

# Alice Grange Newsletter

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## *Hello and Welcome!*

Hi Kath here,

Just a short update we have a new Deputy Manager Kelly Hawkes, Kelly is a nurse and has a wealth of experience in nursing and management.

Recruitment is going well we have some new hostesses and care staff and still some in the recruitment process.

Thank you for attending the residents and relatives meeting those who could make it, thanks to Titus and his team for the delicious pastry's and punch.

Next meeting is 10th December with mulled wine and Christmas treats.

We have some great activities arranged for the autumn And Christmas, please join us when you are able to.

Please don't hesitate to come and see me if you need anything, my door is always open to you, or email me if you would prefer [Kathryn.sheldrake@barchester.com](mailto:Kathryn.sheldrake@barchester.com)

I would just like to thank you all for your great support of me and to the home.

General Manager  
**Kathryn Sheldrake**



# News in and around *Alice Grange*

## Halloween Show

Halloween at Alice Grange was a lot of fun and not very scary!! We watched a fantastic Halloween show and made some great Halloween decorations for the home and residents rooms!



## Bonfire Night

On the 5th of November the residents will discuss their Childhood memories, followed by a musical event and finally tasting the traditional Parkin cake to mark the special day.

## Employee of the Month

Kirsty was nominated and awarded the employee of the month this month! Kirsty was nominated because she is always cheerful and helpful. She brightens the day of our residents. She is always ready to listen and to talk. Kirsty gets involved with everyone and she is outstanding at her work.



## Magic Table Fun

We borrowed a 'Magic Table' from our sister home, Woodland View in Colchester. Residents and children all had a great time using this great machine! There were lots of games on offer suitable for everybody.

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## Happy Birthday!

Happy Birthday to the following residents over the next month –

Joan Goodman	November 9th
Barbara Durango	November 13th
Yvonne Emerson	November 20th
Joan Guthrie	November 22nd
Jean Ault	November 26th



## Singing Along at Alice Grange

My Bonnie lies over the ocean”, this is the beginning of the song that the residents of Memory Lane in Alice Grange like very much.

Because the seniors love music, the musical session: Singing Along is very popular. There are days when they are singing without lyrics, so the regular participants, a lady, 89, and a gentleman, 87, are leading the choir.

Sometimes, a resident who was a musician joins the team and he knows when is the time to introduce his baritone voice. A talented lady who has not training her musical voice, sings beautifully.

After many times asking a lady to be part of Singing Along, she agreed, and now she cannot resist to sing.

A lady who used to live in Felixstowe, is our composer. She loves to make her own songs.





# 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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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.



## 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 13<sup>th</sup> 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.

