

Young onset dementia media round-up March 2018

In the UK news / press

The Reading Chronicle - [Younger People With Dementia received funding of more than £333,000 from the National Lottery](#) – they money will help them to continue supporting children and young adults with specialist advice in the area.

Metro - [How Sainsbury's helped a woman with advanced Alzheimer's keep working](#) - Sainsbury's made countless adjustments to Yvonne's role to enable her to stay at work after a diagnosis of young onset Alzheimer's disease.

Daily Mail - [When Yvonne got dementia Sainsbury's let her keep her job - and her dignity: Now her husband tells the full heart-lifting story of how a simple act of kindness meant so much](#) - Yvonne was diagnosed with dementia in her 50s and was supported by Sainsbury's to stay in work for 4,5 years after her diagnosis.

Daily Mail - ['There's no shame in having dementia': Husband of the Sainsbury's worker who kept her job for FIVE years after her Alzheimer's diagnosis says being honest has helped his wife to stay well](#) – Trevor's wife Yvonne has young onset dementia and was helped by Sainsbury's to stay at work.

Financial Times - ['I will never retire': working life with an Alzheimer's diagnosis](#) - Douglas is 58. He discusses how he has continued to work despite his diagnosis of Posterior Cortical Atrophy (PCA).

The Guardian - [Meet the man living with Alzheimer's who climbs the same mountain every day](#) - Sion Jair estimates he's walked up the Old Man of Coniston in the Lake District more than 5,000 times despite a young onset Alzheimer's disease diagnosis four years ago and continues to climb it daily.

Daily Mail - [Areas where half of dementia sufferers are not diagnosed: Patients turned away by GPs who say they are excessively tired 'just growing old'](#)

The Evening Chronicle - [The North East area you are most likely to be diagnosed with dementia BEFORE the age of 65](#) – article contains quotes from Dr Janet Carter

Birmingham Mail - [More young people are being diagnosed with early dementia in West Midlands](#) - article contains quotes from Dr Janet Carter

Online

BBC One - [Holding Back the Years](#) - featuring Younger People With Dementia Berkshire & Turtle Song. Includes an interview with Dr Jacqui Hussey. Go to 2 mins 31.

BBC News London - [Dementia home care: 'Mum would be so upset if she knew'](#) - Alex Turner gave up his career aged 26 to look after his mum following her diagnosis of young onset dementia at the age of 63. He discusses the difficulties he had finding a suitable care home for his mum.

tide has created this [short film](#) which shares Liz and Mike's story. In it Liz describes what it is like caring for her husband who has vascular dementia.

Trailer for [Flourishing](#), a short documentary giving an insight into young onset dementia from people in Sheffield who are facing it,

Short video created by [Joy Watson](#), talking about what led up to her dementia diagnosis at the age of 55.

Dominique Kent is running the London Marathon on 22 April to raise funds for YoungDementia UK. In this short [vlog](#), she explains why she is doing it. Dominique's Virgin Money Giving page - <https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/DominiqueKent1>

Suffolk Wire - [Christies care gets behind Peter Berry for a worthy cause](#) - Dementia Help's Peter Berry is taking part in a 330 mile cycle ride in June to raise funds for YoungDementia UK. <https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/Team/TeamDementiaHelp>

Dementia Help – [Cycle Challenge](#) - Dementia Help's founder, Christina Macdonald, her co-director Peter Berry and website editor Dave Collison will be cycling 330 miles from Aberystwyth to Aldeburgh in June to raise money for YoungDementia UK.

Peter Berry weekly video diary – Living with Alzheimer's

[35th diary](#) – the importance of keeping positive

[36th diary](#) – gaps in my thoughts

[37th diary](#) – accepting support

[38th diary](#) – easy things becoming more difficult

[39th diary](#) – the importance of conversation

Dementia Action Alliance – [Dementia within the LGBT+ community](#) – an interview with Patrick, who is 34, from Barbados and has HIV, schizophrenia and frontotemporal dementia.

Patrick Italo Etnenes is 34 years old and lives with frontotemporal dementia. He gave a [speech](#) at Durham & Tees Valley Staff and Volunteering network event for the Alzheimer's Society.

From Australia & America

The Sydney Morning Herald – [Diagnosed with Alzheimer's at 58, Wendy Mitchell is living in the present](#) - Wendy Mitchell's memoir Somebody I used to know has just gone on sale in Australia

The University of Melbourne – [How robots can reach out](#) - a taste of what is to come in the future? Robots programmed to help support younger people who are living with dementia!

The Press Enterprise - [Early-onset Alzheimer's changes everything for Riverside couple](#) – article from US which describes some of the complex issues young onset brings

Jobs, research, events, surveys & newsletters

[Job vacancy](#) – Lead Nurse, Coral Unit, Stock's Hall, St Helen's, Merseyside

University College London and the Universities of Bradford, Northampton and Surrey are inviting you to take part in a young onset dementia research study. The [ANGELA Project](#) is dedicated to Angela, a lady with young onset who went undiagnosed for three years before her symptoms were recognised.

Younger People with Dementia (Berkshire) CIO is running a training course in Reading on 15 May and Wokingham on 16 May. Titled, 'How to engage people with young onset dementia in meaningful activities' you can find out more [here](#).

[Banana Crabtree Simon](#) is a new one-man play by renowned writer and snooker commentator David Hendon which explores 50 year old Alan's struggle with young onset dementia. The play is being performed until 14 April 2018 at The Drayton Arms Theatre, 153 Old Brompton Road, London. Find out more and book tickets via the link below.

[Freshers Young Onset Cafes](#) are now operating in Bispham, Blackpool, Lancaster, Lytham St Annes and Preston. They are activity and social groups for people aged 40+ who are living with dementia and other neurological conditions. Partners, friends and family are also welcome.

New [activity group](#) launched based at Maidstone Leisure Centre for people who are under 65 who want to exercise and take part in sports activities.

The [Tackling Dementia Sports Cafe](#) is held weekly on Wednesday's between 10.30am-midday at the Worcester Warriors, Sixways Stadium. A free group that enables people living with dementia and their family and friends to engage in indoor sports activities in a fun, welcoming environment.

Alzheimer's Support has joined forces with the Wiltshire Wildlife Trust to start a new [farm-based activity group](#) for younger people living with dementia. They are looking for people with young onset dementia to get involved in planning the new group.

West Sussex County Council and Crossroads Care are organising [special short breaks](#) for people diagnosed with dementia before the age of 65 and their family and friends. Take advantage of some time out and join a Short Break at Roffey Park (Horsham) from Saturday 12 - Sunday 13 May 2018.

The Alzheimer's Society has renamed Dementia Awareness Week, Dementia Action Week and as part of that, want to ask your view on what small action you'd like people to take that will have the biggest impact to your life. Take part in their [short survey](#).

Quick [survey for GPs](#) about the use of online decision-making guides & IT systems

YoungDementia UK – [Young Dementia Network News](#) – March newsletter

YoungDementia UK – [Oxfordshire News](#)