly by Susan Sallis

Activities: For a few years now, Shirley has been with us as our Activities Organiser. Unfortunately, we had to wish her well earlier in May as she left us to be closer to her family. In her place, Sue-Claire Morris will be starting with us as soon as we obtain her CRB and reference checks.

Sue-Claire is local to Budleigh Salterton and lectures in counselling at Bicton College as well as being involved in DAISI (Devon Arts Initiative in Schools). Sue-Claire has also run activities at Exmouth and Budleigh Hospitals. When Sue-Claire starts, she will be speaking to all residents and visitors to the home, finding out what activities residents would like, organising those activities and recording how the residents have benefited. We are hoping to extend the range of activities in the home so that they benefit all residents in the home no matter what their needs.

Questionnaires: A big THANK YOU must go to everyone who has filled in their quality assurance questionnaires. From an initial glance, everyone seems to be happy with how we are performing. Apologies from Philip for the embarrassing and somewhat obvious error in mixing up which scores were "high" and which were "low". Despite this error, everyone managed to figure out or specify which way round was the highest score and which way was the lowest. Questionnaires will be improved on the next time round.

One issue that was brought out by a few professionals in the questionnaires was our extensive use of agency staff over the past few months. Apologies for this but we have had a turnover of staff due to people moving away or going on maternity leave. We have also had a few issues recruiting a good Deputy Manager. Fortunately, Juan Mabor has now started with us and has taken on this role. We are nearly back to having a full complement of staff and do not envisage employing many agency staff in the near future.

The month that's past

- Nira, Anne, Victor and Barbara were all celebrating their birthdays.
- The sing-a-longs, poems and quizzes at Helen Strevens' *Tranquil Moments* were a great joy once again on 3rd May.
- *Music For Health* helped play their part towards the Home's musical entertainment when they came in on 18th May.
- **28th May – THEATRE TRIP TO SEE CHESS!!!** Residents enjoyed their trip out to the Exmouth Pavilion to watch this famous Andrew Lloyd Webber musical.

As always of course, our weekly activities agenda has always helped ensure there's never a dull day to be had at Pinewood:

Monday: Tai Chi with Joe

Tuesday: Hairdressing with Jamie

Wednesday: Mini bus outing

Thursday: Stretch and Movement with a quiz afterwards

Friday: Bingo and then some sing-a-long afterwards

Saturday: Free time to do what you wish

Sunday: Hymn singing

Activities agenda for the month ahead

5th June - *Tranquil Moments* are here once again.

12th June - Maureen Duckworth will be at 2 p.m. to give us all some handy tips on flower arranging.

15th June – *Music For Health* will be here for their monthly visit.

17th June – Luc the harpist is back by popular demand!