



A word from our manager

Welcome to the Christmas Newsletter

All our services continue to thrive, thanks to the commitment and dedication of Staff, Trustees and Volunteers.

We have been active this year raising funds supporting all our services and we are well on our way to raising funds to purchase a new mini bus, which will hopefully be ready in March 2020.

On a festive note our Volunteer Christmas lunch will be held on Tuesday 10th December—see the enclosed flyer for more information. On behalf of all at Community Care I would like to wish you a very Merry Christmas and have a Happy New Year.

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Christmas Opening Dates and Times

The CCA closes its doors for the Christmas break at midday on Tuesday 24th December 2019 and re-opens at 9am on Thursday 2nd January 2020

Thank you
and goodbye!

Car drivers:

Ann Jarvis
Brian Taylor

Minibus driver:

Michael Hardman
Jim Watson

Primetime

Hugh O'Hare



Just to keep you informed—after a review of our current policy and having regard to our Insurance cover, our Trustees agreed a “retirement” age for our volunteer car drivers when they reach the tender age of 80.

We do of course have other volunteer opportunities on offer!

A quick reminder that if you do go to collect a client and get no answer, please ensure you let the office know. We will look into the matter!

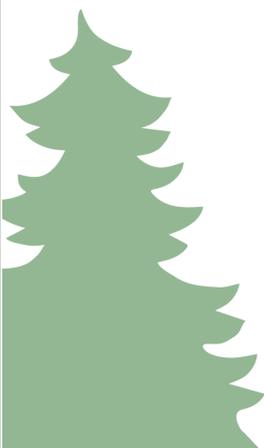
Duke of York Assessment

In 2014 we were awarded the Duke of York Community award. This is valid for 5 years, so we were due for renewal this year.



On the 23rd of October, the Duke of York Assessors visited CCA. They spoke to a number of volunteers and clients—thank you to those who took part, you really added gravitas to our case. They also spoke to the Chair David Sills, the Vice Chair, Caroline Rathmell and to Phil, Sarah and Kate.

Although we will not probably know the results until January/February next year, all the indications are that we will maintain our mark for another 5 years—



What's on for you Event



On Friday 25th October we held an event at Stokesley Town Hall to launch our new 'Whats on for You' brochure and our new logo (on the front of the newsletter) - we do hope you like it? We invited various local groups to attend and help spread the word of groups and services available to the local community.



Day Centre

We have welcomed numerous visits to the Day Centre over the past few months, the latest being a pat pony called Digby! The clients were spellbound by his lovely nature and found it soothing to stroke his mane. He was very well behaved and even managed to come up in the lift (just!).



Sad News

Quite recently we received the sad news that Caroline Seymour had died. She had been a Trustee as well as a volunteer car driver for CCA for several years. Caroline will be sadly missed and is a loss to both Community Care and the local community.

Christmas Fundraising event

On **Friday 20th December** we will be holding our main **fundraising event** of the year at the Town Hall (9am to 1pm) As well as our usual refreshments we are holding a tombola and of course selling mince pies! We are asking for volunteers to help with the tombola and "serving" the refreshments.

If you have anything suitable for tombola prizes we would be grateful.

Please let us know if you can help



Don't forget to spread the word by using our facebook site, if you could ask your family, children, grandchildren, friends etc. to like our page. Find us at sanddcca. Thank you



For those of you who love to internet shop for Christmas.... Before you make a purchase if you go to the above site —

easyfundraising and go to our cause 'the community care association stokesley' You will find over 4000 retailers then when you shop through this site you will raise money towards CCA. Happy shopping!

Wedding of Brian & Heather



On Wednesday 23rd October 2019 , Heather Marsden and Brian Robson were married, having met at our Volunteer Christmas lunch in 2017. Heather was a befriender and Brian volunteers at Coffee Pop In and Primetime. Congratulations and best wishes for the future.



Volunteers still needed!

Although we have nearly 200 volunteers across Stokesley area and Richmond we still need more! We are currently looking for more car and minibus drivers, befrienders and day centre assistants, lunch club and coffee pop in helpers.

Some of our best volunteers come from recommendations given by our existing volunteers, so if you know of anyone who has a few spare hours, please ask them to contact us T: 01642 710085 E:volunteering@stokesleycca.org.uk.

Thank you!