

#### Across

- 1 Church or local government area (6)
- 4 Roof beam (6)
- 8 Thigh bone (5)
- **9** Range, scope (7)
- **10** Lamp (7)
- **11** Aromatic herb (5)
- **12** Wacky (9)
- 17 Cricket trophy (5)
- **19** Act of Parliament (7)
- **21** Floral wreath (7)
- 22 Secret store (5)
- **23** Floor of a building (6)
- **24** Ailing (6)

#### Down

- 1 Nonsense (6)
- **2** Love affair (7)
- **3** Twilled fabric (5)
- **5** Instrument to measure electric current (7)
- **6** Sycophant (5)
- 7 Reddish brown (6)
- **9** Made a saint (9)
- **13** Waterfall (7)
- **14** Valour (7)
- 15 Traditional Scottish dish (6)
- **16** Deadly (6)
- **18** One of the Marx Brothers (5)
- **20** Fire-raising (5)

### **February** solution

Across		Down	
1	exempt	1	elbows
4	apiece,	2	enliven
8	below	3	power
9	croquet	5	prolong
10	waverer	6	erupt
11	optic	7	entice
12	nostalgia	8	sadden,
17	axiom	9	coriander
19	destiny	14	aviator
21	rancher	15	sabres
22	metro	16	tycoon
23	scrawl	20	samba
24	barren		

## **Birthday celebrations**

Piera is at it again! She made lovely cakes to celebrate Dom's 90th birthday, for Robert's birthday and Anne's! All three were an absolute delight enjoyed by everyone.



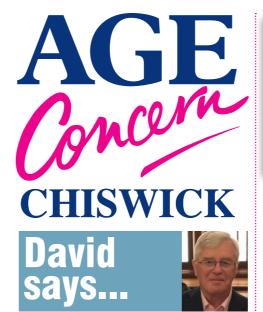
#### Membership Subscription has risen to £10, effective from April 1, 2024

Payment methods: Please pay online if you can. Our bank details are: Sort code 20-35-93, account number 20674761.

Otherwise, you can send a cheque payable to "Age Concern Chiswick" to: The Friendship Club, Oxford Road North, London W4 4DN.

Or come in to pay in person in cash or by debit or credit card.

## newsletter AUGUST 2024



I hope that this underwhelming Summer is not getting you down. I'm sure the weather will improve soon. In this newsletter I want to recognise and thank all of the volunteers that do so much for us. Many of you will know those that work in our kitchen and provide general support when we are open. You will also have seen Jenny Jenks and her team working in the garden. But you may not know that there are others that work in the background. Pankaj Patel is our Treasurer and makes a huge contribution. Gayla, known to many of you, works tirelessly on hiring our premises and is achieving great results. Annette and Jane run our monthly outings and Annette is organising regular talks and perhaps films. Simran Sablok edits this newsletter and is responsible for all of our publicity. Graham Valentine is our Graphic Designer and his work includes the layout of the newsletter. Mike Smith provides design and consultancy for our database and Jerry Sutton, based in the USA, helps with our website. Finally, Roger Thomas has joined us to recruit more volunteers. On your behalf I offer grateful thanks to all of them.



## **Extra-mural activity!**

Over the course of six Thursdays spanning April and May, Artist Kim Porrelli, who specialises in mosaics, worked with members to create a mural that encapsulates the ethos of the ACC Friendship Club friendship and companionship for everyone. This free session was eagerly attended and our members painstakingly put together a beautiful work of art – spelling out the simple but moving word, 'Welcome'.







Anette organized another one of her eagerly anticipated day trips on 28th May, to Isabella plantation. It was rather wet but attending members loved every minute of it. It was a pretty walk and they even spotted some lovely baby ducks. The group also discovered a very friendly new pub where they had lunch - The New Inn in Ham.



## **Trip to Roehampton**

On 26th March, Annette ran a very popular trip. The day began with some shopping at ASDA Roehampton, where attendees had a chance to stock up on household items and clothes. This was followed by a scenic drive through Richmond Park and capping off with a scrumptious lunch at Pembroke Lodge.



## **Farewell Sara**

For those who couldn't attend, here are a few pics from the day honouring and thanking Sara, our former Secretary, who dedicated more than 10 years to volunteering at the club.





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# **SPRING CELEBRATION**

6th June brought the annual Spring Celebration event to the Friendship club. Chief guest, the new mayor of Hounslow, Karen Smith, kicked off the event with the unveiling of the mosaic mural, along with a few words from our Chairman David Lovegrove

This was followed by a sumptuous lunch, crowned by a cake made by our resident baker, Piera. The mayor was thrilled!

To top things off, we had Maria's popular Singalong Chorus, with Maria leading an interactive singing session of popular and much-loved songs for our musically inclined attendees.

Big thanks to our members who created the mural, and to our lovely volunteers who laid out an absolute feast and flawlessly managed the event.





## **EVENTS**

#### **Singalong with Maria**

#### Now until 21st November

Once monthly on a Thursday morning. Check notice board for exact dates that month.

#### Chiropodist

#### 2nd September.

Please book in advance as usual.

#### Day trip

#### Tuesday 27th August.

Day trip to Hearing Dogs Training Centre in Buckinghamshire.

Sign up with Liz in the office.

Tea dance

### Tea dance

#### Thursday 5th September.

Tickets are available with Liz at the office

#### Talk

#### Thursday 12th September

David Clarke from RNLI will give a talk at 2pm.

#### AGM

### Thursday 3rd October, 12 noon

Pls do attend as this is your opportunity to hear and have a say in the activities of the club.

## All bookings should be made at the ACC office, as soon as possible.

### marathon fundraiser

Thanks to our treasurer Pankaj Patel who recently ran a marathon to raise funds that would contribute towards the installation of the new automatic doors for the club. He managed to raise an impressive £2000!

Thank you, Pankaj for your efforts. Our members will really appreciate the convenience the new doors will bring.

