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# *out & about*

## **Combermere Branch**

Making friends across Manchester, Stockport, Glossop, Leigh and Bolton



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*Sparkle with Combermere at events this Christmas.*

**Hello and Welcome to our latest Out and About Diary and hope you will enjoy some of the many events we have planned especially over the Festive Season.**

Thank you to everyone that made Friendship Month such a success, at the various events held across the Branch, in total we raised over £350 for the Chairwoman's chosen charity and over 26 new members joined we look forward to seeing at upcoming events.

**In Friendship,  
Sarah**

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## **Hello!**

I wish to thank those members who submitted applications for our Community Sponsorship Project for 2025. The Committee of Management certainly had a tough decision on who to award the sponsorship to and as a result, drum roll please... Two projects have been awarded sponsorship of £500 each!

Project one is sponsorship of a basketball kits for the Tameside Vikings Basketball Club U14s team, and project two is sponsorship of swimming costumes for the City of Salford Synchronised Swimming Club. In both cases the recipients have expressed their sincere thanks for the sponsorship which means a great deal to them. Further updates on both clubs will be given in the next Out and About.

In the meantime, please start to have a think of any community project that the Branch can support in 2026 (it will be here before you know it!). Sponsorship can be for anything as along as it is community related (tools for a community garden, kits for sports teams, etc), within the Combermere Branch area (Stockport, Manchester, Glossop, Leigh or Bolton) and a maximum of £500.

As you are aware from the last Out and About, I have now commenced my new role as Secretary of the Order Designate, as such my working days as Branch Secretary have now changed to a Thursday and Friday only.

**Many thanks  
Pam**

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Ray Howard - Leigh and Bolton

## Regular Monthly Meeting Places

### Bolton

#### First Monday of the month

Red Lion, 1-3 Salford Road, Over Hulton, Bolton BL5 1BJ at 11am

### Glossop

#### First Tuesday of the month

Glossop Golf Club, Sheffield Road, Glossop SK13 7PU at 11.30am

Please can you contact the Golf Club directly for catering purposes if you wish to stay for lunch 01457 856247

### Leigh

#### Third Tuesday of the month

Cucina, 198 Chapel Street, Leigh WN7 2DW at 11am

### Manchester

#### Second Wednesday of the month

Terrace NQ, 43 Thomas Street, Northern Quarter, Manchester M4 1NA at 1pm

### Stockport

#### First Thursday of the month

Cheadle Hulme Conservative Club, Mellor Road, Cheadle Hulme SK8 5AT at 7pm

Please note due to the 1 January being a Bank Holiday the social will be held on the 8 January.

# Weekly Online Events

## Chi Gung and Meditation



2pm



Free



Online



Every Monday

Join Graeme for Chi Gung and Meditation. Chi Gung is a set of standing exercises and gentle slow flowing movements that can help with muscle strength, balance, flexibility and cognitive function.

The session will last approximately 45 minutes and finishes off with meditation. You will need a chair and space to stand and stretch and will also have time at the end to ask questions. It starts at 2pm but you will not be able to join after 2.05pm as the class will have started.



Zoom Meeting ID: 824 6194 4085.

## Tai Chi with Graeme



6pm



Free



Online



Every Wednesday

Join Graeme for Tai Chi. Originally developed for self-defence, Tai Chi has evolved into a graceful form of exercise that's now used for stress reduction and a variety of other health conditions. Often described as meditation in motion, it promotes serenity through gentle flowing movements.

The class will last approximately 45 minutes, please wear comfortable clothes.



Please note the new meeting ID and passcode. Zoom Meeting ID: 889 0330 1327  
Password: 331259.

For further details for any of these events call Sarah on 07873 581975.

# Save the Date – Hatting Event

**Tuesday 17 February 2026, 7pm**  
**Browns Restaurant in Manchester**

Our annual Hatting Event in homage to the Hatting Industry and surroundings areas sees our District Chairperson presenting a hat to the Chairman of the Oddfellows. An event that has been held with Combermere Oddfellows for over 50 years.



**Please remember** that where an event has price per menu, that it is the members responsibility to check prices and dietary requirements with the venue before booking on the event.

## Booking on Events

**Please remember the importance of the booking deadline date for events, as we cannot guarantee a place on an event once the book by date has past, although we will always do our best to accommodate where possible.**

When bookings are made for events that require a deposit or a purchase of ticket(s), payment must be made at time of booking to secure your place. Refunds will only be made where the event is cancelled, no refunds will be given in any other circumstance, unless the place can be refilled by another member. There are various ways to make payment (with a bank transfer or SumUp (debit/

credit card) being the preferred method), which are as follows:

**Bank transfer** – Please ensure that you advise the secretary by email/text/phone of the event(s) you are making payment for. For bank details please contact your secretary Pam on 07966 934747 or email [pamela.casey@oddfellows.co.uk](mailto:pamela.casey@oddfellows.co.uk)

**SumUp** – Available at events (Social Organisers) or over the phone via a payment link from the Secretary.

**Cheque** – Please make payable to ‘Combermere District Lodge’ and pass to a Social Organiser at any event or send direct to the Secretary.



# November 2025

## MON 03 Social Morning - Meet the Members Bolton

11am

£ Free



Meeting for our monthly social we can catch up over a tea or coffee with the first one being complimentary and have lunch later if you wish. This month is 'Meet the Members' where new members from this year and Friendship Month get to know existing members when they tell us a bit more about themselves. Red Lion, 1-3 Salford Road, Over Hulton, Bolton BL5 1BJ. Contact Ray on 07938 016678.

## TUES 04 Social Morning - Meet the Members Glossop

11.30am

£ Free



Join us for our monthly social morning where this month is 'Meet the Members' where new members from this year and Friendship Month can find out more about existing members when they tell us a bit more about themselves. Glossop Golf Club, Sheffield Road, Derbyshire SK13 7PU. Contact Sarah on 07873 581975.



## WED 05 Metro Munchers - The Black Friars

12.30pm

£ As per menu



The Black Friars is a gem among the giants and this unique independently owned pub has something for all tastes.



Having risen from the ashes and sympathetically restored, it has been resurrected after lying derelict for over 15 years. Built in 1886, its extensive refurbishment in 2021 has brought harmony between the old and the new. Book by Friday 31 October 2025. The Black Friars, 41-43 BlackFriars Road, Salford M3 7DB. Contact Sarah on 07873 581975.

## THURS 06 Social Evening - Meet the Members Stockport

7pm

£ Free



Join us for our monthly social and enjoy complimentary tea or coffee with cake. This month will be 'Meeting the Members' to let new members from this year and Friendship Month find out more about existing members when they tell us a bit more about themselves. Cheadle Hulme Conservative Club, Mellor Road, Cheadle Hulme SK8 5AT. Contact Sarah on 07873 581975.

# November 2025

SAT  
08

## Saturday Special - Murder Mystery Guide Bridge

🕒 2pm

£ £10 plus food £15



Fancy yourself as a Sherlock, Marple or Poirot? Come and join us and get to play detective as you watch the events unfold. Examine the evidence, scrutinise the clues and watch out for Red Herrings, interrogate the suspects then work out whodunnit. The best answer will win a prize. For those who maybe peckish you can add a meat or veggie chilli at £5. Let us know when

booking by Friday 31 October 2025. Guide Bridge Theatre, Audenshaw Road, Audenshaw M34 5HJ. Contact Sarah on 07873 581975.



MON  
10

## Live at Lunchtime - RNCM

🕒 1.30pm

£ Free



Meeting in the foyer at 1pm, we can enjoy this free lunchtime performance. Featuring Masako Yamamoto on piano and Baritone Timothy Mays. The programme includes Joseph Haydn Piano Sonata in D major No 39, Johannes Brahms Intermezzo in A major No 2 from 6 Piano Pieces Op 118 and Minako Tokuyama Musica Nara Op 18. Book by Monday 3 November 2025. Royal Northern College of Music, 124 Oxford Road, Manchester M13 9RD. Contact Sarah on 07873 581975.

TUES  
11

## Let's Lunch - Portobello

🕒 12.30pm

£ As per menu



Authentic Italian feel café with incredible food and excellent coffee and friendly staff. Book by Tuesday 4 November 2025. Portobello, 86 Station Road, Hadfield, Glossop SK13 1AJ. Contact Sarah on 07873 581975.



# November 2025

WED  
12

## Social Afternoon - Meet the Members Manchester



1pm



Free



Please join us for our monthly social in the heart of the Northern Quarter in Manchester. Catch up with old friends and make new friends over complimentary tea, coffee and cake. Today we will be 'Meeting the Members' which will allow new members from this year and Friendship Month to get to know existing members when they tell us a bit more about themselves. Terrace NQ, 43 Thomas Street, Northern Quarter, Manchester M4 1NA. Contact Sarah on 07873 581975.

THURS  
13

## Dine Around - Shaam



6pm



As per menu



In the Lebanese culture food is a celebration of life, with endless varieties and magical tastes, healthy and naturally prepared, it all comes together at meal time for a family get together or time for friends to catch up. In the heart of Bramhall you can bring your own drinks with Sainsburys and Tesco a two minute walk away. Book by Thursday 6 November 2025. Shaam, 1 Woodford Road, Bramhall, Cheshire SK7 1JN. Contact Sarah on 07873 581975.



FRI  
14

## Let's Lunch - Royal Inn



12.30pm



As per menu



We love the Royal Inn, a friendly pub with huge portions and great value for money. Book by Monday 3 November 2025. Royal Inn, 67- 69 Wigan Road, Atherton M46 0LW. Contact Ray on 07938 016678.



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# November 2025

SUN  
16

## Out and About - Bolton Steam Museum



1pm



Free



The Bolton Steam Museum is a world-class visitor attraction, displaying the largest collection of working mill engines in Europe. Entirely volunteer run, the museum has been developed over 20 years and showcases many of the manufacturers that powered the north.



120 years ago Lancashire produced more than half the world's supply of cotton textiles. Hundreds of mills were busy spinning, weaving, bleach and dye works were thriving. Steam engines drove all the machinery in the mills and there was as many as 10,000 engines at work, mostly built by local engineering companies.

Over the next 80 years the industry declined as production moved overseas and mill closures announced every week. Meeting in the entrance, we can look round this incredible museum that a group of like minded individuals wanted to preserve of their rapidly disappearing heritage. Book by Monday 10 November 2025. Bolton Steam Museum, Mornington Road, Bolton BL1 4EU. Contact Ray on 07938 016678.

TUES  
18

## Social Morning - Meet the Members Leigh



11am



Free



Join us at this family run coffee shop to meet like-minded semi-retired and retired people over a tea or coffee with the first one complimentary. This month is 'Meet the Members' to let new members from this year and Friendship Month get to know existing members when they tell us a bit more about themselves. Cucina, 198, Chapel Street, Leigh WN7 2DW. Contact Ray on 07938 016678.

# November 2025

WED  
19

## Out and About - Ancoats Walking Tour



11.30am



As per menu



Meeting in Café 90 Delice, we will start our guided walk 'Cotton to Culture' finishing approximately 1pm at Maricarmen for lunch. Ancoats has seen incredible green regeneration from polluted wasteland and now has trendy cafés and bakeries with refurbished mills and new buildings. The walk is flat and easy and will pass the Rochdale Canal which was the transport hub for cotton and coal, Halle St Peters from Church to orchestra rehearsal space, Royal Mills symbolising Manchester's textile dominance and other sites time and weather permitting. Book by Wednesday 12 November 2025. Café 90 Delice, 5 Keepers Quay, Manchester M4 6JL. Contact Sarah on 07873 581975.



THURS  
20

## Fun and Games Afternoon - Hazelgrove



12.30pm



£15



Hosted by our members John and Chris, join us for a fun afternoon of games. We will draw for partners and play darts, snooker, pool and table tennis and whether you have not played before or wish to just watch and have a laugh, it is sure to be an entertaining afternoon. Prizes will be given out and the price includes a bar meal platter. Book by Tuesday 4 November 2025. Hazel Grove Snooker Club, 2 Macclesfield Road, Hazel Grove, Stockport SK7 5EN. Contact Sarah on 07873 581975.

FRI  
21

## Let's Lunch - Glossop Garden Centre



12.30pm



As per  
menu



Whether you want afternoon tea, sandwiches, or a main meal, there will always be something on the menu and a warm welcome at this family run garden centre in the middle of Glossop. Book by Tuesday 4 November 2025. Glossop Garden Centre, Town Centre, Off Railway Street, Glossop SK13 7AG. Contact Sarah on 07873 581975.

# November 2025

FRI  
21

## Foodie Friday - The Joshua Bradley



This grand house turned pub, with snug, lounge and orangery restaurant serves global and British food at reasonable prices with good service. Book by Tuesday 4 November 2025. The Joshua Bradley, Stockport Road, Hyde SK13 5EZ. Contact Sarah on 07873 581975.



MON  
24

## Let's Lunch - Regent Golf Club



You will not be needing your clubs here as we will just be having lunch at the Regent Park Golf in a wonderful setting. Book by Monday 10 November 2025. Regent Park Golf Club, Links Road, Lostock, Bolton BL6 4AF. Contact Ray on 07938 016678.

TUES  
25

## Let's Lunch - Glossop Garden Centre



Whether its a light bite, main meal or even their afternoon tea, there is always something on the menu for everyone. Located in the heart of Glossop near public transport, we can even buy some Christmas presents from the lovely selection of items in the shop. Book by Tuesday 4 November 2025. Glossop Garden Centre, Town Centre, Off Railway Street, Glossop SK13 7AG. Contact Sarah on 07873 581975.

WED  
26

## Out and About - York Christmas Markets



Meeting at Piccadilly Station, we will be visiting York's award winning Christmas markets. Every inch of the city is decked with lights, trees and boughs. Every street and square filled with festive chalets and delicious scents of the season, making it one of the best places to visit at Christmas in the UK. Book by Wednesday 12 November 2025. Manchester Piccadilly Train Station, Piccadilly Station Approach, Manchester M60 7RA. Contact Sarah on 07873 581975.

# November 2025    December

## THURS 27    Let's Lunch - The Hanging Gate



12.30pm



As per  
menu



Our annual visit to The Hanging Gate renowned for its Christmas Decorations featured on Granada Tonight and BBC North West news and even in the USA. The decorations are truly amazing and take them three weeks to put up with over 7,000 baubles and 35,000 lights. The menus are extensive with senior specials and great value. Book by Monday 10 November 2025. The Hanging Gate, Manchester Road, Chapel-en-le-Frith SK23 9UH. Contact Sarah on 07873 581975.

## FRI 28    Friday Fun - BJ's Bingo



12.30pm



£15



Lets enjoy some games of bingo whilst having a bite to eat in this great venue located in Leigh's town centre. The cost for bingo is £15 and if you wish to eat the food is extra. Book by Monday 17 November 2025. BJ's Bingo, Unit 1, Ellesmere Street, Leigh WN7 4LQ. Contact Ray on 07938 016678.



## MON 01    Social Morning - Bolton



11am



Free



Meeting for our monthly social we can catch up over a tea or coffee with the first one being complimentary and have lunch later if you wish. At the regular socials we discuss what events are being held across our District, booking on them and ideas to go in future diaries etc. Non-members most welcome to come along and find out more about Oddfellows. Red Lion, 1-3 Salford Road, Over Hulton, Bolton BL5 1BJ. Contact Ray on 07938 016678.

## TUES 02    Social Morning - Glossop



11.30am



Free



Join us for our monthly social morning where we can catch up with other members to discuss events across the District, book on them and what we would like to see in the diary next time. If the golf club is not too busy with golfers, staying for lunch we maybe able to stay and have something to eat later. Meeting at Glossop Golf Club set amid the rolling hills of the Peak District. Tea or coffee is complimentary and is open to non-members, so join us to find out more about Oddfellows. Glossop Golf Club, Sheffield Road, Derbyshire SK13 7PU. Contact Sarah on 07873 581975.

# December

WED  
03

## Christmas Lunch - Townhouse



1pm



Three  
courses £30



Sparkle with us this Christmas and join us for a delicious three course



lunch to include a glass of bubbles in this fantastic venue. The boutique hotel located on the historic Portland Street is a grade II listed building in the heart of Manchester. We can continue the festivities afterwards if you wish and explore the markets nearby as night time falls and the lights and Christmas trees make the city magical. Book by Monday 3 November 2025. Townhouse Hotel, 101 Portland Street, Manchester M1 6DF. Contact Sarah on 07873 581975.

THURS  
04

## Social Evening - 'Pot Luck' Stockport



7pm



Free



Join us for our monthly Social and to celebrate the festive season its 'Potluck Night' where members bring in various food to share. Whether its 'Savoury or Sweet' we can decide at the November Social. Cheadle Hulme Conservative Club, Mellor Road, Cheadle Hulme SK8 5AT. Contact Sarah on 07873 581975.



FRI  
05

## Matinee Pantomime Aladdin - Buxton Opera House



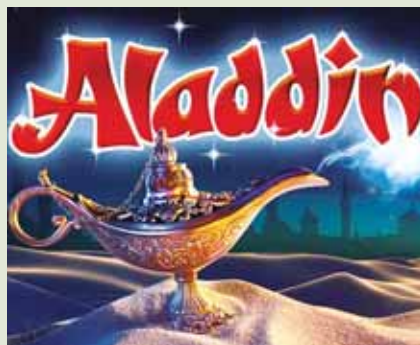
1pm



£26.50



Join us at Buxton House for another year of festive fun, guaranteed to take you on a magical adventure like no other. When the charming but poor Aladdin meets Princess Sharon, he thinks all his dreams have come true, until he comes across a magical lamp and a Genie who grants him three wishes... Please book early as



places limited by Tuesday 4 November 2025. Buxton Opera House, Pavilion Gardens, Water Street SK17 6XN. Contact Sarah on 07873 581975.



# December

TUES  
09

## Let's Lunch Christmas - Signatures



12 noon



As per menu



WED  
10

## Social Afternoon - Manchester



1pm



Free



Join us for Christmas lunch in the luxurious surroundings of Bolton College's Signature Restaurant, Bolton's best-kept secret. Open to the public, enjoy fine food and exceptional service, prepared and served and by the college's talented catering and hospitality students. Book by Monday 1 December 2025. Signature Restaurant, Deane Road Campus, Deane Road, Bolton BL3 5BG. Contact Ray on 07938 016678.

Please join us at our monthly social in the heart of the Northern Quarter. This month sees members bringing in a selection of food to celebrate the festive season. What to bring in 'Savoury or Sweet' can be decided at the November social. Terrace NQ, 43 Thomas Street, Northern Quarter, Manchester M4 1NA. Contact Sarah on 07873 581975.

THURS  
11

## Out and About - Chester Christmas Markets



11am



Travel Costs



Visiting Chester you can expect to find festive food, drinks and artisan crafts in a magical setting located in the city centre of Chester.

Meeting at Stockport Train Station or at the train station in Chester, we can take the hop-on-hop-off bus and get off at the markets in the Town Hall Square. Whether you want to drink mulled wine, enjoy food from the stalls, buy last minute Christmas presents or just wander round this historic city, we are sure to have a great day. Book by Thursday 4 December 2025. Stockport Train Station, Grand Central Way, Stockport SK3 9HZ. Contact Sarah on 07873 581975.



# December

FRI  
12

## Foodie Friday - La Corrente



7pm



As per  
menu



Lets get in the festive spirit and have a lovely meal with great company at this Italian restaurant and bar in the heart of Glossop. Book by Tuesday 2 December 2025. La Corrente, Unit 6 Town Shopping Park, Howard Street, Glossop SK13 8HT. Contact Sarah on 07873 581975.



MON  
15

## Christmas Lunch - Bolton Garden Centre



12.30pm



Two courses  
£16.99



The mouth watering Christmas dinner is back on the menu at The Gardeners Retreat, with a two course menu at £16.95, it is the perfect festive treat with roast turkey or classic slow roasted beef with fish and vegetarian options and delicious desserts what's not to enjoy. You can even browse afterwards and pick up some last minute Christmas presents in the shop. Book by Tuesday 4 November 2025. Bolton Garden Centre, Wigan Road, Bolton BL3 4RD. Contact Ray on 07938 016678.

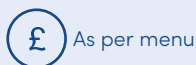


SAT  
13

## Saturday Christmas Special - Damhouse



2pm



As per menu



This Christmas experience the charm of Damhouse, a 16th century grade II listed manor house set in 17 acres of woodland. Meeting in the tea room, we can have some festive fayre before 'Carols in the Courtyard' at 5pm finishing at 7pm. Book by Monday 1 December 2025. Damhouse, Astley Hall Drive, Astley M29 7TX. Contact Ray on 07938 016678.



# December

## **TUES** **16** Social Morning - Leigh



Join us at this family run coffee shop to meet like-minded semi-retired and retired people over a tea or coffee with the first one complimentary. We can discuss events in the diary and book on them and share ideas for future events. Non-members most welcome to come along and find out more about Oddfellows. Cucina, 198, Chapel Street, Leigh WN7 2DW. Contact Ray on 07938 016678.

## **THURS** **18** Festive Afternoon Tea - Canella/Botella



In the heart of Glossop we can enjoy a fantastic festive afternoon tea with delicious savoury treats, gorgeous cakes and more. We have the venue solely for Oddfellow members, but numbers are limited to 20 people, so please book early by Tuesday 2 December 2025. Canella/Botella, 59 High Street West, Glossop SK13 8AZ. Contact Sarah on 07873 581975.

## **TUES** **16** Christmas Party Afternoon - Crown and Conspirator



Lets sparkle with style at our Christmas party in the Stockport area which sees us at the Crown and Conspirator in the heart of Bramhall village.

There will be a welcome drink on arrival from 2pm with a three course meal served at 2.30pm, we will be entertained during the meal by singer Daisy with some lovely background songs and after the meal, she will sing some great dance tunes that you can 'toe tap' to or dance if you wish.



We are guaranteed a lovely afternoon to celebrate the festive season. Book by Monday 24 November 2025. Crown & Conspirator, 26 Bramhall Lane South, Bramhall, Stockport SK7 1AF. Contact Sarah on 07873 581975.

# December

## MON 22 Christmas Lunch - Pico Lounge

L 12.30pm

£ As per menu



The Christmas menu here is known to offer a 'Lounge Twist' on classics, with Christmas turkey curry, turkey tacos. If you're looking for something warm, nostalgic and a little bit silly, Christmas at Pico Lounge will be perfect, so put on your best Christmas jumper and join us. Book by Tuesday 2 December 2025. Pico Lounge, Unit 3 & 4, Howard Town, Victoria Street, Glossop SK13 8HT. Contact Sarah on 07873 581975.

# January 2026

## MON 05 Social Morning - Bolton

L 11am

£ Free



Meeting for our monthly social we can catch up over a tea or coffee with the first one being complimentary and have lunch later if you wish. At the regular socials we discuss what events are being held across our District, booking on them and ideas to go in future diaries etc. Non-members most welcome to come along and find out more about Oddfellows. Red Lion, 1-3 Salford Road, Over Hulton, Bolton BL5 1BJ. Contact Ray on 07938 016678.

## SUN 28 Sunday Special - Richmond Tea Rooms

L 1pm

£ As per menu



Inspired by the desire to enjoy an exquisite afternoon tea in the heart of Manchester, the warm and friendly team await every customer with open arms. The award winning 'Alice in Wonderland' themed dining experience is complemented with freshly prepared sandwiches, cakes and treats all individually made in house along with a weird and wonderful array of exotic and rare teas from around the world. Book by Monday 8 December 2025. Richmond Tea Rooms, 46 Sackville Street, Manchester M1 3WF. Contact Sarah on 07873 581975.



# January 2026

TUES  
06

## Social Morning - Glossop



11.30am



Free



THURS  
08

## Social Evening - Stockport



7pm



Free



Join us for our monthly social morning where we can catch up with other members to discuss events across the District, book on them and what we would like to see in the diary next time. If the golf club is not too busy with golfers, staying for lunch we maybe able to stay and have something to eat later. Meeting at Glossop Golf Club set amid the rolling hills of the Peak District. Tea or coffee is complimentary and is open to non-members, so join us to find out more about Oddfellows. Glossop Golf Club, Sheffield Road, Derbyshire SK13 7PU. Contact Sarah on 07873 581975.

Join us for our monthly social and meet like minded semi retired and retired people whilst enjoying complimentary tea, coffee and cake or even a drink from the bar. Cheadle Hulme Conservative Club, Mellor Road, Cheadle Hulme SK8 5AT. Contact Sarah on 07873 581975.



SAT  
10

## Saturday Special - Vernon Park



11am



Free



Meeting in the café area, we can wrap up for the January weather and take a walk around these gardens and blow the cobwebs away. The Victorian/Edwardian park opened in 1858 and is an asset to the local community and North West region lying just east of the town centre and is the oldest in Stockport. Later you can have lunch at one of the many eateries nearby on Underbank or even browse the January sales. Book by Monday 5 January 2026. Vernon Park, Turncroft Lane, Offerton, Stockport SK1 4AR. Contact Sarah on 07873 581975.



Photo by Jonathan Anthony Mulvey



# January 2026

TUES

13

## Out and About - Wigan Museum



11am



Free



Wigan museum is housed in Wigan's first public library and first public building with electric lighting. Alfred Waterhouse designed the building, which opened in 1878 and also designed the Natural History Museum in London and Manchester Town Hall. In 1936, George Orwell researched his book 'The Road to Wigan Pier' in the reference library.



The museum holds over 30,000 objects relating to life in Wigan Borough past and present. Collections include fine art, archaeology, social history, natural history, coins, decorative art and industrial history. Meeting in the entrance, we can decide if we wish to have refreshments later. Book by Friday 9 January 2026. Wigan Museum, Library Street, Wigan WN1 1NU. Contact Ray on 07938 016678.

WED

14

## Social Afternoon - Manchester



1pm



Free



Please join us for our monthly social in the heart of the Northern Quarter in Manchester. Catch up with old friends, and make new friends over complimentary tea, coffee and cake. Terrace NQ, 43 Thomas Street, Northern Quarter, Manchester M4 1NA. Contact Sarah on 07873 581975.

FRI

16

## Foodie Friday - Napoli



7pm



As per menu



Our Foodie Friday this month has us returning to a popular Italian restaurant ideally situated in the centre of Glossop. Book by Tuesday 6 January 2026. Napoli, Norfolk Square, Glossop SK13 8P. Contact Sarah on 07873 581975.

# January 2026

SUN  
18

## Sunday Lunch - Three Pigeons



1pm



As per menu



Join us at the Three Pigeons, a traditional British pub serving great food and drinks. Book by Monday 5 January 2026. Three Pigeons, 820 Wigan Road, Bolton BL3 4RD. Contact Sarah on 07873 581975.



TUES  
20

## Social Morning - Leigh



11am



Free



Join us at this family run coffee shop to meet like-minded semi-retired and retired people over a tea or coffee with the first one complimentary. We can discuss events in the diary and book on them and share ideas for future events. Non-members most welcome to come along and find out more about Oddfellows. Cucina, 198, Chapel Street, Leigh WN7 2DW. Contact Ray on 07938 016678.

WED  
21

## Metro Munchers - Volta



12.30pm



As per menu



Volta is a neighbourhood restaurant and bar serving small plates inspired by international travels. Located in the heart of bustling Burton Road, it is only a few minutes walk away from the West Didsbury Metro Stop. Book by Wednesday 7 January 2026. Volta, 167 Burton Road, West Didsbury, Manchester M20 2LN. Contact Sarah on 07873 581975.

THURS  
22

## Let's Lunch - Romulus



12.30pm



As per menu



Our annual January visit to this traditional authentic Italian restaurant is always popular with members. Having being established over 30 years the name Romulus was chosen to inspire a 'Scene of Roman Life' where food, wine and friendship was a way of life - not just a night out. Book by Thursday 8 January 2026. Romulus, 12a Woodford Road, Bramhall, Cheshire SK7 1JJ. Contact Sarah on 07873 581975.



# January 2026

SUN  
25

## Sunday Lunch - The Crown



1pm



As per  
menu



The Crown Hawk Green is an award winning family owned, historic public house in the small leafy town of Marple. You will be assured great food and good service in a welcoming atmosphere. Book by Thursday 8 January 2026. The Crown, 1 Hawk Green Road, Hawk Green, Marple SK6 7HU. Contact Sarah on 07873 581975.



WED  
28

## Let's Lunch - Exhibition



12.30pm



As per  
menu



Exhibition is a bar and restaurant reimagined in a food hall setting, where exceptional dining meets a laid back vibe. They bring together three unique kitchens under one roof, each with its own bold identity and culinary soul, Baratxuri, delivering Basque fire cookery, Osma where Japandi-inspired small plates fuse Nordic with Japanese inspired flavours and Anatra which offers modern trattoria style pasta. Unlike traditional food halls, Exhibition offers full table service, so you can enjoy the variety with the ease and elegance of a sit down restaurant. Book by Wednesday 14 January 2026. Exhibition, St Georges House, 56 Peter Street, Manchester M2 3NQ. Contact Sarah on 07873 581975.

SAT  
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## Saturday Special - Chads Theatre



2.30pm



£13



Robert Caplan appears to have it all, a beautiful intelligent wife, a successful publishing business. But all is not as it seems in the play 'Dangerous Corner' by JB Priestley. 'Is it better to let sleeping dogs lie' or should the truth be unearthed, whatever the cost. The play presents both possibilities. Book by Thursday 8 January 2026. Chads Theatre Company, Mellor Road, Cheadle Hulme, Cheadle SK8 5AU. Contact Sarah on 07873 581975.



# 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](http://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](http://www.oddfellows.co.uk/terms-conditions) or call  
Pam Casey (07966 934747) or Sarah North (07873 581975).

# 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 Pam on **07966 934747** or email **pamela.casey@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@citizensadvicemanchester.org.uk](mailto: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](mailto: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](http://www.oddfellows.co.uk/benefits/care)  
for care and welfare information**



# At a glance

## November 2025

<b>Mon 3</b>	Social Morning	11am
<b>Tues 4</b>	Social Morning	11.30am
<b>Wed 5</b>	Metro Munchers	12.30pm
<b>Thurs 6</b>	Social Evening	7pm
<b>Sat 8</b>	Saturday Special	2pm
<b>Mon 10</b>	Live at Lunchtime	1.30pm
<b>Tues 11</b>	Let's Lunch	12.30pm
<b>Wed 12</b>	Social Afternoon	1pm
<b>Thurs 13</b>	Dine Around	6pm
<b>Fri 14</b>	Let's Lunch	12.30pm
<b>Sun 16</b>	Out and About	1pm
<b>Tues 18</b>	Social Morning	11am
<b>Wed 19</b>	Out and About	11.30am
<b>Thurs 20</b>	Fun and Games	12.30pm
<b>Fri 21</b>	Let's Lunch	12.30pm
<b>Fri 21</b>	Foodie Friday	7pm
<b>Mon 24</b>	Let's Lunch	12.30pm
<b>Tues 25</b>	Let's Lunch	1pm
<b>Wed 26</b>	Out and About	11am
<b>Thurs 27</b>	Let's Lunch	12.30pm
<b>Fri 28</b>	Friday Fun	12.30pm

## December

<b>Mon 1</b>	Social Morning	11am
<b>Tues 2</b>	Social Morning	11.30am
<b>Wed 3</b>	Christmas Lunch	1pm
<b>Thurs 4</b>	Social Evening	7pm
<b>Fri 5</b>	Matinee Pantomime Aladdin	1pm

## December

<b>Tues 9</b>	Let's Lunch	12 noon
<b>Wed 10</b>	Social Afternoon	1pm
<b>Thurs 11</b>	Out and About	11am
<b>Fri 12</b>	Foodie Friday	7pm
<b>Sat 13</b>	Saturday Christmas Special	2pm
<b>Mon 15</b>	Christmas Lunch	12.30pm
<b>Tues 16</b>	Social Morning	11am
<b>Tues 16</b>	Christmas Party	2pm
<b>Thurs 18</b>	Festive Afternoon Tea	1pm
<b>Mon 22</b>	Christmas Lunch	12.30pm
<b>Sun 28</b>	Sunday Special	1pm

## January 2026

<b>Mon 5</b>	Social Morning	11am
<b>Tues 6</b>	Social Morning	11.30am
<b>Thurs 8</b>	Social Evening	7pm
<b>Sat 10</b>	Saturday Special	11am
<b>Tues 13</b>	Out and About	11am
<b>Wed 14</b>	Social Afternoon	1pm
<b>Fri 16</b>	Foodie Friday	7pm
<b>Sun 18</b>	Sunday Lunch	1pm
<b>Tues 20</b>	Social Morning	11am
<b>Wed 21</b>	Metro Munchers	12.30pm
<b>Thurs 22</b>	Let's Lunch	12.30pm
<b>Sun 25</b>	Sunday Lunch	1pm
<b>Wed 28</b>	Let's Lunch	12.30pm
<b>Sat 31</b>	Saturday Special	2.30pm