

Sheila Pollard has a new great grandaughter!



Hailie was born 9<sup>th</sup> June weighing 6lb 11oz.

#### A Brave Story from one of our volunteers, Mel Hunter:

11 years ago, 10th of June 2009, I walked into the operating theatre ready for my brain tumour operation from which I was not expected to survive. But <u>I did!</u> I also went through aggressive chemotherapy; many operations connected to this over the years; physiotherapy; hydrotherapy; optometry support and devices to help with my now double vision; used lots of medications including morphine, and there are some medications I will now need for life.

On my birthday in 2010 I was ill health retired, I understood why but I still felt a huge sense of loss and questioned what I would do now. It was at a time when I was in a wheelchair, had adapted to needing help to be showered, dressed, fed and to do basic things like going to the toilet. But I have now learnt to appreciate my life all over again and although my career, status, and, financial independence came to an end it was so enlightening to see life with a fresh view.



People tell me I'm amazing and inspirational, but I don't *feel* it. It's an uphill journey, and there are still down days. But I am enjoying life on the whole, stopping at times to sit and enjoy the view and taking time to appreciate where I have come from to give me the much-needed boost to keep going. We now have a saying in my family, "When is best? Now is best!"

I'm currently celebrating 11 years and looking forward to enjoying every minute, whatever that may look like.

### **Clever Animals by Delma:**

- 1) A horse that counts by striking his foot
- 2) A horse who could open the stable door and go walk about
- 3) A Scottie dog, called Max, who would pick gooseberries off the bush and eat them
- 4) A dog, called Cindy, would go to the butchers for a bone if someone left the gate open

### **5 Pieces of Advice You Would Give Your Younger Selves:**

- 1. Adrienne Cole would tell her younger self not to be so anxious and not to worry about things so much.
- 2. Margaret Townend would tell her younger self to stay out of trouble and stay safe.
- 3. Allan Bucknall would tell his younger self to choose your friends wisely and value them.
- 4. Ruth Hoar's advice to her younger self would be to live life without prejudice.
- 5. Sheila Pollard's advice to her younger self would be to appreciate her health! Next Week's Question: What's your favourite food or meal?

### **Rebus Puzzle: These Pictures all Depict Names of Countries**

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### **Sudoku Puzzle:**

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#### **Last Week's Quiz Answers:**

- 1. 4 days
- 2. Marlon Brando
- 3. A frog!
- 4. A Beard Tax
- 5. When I'm 64

# This Week's Rebus Puzzle Answers:

8. Portugal 4. Columbia

7. New Zealand 3. Thailand

6. Wales 2. Iceland

1. Canada 5. China

## **Age UK Wiltshire Sunflower**



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### This Week's Sudoku Answers:

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