Devizes

The Lindsay LegClub Foundation

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Happy New Year from Devizes Leg Club

An extract from Ellie Lindsay's Christmas letter:

Ellie's visit July 2018

"The past year has been an extremely important one for the Leg Club Foundation as it continues to adapt to support the steady increase in the number of Leg Clubs internationally and to provide education and research on leg health and treatment to clinical teams and the public. I don't think it is an exaggeration to say that each Leg Club team (clinical & volunteers) have been inspirational and achieved so much in helping people improve their quality of life. Just as gratifying, is seeing members of their Leg Club experience companionship and become once again fully integrated into their communities, and thereby are given new meanings and wellbeing to their lives….

On a personal note, I cannot express my thanks and appreciation enough for the warm welcome, support and friendship I received from the Leg Club clinical teams, volunteers and members during my 2018 Leg Club visits, it has been truly remarkable.

As the year ends, I would like to sincerely thank you for your kindness and support, and take this opportunity to wish you and your loved ones a very happy Christmas holiday and a healthy and prosperous New Year!"

Message from our chairman Mike Langton:

"What a lovely Christmas present! We are very grateful to the Wiltshire Council Area Board for awarding £1500 following our application for the provision of a new watertight and secure shed as well as six new nurses' trolleys. Thank you, Devizes Area Board, for supporting Devizes Leg Club."

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Happy 90th Birthday

Noreen Bidgood

Noreen was born 27 November 1928 in Devizes into a Salvation Army family. She was the youngest of four girls, all born in November. She left school at 14 and worked for four years during the war in the wages' office at Roundway Flax Mill, a government factory. She remembers the Italian and German POWs working there in the factory and the fields. She remembers the large wallchart in the office showing all the types of flax and qualities eg Grade One flax, which was like silk, went to Ireland for Irish linen and also for making parachutes. Noreen also worked for Maslens builder as a receptionist. She loved singing and dancing when she was young. "I had a very happy childhood, had a good life and am pleased to be still here enjoying myself. I love coming to Leg Club for the company."

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The Carers' Coffee Morning is now held at Southbroom Surgery on the last Thursday of every month not at Devizes Leg Club.

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Leg Clubs are an innovative model of social prescribing, managing the treatment of patients with lower limb conditions such as leg ulcers, in a social environment.
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