

Young onset dementia media round-up November 2017

In the UK news / press

The Daily Mail - [Partridge Family teen idol David Cassidy dies aged 67 from organ failure surrounded by his family just nine months after revealing he was battling dementia](#)

BBC News - [AC/DC guitarist Malcolm Young dies at 64 after a long battle with dementia](#)

The Telegraph - [Alan Shearer: I fear I may develop dementia from years of heading heavy footballs](#) - 47 year old ex-footballer Alan Shearer talks about his fear of developing dementia after years of heading footballs.

Birmingham Mail - [Ex-Aston Villa star Chris Nicholl 'brain damaged from headers' and can't remember where he lives](#)

The Courier – [‘Thank God – at long last something is being done’ — Amanda Kopel hails FA and PFA study move](#) – Amanda’s husband Frank, an ex-professional footballer, died aged 65 gives her reaction to the news that the FA will research the possible link between football and dementia / brain injury.

The Daily Mail – [Would you take the test that shows if you're going to get Alzheimer's? One woman did and had very mixed feelings about the results...](#) - Victoria's family has a history of familial Alzheimer's disease. Aged 36, she discovered she had inherited the faulty gene that causes familial Alzheimer's and now aged 48 is living with the symptoms of dementia.

The Telegraph - [Bill Gates pledges \\$100million of his own money to find a breakthrough for Alzheimer's disease](#)

Online

BBC iplayer – [Alan Shearer: Dementia, Football and Me](#) - Alan Shearer documentary investigating possible links between football and dementia.

BBC Sport - [Dementia and football: Brain injury study to begin in January](#) - A long-awaited study into the links between heading a football and brain damage will start in January, the Football Association has announced.

Alzheimer's Society - [Research spotlight: Frontotemporal dementia](#)

Alzheimer's Society blog - [Pat's story: 'Once again a guilt wave has overwhelmed me'](#) – Pat Sike's husband has vascular dementia and PCA and has lived with symptoms since he was 55.

Alzheimer's Research UK - [Dementia destroys lives...we must find a cure](#) - Liza Grant was diagnosed with frontotemporal dementia at the age of 53. In this hard-hitting blog, her husband Philip talks about the impact her illness had on their family.

Nourish blog - '[There's plenty of life to be lived with dementia and I want to play my part](#)' - interview with James, founder of [Unforgettable.org](#), whose mum was diagnosed with frontotemporal dementia at the age of 59.

Jordan's blog - [My Story – Living With Fear](#) - Jordan was 15 years old when his mum was diagnosed with frontotemporal dementia, she was 47 at the time. He has written a very moving and powerful blog about their story and his fears that he too may develop FTD in the future.

Peter Berry was diagnosed with dementia aged 51 and creates a weekly video diary

18th weekly video diary – [challenging my Alzheimer's](#)

19th weekly video diary – [dementia and my identity](#)

20th weekly video diary – [keeping independent](#)

21st weekly video diary – [dementia and denial](#)

The Overtake – [A Matter Of Time](#) - Jayde, 27, has inherited familial Alzheimer's gene from her dad

Alzheimer's Society – Living with Dementia magazine - [Ronald Amanze, Life after a diagnosis](#) - Ronald, aged 60 is living with vascular dementia

Surveys, holidays and photos

[Dementia 2020 Citizens' Engagement Panel survey](#) - If you live in England and have received a diagnosis of dementia in the last two years, or support someone who has, you can complete this survey. It gives people affected directly by dementia the opportunity to share their experiences of diagnosis, care and support. The results will inform the Department of Health in England during the implementation stages of the 2020 Challenge Plan.

[Dementia Adventure](#) – has just released details of their supported holidays for 2018 which includes a fantastic farm based break for people aged under 65 in Lyme Regis.

Tide – [Send us your photos!](#) - would like pictures showing people with dementia living well and enjoying life showing that life does not end when dementia begins.