

Welcome,

Phew! Have you managed to stay cool during this hot summer? There is always plenty of hot air at “ The Rainbow Café” each week. Some of you, for many reasons can not join in at the café as often as you would like, but as a member there are many ways to keep in touch and enjoy the benefits of being a member of GayWest.

The Website that all members have access to, has a gallery of photos going back 50years, they can be looked at, downloaded and printed out. The news and events can be read and all the latest Newsletters and passed magazines from 2015, the year the site was launched can be read online or downloaded and printed. You also have access to the groups Facebook page and Twitter via the website. There is also the GW WhatsApp group that you can join. We also have the facilities for Zoom meetings if any of you wished to host a meeting!.

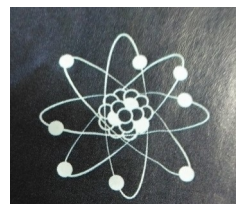
Being a member also includes the newsletter that any of you can contribute to, send in articles for other members to enjoy, ask questions and keep in touch, or even produce it yourself for all members.

A more physical part of being a GW member is our Book Library which includes more that 350 books and still growing, free to borrow. Apart from the Café, we have our Monthly social evenings in Bristol and at the Café all who come along receive a loyalty card, get it stamped to receive a free drink.

For those who would like to be more involved, well, become a GW organiser and enjoy being part of the management team.. You can do this at our forthcoming A.G.M. on Saturday September 17th at 11.15 am at The Rainbow Café. Get yourself nominated for one of the Organiser Roles that we have mentioned in this and last months newsletter. (see page 2) Or you can nominate another member to be involved on the team but you must get their permission first. More information on this on page.2.

So Finally,

Never trust an atom, they make up everything



Colin.

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Nominations

This year we will need an individual nomination form for each person and post.

Find One Enclosed

Or please get a Nomination form from the cash table, the form is to be completed and returned a full

7 days before the

Annual General Meeting on September 17th at 11.15am.

Nomination forms can also be found on the website

We welcome our newest members to the group.

Jeanette and Giles

We hope you will enjoy being a member of GayWest.

Simon Simpson

It is with great sadness, that we have to announce that Simon passed away suddenly early in August, aged 67, he was a member for over 4 years and a regular visitor to "The Rainbow Café" and will be missed greatly.

GW Organisers job descriptions

GW Membership Organiser—Job Description

- 1 To be conversant with using IT and the GW website and Email account
- 2 To respond promptly and act on membership applications through the internet or via the printed application form.
- 3 Respond with letter of welcome, Membership Number and Password
- 4 To maintain the database of members
- 5 To keep an accurate record of GW members and to protect all their details under the Data Protection ACT.
- 6 Send out membership information and the Monthly newsletters.

GW I.T. Organiser—Job Description.

- 1 To understand basic Information Technology issues.
- 2 Be able to update the groups website on a regular basis
- 3 Be familiar with sites such as WordPress which is the groups website programing account.
- 4 Used to using Facebook etc.
- 5 Training will be given if required.

GW Newsletter Organiser—Job Description.

- 1 To be conversant with access to the Computer i.e. info@gaywest.org.uk and to be able to access other Items of interest for publication.
- 2 To have an element of Design/Flair
- 3 To Have an eye for detail and presentation
- 4 To work to deadlines, and have patterns of work.
- 5 Advice and training given, if required.



Sunday 24th July at the Parade Gardens, Bath was the venue for this years Picnic.

The event went well and an enjoyable afternoon was had by all 20 who were there. The park is a pretty place and includes a small café
The weather was also kind to us, not too hot but delightful.
A really good afternoon and a big thankyou to Pip for choosing the venue and organising it.

Dates for your diary

Trip to Weymouth

Fancy a trip to the seaside! Why not join us in Weymouth on **September 25th** for a meet up with the Weymouth Gay group. The last time we met with them was in 2019 so will be great to catch and enjoy some sunshine, sea, and sand. **We will meet at the Famous Weymouth Clock Tower at 1pm**



GayWest

**Annual Christmas Celebration
Dinner**

Friday 16th December at 7pm

At The Crown Inn

Saltford

A three course seasonal meal for

£30.00p. Members £20.00p

In a private setting.

More information to follow soon



**The Return of Woodpecker
short walks**

Sunday 16th October

Starting and finishing at 30 Woodpecker close, Keynsham refreshments at end of walk.

Meet at 11am.

A gentle walk along country lanes

GayWest Events — Dates for your Diary

BATHS LGBTQ HISTORY WALK—

BATHSCAPE LANDSCAPE PARTNERSHIP

The walk starts with an introduction by the War Memorial, then proceeds via multiple city centre locations and buildings, finishing back at Queens Parade. www.bathscape.co.uk



The walk takes place on Sunday 11th September from 11.am to 1.pm, meeting at the War Memorial outside Royal Victoria Park. Anyone wishing to come on the walk needs to book in advance via the Bathscape Walking Festival site (see above) as soon as possible, as numbers are limited.



This is held on the SECOND Wednesday of each month from 8pm.
at The Lodekka, Tramway Rd,
Brislington, Bristol BS4 3DS



A place to visit



For those gardeners among you. Why not have a day out at Bristol University Botanical Gardens. Adults £9 except on Wednesday which will be Daisy day (donate what suits you) £1—£3- £5- or £7 card payments only. Open from 10am-4.30 pm

No dogs unless assistance dogs. Address The Holmes, Stoke Park Road, Stoke Bishop, Bristol, BS9 1 JG

LGBT+ FAB Café @ Neck of the Woods

A chance to meet up with LGBT+ over 50s in a relaxed environment while sharing a cuppa.

Every Thursday, 10am - 12pm (starting on 25 August)

Neck of the Woods Cafe at St Werburghs Community Centre
Horley Rd, St Werburgh's, Bristol BS2 9TJ

For more information, please contact Silvia on 0117 4404301 or email fab@ageukbristol.org.uk.

Free tea & coffee during August and September

Age UK Bristol Registered Charity Number 104254

IMPORTANT

A new weekly LGBT Café is being trailed by Bristol Age UK starting on Thursday August 25th, see poster. We will be going along to give them our support to this adventure and hope it will develop into a great space for older LGBT people in Bristol.

Tell all your Friends and Remember, if you don't use it, you could lose it!

We have a Sharps , stand alone, Combination (Microwave, Grill and oven) that is just over a year old and no longer required. Cost £ 159. when new.

If your interested then please give us a call on 07758810134.

