

TODAY Sunday 9th October

- 11.00am **Worship** led Colin & Nicola Hylton-Jones
2.30pm **Introduction to the Salvation Army** – see inside
5.00pm **Sunday Worship** supported by our musical groups

Monday 10th October

- 10.00am Gardening Club (2nd Monday of month)
6.00pm Rainbows
6.30pm Brownies
7.45pm Cell Group with Peter Belcher

Tuesday 11th October

- 9.30am Parent & Toddlers
6.45pm YP Band Practice (Junior Band)
8.00pm Senior Band Practice
8.00pm Prayer in the Prayer Room

Wednesday 12th October

- 9.30am Baby Song
3.30, 5.30 & 7.30pm Slimming World
8.00pm Cell Group with Linda & Kelvin

Thursday 13th October

- 10.30am **"Meet & Greet"**
12.30pm Lunch Club
2.00pm Friendship Club
6.45pm Singing Company Practice (Junior Choir)
8.00pm Songster Practice (Senior Choir)

Friday 14th October

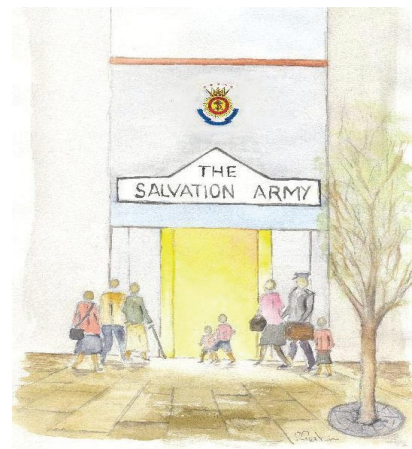
- 9.30am & 11.30am Slimming World
6.00pm Friday Club

Saturday 15th October

- 10am-12pm Coffee Morning
7.00pm An Aussie Themed Quiz & Social Evening

Sunday 16th October HARVEST CELEBRATIONS

- 9.45am Meetings for toddlers, children & teenagers
11.00am **Worship** led by Colin & Nicola Hylton-Jones
12.30pm "Working Lunch" for the Communications Group
5.00pm **Worship & The Word** with Colin & Nicola
There will be specific groups for young people & Youth



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The Salvationist 1st October 2016. The Editor Captain Andrew Stone said: *"No one can doubt that taking part in the London Marathon was worthwhile. However, it took place on a Sunday and, as John Coutts reminded us three weeks ago in his Thinkaloud article, it is within living memory that Salvationists were expected to be at the Corps on a Sunday for a daylong programme of meetings both inside and out. Our approach to Sunday is different today. Most corps members seem satisfied with only one meeting and the Sunday open-air meeting has all but disappeared, apart from a few exceptions. I wonder why this is. Has the appeal of meeting together declined and are there now other things we'd rather be doing? Or is it that we have become so well disciplined in being Christians 24/7 and not just at the Sunday meetings that the need to set aside an hour every week for a holiness meeting has disappeared? It could be that this is another example of the Army adapting its methods. For instance, is it better to insist that children learn the good news of Jesus at the Hall for an hour every Sunday or should we be going out to after-school clubs to reach more children than would ever come to our hall?"* General John Larsson (Retired) then reminds us of Catherine Booths words in 1880 *"The Army's achievements are built on the great fundamental principle of adaption"*. General Larsson himself says *"The Army does not have eleven doctrines – it has twelve, the twelfth doctrine being: We believe in the adaption of methods"*

Band Practice on Tuesday started with the tune associated with the words *"To serve the present age, my calling to fulfil, O may it all my powers engage to do my masters will"*. The Salvation Army is more than just a worshipping church for we who join, are Saved to Serve. I pray that our methods are relevant & that we will not fear adapting them to suit & serve the present age.

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EVENTS BULLETIN:



An Introduction to the Salvation Army TODAY this afternoon at 2.30pm. Anyone is welcome to attend. Just come along and find out more about what we are about and ask questions.



Harvest Weekend 15th & 16th October

Saturday at 7pm. An Aussie Themed Quiz & Social Evening

We look forward to our Social Evening next Saturday at 7pm. As well as the quiz there will be songs, video and food all with an Aussie theme. Only a few tickets remain so if you haven't got your ticket yet - see Valerie or Michael today. Please let us know if you have any special dietary requirements. To enter into the spirit of the occasion, we would like everyone to come dressed as for a barbecue. Profits from the evening will be added to the Harvest giving and go directly towards mission and outreach – see below.

As the Aussies would say *"See ya later"*

Don't forget to look at Bob Perkins paintings of Aussie wildlife in the entrance today which will represent each team next week.



Harvest Sunday Worship 11am & Worship & the Word 5pm



Special Harvest envelopes are available for everyone and there will be an opportunity to place the envelope onto the Altar Table within each of our services. These funds are reserved for one purpose only – Mission and Outreach, mostly for our own work but some to support work in the region. (Outreach = Reach Out)

As well as your gift in your Special Harvest Envelope, we would invite you to contribute towards our harvest of non-perishable produce for those in need of food: tea, coffee, hot chocolate, squash, sugar, biscuits, jam, pasta, rice, tubs of jelly, breakfast cereal. Tins of baked beans, tomatoes, spaghetti, peas, carrots, sweet corn, corned beef, ham, salmon, tuna, Fray Bentos pies, curry, chilli, potatoes, rice pudding, tinned fruit, bolognese sauce & pasta bake sauce. Plus soap individually wrapped, toothpaste, combs & small packs of tissues.



MISSION BULLETIN: Mission Week: 16th to 24th October

You are invited to attend one or many of the next Group Meetings of each of our Mission Groups that **Enable & Make** our Mission to happen:

Communication	Sunday 16th	"Working Lunch" (Worship Hall)
Worship	Monday 17th	7.30pm in the Bradbury Hall
Pastoral Care	Tuesday 18th	7.30pm in the Bradbury Hall
Reach Out	Wednesday 19th	7.30pm in the Annex
Discipleship	Wednesday 19th	7.30pm in the Worship Hall
Business	Wednesday 19th	7-9pm in The Youth Room
Organisation	Thursday 20th	7.30pm in the Bradbury Hall

GENERAL BULLETIN:

The Freezer. We've had a serious problem in the kitchen with the freezer being turned off. Over the last 2 months, the door has been left open, been turned off at the plug (which is behind the freezer) and recently, just turned off. This has resulted in large amounts of defrosted food being thrown away, not only a tremendous waste but disheartening to those who make food for special occasions. Could everyone who uses the kitchen please ensure that the freezer is left on so that this does not happen again. Thank you.

Christmas Shoes Boxes. The Brownies and Rainbows will once again be supporting Samaritan's Purse in their Christmas Shoebox Appeal. If you would like to help us with this project, boxes need to be filled by the beginning of November – Margaret has some empty shoe boxes. Information Leaflets are now in the foyer or speak to Margaret Belcher or visit:

<https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/>

FELLOWSHIP BULLETIN:

Remember Me

Pat (& Arnold) Tilling, Gwen Lear, Catherine Read, Ruth (& Tom) Cable, Bev Dickens & her brother Shaun Skinner, David Nee, Sue Mason & her mum, David James & his sister, Paul Campbells brother-in-law & Catherine Reads nephew Peter Clark., Irene Ackerman, Molly Angle, Doreen Butland, Nancy Cryer, Geoffrey Driscoll, Joan & David Jones, Joyce Lear, David & Shirley Nokes, Madge Rickards, Valerie Scott, Francis & Ruth Shepherd, Megan Brittan, David Tovey, Marcus & Cath Brown, Tim Scott, Ray & Mary Brown.

