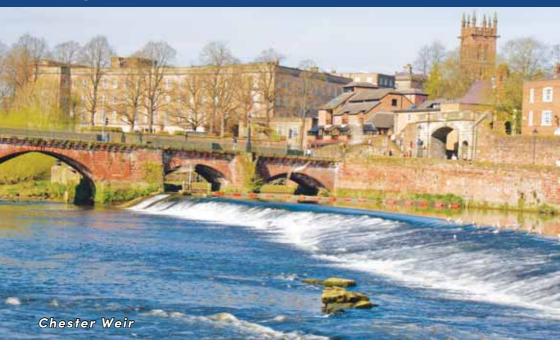


Events *News*

Everyone Welcome - Deeside District - Croeso i Bawb







Art/Crafts Theatre





₩ Dining Out







Day Trip



Meetings



Social





Coffee Morning/ Afternoon Tea



Quiz



Members at the Oddfellows Hall, Deeside

Welcome to the summer edition of your 'Out and About' Events Diary for the Deeside Branch of Oddfellows.

As a local Branch of a National Membership Organisation called the Oddfellows, we offer you a great opportunity to make new friends and enjoy a variety of activities. We also supply our members with a range of advice and support services when you need them. We are basically a group of friends brought together through shared interests in socialising and making friends and helping people!

Everybody welcome

Everybody is welcome at Oddfellows events. Even if you are not a member, we want to extend an invitation to you and your friends to attend any events that take your fancy – all are welcome and we like to think that we can guarantee you a good time. Let us know you're coming and we'll look out for you and welcome you at the door.

This issue features listings of our upcoming events from eating

together to trips out. We hope there is something to interest you. We have also included a handy back page listing month by month for events at a glance. We hope you find it useful! Extra events are organised during the span of this diary. Keep in touch with the Office for regular updates. Have we got your email address? Looking forward to seeing you at an event very soon!

For more details about becoming a member and the wide range of benefits available, please call our membership team on 0800 028 1810 or visit our website at www.oddfellows.co.uk.

Office Opening Hours

Monday and Tuesday 9am to 4pm

Wednesday - Closed

Thursday 9am to 4pm

Friday 9am to 2pm

(Answer phone available)

Contact Details

For more details on any of the events listed contact

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Ad hoc Events

We regularly have time/weather dependent events here at Deeside Branch, whereas they may not feature in the diary directly, we gather people's interest and organise ad hoc events throughout the year. If you are interested in any of the events below or if you would like to register an idea of your own, please email

denise.turner@oddfellows.co.uk or contact 01244 675757.



Walks



Lunches



Llandudno Events



Cinema/Theatre
Trips



Evening dining in Cheshire



Evening dining in Wirral

Regular Events

Llandudno Coffee **Mornings**







Every Monday you are welcome to ioin us at the Gwestv Links Hotel. Llandudno for coffee and chat. Members and visitors are very welcome. We occasionally stay for lunch and organise local trips out. Gwesty Links Hotel, 77 Conway Road. Llandudno LL30 1PN, Contact Gordon on 01492 515530.

Every Monday



Games Session



└)_{10am}





Join us each Tuesday morning for our games sessions, we have scrabble, dominoes, chess and cribbage. Play along with a cup of coffee or tea and see if you can better your usual score! Oddfellows Hall, 65 High Street. Saltney CH4 8SG. Contact Denise on 01244 675757.

Every Tuesday



Coffee Morning





Join us for coffee, biscuits and lots of lively chat! Various activities happening weekly: Bingo, bring and buy, and themed coffee mornings. Oddfellows Hall, 65 High Street, Saltney CH4 8SG. Contact Denise on 01244 675757.

Every Thursday



August 2022



Branch Meeting



7.30pm





Branch meetings follow a standard agenda followed by a social activity. Oddfellows Hall, 65 High Street, Saltney CH4 8SG. Contact Denise on 01244 675757.



Skipton Market and Coffee at the **Oddfellows Hall**





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If you like a bargain, love finding those treasures you don't get on the high street, partial to some delicious produce or just love the atmosphere of a market town in full swing, Skipton market is for you. There's everything from cheeses to scarves, local meat to arts and crafts, shoes and boots to Yorkshire made blankets. We will also share a coffee and meet new friends in the Oddfellows Skipton District Branch Hall. **Booking essential** by Thursday 4 August. Contact Denise on 01244 675757.



September

ODDFELLOWS FRIENDSHIP MONTH

1 - 30 SEPTEMBER















Nantwich Food **Festival**









Fun for all the family! One of the largest free food festivals, this event combines the best of talent and produce. Local heroes and celebrity chefs from across the UK offer unmissable live cooking demonstration. There are two live music stages, street entertainers and a children's corner with activities and arts/crafts. We will meet outside Nantwich Civic Hall at 10.30am. The 84 bus service from Chester serves the venue or car share may be available. Nantwich Civic Hall. Cromwell Court, Nantwich CW5 5DG. Contact Denise on 01244 675757.

September



Llandudno Friendship Coffee Morning and Cakes





Let's start Friendship Month off in style, with a coffee morning at the popular Gwesty Links Hotel in Llandudno with a selection of lovely cakes to accompany your morning coffee. Just turn up or for more details contact Denise on 01244 675757 or Gordon on 01492 515530. Gwesty Links Hotel, 77 Conway Road, Llandudno LL30 1PN.



Coffee Morning and Walk



10.30am (





Friendship coffee morning at Oddfellows Hall. Enjoy a free coffee and biscuits/cake then join us for a walk at Alyn Waters. Car sharing to Alyn Waters. Book by Thursday 25 August. Oddfellows Hall, 65 High Street, Saltney CH4 8SG. Contact Denise on 01244 675757.



Friendship Dine Out





Friendship Dine Out - Wirral at the Red Fox. Book by Thursday 1 September. Red Fox, Liverpool Road, Thornton Hough, Wirral CH64 7TL. Contact Denise on 01244 675757.















Games Night with Fish and Chips Supper











Join us for a fun-filled evening for all the family. Selection of games from bingo, quizzes, puzzles, horse racing and skittles. Bring your own drinks to enjoy with your fish and chips supper from the local chippy price as per menu. Booking essential by Thursday 1 September. Oddfellows Hall, 65 High Street, Saltney CH4 8SG. Contact Denise on 01244 675757.

Branch Meeting



7.30pm





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October



Lunch at Chocs Away







Branch Meeting



└)_{7.30pm}





Following on from the coffee morning we have a lunch at Chocs Away situated at Hawarden Airport, they have a large selection of food to choose from. You may even be able to do a bit of plane spotting. Book by Friday 23 September. Oddfellows Hall, 65 High Street, Saltney CH4 8SG. Contact Denise on 01244 675757.

Branch meetings follow a standard agenda followed by a social activity. Oddfellows Hall, 65 High Street, Saltney CH4 8SG. Contact Denise on 01244 675757.



Halloween Ghost Tour



7.15pm



£) See below



Our haunted Halloween tour evening will start at 7.15pm where we will meet our ghost tour guide at the Town Hall in Chester. Steeped in 2,000 years of history, and with hundreds of ghost sightings, Chester can claim to be one of the most eerie haunts in Britain. A ghost tour guide will take us on a night-time journey around the eerie haunts of Chester's mysterious and murky past, where we will hear spine-chilling tales of ghosts, ghouls and things that go bump in the night.

Costs: Tour price is £9 for concessions, £10 for adults. Booking essential by Friday 2 September. The Old Boot Inn, 9 Eastgate Street North, Chester CH1 1LQ, Contact Denise on 01244 675757.





November



Dine Out at Shippons Pub and Kitchen



£ As per menu



Dine out at Shippons Pub and Kitchen in the heart of Irby. They serve traditional home cooked food with outstanding reputation for quality and value. Book by Friday 21 October. Shippons Pub and Kitchen, 8A Thingwall Road, Irby, Wirral CH61 3UA. Contact Denise on 01244 675757.





Dine Out at Chester Panda Mami







Why not have a mid week treat at the fabulous Panda Mami, featuring over 150 globally inspired dishes. Book by Friday 28 October. Panda Mami, 25 Newgate Street, Chester CH1 1DE. Contact Denise on 01244 675757.





Manchester Christmas Markets and Meet and Greet at Oddfellows Head Office





£) As per train ticket and lunch



A day of Christmas shopping at the world-famous Manchester Markets and a meet and greet session at the Oddfellows Head Office, Manchester. We will start the day at Chester railway station at 10am to travel to Manchester Piccadilly Station. From there you can visit any of the six fantastic markets offering the festive delights the city



is known for. At 2pm we will meet at Oddfellows House, 184–186 Deansgate, Manchester M3 3WB for a tour and a chance to meet colleagues in the head office. Booking with Denise by Thursday 3 November. Chester Railway Station, City Road, Chester CH1 3NS. Contact Denise on 01244 675757.

November



Branch Meeting



7.30pm



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Branch meetings follow a standard agenda followed by a social activity. Oddfellows Hall, 65 High Street, Saltney CH4 8SG. Contact Denise on 01244 675757.

December



Llandudno Christmas Lunch at Home Cookin



£ As per menu





We are returning to one of our favourite restaurants for our Christmas lunch. They offer a range of home cooked dishes including seafood and roasts along with traditional Christmas menu. £10 deposit essential and non-returnable. Book by Monday 21 November. Home Cookin, 139 Mostyn Street, Llandudno Ll30 2PE. Contact Denise on 01244 675757.

December



Christmas Lunch



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£ As pe





What better way to start celebrating Christmas than to enjoy a good festive meal with friends. The Running Hare offers lovely menus full of flavour, created and served by chefs who love what they do. Booking is essential by Thursday 3 November. The Running Hare, St Davids Park, Ewloe, Flintshire CH5 3DT. Contact Denise on 01244 675757.

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Branch Meeting



—) 7.30pm



Branch meetings follow a standard agenda followed by a festive social activity. Oddfellows Hall, 65 High Street, Saltney CH4 8SG. Contact Denise on 01244 675757.

January 2023



New Year's Day Walk







Start off the year with a walk and dust off those festive cobwebs on our New Year's Day Walk in Parkgate. We will meet at the Old Quay end of the promenade and put our best foot forward from there! Old Quay, Station Road, Parkgate, Wirral CH64 6QL. Contact Denise on 01244 675757.





Winter Warmer Pudding and Coffee Morning









Start the New Year off with a winter warmer pudding, coffee and a catch-up with friends, old and new. We'll have time to share our New Year resolutions and have a New Year quiz! Oddfellows Hall, 65 High Street, Saltney CH4 8SG. Contact Denise on 01244 675757.



Dine Out at Millstone









Lets lunch again to welcome in the New Year. Following our coffee morning, we will go to the Millstone at



Penyffordd. They are an independent family owned bar and restaurant located in the heart of Penyffordd, North Wales. They focus on modern, seasonal dishes using only the freshest ingredients. Book by Friday 16 December. Millstone, Penyffordd, Flintshire CH4 0JE. Contact Denise on 01244 675757.

January 2023



Branch Meeting



(4 nights)





Dine Out at Rock Ferry







Refreshment Room Pub situated on the waterfront at Rock Ferry with views across the Mersey. Home cooked food at remarkable value for money. Book by Thursday 12 January 2023. Refreshment Room, 2 Bedford Road East, Rock Ferry CH42 1LS. Contact Denise on 01244 675757.

Branch meetings follow a standard agenda followed by a Winter Warmer Pudding Night. Bring along one of your favourite savoury or sweet dishes, either made or bought to share with us all. Prize for the most popular home-made dish. Oddfellows Hall, 65 High Street, Saltney CH4 8SG. Contact Denise on 01244 675757.

Shropshire Discovery Tour Church Stretton 19-23 September 2022

From £655 per person (Full board)

Rooms for solo travellers available

Join us as we explore Shropshire, famous for the beauty of its hills, picturesque market towns and fascinating history.



For further information and to book contact Mike Hall 0161 832 9361 (Ext 2224) travel@oddfellows.co.uk

Jean Jukes

Jean started quilling when she retired at the age of 57. She had always enjoyed spending time doing handicrafts eg crochet work and embroidery so quilling was a natural hobby for her to start. Jean taught herself and found the art came easily to her, so much so that when she joined a quilling course the tutor couldn't really teach her anything new! However, Jean enjoyed meeting like-minded people so continued to attend the sessions. Over the years she has made many pieces including presents for all her family. In 1999 Jean became the UK National Champion with a beautiful piece of quilling that her husband, Brian, framed for her.

Quilling, also known as paper filigree, is an art form in which strips of paper are used to create various decorative designs that are rolled, shaped and glued together. Jean creates all her own designs, and doesn't even draw them on paper as a guideline. Each piece can take ten hours to complete so patience is needed with this hobby! The name quilling is thought to come from the origin of the art, as traditionally birds' feathers, or quills, were used to coil the strips of paper around.





Your Oddfellows - How it works

Deeside Oddfellows Branch currently delivers its services through the management team, which comprises of the Trustees, Secretary together with the Committee of Management. We are assisted by our Staff and Volunteers.

The Committee of Management is made up of the three Trustees who are elected to be responsible for legal and financial activity and to guide the Management Committee. Currently the Trustees are Brothers John Williams, Meirion Edwards and Gordon Hinett. Also four Branch Officers who are the Provincial Grand Master who acts as Chairman Brother Gordon Hinett, Provincial Deputy Grand Master who acts as Vice-Chairman Sister Olwen Bellis and Immediate Past Provincial Grand Master Sister Tracey Edwards. The Social organiser also sits on the Committee along with up to two elected members who are Brothers Richard Spain and Stewart Holmes.

We are responsible for Benevolence and Welfare of all our members, including home visits, convalescence and support grants. Volunteer Welfare Visitors are trained and subject to DBS checks. We have recently appointed Tracey Edwards as our Safeguarding Officer. The Branch also administers optical and dental benefits for qualifying members. We run a social programme which is open to all members and non-members.

The Branch covers North Wales, Wirral, Chester and parts of Cheshire and meets monthly.

The meetings follow the tradition of the Oddfellows and are open to Members and guests.

In keeping with our traditions we operate 10 of our meetings as a 'Lodge Meetings' this enables us to practice our ritual and prepare members for progression to Branch level.

The elected officers in the 'Lodge' include the Noble Grand Sister June Middleton who acts as Chairman, Vice Grand Brother Richard Spain who acts as Vice Chairman, Elective Secretary who takes the Minutes and Immediate Past Noble Grand Sister Val Jones.

If you like to become more involved or you wish to find out more about becoming a volunteer, please do not hesitate to contact us.

We would also welcome new members so if you have a friend or relative please bring them along to one of our events or meetings.

Traditional Terms

Lodge: Branch

Brother and Sister: Traditional term used in Unions, Guilds and Fraternal organisations to suggest mutual support and family

Photos events

of past



Coffee Mornings





Midland Group Conference Church Service





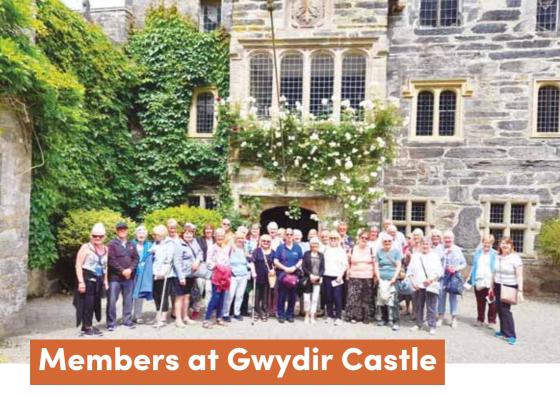




The Queen's Platinum Jubilee









Midland Group Conference President Dinner



Annual Easter Bonnet Parade



Annual Movable Conference Bowls







None of us know what is around the corner...

Local Care and Welfare Support

To request contact from a Welfare Visitor and for local help and information about Branch benefits and Benevolence contact Denise on **01244 675757** or email **denise.turner@oddfellows.co.uk.**

Oddfellows Citizens Advice Line Call 0800 0149 821*

(free to callers from any landline or mobile number) Monday - Friday, 9.30am - 4.30pm **Email:** oddfellows@manchestercab.org



Run by Citizens Advice for Oddfellows members, you can access free, confidential, independent advice on welfare benefits, money and debt issues, consumer problems, housing, fuel bills, employment issues and many other issues.

*The Oddfellows cannot provide legal advice and accepts no liability whatsoever for advice provided by Citizens Advice, which is an independent advice agency. If you have any queries about the advice you have received or wish to make a complaint then you should contact Citizens Advice directly. Citizens Advice operate a formal complaints process.

Care and Welfare Helpline Call 0800 0149 822

(free to callers from any landline or mobile number) Monday to Thursday, 9.30am - 4.30pm, Friday, 9.30am - 4pm

Email: care@oddfellows.co.uk

Run by the Oddfellows Care and Welfare Department, you can access information and guidance on issues such as accessing health and care services, supported housing, support for carers and planning for later life. The helpline will try and identify any Oddfellows benefits or services in the community which may be of help to you.

Visit our website page at www.oddfellows.co.uk/benefits/care for care and welfare information

Society News



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Our Branches raised a magnificent £151,000 for charitable causes in 2021!

Congratulations to our
Branches and their members
for a tremendous fundraising
achievement in 2021. Helping
struggling communities
and those in need is something
the Oddfellows has been doing
for over two centuries.
And despite the pandemic,
last year was no exception.

Branches and their members raised over £151,000 to support causes close to their hearts, a figure up on 2020's already significant total of £145,700. Fifth generation Oddfellow, Society historian and South Yorkshire and North Derbyshire Branch member, Paul Eyre,



South East Lancashire Branch



West London Branch

reflects on the tradition of local giving. He said: "For many years, it has been fairly common practice for the Provincial Grand Master of a District to choose a charity to support during their year of office, with funds being raised by raffles, donations or other fundraising activities."

Oddfellows CEO, Jane Nelson, added: "It always astounds me when we look at the collective yearly fundraising figure. The generosity of our members and Branches, especially at such times where household budgets are becoming increasingly tight and unpredictable, is incredible.

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"I feel immensely proud to represent such a caring bunch of people, those who don't hesitate to help a neighbour in need.

"For those who receive support, it's not just about the financial help, it's knowing that their situation is acknowledged and that there are people out there who care and listen."



Fundraising for Ukraine

The Society is collecting donations to support the work the Red Cross is doing in Ukraine. The Red Cross is part of the Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC), which unites 15 member charities who are experts in humanitarian aid and specialists in different areas of disaster response.

In some areas in Ukraine, water, electricity, and phone connectivity have been affected. Many people are taking cover from the shelling in basements and bomb shelters, but are going without the most basic supplies, like food and water.

Any donations will be used to reach people in urgent need, If you would like to contribute,



cheques should be made payable to "The Oddfellows", and sent to:

Ukraine Support The Oddfellows Oddfellows House 184-186 Deansgate Manchester, M3 3WB

The Society has already pledged £10,000 from central Funds in support of this appeal.

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Access to expert legal help

From day one of membership, all members have access to the Oddfellows' Legal Aid Scheme.*

We hope it's something you never have to call on, but if you do it gives you access to the expert help of our appointed solicitors should you need to make a claim for medical negligence, a personal injury, or an employment dispute which is at pre or tribunal stage. It also covers your family members for personal injury and medical negligence cases.

Help with a medical negligence claim

Medical negligence is when a healthcare provider – NHS or private – has failed in their duty to take care of you and you have suffered an injury. This could be, for example, that you've been given a wrong drug, they've made a mistake during a treatment, or failed to diagnose your condition, or made a wrong one.

Matthew Heap, a Solicitor and Partner at CL Medilaw (www.clmedilaw.co.uk), which is one of the Society's approved solicitors, further explained: "Some people get in touch with us and they know the exact point at which they feel they've been failed. For others, it's less clear-cut, but they know that somewhere along the line, the care they've received has fallen short of medically-acceptable standards.

"Knowing how to raise your case, and to be heard, can be daunting when you don't know the process, have the contacts, or legal knowledge. "But the support that's available through the Oddfellows' Legal Aid Scheme can help you to get the answers you need and, hopefully, the compensation you deserve."

Who can make a claim?

You can bring the legal action yourself or, as the executor or next of kin, on behalf of someone who has died because of medical negligence, or on behalf of a family member if that person is unable to take action themselves because they don't have capacity.

Oddfellows members and their family can receive Legal Aid Scheme support as long as the accident, incident or issue happened while you were a member and you have remained a member since that time.

You must start your legal claim within three years from the date that you either realised you'd been injured or when the incident occurred. For children, this three-year time limit doesn't start until the child's 18th birthday.

If you're looking to make a claim on behalf of someone close to you because they don't have capacity, such as they're unable to manage their own affairs or have a mental disability, then the three-year time limit doesn't apply, unless they recover from this incapacity.

"Taking legal action for compensation is a way to try and secure the support that you now need and deserve – financial or medical. The Oddfellows and CL Medilaw will have your back every step of the way," added Matthew.

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How to apply for the Oddfellows' Legal Aid Scheme

The first step is to call the Care and Welfare Helpline for a non-committal conversation. If you wish to move forward, you'll need to fill in an Oddfellows Legal Aid application form. The Care and Welfare Helpline number can be found on your membership card or by calling **0800 028 1810**.

Further information

Read this article in full at: www.oddfellows.co.uk/news/help -to-make-a-claim-for-medical-negligence

The Oddfellows' Legal Aid Scheme: www.oddfellows.co.uk/benefits/care/legal-aid-scheme

Member-only offers from Unity Mutual

Unity Mutual is the Society's financial services brand and they've created a dedicated section on their website to share special deals and rates that are only available to Oddfellows members.

Unity Mutual's current member-only deal, launched in spring 2022, is a 5 Year Guaranteed Investment Bond with a special fixed rate of 1.75% annual interest, which equates to 9.06% over the full term. It also offers a guaranteed return on your savings and 100% capital protection. The minimum single investment per member is £1,000.

They're only accepting a limited number of applications, however, so this product will be offered to Oddfellows members on a first-come, first-served basis.

*T&Cs apply.



To find out more, or view their full range of savings, investment and protection products, call **0161 214 4628** or go to **www.unitymutual.co.uk/oddfellows**



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^{*}Terms and conditions apply to all financial benefits. All Oddfellows benefits are non-contractual and may be withdrawn at any time without notice. Read the full list of Oddfellows member benefit terms and conditions at www.oddfellows.co.uk/member-tcs or call Membership on 0800 028 1810.



To see what's coming up visit **oddfellows.co.uk/events** and enter 'Kelso' in the place name search box OE/0122A6



Deeside and Llandudno Events - at a glance

In addition to our regular events, for full details see page 4

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7.30pm

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Branch Meeting

Christmas Lunch

Branch Meeting

Skipton Market and Coffee

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| Septemb | oer - Friendship Month | |
| Sat 3 | Nantwich Food Festival | 10.30am |
| Mon 5 | Llandudno Friendship Coffee Morning and Cakes | 11am |
| Thurs 8 | Coffee Morning and Walk | 10.30am |
| Thurs 15 | Friendship Dine Out | 6.30pm |
| Sat 17 | Games Night with Supper | <i>7</i> pm |
| Mon 19 | Branch Meeting | 7.30pm |
| October | | |
| Thurs 6 | Lunch at Chocs Away | 1pm |
| Mon 17 | Branch Meeting | 7.30pm |
| Wed 26 | Halloween Ghost Tour | 7.15pm |
| Novemb | er | |
| Thurs 3 | Dine Out at Shippons | 6.30pm |
| Tues 8 | Dine Out at Chester | 6.30pm |
| Wed 16 | Manchester Christmas Markets | 10am |
| Mon 21 | Branch Meeting | 7.30pm |
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| Mon 5 | Llandudno Christmas Lunch | 1pm |
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Thurs 15

Mon 19

| Sun 1 | New Year's Day Walk | 11am |
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| Thurs 5 | Winter Warmer Coffee Morning | 10.30am |
| Thurs 12 | Dine Out at Millstone | 1pm |
| Mon 16 | Branch Meeting | 7.30pm |
| Tues 24 | Dine Out at Rock Ferry | 6.30pm |

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