

General Manager Focus



Spring has sprung!

Hello Everyone

Its lovely to be at Archview at the moment enjoying the sunnier days in the gardens and seeing the flowers come to life. Now we are having warmer weather it is great to get out and about and enjoy the sunshine on our faces. We have had a lovely few weeks, with fun activities together.

Our new physiotherapist Niagara is helping us get moving with 1-1's and some group movement activities. Our new Head of Activities Martha is getting settled into her role and is adding more physical movement-based activities, like our feelgood Friday into the schedule as requested by you all.

We are getting out and about a bit more now that we have the better weather in our new minibus with a trip to Ratho Barge last week and a trip on the Borders Railway next week and much more to come.

We are excited about our upcoming summer events with our Summer Fair and Edinburgh Fringe Festival to look forward to please look out for more information as these special days get closer.

At the end of May, we will be hosting the Tour De Barchester a sponsored cycling event for the Barchester Foundation with various Barchester team members completing a monumental cycle ride across our Scottish homes over a few days. The 'Tour' will be at Archview on the 22nd May please come along to cheer the cyclists on.

In the meantime, if you have any new ideas for activities in the home or comments, please feel free to let us know. We are always happy to receive your input.

Best wishes

Sarah

Dates for your Diary

May

Monday 4th – May Day Concert at 1:45pm

Wednesday 6th – Train Trip to Tweedbank

Wednesday 13th – Castaway Ladies Arrival at 1.45pm

Tuesday 22nd – Tour de Barchester Visit at 8.30am

Sunday 24th – Arniston Acoustic Performance at 1.30pm

June

Wednesday 10th – Mark Hill Show at 2.00pm

Monday 14th – Scotland World Cup Watch Party

Tuesday 23rd – Family/Friends Resident Meeting at 2.00pm

Wednesday 24th – Danny Feelgood Performance



NEWS FROM IN AND AROUND Archview Lodge

Easter Shenanigans

Easter brought a wonderful sense of joy and togetherness to the home this year, with residents taking part in a range of fun and creative activities. Our easter arts and crafts sessions were a great success, with everyone enjoying decorating eggs, which were evidently turned into a smashing game and quickly became a favourite. Alongside this we had our competitive game of bingo which is always a winner.

The highlight for many was a special visit from the easter bunnies, who brought smiles, sweet treats and a touch of magic to the day.

Thank you to Morrisons Dalkeith for donating easter eggs to us at Archview it was much appreciated.



Summer Fair 2026

We are delighted to invite our families, friends and wider community to our 2026 Summer Fair on Saturday 11th of July.

This year's theme is Flower Power!

What's going on?

- ❖ Tombola
- ❖ Raffle
- ❖ Face Paint
- ❖ Marvel Car Show
- ❖ Cocktail sessions
- ❖ Barbeque
- ❖ Live entertainment throughout the day

Come along wearing your finest retro trousers and flower crowns. It'll be an afternoon not to miss.

We can't wait to see you there!

KNIT & KNATTING AWAY

Our weekly Knit and Knatter Club is a much-loved part of life here in our care home. With needles clicking and yarn in hand, residents enjoy working and chatting away.

Mary, one of our activity coordinators here, hosts the weekly club where light refreshments are served and it gives our residents the wonderful opportunity to keep minds active while creating a special craft, whether they're experienced knitters or simply join for the company, everyone is welcome.

The club are currently knitting a blanket for the Salvation Army to hand out, **any wool donations welcome.**



SPOTLIGHT ON...

Barchester's Charitable Foundation

We hosted a bake sale here at Archview to raise funds for our foundation. We raised a whopping £258!

The foundation gives grants to help people connect or re-connect with others in their local community, and the focus is to enable people to be active and engaged by combating loneliness. For more information visit www.bhcfoundation.org.uk



What we've been up to...



Mother's Day Afternoon for Memory Lane

We celebrated Mother's Day with a lovely afternoon tea in our Memory Lane community organised by our own Patsy our Care Practitioner in the unit. Residents enjoyed a selection of sandwiches, cakes, and sweet treats, all served with plenty of tea!

Our other residents enjoyed live entertainment from Alan Whitehead.

April Showers bring May Flowers

After months of Scottish weather, the gardens have burst into colour and life. With the arrival of warmer days and clear blue skies on the east coast, residents have eagerly come outside with their sun cream and hats.

Loungers have been pulled out, refreshments are poured and music is blasting. It's a simple pleasure, but after the long stretch of rain, basking in the sun feels well earned.

We can't wait for more days like this.



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what's going on in and
around the home.

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Upcoming Meeting Dates

Resident Meeting

-Wednesday 27th May
11am

-Tuesday 30th June
11am

Relative's Meeting

-Tuesday 23rd June
2pm

Memory Box Appeal

If you have any photographs
or small personal
memorabilia, we would love to
include these in personalised
memory boxes for our
residents living on memory
lane.

CELEBRATING OUR TEAM

Thank you to all our staff, the difference you make everyday
never goes unnoticed.

Employee of the Month

Our Employee of the month award recognises staff for
continuously following our standards providing high quality care,
showing dedication and going above and beyond. Forms are in
the reception area if you would like to nominate a team member.

January – Paul Mathew, Care Assistant

February – Amy Dinse- Admin Assistant

March – Kasia Cynal, Home Administrator

Everyone was delighted to receive a gift voucher and a bottle of
bubbly!



Thank You

From all the team Archview Lodge we'd like to
say a big thank you to you all for all your support and
understanding over the last few months. We'd love you to
leave us a review if you haven't already at [Barchester
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