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# **AUGUST 2025 NEWSLETTER**

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# SNC Summer 2025

As we reflect on the very hot and sunny Summer we have had this year, it truly has been a time of light and hope. We have been extremely fortunate to have been chosen by several groups for donations over these past few months. Therefore, we would like to send a huge Thank You to the following:

**St George's Church**

**In Memory of Desmond Hunsworth and the Rowland Brothers**

**The Rotary**

**Shirley Evening Townswomen's Guild**

We are a small charity but we make a big impact in so many people's lives and all donations are very valuable to us. If you are looking for a charity to sponsor then please do think of us.

If you or anyone you know is interested in joining us and doing something special with their free time, please do contact us on 0208 662 9599 or email [sncs@shirleyneighbourhoodcare.co.uk](mailto:sncs@shirleyneighbourhoodcare.co.uk) to hear more about our available opportunities.

# **SNC Polhill Garden Centre – Coming Soon in November, Details in next Newsletter**



**AUGUST 2025 Film club – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> August**

**OCTOBER 2025 Film Club – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October**

**Showtimes – 2.30pm £6**

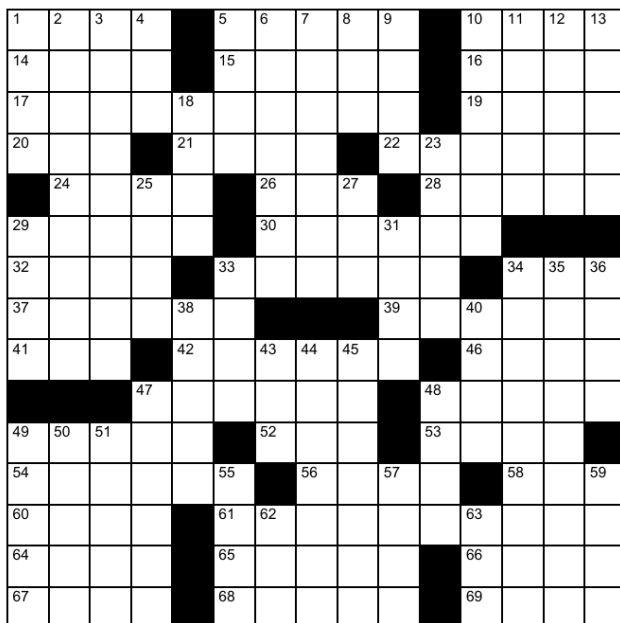
**6pm £7**

**To book your tickets please call on 0208 662 9599 or email  
[info@shirleyneighbourhoodcare.co.uk](mailto:info@shirleyneighbourhoodcare.co.uk)**

**Film club is held at the Shirley Methodist Church. If you require transport then we will try to book a drive for you for £5 return. Please advise us if you require a drive when making your booking.**

## Across

1. Second to none
5. Hurling weapon
10. Like some testimony
14. Fond of
15. Caddie's offering
16. Firefighting need
17. Film based on a novel, e.g.
19. Teaspoonful, maybe
20. U-boat, briefly
21. Send out
22. Weight watcher
24. \_\_\_\_ of passage
26. Black gold
28. Foul
29. Beauty parlor
30. Hang around
32. The "U" in I.C.U.
33. Trusted teacher
34. De Niro film, "City By The \_\_\_\_"
37. Dermal affliction
39. Part of PTSD
41. Kicker's aid
42. Fasten (to)
46. Mark of a ruler
47. Take the pulpit
48. Evaluate, as ore
49. Cartoon hedgehog
52. Fish delicacy
53. Wedding wear
54. Throat soother
56. Back of the neck
58. "The Hundred Secret Senses" author
60. Farm cry



61. Type of pact
64. Ship's backbone
65. Supply party food
66. State with conviction
67. "What \_\_\_\_?"
68. Four-legged laughter
69. Smart-alecky

## Down

1. Skewed view
2. Marathoner's trait
3. Hold firm
4. Lonely place?
5. Emulated Spitz
6. Leafstalk
7. Book version
8. Long \_\_\_\_

9. Tear to bits
10. Cry of dismay
11. Alex Haley classic
12. Strong suit
13. Distrustful
18. Prom attendee
23. Like some gases
25. Shopper's aid
27. Blitzed
29. Feeder filler
31. Reggae great Peter
33. Pal, in Perth
34. Easily offended
35. Moving stairway
36. Grayish
38. Month for some Pisces

40. Bailiff's request
43. Old salt
44. Monkshood
45. Lessen the value of
47. Predicament
48. State categorically
49. Feed, as a fire
50. Large bay window
51. Canonical hour
55. Carve in stone
57. Medic or legal starter
59. Small salamander
62. Beam of light
63. Keg opening

Answers at the end of the newsletter

# Lunch Club

**Good food – Fun – Sociable – Friendly –  
Wholesome - Togetherness**

Held in the West Wickham & Shirley Baptist Church, Wickham Road, CR0 8EH, on **Mondays** and **Thursdays** from 12pm-1.30pm. Our Chef Tania produces a fabulous 3 course meal and Donna, our kitchen assistant, supports Tania in keeping the kitchen to a high standard. Together they make Lunch Club a great place to be! Our brilliant volunteers assist you to your seats, serve you the meals and follow up with teas and coffee...and a good chat. The cost for Lunch club is £10 which can be paid on the day by card. If card is not possible then we can accept cash or cheque.

Please call us to join the Lunch Club on 0208 662 9599. We call weekly to confirm attendance and offer seats to those on the reserve list where space is available. This is a great place to socialise, build new friendships and eat good food in company with likeminded people.

We have lots of themed lunch clubs coming up in 2025 where we decorate the room, host games and get dressed up so feel free to call and book for one of the themed lunches which are always great fun.

Month	Lunch Club Date	Theme
Sept	Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Sea Shanty Singers
October	Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct	Autumn Feast



# Shopping Bus



No need to shop alone or struggle to get to the shops, join us **every other Tuesday** on the Shopping Bus to Sainsbury's and Tesco.

Our Shopping Bus will collect you from your home, take you shopping with the wonderful assistance of our volunteers who can also help carry your shopping. You will then be dropped back to your home and our volunteers can help get your shopping inside if needed.

The Shopping Bus goes to Sainsbury's on West Wickham High Street in the mornings, where you are collected between 9-10am and dropped home between 11am-12pm. We go to Tesco in Elmers End in the afternoons where you are collected between 1-2pm and dropped home between 3.30-4.30pm. During the visit to Tesco we spend time in the Costa Coffee located in the store to enjoy a hot drink, cake and a good chat!

The trip is £7 per person and we will call you the day before to confirm if you would like to come to either Sainsbury's or Tesco. If you would like to join the clients already part of this service then please call our office on 0208 662 9599

## Medical Drives

Our lovely team of volunteer drivers allow us to provide a service where we can drive you to your local medical appointments and return you home if required. We ask that clients contribute a cash donation for the drive with the recommended amounts:

- £6 for a local return journey in Shirley/WW
- £6 each way for drives to Croydon, Beckenham or Purley
- £7 each way for the PRUH
- £8 each way for Orpington Hospital

If you require a medical drive, please call our office and if possible, provide at least a week's notice to allow us time to book a driver. If you are a blue badge holder, please bring this along on your drive. Please note that any parking charges are to be paid by the client.

# Support SNC whilst you shop



We're delighted to let you know that Co-op Members can officially support Shirley Neighbourhood Care (Cause ID: 93020) as part of the Local Community Fund. The more members that choose our cause, the more money our project will receive.

The link to the SNC Cause Profile Page is

<https://membership.coop.co.uk/causes/93020>

If you are a Co-Op member or are interested in becoming one, then please do vote for us as the more support we receive, the more funding we will receive to go towards transport cost. Our bus hires allow us to run a fortnightly shopping trip to Sainsburys and Tesco and to run outings and events, such as trips to Polhill Garden Centre.

# Our Mission

Helping older residents in Shirley and the local areas to live independently and combat loneliness. We are always open to new client's, volunteers and donations so we can continue striving in our mission. If you are able to donate to us, not matter how big or small, please make it to the following account:

Account Name: Shirley Neighbourhood Care

Account No. 00036690

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