

News flash

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NEW POLYTUNNEL FOR OUR GARDENING CLUB



The Gardening Club members are delighted with their new polytunnel which was purchased with a grant from the Hedge End, West End and Botley Local Area Committee.

Thank you for this great donation, it not only means we can bring on tender plants inside but members also have somewhere to shelter, should it rain. Thanks also to West End Parish groundsmen team who helped put the tunnel up, in less than perfect weather!



Open afternoon at Longstock Park Water Garden Sunday, 1 June 2014, 2.00pm to 5.00pm



Admission charges: £6.00 adults, £2.00 - 5-14 years (under 5s go free).
Tickets can be purchased in advance from EBR MENCAP or on the gate
Ample car parking. Assistance Dogs only
Address: Longstock Park Water Garden, Stockbridge SO20 6EH
Directions: Travel out of the Leckford village on A3057 towards Andover, cross the river bridge and take the first turning to the left signposted to Longstock. The Water Gardens are situated opposite the gates of Longstock Park.

Open by kind permission of the John Lewis Partnership

More Volunteers still needed

If anyone else would like to join us as a volunteer, organising cars in the car park on the day, we would be delighted to hear from them. You would be asked to

work for about an hour and still have plenty of time to enjoy the water gardens. Please let Michelle know by email or phone message. Thank you for your support!

GETTING TO LONGSTOCK WITHOUT A CAR

If you do not have transport, why not come on our minibus? The minibus will run from the centre of Eastleigh to Longstock and back. There are fourteen places on the vehicle and we will be charging £6 each for the return journey. You need to book and pay for your place in advance - please call us first to ensure there are still seats available, then send a cheque for the minibus and admission fees - £12 per person to the society address.

DIARY DATES

Saturday, June 14 -The DREAMERS perform at Eastleigh Unwrapped – in Eastleigh town. This is our local Street theatre festival. Come along and see what The Dreamers are doing!

Saturday, June 28, 2014 MENCAP Summer BBQ
Mencap Walk at 11.00. Royal Victoria Country Park, Netley

Saturday July 5, Winchester Hat Fair. If you missed the Dreamers at Eastleigh Unwrapped, you have a second chance to see them at the Hat Fair. And a lot more besides!

RUNNERS WANTED

We are looking for keen runners to join the Colour Me Happy Fun Run in Portsmouth on Sunday June 29. Anyone who would like to run the 3km or 6km distance should get in touch with us at once. Event information can be found at <http://www.colourmehappyrun.co.uk>



Health walk schedule

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

May 31 – Holly Hill. Meet in car park on Barnes Lane

June 14 – Warsash. Meet at car park in Warsash.

June 28 – Netley walk starting at the Railway station & MENCAP Summer BBQ

Our walks are on mostly flat ground, they are about 2 miles long and do not include any stiles.. Call Helga Baker on 01489 784633 or Kath Rau 023 8026 5426. Walks are sometimes cancelled due to bad weather. If in doubt, ring Helga or Kath.

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