Journal Club – virtually no strings attached!

Why have a journal club?
- Evidence-Based Librarianship
- Reading for general CPD, chartership and revalidation

Don’t we have something already?
- #ukmedlibs on twitter
- Not strictly a journal club but is discussion based
- No need to travel, but is synchronous and out of working hours

What we need ...
Something:
- Not location specific
  - asynchronous
- Participants can engage with it during working hours but can dip in and out to suit

Any benefits beyond CPD?
- Further strengthen the community of practice in our health libraries

Our proposal
- A journal club run via a closed blog.
- Focuses on one journal article
- Discussion takes place in the comments section

How often will it run?
- Quarterly whilst we get established
- Details of first paper will be emailed out on the launch date

When will the journal club be launching?
- Pilot WordPress blog opens on Monday the 15th of October
- Reminders will be sent out!!

Interested?? So sign up!!
- Sign up sheets here or email: library.moorgreen@southernhealth.nhs.uk

Didn’t we used to have one?
- Face to Face meetings; various locations around Southampton
- 2002 – 2004; attendance sparse, eventually petering out

What alternatives are available?
The literature shows a variety of face to face, online or virtual journal clubs BUT most are synchronous or are ‘open’ for short periods of time only.