Young onset dementia media round-up May 2017

In the UK news / press

The Sunday Times – The nightmare of young onset dementia

The Guardian – Huntington’s disease: the pope steps in to help raise awareness

Daily Mail - Sion Jair, 67, gets up at 4am to climb a mountain before breakfast despite living with dementia for the last 7 years

The Irish News – Co Antrim mum tells of devastation of dementia diagnosis at the age of 46 – features Anne Scott

Glasgow Evening Times – Demand increases for services for young onset dementia sufferers in Glasgow

BBC News – Allow nurses with dementia to carry on working – decision was taken in a vote at the Royal College of Nursing’s annual Congress in Liverpool.

Daily Mail – Acclaimed author Valerie Blumenthal updates her story – she is living with PCA in her mid 60s

Online

The Hippocratic Post – Young onset dementia at the Alzheimer’s Show – article features the Young Dementia Network / YoungDementia UK

YoungDementia UK member Elaine Biles speaks about husband Steve’s FTD at the Alzheimer’s Research UK Oxford information day

Homecare.co.uk – ‘I thought I was bulletproof’ says head teacher diagnosed with Alzheimer’s aged 55 – article features Keith Oliver

Tracey Shorthouse interview – Tracey lives in Kent and was diagnosed with PCA in in her mid-40s. She lives positively with the condition and is an active awareness raiser

Alzheimer’s Research UK – Dementia at 39: Chris’s story – features Chris Graham who is living with familial Alzheimer’s disease and undertook a fundraising cycle ride from John O’Groats to Lands End to raise money for ARUK

Alzheimer’s Society - The Dementia Declaration – short film features a number of people living with young onset

Dementia Help – ‘Being positive is always best’ – says Peter Berry from Suffolk who was diagnosed with Alzheimer’s in his early 50s
Alzheimer’s Society Blog – Kim and Rob: ‘My world crashed when he was diagnosed’ – Kim’s husband Rob was diagnosed with Alzheimer’s disease at the age of 51

Alzheimer’s Society Blog - Alex’s story: ‘I refuse to hide away and will defend my right to be recognised and treated with respect’ – features Alex Preston, 57, who describes himself as living well with Alzheimer’s disease

The Good Care Group News – Warriors take on Tough Mudder to raise funds for YoungDementia UK Charity

Unforgettable.org – LloydsPharmacy and Unforgettable bring dementia products to the high street in UK first

Worthing Herald – West Sussex centre for young people with dementia offers fun and support

From abroad

Fairfield City Champion – Raising awareness for younger onset dementia – John was diagnosed with dementia in his mid 50s

Los Angeles Times – One sister faces early onset Alzheimer’s. The other plans to be with her for the journey – features a family affected by familial Alzheimer’s disease

Books, new groups, special events & courses

I Am Still Me, a collection of poems written by Tracey Shorthouse who is living with Alzheimer's disease and PCA.

Younger Persons Activity Group. Meets monthly in Harborne, Birmingham. Click here for more information.

All Hands On Deck | Fortnightly activity group for people living with young onset dementia in Milton Keynes | Click here for info.

Freshers Dementia Café | Lytham St Annes & Blackpool | Activity and social group for people aged 40+ who are living with dementia and their partners, friends and family | Full details here.

The Alzheimer’s Show | Open mic session for people living with young onset dementia | Fri 9 June at 12.00-12.40pm | Talks & Topics Theatre – featuring members of the Young Dementia Network and DEEP

The Many Faces of Dementia – free online course – starts 5 June

Oxford Dementia Research Day 2017 - 12 July – find out about the latest developments in dementia research from cells to animal models to cognitive neuroscience and the clinic.

Dementia Adventure – free training sessions across the UK for family carers