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THE HEADWAY THAMES VALLEY NEWSLETTER **April 2013**

Headway Thames Valley, Brunner Hall, 84b Greys Road, Henley on Thames, RG9 1TF

65's Club March 2013

P Harrison	£65
Enid Stebbings	£35
Joy Davies	£20
Diana Kippax	£15
Cindy Saunders	£10
Phil Fraifeld	£10
Duncan Johnston	£5
Martin Brown	£5

65's Club April 2013

Brian Newport	£65
Stuart Jalland	£35
Joe Bajada	£20
David Horton	£15
John McCavert	£10
C Coulter	£10
Peter Ferris	£5
Tanja Gillam	£5

Thank you to all 65's club members for their support.

Events coming up...

For more details on any event please phone 01491 411469 or see the web site

Arts evening, South Street Arts Centre, Reading 9th May

Action for Brain Injury Week 13th – 18th May – events planned!

22nd June - Music Festival at The Butchers Arms, Sonning Common – whatever the weather!

News



Quiz at Salisbury Club raises £604

A fundraising quiz at Salisbury Club in Henley raised £604. Nick (right) is pictured with Duncan Carpenter of Trevor's team – they were asked to answer a tie breaker (see below) for first place. We were delighted to see over 100 taking part in 12 teams. It was a really fun evening.



Many thanks to Trustee Helen Childs for being 'quiz mistress' – Helen's daughter Lucy is pictured helping Trevor draw the raffle.

Our grateful thanks also to the staff of Salisbury Club: Dave, Ray, Fred and his daughter for running the bar and providing the delicious buffet.

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Loddon Valley team

Our patron Debbie Flood (3rd from right) brought a team

Thanks also to Headway staff who helped to organise the event: John Oakes, Carol Brand and Elaine Carpenter.

Tie breaker: Which band performed 'Ghost Town' ? Answer on last page

[Action for brain injury week – 13th – 17th May](#)

The aim of the week is to raise awareness of the causes and affects of brain injury.

We will be having a stand in Broad Street Mall Reading on **Monday 13th May** and Market Place Henley on Thames **Wednesday 15th May** - please come and see us !

[Hats for Headway ! Friday 17th May](#)

If you want to take part and raise awareness and funds for Headway Thames Valley all you have to do is wear any silly hat to work or school on Friday 17th May and encourage your colleagues to do the same. To download a poster please go to <https://www.headway.org.uk/hats-for-headway-day-2012.aspx> or give us a call on 01491 411469

Headway Hounds

One day we realised how many canine friends we had at Headway Thames Valley. It all started when Sean needed to bring his new puppy, Milo, in to the centre one day as he could not be left alone. Our music therapist, Sharon has 2 rescue dogs and we are also lucky enough to be visited by some friendly PAT dogs from time to time. PAT stands for Pets As Therapy see - <http://www.petsastherapy.org/> for more information. So Carol Brand (herself proud owner of two West Highland Terriers) decided to write a little bit about each one. There's so many that we will have to put the rest in the next issue but here goes:

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MONTY



Mary Anderson and her pet whippet Monty have been visiting us at Henley over the past 3 months. Mary originally bought Monty to show, but he grew too large, so she decided to use him as a PAT dog instead.

He had to be assessed to find out if he was suitable, and as expected, passed first time due to his lovely placid nature. He was immediately issued with his PAT jacket which he wears with pride whilst at work. Monty is very sociable with our clients and he also regularly visits the Chiltern Centre and Greenfield House.

Monty is pictured - left - with Christina and Jane

POPPY AND THEO

Poppy and Theo are miniature wire haired daschunds who, with their owner Penny, have been coming to Headway for a couple of years.

They live on a farm locally in harmony with pet chickens and a tortoise. Penny realised that Poppy was special a while ago - a friend of her's was ill and after spending 24 hours with Poppy, she felt much better.

She has the ability to change a person's mood if they are feeling down. Both Poppy and Theo are extremely cuddly lap dogs, and we look forward to their visits to Brunner Hall.

Poppy (on the left) and Theo are pictured – right - with Adam and Penny



MILO

When Sean Dunn told us he had a new puppy and he wouldn't be able to attend Headway, Elaine Carpenter suggested he bring him to the centre.

That was 18 months ago and Milo, who is a jack russell cross is now a regular weekly attendee at Headway, He is collected on the minibus every Wednesday with Sean and gets quite excited at the prospect of a day out. He joins in with all the activities and trips.

Caring for Milo has proved to be very therapeutic for Sean – Milo gets him out and about meeting new people, and he has a constant companion.

Elaine has been helping Sean to train Milo and he is already a well trained and extremely social little dog, loved by all at Headway.

Sean (left) is pictured - left – with Milo and Paul.

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Thank you!

A very big thank you to the following recent donors. Also we would like to express our grateful thanks for any other individual or smaller donation not mentioned and received recently.

Sainsbury's Calcot	£200	Quiz at Salisbury Club	£604
Arborfield Farmers Ball	£750	Darts night at Salisbury Club	£350
Bird in Hand Music Night	£375	Stuart Turner	£1,000
Cardy Beaver Foundation Grant	£1000		



Shiplake Pop Up Café £125
Sally Taylor (2nd from left) is pictured above presenting the cheque

Green Park Challenge



We were very lucky to have 3 runners in the Green Park Challenge which took place recently in Reading. The idea of the challenge is to give everyone young and old whatever their ability the chance to take part in the Reading Half Marathon day. Runners start in Green Park and finish in the Majeski Stadium. Together they raised over £1000 for Headway Thames Valley. Callum Perret has run the challenge for us for 3 years but was unwell this year so his little brother Connor took his place! Pictured left are Helen - Connor and Callums mum, Headway

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volunteer Sandra Dennett (Connor and Callums grandmother), Christina, Callum, Connor, Jane and Alan and his carer. Andrew Martin and Pheobe Millar also took part. Many thanks to all who took part and helped on the day. Callum and Connor raised £281.50



Andrew Martin raised £463 and is pictured left during the race warm up with Tammy Renwick (left) and Elaine Carpenter

Andrew was accompanied on route by Tammy, Pheobe Millar, Carol Brand, Phil Fraifeld And Elaine Carpenter. Phoebe raised £286.60



Tammy (left) Andrew and Pheobe cross the finishing line



Lions Club of Henley

Our grateful thanks to Henley Lions who donated £500 towards our new shed. They also built large borders in our garden at Brunner Hall for vegetables and flowers.

Henley Lions, Mel Williams and Robin Swift are pictured presenting the cheque 5th and 6th from the left with staff and clients on what was just about the first day that was warm enough for an outside photo this year!

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

We are not open → → → →

Answer to quiz tie breaker:
'The Specials'

Monday 6th May
Monday 27th May
Monday 26th August

THURSDAY 9th MAY Arts Evening – South Street Arts Centre, Reading.

Action for Brain Injury Week
13th – 18th May

SATURDAY 22nd June – Music Festival at The Butchers Arms Sonning Common. You may remember that a similar event at The Rising Sun in Witheridge Hill was postponed twice last year due to the dreadful weather. Thankfully this event is weather proof as they have a large marquee so put the date in your diary now!!!!

SATURDAY 31st August - R 4 D – a regatta on the river AT Phyllis Court Club, Henley – adapted boats, Dragon boat racing, stalls music and much more <http://www.regattaforthedisabled.org/>

SATURDAY 21st September – Global Picnic – www.biglobalpicnic.org

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