

Red Cross Chipping Norton & Woodstock Centre

The Red Cross branches of Chipping Norton (which includes the Wychwoods) and Woodstock have now amalgamated.

The British Red Cross Stroke Club is held at the Woodstock Community Centre on alternate Tuesdays 10.30 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. The cost is £1 which includes lunch.

For further information please contact Mrs. Peggy Skinner on 01993 812295.

The British Red Cross Disabled Club meets on the second Wednesday of each month, and we welcome anyone who is disabled. We meet at 2.15 pm at the Community Centre, and if you would like to join us ring Mrs. Jane Scott on 01993 813236. At our last meeting, which was well attended, some members and some helpers read favourite poems, including "If" by Rudyard Kipling, and "Mirror Image" by Amy Ridler. Mrs. Scott's mother was a good Pam Ayers and also made us laugh with "Grandmothers". Mrs. Dunseath, Mr. Fairbairn and others helped to make it a happy meeting, especially as Kate was back for exercising.

The AGM will be held at 12 noon on 17th April, in the Community Centre, followed by refreshments. We hope many of you will pick up your tins and flags for Red Cross Week while there.

For your diaries, on 3rd May Mrs. Pat Brooks will be holding a Bring and Buy coffee morning with plant sale at Stratford House, Lambs Lane, Wootton, from 10.30-12.30. Any donations or gifts for the raffle will be welcome.

Also for your diaries, the Rotary Club of Woodstock are to hold a Charity Ball on 6th May, and some of the proceeds will go to the Red Cross. Tickets £15 per head, to include supper. Tickets can be obtained from Lynda Collingwood (01993 811003). Please support this event if you can.

The annual Red Cross week will shortly be upon us and the local Chipping Norton and Woodstock Centre will be appealing to you by house to house collections during the week 7-13 May. Mrs. Margaret Bradley is organising the Wychwood collection, and would much appreciate some help. If you are able to offer, please contact her on 830431.

The Red Cross helps those in need all the year round and is present on our own doorstep to help, for instance, when a family needs to borrow medical equipment when there is illness or disability.