

SPELTHORNE VOLUNTEER DRIVERS

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SVD Couple 'Retiring'

Two of our longest serving members will be retiring from SVD duties from the date of our next AGM.



Derek (the driver with the much-admired red Jag!) and his wife Gill, our current Secretary, have decided to call it a day after 17 years of service.

They will be sorely missed. We thank them very much for the time and devotion they have give to SVD over the years, and wish them both well for the future.

SVD Latest News

SVD Personnel: We currently have a pool of 21 drivers, and 6 Duty Officers who man the phone. We welcome Richard Goodman, who recently joined us a new driver.

Finances: We remain in a fairly comfortable financial position, but are continuing to see our finances slowly dwindle. The committee will continue to monitor the situation and will advise if there will be a need to increase any charges, which they will do as a last resort. Our thanks go to all our clients who have given our drivers an extra amount on the standard donation, and to a number of individuals who have recently given SVD a one-off donation.

No. of Drives: The latest figures show we undertook 498 drives in the 6 months between May and October, 2018. This amounted to a total mileage of 5,777 miles, further than London to Mexico City!

Driver's Log Sheets Submission

Our hard working Treasurer, Michael Wright, will be asking all drivers to submit their completed Driver's Log sheets (up to 30th April) very soon.

Therefore, could all drivers ensure their Log sheets are sent to Michael as soon as possible in May.



SVD Committee:

Chairperson: Anne Grigg
Secretary: Gill Peters
Treasurer: Michael Wright
Members: Judy Hall, Evelyn Lawrence, Stuart Surridge
Surrey Community Action Advisor: Vicki Turton



SVD Driver Profile

This newsletter's Driver Profile features long-serving SVD driver and Duty Officer, Maureen Hayward.

Name: Maureen Hayward (widow)

Children/Grandchildren: 3 sons, 5 grandsons, 2 granddaughters, 1 great granddaughter

Year of Joining SVD: 2000, after seeing it advertised in the Spelthorne Bulletin - now 19 years on - how time flies!

Favourite Food: You can't beat a good roast beef and Yorkshire pudding, although I wouldn't say no to a good Italian either

Favourite Activities: I have always loved dancing and, with my husband Jack, we took our medals in ballroom and Latin American dancing, but now I go line dancing twice a week. I am also an active member of Halliford W.I. This involves monthly meetings, going on outings, lunches, cinema/theatre trips and holidays

Hobbies: I love being in my garden either pottering or sitting and reading. In the summer, I love to have my meals outside

Sport: I used to play tennis, but can't manage that now. I enjoy watching most sports on TV, but particularly tennis, football (Liverpool supporter) and rugby

SVD roles: I have certainly enjoyed being a volunteer and have met some interesting people over the years who love to have a good old chat



SVD Annual General Meeting

This year's SVD Annual General Meeting will take place at 2p.m. on Wednesday, 26th June. The venue will be The Goddard Room in the Council Offices at Knowle Green, Staines upon Thames.

If you are interested in becoming a committee member (we will need a new Secretary!), please let Anne, Gill or a Duty Officer know.

All drivers and SVD clients are invited, and encouraged, to attend this important meeting.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING



GET INVOLVED!

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