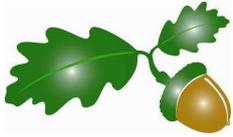


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NEWS SHEET – OCTOBER 2015



ACORNS Community Coffee Shop **Monday to Friday mornings 10am to 1pm** **in the Margaret Craig Room**



Open during term time only, for tea, coffee, cold drinks, cakes, and treats.
All at very reasonable prices. Served by lovely ORCA volunteers.
Vacancy for a volunteer on Thursday mornings

Dear Members,
Welcome to autumn/winter. We hope you had a good summer break and managed to enjoy some sunshine and time with your family and friends. We are still celebrating the ORCA 20th anniversary year and this has been marked with a big new mural on the wall of our Margaret Craig Room. Do come in to see it if you can. It was the work of a small team of volunteers on a National Citizenship Service scheme in August and they they also painted our little office. We are truly grateful for their time and effort. We have to change the way we distribute and share news and activities. We do not have enough volunteers to do the work required and postage costs have risen significantly. So, in future we will need to inform you by email, or you will be able to collect your newsletter from the centre. Please send me an email to orca-enquiry@oakdale.me.uk with your full name. You will get news quicker and I can let you know about a last-minute opportunity for tickets. We now have a facebook page for ALL of our Oakdale community to use – schools, churches etc – so that everyone can add Oakdale based events – please ‘like’ it – the Oakdale Community Group. Our website will be changing later this year, so that we can keep that up to date easier. A small group of members met regularly on Monday afternoons during June and July. We entertained ourselves with cardmaking, a cream tea, lunch and footbath party. However, we have agreed

that it's not a good afternoon for us so not continuing. We are now selling greetings cards that we made, at the centre.

Monday 28th September. Card Making workshop. 2pm in the Margaret Craig Room. No charge to ORCA members. £5 to non-members. Limited space so please book a place in advance.

Sunday 4th October. Car Treasure Hunt. £5 per car (on day) with Woolbridge Motor Club. Starts at Wimborne from 12.30 & ending at a café for tea. Details when you book. To book, contact Carl on 07973 712 532 or acdale@virginmedia.com. You will need a digital camera or mobile to take photos during the hunt.

Monday 12th October. Coach to Sherborne Pack Monday Fair. Street market dating back to medieval times. ORCA members £15, non-members £16. Leaving Oakdale 9am. Limited numbers. Phone Lesley to book 01202 772894 or 07962 433 726.

Tuesday 13th October. Quiz night at the New Inn Pub. Join the ORCA team for fun – phone Lesley in ORCA office to arrange to meet.

Friday 23rd October 7.30pm. ‘Ruddigore’ at the Lighthouse, Poole. Also known as ‘The Witches Curse’. With Ghosts, witches, curses, disguises and a wicked villain. From Bournemouth Gilbert & Sullivan Operatic Society.

Tickets £12.00 for members. £13.50 non members. Book by 30th September to get that price.

Saturday 17th October 10-12 open morning in Acorns with table top sale.

If you have anything you want to sell, book a table space.

Tuesday 27th October. Half term train trip to London. £15 each.

Tuesday 10th November. Quiz night at the New Inn Pub. Join the ORCA team for fun – phone Lesley in ORCA office to arrange to meet.

Saturday 28th November. Make some of your own xmas cards. 2pm in Margaret Craig room.

Friday 27th November. Bournemouth Brewery tour. £15 including drinks.
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Thursday 12th November. St Edwards School Christmas shopping evening _____

Saturday 14th November 10-12. Open morning in Acorns with table top sale.
If you have anything you want to sell, let me know and book a table space.

Friday 11th December. Ukulele Orchestra of Great Britain 7.30pm at Lighthouse Poole. Great entertainment, celebrating 30 plucking years. It will be a great fun night of music £19.00 for members. Others £21.50. Please book a ticket through ORCA asap.

Saturday 12th December. Members Mince Pie Mingle in the Margaret Craig Room for ORCA Members only. 6.30pm to 9pm. Book your space through the ORCA office so that we can cater.

?? Tuesday 22nd December Christmas lunch meal out – must book by end september and pay £5 deposit non-returnable.

January – Panto in Wimborne.

First aid training – would you like to brush

up on your skills, and learn what to do in an accident? We need to know how many members would be interested in a one-day training on a Saturday. Names to office please.

The Margaret Craig room to use and hire out. That's the room that we use for Acorns coffee shop in the mornings. We really need to have the room used more and would like to hear from anyone interested in a regular booking - it is available afternoons and evenings.

In ACORNS

Tuesdays mornings – scrabble available. Thursdays mornings you are invited to bring in your own handicrafts to work on. **We now have an 'Ideas2Action' collection box in Acorns.** Bring in your empty biscuit wrappers to deposit. The idea is that they are recycled and turned into useful items such as pencil cases. More information is on the box in reception.

Volunteers – If you would like to consider volunteering opportunities with ORCA, please contact our Volunteer Co-ordinator, Lesley Kerley.
lesley.kerley@ntlworld.com 01202 772894.

WANTED –

- Gifts or donations that we can use for raffles, tombola or prizes.
- **Books, clean bric-a-brac, CDs, DVDs and wool** - to sell in Acorns.
- **Used greetings cards to recycle.**
- **Any craft items** –paint , paper, etc

Membership - Our members make us STRONGER. ORCA members get the first news of our events and activities, voting rights at our AGM and a reduced price on outings. New membership forms are available outside the ORCA office. Full Members are those living in Oakdale. Associate Members for those living outside the Oakdale area. Adult Membership, per year, costs £5 (18 years old and over). Family and junior membership available.

Activities report - We held the Big Community Lunch in June – what a lovely

day that was in the Oakdale Park. About 100 people attended overall, and we enjoyed 20th Anniversary cake, teas, more cake, games and a digital scavenger hunt. A collection box raised _____ for the Poole food bank. Next year it's on Sunday 6th June 2016. The ORCA AGM in July was well attended and we had a speaker, Eddie Burrige, Chair of Safer Neighbourhood team for Poole town and Oakdale. He informed us that Oakdale has a low crime rate, the largest amount of crime in Oakdale is vehicle break-ins or damage. If you would like to receive weekly crime report updates, email Eddie at eddb26@tiscali.co.uk

During the summer ORCA had information stalls at Oakdale Library, St Edwards School and Stanley Green Infant Academy. With more volunteer help we can get to other venues. If you have any photos for our photo history gallery in the Margaret Craig Room please bring them in or post or email office, thanks.

The ORCA Committee is currently-

Debbie King
Russ Saines
Lesley Kerley
Linda Hollows
Tony Miles

**ORCA is run by volunteers for the Oakdale community and beyond.
Please help if you can with either voluntary work or financial support**