

Castlerock Senior Citizens Wednesday Club
Charity No. 102481

Our organisation is a group which supports elderly people over the age of 60 in the Castlerock area – most of our members are 70 +.

We meet in the Peter Thompson Hall, Castlerock every Wednesday between October and March, and our format is indoor bowling followed by tea/coffee and a chat.

In November we enjoyed lunch in the Castlerock Golf Club, then we returned to the Peter Thompson Hall for our AGM – our Secretary for a great number of years was resigning and we presented him with a gift in appreciation of his service to the club.

In December for our Christmas celebration 50 members travelled by train from Castlerock to Londonderry, and walked to Browns on the Town Restaurant for our Christmas Lunch. After lunch, time was spent Christmas Shopping, Sightseeing etc. before returning by train to Castlerock.

In February one of our Ladies Roberta Colhoun, celebrated her 90th Birthday, we had a special party in the Peter Thompson Hall with plenty of eats and a beautiful cake provided by the Birthday Girl. She requested no presents but we did a collection and £400 was raised and was to be given to her dedicated charity which was Air Ambulance. A representative of the Air Ambulance came to the club in February, and gave an interesting talk on the work and cost of running the Charity, and Roberta was very pleased to hand over the donation.

In March to finish the year, our Chair Person came up with the idea to have a Teddy Bears Picnic in the Hall, requesting everyone to bring their Teddy Bear, even if it was old and tattered. The Teddys were all displayed and lots of interesting stories were told. We had sandwiches, scones, tray bakes, tea, coffee and orange juice followed by fresh fruit salad and cream and Irish Coffee.

During the year we had speakers giving talks on subjects of interest to the members including advise on benefits and safety in their homes.

The purpose of the charity is to promote interests, well being and alleviate loneliness of the aged living in the Castlerock area.

A full account of our finances is included in the financial accounts which accompany this report.

Roberta Tosh, Treasurer.