



Dear Friends,

As the sun shines brighter and the days grow longer, we're excited to share exciting updates with you. We're delighted two of our dedicated volunteers were recognised at the **Richmond Community Heroes Awards**. Maggie Pope was shortlisted for the **Lifetime Achievement Award** and Val Dean for **Outstanding Volunteer** – a testament to their incredible commitment and contribution to Hands.

Summer Client Events

We are excited to announce a new programme of social events, including talks, coffee mornings and much more. Join us for Afternoon Tea and test your knowledge on Tuesday 8th July, or if local history is your thing, we have an interesting talk from Museum of Richmond in September where we will discover the story of Richmond's rail links with central London and the design and development of the two stations that served them. If you're interested in art, why not unwind with a relaxing watercolour painting session at The Holly Lodge Centre in Richmond Park? Whether you're a beginner or experienced, it's a great way to express yourself in a peaceful natural setting. Prefer something more social? Join us for one of our friendly coffee mornings at a local café! Enjoy a hot drink, a slice of cake and the chance to meet new people in a warm, welcoming atmosphere.

Summer closure dates

- Open until 12.30pm on Fri 22 Aug 2025
- Re-open at 9.30am on Tues 26 Apr 2025

Please ensure you get enough shopping to cover this period. Contact the office to make any arrangements you may need whilst we are closed and we will do our best to help.

All Aboard

Fancy a leisurely trip down the river Thames? Due to demand, we're offering another half-day boat trip in September, leaving Teddington at 2pm to sail through beautiful scenery toward Hampton Court and Weybridge before returning by 5pm. Refreshments and delicious homemade cakes will be provided and we only ask for a nominal contribution of £10.

To avoid disappointment, please remember to register your interest for these events by calling us on 0208 891 3346 (Mon-Fri 9.30-12.30pm).

Volunteer Opportunities

We are always looking for dedicated volunteers who want to make a difference. As the weather warms up, we are particularly keen to expand our team of volunteer drivers. If you know of a friend or family member who may have a little time and a car, they could make a real difference. Just one journey a week can mean so much.

Together, we can make this season brighter for us all and we continue to be deeply grateful for the wonderful feedback we receive.

With warmest wishes,
Tracey & Rhiannon,
Hands Office Team



Your ideas and suggestions

At Hands, we're all about community and that means we want to hear from you. Your feedback helps to shape our services and events so please give us a call with your ideas. We'd love to hear from you.

Events Calendar 2025

MONTH	DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY	VENUE
JULY	Tues 8th	2.30 - 4.00pm	Afternoon Tea and Quiz *	Arthur Burrell Room, 1st floor, Twickenham Library
AUGUST	Wed 13th	1.30 - 3.00pm	Art Reminiscence Workshop *	Holly Lodge Centre, Richmond Park
SEPTEMBER	Thurs 4th	2.00-5.00pm	Half day boat trip **	Teddington with River Thames Boat Project
	Wed 10th	11.00-12.30pm	Coffee Morning *	SOUL Café, Heath Road
	Tues 30th	2.30-4.00pm	Talk on Richmond and the Railway *	Arthur Burrell Room, 1st Floor, Twickenham Library
OCTOBER	Wed 8th	11.00-12.30pm	Coffee Morning *	The Patch, York Street
	Tues 21st	2.30-4.00pm	Talk on Victorian Richmond *	Arthur Burrell Room, 1st Floor, Twickenham Library

Requires a *£5, **£10 contribution



**Contact us to
register your interest**

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