



INTRODUCTION

Message From Our Manager

Welcome to our Autumn newsletter. The past few months have brought a lovely mixture of activities, entertainment and opportunities for residents to spend time together. We have welcomed some unusual animal visitors, introduced new reminiscence sessions and said goodbye to summer with live music and a fundraising celebration.

We have also been supporting the Care Workers' Charity, a cause that is important to us, with our fundraising continuing into October when members of our team will be taking on a static bike challenge.

It has been particularly nice to see new friendships developing as we welcome new faces into the home. Creating opportunities for residents to get to know one another, share their experiences and continue doing things they enjoy remains an important part of everyday life at Hazelwood.

We hope you enjoy catching up on our latest news.

If you know someone who would like to receive our email newsletters/updates just let us know, or forward them the newsletter sign up link below:

[Newsletter Sign-Up](#)

Best wishes,

Allison Pettican
Home Manager



ACTIVITIES & EVENTS

Meeting Our Animal Friends

There were plenty of curious faces around Hazelwood when Animalia Encounters arrived with a collection of furry, and not so furry, visitors for residents to meet.

Residents had the opportunity to see the animals up close and spend some time interacting with them. It was lovely to see how relaxed and content many residents became in their company, with plenty of smiles throughout the visit.

Animal encounters offer something a little different from our usual activities and can be particularly good at encouraging conversation and bringing back memories of much-loved pets and animals from earlier in life.

Our visitors certainly made an impression and we look forward to welcoming more animal friends to Hazelwood in the future.



Sharing Our Stories

Over the past few weeks, we have introduced more reminiscence activities into our programme, giving residents the opportunity to sit together and share some of their experiences.

Everyone living at Hazelwood has their own story. Residents have been talking about previous jobs, family and friends, places they have visited and experiences from different stages of their lives. We have also been discussing hopes, wishes and the things that remain important to them today.

These sessions have been particularly valuable as we welcome new residents into the home. Sharing stories provides a natural way to discover common interests and experiences, helping people get to know one another and form new friendships.

We always enjoy finding out more about the people who call Hazelwood home and look forward to hearing many more stories.



Saying Goodbye to Summer

We rounded off the summer with a party and fundraiser in support of the Care Workers' Charity.

It was lovely to welcome so many families to join residents and staff for the occasion. Live entertainment came from reggae duo Keval, who were chosen by our Home Manager and proved to be a great choice, bringing plenty of music to our end-of-summer celebrations.

Events like this give residents the opportunity to enjoy entertainment alongside family and friends and help bring the wider Hazelwood community together.

Thank you to everyone who attended and to those who generously donated to the Care Workers' Charity. Your support is very much appreciated.



HOME NEWS

Celebrating Our Emergency Services

We marked Emergency Services Day 2026 by recognising the people who work across our emergency services and the important contribution they make to communities every day.

Residents spent the morning getting creative with emergency services-themed colouring sheets, choosing their own colours before bringing the individual pieces together to create a larger picture.

Creative sessions are a regular part of life at Hazelwood, providing a relaxed activity where residents can concentrate on their own work while enjoying conversation and company around the table.

We were very pleased with the finished result and enjoyed displaying everyone's work together.



Pedalling for a Purpose

Our fundraising for the Care Workers' Charity continues in October with a challenge that will certainly get our staff moving.

A static bike will be set up in our ground-floor lounge, where members of the team will be putting in the pedal power to help raise money for the charity. Residents, relatives and friends are invited to come along on 8th October at 2pm to watch, encourage our cyclists and join in with the afternoon.

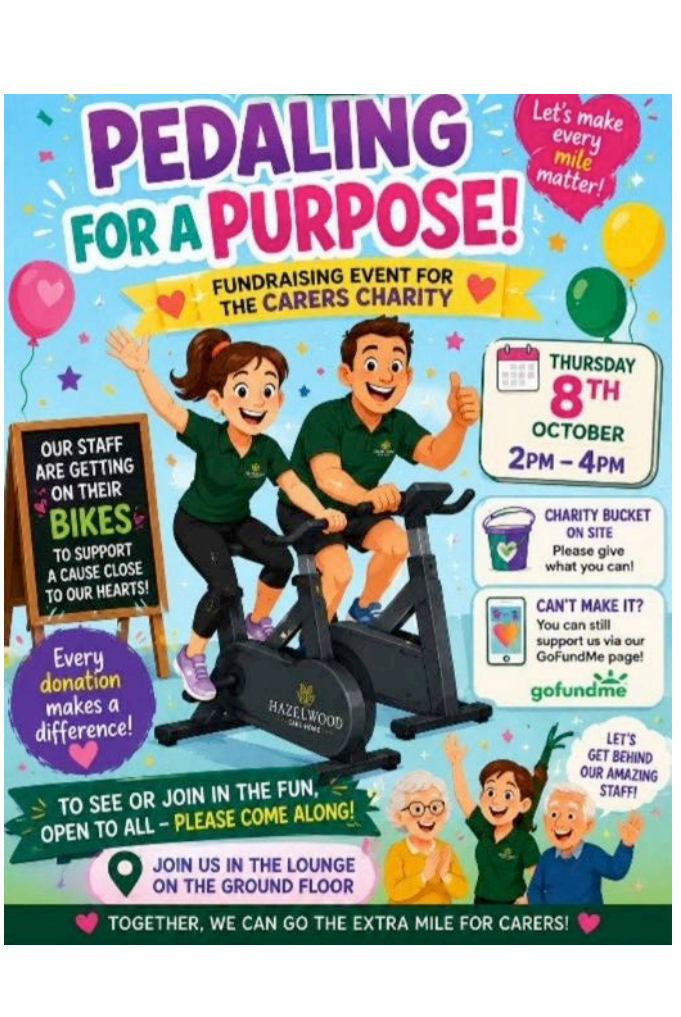
We are also welcoming donations of 'pedal minutes' for anyone who would like to help keep our team cycling for a little longer!

A GoFundMe page has been created for anyone who would like to support the fundraiser online, with donations going towards the Care Workers' Charity.

Support Hazelwood's Care Workers' Charity fundraiser link

<https://gofund.me/28c789616>

Thank you to everyone who has supported our fundraising so far. Every contribution is appreciated and we are looking forward to seeing how our team gets on with the challenge.



COMING UP...

Looking Ahead

As we settle into autumn, we will continue to offer residents a varied programme with opportunities to socialise, get creative, enjoy entertainment and take part in activities based around their own interests.

Our new reminiscence sessions will continue, giving residents more opportunities to share their stories and get to know each other, while our regular activities will provide plenty of choice from week to week.

First up is our Pedalling for a Purpose challenge on 8th October, and we hope residents, relatives and friends will join us to cheer the team on.

Thank you, as always, to our residents, relatives, colleagues and visitors for being part of life at Hazelwood. We look forward to sharing more of our news with you next time.

EXTERNAL LINKS

Social Media

Make sure to check out the Hazelwood Care Home Facebook Page for all our latest photos!

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Leave A Review

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