

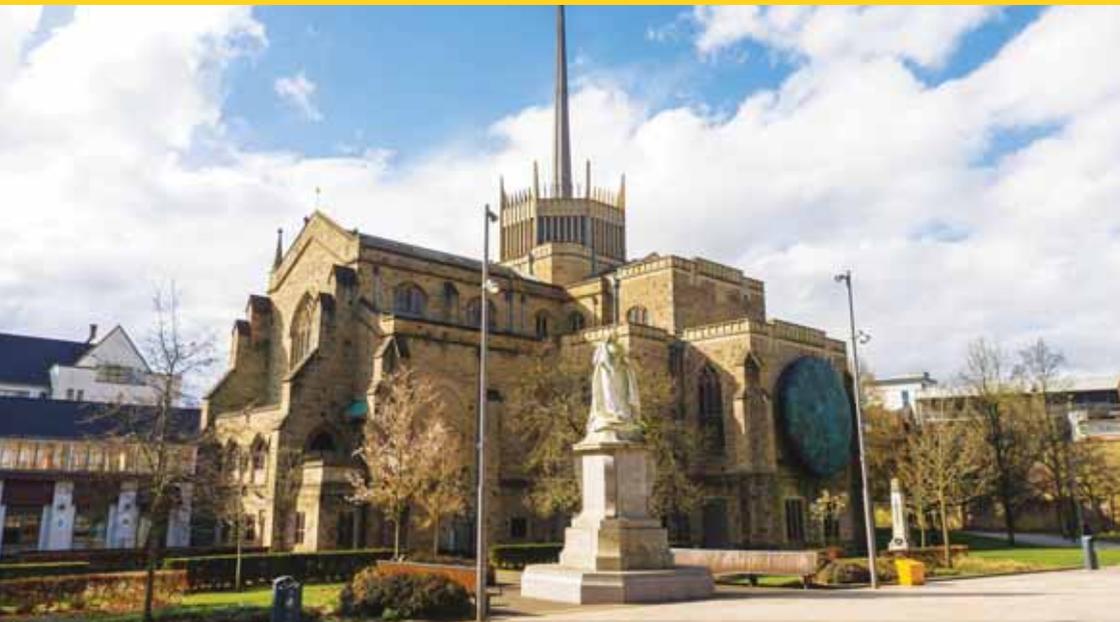
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Bowling



Walks



Friendship



Annual District Luncheon – Saturday 25 April

Welcome to the latest edition of the South East Lancashire Branch Events Diary. Members of the Branch have organised a varied programme of events for you all.

This Events Diary is a handy guide for you to keep so that you know what is happening in our area. Remember to put the dates of interest in your personal diary. Alternatively, keep the Events Diary in a handy place – by the phone, fixed to the fridge or pinned to your notice board.

Everyone 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 of our events that take your fancy and we like to think that we can guarantee you a good time.

Contact Details

For details about membership and the wider range of benefits available please contact:

Branch Secretary: To be announced
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94 Manchester Road
Bury
Lancashire
BL9 0TH

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Oddfellows: A Friendly Society with Social Activities and More

Oddfellows is a vibrant community offering a wide range of social activities and benefits. Whether you're looking for fun, learning, or making new friends, there's always something happening!

Bury

There's something for everyone in Bury - whether you love games, social outings, day trips or simply enjoying a good chat! A variety of meet ups weekly and monthly, we offer a variety of events to suit all interests

Blackburn

In Blackburn, we meet monthly for a light lunch, followed by, visits from guest speakers and charities, sharing interesting insights. Fun social games such as beetle drive, bingo and quizzes. An opportunity to learn and make new connections while having fun. Our focus is on meeting for a catch-up, building friendships, and creating a welcoming community for all.

Wigan

Wigan members enjoy regular monthly meet-ups, which include, a relaxed catch-up over coffee and biscuits, followed by a light lunch and, of course, cake (always cake!) Monthly dining outings where we explore new places to eat around the area. Occasional walks and day trips - we regularly use public transport to discover new locations and enjoy time out together. It's a fantastic way to enjoy good food, great company, and the chance to explore nearby places.

Teamwork Makes the Dream Work

We believe in the power of teamwork, and that's why we rely on volunteers to help run and support our events. Our volunteers are fully supported by the team, and we're always looking for people who would like to get involved. Whether you can help occasionally or support regularly, your involvement makes a difference!

Possible Venue Change

As we are in the process of selling the Oddfellows Building at Manchester Road, events that are scheduled to be held here may be held at an alternative venue – should they be affected. All members will be informed of any changes. Please note that we are still operating our events from here until further notice. Many thanks for your understanding.

Bury Weekly Events

Craft and Coffee Morning



10.30am



Members £2, Guests £3



A two hour session where we have a chat over tea or coffee and cakes whilst painting, crafting or reading a paper. There will be various resources provided, but you can bring your own projects if you wish, for example knitting, crochet, sewing, model making, artwork, sketch book, etc. Oddfellows House, 94 Manchester Road, Bury BL9 0TH. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.

Every Monday



Thursday Friends



12 noon



First meeting is free and £1 per week with an optional £2 extra on the day

The Thursday Friends meet every Thursday from 12 noon to 2pm. Bring some lunch and enjoy a bite to eat together whilst chatting and laughing with each other and then finish the afternoon with a few games of dominoes. Oddfellows House, 94 Manchester Road, Bury BL9 0TH. Contact Vera on 07887 617742 Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.



Every Thursday



Weekly Coffee Morning Meet Up



11am



As per menu



Members meet at this popular local café weekly on Wednesdays and Fridays at 11am each week to enjoy a cuppa and a chat. Why not come along and join us, everyone is given a warm welcome. Coffee Creations, Millgate Shopping Centre, 2 Union Arcade, Bury BL9 0QF. Contact Vera on 07887 617742 or Natalie on 07564 641909.

Every Wednesday and Friday



Bury Monthly Events

Scrabble Club



1.30pm



Members £2, Guests £3



**First and Third
Tuesday of the month**

Do you enjoy a game of Scrabble or would like to try it out? We meet every first and Third Tuesday of the month to play a game of Scrabble. Everyone is welcome to join in even if you have never played before! Oddfellows House, 94 Manchester Road, Bury BL9 0TH. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.



7 April
21 April
5 May

19 May
2 June
16 June

7 July
21 July
4 August

18 August
1 September
15 September

First Tuesday Games Night



7.30pm



Varies costs



**First Tuesday
of the month**

Join us for this fun and friendly social with supper and try out different type of games. Oddfellows House, 94 Manchester Road, Bury BL9 0TH. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.



7 April - Pie and Peas £6
5 May - 4.30pm, Gin Tasting £15
2 June - Bingo and Supper £5

7 July - Games and Pizza £5
4 August - 6pm, Croquet £10
1 September - Cheese and Wine £6

Dine Around, Bury



1pm



As per menu



**Second Tuesday
of the month**

A chance to catch up with old friends and new at a local restaurant close to Bury Town Centre. All venues have been tried and tested by our members, so you can be sure of good food, enjoyed in good company. Various restaurant, see main diary for details. Book five days in advance. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.



14 April
12 May

9 June
14 July

11 August
8 September

Bury Monthly Events

Third Tuesday Games Night



Third Tuesday
of the month



Join us for this fun and friendly social and a games night. Oddfellows House, 94 Manchester Road, Bury BL9 0TH. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.

21 April
19 May

16 June
21 July

18 August
15 September

Blackburn Monthly Events

Leisurely Scenic Walk



First Monday
of the month

Come for a nice walk around various locations. The walking group meet on the first Monday of every month and walks are less than four miles. Some walks may not be suitable for anyone who has a mobility difficulty, a specific health problem or is seriously unfit. Comfortable shoes or trainers can be worn. Book seven days in advance. Meet at Blackburn Bus and Coach Station, Blackburn BB1 5AX. Contact Chris on 07711 376280 or Joan on 07414 816521.



6 April - Jackhouse Nature Reserve
4 May - Astley Park
1 June - Avenham Park

6 July - Towneley Park
3 August - River Calder

Ten Pin Bowling



First Tuesday
of the month

We bowl most first Tuesdays of the month where you can join us for a bit of fun, it doesn't matter if you have never bowled before. Pre-booking is essential for this event. Why not join us for lunch at a local venue afterwards. Book five days in advance. Tenpin Blackburn, Peel Leisure & Retail Park, Mayson Street, Blackburn BB1 1DG. Contact Chris on 07711 376280 or Joan on 07414 816521.



7 April
5 May

2 June
7 July

4 August
1 September

Blackburn Monthly Events

Social Club, Blackburn

 12 noon  Members £5, Guests £6 

Join us for a friendly afternoon with our speaker or games in good company. Buffet lunch and refreshments included in the cost. Meet from 12 noon to 2pm. Salvation Army, Vicar Street, Blackburn BB1 5BE. Contact Chris on 07711 376280 or Joan on 07414 816521.

**Second Tuesday
of the month**



14 April
12 May

9 June
14 July

11 August
8 September

Bus Pass Day

 10am  Free 

Members will gather for a pre-arranged day out to see where they can travel on their bus passes within the day. The planned route will be available from the group leader who needs to be contacted for further details and to book a place. Great fun to be had with friends. Blackburn Bus and Coach Station, Blackburn BB1 5AX. Contact Joan on 07414 816521 or Linda on 01254 264391.

**Third Tuesday
of the month**



21 April
19 May

16 June
21 July

18 August
15 September

Dine Around, Blackburn

 12 noon  As per menu 

Why not join us for a trip to a charming country pub? There are some delicious meal options and special offers. Various restaurant and contacts, see main diary for details. Book seven days in advance.

**Fourth Tuesday
of the month**



28 April
26 May
23 June

28 July
25 August
22 September

Wigan Monthly Events

Social and Coffee Morning with Lunch



10.30am



Members £3.50, Guests £4.50



**First Thursday
of the month**

Everyone is welcome to come and join us for our monthly social coffee morning and lunch. Held on the first Thursday of the month, friends come together for chatter and laughs over a cuppa and buffet lunch. Adjacent to the bus station and close to the railway station. Easily accessible for all. Wigan Stars, Hallgate House, Frank Street, Wigan WN1 1HP. Contact Charles on 07710183972 or Natalie on 07564 641909.



**2 April
7 May**

**4 June
2 July**

**6 August
3 September**

Dine Around, Wigan



12 noon



As per menu



**Third Thursday
of the month**

A chance to catch up with old friends and new at a local restaurant close to Wigan Town Centre. All venues have been tried and tested by our members, so you can be sure of good food, enjoyed in good company. Various restaurants, see main diary for details. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909. Book five days in advance.



**16 April
21 May**

**18 June
16 July**

**20 August
17 September**

Booking and Cancellations

Please remember the importance of early booking for all events to avoid disappointment or cancellation due to lack of support. Please note that a place is not guaranteed at any event until full payment has been received and payments are non-refundable. We have the right to cancel any events.

April 2026

WED
01

Stockport Plaza Cinema showing Whiskey Galore

🕒 11am

£ As per menu



Join us at the beautiful Plaza Stockport to enjoy a showing of 'Whiskey Galore' in their vintage cinema, followed by lunch at the Plaza café. Worth the trip to see the magnificently restored building alone. Book by Wednesday 25 March. The Plaza Super Cinema and Variety Theatre, Mersey Square, Stockport SK1 1SP. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.

TUES
07

First Tuesday Games Night with Pie and Peas Supper

🕒 7.30pm

£ £6



Join us for this fun and friendly social with games and quizzes, with a popular pie and peas supper. Oddfellows House, 94 Manchester Road, Bury BL9 0TH. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.

TUES
14

Dine Around Bury at The Fusilier Museum

🕒 1pm

£ As per menu



Join us for a sumptuous lunch in this café situated in the Fusiliers Museum. Everyone welcome. Book by Tuesday 31 March. The Fusilier Museum, Moss Street, Bury BL9 0DF. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.

MON
06

Leisurely Scenic Walk - Jackhouse Nature Reserve, Oswaldtwistle

🕒 11am

£ Free



The Nature Reserve is a beautiful green area in the heart of Hyndburn. It has been part of local life for many years with generations of residents and dogs walking round the ponds and wandering through the woods with easy walking on good paths. The walking group meet on the first Monday of every month until October and walks are less than four miles. Walkers with mobility difficulty or a specific health problem or who are seriously unfit should contact the walk organisers. Comfortable shoes or trainers can be worn. Usually meet at Blackburn Bus Station. Times sent out nearer the time. Book by Monday 30 March. Blackburn Bus and Coach Station, Blackburn BB1 5AX. Contact Chris on 07711 376280 or Joan on 07414 816521.

April 2026

THURS
16

Dine Around Wigan at Olympus Chippy

🕒 12 noon

£ As per menu



Come and join us at the excellent Olympus Chippy restaurant in Bolton for a friendly lunch gathering. Book by Thursday 9 April. Olympus Fish and Chip Restaurant, 35-39 Great Moor Street, Bolton, Lancashire BL1 1SW. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.

SUN
19

Looking For Me Friend - The Music of Victoria Wood

🕒 6pm

£ £23.50



Celebrate the life and legacy of the incomparable Victoria Wood with an evening of her best-loved songs. The Daily Mail called it 'The most feel good show in town'. Book by Wednesday 1 April. The Met, Market Street, Bury BL9 0BW. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.

WED
22

Out and About - Manchester Sightseeing Bus Tour

🕒 2pm

£ £12



Meeting at the Atlas Bar you can come in early and have a bite to eat before the sightseeing bus tour. Do we really know what's on our doorstep? Let's find out more about our fantastic city as we explore the center and Salford Quays as this tour passes historic buildings, sports stadiums, interesting sites and much more with information given. Book by Wednesday 15 April. Atlas Bar, 376 Deansgate, Manchester M3 4LY. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.



SAT
25

Annual District Luncheon

🕒 12.30pm



£ Members £30, Guests £33

All are welcome to join us for our annual celebration in honour of our new Chairman, Charles Vaughan. Following a delicious formal dinner, there will be customary toasts, speeches and presentations to the representative of Jigsaw Charity, the chosen charity this year. After the formalities there will be games and a fabulous raffle to raise funds for Charles chosen charity. Dress to impress. Book by Tuesday 31 March. Hindley Golf Club, Hindley Hall Lane, Aspull, Pennington Green WN2 2SQ. Contact Charles on 07710 183972 or Natalie on 07564 641909.

April 2026

TUES 28 Dine Around Blackburn at Thira Restaurant



From Tripadvisor - "The restaurant itself was immaculate, warm and welcoming... and the food was absolutely superb". Book by Tuesday 14 April. Thira Restaurant, 32 Darwen Street, Blackburn BB2 2BY. Contact Chris on 07711 376280 or Joan on 07414 816521.



May

MON 04 Leisurely Scenic Walk - Astley Park, Chorley



The park stretches out over 43.75 hectares and offers families, friends, the young and the old a great day out. As you walk from one side to the other, you will find several walkways that leads you to beautiful woodlands where you can stumble amongst the summer flowers. The walking group meet on the first Monday of every month until October and walks are less than four miles. Walkers with mobility difficulty or a specific health problem or who are seriously unfit should contact the walk organisers. Comfortable shoes or trainers can be worn. Book by Monday 27 April. Astley Park Gates, Park Road, Chorley PR7 1QS. Contact Chris on 07711 376280 or Joan on 07414 816521.

May

TUES 05 Gin Tasting at Wild Fox Distillery, Preston



Join us for this fun and friendly social at the Wild Fox Distillery in Preston where you will enjoy a relaxed and informative talk from the owners Rob and Lizzie, learning all about their farm and gin heritage and sampling each of their gins throughout. Transport to be arranged. Book by Monday 6 April. Wild Fox Distillery, Button Street, Preston PR3 2LH. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.



May

FRI
08

Fireground Fire Museum and St John's Church Mosaics

L 11am

£ £8



The museum tells the story of firefighting. Learn about the areas pivotal role in the development



of fire brigades. We will have a visit to the excellent on site café and then take a walk over the road to the magnificent St John's Church, with its notable sixth century Byzantine design based on the Hagia Sophia Grand Mosque in Istanbul and the neo-Byzantine Westminster Cathedral built in 1903. Book by Friday 1 May. Fireground Rochdale, Maclure Road, Rochdale OL11 1DN. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.

FRI
08

Ladies Who Lunch at the Wigan Little Theatre

L 5.30pm

£ £14



Come and join us at Wigan's Little Theatre for a clever comedy with twists and turns. Book by Thursday 30 April. Wigan Little Theatre, Wigan WN1 3SL. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.

TUES
12

Dine Around Bury at Falshaws Farm

L 1pm

£ As per menu



Come and join us at Falshaws Farm for a lovely friendly lunchtime get together. Choose something delicious from the lunchtime menu. Book by Tuesday 5 May. Falshaws Farm, Nabbs Farm, Rowlands Road, Bury BL9 5LJ. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.



MON
18

Lunchtime Piano Concert at Manchester Cathedral

L 12 noon

£ Free



Come and join us at the beautiful Manchester Cathedral for a lunchtime piano concert. Manchester Cathedral, Victoria Street, Manchester M3 1SX. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.



May

WED
20

Lytham Hall Tour



11.30am



£11



Come and join us at Lytham Hall for a tour of the fantastic buildings and hall. Lytham Hall is the finest Georgian house in Lancashire. It was once the ancestral home of the colourful Clifton family, spanning over four centuries. It is a grade I listed building, so is therefore, of significant local and national interest. The site and its 80 acres of parkland are of great archaeological interest. Book by Wednesday 6 May. Lytham Hall, Ballam Road, Lytham FY8 4JX. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.

THURS
21

Dine Around Wigan at The Three Mills



12 noon



As per menu



Join us at the Three Mills in Wigan with a varied menu, there is something for everyone. Book by Thursday 14 May. The Three Mills, Cotton Works, Eckersley, Swan Meadow Road WN3 5BE. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.



TUES
26

Dine Around Blackburn at Crown and Thistle Bakery Café, Darwen



12 noon



As per menu



From Tripadvisor - "The hot food being served to other customers looked mouthwatering and large portions.



They do Sunday roast dinners and the customers returned. One word sums it up 'Delicious'. The best we have had in any restaurant. A good variety of vegetables and plenty of meat and tasty gravy. We highly recommend this café". Book by Tuesday 12 May. Crown and Thistle Bakery Café, 103 Duckworth Street, Darwen BB3 1AT. Contact Joan on 07414 816521 or Valerie on 01254 698716.

June

MON 01 Leisurely Scenic Walk - Avenham Park, Preston

L 11am

£ Free



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A nice walk along the banks of the Ribble to this lovely park. Café in the park for those who want it with toilet stop. Then through the park coming out in Preston City centre to catch the bus back home. The walking group meet on the first Monday of every month until October and walks are less than four miles. Walkers with mobility difficulty or a specific health problem or who are seriously unfit should contact the walk organisers. Comfortable shoes or trainers can be worn. Book by Monday 25 May. McDonalds, The Capitol Centre Retail Park, Preston PR5 4AW. Contact Chris on 07711 376280 or Joan on 07414 816521.

TUES 02 First Tuesday Games Night with Bingo and Supper

L 7.30pm

£ £5



Join us for this fun and friendly social with games, quizzes and supper. Book by Monday 25 May. Oddfellows House, 94 Manchester Road, Bury BL9 0TH. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.



TUES 09 Dine Around Bury at Park Farm Tearooms

L 1pm

£ As per menu



Come and join us for a lovely lunch at Park Farm Tearooms. Book by Tuesday 2 June. Park Farm Tearooms, Walmersley BL9 5NP. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.



June

WED
10 **Crown Green
Bowls at Seedfield
Bowling Club**

L 1pm **£** Members £6.50
Guests £7.50 



Join us our annual 'Crown Green Bowls Tournament'. Come along for a fun filled day on the green. Enjoy the friendly atmosphere and embrace the spirit of camaraderie. Bring a friend or simply join us to meet new ones. Everyone is welcome. Light lunch included. Book by Wednesday 3 June. Seedfield Bowling Club, Parkinson Street, Bury BL9 6NY. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.

THURS
11 **Music for a While at
Manchester Cathedral**

L 11.45am **£** Free 

Manchester Cathedral is holding a free lunchtime piano concert, all welcome to this wonderful event. Manchester Cathedral, Victoria Street, Manchester M3 1SX. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.

THURS
18 **Dine Around Wigan at
The Owls at Standish**

L 12 noon **£** As per menu 

Join us for lunch at The Owls in Standish. Book by Thursday 11 June. The Owls at Standish, Rectory Lane, Standish WN6 0XD. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.

TUES
23 **Dine Around Blackburn
at Traders Arms, Mellor**

L 12 noon **£** As per menu 

Come and join us for a tasty lunch. We use local transport to travel to the village of Mellor, in-between Preston and Blackburn, The Traders Arms is well-known for its wonderful views. All food is all home-made and ingredients are locally sourced wherever possible. The menu offers choice for all, making us the perfect place to eat with family or friends. Book by Tuesday 9 June. Traders Arms, Mellor, Mellor Lane, Blackburn BB2 7EW. Contact Joan on 07414 816521 or Linda on 01254 264391.



June

WED
24

City River Tour - Explore Manchester from the Water and a trip to the Lowry Museum and Art Gallery



11.30am



£24



Hop aboard the Princess Katherine or Isabella for a 60-minute non-stop round-trip river cruise through Salford Quays and the historic Manchester Ship Canal. Whether you're visiting for the first time or rediscovering your city, this sightseeing tour offers a fresh, unforgettable view of Manchester's industrial past and dynamic present. Enjoy English commentary as we guide you through the stories behind the canal, its iconic structures and the landmarks that shaped the city's skyline. We will then have a look round the world famous Lowry Art Gallery. Book by Monday 25 May. Manchester River Cruises, The Millennium Bridge, The Quays Salford M50 3AZ. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.



July

MON
06

Leisurely Scenic Walk - Towneley Park, Burnley



11am



Free



Towneley Hall sits in an extensive historic parkland landscape of formal gardens, woodland walks, sculpture and nature trails. In spring the woodlands are filled with displays of bluebells and wild garlic, which are followed by spectacular rhododendrons in the early summer and brilliant autumn foliage. An extensive network of well signed paths and nature trails allows you to explore Towneley's historic landscape. The walking group meet on the first Monday of every month until October and walks are less than four miles. Walkers with mobility difficulty or a specific health problem or who are seriously unfit should contact the walk organisers. Comfortable shoes or trainers can be worn. Book by Monday 29 June. Towneley Hall Museum, Towneley Park, Burnley BB11 3RQ. Contact Chris on 07711 376280.



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July

TUES
07

First Tuesday Games Night with Pizza

7.30pm

£ £5



Join us for this fun and friendly social with games, quizzes and pizza. Book by Tuesday 30 June, Oddfellows House, 94 Manchester Road, Bury BL9 0TH. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.

WED
08

Stockport Air Raid Shelters and Museum

1pm

£ £5.50



Carved into the natural sandstone cliffs, the intriguing network of underground tunnels offers visitors an unparalleled insight into life in wartime Britain in the 1940s. Visitors have the opportunity of learning about the experiences of local people during the war. Visitors can learn about the experiences from the displays in the tunnels and from the state of the art audio-guides. Book by Wednesday 24 June. Stockport Air Raid Shelters, 65 Great Underbank, Stockport SK1 1NE. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.

SAT
11

LADGC Bowls - Garswood Hall Bowling and Community Club

10am

£ TBC



Come and join us for our annual day of 'Crown Green Bowling'. A friendly tournament followed by a buffet lunch and a fully stocked bar. This place is famous for its exceptionally good gin and tonic. Everyone is welcome, the venue is easily accessible for all and the day is always highly enjoyable. If you are attending by car and are happy to give a lift to another member, please let us know when booking. Book by Friday 3 July. Garswood Hall Bowling and Community Club, 47 Nicol Road, Ashton-in-Makerfield, Wigan WN4 8LU. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909 or Robert on 07905 524885.

July

TUES
14

Dine Around Bury at Bradley Fold Garden Centre



1pm



As per menu



Join us at Bradley Fold for a lovely lunch with friends. Book by Tuesday 7 July. Bradley Fold Garden Centre, Radcliffe Moor Road, Bradley Fold, Bolton BL2 6RE. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.



THURS
16

Dine Around Wigan at Golden Days Garden Centre



12 noon



As per menu



A chance to catch up with friends old and new at a local restaurant. Come along and enjoy a tasty lunch and nice company. Book by Thursday 9 July. Golden Days Garden Centre, 181 Back Lane, Appley Bridge, Wigan WN6 8RS. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.



WED
22

A Visit to Whittaker Museum



11am



Free



The Whitaker Museum and Art Gallery (formerly Rossendale Museum) is located in Rawtenstall, Lancashire, within the idyllic Whitaker Park. The Whitaker serves as a vibrant cultural and community hub. The Whitaker is more than a museum and art gallery.



It's a dynamic cultural space that blends history, art, education and community in a fresh, accessible way. It exhibits contemporary art alongside historical artefacts, creating a dialogue between past and present. Its permanent collections include natural history displays, such as the striking tiger versus python taxidermy diorama and local industrial heritage covering textiles, mining and engineering, as well as Victorian curiosities and colonial-era artefacts. Book by Wednesday 22 July. The Whitaker Museum and Art Gallery, Haslingden Road, Rossendale BB4 6RE. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.

July

TUES 28 Dine Around Blackburn at Whelan's, Lytham



We are off for fish and chips to one of our favourite places to visit. Why not join us at this popular destination? Book by Tuesday 14 July. Whelans Fish & Chips, 26 Clifton Street, Lytham St Annes, Lancashire FY8 5EW. Contact Joan on 07414 816521 or Linda on 01254 264391.

August

MON 03 Leisurely Scenic Walk - River Calder at Whalley



This walk starts from Whalley bus station with walking on mostly good paths. Some walking on the riverside path next to the River Calder. Then a circular tour around and over the river near the railway arches and back pass the Abbey. Finally, finishing at the bus station the walk is about an hour. The walking group meet on the first Monday of every month until October and walks are less than four miles. Walkers with mobility difficulty or a specific health problem or who are seriously unfit should contact the walk organisers. Comfortable shoes or trainers can be worn. Usually meet at Blackburn Bus Station. Times sent out nearer the time. Book by Monday 27 July. Blackburn Bus and Coach Station, Blackburn BB1 5AX. Contact Chris on 07711 376280 or Joan on 07414 816521.

August

TUES 04 First Tuesday Games Night with Croquet at Whitehead Park



Come and join us at the lovely Whitehead Park, the home of Bury Croquet Club, for an evening of croquet followed by refreshments. Book by Tuesday 21 July. Whitehead Park, Ainsworth Road, Bury BL8 2PZ. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.

WED 05 Hollingworth Lake, Littleborough



Join us on a visit to the picturesque Hollingworth Lake - maybe enjoy and ice-cream and feed the ducks with the friendly Oddfellows group. Hollingworth Lake, Rakewood Road, Littleborough, Rochdale OL15 0AQ. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.

August

TUES
11

Dine Around Bury at Pack Horse Inn



1pm



As per
menu



Join us for a lovely lunch with picturesque views at the Pack Horse at Birtle. Book by Tuesday 4 August. Pack Horse Inn, Elbut Lane, Birtle BL9 7TU. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.

THURS
20

Dine Around Wigan at Bag and Bean



12 noon



As per
menu



Join us for a pleasant lunch and get together at this lovely local café with great food and company. Book by Thursday 13 August. Bag and Bean, Love it Gallery, Wigan WN5 7XG. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.

WED
19

Salford Museum and Art Gallery



12 noon



Free



Meeting in the ground floor café which overlooks the beautiful Peel Park and the University of Salford's Peel Building, we can get some refreshments before looking round this great museum and art gallery.

Book by Wednesday 12 August. Salford Museum and Art Gallery, Peel Park, The Crescent, Salford M5 4WU. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.



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August

FRI
21

Southport Flower Show



10am



£24



The Southport Flower Show is the largest independent flower show in the United Kingdom, held annually over four days in August at Victoria Park in Southport. It began in 1924 and attracts tens of thousands of visitors with its spectacular show gardens, stunning floral displays and a vast grand floral marquee filled with plants, horticultural exhibits and expert advice. More than just flowers, the show offers family-friendly entertainment including cookery demonstrations, live music, celebrity guest appearances, arena displays, a bustling shopping village, food and drink stalls, and children's activities. Celebrated for inspiring gardeners of all levels and providing a feel-good summer day out, the event combines horticultural excellence with fun, culture and community spirit. Book by Friday 29 May. Victoria Park, Southport PR8 1RX. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.

TUES
25

Dine Around Blackburn at Feilden's Arms, Mellor Brook



12 noon



As per menu



Family friendly pub with home cooked food, with a wide selection of draught beer, spirits and wines. Book by Tuesday 11 August. Feilden's Arms, Whalley Road, Mellor Brook, Blackburn BB2 7PR. Contact Joan on 07414 816521 or Linda on 01254 264391.



FRI
28

Kittywakes Cruise with a Chippy Tea



6.30pm



£29



Come and join us for an evening cruise from Wigan Pier, stopping on route for a chippy tea. Book by Friday 26 June. Kittywakes Cruises, The Orwell, Wigan Pier, Lancashire WN3 5AA. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.



September

ODDFELLOWS FRIENDSHIP MONTH 1 - 30 SEPTEMBER



TUES
01

First Tuesday Games Night with Cheese and Wine, celebrating Friendship Month



Join us for this fun and friendly social with cheese and wine. Book by Tuesday 25 August. Oddfellows House, 94 Manchester Road, Bury BL9 0TH. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.

MON
07

Leisurely Scenic Walk - Preston Marina and River Ribble



Easy flat walking on good paths with some walking on the riverside path next to the River Ribble, this walk is about an hour. We will use the footpath which leads round the main basin, crossing on the main road/rail bridge! This walk is a little further. The walking group meet on the first Monday of every month until October and walks are less than four miles. Walkers with mobility difficulty or a specific health problem or who are seriously unfit should contact the walk organisers. Comfortable shoes or trainers can be worn. Usually meet at Blackburn Bus Station. Times sent out nearer the time. Book by Monday 31 August. Blackburn Bus and Coach Station, Blackburn BB1 5AX. Contact Chris on 07711 376280 or Joan on 07414 816521.

THURS
03

Friendship Social and Coffee Morning with Lunch - Wigan



It's Friendship Month. Everyone is welcome to come and join us for our monthly social coffee morning and lunch.



Held on the first Thursday of the month, friends come together for friendly chatter and laughs over a cuppa and a biscuit, followed by a light lunch. We are adjacent to bus station and close to railway station. Limited parking by permit. Easily accessible for all. Wigan Stars, Hallgate House, Frank Street, Wigan WN1 1HP. Contact Charles on 07710 183972 or Natalie on 07564 641909.



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September

TUES 08 Dine Around Bury at The Papermill



Join us for lunch at The Papermill with a great location and a good selection of food and drinks. Book by Tuesday 1 September. The Papermill, Little 66, Roach Bank Road, Unsworth BL9 8RN. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.



THURS 17 Friendship Dine Around Wigan at Hindley Golf Club



Come and join us for a local dine around with friends old and new. Book by Wednesday 10 September. Hindley Golf Club, Hindley Hall Lane, Aspull, Pennington Green WN2 2SQ. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.



ODDFELLOWS FRIENDSHIP MONTH

1 - 30 SEPTEMBER



TUES 22 Dine Around Blackburn at The Yew Tree, Preston



Atmospheric, spacious, charming - in a building with years of history. Book by Tuesday 8 September. The Yew Tree, 100 Victoria Road, Walton Le Dale, Preston PR5 4AU. Contact Joan on 07414 816521 or Valerie on 01254 698716.

THURS 24 Thursday Friends - Friendship Month



It's Friendship Month - everybody welcome! The Thursday Friends meet every Thursday from 12 noon to 2pm. Bring some lunch and enjoy a bite to eat together whilst chatting and laughing with each other and then finish the afternoon with a few games of dominoes. The first meeting is free and costs £1 per week with an optional £2 extra on the day. This event will be held in aid of Macmillan Cancer Research. Oddfellows House, 94 Manchester Road, Bury BL9 0TH. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.



Make the most of your membership



Your membership provides you with a great range of benefits...

Standard £25 a year membership* gives you access to...

- Local social events
- Care & Welfare Helpline
- Oddfellows Travel
- Oddfellows news by email
- Branch Care & Welfare Support
- Oddfellows Citizens Advice Line
- Money saving partner offers
- Benevolence Grants
- Emergency Financial Aid (Household)
- Convalescence & Carer Support (after 2 years' membership)
- Accidental Death Benefit
- Legal Aid Scheme
- Educational & Apprenticeship Awards
- 24/7 access to our historical online archive

£35 a year membership* provides you with additional benefits of...

- Optical benefit of up to £30 every second year of membership (after 1 year's membership)
- Dental benefit of up to £30 every membership year (after 1 year's membership)

For more information visit: www.oddfellows.co.uk/benefits.

*Terms and conditions apply to all member benefits and services.

For full details, visit www.oddfellows.co.uk/terms-conditions, or call us on 0800 028 1810.

Chairman's Message

I would like to welcome you to the Out and About magazine for April to September.

I have been a member of the Oddfellows for 57 years, joining the Duke of Norfolk lodge in the Wigan and Standish District and I am pleased to take the position of Provincial Grand Master in South East Lancs District Lodge as I held the office in Wigan in 1993.

I spent many years as lodge secretary and branch secretary in Wigan and Standish District and from 2000 to 2018 in East Lancs which became South East Lancs in 2005 with the merger of Wigan, Standish and East Lancs followed by Blackburn Branch joining us in 2009.

In 2008 I joined the Board of Directors of the Oddfellows which led to my becoming Grand Master of the Order from 2011 to 2013. Janice and I travelled all over the country visiting Branches and Districts and meeting members and friends at their lunches and dinners. We also visited South Africa and Australia. The Chairman will be supporting Wigan Hospice this year as his charity of the year and will be arranging lots of fundraising events for the hospice throughout his term.

I look forward to visiting all the areas of South East Lancashire in my year of office.

Charles Vaughan



Oddfellows' Foodie Meet-Ups: A Celebration of Community and Cuisine

At Oddfellows, food is more than just a meal - it's a reason to come together, share stories, and create lasting memories. Whether it's a cake and a cup of tea at a casual get-together or a feast on Lancashire night, food is always at the heart of our gatherings. From traditional Lancashire hotpot to beautifully decorated Christmas cakes, each event is a chance to enjoy delicious dishes that bring us closer.

Our weekly events are designed to connect people through food. Every Thursday, friends in Bury come together for a cozy lunchtime meet-up. Each person brings their own lunch, but it's the conversation and the cup of tea that make it special.

The Blackburn Social Club hosts a lovely luncheon on the second Tuesday of every month, where a friendly group gathers for great

food and even better company. And in Wigan, the first Thursday of the month is reserved for a homemade buffet lunch that never disappoints.



In addition to these regular gatherings, we also host three 'Dine Around' events each month, taking us to some of the best pubs, cafés, and restaurants across South East Lancashire. These outings are a chance to explore new places, share meals, and enjoy the company of fellow Oddfellows members. So whether you're a regular or new to Oddfellows, come join us for a social lunch and discover how food can bring people together. We can't wait to share a cuppa (and a slice of cake) with you!

A Fiery Night of Fun at Oddfellows Bury: Bonfire Night Quiz

On the 4th of November, Oddfellows Bury Branch lit up the night with an unforgettable Bonfire Night celebration. The evening kicked off with a Bonfire Night-themed quiz that had guests testing their knowledge of firework facts, historical trivia, and everything in between. The quiz had a perfect mix of competition and camaraderie, sparking plenty of lively conversation among attendees.

After the quiz, everyone gathered for a hearty corned beef hash dinner- a warming and delicious treat to fuel the rest of the evening's festivities. The cozy meal was the ideal comfort food for a chilly November night.

The highlight of the evening was the firework display held outside the branch. The night sky was illuminated with bursts of colour and light, making for a magical moment that everyone could enjoy.



To top it off, each guest was given a sparkler to add their own touch to the evening's glow. The event was a true celebration of Bonfire Night, blending fun, food, and fireworks into a memorable community gathering.

A huge thanks to everyone who attended, making the night a resounding success. Here's to more fun-filled nights at Oddfellows Bury!

**Learn, have fun,
and stay in touch
from home**

Our online events are here to stay



To see what's coming up visit www.oddfellows.co.uk/events

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Friendship: the constant that carries us forward A message from our CEO, Jane Nelson

Another year has passed by so quickly at the Oddfellows, and it reminds me how fast life moves. However, in a hurried world, friendships really do slow the pace and bring us back to what truly matters.

Life for each and every one of us feels richer in good company. Even between get-togethers, friendships keep us hopeful. They anchor us through life's ebb and flow – deepening our joy in good times and supporting us in challenging ones. True friends celebrate our successes, steady us when we falter, and offer a sense of belonging.

Life may change, but lasting friendship remains a constant that grounds us, making everything a little brighter. And whether near or far, genuine connections help us navigate life with resilience, laughter, and warmth.

Remember every friendship begins with a simple moment of connection, and we all have the power to create new ones or welcome others into our community who seek companionship. Please always stay open to new friendships in 2026 and nurture the ones you treasure.

If you're a member and see a new face at one of our social events, offer that warm welcome we're known for. A friendly chat, a check-in, or an introduction can ease first-visit nerves and help turn a new space into a familiar one. These small acts show that we want people with us for the long run.

Throughout 2026, let's hold on to what gives our Society its strength – the belief that shared friendship creates a place where people feel supported, valued, and at home.

Friendship is the bedrock of our Society. So together, let's continue building a welcoming community where every friendship can begin.

This will be my last turn of year message to you all as of course I retire in May. I want to thank each and every one of you for your support and friendship over the years and I wish you, your friends and your families a very happy and healthy 2026.

Yours in friendship,

Jane Nelson, CEO, the Oddfellows

A warm welcome to Simon, our CEO Designate

In October 2025, the Society appointed Simon Gallimore as Chief Executive Officer Designate. He's currently working alongside Jane Nelson, our CEO, ahead of assuming full responsibilities in May 2026. Read more at: www.oddfellows.co.uk/news/welcoming-our-new-ceo-designate



Talented trio win Educational Awards

We're proud to announce our 2025 First Degree Course Educational Award winners: Melanie Healy (Humber Wolds Oddfellows), Will Stevenson (Pride of Woolwich Oddfellows) and Emma Corbin (Worcester Oddfellows).

Each winner will receive a non-repayable bursary worth £900 per year for the duration of their studies, which can go towards anything from text books and vital equipment to helping out with rent, bills and other practical items.

Jane Nelson, CEO of the Oddfellows, said:

It fills me with pride each year when we announce the winners of the First Degree Course Educational Awards, and I'm sure that Melanie, Will and Emma will work hard and have a wonderful university experience.

University is an exciting time, but it can also be quite stressful. I hope this money will go some way to help reduce some of the financial pressures that are a reality of being a student.

Melanie Healey, Humber Wolds Branch

In October 2025, Melanie began her Asian and Middle Eastern Studies course at the University of Cambridge. The four-year course will begin with learning Arabic language skills from scratch, building up her existing French language skills and looking at French Literature.



She says she is hoping to put the money towards travelling to French and Arabic-speaking countries for internships and exchanges to help sharpen these skills.

Melanie said: "I was delighted when I found out that I'd been chosen to receive the funding, and I would like to thank the Oddfellows for the grant."

Although unsure what her career plans are at this stage, Melanie says she "would definitely like to work in a role that allows me to use my language skills".

Will Stevenson Pride of Woolwich Branch

Will started reading Geography at the University of Durham's Trevelyan College in Autumn 2025, where modules cover



topics such as climate change, physical geography, human geography, geographical research and geographies in crisis.

The money, he says, will go towards the social aspects that university life has to offer, such as the Durham University Big Band.

Will said: "Hearing I was a recipient of the award was incredibly exciting, and I am extremely thankful to the Oddfellows for the trust and generosity they have offered me."

Will also hasn't mapped out his career plans at this stage, but says that's one of the reasons the course appealed to him, given "the breadth of Geography and its wide application".

Emma Corbin Worcester Branch

Unbeknownst to either, Emma and Will have ended up on the same Geography course at the University of Durham.



Emma plans to put the money towards learning materials and field trips.

"I felt extremely grateful and lucky when I was picked as one of the successful candidates from what would have been many amazing applications," she said. "I would like to say how thankful I am. It is a great opportunity to have an award like this available."

Emma too hasn't decided which direction she wants her career to take, but thinks her chosen course will provide her with a range of opportunities.

"It's an increasingly relevant subject, considering topics such as climate change and geopolitics," Emma added.

More about our Educational Awards

Each year, our Fraternal Board chooses who will receive the Educational Awards funding, based on the applications received from members. To learn more about the awards, including the Apprenticeship Educational Award, eligibility and how to apply, visit www.oddfellows.co.uk/benefits/care/educational-awards.

2026: Time to make a financial plan



a proud part of the Oddfellows

The year might have only just started, but we all know how quickly the calendar can flip. One minute it's spring, and the next we're wondering where the mince pies have gone.

Taking a little time now to think about your finances before the new tax year starts in April can make life feel calmer and more organised.

Where to start?

A financial plan doesn't have to involve spreadsheets or complicated formulas. It can simply start with a few questions, like: 'What do I want to save for? Am I prepared for life's surprises? Could my money be working harder for me?'

For some Oddfellows members, the focus might be on simply enjoying life or planning for the future. Others may also be thinking about the younger people in their lives – children, grandchildren, or that teenager who changes career ambitions daily.

Small, regular contributions now could grow into something meaningful later.

Start saving

Lucky for Oddfellows members, our financial services arm, Unity Mutual, is close at hand.

Unity Mutual is a regulated provider of ISAs and other savings and investment

products, which means they follow strict rules designed to protect our members.

Unity Mutual's Guaranteed Investment Bonds, including two, three and five year terms, offer fixed-rates for savers with a lump sum to invest, and Oddfellow members can benefit from preferential rates.

Alternatively, ISAs are a tax-efficient way to save or invest, whether you're building up funds to enjoy retirement or looking to help give your child a confident step into adulthood.

ISA Products available from Unity Mutual for Oddfellow members include a Lifetime ISA, a Flexible ISA and a Junior ISA, and you can also make the most of the Adult and Child Tax-Exempt Savings Plans.

Get in touch

And the good news? You don't have to figure it all out by yourself. Unity Mutual is happy to chat with you about your goals, big, small, or somewhere in between.

Our friendly staff can provide information on what is available to you. They'll talk through things in plain English, not financial jargon, so you can make decisions confidently and comfortably.

Terms and conditions apply to all products.

Find out more

Visit www.unitymutual.co.uk or call us for a chat on 0161 214 4650.



Oddfellows Members: Do you need help?

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 the office on **07403 834284**

Oddfellows Advice Line

Call 0800 0149 821*

(free to callers from any landline or mobile number)

Monday - Friday, 9.30am - 4.30pm

Email: oddfellows@citizensadvicemanchester.org.uk



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**

Meetings

Ceremonial Meetings (King William the Fourth Lodge)

The Oddfellows have a long and rich history stretching back more than 200 years and in line with other guild and fraternal organisations of a similar age, we have certain traditions, ceremonies, titles and regalia that have been used over the years. In the modern Oddfellows there is no need for any member to take part in any of the Ceremonial side of the Society but it does give a fascinating insight into the history of the Oddfellows and Guilds in general.

Our King William the Fourth Lodge is our living embodiment; keeping the history and traditions alive. It is where new members can be formally welcomed to the Oddfellows (if they wish) and people wishing to stand for an officers position in the society can complete their Oddfellows education, in the form of what we call Oddfellows Degrees.

Our regalia is used, as are traditional terms and room layouts. Why not come along and find out more about what Oddfellowship is about, and for members, it is the opportunity to practice and to keep up to date on the running of a traditional and ceremonial meeting.

These meetings are for members only (although members of any Oddfellows Branch are welcome to join us).

Meetings are held every third Tuesday of the month at 1pm.

Contact: Robert Peters for further details on ceremonial meetings.

Telephone: 07905 524885

Email: natalie.kearns@oddfellows.co.uk

**Oddfellows House
94 Manchester Road
Bury
BL9 0TH**

Events at a glance

Weekly Events

Bury Craft and Coffee Morning - Every Monday at 10.30am

Bury Wednesday Coffee Morning Meet Up - Every Wednesday at 11am

Bury Thursday Friends - Every Thursday at 12 noon

Bury Friday Coffee Morning Meet Up - Every Friday at 11am

April 2026

Wed 1	Stockport Plaza Cinema showing Whiskey Galore	11am
Thurs 2	Social and Coffee Morning with Lunch - Wigan	10.30am
Mon 6	Leisurely Scenic Walk - Jackhouse Nature Reserve, Oswaldtwistle	11am
Tues 7	Ten Pin Bowling, Blackburn	11.15am
Tues 7	Scrabble Club, Bury	1.30pm
Tues 7	First Tuesday Games Night with Pie and Peas Supper	7.30pm
Tues 14	Blackburn Social Club	12 noon
Tues 14	Dine Around Bury at The Fusilier Museum	1pm
Thurs 16	Dine Around Wigan at Olympus Chippy	12 noon
Sun 19	Looking For Me Friend - The Music of Victoria Wood	6pm
Tues 21	Third Tuesday Bus Pass Day	10am
Tues 21	Scrabble Club, Bury	1.30pm
Tues 21	Third Tuesday Games Night	7.30pm
Wed 22	Out and About - Manchester Sightseeing Bus Tour	2pm
Sat 25	Annual District Luncheon	12.30pm
Tues 28	Dine Around Blackburn at Thira Restaurant	12 noon

May

Mon 4	Leisurely Scenic Walk - Astley Park, Chorley	11am
Tues 5	Ten Pin Bowling, Blackburn	11.15am
Tues 5	Scrabble Club, Bury	1.30pm
Tues 5	Gin Tasting at Wild Fox Distillery, Preston	4.30pm
Thurs 7	Social and Coffee Morning with Lunch - Wigan	10.30am
Fri 8	Fireground Fire Museum and St John's Church Mosaics	11am
Fri 8	Ladies Who Lunch at the Wigan Little Theatre	5.30pm

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May

Tues 12	Blackburn Social Club	12 noon
Tues 12	Dine Around Bury at Falshaws Farm	1pm
Mon 18	Lunchtime Piano Concert at Manchester Cathedral	12 noon
Tues 19	Third Tuesday Bus Pass Day	10am
Tues 19	Scrabble Club, Bury	1.30pm
Tues 19	Third Tuesday Games Night	7.30pm
Wed 20	Lytham Hall Tour	11.30am
Thurs 21	Dine Around Wigan at The Three Mills	12 noon
Tues 26	Dine Around Blackburn at Crown and Thistle Bakery Café, Darwen	12 noon

June

Mon 1	Leisurely Scenic Walk – Avenham Park, Preston	11am
Tues 2	Ten Pin Bowling, Blackburn	11.15am
Tues 2	Scrabble Club, Bury	1.30pm
Tues 2	First Tuesday Games Night with Bingo and Supper	7.30pm
Thurs 4	Social and Coffee Morning with Lunch – Wigan	10.30am
Tues 9	Blackburn Social Club	12 noon
Tues 9	Dine Around Bury at Park Farm Tearooms	1pm
Wed 10	Crown Green Bowls at Seedfield Bowling Club	1pm
Thurs 11	Music for a While at Manchester Cathedral	11.45am
Tues 16	Third Tuesday Bus Pass Day	10am
Tues 16	Scrabble Club, Bury	1.30pm
Tues 16	Third Tuesday Games Night	7.30pm
Thurs 18	Dine Around Wigan at The Owls at Standish	12 noon
Tues 23	Dine Around Blackburn at Traders Arms, Mellor	12 noon

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June

Wed 24	City River Tour - Explore Manchester from the Water and a trip to the Lowry Museum and Art Gallery	11.30am
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July

Thurs 2	Social and Coffee Morning with Lunch - Wigan	10.30am
Mon 6	Leisurely Scenic Walk - Towneley Park, Burnley	11am
Tues 7	Ten Pin Bowling, Blackburn	11.15am
Tues 7	Scrabble Club, Bury	1.30pm
Tues 7	First Tuesday Games Night with Pizza	7.30pm
Wed 8	Stockport Air Raid Shelters and Museum	1pm
Sat 11	LADGC Bowls - Garswood Hall Bowling and Community Club	10am
Tues 14	Blackburn Social Club	12 noon
Tues 14	Dine Around Bury at Bradley Fold Garden Centre	1pm
Thurs 16	Dine Around Wigan at Golden Days Garden Centre	12 noon
Tues 21	Third Tuesday Bus Pass Day	10am
Tues 21	Scrabble Club, Bury	1.30pm
Tues 21	Third Tuesday Games Night	7.30pm
Wed 22	A Visit to Whittaker Museum	11am
Tues 28	Dine Around Blackburn at Whelan's, Lytham	12 noon

August

Mon 3	Leisurely Scenic Walk - River Calder at Whalley	11am
Tues 4	Ten Pin Bowling, Blackburn	11.15am
Tues 4	Scrabble Club, Bury	1.30pm
Tues 4	First Tuesday Games Night with Croquet at Whitehead Park	6pm
Wed 5	Hollingworth Lake, Littleborough	12 noon

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August

Thurs 6	Social and Coffee Morning with Lunch - Wigan	10.30am
Tues 11	Blackburn Social Club	12 noon
Tues 11	Dine Around Bury at Pack Horse Inn	1pm
Tues 18	Third Tuesday Bus Pass Day	10am
Tues 18	Scrabble Club, Bury	1.30pm
Tues 18	Third Tuesday Games Night	7.30pm
Wed 19	Salford Museum and Art Gallery	12 noon
Thurs 20	Dine Around Wigan at Bag and Bean	12 noon
Fri 21	Southport Flower Show	10am
Tues 25	Dine Around Blackburn at Feilden's Arms, Mellor Brook	12 noon
Fri 28	Kittywakes Cruise with a Chippy Tea	6.30pm

September - Friendship Month

Tues 1	Ten Pin Bowling, Blackburn	11.15am
Tues 1	Scrabble Club, Bury	1.30pm
Tues 1	First Tuesday Games Night with Cheese and Wine, celebrating Friendship Month	7.30pm
Thurs 3	Friendship Social and Coffee Morning with Lunch - Wigan	10.30am
Mon 7	Leisurely Scenic Walk - Preston Marina and River Ribble	11am
Tues 8	Blackburn Social Club	12 noon
Tues 8	Dine Around Bury at The Papermill	1pm
Tues 15	Third Tuesday Bus Pass Day	10am
Tues 15	Scrabble Club, Bury	1.30pm
Tues 15	Third Tuesday Games Night	7.30pm
Thurs 17	Friendship Dine Around Wigan at Hindley Golf Club	12 noon
Tues 22	Dine Around Blackburn at The Yew Tree, Preston	12 noon
Thurs 24	Thursday Friends - Friendship Month	12 noon