

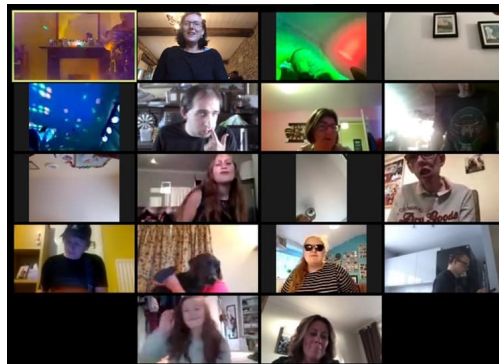
Update on Lockdown

As the government begins to implement their plan to ease lockdown, we unfortunately are still not in a position to be able to reopen our clubs just yet. We will continue to offer virtual sessions and activities that can be done at home, and we are looking at what else we can implement whilst we are unable to run our usual club nights. We'll be keeping a close on the latest advice and guidance and looking at what adjustments we can make. We hope we can welcome everyone back soon, as soon as it safe to do so.

Virtual Summer Holiday

We had to cancel the Club25 holiday to Woolacombe this summer, which is always a fantastic time away and a highlight of the year for many. Laura, Kath and the volunteers got together and came up with a 'virtual holiday from home' for the members instead.

The week started off with a visit to the members at home, where we shared a summery holiday cocktail, and members were given their activities and itineraries for the week. The timetable included a cream tea to have at home, Zoom sessions with virtual trip to an animal park, bingo at the clubhouse, make your own adventure golf challenge, activity workbook, postcards to design and a make your own fudge kit. The week ended with a Zoom 'clubhouse disco' where we played all the best holiday park disco songs and danced in our living rooms.



Fitness in the Park

Whilst many of our clubs are still not able to return just yet, we are excited to be able to start offering exercise sessions in the park for members of our Fitness for All Club.

The members will be split in to 4 smaller groups to adhere to social distancing. Our coach Dean Fitton will be running the sessions, on Monday afternoons / evenings from 3rd August.

The sessions will consist of movement and 'on the spot' aerobic styles exercises and games. We're looking forward to seeing at least some of you soon!



Aviva Community Fund

We raised over £600 via the Aviva Community fund appeal, which is a superb amount! Thank you to all those who made a donation and shared our social media posts.

This money will go a long way to supporting our Club25 Project once it has re-opened.



Quiz Night! There will be another virtual quiz at the end of the summer; keep an eye on our website and social media pages for the date and more info.

Thank You!

Hazel Thompson for her donation.
Barry and Suzie for their donation.
Jane Metters for her donation.

THANK YOU!

These are still uncertain times but we want to say once again a huge thank you to all our supporters, you have been amazing! So far you have raised over £4000 from purchasing raffle tickets, attending our virtual quizzes, online events or taking on personal challenges, and we are so very grateful for it all. Our local giving appeal page is still live:
<https://localgiving.org/appeal/COVID-19-support> if you would like to help us.



Painting Auction

Huge thank you to Jane Metters, and all the people who bid on or bought her paintings in her mini art auction. Jane put 5 pieces of her work up for sale, all of which were inspired by her trip to Kenya. Half of each bid was donated to the society, and over the week the total amount raised was over £200!



August Volunteer Birthdays!

Nicky Albrow
Leanne Burge
Caroline Terry
Ruth Parkinson
Vanessa Mills
Charlotte Buttery

Hope you all have
a great day!



Virtual Family Fete

We held our first virtual summer fete on Saturday 9th July via Facebook, as our annual summer family fun day had to be cancelled. We had a variety of games and activities such as name the teddy, find the hidden treasure and guess the number of sweets in the jar. We had two performances from our Music Man Project via zoom who have demonstrated that despite the current restrictions they are still enjoying singing together. Thank you to all who played and an extra thank you to the Davis family who hosted their own garden fete with their family, and to DJ Barry and Suzie for their disco. We raised over £100 and all monies will go towards activities for our junior clubs when they reopen.



Barry and Suzie Garden 'Car Boot' Sale

Last weekend there was a distanced 'car boot' sale around Keynsham, with people selling items in their front gardens and on driveways. Thank very much to two of our Ambassadors, Barry and Suzie, who took part and sold some of their pictures and art work.

They raised £24.57, which was rounded up to £30 thanks to a late donation.

Great job you two, well done!



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