



Welcome to the second edition of Essex Dementia Care Newsletter.

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Braintree and Rayleigh Christmas parties
EDC welcomes Gerry Moore as Director of Operations
Quiz Night in Benfleet

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Essex Dementia Care

A service for people with dementia

Our Mission:

To contribute to the health and well-being of older people and people who have dementia in Essex. Essex Dementia Care is a charity established in response to the expressed occupational needs of older people and people with dementia in Essex.

Services:

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Oasis Activity Centres in Braintree and Rayleigh

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Braintree's Christmas party goes with a swing



A joyful time was had by everyone who attended this year's Braintree Oasis Activity Centre's Christmas party. The day started with a Christmas quiz followed by a wonderful Christmas meal cooked and served by our 3 cooks Pauline, Sue and Barbara. To start the afternoon's entertainment we listened to 15 year old Harriet sing 3 lovely carols like an angel. Santa arrived and gave everyone a early Christmas gift. John Ellison followed; he got everyone up dancing and singing. We were rocking around the Christmas tree until it was time to go home. Thank you to all those who made this day so special for all that came.



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Volunteer Vacancies

Cook at Rayleigh

Fundraisers in Braintree and Rayleigh

Drivers in Braintree

Office assistant at our Braintree office

At least 5 hours per week
Previous office experience an advantage.

Welcome to Gerry - our new Director of Operations



Rayleigh Oasis Activity Centre Christmas Party



Everyone had a happy time at Rayleigh Oasis Activity Centre's Christmas party the Wednesday before Christmas. The day was full of fun and laughter, starting with a Christmas quiz. Lunch was served and a wonderful meal was enjoyed, cooked and served by Glenda and assisted by Vera, who by the end of all the washing up had dish-pan hands. Marigolds on the way Vera. After lunch we all joined in the carol singing provided for us by the Baptist youth and church members of the choir. This was followed by John Campbell who played some of the old songs so that we could sing and dance along. Santa arrived and gave out early Christmas gifts assisted by Frosty the snowman. It was lovely that Polly Bartram from Southend Carers Forum and Caroline Dearson and some family members from the Michael Paine Foundation could also be with us. Thank you to you all for making this day so special for our members, who all went home with a warm glow and a smile.



EDC welcomes Gerry Moore

Gerry joins us as Director of Operations. He has been a trustee for EDC since we became a charity 2 years ago.

Hello

I have just completed my first month as Director of Operations and have enjoyed every moment. I have had the opportunity to meet with clients, carers, staff and volunteers at both activity centres and have been busy promoting our service to councils, doctors' surgeries and primary care trusts across Essex. The next three months are likely to be a very busy time for us as we plan for the new financial year. I am confident that Essex Dementia Care will go from strength to strength this year, thanks to the hard work of staff and volunteers (including trustees) and I am proud to be directing operations.

Best Wishes

Gerry

Quiz Night

The management of the Hoy and Helmet Public House in Benfleet are kindly hosting a quiz night on Wednesday 25th January 2012 to raise funds for Essex Dementia Care. You can just come along on the night or pre-book a team table.

