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COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES NEWSLETTER



We need more bikes, can you help?

So far within our Bike ReCyles project we have collected 61 bikes to be re-homed to individuals in need in Aylesbury. But we need more!

As well as donations of unwanted bikes, we also require referrals for potential recipients. Please refer individuals to our eligibility criteria and application form on our website.

In partnership with Otek Bikes, this project offers an exciting volunteering opportunity for individuals to gain handson experience of bike servicing and repairs - learning from the experts! No

Bike C

ReCycles

experience necessary.

For more information on this project, and to get involved, please visit our website, or email Bolu.Fisher@aitc.org.uk.

How movement can help you keep your independence

Within our Staying Active, Staying connected project, AITC will be hosting three free lunchtime talks focusing on the importance of nutrition and movement for older adults.

Upcoming events:

High Wycombe Library Friday 5th July, 11am-1pm

White Hill Centre, Chesham Friday 12th July, 11am-1pm

Fairford Leys Community Centre, **Aylesbury** Friday 26th July, 11am-1pm

If you can, please share these events across your network and socials. If you would like event graphics, or further information please reach out to

Alice.Bairstow@aitc.org.uk.

To save a space, please contact Katie: Katie. Youngman@aitc.org.uk, 07956 702435





Forever Cycling and Seated exercise arrive in Wendover & Aston Clinton



Continuing programs:

Children & Young people sessions

All sessions cost £5 each. To find out more, or book, please <u>click here</u>.

Netball Mondays 4-5pm, Aston Clinton Tennis Club.

Girls Basketball Wednesdays 5:30-6:30pm, The Kingsbrook School.

Karate Saturdays 1:30-2pm, The Grange School.

Wheels for All

Sessions cost £5 each. To find out more, book, or volunteer please <u>click here</u>.

Marlow Saturday 12:30-2:30pm. Little Marlow Athletics track.

Aylesbury Sunday 11am-1pm. The Kingsbrook School.

Over 50s Active Living sessions

Pickleball Wednesdays 7:30-8:45pm, Highcrest Academy. £3 per session. **T'ai Chi** Mondays 11am-12pm, Fairfords Leys. Fridays 1:30-2:30pm, Wades Centre. £5 per session.

Better Balance Fridays 1-2pm, Downley Community Centre. £5 per session. To book any Active Living sessions please contact Katie.Youngman@aitc.org.uk.

"With a predominantly older patient population we'd had feedback from some of our patients that they would like to access an affordable activity session that gave them the opportunity to be social as well.

There have been 3 sessions so far...
We've seen **improvements with balance and confidence** in getting active grow
but we've also seen that the people
attending enjoy the social element.

As a social prescriber it's been great to have the opportunity to talk to people attending and I've been able to follow up with clinical teams supporting those people when needed."

- Anna Bedlou, Social Prescriber



There are so many things we like about Touch Tennis. For my boys we need activities to be accessible on so many levels. They both have very different needs and it's tricky to find something that they can do together that isn't gaming! It's brilliant that it is run in a comfortable environment... I have noticed that the boys are actually speaking a lot more to the coach, which is another sign that they feel safe around him as they both struggle with situational mutism. Being able to practise those skills weekly **not only** gives them a routine of doing something active but has also helped their confidence immensely."

- Parent of participants

To find out more, please <u>click here</u>, or contact <u>Amelia.Evans@aitc.org.uk</u>.



Join our community

We have a variety of volunteering opportunities, to suit what individuals can offer.

Find out more.

Heart of Bucks

Step Aerobics

These high-energy cardiovascular sessions incorporate the use of a raised platform or "step" to perform a variety of movements to energising music.
Sessions run weekly and cost £5 each.

Find out more.

BollyX

These Bollywood inspired dance fitness classes provide a fantastic cardio workout. No experience necessary. Sessions run weekly and cost £5 each.

Find out more.

I've always wanted to swim, but it hasn't been possible due to my religion. Even some 'Ladies only' sessions still have windows which makes the pool visible to others.

AITC's [Aylesbury] sessions are fully private, which gives me and the other ladies a safe and comfortable space to learn to swim"

 Aylesbury Women's only Swimming participant

Following the popularity of our Aylesbury sessions, we are excited to announce

We're bringing our Women's only Swimming sessions to High Wycombe!

To find out more, please click <u>here</u>, or contact <u>Katie.Youngman@aitc.org.uk</u>.

Upcoming projects



Mummy and Me classes are coming to High Wycombe and Aylesbury

Designed for mums and their little ones, our fitness classes provide a great opportunity for mothers to socialise and strengthen their bond with their child - all whilst enjoying a fun, full-body workout!

These sessions are suitable for all fitness levels. For further information please email Katie.Youngman@aitc.org.uk.