





Newsletter for Radius tenants and residents

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Radius Community Chest

In 2021, Radius funded 25 Radius schemes with grants from £250 - £1,000.



These projects included:



Community and Gardening **Projects**

 Support community and gardening projects to enable everyone to come together to enjoy each other's company and to participate in the great outdoors.



Bringing People Together

- Equipment to assist in recreational and educational activities.
 - Afternoon Tea Easter Boxes.



Learning Something New

- 6 week painting workshop.
- 10 week exercise and music instructor workshops.
- Recreational exercise equipment.

If you have an idea or a project in mind but not sure if you are eligible for a Community Chest Grant speak to your Scheme Coordinator or contact the Tenant **Engagement Team** on 0330 123 0888 or email tenant.engagement@radiushousing.org.

Community Biodiversity Project

Are you interested in becoming a Sustainability Champion? Join us for...



Workshop 1: Growing in small spaces. Workshop 2: Biodiversity in small spaces

Biodiversity Kits

- Bee/insect box
- Wildflower, sunflower and herb seeds
- Biodegradeable seeding pots
- Window box
- Sunflower canes

FREE to participate. Register by emaling us at sustainability@radiushousing.org. Closing date to register 21 February 2022.

He was a Portstewart lad and I was a Portstewart girl...

Together 70 years, Samuel and Muriel Radius' "longest married couple" shared their story with us tŏ celebrate Valentines Dav...



Where they met

We met when we were younger as we were both from Portstewart. We went to the same school and often met in a cafe at the promenade.

Time together

We married in 1955 and together 3 years before we married. After getting married we lived in Wales for Samuels job and when we moved to Tullaghmurry Fold we couldn't believe our luck that the apartment looked over Muriels family home that her father built and family still live in.

Best part of their wedding day

"I got the most beautiful dress in the world. I never wore white so my neighbour, who was a dressmaker, made me a pale pink lace over satin ³/₄ length dress. My sister wore a silver grey over satin.

Greatest accomplishment

Our two sons are nearly both in their 60s. Muriel wanted a girl but when our second son came along she decided that was enough! We also cared for our newborn nephew when Muriel's sister passed away. We have 3 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren. Our hall is covered in pictures of them - my eyesight is going so we asked them to send bigger pictures! We miss seeing them but it is hard to travel now.

Tip for a long successful marriage "Do what your wife tells you!" - Muriel

Thank you to Samuel and Muriel for taking part and we wish you many more happy years together.

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A Shared Space

This space is all about you!



Happy 99th Birthday to Betty at Quoile Fold! Hope you had a great time celebrating. #birthdáygirl

Happy Chinese New Year! February starts the Year of the Tiger! Those born on the Year of the Tiger are said to be brave, confident and competitive!



If you have anything you would like to share in our next newsletter please speak to your Scheme Coordinator or email us at tenant.engagement@radiushousing.org.

Sustainable Communities Cleaning Up Programme

We are working together with Keep NI Beautiful to deliver this new programme through:

Training

Workshop 1: What is waste, recycling & bin stores Workshop 2: Global ennvironments, consume

consciously & fast fashion Workshop 3: Upcycling & creative recycling 1.5 hour morning sessions beginning last week of March for 3 weeks.

Cleaning Up Kits

- Branded litter picks x5
- Hi-vis vests x5
- Gloves x5
- Bags
- First Aid Kit



Participants will be invited to join us at our end event at Stormont Parliament Buildings.

Email us at sustainability@radiushousing.org. Closing date to register: 7 March 2022.

Keeping You at the Heart

At Radius we want to keep you at the heart of all we do.

If you would like to be kept updated on opportunities for our upcoming groups and to shape the services you receive, newsletters, funding and more join our **Register of Interest today** by:

• Phone: 0330 123 0888

• Email: tenant.engagement@radiushousing.org

Speak to a member of staff

Welfare Advice

Providing advice, support and advocacy on all aspects of benefit entitlement.

Radius Welfare Advice Officers are on hand to support our tenants & residents. Support can be given by telephone or video call.

Get in touch...

To find out more or for referral to our Welfare Advice Team:

- Call our office 0330 123 0888
- · Speak to your Housing Officer
- Email info@radiushousing.org



Stay Connected...

radiusrepairs.org

0330 123 0888

Reporting a Repair

get in touch:

Keep up with news from Radius Housing:

responserepairs@radiushousing.org

To report a repair in your home please

f facebook.com/RadiusHousing

Speak to a member of staff

Contact your Scheme Coordinator for your copy of the February Boredom Busters!

Housing Officer

If you need to contact your Housing Officer or our Communities Team call our office on 0330 123 0888.

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