

Balclutha *Bugle*

Autumn
newsletter

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Hello and Welcome to our newsletter. We have had a lovely summer, now it is time to look back on what we have been up too.

Thank you once again for all your kind words & support.

**General Manager
Alison Dickson**



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Independence Day



We celebrated Independence Day in a true American style by hosting a USA themed party with dancing and entertainment. The weather was perfect and everyone had a great time! They celebrated all things American whilst everyone enjoyed burgers off the BBQ & ice cream floats. There was even a VIP visitor - the Statue of Liberty which posed for photographs!

Go for Gold



Residents joined other residents from local care homes to prove that age is not a barrier as they competed in a sports day for senior citizens. Residents from 11 care homes across Inverclyde gathered at Battery Park for the Go for Gold challenge. There were various games including the Slipper, Beat the Goalie & Egg and Spoon race. Everyone had a great time.

Surprise for General Manager

Surprise celebrations filled Balclutha Court as Alison Dickson, celebrated her 50th birthday on Friday 27th October. Friends, colleagues & residents held a surprise birthday party in the home's dining area where the birthday girl was toasted with a special birthday cake & it made a wonderful centerpiece to complement the buffet. It was a fun-filled afternoon for everyone!



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Ladies that Lunch

Our ladies at enjoyed a lovely pub lunch at the Tail o' the Bank then a stroll along the promenade enjoying the views of the Clyde.



Hampden Park



Our residents enjoyed a great day at Hampden Park as part of our Football Memories. They enjoyed a tour of the museum & stadium. It is Europe's first ever national football museum and is filled with incredible items all to do with Scottish football. They got a chance to feel the team spirit in the dressing rooms, score a goal in the warm up area, hear the "Hampden Roar" and even see the cup presentation area.

Employee of Month

September –
Laura Montgomery

October –
Brenda Storey

Halloween

Our annual Halloween party is Thursday 31st October with live entertainment from Chaz Cunningham – from 2pm - Better start planning your outfit now.



A few words from *Barchester*...

'Excellent' Result for Canmore Lodge

Staff and residents at Canmore Lodge Care Home in Dunfermline are celebrating their recent Care Inspectorate Report result, where they scored an overall 'Excellent' after receiving a score of 6 for supporting people's well-being, and 6 for how well the home supports and plans care. The report follows the home's recent success on carehome.co.uk where Canmore Lodge achieved a perfect 10/10 rating. Currently only 1.5% of Scotland's care homes for elderly people have an overall 'Excellent' rating, making Canmore Lodge ranked among the best in the country.



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2019 Barchester Care Awards

The Barchester Care Awards is an annual event that showcases the very best that Barchester has to offer. The Care Awards celebrates the fantastic individuals who work and volunteer in Barchester care homes across the UK; and also has a category devoted to recognising the beautiful outdoor spaces tended by residents and staff members.

Our Divisional Winners have already been named, and the award ceremony will be held in Manchester on 3rd October, when the National Winners will be announced. Good luck to all our Divisional Winners and thank you to everyone who took the time to make a nomination.

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Amazing people

Barchester Nominated for 3 Laing Buisson Awards

Barchester is proud to have been named as a finalist in 3 Laing Buisson Awards categories: 'Residential Care (Larger Organisation)', 'Property Developer' and 'Property Investor'. The ceremony will take place on Wednesday 13th November 2019 at Park Plaza Westminster Bridge, London, where the winners will be announced.

This year, the awarding body received a record-breaking number of nominations for every single category, with over 400 entries in total.

Last year, we were delighted to take home the 'Property Developer of the Year' award, and Barchester CEO, Pete Calveley was recognized for his amazing work in the care sector by being presented with the 'Outstanding Contributions to Care' award.



Barchester Holds Key to Future Care

Barchester recently received the keys to Mortain Place in Eastbourne, enhancing our portfolio of care homes.

Lesley Standing, the General Manager of Mortain Place was delighted to accept the keys to the latest 80-bed property on Pevensey Bay Road from the Project Construction Manager Mark Tomalin, from McGoff Construction.

Mortain Place will provide personalised residential and dementia care for 80 older people in the neighbouring community, and will open its doors to residents in October.

Barchester will also be opening another care home in 2019: Trinity Manor in Sherborne. This service will offer dementia and residential care for 64 residents.

