

Maidstone and Mid-Kent

News & Events

Jan/Feb 2017

Running for my Mind-5k Park Run

On Saturday 25th
February 4 of our
runners from the
MMKM Couch 2 5k
running group did their
first Park Run in
Maidstone. For some
of them it was their
first 5k distance. An
awesome effort was
made by all of them.



We're very proud of them all for achieving their goal.

If you want to go from couch to 5k then come join MMKM's FREE running club on Fridays at 2pm in Mote Park.

For more information please contact us on 01622 692383 or visit www.maidstonemind.org

Ashford Wellbeing Café

As of January 2017 our Wellbeing café in Ashford has been open additional hours. As well as being open every Friday and Saturday 6-9.45pm the café is now open every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month. The café is located at The Live It Well Centre, Gore Hill. Canterbury Road, Ashford, TN24 8QF. For more information please contact us on 01622 692383.

Mental Health First Aid Training

Maidstone and Mid-Kent Mind are running a Mental Health First Aid Lite course at the Live Well Building in Ashford on the 10th March. The course is at a discounted price of £15. Please contact us on 01622 692383 or email community@mmkmind.org.uk



to book your place. For more info visit: www.maidstonemind.org/mhfa-lite-training/

A big thank you to ...

PCSO Jack Roy and PCSO Class 2/16 for raising £623.21 for MMKM. They held class events including a Christmas raffle and Jack undertook a sponsored New Year's Day Dip on Ramsgate beach!





Counsellor Andrew Bowles and everyone that voted for us at the "You decide" event on Saturday 4th February to help support our work in local schools.

BBC South East Visit

On the 25th January we had BBC South East for a quick interview with our CEO Julie Blackmore to discuss the work that we do with the Kent Police in the Maidstone Control Room. They also filed our culture in action. The interview and recording



was then aired that night on the BBC Six o'clock news.

New Counselling Skills Course

We will be running a new course 'Introduction to Counselling Skills'. This is a 12 week qualification to learn the basic counselling skills



and how to use them. For more info visit: http://www.maidstonemind.org/counselling-skills-training-in-schools/

Low Cost

Counselling Service

Our low cost counselling service is steadily growing within Maidstone and Sittingbourne, still currently without a waiting list. Prices are as below:



Unwaged	£10.00 per hour
Receiving working tax credits	£15 per hour
Receiving no benefits	£20 per hour

To book counselling sessions please contact us on

01622 692383 or email mindhelp@mmkmind.org.uk For more info visit http://www.maidstonemind.org/ counselling-self-help/

Young Minds Project

Children in Need have funded us to run projects for 11-18 years old. 2 projects currently running are Managing Me and Taming my Temper:

- Managing Me is a 5 week course specifically designed for young people learn how to cope with life and focuses on dealing with stress, anxiety, depression and self-image.
- Taming My Temper is a 6 week course designed to help with anger management specifically for young people that may have issues controlling their emotions and want to reduce the levels of anger and hostility that they display.

Managing Me 6th April—4.30-5.30pm InfoZone 3 Palace Avenue Maidstone **ME15 6NF**





Taming My Temper 19th April - 4.30-5.30 InfoZone 3 Palace Avenue Maidstone **ME15 6NF**

Victims of Crime Support

We offer 6 weekly sessions that look at improving wellbeing for those who have been affected by crime. For more information please contact us on 01622 962383 or email communiuty@mmkmind.org.uk



Service User Forum Thurs 6th April 2.30-3.30pm MMK Mind Wellbeing Centre 23 College Road Maidstone ME15 6YH

FREE Work and

Wellbeing Lite Course

The Kent Community Foundation have funded us to facilitate 3 Work & Wellbeing Lite courses Our W&W Lite course is a 5 week bespoke training



programme that supports individuals who are unemployed and experiencing wellbeing issues such as anxiety, depression and stress.

Our 2nd and 3rd Courses are due to start on: 5th March 2017 and 2nd May 2017 For more info visit: http://www.maidstonemind.org/

work-wellbeing-lite/

Coping with Life Course

Coping with Life is a 5 week course to help you develop coping strategies for Depression, Anxiety & Stress. The cost of the course is £50 per person. For more information visit



www.maidstonemind.org/coping-with-life-course/ To register your interest or book a place please

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