



### The official newsletter of MK Snap



## MK Snap Celebrates its 25th Anniversary

In 2017 MK Snap will celebrate its 25th year of working with people with disabilities in Milton Keynes. In 1992 MK Snap became a registered charity and so our story begins. Our old centre in Kiln Farm was the base for the charity in its early years. The building although small was a very happy environment with work tables, art tables and computers. But after many years and with MK Snap growing it was no longer fit for purpose and in 2004 a £2.6 million pound New Centre appeal was made to facilitate moving to a purpose built premise. In 2008 we moved to Walnut Tree and MK Snap has grown considerably. We now have over 120 learners, 20+ staff who deliver over 25 different education and work training courses.



Our learners and staff are really looking forward to this year and celebrating it in a positive way as we both look back to see how far we've come and forward to the future. We have many events planned including an exhibition and timeline of our history, a 10 mile walk from the old building to new, a gala dinner at Woburn abbey and our usual quiz nights and wine tasting events will also return. Please follow us on social media and our website for up-to-date information regarding these events or email [events@mksnap.org](mailto:events@mksnap.org) to get involved

## New trustees join the board



We are very pleased to announce that on Tuesday the 20th of December 2017 six new trustees joined our board after being voted in by its members.



The new trustees are: Jan Flawn CBE, Caroline Chapman, Lisa Spearman, Kaye Dwight, Keith Marley and Jiten Patel.



The new trustees will begin work in January 2017 and bring a wealth of experience and knowledge to the current board. In 2017 MK Snap celebrates 25 years of working with disabled adults in Milton Keynes and we look forward to it with great anticipation.



### THANK YOU

As you all know we have been one of the community charities at our local Oakgrove, Waitrose throughout November. And its with great pleasure that we can now tell you that the many tokens that we received over the month have amounted to a grand total of a £506 donation to MK Snap.



Thank you to everyone who also gave your tokens to MK Snap and to Waitrose for providing us with this opportunity

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## Learner Stories

The Parks Trust ran a session creating wreaths before Christmas. The end results were fantastic



25 good deeds for 25 years began in January as our learners made puddings for the Winter Night Shelter in Wolverton. Watch this space for more good deeds over the year



Christmas party time!



The café is continuing to do very well on Thursdays. Here are Wendy and Lorna with some happy customers from Jeanius consulting



Bucks CC presented our learners with certificates following another good year of coaching



We went to RBS to sell cakes from our stall as a thank you for supporting our new kitchen



### Wendy achieves 85% pass in Food Hygiene

As part of the development in catering learners have had the opportunity to take an online qualification in Food hygiene. Pictured is Wendy who scored a brilliant 85% showing us all how valuable her knowledge is in the kitchen environment when baking cakes and serving customers in our café. Well done Wendy!



### DJ Rocking Ricky secures job at MKFM

Ricky first joined MK Snap whilst a pupil at Slated Row School in Wolverton and has been attending for 9 years. As his mum explains "There is absolutely no doubt that his attendance at MK Snap has provided him with the opportunity to learn new skills, grow in confidence and become the young man he is today. Learning is all about being able to absorb new knowledge and use that knowledge to enable growth and to develop transferrable skills"

It gives us great pleasure to let you know that Ricky has secured himself a position at local radio station MKFM and now has the opportunity to develop his skills further in the radio industry.

We wish Ricky every success in the future and thank him for his technical support and DJing talent at parties and quiz nights





# EVENTS

**25th Anniversary**  
**MK SNAP**

**- 2.5 Mile -  
Anniversary Walk**

**DATE AND TIME:** Sat 13th May 2017  
**Time:** Start between 10am and 2pm

**WALK DESCRIPTION:** A short self guided circular walk celebrating the 25th anniversary of MK Snap starting in Walnut Tree before walking around Carleton North lake

**MEETING POINT:** MK Snap, Bourton Low, Walnut Tree, MK7 7DE

**LENGTH:** 2.5 miles  
**COST:** £2.50

**BOOKING INFORMATION:**  
Please visit: [www.mksnap.org](http://www.mksnap.org)

We want everyone who joins us on our walk and to have a wonderful time and enjoy the beautiful landscapes of Milton Keynes. Please note all walkers take part at their own risk. Come prepared for the great British weather - please ensure you wear proper clothing and footwear, and carry adequate refreshments.

Thank you for your support

An evening of...

## WINE TASTING

**FRIDAY 21st APRIL 2017**  
**@ MK Snap, Walnut Tree, MK7**

Join us for a night of wine tasting to celebrate MK Snap's 25th anniversary  
Cheese & Biscuits provided  
Contact us today to register your interest

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**The Parks Trust  
MILTON KEYNES**

**Walk No. 12  
ANNIVERSARY WALK**

**DATE AND TIME:** Sat 13th May 2017  
**Time:** 9am

**WALK DESCRIPTION:** A self guided walk celebrating the 25th anniversary of MK Snap from Kilo Farm to Walnut Tree. A Shuttle bus will be provided to starting point. Dogs welcome

**MEETING POINT:** MK Snap, Bourton Low, Walnut Tree, MK7 7DE

**LENGTH:** 10 miles  
**COST:** £10

**BOOKING INFORMATION:**  
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**Exhibition**

**1992** **2017**

**May 8-13th**

**MK SNAP**

**YOU'RE INVITED**

## MK SNAP Cafe

**Opens every  
Thursday  
10-12.30**

**MK Snap, 20 Bourton Low,  
Walnut Tree, Milton Keynes, MK 7 7DE**

**Garden Opening**

**May 10th**

**MK SNAP**

**MK SNAP QUIZ NIGHT**

**April 28th 2017**  
**MK Snap @ 7pm**

**Can your team lift the trophy?**

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