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## UPCOMING EVENTS

**MOOV WITH OONA**  
AT  
Ghyll Royd Care Home  
11AM | EVERY 1ST WEDNESDAY  
GET MOVING WITH OONA'S  
ARMCHAIR DANCES AND  
EXERCISES

Spellman Care Presents  
*Live Music By...*  
**OLIVIA SCHOFIELD**  
14<sup>TH</sup> MAR 11:00

Ghyll Royd Care Home  
**ANIMAL THERAPY**  
BY **ZOO LAB**  
SNAKES, LIZARDS, RATS, BUGS,  
SNAILS SLUGS AND MORE!  
14<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 11AM

**THE BLUEBIRDS**  
1.5 Hr  
**VE DAY CELEBRATIONS**  
14th May | 11am  
Ghyll Royd Care Home  
Veteran Friendly Care Home

Spellman Care Presents  
**UNITY UKLES**  
3<sup>RD</sup> MARCH | 11AM  
Enjoy live music  
accompanied by nibbles

**Alpaca Therapy**  
26th June  
2pm  
Sit back, relax, and  
enjoy the alpacas as  
they take a stroll  
around the home!  
Ghyll Royd Care Home

**The Bingley Bell Ringers**  
13th March 2025 | 2pm  
Steeon Court Nursing Home

**THE DOLLY MIXTURES CHOIR**  
18<sup>TH</sup> MARCH | 2PM  
Steeon Court Nursing Home

**THE SPELLMAN CARE VETERANS CAFES**  
2PM - 3.30PM  
29th January: Springbank Care Home  
24th February: Steeton Court Nursing Home  
24th March: Craven Nursing Home  
29th April: Ghyll Royd Care Home  
Delightful conversation accompanied  
by a charming afternoon tea  
Veteran Friendly Care Home  
OPEN TO ALL - PLEASE RSVP TO ACTIVITIES@SPELLMANCARE.CO.UK

# SPELLMAN SPOTLIGHT

3rd March 2025

Kindness | Dignity | Compassion



## FIRST VETERANS' CAFÉ A RESOUNDING SUCCESS

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Spellman Care is celebrating the overwhelming success of its first regular Veterans' Café, held at Springbank Care Home in Silsden on Wednesday, 29th January. The event saw a fantastic turnout of veterans, their families, and members of the local community, exceeding all expectations.

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First Veterans' Café a Resounding Success (continued)  
...Among the distinguished attendees were Martin Flint-Johnson from the Veterans Covenant Healthcare Alliance, Jason Sands, a member of the Ilkley Armed Forces Breakfast Club and representative of SSAFA, and members of the Ilkley Armed Forces Breakfast Club headed by Mark Sugrue. Their presence underscored the

importance of such initiatives in supporting and connecting with the veteran community. Dave Calder from the Ilkley Armed Forces Breakfast Club also attended, proudly displaying his intricate matchstick crest depicting the Royal Catering Corps emblem.

The café provided a warm and welcoming atmosphere for veterans to connect, share stories, and enjoy refreshments. A highlight of the afternoon was witnessing one resident exchanging words in a language learnt during the war with a visitor, showcasing the positive impact of the café on reminiscence and wellbeing.

“We are absolutely delighted with the response to our first Veterans' Café,” said Nicola Cromwell, one of Spellman Care's Armed Forces Champions. “It was truly inspiring to see so many



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# BUSINESS

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ghyll Royd Care Home Announced as Headline Sponsor for 2025  
Guiseley Carnival (Continued)

...announce that Ghyll Royd Care Home will be the headline sponsor at this year's carnival.

We work tirelessly to support our elderly residents by providing social events that foster their well-being and enrich their lives and, as the headline sponsor, Ghyll Royd Care Home are playing a vital role in sustaining these valuable programs.

The carnival is a fabulous fun filled event for all the family and the whole of the local community.

The parade will be led by the marching band from the Yeadon Air Cadets and the limousines will transport the Carnival King, Queen and attendants to the carnival arena where there will be variety of arts, home baking and crafts stalls as well as the usual fun and games.

The food court will keep everyone sustained as we welcome back the amazing pizza van, mobile chippy, fantastic Italian barista coffee and a licenced bar.

It wouldn't be the same without our favourite ice cream van either and the fire engine from Rawdon Blue watch fire station will be present too. In the arena we will have some fun with the dinosaurs, and the singing and dancing groups will keep us entertained all afternoon.

Thank you once again to our generous sponsors, Ghyll Royd Care Home, and the local business community for supporting this traditional event.”

The Dino Parade will commence at 12 noon from Guiseley Primary School. Entry to the carnival is by programme, priced at £1 per person, with free admission for children under 10. All proceeds will benefit the Guiseley Senior Citizens Association.

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Ghyll Royd Care Home Announced as Headline Sponsor for 2025 Guiseley Carnival  
Ghyll Royd Care Home and the Guiseley Carnival Committee are delighted to announce Ghyll Royd as the headline sponsor for the 2025 Guiseley Carnival. This year's event will feature a fun and engaging dinosaur theme, promising a memorable day for all ages, taking place on Sunday, 29th June 2025.

Nichola Gawthrop, Home Manager at Ghyll Royd Care Home, shared her excitement: "We're over the moon to be sponsoring this year's Guiseley Carnival. At Ghyll Royd, kindness, dignity, and compassion are at the heart of everything we do. As a family-owned care home that's been part of the Guiseley community since 2001, we feel deeply connected to our local area. Supporting events like the carnival is a way for us to give back to the people we care for and who make this such a special place to live and work. It's a fantastic opportunity for everyone to come together and celebrate, and we're thrilled to be a part of it."

Ghyll Royd Care Home will host a VIP tent at the carnival, providing their residents and relatives with a special space to enjoy the day's festivities.

The Guiseley Carnival Committee added: "The Carnival committee are delighted to...



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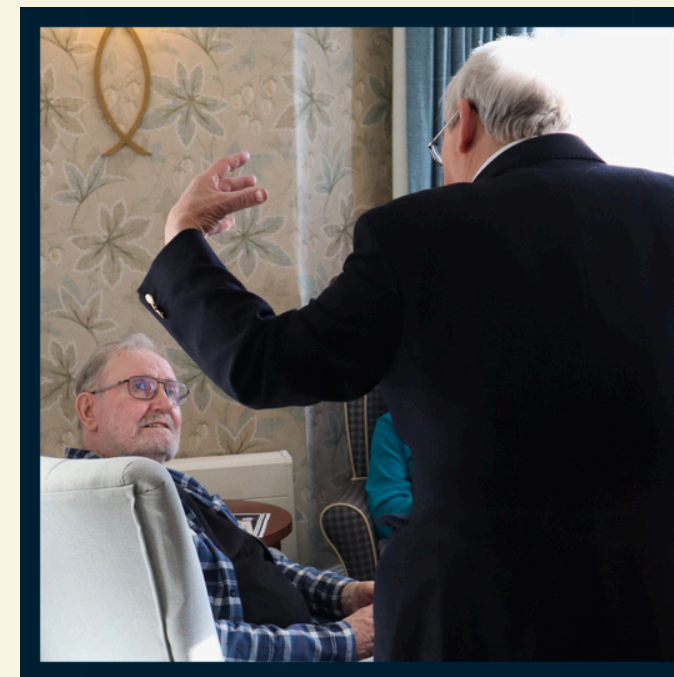
First Veterans' Café a Resounding Success (continued)  
...people come together, connect, and share their experiences. The atmosphere was incredible, and it reinforced the vital role these cafés play in fostering a sense of community and belonging."

The success of the first café has spurred excitement for future events. Plans are already underway for the next Veterans'



Café, which will be held on Monday, 24th March, from 2:00 PM at Craven Nursing Home Organisers are planning to display a wide range of military memorabilia and expect even more guests from the local community.

Spellman Care emphasises that the Veterans' Cafés are open to everyone. No prior military service is required to attend. Whether you knew



someone who served, served yourself, or simply wish to reminisce about national service or other related topics, all are welcome.

"These cafés are about more than just veterans," added Nicola. "They're about community, connection, and shared experiences. We encourage everyone to come along, enjoy the atmosphere, and join us in supporting our veterans."

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# ACHIVEMENTS

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## AWARDS



### Spellman Care's Philippa Young Judges National Great British Care Awards

Philippa Young, Group Operations Manager at local care home group Spellman Care, recently contributed her expertise to the judging panel for the prestigious Great British Care Awards 2025. Philippa participated in the rigorous selection process for the Palliative Care category, helping

to identify and celebrate the exceptional individuals and teams dedicated to providing compassionate end-of-life care.

The Great British Care Awards are a national celebration of excellence across the care sector, recognizing the hard work and dedication of care professionals throughout the UK. This year's awards saw an incredible number of nominations, highlighting the brilliant commitment and innovation within the industry.

Philippa shared her experience of being on the judging panel, commenting on the incredibly moving stories shared by the finalists. "It was a privilege to be part of the judging panel for the Great British Care Awards," said Philippa Young. "Hearing the stories of dedication and compassion from those working in palliative care was truly inspiring. The finalists...



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...demonstrated an unwavering commitment to providing the highest quality of care, often in the most challenging circumstances. I was deeply touched by the many examples of care professionals going above and beyond to make a positive difference in people's lives during their most vulnerable moments."



Steven Spellman, Director of Spellman Care added, "We are incredibly proud of Philippa's involvement in the Great British Care Awards. Her expertise and passion for the care sector made her a valuable asset to the judging panel. At Spellman Care, we share the same commitment to providing exceptional, person-centred care, and we congratulate all the finalists and eagerly await the announcement of the winners."



The winners of the Great British Care Awards 2025 will be announced at a gala ceremony later this year.