



I recently helped with choice checkers. I had a chance to speak about the service that Headway provides.

As a group we discussed contract for funding for Headway for the next three years. I think it is important for Headway to keep going.

In doing this it helped me understand how funding works and how it supports the work Headway do. I feel Headway has done a lot for me and I made a lot of new friends. Headway provides a great service. When involved with choice checkers it gave me confidence to put my point over.

Roger Barrow - client

Fundraising News

Steve Jones from Worcester Outreach is running The Snowdonia Marathon on 27th October for Headway.

Also along with Leo Tarrant, a Headway client and golf professional Steve is organising a **fundraising golf day** at Ravenmeadow Golf Club on 21st June 2013 (a long time away but hopefully it will be dry weather!). It will raise funds and awareness for Headway, more details to follow.

Pauline Morgan, the mother of a Worcester Outreach service user organised a charity fund raising evening at the Coppertops to raise funds for a minibus for Headway.

Pauline and her friends from 'Slimming World' have lost a total of over 50 stones in weight and have had a very tasteful calendar printed to celebrate! All proceeds from the sale of the calendar will go towards a minibus for Headway service users.

The calendars are on sale at Headway Day opportunities in Worcester, The Vine, The charity Shop and direct from Pauline. They cost £9.50 each.



Steve Jones and Tom Johnston before they completed the Worcester Half Marathon in April on behalf of Headway. Together they raised over £120.00 Well done lads!

Calendar

Monday 17 September University of Worcester 'Freshers Fair'

Thursday 20 September
10am Client Involvement Meeting at Headway

Friday 21 September
World Alzheimer's Day

Monday 24 September
Headway North Worcester AGM and Headway Worcester Trust Ltd AGM
7pm @ Gregory's Mill Street

Tuesday 25 September
International Ataxia Awareness Day

Thursday 27 September
Safeguarding Meeting 10am @ Headway Staff and Clients welcome

Thursday 18 October
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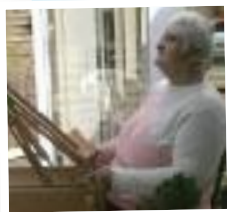
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Saturday 27 October
The Snowdonia Marathon

Brickfields Bungalow

Hello from everyone at the Bungalow, we hope you are all well and have enjoyed the summer months. Although the weather was not kind to us this summer we have all managed to enjoy the few sunny days we have had.

The garden at the Bungalow suffered during the wet weather, the slugs ate all the sunflowers and the marigolds that Stuart spent ages planting, at least he didn't have to water them! The hedge alongside the lawn got so overgrown we had to get a gardener in to cut it back. We did have a family of blue tits in the nest box that Martin Gill made for us. It was fascinating watching all the comings and goings.



Jean has sat outside with her easel doing some drawings and painting although she had to

dash indoors several times when the rain came, but she did produce some lovely art. Jean has been out and about with

staff and friends; her Grandson Charlie has come to visit which always makes her happy. Jean has also invested in a computer and can now Skype her daughter Julie in Australia, thanks to 'Christmas Chris' for helping to set it up.

Emma went on holiday with her family to Yarmouth and had quite a few sunny days, she did in fact come back with a suntan.

Stuart spent a few days with his sister and nieces in Malvern. Before he left he bought the girls some sweets (but had to go and buy some more as he ate them; don't let on we told you).

Everyone at the Bungalow enjoyed watching the **Olympics**, it did get a bit noisy at times as

we all waved our flags and cheered on the GB team. Emma really enjoyed watching the men's cycling road race and Jean loved the equestrian team's dressage. Stuart was more of a rowing man, from his arm chair he looked quite the rower but we don't think he is up to Sir Steve Redgrave's' standard just yet! We are now cheering on the GB Paralympics team and hope they win plenty of medals.

Finally, Emma, Stuart and Jean would like to wish **Libby** all the best on her new adventure, they have become very fond of Libby while she has been helping out at the Bungalow and are going to miss her, the staff would also like to thank her and we hope that her future is as bright and bubbly as she is.



Malvern Outreach

The tenants at Ranelagh Road have had a **Jubilee Olympic day** over the bank holiday weekend. There were many games to try out from a good old fashioned Egg and Spoon Race to golf and darts. Everyone had a lovely time, and the weather was perfect!



Ray Kirkland also completed a mile sponsored walk around Pitchcroft Race Course in Worcester on Sunday 2nd September 2012. Ray has been training for this event for a good few months now, and considering some time ago he was told he would never walk again, it is a marvellous occasion to see him doing just that with all of his supporters around him. Well done Ray! The proceeds of this sponsored walk will be divided between Headway and Ray's local church.

Evesham Outreach

Some of the Evesham Outreach clients have had **new kitchens** installed to replace some tired units – they are looking good!

Hedging in front of **flat number 19** has been removed and fingers crossed, we will take a photo for the next edition to show an attractive flower bed instead.

Clients have visited as far away as Greece and as close as Weymouth for their summer holidays, returning with lovely tans and making staff green with envy.



There have been lots of festivals over the summer in Evesham and Pershore which clients have been able to enjoy.

A couple of clients are now regularly fishing on the banks of the river which they absolutely love.



The Evesham Outreach team is **rapidly expanding** so Headway is looking for additional facilities in the Evesham area to enable our staff to support as many people as possible. We will still retain the office at Brick Kiln Street which is a valuable resource for staff and clients but the additional premises will mean greater flexibility and will offer better facilities. Watch this space for more details!

Day Ops

The annual **Rotary boat trip** took place this year and was enjoyed by all that went.

We only had a little bit of rain so it was not too bad. Too much cake was eaten!!



Sad news. **Alan Brewer** is retiring at the

end of October. He has worked at for 13 years at the centre and will be greatly missed. The Friday group all joined in a trip to the Seven Valley. All the clients helped with fundraising for this trip and they all had a great time.

And finally, congratulations to **Claire Wagstaff** who will be getting married in September!!!! We all wish her well!

Charity Shop

We need willing and able volunteers to come and support client volunteers in the charity shop as part of their volunteer placements – for more information contact 01905 729729.

Stourport Outreach Team

Evette would like to give **Mandy Bater, Tanya Woods and Steve Prosser** a warm welcome to the Stourport Outreach Team.

Thank you to all the Clients who attended the **Supporting People Choice Checkers** interviews. Lorraine and Simon were pleased with the turnout at Headway House Stourport.

The outreach team would like to say a **BIG, Well done Jack Garofano** on your new employment, yet another completed support plan!!

Stourport Day Opportunities

We are running 2 trips next week, one to the Cotswold Country Park, and a seaside visit to Weston.

Pat's Fish Bar in Stourport have now donated a further £52 meaning staff and customers have now **raised over £300** for Headway via the collecting tin they have in the shop. George who owns the shop is very supportive of Headway.



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