

AGE Petersfield & District

Concern

Newsletter

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Welcome

One of the joys (if few) of these long Winter months is spotting those delightful blankets of snowdrops and crocuses appearing above the hard ground – they seem to herald in another year - with different challenges and opportunities.

We hope you have seen our outings programme for 2019 and have marked some new places to visit or familiar ones you would like to see again. These trips are superb value: door-to-door transport is provided.

Our lunch club continues to provide an excellent and delicious 2 course meal under Marian's leadership. She and her great team of volunteers can be found every Tuesday and Thursday at 12 noon at the Community Centre. Marian joined us last November and has been an instant hit.



Marian with her “designer pies” from the Sea and Spud Competition. Having won, Marian then donated 50 to our Lunch Club. Lucky them!

Like some help with your IT?

The next Computer Coaching course starts on Thursday 18th April for 6 weeks of one-to-one tuition. Our coaches can help demystify your laptops, phones, tablets, & iPads, and help with email, online shopping, photos, skypeing etc. Whatever you would like to learn, they can help. A 6 week course costs £25. Contact Ken if you are interested, or complete a form available at Winton House Centre.

Popular Help at Home Scheme

Our new Help at Home scheme has taken off with Home Helps vetted by us and now out in the community helping people at home with their cleaning, shopping, laundry, companionship, meal making etc. This is a chargeable service with Home Helps that you can trust. Please contact Sheridan for more details.



We are thrilled to be one of the beneficiaries for the annual fundraising

Charity Walk for Peace taking place on Saturday 4th May, 11am. Look out for sponsor forms, and let us know if you'd like to walk with us on the day. This is a fabulous opportunity to raise funds for Age Concern Petersfield.

Thank you to the Lions



A massive thank you to the Lions of Petersfield for donating the proceeds from their quiz night to Age Concern

Petersfield. It was a fun night with Sheridan, Rosemary and the Age Concern team doing far better than expected!



Transport into Town

Spaces available on Wednesday and Friday mornings for door to door transport to and from town. Cost £2 return. Call David to book a lift.

Outings Programme Now Out

Our new outings programme kicked off early this year with trips to The Spring Arts Centre in Havant for Monday Movies. There are lots of new places to visit including Hilliers Arboretum, Godalming Canal Barge, Devil's Punch Bowl, Gilbert White's House and Garden, as well as many old favourites. Afternoon outings and day trips available. Pick up a copy of the programme from the Winton House Centre, or download it from our website.

Join us for the day on Thursday 23rd May as guests of Sinah Warren Leisure Hotel, Hayling Island. A delicious 2 course lunch, optional activities and transport all for £25.

Come and meet us

We were delighted to see so many of you at our Open Morning last month. Some of you are now coming to our lunch club, signed up for outings and have joined our Help at Home Scheme.



Our next one is on Saturday 15th June, 10-12noon, at Winton House. Pop in for a chat. Tea and cake on the house.

Thank You

There are some wonderfully generous people in our world. Thank you to Pamela Jack who left a legacy in her will. Thank you to you all for raising £366 through the Waitrose green token scheme. Thank you to our lunch club member who donated a generous sum of money. And thank you to Graham Fountain and Richard Wheeler who have both retired from driving our minibus after many years of dedication. You enable our charitable work to continue, improve and innovate.

Enjoy making and creating?

We are looking for local people to exhibit their work at our 60+ Arts and Craft Exhibition in Petersfield over the first weekend of May. Make a picture, sculpture or piece of craftwork - anything you'd like to enter. You don't need to be a professional artist or know anything about art, just be willing to have a go. If you sell something then 20% goes to Age Concern Petersfield. If you exhibited for the Skilled Hands initiative you are welcome to do so again. Contact Sheridan to find out more or download an entry form from our website.



Watch out for Foot-care flyers from Age Concern (Hampshire) at the Community Centre, Winton House, Tesco's and GP Surgeries.

Dates for your Diary

18TH APRIL: Next Computer Coaching one-to-one 6 week course at the Winton House Centre.

4TH MAY: Charity Walk for Peace, Penns Place, 11am. Join us on a 6km fundraising walk.

4-6TH MAY: Arts and Craft Exhibition at the Winton House Centre. Exhibit your work or call in to see the exhibition.

23rd MAY: Day trip to Sinah Warren Leisure Hotel. £25 to include delicious lunch, transport and optional activities.

15TH JUNE: Open Morning, 10-12noon, at the Winton House Centre. Come and say hello. Tea and cake on the house.

17th JUNE: Godalming Canal Barge day trip. Tickets £20 to include transport with lunch and afternoon tea stops.

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