



# Swallowfield Community Responders

Dear Supporter

Welcome to the September 2016 update for our Group.

## Calls

In September we were despatched 27 times and were stood down eight times making a total of 19 emergency calls physically attended and for all of these we were first on scene.

The distribution of these calls is as shown below:

AREA:	No of Calls		
	September	YTD	%
Shinfield	6	48	18%
Spencers Wood	6	55	20%
Reading	3	14	5%
Whitley	3	69	25%
Other	3	12	4%
Burghfield	2	9	3%
Mortimer	2	14	5%
Arborfield	1	4	1%
Woodley	1	2	1%
Beech Hill	0	2	1%
Farley Hill	0	3	1%
Hampshire	0	0	0%
Lower Earley	0	14	5%
Riseley	0	3	1%
Swallowfield	0	14	5%
Three Mile Cross	0	11	4%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>274</b>	<b>100%</b>

Parish	No of Calls		
	September	YTD	%
Shinfield	12	114	42%
Reading	6	83	30%
Other	4	28	10%
Stratfield Mortimer	2	14	5%
Burghfield	2	9	3%
Arborfield	1	4	1%
Swallowfield	0	20	7%
Beech Hill	0	2	1%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>274</b>	<b>100%</b>

Our average time to scene was just over 7.5 minutes and the average ages of patients attended were 66 for the men, 59 for the ladies and 5 for children.

This month the men and ladies were neck a neck representing 44.5% of the calls each with children being the reminder.

September was a low on call time for us as several of the group had holidays and due to the lack of people in the scheme we simply could not get to our normal standard. So our total on call time was 195 hours of cover, which represents just over 6.5 hours. Per day and our YTD hours are 2,612 representing 9.5 hours each and every day of the year so far.

Calls attended can be categorised as follows:

Row Labels	Medical Condition
Difficulty Breathing	6
Unconscious	3
Cardiac Issues - other	2
Stroke	2
Abdominal Pain	2
Allergic reaction	1
Bleeding	1
Cardiac Arrest	1
Chest Pains	1
Fall in Home	1
Anxiety attack	1
Electric shock	1
Man staggering in road	1
Bleeding from.mouth	1
Fall from ladder	1
Choking	1
infection	1
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>27</b>

## Staff

They say no news is good news, well not here I am afraid as we are still not making any progress in getting another responder so we have raised some funds and will be undertaking a mailshot in the local area to see if we can see if there is anyone interested out there.

## Equipment

We have now taken delivery of some infant O2 probes that fit our pulse oximeter so that when we attend babies we can now obtain more accurate oxygen saturation levels which is vital for the attending crew.

## Events

In September Barry attended the Spencers Wood Carnival but was helped by Geraint, one of our Heartstart Instructors. As is usual a great time was had and our stand obtained a lot of interest. We thank the organisers for inviting us back once more.

At the end of this month we will have once again attended the Arborfield Emergency Services Day, where no doubt we will have shown CPR to an awful lot of children and Barry, Geraint and Gary will be very, very tired!

## HEARTSTART SWALLOWFIELD

In September we ran a course in Wokingham, but unfortunately had a lot of last minute cancellations so only ended up teaching 5 people. Nevertheless, all 5 thought the course was brilliant and gave us some really great critiques and comments.

Also attending our September course was David Pickard, a Community Responder from Wokingham who had heard about our course and wanted to come along to see what it is all about. We are pleased to say that he has offered to become another instructor and will shortly be delivering his first course to be certified by our training supervisor. This is really great news as it provides a bit more resilience to the team.

We attended the Beech Hill Fete and as a direct result of that we will shortly be delivering a course to 14 of the Beech Hill residents.

We still have some spaces on our public courses in both Farley Hill and Wokingham, so please sign up and come along, we would love to see you.

You will remember that we are donating 3 AED's to local schools, well its 2 down 1 to go.

So far we have donated one to Oakbank School



Barry and Gary with 2 Oakbank Pupils.

And one to Lambs Lane School, which leaves us to donate our last remaining AED to Shinfield St Mary's.



Barry and Gary with Mrs Finn (Head Teacher) and 2 pupils from Lambs Lane.

Mrs Finn has kindly allowed us to register the AED with the Ambulance Service which means that should someone suffer a cardiac arrest in the near vicinity, the Ambulance Service know that this AED is ready and available during school term times to be used by anyone, thereby providing more areas covered by an AED in the local community.

If anyone would like to attend one of our courses, please visit [www.heartstartswallowfield.co.uk](http://www.heartstartswallowfield.co.uk)

Regards

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