

## 'A Chapter from my Life'

This year's competition is aimed at the richly-stored memories of the senior citizens of our district. (Next year there will be something for our schools).  
**To enter, you must be 65 or over on the day of sending in your entry and be a Mole Valley resident.**

The piece you write should be called 'A Chapter from my Life' and should be no more than three A4 pages long, in double-spaced typing - 800 words absolute maximum. You should choose some event from your own life which you think would interest and/or entertain others. Many of our senior residents have memories of events that took place in World War 2, to say nothing of other important national or personal events. (Note: It is possible that extracts from winning entries might be published in local papers or be read aloud at the presentation ceremony).

Don't let lack of typing skills put you off - if you don't type easily, dictate it, or give your handwritten chapter to someone who can - but the chapter **must** be your own work, end-to-end. You **must** sign your chapter with a pen-name, so that judges are not influenced in any way by who you are or where you live. Judging will be carried out by the Mole Valley Creative Writing Group (address on entry form opposite).



**All entries must be received by  
Monday 24th October**



You must send a cheque for £5 with your entry - this will be used to pay expenses and to help us make grants to Mole Valley arts organisations during our festival. If you would like your entry returned, please enclose a stamped addressed envelope.

The First Prize, which will be presented by the proprietor of Bartons Bookshop, Leatherhead, will be a £50 book voucher and £50 in cash. There will be a Second Prize of £25 in vouchers and £25 cash.

Presentations will be made in early November - time and place yet to be arranged, keep an eye on the website.

[www.arts-alive.co.uk](http://www.arts-alive.co.uk)

# ENTRY FORM

PLEASE ATTACH THIS ENTRY FORM AND YOUR CHEQUE FOR £5  
AND SEND YOUR CHAPTER TO:

The Moles Creative Writing Group,  
c/o 5 The Drive,  
Fetcham, Leatherhead,  
Surrey KT22 9EN



**All entries must be received by Monday 24th October**

Name: .....

Address: .....

Email address: .....

Mobile: .....

Your pen-name: .....  
(make sure that your chapter has this name on it, and no other!)

I enclose a cheque for £5 made out to Mole Valley Arts Alive

I certify that my chapter is my own work, is an episode from my own life and that I am a resident of Mole Valley aged 65 or over on the date of sending in my entry.

Signature: .....

**NOTE:** If you would like your entry returned to you, please also enclose a stamped, addressed envelope.  done.