



CHRISTIES CARE BENEVOLENT CLUB

The Christies Care Benevolent Club has now been running for almost 2 years. We established the club to support our carers in difficult times. Just lately, the unique scheme has come into its own...

What happens if a carer is ill, or has a family emergency and has to cancel or cut short a booking? Or their client dies, they have to leave and we don't have work for them? They will lose work, and income. That's where the Christies Care Benevolent Club (CCBC) comes in.

Set up to help our carers who have fallen into unavoidable financial hardship, the CCBC has already proven helpful to several carers in the last year.

Carers make a small contribution each week that they're at a client and Christies Care matches all these contributions.

The CCBC is for our carers, and run by a committee of our carers. Our involvement is limited to administration and oversight.

The current pandemic has seen the club support 36 claims totalling approximately £28500. The difference it has made to our carers is amazing...

"Many thanks to the awesome team from CCBC, who awarded me a substantial amount towards the booking I was unable to fulfil in April-June this year, due to the CO-vi-d pandemic. I nearly fell out my chair when I saw the email regarding my claim!"

"I was due to work 8 weeks in Jersey, but because of lack of flights to the UK during lockdown I was unable to fly to the UK to my favourite client. I had finished my last Christies assignment on the 8 Jan 2020, and had decided to only go back to work in the UK in April after my mom's 70th birthday in SA. Just as well, otherwise I would've been stuck in the UK, away from family for months, like many other carers have been. But, this meant that I have been without work till my return in August. Fortunately the CCBC was able to help"

"My savings were depleting rapidly, mainly due to my tenant who is renting my flat, who has not been paying the rent for the last 5 months (in SA, it's called squatters rights!), so I was having to fork out to cover the bond and the levy, each month, besides the costs of where I live. My award has saved my life"

Thank you once again to the great team at Christies, that make working for this company such a **rewarding venture**.

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"I would like to thank the committee for understanding me and the trust shown

Thank you for your help all of you who gave me the idea when I didn't know what to do.

This will cover a lot of my rent arrears in this very unfortunate situation which was beyond my control"

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"Since I started working for Christies Care I have been kept very busy with constant work and full working schedule. I joined the Benevolent Fund not really thinking I would ever really use it but thought for of £3.00 a week it was very affordable. With the Covid19 outbreak I was still confident I would carry on working normally so it came as a big shock when I had a 5 week booking cancelled and then the next two week booking cancelled as well. I had read we could put in a claim with the CCBC and did just that for loss of earnings for cancelled bookings.. Within 2 days received the fantastic news that I would be compensated. Thank you Christies just another perk of working for you I am very grateful"