

THE DEVONSHIRE

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY



A very Happy Birthday for the month of November to:

Residents: Laura on the 24th, Eileen on the 27th, and George on the 30th

Staff: Kay on the 1st and Diana on the 30th.

Dates for your Dairy

5th - Guy Fawkes night

9th - Movies and popcorn

13th - Remembrance Sunday

23rd - Brian Iddenden Trio Jazz Trio

23rd - Guess that TV theme tune

30th - St Andrews Day with traditional music and food

Fresh Air Drives:

These take place every Tuesday & Thursday afternoon.

Residents Meetings

These are held at 11am each Wednesday in the main ground floor lounge

2nd 9th 16th 23rd 30th

Residents Council Meeting

18th with Jean

MESSAGES

Farewell to: Activity Coordinator Jo who is retiring.

Welcome to: Our new Activity Coordinator Lisa, we wish you well in your new position at The Devonshire

Apologies to: Gary, Trudie and Rafael for missing your birthdays in the October Newsletter. We hope you all had a good time.

Carer of the month: Mavis for her hard work and happy smile.

Congratulations to: Our new laundress Maria who is doing a fantastic job!

Thank you to: Dr Jivani for giving all the staff their flu shots.

Thank you to everybody who filled in the Annual Questionnaire for your comments and feedback. These have been very helpful in establishing what we do well and what we need to improve on. A copy summarising your responses and our plan of action is enclosed.

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Resident Profile.....Phylis (Phil)

Phylis was born on 7th March 1912, in London. When she was a few years old the family moved to Kingston, Surrey. Phylis had many brothers and sisters and they all attended the local school in Kingston. Phylis prefers to be called Phil.

After leaving school Phil had a variety of jobs. She remembers her days as a sales lady in Gallery Laffeate , Hides of Kingston, and a jewelers. She also worked in the linen department of Tolworth Hospital.

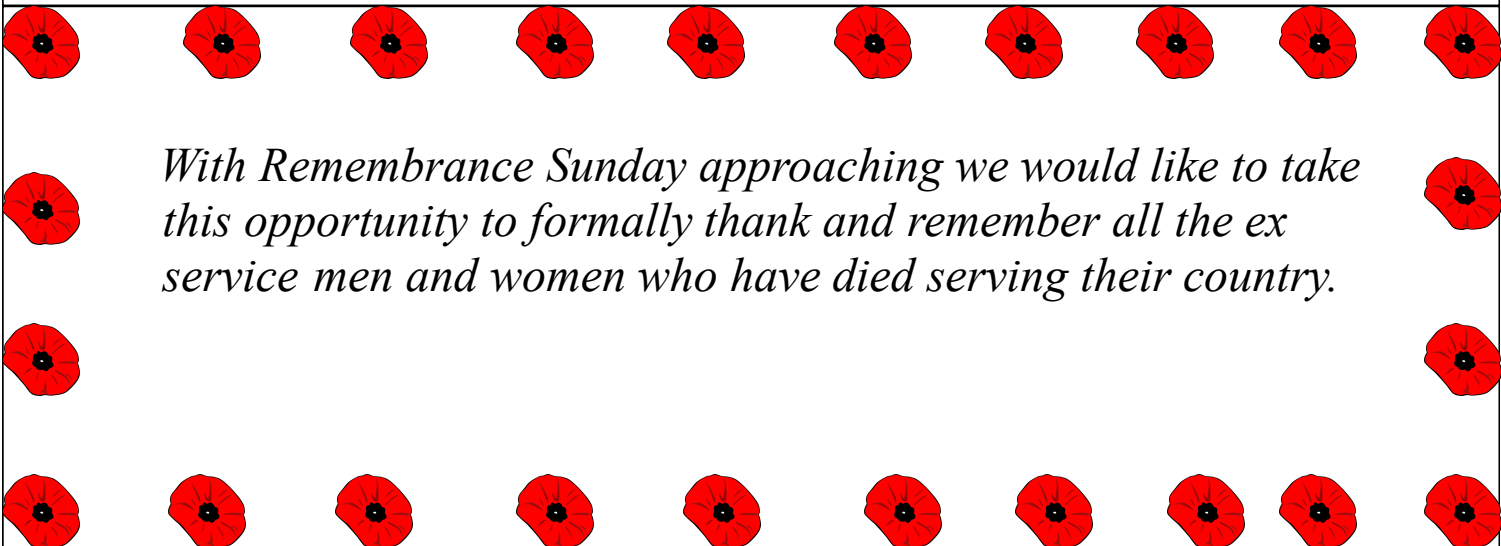
Phil met and married her husband Charles, and they moved to Surbiton for a short time before making a final move to Tolworth where they lived for 64 years! They have three children Hazel, who now lives in Canada, Alan and Lynda.

Phil has travelled for many holidays to Canada, the last flight being when she was 88 years old. Her daughter Lynda remembers what a wonderful seamstress her mother was and how she was always sewing. Phil is a vegetarian and loves to be outdoors in the garden.

Reminder

Could you please inform Jean if you bring any new electrical appliances in as these have to be PAT tested. Also, could we remind families that we prefer Residents not to use hot water bottles as they may burst causing serious burns.

Thank you.



With Remembrance Sunday approaching we would like to take this opportunity to formally thank and remember all the ex service men and women who have died serving their country.

Life at The Devonshire

Residents at The Devonshire have been kept busy with many activities during October. George, Phylis and Marianne are still keen to sit in the garden in the mornings while the weather allows, even if they do have to wear their coats now. After the morning news discussions, exercises begin with Mary M, Irene, Dob, Annie, Barbara, Eileen and Mary R giving it their all and remarking how afterwards they feel ready for the day!

Indoors, the morning quizzes, taboo and 1950's radio quizzes remain popular with Doris remarking how she loves a quiz and Connie, Eileen, Laura, Irene, George, Edna, Barbara, Marjorie and Marianne sharing their talent for general knowledge. On a more competitive line, Barbara, Eileen, Betty, Iris and Mary R enjoy competing at cards and dominoes. Ella, Mary H, Doris, Marj, George, Barbara, Eileen, Iris and Eileen are regulars for musical bingo with Dorothy P and Dot H singing along.


Continuing on a musical note, the Devonshire Residents enjoyed a visit from a jazz trio who played for them in October. Graham was in full voice singing along and Doris danced a few steps to well known tunes. Annie, Dob, Dot H, Eileen, Irene, Mary R, Edna, George, Mary H, Margaret, Telford, Connie, Jean and Lily all thought it was a 'smashing event' and a resounding success. Everyone is looking forward to their next visit. Among those who like to partake in the music as well as listen are Annie, Doris, Dot H, Dorothy P and Graham who enjoy the singing group and have honed their version of 'White Cliffs of Dover' to perfection.

A new activity that Dob, Ruth and Mary M have tried is flower arranging and they were very successful as they produced a lovely basket full of flowers. Daisy, Joan, Dolly and Martha participated in one to one activities with Lily still busy knitting squares for the lovely blanket and Margaret C enjoying reminiscence and crosswords

As always the cream tea proved popular with Mary M, Eileen and Irene reminiscing about how they used to make scones when they were at home.

THE DEVONSHIRE SOCIAL CALENDAR

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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	
	1st Daily Papers Move That Body Board Games Afternoon Movie	2nd World Events Morning Stroll Reminiscence Residents Meeting	3rd World News & Views Morning Stroll Beauty Salon Fresh air drive	4th Current Affairs Musical Movement Countdown Tea and Scores	5th Move That Body Weekend News Guy Fawkes Night	6th Weekend News Let's Move! Movie & Popcorn Evening	
7th Daily News Bend n Stretch Arts & Crafts Sing-a-Long	8th Daily Papers Morning Stroll Karaoke Fresh Air Drive	9th World News Move that Body Bingo Marathon Movies and popcorn Residents Meeting	10th News Today Gentle Exercise Beauty Salon Fresh air drive	11th Newspapers Musical Movement 50's Film Star's Skittles Afternoon	12th Current Events Let's get moving	13th Remembrance Day Sunday Papers Gentle Stretch Afternoon Movie	
14th Newspapers Move that Body Musical Bingo Let's Cook!	15th Gentle Exercise Quiz Time Movie & Popcorn Evening Fresh Air Drive	16th Daily Papers Bend n Stretch Let's Cook Look at Cook Books Residents Meeting	17th Current Affairs Reminiscence Beauty Salon Fresh Air Drive	18th World News Bend n Stretch Classical music and sherry Residents Council	19th Weekend News Move that Body Late Night Movie with sherry and chocolates	20th Sunday News Musical Movement Afternoon Matinee	
21st News & Views Gentle Stroll Classical Music	22nd Move that Body Recipes old and new Tea and Scones Fresh Air Drive	23rd Daily News Bend n Stretch Guess that Theme tune Residents Meeting	24th Current Events 40's fashion Morning Quiz Beauty Salon Fresh Air Drive	25th Daily Papers Gentle Exercise 40's Film Star's Afternoon of Classical Music	26th Newspapers Armchair Stretch Afternoon Movie	27th Weekend Papers Gentle Exercise 40's Film s	
28th Daily Papers Gentle Exercise Musical Bingo Afternoon Movie	29th World News Gentle Exercise Musical Bingo Memory Box Fresh Air Drive	30th St Andrews Day celebration Current Affairs Skittles Residents Meeting	Dates for your Dairy 5th - Guy Fawkes night including small garden display and food 9th - Movies and popcorn 13th - Remembrance Sunday 18th - Classical music and sherry evening 23rd - Guess that TV theme tune 30th - St Andrews Day with traditional music and food			Happy Birthday to: Eileen on the 27th, and George on the 30th.	