



Jersey Alzheimer's Association

Awareness Understanding Support

Welcome to the June edition of our monthly Newsletter

This Newsletter contains information about Jersey Alzheimer's Association's services and activities in support of people affected by dementia.

New Manager of JAA

On 1 May **Sean Pontin** started work as JAA's new **Manager**. Mark's last day is 6 July after which he moves back to the UK. Sean's contact details are at the end of this Newsletter.

Mark writes: 'It has been a great experience to work for Jersey Alzheimer's Association. Over the past five years I have learned a huge amount about the nature and impact of dementia thanks to the kindness and generosity of many people in Jersey. I have also been proud to represent the charity further afield given JAA's membership of Alzheimer Europe (www.alzheimer-europe.org). I have enjoyed partnership working with many individuals and organisations from the voluntary, public and private sectors. Skydiving in 2016 for JAA was one of the best things I have ever done (no pressure Sean!) I wish Sean and all at JAA continued success in the future.'

Support for Carers

Friendship Group

On **Saturday 9 June** a group of carers enjoyed an excellent lunch out at Holme Grown, La Rue Au Long. Every other month we arrange trips out so watch this space for details of our Saturday 11 August Meeting.

The next **Friendship Group Meeting is on Saturday 14 July** at Sandybrook Day Centre from 10am to 12 noon when Michala will talk about suitable activities to engage and inspire people with dementia in the summer months.

Coffee/tea with croissants and pastries will be served soon after the start of the Meeting. NB When Friendship Group is based at Sandybrook please kindly use the **large car park** at the rear of the complex of buildings, accessed just beyond the main entrance to Sandybrook Day Centre off Rue du Craslin.

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Remaining 2018 Friendship Group dates

**11 August, 8 September, 13 October (Recharger Day - see below),
10 November and 8 December.**

Please contact Michala if you have any suggestions about topics which we can cover as we continue to plan and deliver our educational programme for families and informal carers.

Mobile hairdressers

We have been asked a number of times if we know of mobile hairdressers in Jersey who could visit someone's home. As an independent charity we cannot promote individual businesses but it would be useful to have a list of suitable mobile hairdressers in case people ask us. If you can help please email Sian. Thank you.

Events

Dementia Action Week

Many thanks to everyone who kindly supported the various events which JAA put on to mark **Dementia Action Week**. These included a **Dress Down Friday** on 18 May on which the staff and customers of LibertyBus raised an amazing total of £896 for JAA. A special thank you to Armando Goncalves of LibertyBus, who travelled on buses on his day off collecting donations from the public wearing purple. On the same day a fabulous **JAA Quiz Night** at The Best Western Royal Hotel in St Helier raised a total of £2,128 for our charity. We also held an **awareness and fundraising stall** on 19 May at the Co-op Grand Marche.

New wall feature at Rosewood House, St Saviour's Hospital

A wall feature depicting Gorey Castle has been unveiled at Rosewood House, which provides care for Islanders with dementia. The official opening of the new decoration, which was provided thanks to sponsorship from the International Products Team at Lloyds Bank, took place on 25 May to coincide with Dementia Action Week, and a cake sale to raise funds for Jersey Alzheimer's Association.

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The idea for the wall feature stemmed from a discussion between JAA and staff from Health and Social Services at the launch last year of a sensory, dementia-friendly garden at Maple Ward, part of Rosewood House.

Sharon Pentony, Manager of Maple Ward said "We are always looking for new ideas to enhance the environment in the Ward. It's been great that Lloyds Bank and JAA have recognised the value of this idea and helped us bring it to reality."

Future JAA events

Community Outings

The next dementia friendly community outing is an **Afternoon of Music Entertainment by Les Conteurs Singers on Sunday 8 July** at St Saviour's Parish Hall from 2pm to 4pm. Tea/Coffee and Cake will be served. Car parking space is available outside the Parish Hall. Everyone is welcome to attend and there is no charge. Please contact JAA on 723519 for further information.

Other dates fixed this year are **Tuesday 16 October and Sunday 9 December** (Carol Service in the Town Church).

Your ideas are invited for suitable venues and activities in different parts of the Island. Please let Sean know by emailing or telephoning him. Thank you.

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A Special Day for Carers of people with dementia: Save the Date!



LE MASURIER
RECHARGER DAY

DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE CARING?

A luxury treat day courtesy of Le Masurier
for local carers of people with dementia

 **SAVE THE DATE: SATURDAY 13 OCTOBER**

RADISSON BLU HOTEL, JERSEY 9AM TO 5PM

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Jersey Alzheimer's Association & Le Masurier
help bring people together

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Fundraising

The High Tea Hymn Sing & Big Hymn Sing scheduled to take place on Saturday 16 June in aid of JAA has been postponed - further details will be available when a new date has been set.

Skydives & Abseiling

We are promoting '**Be a Daredevil for Dementia**' Skydiving and Abseiling dates. A Skydive date has been set for **15 July** and an Abseil over the weekend of **4/5 August**. Information on how to book is online and available direct from Jackie Gordon on: Jackie@jerseyalzheimers.com If you would like to volunteer to fundraise for JAA please let Jackie know.

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Forget Me Not fundraising project

Yolande has kindly launched a **Forget Me Not fundraising project**. She has copies of knitting and crochet patterns for the flowers, these are fairly simple patterns but if anyone has their own patterns they are welcome to use them, and there are some yarns in the office if anyone wants some. Yolande has been making the flowers up in blue and purples with a white or yellow centre. We will use the flowers for displays around World Alzheimer's Week in September and then sell them. It will be a lovely fundraising and awareness project. After the success with the Easter chicks we are sure we will do well with this project. Below is a picture of flowers which Yolande has crocheted and knitted



Stamps and Coins

If you have any used stamps or foreign coins and don't know what to do with them please consider giving them to JAA. We can convert both used stamps and foreign coins into funds.

Raffle Prizes

If you have any items that would be suitable for Raffle Prizes please kindly bring them to our Drop-in/Office as every year there are events at which Raffles are held in aid of our charity. Many thanks.

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Co-op Share Number

All Channel Islands Co-operative members can donate their dividend in-store. Jersey Alzheimer's Association's share number is **421**.

Our Charity's Mission Statement:

To raise awareness and improve understanding of dementia throughout Jersey and to support people affected by dementia

JAA Contact details

If you know someone who would like to receive copies of the monthly JAA Newsletter, either by email or post, please contact our Drop-in/Office.

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