

Valley Conservation Society



doing nothing is not an option

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We are a non-political organisation

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Quiz night tickets now on sale

Tickets are on sale for our next quiz night.

This time the quiz will be held jointly with the Carbon Action Tovil group (CAT) who run the regular Repair Cafes in Tovil.

It will take place at the Tovil Social Club (formerly known as the Tovil Working Men's Club) in Hearndon Court, Tovil.

Peter Jarvis will be the quizmaster, and we are ideally looking for teams of four, five or six.

Patrons are welcome to bring their own snacks, but unlike our previous events at the King George V Pavilion, this time there is a bar, so please do NOT bring your own drinks.

Entry is £5 per person.

So if you are the type who knows how many times the name Maria is sung in the West Side Story song of the same name, or which countries in South America are landlocked*, then purchase your tickets from Alan on 07860 909903 (email a128smith@btinternet.com)

Due to club rules, we will need to know in advance the names of your team members, please.

Ceilidh



Our summer event in July this year took the form of a ceilidh, with music provided by Abby's Ceilidh Band. It was well attended by people of all ages, from young children to guests in their nineties.

Those of us who feared they wouldn't know what to do needn't have worried, since the caller ran us through every step very simply to start with. In any case, making a mistake proved half the fun!

We are grateful to our chairman, Jane Holman, for hosting us once again at the lovely Manor House at Hayle Place, and also for providing guests with free Pimms on arrival.

Dead hedges and the work party



The VCS work party has been busy creating a dead hedge alongside Crisbrook Pond. Using only natural materials, an effective barrier can be made that also creates a shelter for insects, birds and small mammals.

The team have also re-laid ragstones on the bank of Reeds Pond and planted whips beside the newly rebuilt wall in Crisbrook Meadow. They finished pulling out docks in the meadow and strimmed alongside Bob Moore's allotment. They brush-cut and raked along the roadside and cleaned debris out of the ponds.

They also welcomed a visit from the Kent Rural Police Unit, who security-etched all the significant equipment in the VCS Cabin to protect it from theft.

The work party is always keen to attract new volunteers. Just drop in to the Conservation Cabin on any Tuesday at 10am. Stay for an hour or all day. It's up to you!

**Quiz answers: a) 30 b) Bolivia and Paraguay*

VALLEY CONSERVATION SOCIETY
AND TOVIL REPAIR CAFE



QUIZ NIGHT!

FUN
CHALLENGE
PRIZES
GOOD CAUSE

SUPPORT
LOCAL
COMMUNITY
PROJECTS

A GREAT NIGHT OUT FOR
FRIENDS, FAMILY & NEIGHBOURS!



DATE: FRIDAY 23 OCTOBER



VENUE: TOVIL SOCIAL CLUB,
HEARNE COURT, TOVIL,
ME15 6QS



TIME: 7:30PM



ENTRY: £5 PER PERSON.
TEAMS OF SIX.



PLEASE BRING YOUR
OWN **REFRESHMENTS.**

HOWEVER, THERE IS A
SUBSIDISED BAR AT THE CLUB,
SO PLEASE DON'T BRING
YOUR OWN DRINKS.



TICKETS
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