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Queen's Award for Voluntary Service Cherry How

Camphill Community
Clanabogan receives the
Queen's Award for Voluntary
Service

The Queen's Award for Voluntary Service aims to recognise outstanding work by volunteer groups to benefit their local communities. It was created in 2002 to celebrate the Queen's Golden Jubilee.

Camphill Clanabogan will receive the Award from the Lord Lieutenant of County Tyrone Robert Scott, OBE, later this year and in May 2021 two volunteers will attend a garden party at Buckingham Palace along with other recipients.

The citation for the Award reads:

"Working out of love for people and the earth as a sustainable and inclusive lifesharing community."

We are thrilled and

honoured to receive this prestigious Award for our efforts. It is the highest award a voluntary group can receive in the UK. We are very proud to have been chosen and have all the hard work recognised.

It is particularly gratifying to receive it in recognition of our core values. Significantly it comes at the very moment that we celebrate 80 years since the founding group of coworkers moved to Camphill House near Aberdeen in June 1940.

The aim of Camphill has always been to create a community life including people with and without learning disabilities, living and working together to uphold each other in a spirit of love and service for the wellbeing of humanity









Queen's Award for Voluntary Service continued

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Since 1984, when Clanabogan began, it has been based on the contribution of volunteers sharing their lives with residents. Volunteers bring more than their work and abilities, they enrich the place with new ideas and positive change.

The Award also pays tribute to the large numbers of our supporters who have



given their time and energy voluntarily over the past 35 years: the Friends of Clanabogan,

Trustees, donors and fundraisers, parents and families and all our local volunteers and international coworkers from the past years. We would like to thank them for their dedication and support. Without all these people we would not have achieved everything that

exists today.

Last but not least we must include our residents who together with us enthusiastically help build up and maintain the community by their work and participation.

Camphill was founded on volunteering and it can be a lifechanging experience for a person. We hope that this Award will inspire a new generation of people to try this way of community life.

"Congratulat
ions to St
Eugene's
brass and
reed band,
proud to be
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company."

Sharing Success

We are delighted too that Omagh band St Eugene's also received this award.

We have long and strong connections with St Eugene's. Aiden Campbell, a band member is a long standing supporter, donor and volunteer of our Community, him and St Eugene's Band are part of the story of our award.

This is the band that our young musical coworkers join when they join this Community. On our Open Days we are supported by St Eugene's who faithfully come and fill our day with mu-



Who can forget Dessie Love doing his bit of volunteering with St Eugene's Band on Open Day

sic.

St Eugene's may we say Congratulations, we are delighted you have received this award for your wonderful community work. It is our honour to be in your company.

Busy bustling days

So I guess we have had a bit of a busy week.

On Friday BBC's Julian Fowler visited and carried out some socially distanced interviews. Sneak previews are available on Facebook and we will keep you informed about when to expect this to be aired.

On Sunday we had Whitsun to celebrate, Monday saw the 80th birthday of Camphill and now,



Rainbow listening to Vincent telling the story of how Camphill started on its 80th birthday evening

on Tuesday the news of the Queens Award for Voluntary Services. Quite a lot in less than a week, and of course there was everyday living to get on with too.

Kindness, Cake and Song

Traditionally on Whitsun we usually come together to listen to a part of the bible being read in all the different languages that were in the community that particular year: English, Irish, Dutch, French, German, Russian, Finnish, Spanish etc. It also is read in Latin and Greek. This year we had to forgo this beloved part. But Whitsun is also celebrated with cake, cake eating, cake competitions and of course song. Usually each house brings down their cakes and judging begins before the eating com-



mences. This year we celebrated a little differently, but still with cake and song. A cake circle was formed, each house making a cake for the other. Singing practice had gone on all week. Then at 4pm each household came out and sung to one another. The musical Riverstown crew of Michael, Kathryn, Glenn and Alison joined by Gusta, and Brigitte kept on singing. As they roamed they sung, connecting with everyone in community.

Background work is every bit as important as cake making.. Above right: Hannah justifiably proud of her work, a mobile with 12 white doves for Whitsun. Below right: Paul and David picked and arranged the flowers for Columba's table. Left: Someone had to plan the cake circle. Below left: Katrina and the Columba crew get their song on.









A couple of the delicious cakes and most importantly, I am pleased to say, there was some left over for the office crew on Monday.





Creating cake

In every house there was beating of eggs, sieving of flour, whipping of cream. The house pride was at stake, make no mistake this was serious business. Yet it was a double edge sword, though everyone wanted to make the best cake, they also wanted to eat the best cake... what a dilemma...oh that all dilemmas could be so tasty....





Meanwhile in Sunrise its Kathrine and Clare who are chief cake makers, with Rainbow House being the lucky recipients.



Columba's combined effort, Above: Thelma beats the cake batter (cake baking runs in the family) Left: Jo gets the cream on as Thelma holds the bowl steady.

Below: Chris puts on the finishing touches, ripe strawberrys.





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Wonderful weaving

It is only a few short weeks ago that Amandos started on her new warp, a warp that she hand dyed and was so excited to get to. She named this piece Summer, the amazing Amandos has completed her work and it is Summer. This will be turned into scarves and will be for sale here in the weavery. Well done Amandos.





Above: Amandos carefully rolls her work off the loom. Right, She rolls it back out again Left: Kate and Clare work at felting, this is Clare's first time working with felt so she is picking up a few tips from Kate.

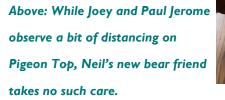
Social social distancing



Riverstown rocking the social distancing at work and at play.

Above: Michael, Glenn and Anna working separately together.

Above right: the house enjoy a picnic in the sun together.



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We know you all want to hear what our plans are for easing restrictions and are eager to see your family members again. We are working on a phased plan and want to do this in a controlled way enabling us to manage risk. We will be in a position to share this with you by the end of the week. Thank you for your patience.

