

Welcome

Winter 2026

Nau mai, haere mai

A warm welcome to our latest newsletter and to the newest member of the CHT Glynavon community. We're delighted to see them settling in well, getting to know fellow residents and enjoying the wide range of activities on offer.

Over the past few months, our care home has continued to be a place of friendship, laughter and shared experiences. We hope you enjoy reading about some of the highlights and catching up on life at Glynavon.

Winter reminder

As we move through winter, please help protect our residents by postponing your visit if you're unwell, practising good hand hygiene and following any guidance from our team. Thank you for helping keep our communities safe.

Activities and Celebrations



Trip to the movies

A visit to Te Puke's local picture theatre was a special outing for residents, with some returning to the cinema for the first time in many years. The experience brought back fond memories, and residents returned rosy-cheeked, smiling and full of stories to share.

A trip down memory lane

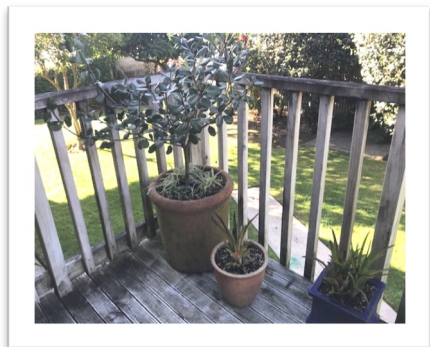
Donna from the Katikati Museum delighted residents with a fascinating collection of antiques and curios, including an old paraffin heater. Many of the items sparked memories of childhood and family life, prompting conversations and reminiscing as residents shared stories from years gone by.



Home-made fun

Creativity has been the name of the game this season, with our Activities Coordinator designing a range of homemade games to keep residents active and engaged. Shuffleboard, created using pool noodles, along with tilt-a-ball and bean bag throw, have all proved popular, encouraging friendly competition while supporting hand-eye coordination and keeping minds active.

Improvements and Initiatives



Thanks to the initiative of several staff members, donated potted plants have brought new colour to our outdoor spaces.

Residents enjoyed helping to plant them, and the pots have been placed around the deck to create a softer, more welcoming environment that feels even more like home.

Resident Stories: Meet Bridget

Born in Rotorua, Bridget was the middle child in a family of 10. Her father worked in the logging industry and, as Bridget fondly says, "Mum was just Mum." She attended St Michael's Convent School before beginning work as a clerk in a government department. Throughout her life, Bridget has had a special love of animals and has enjoyed the companionship of many much-loved pets.

Bridget has been part of the CHT Glynavon community for the past three years. She enjoys spending time with fellow residents and shares a particularly special bond with Belle, the care home's resident cat, who is never far from her side.



Note from the Care Home Manager

We're delighted to share that Glynavon has successfully achieved a full four-year certification audit. This is a wonderful achievement and reflects the dedication of our team, as well as the support of our residents and whānau.

Thank you to everyone who shared feedback with the auditors. Your kind words and positive comments are greatly appreciated. We also encourage you to continue sharing your feedback, suggestions and any concerns with us, as they help us learn, grow and continue providing the best possible care.

Ngā mihi,

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