

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

This has been an extremely challenging year for all of us – members and their families. However, throughout the last fifteen months, our Society staff and volunteers have continued to support members as best they could, through mailouts, zoom sessions and doorstep visits where possible, as well as continuing fundraising activities.

Now is time to take stock of where the Society is and what may lie ahead in the future. To do that, we need to hear from members, families and their carers, particularly from our younger clubs so that the future can be tailored to their needs and wants.

So please, come along to our **AGM on Thursday 24th June** (*lifting of Covid restrictions permitting*)

Where: St Dunstan's Church Hall, Bristol Road, Keynsham BS31 2BQ

When: 6.00pm for a 6:15pm start (to make it easier for families of younger members)

There will be refreshments on offer and an after-meeting disco for the members.

AGENDA

1. Apologies for Absence
2. Minutes of AGM 20th June 2019
3. Chair's Report
4. Treasurer's Report
5. Fundraiser's Report
6. Operation Manager's Report
7. Election of Trustees 2021/2022
(Chairman, Vice Chairman, Treasurer, Secretary* (or a volunteer minute secretary) and up to eight further trustees – please contact Laura for further details)
8. Issues/Comments from members and their families

Join Our Team!

Staff Vacancies for: Club Leader and Deputy Leader

We are recruiting for two paid positions at our SENSations Club; a club leader and a deputy.

We are looking for dynamic and enthusiastic people to help plan and deliver activities at our twice weekly sessions in Keynsham. Previous experience of working with children with learning disabilities required

Tuesday & Thursday evening
term time only.
5:30 - 7:30pm

To request a copy of the job description, an application form, or for more information please contact Laura on 07792 722471 or by emailing laura@keynshammencap.org.uk



Do A Skydive - At No Cost!

Have you always wanted to complete a skydive? Is it one of the things on your bucket list that you would love to do one day? Well, great news! We've teamed up with Skydive Buzz to offer our supporters an opportunity to jump out of a plane from 15000ft whilst raising money for us! There is no upfront cost to participants. All you need to do is raise a minimum of **£395** in sponsorship. We've got 8 amazing people signed up so far and there's still time for more to join them!



Sunday 3rd October at
Dunkeswell Airfield.

Membership Reminder

Please remember to send your membership renewal back as soon as possible. As we have been closed for so long we need to make sure we have correct, up to date information for you.

Thank You!

We want to take this opportunity to say a huge thank you to our staff and volunteers. It's been a tricky time as we navigate our way through all the new changes and guidance, but they have all been amazing, supportive and just as keen to get back to club as much as the members!

They have worked so hard to make the clubs not only safe, but still fun and exciting too!

Volunteer Vacancies

We have a number of volunteer vacancies across our clubs. If you've ever thought about it, now's the time! You'll be fully supported, and we are a fun and friendly team. Volunteers can attend a trial session to get a feel for the club before committing.



Current Vacancies:

Fitness for All

Monday evening, Keynsham.

7:00-8:30pm

Radstock Youth Club

Tuesday evening, Radstock. 5:45-7:30pm

SENSations Club

Tuesday and / or Thursday evening, Keynsham.

5:30-7:30pm

Go Explore

Tuesday evening, Keynsham. 7:00-9:00pm

Contact laura@keynshammencap.org.uk for more information or to arrange a taster session.

Film Student

We've been lucky to have a student filmmaker work with us over the last few weeks. Danon needed to make a short film for his university course, and offered to create a video about Keynsham Mencap. He's visited some of the clubs and activities to film members and volunteers and the finished film will be available to watch soon!

Volunteer Birthdays for June

Happy Birthday to...

Louise Cox
Molly Hale
Dean Fitton
Rebecca Griffin
Georgia Knight
Izzy Goddard
Julie Jenkins



Have a great day!

Welcome!

Hello to Ben at Super Saturday Club and Mike at Boccia. Welcome to the team!

Shining Star Awards

I was so honoured to be nominated for a 'Shining Light Award' and invited to attend a virtual awards ceremony.

The event 'celebrates the extraordinary acts of kindness and compassion that has been shown during the past 12 months and to recognise all those amazing people who have worked tirelessly during the past year'.

Sadly I didn't win, but there have been so many wonderful things happening in the local community over the last year,

I am very humbled.

Thank you Amanda for nominating me.

- Laura



Contactless Card Payments Coming Soon!

We are shortly going to introduce a new way to pay for your clubs and activities, with a contactless card payment machine.

Those that pay their subs on the night will now be able to pay on card at club if they prefer.

The card machine will also allow us to take contactless payments at our events such as for raffle tickets, at the bar or to pay for activities.

The bank card needs to be presented to the machine for payment to be taken, so we are still unable to take telephone payments, but if you are visiting the office you will now have the option to pay by contactless.

We recognise that this method might not suit everyone, and we will still be accepting payments by cash, cheque or bank transfer!



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