

### Abbotsleigh Care Home

## A thumbs up from Abbotsleigh Care Home



#### From animals to automobiles...

Residents at Abbotsleigh Care Home began last week with a fascinating nail art activity on Monday 2 July, hammering nails into a block of wood, and then threading coloured rope around the nails to create interesting images.

"We made a feather, a love heart, a sailing boat and the Eiffel Tower"

Cath, the Singing Sweetheart, sang for residents in the afternoon on Tuesday 3 July. She brought along her little

, who received lots of cuddles and love from the residents. The team at Abbotsleigh aren't sure who's more popular – Cath or Elsa!

Thursday 5 July was a wonderful day – **Abbotsleigh** welcomed a few horses from **<u>Riding for the Disabled Association (RDA)</u>** into the **Home** – residents absolutely loved petting them. As someone forgot the carrots, the horses enjoyed eating their plants instead!

A small group of staff and residents visited a local fish farm in the afternoon where they ate an alfresco lunch on the decking next to

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the beautiful lake. Not even a downpour of rain could put a stop to their fun – they stayed despite the wet weather and continued to laugh and enjoy every moment.

<u>Tickled Pink Productions</u>, an entertainment company especially for **Care Homes** and schools, performed '*The Swell Party*' for residents on Friday 7 July. Residents and relatives had great fun joining in with the 1950s songs and reminiscing about 'the old days'. Refreshments of tea, strawberries and ice cream went down a treat afterwards.

On Sunday 8 July, **Abbotsleigh** residents were very happy to welcome the **Morris Minor Club** and a range of their cars from the 50s to 70s; The vintage vehicles made a wonderful display outside the front of the **Home**. Residents were shown around the cars while engines were cranked up, hooters were hooted and many memories were made. John, an **Abbotsleigh** resident, remembered he once had a similar car and the registration started with BB.

And last but not least, **Alex** and his **wife Jackie** celebrated their **golden wedding anniversary last Friday** – *congratulations to you both. What a wonderful week it was!* 



Sausage dog Elsa was a favourite among residents at Abbotsleigh Care Home last week



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Tickled Pink Productions entertained Abbotsleigh residents with their nostalgic 1950s play



Alex at Abbotsleigh Care Home and his and Jackie celebrate 50 years together