

Notes From the Chair.



If you haven't got it in your diary then you should have - The AGM for 2022-2023 will be held in the Community Centre on Thursday 20th July starting at 11:00 and will precede the monthly speaker.

A returning speaker, Dr Helen Fry, will talk about MI9 the organisation set up to organise escape routes across Europe for stranded allied forces personnel.

Thanks to your contributions we raised £492 for Home-Start North West Hampshire. Well done everyone.

...and there's more – We'll be having a Summer Gathering with Pimms and stuff on the 22nd July for those who were lucky enough to secure tickets

Just a warning...don't forget your ~~sun hat~~ / wellies.

To enable you and your family to enjoy more of the sun and sea, a reminder that there is no monthly meeting in August. We next meet up on 21st September. Enjoy your hols.

July's AGM & Monthly Meeting is on Thursday 20th July in the Community Centre. Doors open 10:45 meeting starts at 11:00.

Don't forget to please have your new membership card to hand as we will be checking them.

July Speaker

Dr Helen Fry

MI9 – Secret Escape Lines and Gadgets of WWII"

When Allied fighters were trapped behind enemy lines, one branch of military intelligence helped them escape: MI9. The organisation set up clandestine routes that zig-zagged across Nazi-occupied Europe, enabling soldiers and airmen to make their way home. Secret agents and resistance fighters risked their lives and those of their families to hide the men.

Drawing on declassified files and eye-witness testimonies from across Europe and the United States, Dr Helen Fry returns to tell us of the significant reassessment of MI9'S wartime role. Central to its success were figures such as Airey Neave and Mary Lindell - one of only a few women who parachuted into enemy territory for MI9.

This astonishing account combines escape and evasion tales as well as gadgets such as playing cards that peeled back to reveal maps, James Bond's 'Q' would have been impressed! With many previously untold stories behind the establishment of MI9 - and reveals how the organisation saved thousands of lives.

Brian Bilston's poem not displayed due to copyright restrictions.

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Tadley and District U3A
C/O Colin Hewitt

30th June 2023

Dear All,

Thank you for choosing Home-Start North West Hampshire as your charity to support in the last year. Your collections have raised in total an amazing £492 which will help in continuing our work with families across Basingstoke & Deane.

Enclosed is a Thank You Card from one of our supported families so that you can see first-hand how support from you all means to them personally.

Thank you again from everyone at Home-Start NWH.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A.M. Chiappetta'.

Anna Chiappetta
Office Manager

Dear friend of homestart
thank you for donating to this
charity they have help my family
so much. Massive Life Line.

...lots

and lots

and lots!

The volunteers have helped so
much and its so reassuring knowing
I can get some support when I
need help or sometimes lonely
and need to talk to someone.

Best wishes

mum of two children

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Our summer gathering complete with Cream Tea
and...Pimms and...entertainment by the u3a Guitar group is
nearly upon us. We still have a few tickets left so do contact
us via TandDu3a@gmail.com or at the Monthly meeting.

Just as a reminder to those attending

Date: 22nd July

Place: Heath End Village Hall and on the Green

Time: 3.30pm – 6.30pm

You can always contact us
on email
TandDu3a@gmail.com

We need volunteers to help with erecting the
gazebo for the guitar group, time 14:00. If you can
help do drop us an email at the usual address
TandDu3a@gmail.com

If you still haven't picked up your new
membership card, and there are a few,
then the Monthly meeting is the
opportunity to do so.

Hunting down quality stories from quality
papers, this time The Times. An international
poll confirms that the German male is indeed
the undisputed champion *Sitzpinkler* (sitting-
widdler) of the West. In the survey 62 per
cent of German men said they usually or
always adopted the sedentary position,
compared with 50 per cent of Swedes, 34 per
cent of Italians and only 23 per cent of
Britons.

Don't forget significant building is still taking place at the TCC.

Entrance to the TCC for the monthly meeting is through the double fire
doors on the right of the building.