Heartsease at heart

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Hello Everyone!

It's been a long time since our last Newsletter but we are still here and hoping you'll soon be back to visit, now that at least some parts of life feel a bit more settled. A walk in the woods in the spring sunshine or a campfire sing-song, do us all good. We've all come to value our outdoor spaces so much more in these recent times.

So we were especially happy to welcome Rainbows, Brownies and their friends and families to our Easter Egg Hunt again this year. More news about this on page 2!

Since we last saw you, we've at last been able to get our heating replaced, with 3 smart panels and 2 over-door heaters. They use less energy and produce more heat, so we hope you'll like them.



We had to do a bit more tree work over the winter, felling the dying oak tree by our back door, but look what it's turned into! Have fun with our new throne!





If you'd like to be part of the team to help plan and care for the future of Heartsease, do get in touch. Anyone handy with a pair of secateurs or a paintbrush would be most welcome at one of our occasional working party days and committee meetings

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EASTER FUN!

On Sunday 3rd April, we were able to welcome families back to Heartsease for our first Easter Fun Day since 2019! Children had lots of fun searching for colourful eggs in the woods in order to win a chocolate treat. There was also craft activities, a lucky dip, 'guess the name of the bunny' competition and plenty of tea and hot cross buns for the parents. Thanks to everyone who made it along and helped us to raise nearly £350.





NEW HEATING

We are very happy to have been able to complete the next phase of our work to make Heartsease more energy efficient, and hopefully a bit cosier! Following the work to insulate and replace the ceiling in the main hall, we have now installed new heaters. Two over-door heaters will help to warm the space up quickly when groups arrive, with new panel heaters to maintain the temperature. If you are visiting us during the colder months, we hope you will find them effective. A big thank you to all those who helped us to raise funds for this project.





TAKE A SEAT!

As well as our 'oak throne' featured on page one, you will find more new outdoor seating in our grounds. Additional picnic benches are now available in the main clearing by the house — perfect for a unit picnic, or an al fresco dinner for groups sleeping over. You will also spot a new bench in the space between the house and the gate. This quiet area often goes unused, so we hope you will be encouraged to spend some time sitting here, listening out for birds and enjoying the surrounding trees and plants.

CHECK OUR ONLINE CALENDAR

Use our online calendar for an easy way to check availability, and make a booking request. We hope you will be able to spend an enjoyable evening or weekend with your unit at Heartsease!

