



Arun Volunteer Centre

CASE STUDY 3

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Diana Wade

Arun Community Transport - Bus Escort, Homelink Breakfast Club helper and charity knitting enthusiast.



I retired two years ago for good and now knit for premature babies at Worthing hospital. I also knit for two Ugandan projects. I spend as many waking moments as possible knitting for these very worthwhile projects.

My current project is to knit fish, mermaids, and undersea items for the RNLI exhibition this year.

Diana does not see this work as volunteering, which is a testimony to her giving nature. When asked if she plans to continue in volunteering she replied 'I intend to carry on as long as I can'. Diana is an inspiration to all would be volunteers.

I started out in volunteering when I reduced my hours at work. I wanted to stay active and get out of the house. Initially I volunteered with Mod Mums a Rustington based group who support mums by offering a crèche facility.

During 2007 I became an Escort on the Arun Co-ordinated Community Transport shopping bus and in 2008 I began helping at Littlehampton Churches Together, Homelink, and am still active in both of these roles.



Why do I volunteer? I have fun and a laugh, it is like having an extended family, the regular people have become close friends' and I even managed to get two ladies on the bus interested in my passion for knitting.

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