

Core brief

Daily update
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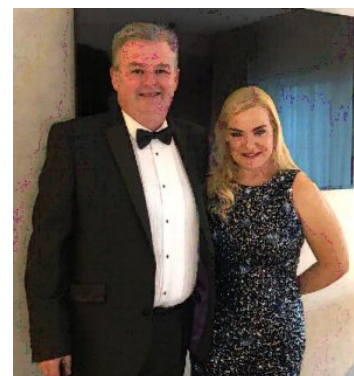
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NHS catering heroes

Margaret Valenti and Joe Gilbey from our catering teams have been recognised by the National Hospital Caterers Association for their outstanding work.

Joe, who is Head of Retail Services, won a National Leadership Excellence Award. At the beginning of the pandemic, he worked with colleagues to get food to those staff working on the COVID frontline, particularly for those who might be confined to wards such as ICU, to get access to a free, hot meal during the night and early morning. Joe also worked to ensure that tea, coffee and biscuits could be sent out to vaccination centres as they were set-up.



Margaret, who works as a business support manager, won a Special Recognition Award for creating a blog to help keep colleagues in touch, particularly colleagues who were no longer able to work in hospital settings. Eventually, she would pen 47 blogs, which have now been turned into a book, providing a unique record of the first nine months of the pandemic.

Billy Hunter, Deputy Director of Facilities, paid tribute to the award winners. He said: “When the pandemic began, our teams responded immediately and effectively, providing support for those at the frontline and their wider colleagues across the health board and beyond.

“I want to congratulate Margaret and Joe for their well-deserved awards. Along with their teams, they epitomise everything that is great about the wider NHS Family. They stepped up when things got tough and worked to help others and I’m incredibly grateful for their efforts.”

Bus Service revisions

First Glasgow are making revisions to a number of services from 10th April to reintroduce service levels on a number of routes that were recently reduced. However, Sunday services on service 8 and 16, are being reduced to now operate hourly. More information is available from [First Glasgow](#).

Active Staff

We have Bootcamp sessions spread over Gartnavel, Leverndale, New Victoria, QEUH and Stobhill sites and are open to all fitness levels, we hope you can come join the fun, get fitter and enjoy the fresh air with seven classes to choose from.

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Don't forget, Active Staff is also online. Currently you have access to seven live classes per week, Monday – Thursday with a mixture of live early morning and evening classes streamed by a team of instructors over Microsoft Teams to the comfort of your own home.

You can book all your fitness classes by filling out the Active Staff survey and selecting the class you want to attend by [clicking here](#) it's all completely FREE! All you need is Microsoft Teams and your game face.

We hope to extend to other sites soon and also organise more of our guided NHS Walking for Health walks in 2022.



Please keep up-to-date with the latest guidance on our dedicated web pages at: www.nhsnss.org.uk/covid19. If you have any questions about the current situation please check the FAQs first. If you have any further questions, please email: HR.Support@ggc.scot.nhs.uk.

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