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# December Newsletter

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# CURA

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*Dear Clients, Volunteers, Support Workers and Friends of CURA  
We wish you all a very Happy Christmas and  
a healthy and wonderful New Year.*

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## Office hours over Christmas and New Year period:

Our office will only be closed over the Christmas days (25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> December) and on New Year's Day.

A Care Team Member will be on call and you can reach her on **0488 111 308** or send an email to **[care@cura-inhomecare.org.au](mailto:care@cura-inhomecare.org.au)**.

Scheduled Services will of course be delivered as arranged.



A very big Thank You to Carla and Ria for sharing their Christmas stories with us.

### Carla's Christmas Miracle:



Not only have I seen Santa Claus, I also experienced a miracle.

And this is how:

*In the hectic times when doing my Christmas shopping, I left my bag and 'well-stocked' wallet on the bus!*

*Oh dear! Oh dear!*

*The bag including my wallet was quickly found, but where could I recover it?? Far, far away in a bus depot.*

And now the miracle happens:

*The CURA Office sent me one of their support workers to pick me up.*

*In the meantime, after hundreds of phone calls made by the CURA team, we knew which of Perth's bus depots we had to go to. And this was almost at the end of the world!*

*Now we had to find this bus depot, so that I could get my bag and wallet back.*

*And then I experienced my Christmas miracle! All the cash was still in my wallet, nothing missing!*

*A true miracle and a sign that the spirit of Christmas is alive.*

## Ria's story:

Hello Cura Friends.

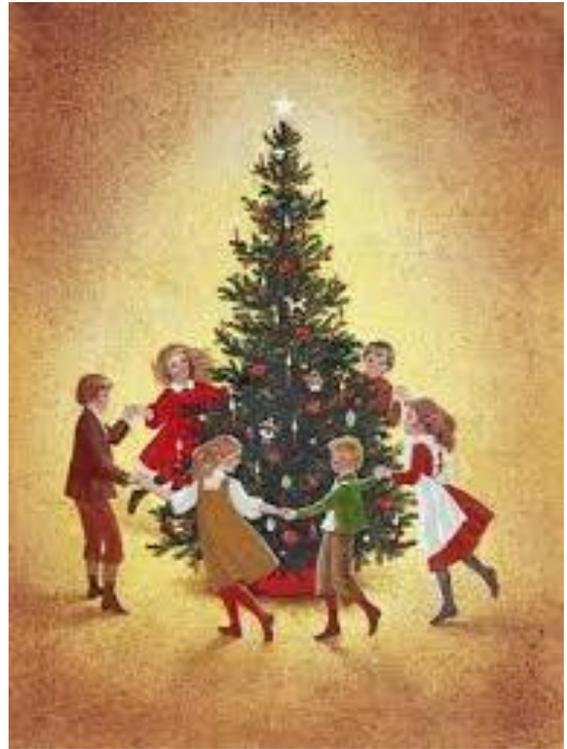
I thought I'd let you in on a few Christmas trends while I still was a child in Holland.

May as well dive right inside, where the coal in the heater is warming up the whole house.

There is also our Christmas tree.

Tall, big, plump, smelling fresh, because it was just taken from the bush by the tree seller, and soon decorated by the years old ornaments, glistening miniature items, from which we kids all liked the little trumpet most.

And then of course ceremoniously to be instated, was the big Angel, covered with snow.



There is so much to tell. But I will definitely write about the photo taking ceremony. Hahaha.

In those days we didn't have so many clever little cameras, but our parents had at some stage saved up coupons after they bought i.e. a packet coffee etc. etc. and they paid with the coupons for a camera that turned out quite some lovely photos.

So we were sitting in front of the tree, Grandma in the centre, oh she must have been so very old. At least almost 70 years. We were not allowed to move. Our eyes glued to what Father was going to do. The light got turned off.

He had bought one or more little sachets with powder that could be lit. He managed to hang it high before us, while he could reach the cotton thread which he lit and pop..swirl..light..scream...!!!!

Our eyes almost popped out of their sockets. The little camera had done its duty again.

The results we could see after a long wait of 8 days...really. That is when we had the photographer's job done. And so we could see all of us, Vader and Mother too, who had to run to their seats while using the seconds of lights "off" and flash light "on" through the powder.

Is there anyone who can share my memories and claim them as their own too?

Well Cura people, from Staff to Cared for, I wish you all a Happy Christmas and a very healthy New Year.

Ria Plate.

# MERRY CHRISTMAS

Wishing you a wonderful holiday season and a joyous New Year!



*From your CURA Team*

