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## Christmas 2021: Festive fun at Royal Star & Garter

Residents have helped decorate Royal Star & Garter's three Homes, and are taking part in fun activities in the run-up to Christmas.

They have been busy making festive cookies, enjoying Yuletide singalongs and creating seasonal arts and crafts, in the charity's Homes in Solihull, Surbiton and High Wycombe.

Royal Star & Garter provides loving, compassionate care to veterans and their partners living with disability or dementia.



Married couple Bob and Rosemary help decorate one of the trees in Surbiton

At the Surbiton Home, residents are taking part in a range of activities, which have included Christmas tree decorating, making eggnog and mince pies, carol singing and creating their own tree decorations from clay. Award-winning chef Rida also led some mince pie cookery classes.

At Royal Star & Garter in Solihull, there have been

Christmas crafts, with resident making little Rudolphs, miniature Christmas trees, baubles and candleholders. There were also music activities, which filled the Home with festive songs.

Residents in High Wycombe have also been enjoying a number of different craft activities, including Christmas wreath-making and other decorations.

Residents have also been discussing their favourite Christmas foods and songs, and their wishes for 2022. Women's RAF veteran Lily said: "I want good health for myself and everybody else."



Residents have been taking part in arts and crafts activities at the High Wycombe Home



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The charity's Starlight service, which celebrates the lives of residents past and present during the Christmas season, was also shown in the three Homes in the run up to the holiday season.



Arts and crafts Christmas activities at the Solihull Home

Pauline Shaw, Director of Care at Royal Star & Garter, said: "After another challenging year, and the disappointment of a national lockdown last Christmas, its lovely to see residents in such good spirits and looking forward to the festive season."

Royal Star & Garter is welcoming new residents to its Homes. For more information, go to <u>www.starandgarter.org</u>

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