

# News flash

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## Join our VOLUNTEERING CREW (Volunteering for the society and for the MAYOR'S APPEAL)

We have had some new volunteers recently and they have been so delighted with their experience, that we want to establish a **Volunteering crew**. This is a list of people who can be contacted when there is a chance to volunteer at an event for us.



We really value people who say YES to volunteering offers and then follow through to complete them! Carers and relatives are welcome to join too.

In the last month we had five new volunteers on our stalls at the MELA. One new volunteer joined us at ASDA for a coin collection and two new volunteers did a bucket collection for the Mayors Appeal at the A&L Dance Academy Summer School (Christmas) Show.



Three of our volunteers after a good night out!  
Thanks to Abbie, Beverley and Leanne

The A&L Dance Show was possibly the most fabulous! We were given complimentary VIP seats, were welcomed by the organisers and the Mayor of Eastleigh. The show itself was amazing and featured many professional dancers from "Strictly". This was a total surprise and an added bonus. We would thoroughly recommend this annual event! Look out for it next year.

We want volunteers to represent us on a stall at **Eastleigh Pride** September 7, at the **Pumpkin Festival** stall on Oct 12 and to help out with a bucket collection at **Eastleigh Football Club** on Saturday Sept 28. **If this sounds like you**, please call the office and leave your name and phone number.

# 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.

We have seven willing walkers who will complete the five mile stretch. **There is still time to join us if you are an experienced walker and or just need a little training. Training resumes in mid September, the walk itself is on Sunday September 29.**

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 or to follow the progress of our training – look out for pics of our training fist bumps, taken at the end of each walk.

[www.justgiving.com/fundraising/mayorofeastleigh](http://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/mayorofeastleigh)

## Gardening Club Open Morning

**Saturday August 17**



Rosie Yeomans and many other guests attended our annual Open Morning at the Gardening Club. Rosie gave a demonstration on planting french beans and spinach and also gave advice to green fingered guests.

Refreshments were fabulous as usual and we are grateful to everyone who donated plants for our Plant Sale and helped out with competitions, sales etc.

## Temporary Absence

Maria, our Gardening Club Co-ordinator is currently not well and taking a break from her role as Gardening Club Co-ordinator. We have recruited Alison to fulfil the role temporarily.

Club will continue until the end of the season in its usual routine, apart from a closure on Sept 2. We wish Maria a speedy recovery and look forward to seeing her later in the year.

# FOR OUR RAILWAY ENTHUSIAST MEMBERS WATERCRESS LINE WORKSHOP TRIP

Did you come to see Eastleigh Works in April this year with us?  
If so you have a priority place on our WATERCRESS LINE trip on Tuesday  
September 24 from 9.15 to 15.00.



We have a limited number of places on our minibus going to the Watercress Line workshops to meet the volunteers we met in April again, and to see what they are working on. Trip on steam train included. Call the office after Sept 18 to express an interest, there may be some spare places.

## SOCIETY DIARY EVENTS

September 2 – Gardening Club closed

September 2 – Chill Out Club resumes after summer break.

September 24 – Tuesday – Day out to Watercress Line for railway buffs.

October 21 – Final session of Gardening Club – Monday.

**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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