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Mid-Surrey District



Denbies Vineyard



Music



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Meetings



Social



Talks



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Afternoon Tea



Quiz



Oddfellows Hall, Dorking

Welcome to this latest edition of the news and events diary for Mid-Surrey Branch.

Hello from Mid-Surrey District. We hope you are keeping well.

We know that this has been a challenging year but hope as we send this to print we see the possibilities of changes ahead. We have started to plan some events face to face especially our 'Welcome Back to the Hall' Fish and Chip lunch on Friday 10 September, which is in Oddfellows Friendship Month. We are also looking forward to seeing you at the Denbies Vineyard tour in October.

We have found events on Zoom have been popular with some, so we are keeping our last Friday of the month online Coffee and Chat. Do drop by and say hello to friends, make new ones and hear about the other social events.

Our regular Monday socials will continue and hope to be face to face. We have a range of events including a talk and tasting from Cocoa Island in October and a talk from Arthritis Action in February. Please note a change to these meetings that during the winter months (November to February) these will be in the afternoon at 2pm.

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Please check website for latest events listings and call or email to confirm attendance.

If lockdown has made you think about returning to or trying a new fitness class. We have lots to choose from, both face to face and online.

We now offer Silver Swans, Zumba Gold and Tai Chi. Do join us, even if this is your first time trying a class you will receive a warm welcome.

There is of course more to Oddfellows than our social events. Oddfellows membership includes Care and welfare, Oddfellows Extra for money

saving offers, Oddfellows Travel and Unity Mutual for family friendly finance options. Do take time to explore and get the most out of your membership at this time.

Everyone is welcome at Oddfellows. If you are not a member or have a friend that would like to join an event. Do check as many events are open to you and friends to enjoy, have a good time and find out more about Oddfellows.

Silver Swans

This gentle fitness class is available both face to face and online. If you would like to join the class please contact the office for the link and to book the class in person. Lucy has welcomed many members from across all districts to the online class. We welcome you to join. Some have not danced for 50 years and some not danced at all so it is available for all.

Jennie joined and enjoys the class online even though Jennie has not danced for a while. Jennie told us "I attended ballet and tap for many years up to grade 3 in ballet and gold medal in tap. I think I may have been about 10 when I last danced, probably when I started high school and haven't danced since" (photo) Jennie kindly shared this photo of her at ballet aged 10.



Monday Socials (DOE)

These regular socials take place on the second Monday of the month, ongoing to print we are hoping these will return to being in the lounge. If for any reason they can't go ahead face to face they will move online. We will update the website and let members booked know of any changes.

We have a great selection of events from a chocolate tasting, quiz and a talk. All include a cuppa and a chat. We look forward to seeing you.

Pub Lunches are back!

Do join us for these informal lunches at local pubs in the Mid-Surrey area. From Tattenham Corner, The Star at Malden Rushett or The Running Horse in Leatherhead. We look forward to seeing you.

Coming soon to Leatherhead Hall

Yoga or Tai Chi classes, with a discount for Oddfellows members, followed by coffee and a chat.

Ceramics Workshops for Wellbeing.



Please call the office for more details or check the website for dates.

If you have any ideas for events, talks or articles please contact Roxane via the office on 01306 877792 or mid-surrey@oddfellows.co.uk.

Regular Events

Second Monday
of the month

Monday Social (DOE)



September & October at 7.30pm
November, December, January & February at 2pm



Free



These Monday meetings usually take place on the second Monday of the month at the Oddfellows Hall, 270 High Street, Dorking, Surrey RH4 1QT. Some events will still take place on this day online, so please contact the office for the link. Cost: Free if online. Some events in the hall ask for a small fee from non-members to cover speakers, etc. Book your place – mid-surrey@oddfellows.co.uk or phone on 01306 877792.

Friday 'Catch up with a Coffee' Online



10am



Free



Last Friday
of the month

Do join us on the last Friday of the month from 10am to 10.40am. Make yourself a coffee, and join us for a chat, catch up and make new friends. You are welcome to drop in any time or week you can for a chat. Office staff will also join the session. Please contact the office on mid-surrey@oddfellows.co.uk or 01306 877792 for the link to access online. You can also join via landline.



Our social events meet the current COVID-19 Secure guidelines



We're doing all we can to make our meet-ups as safe and as comfortable as possible, because staying connected matters. If you're in need of company, you're more than welcome to come along and join us in person or online.

www.oddfellows.co.uk/events.

Regular Events

Zumba Gold



10.30am



Members £3
Guests £6



Join us for this low impact Zumba Gold with Jo on Friday from 10.30am followed by a chance for tea and a chat. All welcome just pop along and try this low impact, low intensity, go at your own pace exercise for older adults. Please see the special discounted price for members. Every Friday in school term times only. Oddfellows Hall, 270 High Street, Dorking, Surrey RH4 1QT. Contact the office on mid-surrey@oddfellows.co.uk or 01306 877792 for more information.

Every Friday



Tai Chi Qi Gong



12 noon



Members £3
Guests £6



Jo leads this Tai Chi class open to all members and guests. Qi Gong (pronounces chee-gong) is an ancient Chinese exercise and healing technique that involves meditation, controlled breathing and movement exercises, which falls under the umbrella of Tai Chi. All welcome to this low impact, gentle exercise and meditation. Please see the special discounted price for members. You are welcome to arrive at 11.40am and share a cup of tea or coffee and chat before the class. Oddfellows Hall, 270 High Street, Dorking, Surrey RH4 1QT. Contact the office on mid-surrey@oddfellows.co.uk or 01306 877792.

Every Friday



Silver Swans Online

Tuesday 7 September

Tuesday 14 September

Tuesday 21 September

Tuesday 28 September

*All classes starting at
11.30am*



This over 50s class is a graceful hour of ballet steps improving core strength and stretching. Suitable for all abilities including beginners.

Lucy from The Dance Project will be leading these classes free to all members.

**For more information, contact
mid-surrey@oddfellows
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September 2021

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Friendship Month 'Welcome Back to the Hall' Fish and Chip Lunch

ODDFELLOWS
FRIENDSHIP MONTH
1 - 30 SEPTEMBER



1pm



As per menu



Do join us for this 'Welcome Back to the Hall' fish and chips lunch. We look forward to seeing you all and sharing a fish and chips lunch together in the main hall. Booking is essential. Orders will be taken in advance when booking confirmed and you will pay for your meal on the day.



Tea and coffee will be provided, but you are welcome to bring your own drinks. All details will be confirmed when booking. If required all measures and social distancing will be observed. Book by Friday 3 September 2021. Oddfellows Hall, 270 High Street, Dorking, Surrey RH4 1QT. Contact the office on mid-surrey@oddfellows.co.uk or 01306 877792.

MON
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Monday Evening Social (DOE)

MACMILLAN
CANCER SUPPORT



7.30pm



Free



Welcome to this social get together. Do join us to share conversation, catch up with friends and make new ones, over a cup of tea or coffee. Donations for coffee and cakes to Macmillan. Book by Friday 10 September 2021. Oddfellows Lounge (Oddfellows Hall), 270 High Street, Dorking RH4 1QT. Contact the office on mid-surrey@oddfellows.co.uk or 01306 877792.

Booking Events

Please book all events via email mid-surrey@oddfellows.co.uk or 01306 877792. Any changes to events will be updated on the website, via email or please call the office if you have any queries.

October

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Denbies Vineyard Tour



11am



£7.50



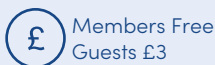
Do join us for this interesting outside guided train tour of the Denbies Vineyard. Followed by optional lunch in the conservatory. Please pay for your own lunch on the day. Booking essential. Book by Friday 17 September 2021. Denbies Wine Estate, London Road, Dorking RH5 6AA. Contact the office on mid-surrey@oddfellows.co.uk or 01306 877792.

MON
11

Chocolate Talk and Tasting



7.30pm



Members Free
Guests £3



We welcome local Surrey based chocolatiers 'Cocoa Island' to give us a talk on chocolate, with a chocolate tasting of some of Cocoa Islands delicious chocolate. A master chocolatier from Cocoa Island will talk through the sustainability and creation of Cocoa Island chocolate, finishing with a tasting! Booking essential for this popular event. Book by Friday 1 October 2021. Oddfellows Lounge (Oddfellows Hall), 270 High Street, Dorking RH4 1QT. Contact the office on mid-surrey@oddfellows.co.uk or 01306 877792.

November

MON
08

Monday Social (DOE)



2pm



Free



Do join us for this Monday Social. For the winter months we have moved these to the afternoon at 2pm. Do join us for an afternoon quiz, tea and chat. Everyone welcome. Book by Monday 8 November 2021. Oddfellows Lounge (Oddfellows Hall), 270 High Street, Dorking RH4 1QT. Contact the office on mid-surrey@oddfellows.co.uk or 01306 877792.

November

MON 15 Pub Lunch at The Beefeater



1pm



As per menu



You are all welcome to join us for lunch at this popular venue. This spacious Beefeater at Tattenham



Corner on Epsom Downs, serves a range of familiar pub favourites, from steaks, sandwiches and fish and chips. Please book in advance and pay for your meal on the day. Whether you are a long standing or recent member, you will be made very welcome. Do join us for conversation and laughter over lunch. Book by Friday 12 November 2021. The Beefeater Tattenham Corner, Epsom Downs, Epsom, Surrey KT18 5NY. Contact the office on mid-surrey@oddfellows.co.uk or 01306 877792.

December

MON 13 Monday Social (DOE)



2pm



Free



Celebrate the festive season with a Christmas tea, conversation and games. Please note this has moved to 2pm during the winter months. Oddfellows Lounge (Oddfellows Hall), 270 High Street, Dorking RH4 1QT. Contact the office on mid-surrey@oddfellows.co.uk or 01306 877792.

December

MON 20 Christmas Lunch at the Running Horse



12.30pm



As per menu



Do join us for this Christmas lunch at the Running Horse, Leatherhead. Just across from the Oddfellows Hall in Bridge Street, this is a popular and welcoming venue. Please book via the office and just pay for your food and drinks on the day. All welcome. Do join us to start the festive season. Book by Friday 17 December 2021. The Running Horse, 38 Bridge Street, Leatherhead KT22 8BZ. Contact the office on mid-surrey@oddfellows.co.uk or 01306 877792.



January 2022

MON
10

New Year's Tea - Monday Afternoon Social (DOE)



2pm



Free



Welcome to this social get together. What are your plans for the New Year? Do join us to share conversation, catch up with friends and make new ones, over a cup of tea or coffee. Please note this regular social is in the afternoon in the winter months. Book by Monday 10 January 2022. Oddfellows Lounge (Oddfellows Hall), 270 High Street, Dorking RH4 1QT. Contact the office on mid-surrey@oddfellows.co.uk or 01306 877792.

February

MON
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Talk from Arthritis Action



2pm



Free



All welcome to this talk from Arthritis Action. Arthritis Action offers an integrated self-management approach which looks at both the mental and physical health impact of living with arthritis.

The talk will be an opportunity to learn more about physical activity, diet, pain management, pacing and much more. Tea and coffee also served and there will be time to chat.

All welcome to this free event. If circumstances change this may need to be pre-booked or an online event. Please check the website for up to date details. Oddfellows Lounge (Oddfellows Hall), 270 High Street, Dorking RH4 1QT. Contact the office on mid-surrey@oddfellows.co.uk or 01306 877792.



February

MON
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Pub Lunch at The Star



1pm



As per menu



Do join us for lunch at The Star in Malden Rushett. All welcome to this popular venue.

Their delicious menu offers a selection of your pub favourites with a few new dishes and chef's specials for you to enjoy, complimented with a great wine list from around the world and a new veggie and vegan menu and NGCI (non-gluten containing ingredients) menu.

Please book via the office and then pay for your meal and drinks on the day. We look forward to seeing you, you will receive a warm welcome. Book by Friday 18 February 2022. The Star, Kingston Road, Leatherhead, Surrey KT22 ODP. Contact the office on mid-surrey@oddfellows.co.uk or 01306 877792.

Learn, have fun, and stay in touch from home

Our online events are here to stay



To see what's coming up visit oddfellows.co.uk/events and enter 'online' in the place name search box

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Denbies Tour

Do join us on this October for an outdoor train tour of Denbies Vineyard. Denbies Vineyard, in Dorking, Surrey was established in 1986.

The tour throughout the vineyard offer a new experience in wine growing and making. Come along and experience the magnificent panoramic views of the Denbies Estate and the North Downs.

This 50-minute vineyard tour takes visitors at a leisurely pace to some of the most beautiful viewing points in the vineyard. A recorded commentary enhances your trip making this an informative and comfortable way to experience the magnificent panoramic views of the Denbies Estate and the North Downs. Throughout the seasons the changing scenery captures the imagination, from the first bud burst of spring, and we will enjoy the autumn colour of the vines. Cameras recommended.

The Denbies Estate, based in Dorking, Surrey, has been family owned and run since 1984. Denbies vineyard was planted



in 1986, and since then has become one of the largest wine producers in the UK. Denbies core business is agriculture and they offer visitors an insight into wine production in the UK. Denbies wine now competes on an international level, including multiple gold awards for sparkling wine production, the first ever gold for an English rose wine and most recently an international gold for Denbies Noble Harvest Dessert wine. Denbies are honoured over the years to





have welcomed several members of the Royal family to the estate, completing the historical connections which date back to Prince Albert in 1851. The Surrey Hills is a beautiful area and while you are visiting do take advantage of the surrounding areas, including 7 miles of public footpath which trail throughout the vineyard. There is also an extensive gift shop and farm shop on site.

After the tour there is the option to have lunch together in the Conservatory Restaurant. We have booked a table to get together, but this will be a self-serve, pay for your own meal on the day so you can just decide what you want on the day. This optional after the tour.

The Conservatory Restaurant offers the perfect al-fresco dining experience all year round. This magnificent light and spacious atrium is enhanced by an abundance of plants and central water feature. The Conservatory Restaurant offers a variety of dining options. Denbies Chef's pride themselves on using locally sourced produce from the south-east region.

There is a comprehensive range of salads, local cheese platters, home-made soups and freshly made sandwiches and selection of Panini's. Daily changing specials including choice of hot meals including one vegetarian. The coffee is locally roasted from 'Coffee Real' based in Newdigate. There is also a wide choice of teas, creamy hot chocolate, accompanied by a choice of delicious sponges, muffins and an array of handmade cakes and pastries.

Denbies strives at all times to work in partnership with local growers and suppliers using free range and farm assured produce which is ethical and sustainable in keeping with the Denbies ethos. Family owned and run, Denbies is committed to playing its role in strengthening the local economy.

We look forward to enjoying this tour and lunch with you. To book early for this event it open to neighbouring branch members and guests.

Outing to Goring with Brighton and Sussex District Branch

Cynthia reported back from this joint trip with Brighton and Sussex District Branch. "We had a lovely day visiting the 'Sistine Chapel' (English Martyrs Church, Goring with a replica painted ceiling), it is well worth a visit and not too hard to find. It took less than an hour to get there.

The pub lunch was very friendly and afterwards Ann and I went to see the sea at Goring gap before coming home." With thanks to Joy and all at Brighton and Sussex District Branch for making Mid-Surrey so welcome.

We look forward to joining Brighton and Sussex District Branch on one of their Marina Thursday lunch clubs soon. We



welcome their members, and members other local districts to join us at our events.

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Online Events



Although we are moving to more face to face events don't forget

there are still events online each week nationally for you to join. From games, quizzes and coffee mornings. We send an email each Friday of these if you would like to be emailed this list please let us know. We also are continuing our Mid-Surrey catch up online the last Friday of the month at 10am.

Need help with getting on to Zoom? Please let the office know.

The Oddfellows Annual Movable Conference (AMC)

As much as we were all hoping for the opportunity to get together and host our 2021 AMC in person, the global pandemic had other plans and so we saw the conference held virtually over Zoom, and broadcast live via YouTube.

This is only the second time since 1944 that there hasn't been an in-person Annual Movable Conference. The AMC is usually a three-day conference which gives our network of 115 Branches a chance to have their say in the way the Society is run, celebrate its successes and developments over the past 12 months, and enjoy a catch-up with other Branches over dinner.

This year however, the Directors gathered in the Unity Office Boardroom whilst everyone else stayed at home and Deputies logged in via Zoom to listen in and make their contributions to conference.

Despite the distance between us all, the AMC was its usual hive of activity, and thanks go to all the Deputies who attended, debated and voted on the different clauses. We would also like to extend our thanks to the incredible IT team who worked tirelessly to ensure all Deputies were able to log in successfully, the conference was broadcast seamlessly, and everything ran as it should.

Welcoming our newest Grand Master, David Ogden

One of the key elements of AMC is the installation of the new Grand Master, or Chairman of the Society. This is one of the most prestigious and respected roles in the Society, and requires a considerable commitment. As Grand Masters they need to have progressed through the ceremonial side of the Society and usually will have served for at least four years as a Director, before being nominated to be Grand Master.

Our Immediate Past Grand Master, David Randall, spent two years in the role, instead of the usual one, due to the coronavirus

pandemic, and has this year welcomed his successor, David Ogden. Despite there being no live audience, the ceremony featuring his installation as Grand Master was streamed on YouTube.



The Society would like to thank David Randall for his hard work during his time as Grand Master, and wish David Ogden all the best for his term. Keep an eye out for our interview with the new Grand Master in the next edition of Society News!

Congratulations to our Making a Difference Award winners!



Each year, we recognise and celebrate the efforts of members who have gone above and beyond for their local Branch, fellow members, and the Society as a whole. Without these individuals (and there are many!), the Oddfellows wouldn't be the warm and welcoming organisation it is today.

This year, faced with a global pandemic and numerous lockdowns which left many members isolated, the kindness and dedication of our Making a Difference Award nominees truly shone through. Our judges were blown away by the way Oddfellows communities rallied together to help each other through such a difficult year, and so choosing the winners was more difficult than ever. Without further ado, our 2021 Making a Difference Award winners are...

Wendy Atkins, from Ipswich Oddfellows, for Working in the spirit of mutuality

Wendy said: "It was a big surprise and I feel honoured to have won. I've done all sorts for the Ipswich Oddfellows over the years, but I enjoy my role as social organiser most of all. Since we've started running online events, I've had to think outside the box and see how our in-person events can translate onto Zoom, which has been a fun challenge."



Wendy, from Ipswich Oddfellows

I've extended the hand of friendship to other Branches to offer help and support with their online meetings."



Paul, from South London Oddfellows

Paul Fitton, from South London Oddfellows, for Enriching lives socially

Paul said: "It was a lovely surprise when I found out I'd won. Organising social events for my local group is more than just a job for me, it's fun and fulfilling. Helping people meet and make new friends in the area is wonderful."

Janice Tomlin, from Reading Oddfellows, for Giving a helping hand

Janice said: "I had no idea I'd even been nominated, so it was a shock when I was told I'd won the award, but I was incredibly pleased! I know how it feels to be on your own a lot, so being a listening ear for other members during such a difficult year has been a tonic for me as well, in many ways."



Janice, from Reading Oddfellows

Jane Nelson, CEO of the Oddfellows, says: "Our members are at the heart of everything we do as a Society, and it's people like Paul, Wendy and Janice who keep the wheels turning."

"As much-loved members of their local Branches and the Society as a whole, these Awards are truly well-deserved."

Working together to Make a Difference for 2022

We are excited to introduce a new 'Achieving Together' category for our Making a Difference Awards.

Members nominated for the Achieving Together Award should be a team of two, and could be married, partners, family relations, or good friends who collaborate with, and support each other, to achieve more than they could alone.



Have your say!

If you know a Society star who goes above and beyond, or a duo whose combined efforts make your Branch a warm and welcoming place for all, download a Member Nomination form from www.oddfellows.co.uk/makingadifference, or contact your Branch Secretary to have a form sent to you.

Face-to-face get-togethers are back, but online events are here to stay

Many members have been missing that wonderful feeling of seeing and socialising with friends in a group setting, and we're pleased to let you know that our Branches have restarted their face-to-face events, or are getting ready to restart them again very soon.

So whether you're feeling up to a walk in the great outdoors, or you're keen to get back to your local coffee morning, our Branches are beavering away behind the scenes to make sure their events are COVID-secure, and our members are safe.

Not feeling up to getting together yet? That's fine too. Lots of people will still feel anxious about mixing with groups indoors or outdoors, and we know it will take a while for things to feel "normal" again. But we don't want you to miss out, which is why our online events are here to stay.



From local guest talks streamed live from your Branch, to our weekly national coffee mornings, online events will continue for as long as our members would like them to.

Help is available to get you set up to access the online events, should you need it. Call our membership team on **0800 028 1810**, or email **events@oddfellows.co.uk** to receive a how-to guide for using Zoom video conferencing.

If you'd like to join in with one of our events, in-person or online, find out what's coming up by visiting our website: **www.oddfellows.co.uk/events** or speak to your local Branch Secretary to request a local events diary.



Volunteering Opportunities



We need volunteers, who can bring fresh ideas, energy and enthusiasm, to our working groups. Could you be one of those people?

Like other Branches of the Oddfellows, we are run and governed by our members and it is only with your support that we can continue to flourish. We need members with a real passion for the ethos and the motto of the Society – making friends, helping people.

Are you willing and able to use your skills and experience to help us develop our Branch? If so, you're an ideal candidate and just the person we're looking for!

Branch Trustee

Our Branch Trustees, supported by the Branch Secretary and the Committee of Management are all equally responsible for looking after the Branch property and investments. The whole Committee of Management is expected to act in the best interests of the membership.

Committee Member

Our Committee of Management support the running of the Branch, keeping a

close eye on our finances, membership matters, social programme and how we develop and deliver the complete membership package of services.

To be nominated for election to the Committee of Management, you must be an Oddfellows member for at least two years and over the age of 18.

Being a Committee Member is an unpaid role, but agreed expenses are reimbursed.

Business meetings take place on average every six weeks and are usually held during the day.

Care and Welfare Officer and Telephone Befriender

Caring for and supporting our members is vital and we, as a Branch, are proud of the service our existing team of Branch Welfare Officers provide. We'd like to improve and extend this, so are looking for at least two new Welfare Officers to join the team. If you have empathy, good listening and communication skills, you're the ideal person.

This is a voluntary role, for which you'll receive training and support. It is a perfect way to enhance the quality of your personal experiences – helping others always feels good! There will be reimbursement for all previously agreed expenses incurred during the course of your work. In addition, you will need to have a DBS check undertaken by the Society.

Please contact the Branch Secretary, for more information. Alternatively, we can arrange for you to have a chat with a Committee Member.

Meet your Mid Surrey Care and Welfare Team

The Oddfellows looking after you
Care, Advice and Support



We would like to introduce you to our friendly Care and Welfare team who are here to help you.



Pat Christmas



David Day

Have you been unwell or in hospital, or find it difficult to get out to Oddfellows meetings?

Are you living on your own and would like someone to keep in touch through a chat on the phone? Or do you just need a friendly 'listening ear' to offer a bit of support in a difficult situation?

You may just want to ask a simple question about any help available to you through the Oddfellows. Whatever your situation, our care and welfare team are here to do what they can to help – or to point you in the right direction – so do get in touch!

Our Welfare team receive induction training and ongoing support, as well as regular care and welfare information updates. They undergo screening appropriate to their role and carry a photo ID badge, so you can be reassured about who they are.

To arrange for a member of the Welfare team to contact you, or for local help and information about Branch benefits or benevolence support, please ring Jenny Vincent on **01306 877792** or email jenny.vincent@oddfellows.co.uk

National Oddfellows Helplines

As well as the help available at your local Branch, you can also contact our free, confidential national helplines.

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 areas such as welfare benefits, money and debt, consumer problems, housing, and employment issues.

Citizens Advice is an independent advice agency and is solely responsible for all advice provided.

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, members 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.

Our Oddfellows care, advice, support services and benefits* are available to all members from day one, except the convalescence and carer benefits which are available after two years of membership. If you would like more information ask your Branch Secretary for a copy of our '**Looking After You**' Care, Advice and Support booklet or visit our website page at

www.oddfellows.co.uk/benefits/care/

District Business Meeting

All members are warmly welcomed to the Mid-Surrey AGM and business meetings, but in the current climate these may need to be limited in numbers or take place via video conferencing. Please check the website nearer the time for an update and contact the office. If due to government restrictions these are online only please contact Maeve at the office for the link. Members can also attend via landline.

The meetings are usually every month at 10.30am alternately between Leatherhead Oddfellows Hall and Dorking Oddfellows Hall. For further information please contact Maeve Stott or Jenny Vincent on 01306 877792, some meetings are for the Committee of Management only.

The discussions cover social planning, finance, care, development, property, publicity and promotion. Tea, coffee and refreshments are served. We encourage any members to join the Committee of Management. Please contact Maeve at the office if you would like more details. The Committee of Management meetings alternate between Dorking and Leatherhead. The meetings usually are no more than two hours long and are held approximately four times a year. Please call the office before attending.

Monday 20 September 2021	Business Meeting	Dorking
Monday 18 October 2021	Business Half Yearly Meeting	Leatherhead
Monday 15 November 2021	Committee of Management Business Meeting	Dorking
Monday 20 December 2021	Business Meeting	Leatherhead
Monday 17 January 2022	Business Meeting	Dorking
Monday 21 February 2022	Committee of Management Business Meeting	Leatherhead

Reminder

Just a quick reminder that the Open Day events continues and if you have anyone interested in finding out more about the Oddfellows they can register at www.oddfellows.co.uk/opendays

At a glance

All face to face meetings to be confirmed, please contact the office for more details.

September 2021 - Friendship Month

Tues 7	Silver Swans Gentle Fitness Online	11.30am
Fri 10	Friendship Month 'Welcome Back to the Hall' Fish and Chip Lunch	1pm
Mon 13	Monday Evening Social (DOE)	7.30pm
Tues 14	Silver Swans Gentle Fitness Online	11.30am
Fri 17	Zumba Gold	10.30am
Fri 17	Tai Chi Qi Gong	12 noon
Mon 20	Business Meeting (Dorking)	10.30am
Tues 21	Silver Swans Gentle Fitness Online	11.30am
Fri 24	Online Coffee and Chat	10am
Fri 24	Zumba Gold	10.30am
Fri 24	Tai Chi Qi Gong	12 noon
Tues 28	Silver Swans Gentle Fitness Online	11.30am

October

Fri 1	Zumba Gold	10.30am
Fri 1	Tai Chi Qi Gong	12 noon
Fri 8	Zumba Gold	10.30am

October

Fri 8	Denbies Vineyard Tour	11am
Fri 8	Tai Chi Qi Gong	12 noon
Mon 11	Chocolate Talk and Tasting Monday Social (DOE)	7.30pm
Fri 15	Zumba Gold	10.30am
Fri 15	Tai Chi Qi Gong	12 noon
Mon 18	Business Half Yearly Meeting (Leatherhead)	10.30am
Fri 29	Online Coffee and Chat	10am

November

Fri 5	Zumba Gold	10.30am
Fri 5	Tai Chi Qi Gong	12 noon
Mon 8	Monday Social (DOE)	2pm
Fri 12	Zumba Gold	10.30am
Fri 12	Tai Chi Qi Gong	12 noon
Mon 15	Committee of Management Meeting	10.30am
Mon 15	Pub Lunch at The Beefeater	1pm
Fri 19	Zumba Gold	10.30am
Fri 19	Tai Chi Qi Gong	12 noon
Fri 26	Online Coffee and Chat	10am
Fri 26	Zumba Gold	10.30am
Fri 26	Tai Chi Qi Gong	12 noon

At a glance

All face to face meetings to be confirmed, please contact the office for more details.

December

Fri 3	Zumba Gold	10.30am
Fri 3	Tai Chi Qi Gong	12 noon
Fri 10	Zumba Gold	10.30am
Fri 10	Tai Chi Qi Gong	12 noon
Mon 13	Monday Social (DOE)	2pm
Mon 20	Business Meeting (Leatherhead)	10.30am
Mon 20	Christmas Lunch at the Running Horse	12.30pm

January 2022

Mon 10	New Year's Tea- Monday Afternoon Social (DOE)	2pm
Fri 14	Zumba Gold	10.30am
Fri 14	Tai Chi Qi Gong	12 noon
Mon 17	Business Meeting (Dorking)	10.30am

January 2022

Fri 21	Zumba Gold	10.30am
Fri 21	Tai Chi Qi Gong	12 noon
Fri 28	Online Coffee and Chat	10am
Fri 28	Zumba Gold	10.30am
Fri 28	Tai Chi Qi Gong	12 noon

February

Fri 4	Zumba Gold	10.30am
Fri 4	Tai Chi Qi Gong	12 noon
Mon 14	Talk from Arthritis Action Monday Social (DOE)	2pm
Mon 21	Committee of Management Meeting	10.30am
Mon 21	Pub Lunch at The Star	1pm
Fri 25	Online Coffee and Chat	10am
Fri 25	Zumba Gold	10.30am

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