

"For deaf people, with deaf people, by deaf people."

DEAFvibe

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

9th February – DEAFvibe Café

AM and PM:

Benefits Update – What is Universal Credit?

14th February – Valentines Day

15th February – DEAFvibe HUB

Newcastle Civic Centre 10:00 – 15:00

1st March DEAFvibe HUB

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Future dates to remember:

22nd March – DEAFvibe Celebration Dinner, Stone Golf Club.

10th May – Deaf Day, Britannia Stadium.

AN EVENING OF CELEBRATION

To recognise four years of DEAFvibe, a fundraising dinner-dance will be held at Stone Golf Club on 22nd March to bring everyone together to celebrate and to have fun with families and friends.

The evening will comprise of a three-course meal followed by coffee and mints with the option to buy tickets for a raffle, one line of bingo and a special raffle of an Easter hamper. Following the meal there will be a DJ playing music on the dance floor, where you can strut your stuff if you want to.

Tickets are priced at a reasonable £20 for what promises to be a sophisticated evening of fun and celebration.

Venue: Stone Golf Club, The Fillybrooks, Stone ST15 0NB

Date: Friday 22nd March

Time: 7.00pm start with dinner at 7.30pm

Tickets: £20 per person.

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RECYCLE FOR CHARITY

Help raise funds for DEAFvibe by donating your empty inkjet cartridges and mobile phones. You can bring your cartridges and phones to the Café or HUB for recycling, alternatively you can go to the website yourself and order a collection box to keep at home or on in your workplace, that can be sent off when full. The website to get the boxes from and register is: www.recycle4charity.co.uk

FEEL THE BUZZ

Deafness and hearing loss can be isolating for young people, especially in mainstream schools. NDCS have a brilliant website aimed at young deaf and hard of hearing people aged 12-18yrs, where you can meet friends through the forum, get advice on topics such as bullying, school and cochlear implants or learn about voluntary opportunities and other NDCS events for young people. It's a good resource for parents trying to build their child's confidence too.

Check out the website: youngpeople.ndcsbuzz.org.uk

HEARING LINK

Hearing Link has a website with lots of resources for Hard of Hearing and Deaf people, from blogs on how people cope with a hearing loss to articles on how to cope with the emotional aspects of losing your hearing such as fatigue from lipreading, the 'grief' process following hearing loss and many other resources from signposts to websites of interest to groups and events to get involved in.

To find out more and to read inspiring articles check out www.hearinglink.org/home

NORTHERN EUROPEAN CRUISE FOR DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING PEOPLE

Looking for ideas for your summer holiday in 2013? The British Deaf Association (BDA) website has details on a cruise of Northern Europe taking in ports such as Tallin, Gdansk, Stockholm, Riga, Helsinki and St Petersburg. The cruise is from 15th to 25th August 2013. For further information about prices, flights, etc contact uk.actis.voyage@btinternet.com.

DEAF DAY 2013

Just an advance reminder that this year's Deaf Day has been set at Friday 10th May. Don't forget to mark it in your diaries. There will be exhibitors, presentations and talks from organisations specialising in deafness and hearing loss and also crafts, Reiki and raffles from DEAFvibe volunteers. Further details will be given at a later date. If you are a deaf crafts person who would like a stall to exhibit or sell your crafts or feel you could offer short workshops to small groups of people on the day, please contact DEAFvibe and let us know.

If you have any community news such as birthdays, anniversaries or other special occasions or your own poems or articles you would like to include in the newsletter, please send them in to us.

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