

NETA NEWS



**Update from the North East Trust for Aphasia
March 2012**

NETA TO LAUNCH ITS NEW WEB SITE



Members & Trustees
Join us in the group room

MAY 3rd at 1.00pm

As part of the 10th Anniversary celebrations NETA is updating its web site.

Don't worry if computers terrify you.
You do not need any knowledge about computers to come along and join the celebrations.

A committee of hard working folks have been redesigning the WEB site. They will come along and demonstrate the new site and tell you about it..

When the site is up and running the web committee will be offering individual sessions to teach people how to use it.

And like all good parties—rumour has it that there will be lots of coffee and cake to share.

NETA is an independent self funding charity,
which runs the
NETA Aphasia Support Centre each Thursday.

Everyone is invited
to attend NETA's AGM on
Thursday 3rd May
at 3.00pm.

(This will follow the NETA afternoon session)

The AGM will be held in
The HOWDEN ROOM which is on the corridor
opposite the NETA Aphasia Support Centre.

The Trustees will tell you about progress and plans.

If you would like to ask a particular question—please
discuss this with Rose Hilton, Janet Speight or any
Trustee before the meeting.

NETA Information

If you no longer wish to receive the NETA newsletter
please contact Janet on 0191 222 8550

Do you know of anyone who would like to
receive a regular copy
we are happy to add them to our list—let us know

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NETA Aphasia Support Centre - Update



People

This term we have had a French speech and language therapy student visiting the centre. Nelly Joye has worked with people on computer and in groups. Thanks Nelly!

Art group

We have had a bigger art group this time – more members and many more students from the fine art department. The art group and photography group produce some wonderful work.



A big thanks to Sue Ruddy for giving her time so generously and for making the art group such a popular course.



Come and see it at our exhibition on 10th May.

Conversation Group



This is growing bigger again. We will keep an eye on numbers to make sure everyone can be fully involved.

Relatives and Friends Peer Support Group



This is a self-run and self-regulated peer support group. Attendance at this has fallen off a bit. If you intend to come, please do let your fellow relatives and friends know so they will come too. We can pass on messages, but it is easier if you talk to them directly if possible.

They meet on the second Thursday of the month 1 – 3 pm.

However, **the April meeting is cancelled due to decorating work.**

Newsgroups



A current affairs and news group runs at the same time as the conversation group this term. This has been better with access to news broadcasts.

Thanks to the technical team for setting that up for us.

Music

Sadly we have not managed to firm up access to music at the Sage as yet. If anyone has a contact person there we would be grateful to hear about them.



Expert Trainers



A brave band of 8 or so people with aphasia will come to our course on how to train others in good communication with people with aphasia. They will join the 5 people already trained in these techniques who attend the centre. They will come 2 mornings a week for 3 weeks starting March 15th.

March 29th is the big training day, when they will try out their skills for real for the first time.



After Easter



We enclose the next calendar with this newsletter.

We will have the usual conversation group and café with perhaps a smaller communication skills group depending on need.

There will be a music appreciation group.

There will be a chance to sit in the café in the morning, instead of the computer room and have a chat over a cuppa. Bring your own newspapers.

At the moment we are waiting to confirm a number of building works at the centre.

We cannot book into June and July yet.

The calendar takes us through to June.

Look out for the special events on May 3rd, May 10th, May 31st.