**KINGSTON PHILOSOPHY CAFÉ NEW YEAR UPDATE**

**January 2014**

**LATEST DISCUSSION(S) REVIEWED**

**Tuesday the 3rd at Local Hero.** **Jeremy Smithers** told us about ‘Growth, Population, Economic, Cancer.’ In doing so he ranged across a number of disciplines and made very interesting connections between the different areas provoking a fascinating discussion

**Wednesday the 11th at the Grey Horse.**

**Barry Selwyn** Took “Lines Written a Few Miles Above Tintern Abbey” as a vehicle for discussing the subject of Philosophy and Literature. Barrie was suffering on the night and the poem was read to fine effect by Alec Bell. Not all of us grasped the philosophical relevance at first but the discussion provide a great deal of interest

***HAPPY NEW YEAR***

***COMING TO THE Café THIS MONTH***

**Tuesday 7 January 2014 at Local Hero**

**Concrete individuals: How to think about the human world** A Talk by **Mark Fielding** of the London School of Philosophy.  Merleau Ponty's final work offered to connect perception to truth -- so uniting the 20th century's primary philosophical problem with that of the 18th and 19th centuries. We assess the advantages and problems of his account.

**Wednesday 15 January 2014 the Grey Horse**

**Great Ape Personhood: Can a Chimpanzee be a Person?**

a Talk by **Ben Hurley**

**HELP!**

**As mentioned at the AGM the Café Committee needs a secretary to produce minutes of committee meetings (infrequent) and annual general meetings and to produce the monthly newsletter. Volunteers please!**

**The Café thrives on the exchange of members views new speakers will always be considered**

**Reviews by members of the previous month’s talks are always welcome.**

| **Day of Week** | [**Date**](http://e-voice.org.uk/kingstonphilosophycafe/calendar/view?view=list&sort_by=start_date&start_date=2013-12-29&period_days=365) | **Start Time** | **End Time** | **Title** |
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| Tue | 07/01/14 | 18:00 | 19:30 | [Concrete individuals: How to think about the human world](http://e-voice.org.uk/kingstonphilosophycafe/calendar/item/12646661)  |
| Wed | 15/01/14 | 19:00 | 20:30 | [Great Ape Personhood: Can a Chimpanzee be a Person? by Ben Hurley](http://e-voice.org.uk/kingstonphilosophycafe/calendar/item/12108537)  |
| Tue | 04/02/14 | 18:00 | 19:30 | [Philosophy of Education](http://e-voice.org.uk/kingstonphilosophycafe/calendar/item/13477754)  |
| Wed | 19/02/14 | 19:00 | 20:30 | [Physicalism and Human Experience by Roger Harrison](http://e-voice.org.uk/kingstonphilosophycafe/calendar/item/12108560)  |
| Tue | 04/03/14 | 18:00 | 19:30 | [Plato's Republic and its Guardians](http://e-voice.org.uk/kingstonphilosophycafe/calendar/item/12646694)  |
| Tue | 01/04/14 | 18:00 | 19:30 | [Dialectic: Algebra or Alchemy? A Talk by Meade McCloughan of the London School of Philosophy](http://e-voice.org.uk/kingstonphilosophycafe/calendar/item/12646810)  |
| Wed | 16/04/14 | 19:00 | 20:30 | [The Ethics of Tax Avoidance](http://e-voice.org.uk/kingstonphilosophycafe/calendar/item/12369029) |

**VENUES**: [click here](http://e-voice.org.uk/kingstonphilosophycafe/how-to-find-us/) for how to find us. Tuesday meetings are at Bridges Café, Wednesdays at the Ram Jam Club. All meetings are open to all and free, though donations towards our occasional expenses are welcome.

ALSO OF INTEREST in Kingston and nearby

⬛ [Kingston Skeptics in the Pub](http://kingston.skepticsinthepub.org/) meets on the first Thursday of every month at the Ram Jam Club. And members who live or work near Ealing might like to check out [Ealing Skeptics in the Pub](http://ealing.skepticsinthepub.org/) too.

⬛ Cafe Scientifique in Kingston meets on the last Tuesday of every month at Woody's, Ram Passage, Kingston-upon-Thames, KT1 1HH.

⬛ The Ethics of the Cognitive Sciences: what can the brain tell us about the mind? LSE Sheikh Zayeed Theatre, New Academic building. Monday 20 January 6.30 to 8.00 pm

⬛ Inventing the individual: the origins of western liberalism. LSE New Theatre, East Building Wednesday 29 January 6.30 to 8.00 pm

⬛ It’s a good time to think about taking a short course at the [**London School of Philosophy**](http://londonschoolofphilosophy.org/) starting in January Details of courses are available at their [**website**](http://londonschoolofphilosophy.org/).