

35 Years of Faringdon Peace Group!

Faringdon Peace Group celebrated another busy year with a 35th birthday cake on 7th October. Monthly meetings with guest speakers have been very well attended and covered a wide range of topics from Ukraine and Syria to TTIP, 'Pugwash' and the power of forgiveness. We marked the anniversary of the start of the First World War with meetings about those who spoke out for peace and Conscientious Objectors. We also held a vigil for peace on Remembrance Day and laid a wreath of red and white poppies on the War Memorial, remembering all who have died as a result of war. It is easy to forget that the UK has been involved in wars throughout the past year.

In May the Peace Group organised a very successful General Election Hustings for the town with all the prospective candidates.

Our annual Grand Peace Fete in Coleshill in July once again attracted sunshine, rainbows and people of all ages for a 'peaceful' afternoon of refreshment and entertainment.

We have continued to campaign against the renewal of Trident and for the human rights of Palestinians, amongst many other causes.

We were delighted that surviving family members were able to join us for a lovely afternoon sharing memories and photos of founder members of Faringdon Peace Group, Alma and Dick Nettleton and Gail and Harry Norton. We follow the example they set but in this uncertain world there is still much work to do!

Faringdon Peace Group meets on the first Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm in the Friends Meeting House, Lechlade Road. All are welcome. On 4th November our guest speaker is Virginia Moffat from 'Pax Christi' talking about 'Peacemaking and Personal Life, Past and Present'.