

NEWSLETTER TO MEMBERS – April 2020

It is only three weeks since we published an extra Newsletter but we thought it would be useful to summarise again where we, as a Community, are with Covid-19 at the moment. We are also aware that our AGM was scheduled for 20th April and has been postponed for the moment.

Rubbish Collections

We think everyone now knows that black bins and green recycling sacks will now be collected every week and the contents of food caddies should be included in the black bins. Food caddies and Blue bins will **not** be collected; put bottles in the recycling sacks. Green recycling sacks remain available from the Co-op in Station Road and can be [ordered on-line from Cardiff Council](#).

Local facilities

Please keep a watch on our website, www.radyr.org.uk, where we have put headline information on matters of interest, **including which shops are open, providing deliveries, etc.** We try to keep this up to date but, *if anyone knows of local shops or facilities that are providing useful services, please let us know and we will add them to the list.* We also put regular updates on our [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) accounts where we can tell you immediately about important news.

Community Help and Support

Community are a group of local volunteers, with links to local organisations. They want to help our community to be more resilient during the Coronavirus pandemic by pooling volunteers and resources from within our community - to support local residents, key workers and organisations.

Community
Radyr and Morganstown



Here are a few things that the volunteer group has achieved so far:

- 3D printing of visors for health and care workers' PPE
- Knitted hearts to support community wellbeing activities
- Coordinating and providing support to the Co-op to help with social distancing and deliveries to isolated shoppers
- Supporting members of the community who are shielding or having to self-isolate
- Matching up a front line worker with free accommodation while isolating.

They now have over 115 volunteers, demonstrating the community spirit that we all know exists throughout Radyr and Morganstown.

If you think Community can assist you then either e-mail Community-Help@radyr.org.uk or phone **07513 187 930** and volunteer coordinators will work to match volunteers with requests.

If you would like to join the volunteer list then please sign up at <http://bit.ly/CymUNED> and support you local Community - Thank you!

Additional to the above initiative, Rev'd Vicki Burrows is willing to act as phone contact point for anyone who needs help or is confused at this time. She can be contacted on 029 2084 2417 or 07515 965781.

Keeping us amused

There has been a great response to the Disney initiative put on by Ade Currie and Party Wales. The walking schedule can be found on the [website](#), [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#) (and there are a lot of nice comments).

If you look at the website you will see that we have already been sent a number of pictures of Mickey and Minnie on their travels. If you have any pictures or could take some on future walks, and would like to have them on-line, do send them to rma@radyr.org.uk and we will publish them.

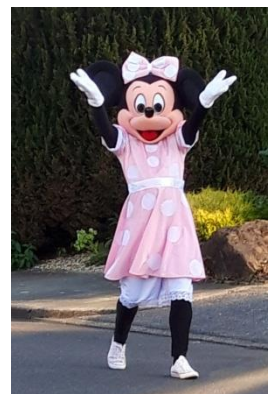


Photo Competitions

We have had a quite a number of entries to our photo competition 'Spring in R&M' – many thanks – and the best entries have just been selected. We will announce the winners shortly, both on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#), and as a News item on the [website](#).

Perhaps could we set you another challenge? How about sending us a photo of '**how we spent the lockdown**'? As before, send your pictures to photos@radyr.org.uk from now until 20th May and we will again select the best entries. (Please note that any pictures must conform to the normal publication restrictions – e.g. if children are shown we need confirmation that permission has been given for the picture to be used.)

You might also be interested to know that the Parish of Radyr has also been compiling an on-line 'Open Gardens' fund raising event. The pictures can be seen on the [Parish Website](#).

May Festival and our Charities

Hardly any need to confirm that the May Festival has, sadly, been well and truly abandoned. You will have seen the details in the Festival Brochure that was distributed recently in Radyr Chain. We still have hopes of holding some of the events later in the year but it is far too early for us to make any promises. We are, though, concerned that our current Charity, Tenovus Cancer Care, will lose out on the income that would have come from both Festival events and the associated prize draw. We are also aware that we are due to move on to our next Charity, the British Heart Foundation, in July. We do have a number of options for both the Festival and our Charities and we will decide what to do just as soon as it becomes possible to have informed discussions.

AGM and future meetings

As a Charity, we need to state formally that we have postponed our AGM until it again becomes possible to start holding public meetings. We cannot give you a date for that at the moment, nor for when we will be able to restart our General Meetings. In the meantime, attached to this message are both the accounts for the last year and a copy of the Chairman's statement that would have been circulated prior to the meeting. Please let us know if you have any questions. We should add that the RMA Exec remains active even in lockdown. Do get in touch if you have any ideas about what we should be doing and, particularly, if you think you would like to join us in helping to organise things.

If you would like to comment on any aspect of this Newsletter or require further information, then either email the Secretary, Nick Hawkins (rma@radyr.org.uk), or the Chairman, David Silver (rmachair@radyr.org.uk).

A final thought:

