

# OFFICER REPORTS SUMMER 2017

## Archives Report

500 copies of John's book 'Mid Surrey Memories has now been published and will be available for collection at next intergroup.

They cost £2.50 each. I can post them to anyone who can't make intergroup, please contact me on [archives@aamidsurrey.org.uk](mailto:archives@aamidsurrey.org.uk) to find out the postage costs.

Based on past experience they sell out quickly.... John and I have already sold 50, so please remember to bring cash or cheques to intergroup. I'm not sure if Tony yet accepts contactless payments!

My other news is that:

### The Magical History Tour 2017

will take place on:

**Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2017 in Aylesford, Kent**

The Magical History Tour is a project sponsored by South East Region. It is designed to broaden awareness of AA's history and archives.

The tour's website: [www.themagicalhistorytour.org](http://www.themagicalhistorytour.org) has more information about this year's event, and also has a large volume of downloadable history. The site is being continually updated.

This year's event features:

- Audio visual presentations on AA history in the USA, UK and the South East Region.
- Presentations on The History of SHARE magazine and ALANON.
- Presentations on The making of the TRADITIONS and CONCEPTS.
- Archival DISPLAYS that you may not have seen before.
- Sobriety Wall
- Old-timers sharing

Enjoy a day of fellowship, celebrating the history of AA.

Registration from 10am; £5.

At: Aylesford Village Community Centre, 25 Forstal Rd, Aylesford ME20 7AU

Barbara

## **Share Report**

### **Share is coming to visit...again!**

It's been a year since I first took on the post of Share Liaison Officer – and what a year it has been. In total, I visited 47 different groups within Mid-Surrey to talk about ways of supporting Share – 10 more groups took out subscriptions and, for the first time in a long time, we are starting to see articles and pictures appearing in the magazine, courtesy of Mid-Surrey meetings. So thank you to all of you who made me feel so welcome at your meetings and for supporting this vital publication.

Now, brace yourself. It's time for me to hit the road again. I've already visited seven meetings in the last couple of weeks and hope to get round to you all in the next few months – so don't be surprised when I pop up again. I'm easy to recognise – I am the one with a bundle of Shares under each arm!

Remember, Share is always on the lookout for articles or photographs for the magazine. They should be sent to [AAShare@gsogb.org.uk](mailto:AAShare@gsogb.org.uk)

## **Electronic Liaison Officer Report**

I have had a lot of positive comments about the new MSIG website, I am very happy that people are starting to use it more and more and also telling other people to refer to it for information. The meeting finder has been especially popular, please keep me updated to any meeting changes so I can keep it up to date.

We have added a couple of new stories this quarter one to the newcomers page <http://aamidsurrey.org.uk/young-people-in-aa/>

And the other to the members stories page, this one is particularly moving as it was the Eulogy for Brian written by a fellow AA member. Please do go and read it especially if you knew Brian, and thank you to Brian's family for letting us share it. <http://aamidsurrey.org.uk/members-stories/>

If you or someone in your group would like to share their story please email me or use the 'Submit a story' form at the bottom of the page.

The Website continues to perform well and I am seeing a steady growth each month which is encouraging. In July we got 2685 visitors and June was 2059 visitors.

I have also been trying my best to keep the GSR's updated with MSIG news via email. Please do pass this information to your groups or just point them in the direction of the news section of the website which is kept up to date with the latest news for our region.

In other news, I have been working with PI to design and print a new pop up banner display for their events so this will be available soon. I also took the opportunity at the convention to photograph some archives, I'm still trying to figure out how best to display this information on the website.

Please email me if you have any comments or suggestions [eclo@aamidsurrey.org.uk](mailto:eclo@aamidsurrey.org.uk)

Yours in fellowship – Ellie

## Young Persons Liaison

Thank you for taking the time to read my report.

I would greatly value any volunteers or people to support me in the YPL work; there's a lot to do and it's getting busier, I cannot do it alone....if you're interested or could just dedicated a very small amount of your time on a regular or one off basis toward some of this work I'd love to hear from you.

Please email me on [yplo@aamidsurrey.org.uk](mailto:yplo@aamidsurrey.org.uk)

Below I've listed a few things YPL has been involved in the last couple of months, these are some of the things that you will also be involved in if you are interested.

- The Amber Project: I'm still in close contact and collaboration with the Amber Project and we are working towards getting a meeting set up here, providing I can get enough volunteers to make a team that can support and help out. If you're interested I knowing a bit more about Amber or where they are located, click the link here;
- YP's 12 Steppers: I'm continuing to put together a Young Persons contact list and 12 step callers list in order to add to the main MSIG 12 Steppers List. Please contact me if you'd be willing to be added to this list.
- Surrey University: I'm in contact with the Wellbeing Centre at the University and we are hoping to put together a presentation for students very soon.
- YMCA: Jonny (PILO) and myself met with the team at the Guildford YMCA and offered contacts and support to any of their residents/users who may be struggling with a drinking problem, the meeting was a success and we hope to see continued contact and some presentations there in the future.
- Young Persons Meeting Guildford: Attendance at the young persons meeting on a Monday evening in Guildford has dropped off a bit within the last month or so, we'd be so glad to see new faces there, there's no age restrictions, everybody is welcome, we mainly see people who got sober before they reached 30, however as I said, we'd be glad to see anybody.

## PI Report

1: presents at always the sun festival on Saturday and Sunday, September 9 and 10th.  
2: continued collaboration with NHS, especially S a BH, mental health division. Three: meeting with YMCA and Zara. Very productive. Follow-up next quarter.  
4: pink phones working relatively well. Could use more signups. GS us to follow up if possible please.  
Generally looking good for the next officer to have a team