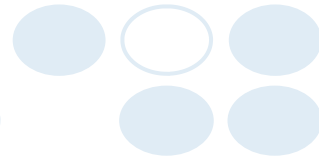


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Treasure Hunt Walk

Bracknell Forest Lookout Centre. May 10th

"The Treasure Hunt Event was a great success despite the rain! CoDPuk team were really pleased that the 13 families who turned up all enjoyed the event—and didn't not allow the weather to get the better of them!!! Continued page 2....



Chair's Welcome by Dave Ingham



Hello, what a good start for 2009 we extend a warm welcome to our newest committee member, Penny Pearce who brings fresh ideas to the organisation. Our committee is as strong and enthusiastic as ever and I am confident we will consistently continue to provide a good service to you by organising events that are useful to families of deaf parents. We are aware the credit crunch is affecting us all, however, it does not stop us from organising events because we are run by volunteers with no paid staff and the running costs are kept to a minimum, thanks to the watchful eye of Anthony Clarke, the treasurer.

We are in the process of submitting applications for funding to cover our future projects in the next 12 months. Hopefully, if we are successful, we could be in a position to offer you some new exciting projects and possibly work towards setting up new groups outside the South East of England. We always welcome your ideas to help strengthen CoDPuk with its long term future. Please do drop them in to us- however small you may think they are. We have a number of exciting events coming up our volunteers have put a lot of work into organising them for us so please so make every effort to join us. It is a blessing to meet other families, long lost friends and make new friends too. Without your support, we cease to exist, please spread the word and tell your friends, families and colleagues all about us- your friendly, social charity.

Have a great summer -and let's hope the weather is kind to us this time!

CoDPuk Diary
Family Events

2009 dates

See website for full details nearer the event

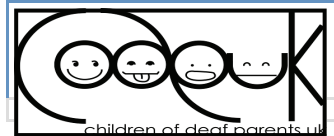
Informal Family Picnic day
Virginia Waters.
July 12th

Margate Beach Day!
Summer
August TBC

Save these dates;

Saturday 3rd October
Autumn Festival
Workshops, stalls and FUN!

Saturday 12th December
Christmas Party & AGM - East Horsley Village Hall .



CoDPUK is your charity and we take our lead from you- can you send us your thoughts about CoDPUK, our events, share photos or stories for your Autumn newsletter ? It would be great if this could be 'By you- for you'.

Enjoy the Summer! Ed

Committee News



Penny Pearce and her two kids, recently attended the Treasure Hunt event and had so much fun meeting new people (as well as a few old faces!) that they decided to join the group and look forward to future events! Codpuk certainly brings two-fold benefits for us; sharing common interests as parents of hearing children and for the kids to socialise with other kids in similar situation.

Although Penny is profoundly deaf, she loves music and dancing!! Her hearing kids love to join in the dance and have a giggle! Walking, tennis and playing with her kids helps to counterbalance her love of food!

Penny enjoys being with people and helping others when required. At the moment, she works as PR officer for a Riding School for the Disabled in Sussex and works part time as Distributor for Utilities Warehouse.

Her career to date includes working with small

Cool Kids Crossword

Down

1 Cool kids always say please and thank you. This is called being p_____

2 Cool kids always tell the truth, it's bad to l_____

Across

3 Cool kids never take something that isn't theirs. It is s_____

4 When cool kids play with their toys they s_____ them with their friends

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Treasure Hunt Walk continued.....

We had fun despite trudging through mud, and getting soaked in the rain, !

The clue sheet results were close and it resulted in a tie between Penny Pearce's family and the Edwards family! The prize was

After throwing in a 'sudden death' question the Edwards family won! The sun finally broke through and we managed to snap a couple of shots of the event.

the families really enjoyed attending the Look Out and the children and parents had the opportunity to meet and make new friends!

Ed; Thanks Helen for organising that!

businesses and also in a number of different charities at board/committee level over the years specialising in marketing and business/charity development. She has offered her time and services to work with and assist us in developing Codpuk -*Ed' aren't we lucky to have her!*
Welcome to the team Penny!

Thanks to Our Volunteers and Organisers

Willing Enthusiastic and Hard working ...yep we are talking about our smashing team of volunteers; we couldn't run CoDPUK or our events without them!

Special thanks to Helen Farthing who organised the Treasure Hunt., her willing Volunteers and the families who attended- it all helped make the Treasure Hunt a good family day! Thanks!

Contact us!

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On **Sunday 6 September** the ducks are back at **Molesey Lock, near Hampton Court Palace** for the 3rd Great British Duck Race in an attempt to beat their world record of 175,000 ducks.

You don't have to worry about 'Ruffling any Feathers' or even 'Ducking Out' the 175,000 ducks racing against each other will all be the yellow plastic type!

The race will take place on a 1km stretch of the River Thames at approximately 12 noon and depending on the conditions, the race will take about an hour to complete with the natural current of the river carrying the ducks along the course. **Ed; Why not take a picnic & watch the fun?!**

Trustees

David Ingham (*Chair*)

Anthony Clarke (*Treasurer*)

Helen Farthing (*Secretary*)

Committee Members

Wendy Anderson

Bronwynne Buxton

Susan Craney

Penny Pearce

Consultants

Roger Hewitt

Gethin Thomas (IT)