



Swallowfield Community Responders

Dear Supporter

Welcome to the February 2014 update for all of the kind supporters of our Group.

In February our call outs slowed a little to 23 and this included 6 stand downs – so quite a quiet month.

	February	TOTAL
AREA	Calls - Month	Calls - YTD
Spencers Wood	8	14
Three Mile Cross	4	6
Whitley	3	7
Shinfield	2	5
Arborfield	2	5
Other	2	9
Farley Hill	1	6
Hampshire	1	1
Swallowfield	0	0
Beech Hill	0	1
Riseley	0	2
Reading	0	4
Lower Earley	0	1
TOTAL	23	61

Things seemed to even up a bit in February with equal calls to both Men and Women and 2 Children. The average ages for the month were: Female – 76, Male – 72, Child – 2. Our oldest patient who was nearly 102 years old and whom we had seen 4 times in the last 2 years, sadly died in February.

As well as the usual chest pains and suspected strokes we also attended someone who had fallen off a horse, and assisted a neighbouring CFR scheme who were running low on oxygen.

Our average time from call to scene was just over 6 minutes.

Events

As we move into spring, we are now securing places at various events:

31st May – 1st June, we will be at the Farley Hill Equestrian event within Swallowfield Park

14th June is the Swallowfield Church Fete

28th June is both the Lambs Lane School Fair and the Shinfield Church Fete.

If you are able to, please do come and see us.

Volunteers

We have no further news this month as the our new recruits will be attending their courses at the end of March.

We are always on the lookout for weekday and now weekend volunteers, so if anyone knows somebody who may be interested, please ask them to contact us.

Team News

The team members will be doing their 6 monthly recertification in March, which are a requirement of the South Central Ambulance Service. Hopefully all will pass!

HEARTSTART SWALLOWFIELD

We now have 2 people who, having been on one of our courses, shortly afterwards used the skills taught, including somebody who was able to spot a cardiac issue with someone that they knew and dialled 999. This is positive proof that these courses do work.

We have a very busy schedule coming up as our March and April courses are full, we only have one space in May and are already starting to take bookings into June.

The Wokingham Times spoke to us the other day, so it is possible that they will be doing a story on us which hopefully will raise the profile even more.

Future course dates can be found at <http://www.heartstartswallowfield.co.uk/events/>. Please help spread the word as our aim is to train as many people in the Community as we possibly can.

As ever, we thank each and every one of you for your support, past present and future.

Regards,

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