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Gardening Club Open Morning

Saturday August 17 10.00am to 12.00noon

YOU ARE INVITED TO OUR OPEN MORNING



Come along and see our work at our Gardening Club Open Morning on Saturday August 17 with Maria, all the Gardening Club members and volunteers.

Our favourite Gardening celebrity **Rosie Yeomans** will be with us again this year, giving practical gardening advice.

Plant sale, home made cakes and drinks
West End Allotments, Moorgreen Road.

Walking the Test Way for The Mayor's Charities Appeal



This year instead of staff and committee members completing a sponsored walk for the society, we are training up an inclusive team of walkers to complete one of the distances on the Test Way Walk for the Mayor of Eastleigh's Charities Appeal.

There are three distances: 11, 8 or 5 miles.

Why not think about joining us? The training is mild and undemanding, starting with walks for 1 mile and then gradually building up. We are walking on Tuesdays mornings throughout the summer.

If you admire our resolve but do not want to walk, why not sponsor our team? Visit our Just Giving Page to leave an online donation.

www.justgiving.com/fundraising/mayorofeastleigh

The cost for each walker is £14 for the day and each person must raise a minimum of £50 for the cause. If you are interested in walking, please call the office (023 8048 3471).

Day in the Park – June 29



We are grateful to our regular chefs, Tom and Neil for their hard work on the day cooking everything so expertly. It was a baking hot day! Salads and desserts were prepared in advance by members of our talented committee.

This year we extended the event, running from 11 to 3.30 instead of just over lunchtime and we included a variety of games which people enjoyed.

COMMUNITY PICNIC- July 16

This is an annual free event which the Active Citizens have run for seven years. It is to encourage people to get together over lunch and enjoy being outside. It is always the last session of the Active Citizens year and marks the start of our summer break.

For the second year we held it at Grantham Green. It was well attended with 36 people and 1 dog attending! We were honoured to have the Mayor of Eastleigh as our guest this year.



EASTLEIGH MELA SUNDAY JULY 21



We ran two stalls at the MELA this year, one for the Mayor's Appeal with the game: Play your Cards Right. Thanks to Abbie, Katherine, Matthew, Michael and Terry who helped to run the game. There were a surprising number of winners!

The other stall was our Society stall and we offered rainbow art activities for children and information about our work for anyone interested. Thanks to Elaine, Henry, Nasrin and Beverley who worked hard throughout the day.

Gardening Club barbecue Saturday – July 27

Our Gardening Club members and volunteers enjoyed a mid season barbecue, with the food being cooked by guest chefs Jackie and Girish.

Our thanks to them and everyone who was involved in organising the event and making it happen on the day.



VOLUNTEERING FOR THE MAYOR'S APPEAL

We have been delighted with the response from our members in offering to help out with the Mayor's Appeal events. There are lots of opportunities, from holding collecting buckets at various cultural events (at the theatre or concert) to walking the Test Way or running one of the stalls for the Mayor's Appeal.



Our members are showing that they are up for it! It is great to have your support during this special year. We want to make the most of this opportunity. Anyone else who would also like to help, please call the Office and leave their name and number.

HAMPSHIRE ADVOCACY SERVICES

Hampshire County Council, NHS England and the Hampshire Clinical Commissioning Groups commission a range of advocacy services for children and adults across Hampshire. The current contract ends on 31/03/20. They are seeking feedback on these services to inform the Service Specification for the new contract to begin from 01/04/20.

They are seeking feedback from:

- People who have used advocacy services within Hampshire
- Carers/family or friends of those who have used advocacy
- Staff in partner agencies who have worked or are working with advocates supporting people using their services
- Members of the public with an interest in advocacy services
- Professionals with an interest in advocacy services

To have your say go to:

<https://healthhampshirecc.researchfeedback.net/s.asp?k=156268863153>

SOCIETY DIARY EVENTS

August 16 & 30 – Grantham Green Growers sessions 10-12noon

No session on August 2

August 3 & 5 - Gardening Club Closure

August 10 & 24 – Eastleigh Hot Shots Basketball Club sessions 10-11am

August 17 – Gardening Club Open Morning starts at 10.00am

September 24 – Tuesday - Watercress Line Trip for railway enthusiast members

Please call the office and leave your name and number if you have any questions about our events or anything else.

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