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*Upton Christmas Get Together
Wednesday 18 December 2024*

Hi Everyone

Welcome to the Autumn/Winter edition of the Out and About Diary and Newsletter.

We've been very busy getting 'Out and About' since March and you will see exactly what we have been up to in the photo gallery further on in this magazine. Our main charity of the year this year is the Alzheimer's Society and our fund raising efforts are going well so far.

2023 was also another good year for new Members – and therefore new friends – joining us. Over the past two years we have won the Ken Hughes Silver Salver for highest number of new members, percentage wise. This year we went one better and got the Lilian Ogden Recruitment Trophy for the highest number of new Members overall.

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Left to right: Angela Murray, Social Organiser, Margaret Hughes, Branch Secretary, Angela Jones, Care and Welfare Officer

A lot of this is down to you guys bringing your friends along so let's see if we can win it again this year! Don't forget there is a £10 Love2shop voucher for your first referral, then £60 if you refer a total of 5 friends, rising to £120 for your 20th referral and, top of the class, a staggering £250 for your 40th referral – providing they actually join. If you don't wish to take the money yourself, you have the option of donating it to a charity of your choice, so everyone's a winner!

There are still lots of things coming up to get us through those long winter months and don't forget about our online events. An email is sent out weekly to all those for whom we have an email address, so

if you aren't receiving this, do get in touch and let us know so you can be added to the listing.



The Lilian Ogden Recruitment Trophy – which is heavier than it looks!

Angela Jones, our Care and Welfare Officer sends out our Birthday Cards every month. If we have your phone number, we will then follow up to wish you happy birthday in person and to check if there is anything we can help you with. But if you need anything in the meantime, just get in touch.

We are always on the lookout for stories, news, recipes, celebrations of any kind to put into this newsletter, so please do feel free to send anything to me at the address in the side panel by any means most appropriate for yourself. Not confident with writing a piece? Don't worry, we can help you with that too.

Keep warm and stay safe.

Margaret Hughes, Branch Secretary

A message from your Social Organiser

Hello Everyone,

It's hard to believe just how much we crammed into the last 6 months!!! From blustery, windswept castles to going underground!

As always, it's been great to meet so many new Members too; our groups are going from strength to strength and we hope the next 6 months will offer something for everyone to enjoy as we get 'Out and About' experiencing new adventures. Can you believe this diary includes our Christmas events too – time flies when we're having fun!

Don't forget we always try to take on board your suggestions and work

hard to ensure a mix and match approach of local and further afield trips and visits to keep costs down as much as possible. If you have any ideas for places you'd like to visit, please do let us know and I will add them to one of my lists. (If you've met Angela, you will know she always has a list for everything – ED!)

In spring we are hoping to launch some new Get Togethers and group activities, so watch this space!

Looking forward to seeing you all again very soon.

Angela Murray

Regular Get Togethers

Join us at any one (or all!) of our regular 'Get Togethers' for a cuppa and catch up plus lots more in a warm and welcoming environment. Each month there will be a different theme and fun and games are guaranteed!



Everyone is welcome and feel free to bring a friend along. Worried about going along for the first time? Just give Angela M or Margaret a call and we will know to look out for you, remember you are only a stranger the first time you walk through the door.

Childwall



10.30am



Members Free
Guests £2 (first visit free)



**Fourth Monday
of the month**

Childwall Abbey Hotel, Childwall Abbey Road, Liverpool L16 5EY. Bus Routes 79, 79a.

28 October 2024

16 December 2024*

24 February 2025

25 November 2024

27 January 2025

24 March 2025

*This is a week earlier than normal

Upton



1pm



Members Free
Guests £2 (first visit free)



**Third Wednesday
of the month**

Victory Hall, 61 Salacre Lane, Upton, Wirral CH49 0TN. Bus Routes 418, 437.

16 October 2024

18 December 2024

19 February 2025

20 November 2024

15 January 2025

19 March 2025

Wallasey



10.30am



Members Free
Guests £2 (first visit free)



**First Friday of
the month**

Heart of Egremont, Guildford Street, Wallasey, Wirral CH44 0BP.

Bus Routes 411, 413 to King Street.

4 October 2024

6 December 2024

7 March 2025

1 November 2024

7 February 2025

Regular Event

Wellbeing Walk with Richie the Ranger



We will be checking out Richie the Rangers monthly walks and joining in where we can. Please let us know if you would like to be included in receiving this information, as the walks change from month to month, and (as we found to our cost!) sometimes even the days.



Please contact Angela on 07912 605677 or Margaret on 0151 639 2777 or mersey@oddfellows.co.uk

Can you help by volunteering?

We couldn't run all our events without wonderful volunteers. We need help to make sure we can keep our events as fun as they can be for all our members. There's lots of ways you can pitch in to help us, from one-off help to regular support. You can commit an hour a month, or more if you've got the time!

Volunteering could include meeting and greeting newcomers to make sure they feel welcome, or arranging activities, like quizzes or presentations, which we can help you run and promote.



If you can help by volunteering or want to find out more, contact Margaret by phone on 0151 639 2777 or email margaret.hughes@oddfellows.co.uk

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October 2024

FRI
18

Museum of Liverpool



We often neglect to look at what is around on our doorstep, so today we are going to explore the Museum of Liverpool, using one of the trails. Join us at the main entrance and we will explore this fascinating building together, having been set up specifically due to the old one becoming too small to accommodate the 300,000 visitors per year. They must be doing something right, so let's go and see what the appeal is! Museum of Liverpool, Pier Head, Mann Island, Liverpool L3 1DG. **Contact** Angela on 07912 605677.

SAT
26

Half Yearly Summoned Meeting



This is our formal business meeting where we vote on recommendations from Committee and members are updated on what has been happening in the Branch. It is your chance to have your say and hear about the work of the Committee. A buffet lunch will be available from 1pm with the meeting itself starting at approximately 1.30pm. We hope to see you there! Book by Friday 18 October 2024. SARA Hall, Rundel Road, Liverpool L17 0AQ. **Contact** Angela on 07912 605677 or Margaret on 0151 639 2777.

November

FRI
08

Bury Market Coach Trip



9.30am



Members £16, Guests £20



Why not join us for some pre-Christmas bargain hunting at the famous Bury Market (famous for it's black pudding stalls!). There are over 200 unique stalls to explore across a Market Hall, Open Market, Fish and Meat Hall and Market Parade. There will be the opportunity to take a well earned break at one of the local cafés too. We will be picking up at Upton Victory Hall and Woolton Village and times will be confirmed nearer the time. Book by Friday 25 October 2024. Bury Market, Murray Road, Bury BL9 0BJ. **Contact** Angela on 07912 605677.



December

MON
02

Arley Hall Winter Light Trail



2pm



Members £40, Guests £48



Arley Hall is famous for Peaky Blinders and a Harry Potter trail in the same woodland. A spectacular illuminated trail full of wonder and intrigue awaits you to delight and enthrall your senses. There is a captivating light trail through the woodlands all set to music, which is about one mile long. There will be food and drink available at both the start and finish, plus mulled wine and marshmallows for toasting available to purchase along the trail itself.



We will also be able to see the 'Festively Floral' event in the hall and chapel creatively decorated with fresh flowers and foliage from the Arley Gardens. A choir will also be singing as you go around enjoying the displays and maybe picking up ideas to decorate your own home. This particular event is only on for a limited time and we have managed to secure places for our members.

Pick-up will be at Upton Victory Hall and Woolton Village, with times to be confirmed nearer the event. Book by Monday 11 November 2024. Arley Hall and Gardens, Nortwich, Cheshire CW9 6NA. **Contact** Angela on 07912 605677.

FRI

06

Wallasey Christmas Get Together



10.30am



Members Free
Guests £2 (first visit free)



Join us for a cuppa and a laugh as we put the world to rights and have a game or two. Everyone is welcome and feel free to bring a friend. If you are unsure about coming along for the first time, just let Angela or Margaret know and we will make sure we look out for you. Heart of Egremont, Guildford Street, Wallasey, Wirral CH44 0BP. **Contact** Angela on 07912 605677.

December

SUN

15

Christmas Lunch



12 noon



Members £25, Guests £35



This year, we are going to the Hard Day's Night Hotel for lunch in their restaurant at North 64. There will be a traditional turkey dinner with all the trimmings, plus a vegetarian option in the sumptuous surroundings of this 'Beatles' Hotel. This is easily accessible from the train or the Liverpool One bus terminus. We will be having the usual raffles and a good laugh to boot! Book by Sunday 1 December 2024. Hard Days Night Hotel, Central Buildings, North John Street, Liverpool L2 6RR. **Contact** Angela on 07912 605677.



MON

16

Chidwall Christmas Get Together



10.30am



Members Free
Guests £2



This is our normal meeting date but with a twist - let's do something Christmassy! Want to know more? Just turn up and find out what we've got planned for you.



We can promise it will be fun and as always, there will be a brew waiting for you. Childwall Abbey Hotel, Childwall Abbey Road, Liverpool L16 5EY. **Contact** Angela on 07912 605677.

WED

18

Upton Christmas Get Together



1.30pm



Members Free
Guests £2



Join us for some Christmas fun and games at The Upton Victory Hall. There will be lots of things to get you in the spirit of Christmas and of course, a brew or two! Upton Victory Hall, 61 Salacre Lane, Upton, Wirral CH49 0TN. **Contact** Angela on 07912 605677.



January 2025

THURS
02

Countess of Chester Country Park Stroll



10.45am



Free - just pay
for meal



Join our friends at Deeside Oddfellows for a walk around the Countess of Chester Country Park. This will be followed by lunch at The Little Owls Pub, which is your starting place for the walk. Booking is essential if you wish to join them for lunch, in order that enough places can be reserved. Book by Thursday 12 December 2024. The Little Owls Pub, Off Countess Way, Nr Gawer Park CH1 4DA. **Contact** Caroline on 07960 720299.



March

SAT
22

Annual Summoned Meeting



3pm



Members Free
Guests £3



This is our formal business meeting where we update members on the work of the Committee and give you the chance to have your say and vote on the recommendations from the Committee. A light buffet will be served on the day. If there is enough interest, a mini bus can be put on for Liverpool members to come across, price to be announced depending on numbers. Upton Victory Hall, 61 Salacre Lane, Upton, Wirral CH49 0TN. **Contact** Angela on 07912 605677.



February

FRI
21

Guided Tour around Western Approaches WWII Museum



11am



Members £16.50, Guests £18



We will be joining our very knowledgeable guide who will take us into the top secret underground bunker under the streets of Liverpool. We will be exploring the labyrinth of rooms, offices and exhibits and listening to the stories along the way. Book by Tuesday 21 January 2025. Western Approaches, 1-3 Rumford Street, Liverpool L2 8SZ. **Contact** Angela on 07912 605677.



March

FRI

28

Coach Trip to Lytham Hall



9am



Members £33, Guests £36



We will be taking a coach to Lytham for a guided tour around Lytham Hall. This is an 18th Century Grade 1 Listed Georgian Manor House. The tour will give an insight into the Clifton family who were accused of conspiracy during the Lancashire plot to restore James II to the throne. There are 78 acres of mature parkland surrounding the hall



and there is a full range of refreshment options. We will also have a chance to explore the local shops. Pick-up will be Upton Victory Hall and Woolton Village. Book by Friday 7 March 2025. Lytham Hall, Ballam Road, Lytham FY8 4JX. **Contact** Angela on 07912 605677.

Learn, have fun, and stay in touch from home

We've online events
for all to enjoy.
Give one a try.



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

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Our Adventures

Canal Trip – 28 March



In the 'Heart' of Liverpool with friends from St Helens.

25 Mersey Members joined 25 St Helens & Warrington District Members for a trip on the Floating Grace Barge. This trip tours the docks and takes in all the history, whilst our Members were also being spoilt by a lovely afternoon tea – yummy!

Race Night – 9 April

Great fun was had with the horses and the pig racing! For those of you who were unable to attend, the horse racing was onscreen and everyone was working hard to study the form. Then we had actual pigs for the pig racing. Well, fluffy wind up pigs to be exact! They were the cutest, naughtiest pigs I've ever come across. You set them all to go at the same time, but they would randomly stop or wander out of the lane, causing mayhem! There was also a buffet and a raffle and a total of £177.10 profit was made on the night, which will go to this year's Charity of the Year.



Naughty piggies!

Celebration Lunch for Steve Code, retiring Chairman – 21 April

This year we went to the Oh Me Oh My Restaurant in Liverpool City Centre. We all enjoyed a lovely three course meal with entertainment by a very talented violinist, by the name of Alesia Violin. Our guests of honour were retiring Director Tony Lockett and his wife Christine, plus Hayley Gough from the British Heart Foundation, which was the Chairman's Charity of the Year for 2023. After all the games had been played during the event, we were able to present the BHF with a total of £1300, with a whopping £359 being raised during the afternoon! The picture shows £1,290 being presented, but our special guest, Tony Lockett donated the extra £10 to make it up to an even number! A huge thank you to all those who came and participated, what a fantastic total.



View from the balcony at Oh Me Oh My Restaurant.



Horse racing went well – ish!!



Retiring Chairman, Steve Code, presenting the cheque to Hayley Gough from the British Heart Foundation.

Jokes

(Credit to Robina White)

I lost my job as a stage designer. I left without making a scene.

Why is it unwise to share your secrets with a clock? Well, time will tell.





Singing in the Rain (not quite) at Beaumaris.

Coach Trip to Beaumaris – 22 May

31 intrepid adventurers headed off to Beaumaris Castle in Anglesey. Apparently this is the greatest castle that was never built due to lack of money and trouble brewing in Scotland. It is a fortress and would have been the crowning glory for Edward I of Wales, together with Conway, Harlech and Caernarfon Castles. Beaumaris means ‘beautiful marsh’ and sits beside the Menai Strait. The weather wasn’t kind, but we still braved the castle walls – then found a welcoming pub!

Old Dock Tour – 5 June

There is nothing better than learning about your own area. We headed off underground for a really interesting guided tour of Liverpool’s very first dock. Nestled below



Ooh that’s deep! Looking down into the depths of where the original dock was.



At the Upside Down House near Liverpool One.

Liverpool One we learned of the importance of this very dock to the growth of Liverpool all those years ago. And you can't walk past the Upside Down House without pausing for a pic!



All wrapped up listening to our very knowledgeable guide.



Yes, I can assure you, it was June, despite our members hats and coats!

In my Liverpool Home Cathedrals Tour – 21 June

'In my Liverpool Home' as the famous song goes 'if you want a Cathedral we've got one to spare' and it was fantastic learning about these amazing landmarks – as well as the history of Hope Street that links the Metropolitan and Anglican Cathedrals together. We had a lovely day and met some really interesting guides!

Jokes

(Credit to Robina White)

Dad, are we pyromaniacs?
Yes, we arson.

What do you call a pig with laryngitis?
Disgruntled

Writing my name in cursive is my
signature move

Why do bees stay in their hives during
winter? Swarm.



Outside the Metropolitan Cathedral – look, no coats!



In front of the huge satellite dish – imagine that on the side of your house!

Jodrell Bank

We headed off to this World Heritage Site in Macclesfield – one of the most important radio telescopes in the world. Lots of history and science all in one visit.



Ready for the Science to begin!

Visions

A thought provoking poem by one of our Members, Margaret Jensen.

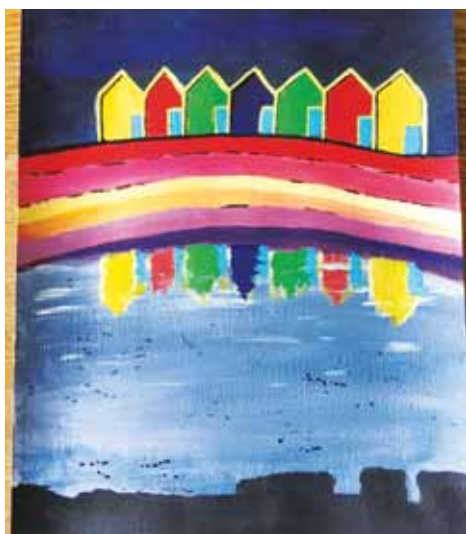
Painters, poets struggle to tell,
 Release feelings try to expel
 Visions of mind with paper and ink,
 Between the lines force you to think.
 Exacting forms wish to convey
 Words in voice we cannot say.
 Brushes and oil, canvas and colour;
 Third world countries
 Dying
 Starving,
 In squalor.

Artists Gallery

Pictures by Keith Wike, a regular attendee at the monthly 'Art Unscrewed' online painting classes with Dulcie Rowe. If you have any paintings – or pictures of any type of art – that we could feature, please just send me a photo and you will be featured in the next magazine.



*Oboke Gorge on Shikoku Island
(not done through Dulcie's class,
but inspired by her).*



Beach Huts.

Puzzle Corner

With thanks to Paul Fitton for the following:

General Knowledge Quiz (answers on page 23)

1. What character did Gerald Campion play on TV?
2. What is a bouffant?
3. Name two field events in athletics
4. Who stars in the Mission Impossible cinema franchise
5. What is the sternum?
6. Which sport and leisure company had the three stripes logo?
7. Which is the largest London borough by area?
8. What was Charlie Cairoli's profession?
9. Which group sang Everlasting Love?
10. Name two of the three Musketeers

Mensa Test

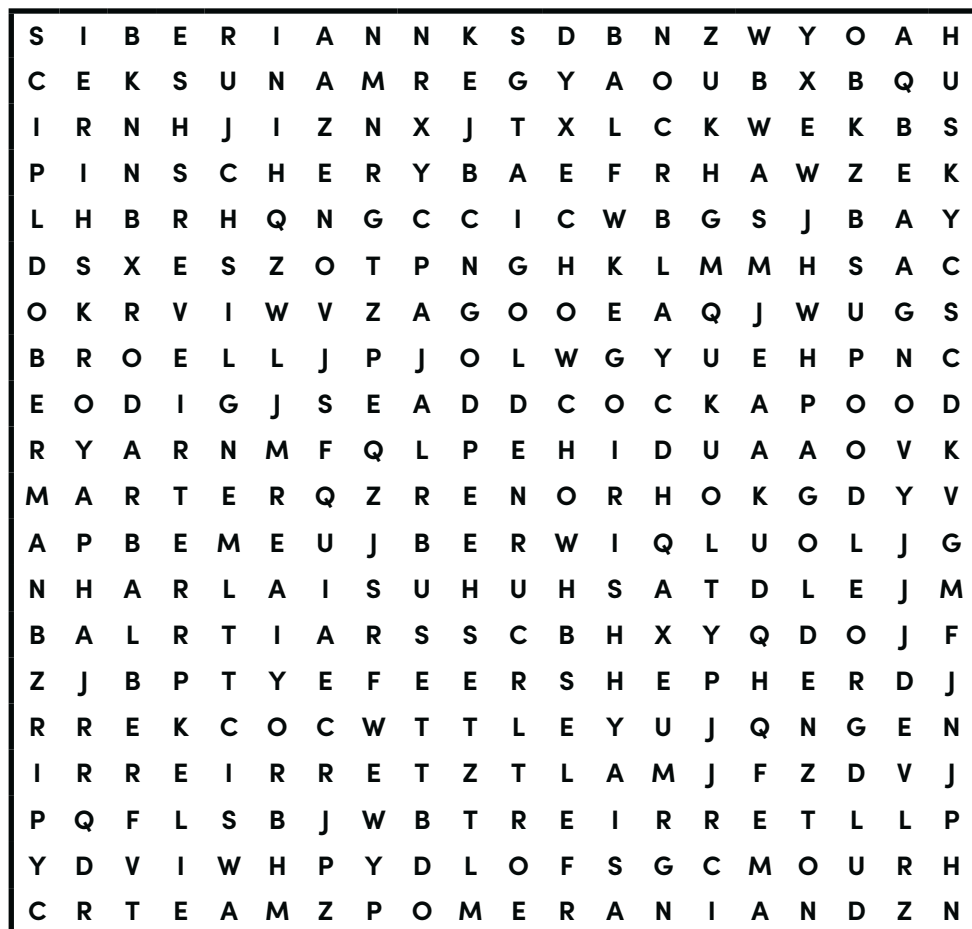
Two cars starting at the same point travel in opposite directions. One travels at 30mph and the other at 60mph. How far apart are they after an hour and a half?

Riddle

You buy me to eat, but you never eat me. What am I?

Dog Breeds Wordsearch

Find the dog breeds in the puzzle below. Call Margaret for the answer.



SIBERIAN
SHEPHERD
DACHSHUND
RETRIEVER
POODLE
COCKER
OLD
GOLDEN
TERRIER
TERRIER

HUSKY
BEAGLE
CHOWCHOW
DOBERMAN
IRISH
SPANIEL
ENGLISH
LABRADOR
JACK
POMERANIAN

GERMAN
ROTTWEILER
GOLDEN
PINSCHER
SETTER
CHIHUAHUA
SHEEPDOG
YORKSHIRE
RUSSELL
COCKAPOO



Oddfellows Members: Do you need help?



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

Local Care and Welfare Support

We have a wonderful Care and Welfare Department who can help you out with convalescence or help at home after a stay in hospital, but if you are feeling lonely, don't forget that we have a local Care and Welfare Visitor, Angela, who is more than happy to phone you and have a chat. Just let Margaret know on **0151 639 2777** or email **margaret.hughes@oddfellows.co.uk** your phone number and she will sort it out for you.

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



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**

Members meet in Llandudno for AMC

The late May Bank Holiday weekend in the beautiful North Wales coastal town of Llandudno was the setting for this year's Annual Movable Conference (AMC).

Hosted by Deeside Oddfellows, members from throughout the UK made the trip to reflect on the previous 12 months and discuss and vote on the course of the next, all presided over by the Grand Master (Chairman), Vale of York Oddfellows' Barbara Needham.



Business conducted, AMC Llandudno

As well as business, attendees enjoyed a range of social activities, with Oddfellows Brass putting on another wonderful performance.



Oddies on the coach to Portmeirion

Members also took part in a ceilidh at the welcome evening, graced the green at the annual Roy Harmer Memorial Bowls Tournament, took a day trip to Portmeirion and got all dressed up for the Farewell Dance.

Who should be our next major Fund recipient?

Our HA Andrews Memorial Fund provides major financial support over a two or three year period to a project or organisation involved in, or conducting, medical research in the UK.



The funding for Southampton University's Centre for Cancer Immunology, which was nominated by a member in Guernsey, is in its final year, so we're now open to suggestions on who to support from 2025.

If you've a suggestion of who we can support next, let us know. Go to www.oddfellows.co.uk/ha-andrews to find out more about the criteria, how to nominate and our deadlines.

Making a Difference Awards 2024

Five members have received national recognition for the brilliant and selfless work they put into making their Branch and the Society as wonderful as they can be.



Terry Rendle, Oswald Branch Enriching Lives Socially

This award celebrates Terry's contributions to the running of Oswald Branch's social events.

He regularly comes up with ideas for events, plans and advertises them, organises and purchases supplies, arranges



catering, sells tickets, physically arranges chairs and tables in the room, taxis people to and from, hosts and clears up after. All this at the age of 84.

"Socialising is so important as you get older," Terry said. "It keeps your brain busy and your body busy which means you might last a bit longer."

He added: "I was flabbergasted. I had to read the letter three times before I realised what I was reading."

Pat and David Lang, Three Counties Branch Achieving Together

The married couple from Didcot, Oxfordshire, joined the Oddfellows over half-



century ago, and in that time have taken on many voluntary roles, including serving as Branch Chairman five times between them.

They are Welfare Visitors, regularly checking in on around 50 fellow members, and are well known for providing food for events and meetings. They are also responsible for an annual Christmas lunch event which, since 2009, has raised over £2,100 for the HA Andrews Memorial Fund.

David said: "It has never been about being rewarded. We love what we do, it's as simple as that.

Pat added: "I'm honoured. We have much to thank the Oddfellows for and have met so many lovely people."

Peter Coe, City of Norwich Branch

Working in the Spirit of Mutuality

As a mutual society, the Oddfellows is run by and for our members and this award seeks to recognise those who have gone the extra mile to assist in the running of their Branch and the Society as a whole.

Peter has gone several extra miles, having held a number of voluntary roles, including Branch and District Chairman,



and is still a member of the social committee to this day, helping to organise many wonderful events.

Peter said: "The Oddfellows is full of very, very friendly people. We all get on. I've made some very good friends here over the years.

"It's my life. It's what I do. The best thing I did was join the Oddfellows."

Claire Needham, Vale of York District

Giving Something Back

Lifelong member Claire has been recognised for the work she does to raise money and awareness for worthy causes.



She donated nearly £3,000 for Motor Neurone Disease Association and Martins House Children's Hospice having run the Rob Burrows Leeds Marathon last year, and has helped raise more than £30,000 through her role as Chairman of her workplace's Charity Committee.

Claire has also held positions on the Oddfellows' Benevolence Committee and Investigations Committee, making a positive difference to the lives of her fellow members.

"I was completely surprised and I feel really honoured," Claire said. "It's a really nice feeling. It's nice that other people think it's making a difference and it's having an impact."

The Oddfellows' CEO, Jane Nelson, said: "Each of the winners are fully deserving of this recognition and I'm very proud of all of them. They typify what it is to be an Oddfellow and the Society and their respective branches are lucky to have them."

Who is your local Branch star? Member nominations are now open for the 2025 awards. To find out more, visit www.oddfellows.co.uk/makingadifference.

Financial worries revealed



Unity Mutual, the Oddfellows' financial services brand, recently surveyed 2,000 people throughout the UK to uncover what's keeping them up at night when it comes to their finances. Here's what they discovered. Do any of these resonate with you?

Cost of living

The worry peaks for those aged 40-49, with 63% feeling the pinch, closely followed by those in their 50s and 60s (both at 62%).

Emergency planning

35% of those surveyed worry they don't have enough money set aside for emergencies like car repairs or medical treatments. Additionally, 28% fret about potential home repair costs.

Pension and retirement

Living on a tight pension is a reality for 22% of respondents, and 18% worry they aren't contributing enough to their pension pot. Many in their 60s regret not paying more into their pensions earlier.



Savings and financial planning

Only 39% of people have money in savings or investments, but this number jumps to 61% for those in their 70s. Yet, just a third have a financial life plan.

Stress and anxiety

Financial stress affects 58% of respondents. Those in their 60s and 70s are less worried compared to younger age groups, with only 35% and 27% respectively reporting anxiety.

Financial regrets

Over half (51%) have financial regrets, including not saving enough each month (46%) and spending on pointless things (43%). Interestingly, more than one in 10 (12%) wish they'd married someone with more money.

These findings show that, while financial worries are largely universal, planning and saving can make a significant difference, especially as we age. Whether you're setting up your first financial plan or adjusting your retirement strategy, it's never too late to take control of your financial future.

Go to www.unitymutual.co.uk to find out more.

Oddfellows members have access to a dedicated Citizens Advice Line. Its advisers can help you to find a way forward with any money or debt problems but are unable to give financial advice. Visit www.oddfellows.co.uk/citizens-advice to find out more.

Puzzle Corner Answers on page 16

General Knowledge Quiz

1. Billy Bunter. 2. A hairstyle. 3. There are 8 – long jump, high jump, triple jump, pole vault, shot, discus, javelin and hammer. 4. Tom Cruise. 5. The breast bone. 6. Adidas. 7. Bromley – 55 square miles. 8. A clown. 9. Love Affair. 10. Athos, Porthos and Aramis.

Mensa Test: 135 miles. One car travels 45 miles and the other travels 90 miles.

Riddle: A fork.

REFER A FRIEND

Share the love and make someone smile



To refer someone you know and make their day, either fill in the **Refer a Friend** form available from your Branch Secretary, or call Membership on **0800 028 1810**, or visit our Members' Area at www.oddfellows.co.uk

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Nominate a fellow member for the Society's Making a Difference Awards

Do you know a special member who has gone above and beyond to help others, raise money for good causes or run your Branch?

We're encouraging members to put these special people forward for national recognition! Speak to your Branch Secretary about how to nominate or find out more at www.oddfellows.co.uk/makingadifference



At a glance

October 2024

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Wed 16	Upton Get Together	1pm
Fri 18	Museum of Liverpool	11am
Sat 26	Half Yearly Summoned Meeting	1pm
Mon 28	Childwall Get Together	10.30am

November

Fri 1	Wallasey Get Together	10.30am
Fri 8	Bury Market Coach Trip	9.30am
Wed 20	Upton Get Together	1pm
Mon 25	Childwall Get Together	10.30am

December

Mon 2	Arley Hall Wnter Light Trail	2pm
Fri 6	Wallasey Christmas Get Together	10.30am
Sun 15	Christmas Lunch	12 noon
Mon 16	Chidwall Christmas Get Together	10.30am
Wed 18	Upton Christmas Get Together	1.30pm

January 2025

Thurs 2	Countess of Chester Country Park Stroll	10.45am
Wed 15	Upton Get Together	1pm
Mon 27	Childwall Get Together	10.30am

February

Fri 7	Wallasey Get Together	10.30am
Wed 19	Upton Get Together	1pm
Fri 21	Guided Tour around Western Approaches WWII Museum	11am
Mon 24	Childwall Get Together	10.30am

March

Fri 7	Wallasey Get Together	10.30am
Wed 19	Upton Get Together	1pm
Sat 22	Annual Summoned Meeting	3pm
Mon 24	Childwall Get Together	10.30am
Fri 28	Coach Trip to Lytham Hall	9am

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