

# News flash

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## OUR ZANY ZEBRA



Starting work on a blank "canvas"



Our artists make great progress

Members of our Flagship Art Club were delighted to find that their design for Marwell Zoo's Zany Zebras competition had been chosen for sponsorship. The group have been working hard over the last week to put their design on our life size zebra and to ensure it is painted all over and varnished in time for the trail.

We are grateful to Lorica Insurance, our sponsors, for spotting the creative merit of our design.

Anyone who is interested in the Zebras can drop into the shop on the ground floor of the Marlands Shopping Centre in Southampton to see the zebras being painted. The Trail will be available in Southampton from July 16 to September 25. Make sure you find our zebra!

More info on the Zany Zebra website.

Proud to be a Marwell's Zany Zebras artist!

Check out [zanyzebras.org.uk](http://zanyzebras.org.uk)



# JUMP START DRAMA



Jump Start Theatre Company from Winchester University have been running energetic drama games and activities for participants since March. We also had an evening out together to The Point to see *Backstage in Biscuitland*. A really thought provoking show about Tourettes Syndrome, which also managed to be very funny.

## THE LITTEN TREE no more!

The Litten Tree pub where we hold The Chill out Club is to be closed in May for refurbishment and the pub's name will be changed to "*The Station*". The Chill Out Club is moving temporarily to The Good Companions in Leigh Road where Jane and Bill, the new landlords, are pleased to offer us a temporary home.

Club members are looking forward to seeing The Litten Tree looking slicker after the May refurbishment. The landlords of The Litten Tree have been some of the staunchest supporters of the Club for more than nine years. We greatly value their support and wish the current management and staff success with the new look pub.

## Eastleigh Borough & Romsey MENCAP Walking Team Chandlers Ford Rotary Club's Itchen Walk

### **SPONSOR US PLEASE!**

Maria, Beverley and Michelle are doing a sponsored walk by the Itchen on Sunday June 12, in the walk organised by the Chandlers Ford Rotary Club. We all intend to cover the full ten miles and raise funds for EBR MENCAP. You can sponsor our team by donating online at the MyDonate website. Make sure you make the donation on our fundraising page! <http://mydonate.bt.com/fundraisers/ebrmencap>  
You can also sponsor us in cash if you wish.

## Concorde Club Quiz Night

Thank you to everyone who came along to our Quiz Night hosted by The Concorde Club. 29 teams battled it out for first place. The curry was amazing, the questions challenging and the raffle was a triumph! We hope to be able to repeat this collaboration with the Concorde Club as all participants seemed to have a good night out.

# DIARY DATES – EBR MENCAP events

LEARNING DISABILITIES WEEK – June 20-24

[PICNIC WITH FRIENDS – Tuesday June 21, 12noon to 2.00pm](#)

The Active Citizens are holding a Friendship Picnic at Eastleigh Recreation Ground from noon. Come along, bring your rug and picnic. We will be hosting a competition with prizes! Everyone welcome.

## SUMMER BBQ – Saturday July 23 12.00 noon at Royal Victoria Country Park.

- Health walk starts from Netley Railway Station at 11.00am and finishes at the barbecue site at 12.00.
  - Or come direct to the BBQ site at noon.
  - More details in May newsletter.
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### Royal MENCAP Society event

## Planning for the Future

Thursday 3 November 12.30pm-2.30pm

Level.10 Church, Stanmore Lane, **Winchester**, SO22 4BT

#### How you can financially protect your child with a learning disability

The 2 hour seminar is designed to provide clear and helpful advice and information on how to best safeguard money being left to somebody with a learning disability, and are delivered by solicitors who specialise in this complex area of law. You can call the team on 0207 696 6925 to book your place or go to the MENCAP website to book online.



## Health Walk Schedule

EBR Mencap Society's Walking Group meet on alternate Saturdays during the year to enjoy a sociable walk in the countryside. Walk 11.00am - 12.30.

- **April 30** – Netley, starting from St Edward's Church Hall in Grange Road for **Eastleigh Friends' Spring Fair**
- **May14** - Hillhead
- **May 28** - Abbey Hall, Netley to Weston Shore

In case of poor weather, call Helga Baker on 01489 784633 or Kath Rau 023 8026 5426.

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