

Tuesday 10th March 2020

V&F-LP supports our Armed Forces Veterans by putting Veterans & Families first, wherever they maybe.

Open 10:00am – 1:00pm

Every 2nd Tuesday of the month



This month 10:20 am V&F-LP gives a warm welcome to Al-Anon Family Groups UK & Eire.
They are there for anyone whose

life is or has been affected by someone else's drinking.

Our members provide meetings in all major towns and cities and are committed to being there for you when you need help. Whatever your relationship with the drinker, you will find other people who have similar stories to tell. You will realise that you are not alone. Listening to the shared experiences of others may help you find the confidence you need to deal with the effects of someone else's drinking.

For further information please visit their website: www.al-anonuk.org.uk



I am really looking forward to catching up with you all again for our Wellbeing Group for March.

We are growing fast as a fantastic group who advise and support each other, sharing wisdom and also having a fair few laughs along the way.

We would really love to have some others of you to join us- so please do pop along!

This month, in addition to catching up with each other, we will continue to explore and share some solutions about managing and conquering some of our stresses, including thinking about the importance of our breathing and how our thinking can catch us out sometimes!!

So grab yourselves a brew and come and join us at 11.15!

Veterans' Vibes



It is with a heavy heart that I type the following. On Friday 14th February 2020 Ann Doran a dear friend to us all passed away.

V&F-LP are sorry for Tony's loss, Ann was such a great person she will live on in our memories. Our heartfelt condolences go to Tony and his family. Words cannot express our sorrow.

...IT'S TIME FOR... HOT TOPICS.

So, grab a snack & come-on BACK

The Aldershot Militaria Society



Monthly Meetings | Regular talks

Show and tell | Discount military book stall

Annual Quiz | New Members most welcome

Only £15 annual subs

7.00pm Last Thursday of each month NEW MEMBERS WELCOME

for more information ian chatfield@hotmail.com







Thank you to one of Veterans that wanted to share the following news.

Following our pervious correspondence to you regarding your details being placed on a waiting list for a holiday within one of our Break Centres, I am writing to provide clarity on the future of our Centres.

We have recently undertaken a strategic review of our services, which included proposals to close our Break Centres in Portrush, Southport, Bridlington and Weston-Super-Mare. These difficult proposals were not put forward lightly or indeed in isolation, with a review commencing in early 2019 of all the legion's welfare services, Remembrance and campaigning activity.

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Yours sincerely.

Steve Barnett Assistant Director Operations

Having now been through a period of consultation with staff, and conducted wider engagement with stakeholders, the Board of Trustees (BoT) has confirmed that the charity has taken the decision to cease operating our Break Centres. We are extremely proud of the work we have done at our Break Centre and this decision has not been made without first undertaking extensive research, and considering alternative options.



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We appreciate your understanding at this time and if you have any questions or would like to discuss the information shared with you, please contact the Legion on 0808 802 8080.

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LEGION

Yours sincerely

Steve Barnett
Assistant Director Operations





A word from ASDIC the association of ex-Service Drop-In Centres.

IMPORTANT - CORONAVIRUS

I know we all have enough to deal with, and without stating the obvious, I thought we should all be reminded of the present public health situation. With the possibility of a wider spread of Coronavirus across the UK, we should all be aware of the actions to be taken should we come across a suspected case. Advice is available widely on the internet, TV and press. Broadly, we must follow the latest NHS guidance on either prevention, self-quarantine (if self-suspect) and/or dialling 111.

If this changes, the NHS or Government websites will be updated as the situation unfolds – and we will be informed.

Please also be aware that there will be no 'priority treatment' for Veterans, should the question arise.

Best wishes

Tracy

Director, Association of ex-Service Drop-In Centres (ASDIC)



Further information can be found on the NHS Government website:

www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-information-for-the-public



Please find below a link to the World Health Organisation:

www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019



CIMEMA

Wednesday 15th January (And Then Every Wednesday) 10:30am - 12:30pm

Free Weekly Cinema Club

If you or anyone that you know may enjoy this weekly experience, then please come along and join our cinema club. We would be delighted to welcome you!

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CARING HOMES **



FEBRUARY MARCH JANUARY APRIL EVERY $\mathbf{2}^{ ext{\tiny ND}}$ TUESDAY OF THE MONTH 14^{m} 10^m ST. MARY'S CHURCH & CENTRE, PARK ROAD, **CAMBERLEY, SURREY; GU15 2SR** 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM





Planning a holiday!

Special Assistance and disability Facilities at UK Airport

www.ego.net/specialassistance.htm

Many UK Airports have various facilities for people with any kind of disability including hidden ones, if you are

travelling and need extra help. Visit their website and check-out what facilities are offered at your local airport.

The Rights of Passengers with a Disability or People of Reduced Mobility (PRM's)

Any airline passenger who requires extra assistance due to a disability, illness or reduced mobility is entitled to it by European law. This includes those that need extra help due to mobility issues, age, illness, sensory disabilities, learning or psychiatric disabilities. In addition those who require extra help due to a temporary injury or illness, for example a broken bone, are also entitled to it.



Team V&F-LP are looking forward to seeing you Tuesday 10th March 2020

10:00 am onwards (we close at 1pm)
St Mary's Church & Centre, Park Road,
Camberley, Surrey; GU15 2SR.

