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Dear Mayor,

Annual Town Meeting 9.4.2015

Report from Café Scientifique Henley

Science talks and associated discussions through a question and answer forum are now well established in Henley with over 30 events now successfully completed. All sessions are open to the community for the price of a drink, coffee or beer/wine and an audience of between 60 and 80 are attracted each time to be entertained by knowledgeable and enthusiastic speakers. In the recent past the varied subjects have covered Extreme Weather, the Invention of Plastics, the Engineering of the Eton Dorney Rowing Lake, Viruses including Ebola, Graphene, and Bumblebees. The Café was especially fortunate to host local celebrities Heather Couper and Nigel Henbest, eminent astronomers discussing the history of astronomy from the Big Bang to recent missions into space. Soon our events will cover the Faraway Planets, Ancient Trees, and CO2 Saint or Sinner. Something for everyone!

Thanks must go to Henley Hockey Club where the events are held and to our sponsors Quintessa and Richard Way Bookshops.

It would be good to see some councillors in attendance at some stage

David Dickie

Judith Phelan

Co Hosts