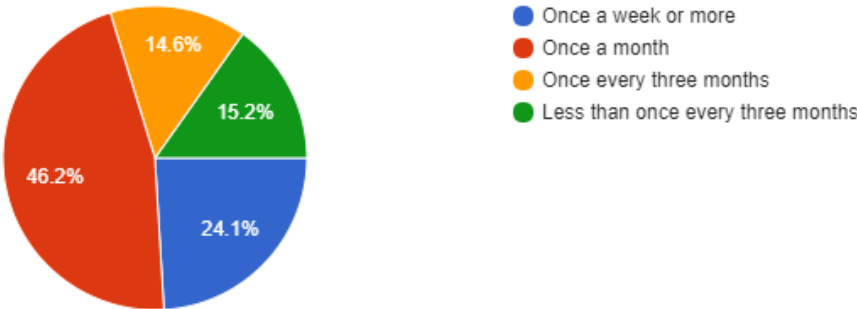


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There were 163 responses.

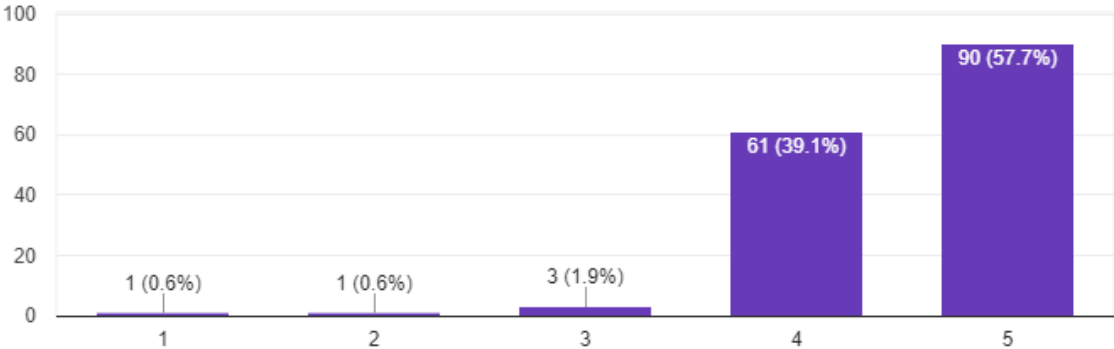
1. How often do you participate in LALG activities on average?

158 responses



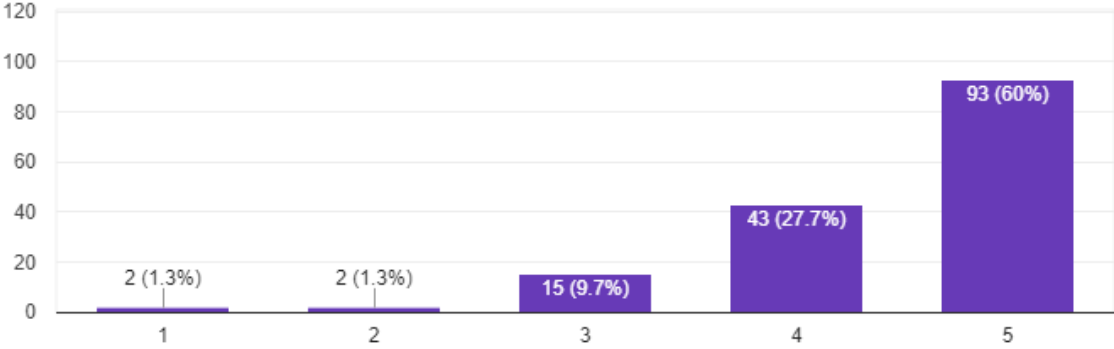
2a Events run by LALG are generally well organised

156 responses



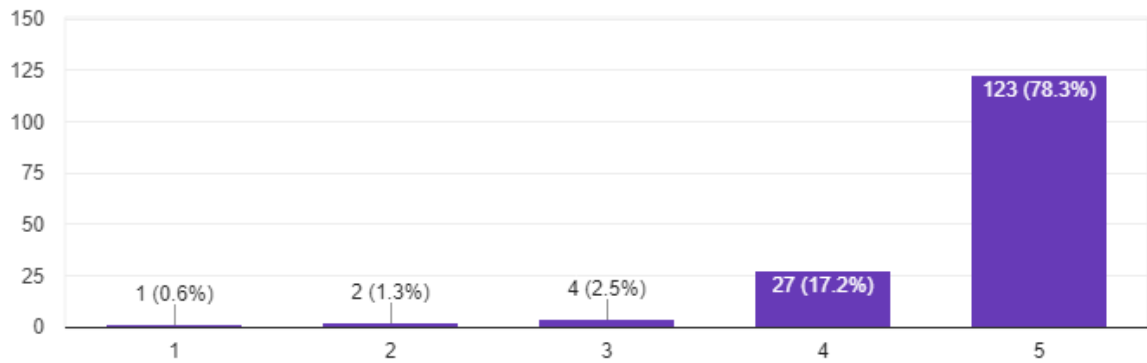
2b I am made to feel welcome at LALG events

155 responses



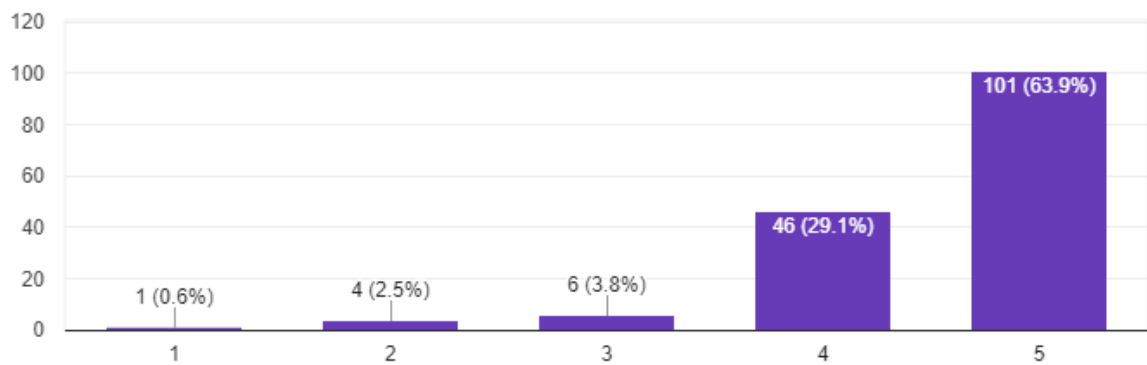
2c My LALG subscription is good value for money

157 responses



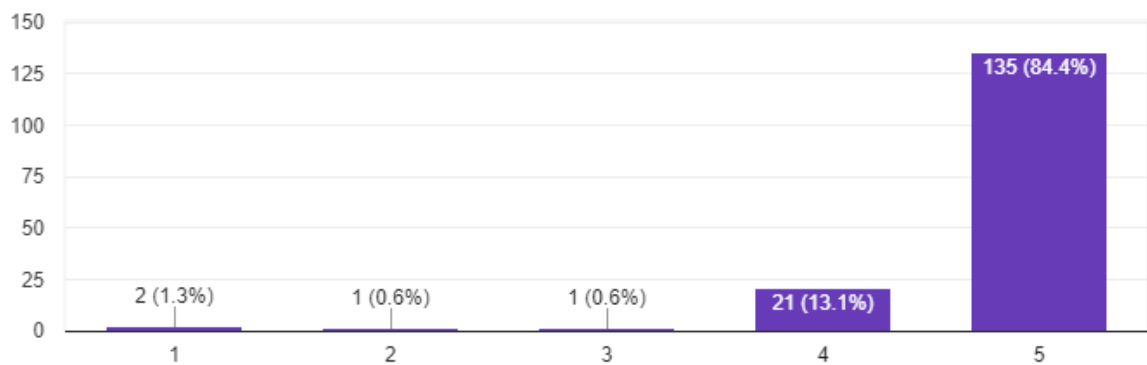
2d The range of activities on offer through LALG meets my needs

158 responses



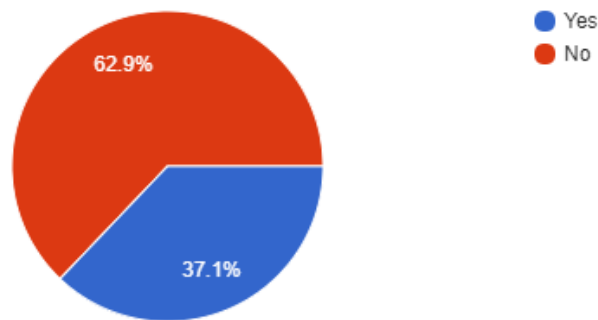
2e I would be happy to recommend LALG to a friend or colleague

160 responses



3. Do you use the LALG website?

159 responses



4. What would encourage you to use the website, or use it more?

95 responses but some people ticked more than one

39 would use the site more if the information on it was more comprehensive/ up to date than the newsletter

13 would use it if it was easier to navigate

11 would like the site to be more interactive

10 would use it if the information was clearer

17 respondents never, or rarely, use a computer

7 had no time or desire to use the website

6 said they preferred the printed magazine

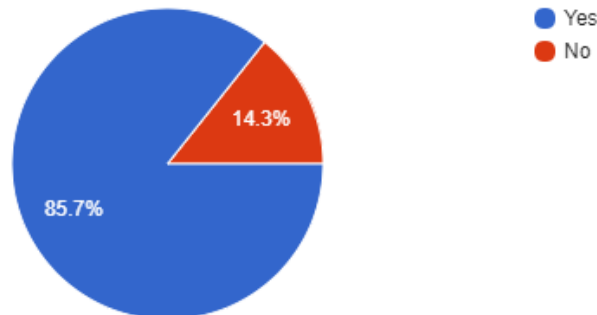
There were two final comments. One respondent said that if there was no hard copy of the newsletter s/he would use the website. Another asked if the online version of the newsletter could be interactive, not just a pdf as "The links would send me to the website."

5. LALG organises outings. Is there anywhere you would like to visit?

Albert Hall Christmas show	Mail Rail? Charterhouse museum London (new) Lane
Another dog night at Peterborough	more Nat Trust and English Heritage places
art exhibitions	nature reserves
Banbury	Newmarket
Battersea Dogs home	Norwich (2)
Beth Chatto's Gardens, Elmstead	NT at least 1½ hours away
Biogen on Royston Rd, Baldock	other historical towns including seaside ones, non NT
Blenheim Palace	perhaps open gardens and flower shows
Bletchley Park	places not too far away (coach trip up to 2.5 hours but not more)
Broughton Castle	Portsmouth
Buckingham Palace	RHS gardens
Cambridge	seaside (2)
Canterbury	Sherringham
Cardington airship sheds	simple activity based outings
Cathedral cities	Slimbridge
Charlecote Park Warwick	Southwold (3)
Chastleton House Oxon	Sporting Events e.g. Golf
Chatsworth House	St Ives
Chester	Stratford on Avon (2)
Derbyshire	Sutton Hoo
Downe House, Kent - Charles Darwin's home	Tate Modern
Felixstowe (2)	Tatton
gardens anywhere	theatre
Greenwich	Tolthorp Hall
Hampton Court Flower Show	Waddesdon Manor
Hatfield House	Walks further afield than Beds and Herts
Holy Island Northumberland	Walton on the Naze
Hunstanton	Warwick
Kew	Wimpole Home Farm
Kew Gardens	Winchester
Liverpool	wind turbine/solar farms
London Wetlands Centre	Windsor Gt Park
London Zoo by coach	Woburn

6. Did you know there are LALG monthly meetings with speakers open to all members?

147 responses



6a Could you recommend a speaker?

- Andy Gibbs, British Schools Museum, Hitchin
andy.gibbs@britishschoolsmuseum.org.uk
- Barbara Thompspon 01462 637603 (LALG quiz team)
- Maureen Dudley 07935 311920 (LALG Zumba teacher - she can't do Mondays)
- Chelsea pensioner very entertaining
- Herts and Middx Wildlife Trust
- Keith Fitzpatrick Matthews - History/ Archaeology

7. Are there any other local businesses that you wish offered LALG member discounts?

- Brookers don't really give discount other than trade or sale items
- Brookers in Hitchin town centre
- Burrs
- Burr's shoe shop, Wyvale Garden Centre and more in Hitchin
- Delizia, Baldock
- Garden Centre, plant nursery
- Hitchin restaurants and coffee shops
- L'Artista
- Other restaurants/pubs in Letchworth.
- Theatre
- Timpsons
- TLC Medi spa, Station Road - lots of LALG members go there

8. To help us identify how LALG might better promote its activities, please give details of where you look for something to do.

Arlesey 'on the button'	Library (13)
boards in old market square	Local monthly magazine
Broadway Cinema	Local News

coach companies	local press (30)
Comet online	Madingley Hall
David's Bookshop (4)	Meetup
English Heritage	N H Leisure Centre
Eventbrite (2)	National Trust (2)
Facebook	online (9)
Fairhaven Wholefoods	Posters
Grapevine	Press
Hertfordshire Life	Quotidian Bakery
Hitchin Initiative	Settlement programme
LALG Facebook (2)	Settlement website
LALG Newsletter (14)	Stotfold town magazine
leaflets in Nero's	TIC in Letchworth (2)
Letchworth Settlement	U3A, Hitchin
Letchworthgc.com/whats_on (2)	

9. Any suggestions for new groups

another French conversation group as I can't do Mondays	more afternoon groups
Antiques Group	more evening activities
Art exhibitions	Painting, drawing, art related during the day
ballet for over 55s like Silver Swans	Par 3 golf (William Way).
Cathedral trips	Pilates
Golfing for ladies	Polish language
Historical interest, gardens, art	Sculpture
	sewing, needlecraft, art

10. Some groups are full – please list any you would join if a second group started

book group	photography (2)
Gardening - both GT & Tips are full; very popular	Play reading
history	Poetry
Horticulture	short tennis
investment	textiles