

October 2026 - March 2027



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Friendship



*Tuesday 13 October – Dine Around Bury –
Bolton College Signature Restaurant*

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

Inside you'll find local and national Oddfellows news, information about our events, and plenty of useful information about your membership – so do have a read and keep it somewhere handy.

We have lots of great events coming up and we'd love to see you at one soon. All our events are open to everyone, so feel free to bring a friend or family member along.

Branches across the country also host a wide range of free online events, giving you the chance to enjoy friendship from the comfort of your own home. You can check out the latest online events on our website at www.oddfellows.co.uk/online-events/

Remember, you can always find details of Branch events, member benefits and the latest Oddfellows news on our website at www.oddfellows.co.uk.

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Orrell St, Bury BL8 1PB

Oddfellows South East Lancashire is delighted to be moving from our old home to our new premises at the address above. We look forward to seeing you there!

For more details about any of the events listed contact:

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Everyone is welcome at most Oddfellows events. Even if you are not a member, we want to extend an invitation to you and your friends to attend events that take your fancy – we like to think that we can guarantee you a good time.

Oddfellows: A Friendly Society with Social Activities and More

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

Bury

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

Blackburn

In Blackburn, we meet monthly for a light lunch, followed by talks from guest speakers and charities. There are also fun games, such as beetle drive, bingo and quizzes, with an opportunity to learn and make new connections, while having fun. Our focus is on meeting for a catch-up, building friendships, and creating a welcoming community for all.

Wigan

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

Teamwork Makes the Dream Work

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

A bit about us...

The Oddfellows is a not-for-profit Friendly Society that's been around for over 200 years. Our aim is to bring people together through social events, as well as supporting our members through a range of benefits and services. The Society is run by our members for our members. For more information visit www.oddfellows.co.uk or call **0800 028 1810** to speak to one of our team.

Bury Weekly Events

Craft and Coffee Morning



10.30am



Members £2, Guests £3



A two hour session where we have a chat over tea or coffee and cakes whilst painting, crafting or reading a paper. There will be various resources provided, but you can bring your own projects if you wish, for example: knitting, crochet, sewing, model making, artwork, sketch book, etc. Oddfellows Hall, All Saints House, Orrell Street, Bury BL8 1PB. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.

Every Monday



Thursday Friends



12 noon



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



Everybody welcome! The Thursday Friends meet every Thursday from 12 noon to 2pm. Bring some lunch and enjoy a bite to eat together whilst chatting and laughing with each other and then finish the afternoon with a few games of dominoes. The first meeting is free and costs £1 per week with an optional £2 extra on the day. Oddfellows Hall, All Saints House, Orrell Street, Bury BL8 1PB. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.

Every Thursday



Weekly Coffee Morning Meet Up



11am



As per menu



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

Every Wednesday and Friday



Bury Monthly Events

Scrabble Club



1.30pm



Members £2, Guests £3



**First and third
Tuesday of the month**

Do you enjoy a game of Scrabble or would like to try it out? We meet every first and third Tuesday of the month to play a game of Scrabble. Everyone is welcome to join in even if you have never played before! Oddfellows Hall, All Saints House, Orrell St, Bury BL8 1PB. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.



6 October 2026
20 October 2026
3 November 2026
17 November 2026

1 December 2026
15 December 2026
5 January 2027
19 January 2027

2 February 2027
16 February 2027
2 March 2027
16 March 2027

First Tuesday Games Night



7.30pm



Cost varies
(as below)



**First Tuesday
of the month**

Join us for this fun and friendly social with supper and try out different types of games. Oddfellows Hall, All Saints House, Orrell St, Bury BL8 1PB. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.



6 October 2026 - Quiz Night,
Members £4, Guests £5
3 November 2026 - Supper and
Fireworks, Members £7, Guests £8
1 December 2026 - Beetle Drive,
Members £6, Guests £7

5 January 2027, Members £2,
Guests £3
2 February 2027 - Horse Racing with
Fish and Chips, £7.50
2 March 2027 at 1pm - Games and
Pizza Night, Members £6, Guests £7

Dine Around, Bury



1pm



As per menu



**Second Tuesday
of the month**

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



13 October 2026 at
11.45am, £15.95
10 November 2026

8 December 2026
12 January 2027
9 February 2027

9 March 2027

Bury Monthly Events

Third Tuesday Games Night



7.30pm



Members £4, Guests £5



Join us for this fun and friendly social and games night. Book seven days in advance. Oddfellows Hall, All Saints House, Orrell Street, Bury BL8 1PB. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.

**Third Tuesday
of the month**



20 October 2026

17 November 2026

15 December 2026

19 January 2027 - Pig

Racing and Supper,

Members £6, Guests £7

16 February 2027

16 March 2027

Blackburn Monthly Events

Ten Pin Bowling



11.15am



Approximately £8.50 for two games



We bowl on the first Tuesday of the month where you can join us for a bit of fun, it doesn't matter if you have never bowled before. Pre-booking is essential for this event. Why not join us for lunch at a local venue afterwards. Book by Friday 2 October 2026. Tenpin Blackburn, Peel Leisure & Retail Park, Mayson Street, Blackburn BB1 1DG. Contact Chris on 07711 376280 or Joan on 07414 816521.

**First Tuesday
of the month**



6 October 2026

3 November 2026

1 December 2026

5 January 2027

2 February 2027

2 March 2027

Social Club, Blackburn



12 noon



Members £5, Guests £6



Join us for a friendly afternoon with our speaker or games in good company. Buffet lunch and refreshments included in the cost. Meet from 12 noon to 2pm. The Boulevard Centre, 45 Railway Road, Blackburn BB1 1EZ. Contact Chris on 07711 376280 or Joan on 07414 816521.

**Second Tuesday
of the month**



13 October 2026 - Guest Speaker,
Rawden Kerr, Why We Love a Town Crier

10 November 2026 - Christmas Quiz

12 January 2027 - New Year Quiz

9 February 2027 - Bingo

9 March 2027 - Guest Speakers,
Yvonne and Matt Pinder,
Part 2 of An American Adventure

Blackburn Monthly Events

Bus Pass Day



10am



Free - Bus Pass



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

**Third Tuesday
of the month**



Thursday 22 October 2026 -
Garstang Market

Monday 15 February 2027 -
Boundary Mill

Monday 16 November 2026 -
Barton Grange

Wednesday 17 March 2027 -
Bury Market

Tuesday 19 January 2027 -
Chorley Market

Dine Around, Blackburn



12 noon



As per menu



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

**Fourth Tuesday
of the month**



27 October 2026
24 November 2026

26 January 2027
23 February 2027

23 March 2027

Join the conversation @OddfellowsUK

Share your news, start a conversation or simply stay up-to-date! If you're on Facebook, make sure you've liked and followed our Oddfellows social media pages. Find us at **f OddfellowsSouthEastLancashire**

Wigan Monthly Events

Social and Coffee Morning with Lunch



10.30am



Members £3.50, Guests £4.50



**First Thursday
of the month**

Everybody is welcome to join us for our monthly social coffee morning and luncheon. This is held conveniently in the centre of Wigan, on the first Thursday of the month and is where friends old and new come together for friendly chat and laughs over a cuppa and a buffet lunch. Book seven days in advance. Wigan Stars, Hallgate House, Frank Street, Wigan WN1 1HP. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.



**1 October 2026
5 November 2026**

**3 December 2026
7 January 2027**

**4 February 2027
4 March 2027**

Dine Around, Wigan



12 noon



As per menu



**Third Thursday
of the month**

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



**15 October 2026
19 November 2026
17 December 2026**

**21 January 2027
18 February 2027
18 March 2027**

Booking and Cancellations

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

October 2026

SAT
03

Half Yearly Summomed Meeting (Annual General Meeting)



1.30pm



Free



This is our half yearly business meeting where we get together to discuss financial matters and nominate the District Officers, Committee of Management and Deputies to attend the Annual Movable Conference (AMC). All are welcome to attend, but only members will be able to vote on matters affecting the District. Light refreshments will be provided. Oddfellows Hall, All Saints House, Orrell Street, Bury BL8 1PB. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909 or Karen on 07403 834284.

TUES
06

First Tuesday Games Night - Quiz Night



7.30pm



Members £4
Guests £5



Join us for a fun and friendly social event with prizes and laughter! Book by Thursday 1 October 2026. Oddfellows Hall, All Saints House, Orrell Street, Bury BL8 1PB. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.



TUES
13

Dine Around Bury - Bolton College Signature Restaurant



11.45am



£15.95 for
Three Courses



Join us in luxurious surroundings at Bolton College Signature Restaurant, Bolton's best-kept secret for a three course meal. Enjoy fine food and exceptional service, prepared and served by the college's talented catering and hospitality students. Dine with us and support the trainee chefs and hospitality professionals who, by preparing and serving you an exquisite meal, are benefiting from real-life experience of a working restaurant. We look forward to welcoming Oddfellows friends old and new! Book by Tuesday 29 September 2026. Bolton College Signature Restaurant, Deane Road Campus, Deane Road, Bolton BL3 5BG. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.

TUES
13

Blackburn Social Club - Guest Speaker, Rawden Kerr, 'Why we Love a Town Crier'



12.15pm



Members £5
Guests £6



Join us for a friendly afternoon with our speaker in good company. Buffet lunch and refreshments included in the cost. Meet from 12.15pm to 2pm. The Boulevard Centre, 45 Railway Road, Blackburn BB1 1EZ. Contact Chris on 07711 376280, Joan on 07414 816521 or Natalie on 07564 641909.

October 2026

THURS
15

Dine Around Wigan - Olympus Fish and Chip Restaurant

🕒 12 noon

£ As per
menu



Join us at the ever popular Olympus chippy in Bolton town centre. Enjoy freshly cooked fish and chips amongst friends old and new. Book by Thursday 8 October 2026. Olympus Fish and Chip Restaurant, 35-39 Great Moor Street, Bolton BL1 1SW. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.



MON
19

Craft and Coffee Morning with Autumnal Crafts

🕒 10.30am

£ Members £2
Guests £3



A two hour session where we have a chat over tea or coffee and cakes whilst painting, crafting or reading a paper. There will be various resources provided, but you can bring your own projects if you wish, for example: knitting, crochet, sewing, model making, artwork, sketch book, etc. This week we will be making autumnal crafts. Oddfellows Hall, All Saints House, Orrell Street, Bury BL8 1PB. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.

THURS
15

Calendar Girls The Musical at Bolton Octagon Theatre

🕒 2pm

£ Tickets from £28



A calendar that changed everything. The death of a much loved husband prompts a group of ordinary women in a small Yorkshire Women's Institute to do something extraordinary: create a nude calendar to raise money for charity.

News spreads fast in their community and none of them expect the emotional and personal repercussions, but gradually the making of the fabulous and funny calendar brings each woman unexpectedly into bloom. Packed full of unforgettable songs, every performance continues to prove that there is no such thing as an ordinary woman.



By Gary Barlow and Tim Firth. Directed by Paul Robinson. Book by Thursday 3 September 2026. Bolton Octagon Theatre, Howell Croft South, Bolton BL1 1SB. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.

October 2026

WED
21

Visit to Towneley Hall and Parkland, Burnley



11am



£5.60



Towneley Hall Museum and Art Gallery was home to the Towneley family for over 600 years. The hall was purchased by Burnley Corporation, now Burnley Borough Council, in 1902 and has been open to the public as a museum and art gallery since 1903. During that time, the collections have grown to encompass many different subject areas, including fine art, ancient Egypt, local history and wildlife.



Traces of the Towneley family and their staff can still be felt around the hall, with some spaces having changed very little since the last family member, Alice, Lady O'Hagan left the hall. As well as the permanent collections, Towneley hosts a changing programme of contemporary exhibitions and events throughout the year. Book by Wednesday 14 October 2026. Towneley Hall, Towneley Park, Burnley BB11 3RQ. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.

TUES
27

Dine Around Blackburn - Fernhurst



12 noon



As per menu



Why not join us at the Fernhurst for lunch? The more the merrier. Boasting generous portions of tasty pub-grub. Come along and join us for a tasty lunch amongst friends. Book by Tuesday 13 October 2026. The Fernhurst, 466 Bolton Road, Blackburn, Blackburn with Darwen BB2 4JP. Contact Joan on 07414 816521 or Linda on 01254 264391.

November

TUES
03

First Tuesday Games Night with Supper and Fireworks



7.30pm



Members £7
Guests £8



Come and join us for fireworks and sparklers for our bonfire games night. There will be a bonfire themed supper, a quiz and lots of fun. Book by Tuesday 27 October 2026. Oddfellows Hall, All Saints House, Orrell Street, Bury BL8 1PB. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.

November

FRI
06

Ellen Smiths Coach Trip to Harrogate



10am



£24



Harrogate Shopper - we travel to Harrogate, a Victorian spa town in the heart of Yorkshire. The reputation of the shopping streets for exquisite retail opportunities is well deserved and its spa heritage is evident to this day with spa treatments new and old available. Harrogate is renowned for its smart little tea rooms and classy cafés spilling out onto the pavements. The coach picks up from various Bury locations. Book by Friday 2 October 2026. Harrogate, Ripon Road HG1 2SY. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.



TUES
10

Dine Around Bury - The Mill Coffee House



1pm



As per menu



A new venue for our dine around, suggested by one of our lovely members - a great coffee house, serving lunch and a great selection of cakes! Book by Tuesday 3 November 2026. The Mill Coffee House, Bury New Road, Bolton BL2 6QE. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.

MON
16

Craft and Coffee Morning with Autumnal Crafts



10.30am



Members £2
Guests £3



A two hour session where we have a chat over tea or coffee and cakes whilst painting, crafting or reading a paper. There will be various resources provided, but you can bring your own projects if you wish, for example: knitting, crochet, sewing, model making, artwork, sketch book, etc... We will be making some autumnal crafts. Oddfellows Hall, All Saints House, Orrell Street, Bury BL8 1PB. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.



TUES
10

Blackburn Social Club - Christmas Quiz



12.15pm



Members £5
Guests £6



Join us for a friendly afternoon with our Christmas quiz in good company. Buffet lunch and refreshments included in the cost. Meet from 12.15pm to 2pm. The Boulevard Centre, 45 Railway Road, Blackburn BB1 1EZ. Contact Chris on 07711 376280 or Joan on 07414 816521.

November

THURS 19 Dine Around Wigan - The Royal Oak



12 noon



As per menu



The Royal Oak in Bolton has a fabulous, plentiful carvery with all the trimmings. Come along and join us for a lunch with friends old and new! Book by Thursday 12 November 2026. The Royal Oak, 480 Westhoughton Road, Bolton BL5 3ND. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.

MON 23 A Tour of The Manchester Monastery



2pm



£10



An Architectural Wonder

If you're interested in Manchester architecture, truly it doesn't get much better than this.



Considered to be EW Pugin's great architectural masterpiece and known as 'Manchester's Taj Mahal'. The Monastery will blow your mind with the principles of geometry on which it was designed, its significance as a beloved heritage site of great historical importance and the incredible restoration project, which breathed new life into its previously tragic ruins. If sacred sites are your thing, jackpot. Book by Monday 9 November 2026. The Monastery Manchester, Gorton Lane, Manchester M12 5WF. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.

TUES 24 Dine Around Blackburn - Scholars Restaurant



12 noon



As per menu



Join us for excellent food prepared and served by catering students in the college's professional standard licensed restaurant. Please book in advance by Tuesday 10 November 2026. Blackburn College, Fielden Street, Blackburn BB2 1LH. Contact Joan on 07414 816521 or Linda on 01254 264391.

FRI 27 Lancashire Night with Supper and Entertainment



7pm



Members £7
Guests £8



On this day in 1295 the first elected representatives from Lancashire were called to Westminster by King Edward I to attend what later became known as 'The Model Parliament'. The Lancashire Day Proclamation is read out by the town criers throughout the county on 27 November. Join other Lancastrians in celebrating Lancashire Day with the toast unique to Lancashire; The King Duke of Lancaster. Traditional hot pot supper with a selection of Lancashire treats included. Book by Friday 20 November 2026. Oddfellows Hall, All Saints House, Orrell Street, Bury BL8 1PB. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.



December

TUES 01 First Tuesday Games Night - Beetle Drive

 7.30pm

 Members £6
Guests £7



Join us for an evening of festivities with a beetle drive and cheese and crackers supper served with mulled wine. Book by Tuesday 24 November 2026. Oddfellows Hall, All Saints House, Orrell Street, Bury BL8 1PB. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.

MON 07 Craft and Coffee Morning - Wreath Making

 10.30am

 Members £2
Guests £3



A two hour session where we have a chat over tea or coffee and cakes whilst painting, crafting or reading a paper. There will be various resources provided, but you can bring your own projects if you wish, for example: knitting, crochet, sewing, model making, artwork, sketch book, etc... This week we will be making Christmas wreaths. Oddfellows Hall, All Saints House, Orrell Street, Bury BL8 1PB. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.



TUES 08 Christmas at Blackburn Social Club including Ukulele Band

 12.15pm

 Members £5
Guests £6



All welcome to celebrate at our Jacob's joint Christmas lunch in a friendly atmosphere. This will be followed by a ukulele band, Christmas fun and games. There will be a Secret Santa event. Advance booking essential by Tuesday 10 November 2026. The Boulevard Centre, 45 Railway Road, Blackburn BB1 1EZ. Contact Chris on 07711 376280 or Joan on 07414 816521.

TUES 08 Dine Around Bury - The Lock Keeper

 1pm

 As per menu



Come and join us for a friendly lunch at this popular pub in Radcliffe. Everyone is welcome! Book by Tuesday 1 December 2026. The Lock Keeper, 4 Mill Bank, Pilkington, Radcliffe M26 1AJ. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.

December

WED
09

Christmas Party and Buffet



1pm



Members £10
Guests £11



You are welcome to come and join us at our new South East Lancashire Branch home in Bury for our inaugural Christmas buffet and party - get ready to sing some carols and pull some crackers! Book by Wednesday 2 December 2026. Oddfellows Hall, All Saints House, Orrell Street, Bury BL8 1PB. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.

THURS
17

Dine Around Wigan - Golden Days Garden Centre



12 noon



As per menu



Join us for lunch at Golden Days Garden Centre with an opportunity for a Christmas browse around the stunning garden centre. Book by Thursday 10 December 2026. Golden Days Garden Centre, 181 Back Lane, Appley Bridge, Wigan WN6 8RS. Contact Karen on 07403 834284.



TUES
15

Aladdin - Pantomime at Heywood Civic Hall



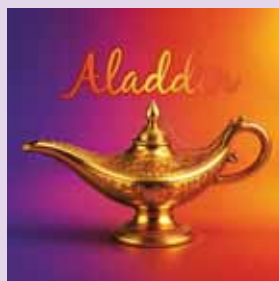
6.30pm



From £12.60 for concessions



Join us in a whole new world of pantomime! Starring Coronation Street's Helen Flanagan as The Spirit of the Lamp and fellow Corrie star Steven Arnold as Wishee Washee, master illusionist Daniel Dean as Abanazar, Robby Khela as Aladdin, Freya Freda as Princess Jasmine, Robert Stuart-Hudson as Dame Betty Bubbles and Anthony Proctor as Sgt Pepper/Genie of the Lamp. It's off to old Heywood town, where we meet Aladdin, who is tricked by the evil Abanazar into entering the Cave of Wonders. Trapped inside with nothing but a dirty old lamp and no way out, all seems lost, until Aladdin gives the lamp a rub and a magical Genie appears to save the day. This magical carpet ride of a pantomime is packed with song, dance, comedy and magic. Promising fun for the whole family and plenty of pantomime sparkle along the way. Book by Monday 16 November 2026. Heywood Civic Hall, Peine Square, Lance Corporal Stephen Shaw MC Way, Heywood OL10 1LW. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.



January 2027

TUES
05

First Tuesday Games Night



7.30pm



Members £2
Guests £3



Come and join us for a fun and friendly games night. Oddfellows Hall, All Saints House, Orrell Street, Bury BL8 1PB. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.

TUES
12

Blackburn Social Club - New Year Quiz



12.15pm



Members £5
Guests £6



Join us for a friendly gentle start to the New Year with a good chatter and an easy quiz. Buffet lunch and refreshments included in the cost. Meet from 12.15pm to 2pm. The Boulevard Centre, 45 Railway Road, Blackburn BB1 1EZ. Contact Chris on 07711 376280, Joan on 07414 816521 or Natalie on 07564 641909.

TUES
12

Dine Around Bury - Cosalea



1pm



As per menu



Come and join us at this ever popular dine around venue, Cosalea in Walshaw. Come and enjoy a lovely lunch with friends old and new! Book by Tuesday 5 January 2027. Cosalea, Ground Floor, Walshaw Unit 2, Bolholt Industrial Park, Walshaw Road, Bury BL8 1PY. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.

WED
13

Bolton Museum - Silver Screen



1.30pm



Free



Join us at Bolton Museum for their Silver Screen showing of movie of the month for free! Bolton Museum, Lecture Theatre, Le Mans Crescent Bolton, Bolton BL1 1SE. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.



TUES
19

Third Tuesday Games Night - Pig Racing and Supper



7.30pm



Members £6
Guests £7



As a change to our normal schedule we will be holding a pig racing evening. Come and experience Oddfellows pig racing and enjoy a hot supper with friends. Book by Tuesday 12 January 2027. Oddfellows Hall, All Saints House, Orrell Street, Bury BL8 1PB. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.



January 2027

THURS
21

Dine Around Wigan - La Mama



12 noon



As per
menu



Lunch Italian style! Join us at a great venue for a friendly lunch. Book by Thursday 14 January 2027. La Mama, 19 High Street, Standish WN6 0HA. Contact Karen on 07403 834284.

TUES
26

Dine Around Blackburn - The Dressers Arms



12 noon



As per
menu



Join us for lunch at this friendly country pub that dates back to the 1700s. The Dressers Arms prides itself on good food and friendly service. There are special offers available, for example if two people want steak there is a reduced price. That's a good reason to bring a friend. Recognise us by the yellow sign on our table. Book by Tuesday 12 January 2027. The Dressers Arms, Briers Brow, Wheelton, Chorley PR6 8HD. Contact Joan on 07414 816521 or Linda on 01254 264391.



February

TUES
02

First Tuesday Games Night - Horse Racing with Fish and Chips



7.30pm



£7.50



An evening of games accompanied by a fish and chips supper, shared with friends. Book by Tuesday 26



January 2027. Oddfellows Hall, All Saints House, Orrell Street, Bury BL8 1PB. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.

MON
08

Craft and Coffee Morning - Valentines Crafts



10.30am



Members £2
Guests £3



A two hour session where we have a chat over tea or coffee and cakes whilst painting, crafting or



reading a paper. There will be various resources provided, but you can bring your own projects if you wish, for example: knitting, crochet, sewing, model making, artwork, sketch book, etc... We will be making some Valentines crafts. Oddfellows Hall, All Saints House, Orrell Street, Bury BL8 1PB. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.

February

TUES 09 Blackburn Social Club - Bingo

🕒 12.15pm 🧾 Members £5
Guests £6 💬

Join us for a friendly afternoon of bingo in good company. Buffet lunch and refreshments included in the cost. Meet from 12.15pm to 2pm. The Boulevard Centre, 45 Railway Road, Blackburn BB1 1EZ. Contact Chris on 07711 376280, Joan on 07414 816521 or Natalie on 07564 641909.

TUES 09 Trip to The Fusiliers Museum

🕒 1pm 🧾 From £4.95 🏛️



The Fusilier Museum is a museum in Bury, Greater Manchester. Its collection includes the uniforms, medal and artefacts of the Lancashire Fusiliers. Book by Tuesday 2 February 2027. The Fusilier Museum, Moss Street, Bury BL9 0DF. Join us for the Dine Around first at the Olive café, onsite at the museum from 1pm. Contact Karen on 07403 834284.

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WED 17 Smithills Hall and Gardens

🕒 12 noon 🧾 Free 🚗



Smithills Hall is set in Land on the Edge of the Pennine Moors. Smithills is one of the oldest and the best preserved manor houses in the north west of England. Book by Wednesday 10 February 2027. Smithills Hall, Smithills Dean Road, Bolton, Lancashire BL1 7NP. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.

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THURS 18 Dine Around Wigan - Summat to Ate

🕒 12 noon 🧾 As per menu 🍴

Our speciality here at Summat to Ate is the hot rock, where the chef is you! This enables you to cook the perfect steak, just the way you like it. Book by Thursday 11 February 2027. Summat to Ate, 48 Market Street, Wigan WN2 3AN. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.

February

TUES 23 Dine Around Blackburn - Crown and Thistle Bakery Café

 12 noon

 As per menu



From Tripadvisor - 'The hot food being served to other customers looked mouthwatering and large portions. They do Sunday roast dinners and the customers returned.' One word sums it up 'Delicious'. 'The best we have had in any restaurant. A good variety of vegetables and plenty of meat and tasty gravy. We highly recommend this café.' Book by Tuesday 9 February 2027. Crown and Thistle Bakery Café, 103 Duckworth Street, Darwen, Blackburn with Darwen BB3 1AT. Contact Joan on 07414 816521 or Linda on 01254 264391.

March

MON 01 Craft and Coffee Morning - Spring Crafts

 10.30am

 Members £2
Guests £3



This is a two hour session, where we chat over tea or coffee and cakes whilst painting, crafting or reading a paper. There will be various resources provided, but you can bring your own projects if you wish, for example: knitting, crochet, sewing, model making, artwork, sketch book, etc... We will be doing some spring crafts. Oddfellows Hall, All Saints House, Orrell Street, Bury BL8 1PB. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.

March

TUES 02 First Tuesday Games Night - Games and Pizza Night

 7.30pm

 Members £6
Guests £7



Games, fun and pizza! A welcoming get together with your Oddfellows family. Book by Monday 22 February 2027. Oddfellows Hall, All Saints House, Orrell Street, Bury BL8 1PB. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.



TUES 09 Blackburn Social Club - Guest Speakers, Yvonne and Matt Pinder, Part 2 of An American Adventure

 12.15pm

 Members £5
Guests £6



Join us for a friendly afternoon with our speaker in good company. Buffet lunch and refreshments included in the cost. Meet from 12.15pm to 2pm. Boulevard Centre CVS, Railway Road, Blackburn BB1 1EZ. Contact Chris on 07711 376280, Joan on 07414 816521 or Natalie on 07564 641909.

TUES 09 Dine Around Bury - The Papermill

 1pm

 As per menu



Join us for lunch at the ever popular The Papermill pub. Book by Tuesday 2 March 2027. The Papermill, Little 66, Roach Bank Road, Unsworth BL9 8RN. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.

March

THURS
18

Dine Around Wigan - The Three Mills



12 noon



As per
menu



Lunch is fabulous in this sympathetically converted mill in Wigan with its proud history on show. Book by Thursday 11 March 2027. The Three Mills, Cotton Works, Eckersley, Swan Meadow Road WN3 5BE. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.



TUES
23

Dine Around Blackburn - Ice and Spice



12 noon



As per
menu



This small café located in Clitheroe is a favourite venue for our Blackburn Social Group, where good cooking, reasonable prices and friendly staff, ensure it will remain on the 'go to' list. British and Chinese menu. Book by Tuesday 9 March 2027. Ice and Spice, 11-13 King Street, Clitheroe BB7 2EU. Contact Joan on 07414 816521 or Linda on 01254 264391.



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Imperial War Museum, Manchester



11.30am



Free



Since its foundation in 1917, The Imperial War Museum (IWM) has been building its collections in order to illustrate and record all aspects of conflict in the 20th and 21st centuries. We want the collections to continue to engage, challenge and remain relevant to our audiences and we need to safeguard it for future generations.

IWM's collection covers all aspects of conflict involving Britain, its former empire and the Commonwealth, from the First World War to the present day. As well as objects, it includes a range of media from art, film and photographs to printed materials, documents and sound. The Imperial War Museum, The Quays, Trafford Wharf, Manchester M17 1TZ. Contact Natalie on 07564 641909.



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Attribution-Share Alike 2.0 Imperial War Museum,
Manchester Docks - [geograph.org.uk](https://www.geograph.org.uk) - 4060058.jpg

Oddfellows Online Events

Wellbeing webinar with Dr Anna Machin

Tuesday 13 October, 7pm

Join Dr Anna Machin for another insightful wellbeing webinar. This webinar will offer expert advice on how to be proactive about finding friendship in later life.

To register, type this link into your browser: tinyurl.com/AnnaMachin3

More Ghostly Tales to be Told

Tuesday 27 October, 7pm

Get ready for Halloween with another fascinating evening of stories and poems by Dr Ann Featherstone, a retired university lecturer, teacher and writer who has appeared on numerous BBC programmes and documentaries.

To register, type this link into your browser: tinyurl.com/MoreGhostlyTales



See all our online events at www.oddfellows.co.uk/online-events

Interested in volunteering?

Helping others is at the heart of being an Oddfellow and that's exactly what our wonderful volunteers do. There are lots of ways you can get involved as a volunteer, from one-off help to regular support.

You can help us by:

- Welcoming members, guests and speakers at events
- Helping prepare refreshments
- Being the volunteer host at external events
- Organising events as part of a social committee
- Joining the Committee of Management
- Becoming a Volunteer Welfare Visitor or befriender.



To find out more, contact Karen on 07403 834284
karen.white@oddfellows.co.uk.

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Provincial Grand Master Charles Vaughan and His Charity of the Year

This year, our Provincial Grand Master for South East Lancashire, Charles Vaughan, has chosen Wigan & Leigh Hospice as his Charity of the Year.



Charles has been a proud member of the Oddfellows for an incredible 57 years, having first joined the Duke of Norfolk Lodge in the Wigan and Standish District. Throughout his years of membership, he has shown unwavering dedication to the Society, and we are delighted to support him during his term as Provincial Grand Master.

Explaining his choice of charity, Charles said:

"I am honoured to support Wigan & Leigh Hospice as my Charity of the Year. The care they provide to local people and their families is truly exceptional, and I hope our members will join me in raising as much as we can to support their invaluable work."

Wigan & Leigh Hospice provides specialist palliative and end-of-life care for people living with life-limiting illnesses throughout the Wigan borough. Every patient receives compassionate, personalised care, enabling them to live with dignity, comfort, and the very best quality of life for as long as possible.

The hospice also offers invaluable support to patients' families and loved ones,

recognising that serious illness affects everyone close to the person receiving care. Each year, more than 1,400 local people benefit from the hospice's services.



Although the hospice receives some funding from the NHS, it relies heavily on the generosity of the local community. Less than one-third of its income comes from NHS funding, meaning it must raise over £4.4 million every year—around £13,000 every single day—to continue delivering its essential services.

Throughout the coming year, members from across South East Lancashire will be organising and supporting a variety of fundraising events and activities to help raise as much money as possible for this wonderful local charity. Every donation, no matter how large or small, will make a real difference.

We hope you will join us in supporting Charles during his year in office. Whether by attending an event, making a donation, volunteering your time, or simply helping to spread the word, together we can help ensure that Wigan & Leigh Hospice continues to provide comfort, care, and compassion to local people and their families when they need it most.

District Luncheon Celebrates New Chairman and Supports Local Charities

Our recent Annual District Luncheon, held at Hindley Hall Golf Club, was a truly enjoyable occasion as we came together to honour Charles Vaughan (Past Chairman of the Society) on his appointment as Provincial Grand Master (Chairman) of the South East Lancashire Branch.

Guests were treated to a delightful lunch in beautiful sunny surroundings, creating the perfect setting for what proved to be a memorable day. Following the meal, a lively raffle was held in aid of Charles's chosen charity, Wigan and Leigh Hospice, with generous support from those in



attendance. We were also privileged to welcome Grand Master of the Order (Chairman of the Society) John Mann, who joined us for the day and delivered an excellent speech, adding to the significance of the event.

A particularly special moment came when Robert Peters, Immediate Past Provincial Grand Master (Immediate Past Chairman), presented a cheque for £2,000 to Michael Gwynn, CEO of Jigsaw Bury - Robert's chosen charity of the year.

Jigsaw Bury does outstanding work in promoting fun, freedom, and independence for disabled people in the local community. Overall, the luncheon was a wonderful success, filled with warmth, generosity, and fellowship, and was enjoyed by everyone involved.

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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A Delightful Day Out at Salford Quays

Members of the Oddfellows South East Lancashire Group recently enjoyed a wonderful day out together, exploring the many attractions of Salford Quays in the company of both old friends and new.

The day began with a relaxing one-hour cruise aboard the Princess Katherine, taking us through the picturesque quays and along the historic Manchester Ship Canal. We had time to admire the striking contrast between Manchester's proud

industrial heritage and its impressive modern waterfront. Along the way, we enjoyed views of the Imperial War Museum North and the world-famous Old Trafford, making for a memorable journey on the water.

After the cruise, we visited the beautiful Blue Peter Garden before sitting down together for lunch at a local restaurant. As always, there was plenty of laughter, conversation and the chance to catch up with one another.



In the afternoon, we headed to The Lowry, where members explored the gallery before experiencing the remarkable 360-degree immersive presentation of L.S. Lowry's iconic painting *Going to the Match*. The exhibition brought the artwork to life, capturing the excitement and atmosphere of football supporters making their way to watch Bolton Wanderers on a Saturday afternoon.

The trip was a wonderful opportunity to enjoy new experiences, discover more about our local heritage, and, most importantly, spend quality time together. Days like these remind us that it's the friendships we make and the memories we share that make our Oddfellows outings so special.

Friendship Month Events

September is Friendship Month at the Oddfellows, and we'd love you to join us!

ODDFELLOWS
FRIENDSHIP MONTH
1 - 30 SEPTEMBER

Throughout the month, we're bringing together old friends, new friends, members, and visitors for a fantastic programme of social events and activities. Whether you're already a member or simply curious about what we do, you'll receive a warm welcome at any of our events.

Why not come along with a friend or make some new ones? From social gatherings to fun activities, there's something for everyone, and we're sure you'll enjoy the friendly atmosphere that makes the Oddfellows so special.

Blackburn Group – New Venue

We're also pleased to announce that our Blackburn Group has moved from its previous meeting place to a new home at the Boulevard Centre, Blackburn. We look forward to welcoming both familiar and new faces to our new venue.

For more information about Friendship Month events or the Blackburn Group, please contact Chris McGarraghy on 07711 376280.

Tuesday 1 September 2026 – First Tuesday Games Night
Cheese and Wine Evening to celebrate Friendship Month.

Thursday 3 September 2026 – Social and Coffee Morning with Lunch, Wigan

Tuesday 8 September 2026 – Social Club, Blackburn
At the new address: Boulevard Centre, 45 Railway Road, Blackburn BB1 1EZ

Thursday 24 September 2026 – Thursday Friends
Friendship Month Lunch for Macmillan Cancer.

Get the most out of your membership

As well as making friends and meeting new people, the Oddfellows offers a wide range of benefits to members.



From advice and financial aid through to travel opportunities, we provide a helping hand to make life a little easier. With your standard benefit membership, for £25 a year*, you have access to:

- Local social events
- Money saving partner offers
- Care and Welfare Helpline and local support
- Dedicated Oddfellows Citizens Advice Line
- Convalescence and Carer Support (after 2 years' membership)
- Benevolence Grants
- Member referral rewards scheme
- Emergency Financial Aid (Household)
- Accidental Death Benefit
- Legal Aid Scheme
- Access to group holidays and travel discounts
- Educational and Apprenticeship Awards
- 24/7 access to our historical online archive

If you're an extra benefit member, your £35 a year membership* enables access to additional benefits of:

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

Find out more about the benefits and support available

You'll find more information about member benefits in your member handbook. You can also call **0800 028 1810** 9am-5pm Mon to Thurs, 9am-4pm Fri, or visit www.oddfellows.co.uk/benefits

To make sure you receive our monthly emails for updates on benefits and offers, just email us with your full name, postcode and membership number (if you know it): membership@oddfellows.co.uk

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Members take centre stage

Look out for some familiar faces this autumn!

Throughout October and November, the Oddfellows is running an upbeat new advertising campaign across the UK aimed at reaching the nation's retirees.

Built around the theme of 'real people, real joy, real experiences', the campaign shines a spotlight on the authentic friendships and shared laughter found within our local groups.

Member models

Members from Leeds, Derbyshire Peak, Mersey, Handforth and Altrincham, Mid-Staffordshire, Nottingham Trent, and Ormskirk and Southport Oddfellows all stepped forward to help.

They spent an exciting day at a professional studio shoot in Manchester working alongside an experienced production crew.

"It was such a fun day," said Andrea Jenner from Derbyshire Peak Oddfellows. "There was lots of laughter and interaction with Oddfellows from other areas."

Carol Pitchford from Leeds Oddfellows agreed, adding: "It was lovely to meet up with a crowd of strangers who then became friends."



Spreading the word

The adverts will be appearing on Facebook and Instagram, online via Rest Less and in upcoming print editions of Saga Magazine, Yours, and Woman's Weekly.

Spokesperson for the Oddfellows, Pam Casey, said: "We wanted the campaign to reflect the real people at the heart of our Society. Our groups are places where people can simply be themselves, enjoy real companionship, and feel genuinely supported."

How you can help

While we hope this campaign inspires more retirees to give us a try, as members, you're our best ambassadors. If you know someone who would benefit from our social events, travel opportunities or welfare support, please encourage them to head to www.oddfellows.co.uk/retirement to find out more.

Celebrating our 2026 Making a Difference Award winners

We are thrilled to announce this year's incredible Making a Difference Awards winners: Richard West of the Royal Berkshire Branch in the Reading District, and husband-and-wife duo Roger and Susan Williamson of the King's Lynn and West Norfolk District.

The Awards highlight the wonderful ways our members go above and beyond to ensure their branches are the best they can be for their fellow members.

Richard West: Reading's 'guardian angel'



Debbie Jex and Richard West

Presented with the 'Enriching Lives Socially' Award by Deputy Grand Master (Deputy Chair) Debbie Jex, 88-year-old Richard West helps to bring joy and positivity to his fellow members in all he does in organising and hosting social events.



Since joining the Reading District in 1992, Richard has worked tirelessly to build a varied and exciting social programme for his fellow members.

Alongside his late friend Doug Walters, Richard helped establish popular singing and exercise groups, and even relaunched a folded group in the nearby village of Pangbourne, which is now in its tenth year.

From coordinating monthly quizzes to organising glamorous annual trips to the Ascot Races, Richard pours his heart into everything he does.

For many, his efforts have been transformative. "We have a number of ladies who say the choir has become a lifeline for them," Richard shared. "I like seeing them enjoy themselves. You can see how it benefits them individually."

Debbie Jex is also Reading Oddfellows' Branch Secretary. She added: "I don't know where we'd be without Richard. His energy is boundless and his enthusiasm even more so. One member has even described him as a 'guardian angel'."

Roger and Susan Williamson: A wonderful team



(L to R) Roger Williamson,
Susan Williamson, John Mann
and Alison Schultz

The Oddfellows' Grand Master (Chair), John Mann, presented the 'Achieving Together' Award to Roger and Susan Williamson. Both in their 80s and Oddfellows members since 2008, the couple's commitment and kindness are renowned at their Branch.

Both take a seat on the King's Lynn Oddfellows' Committee of Management, ensuring members' voices are always at the heart of decision-making.

Roger, a Trustee and three-time Past Provincial Grand Master, hosts walks,

bingo sessions for up to 40 members, and a popular monthly quiz.

Meanwhile, Susan coordinates the kitchen, manages supplies, and runs the raffles.

The couple were incredibly modest about their win. "Initially, I thought it was a joke because the letter turned up on the first of April," laughed Roger.

Susan added: "We're only doing what anybody else would do, but it's nice to know that people appreciate it. To win the award together is special."

Branch Secretary Alison Schultz praised their selflessness, saying: "They offer friendship to so many in the way Oddfellows should, and treat everyone with consideration, kindness and compassion."

Shining examples

Richard, Roger and Susan are proof that our Society thrives because of the generosity and warmth of our members.

Thank you to all who go above and beyond to help and support others within their Branch.

You can find out more about
our Making a Difference Awards,
including previous years'
winners, at [www.oddfellows.co.uk/
makingadifference](http://www.oddfellows.co.uk/makingadifference).

It's never too early to talk about money

At Unity Mutual, the Oddfellows' financial services brand, we believe it's never too early to talk to the young people in our lives about their finances.



Today's younger generations have a lot to consider, with rising costs, student debt and spending temptations online. Simple chats about saving, budgeting and planning ahead can help young people feel more confident about money as they grow and become more independent.

Passing on more than money

Helping younger family members financially is wonderful, but sharing knowledge can be even more valuable.

Explaining different saving tips, how debt works, or pensions and retirement, gives younger generations practical lessons they may not hear elsewhere. Even small conversations can leave a lasting impression.



Don't wait to save

One way to encourage good saving habits is through a Unity Mutual Junior ISA*, which allows children to start saving and is a great way to introduce them to finances and investment.

Opened by a parent or guardian, family and friends can contribute up to £9,000 per tax year, with any growth free from UK tax. All the money saved belongs to them and once they reach the age of 18 can be put towards things like university costs, driving lessons, or even a deposit on their first home.

Making money conversations normal

The best financial lessons are often the simplest ones. Talking openly about saving for goals, comparing prices, or handling debt helps children develop healthy habits. Younger family members are more likely to feel confident about money if the adults around them discuss it calmly and honestly.



To find out more about Unity Mutual and the products we offer, visit www.unitymutual.co.uk or call 0161 214 4650.

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Oddfellows Members: Do you need help?



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

Local Care and Welfare Support

To request contact from a Welfare Visitor and for local help and information about Branch benefits and benevolence contact the office on **07403 834284**

Oddfellows Advice Line

Call 0800 0149 821*

(free to callers from any landline or mobile number)

Monday - Friday, 9.30am - 4.30pm

Email: oddfellows@citizensadvicemanchester.org.uk



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

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

Care and Welfare Helpline

Call 0800 0149 822

(free to callers from any landline or mobile number)

Monday to Thursday, 9.30am - 4.30pm, Friday, 9.30am - 4pm

Email: care@oddfellows.co.uk

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

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

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Meetings

Ceremonial Meetings (King William the Fourth Lodge)

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

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

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

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

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

Contact: Robert Peters for further details on ceremonial meetings.

Telephone: 07905 524885

Email: natalie.kearns@oddfellows.co.uk

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All Saints House,
Orrell Street, Bury BL8 1PB**

Events at a glance

Weekly Events

Bury Craft and Coffee Morning - Every Monday at 10.30am

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

Bury Thursday Friends - Every Thursday at 12 noon

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

October 2026

Thurs 1	Social and Coffee Morning with Lunch, Wigan	10.30am
Sat 3	Half Yearly Summoned Meeting (Annual General Meeting)	1.30pm
Tues 6	Ten Pin Bowling, Blackburn	11.15am
Tues 6	Scrabble	1.30pm
Tues 6	First Tuesday Games Night - Quiz Night	7.30pm
Tues 13	Dine Around Bury - Bolton College Signature Restaurant	11.45am
Tues 13	Blackburn Social Club - Guest Speaker, Rawden Kerr, 'Why we Love a Town Crier'	12.15pm
Thurs 15	Dine Around Wigan - Olympus Fish and Chip Restaurant	12 noon
Thurs 15	Calendar Girls The Musical at Bolton Octagon Theatre	2pm
Mon 19	Craft and Coffee Morning with Autumnal Crafts	10.30am
Tues 20	Scrabble	1.30pm
Tues 20	Third Tuesday Games Night	7.30pm
Wed 21	Visit to Towneley Hall and Parkland, Burnley	11am
Thurs 22	Blackburn Bus Pass Day - Garstang Market	10am
Tues 27	Dine Around Blackburn - Fernhurst	12 noon

November

Tues 3	Ten Pin Bowling, Blackburn	11.15am
Tues 3	Scrabble	1.30pm
Tues 3	First Tuesday Games Night with Supper and Fireworks	7.30pm
Thurs 5	Social and Coffee Morning with Lunch, Wigan	10.30am
Fri 6	Ellen Smiths Coach Trip to Harrogate	10am
Tues 10	Blackburn Social Club - Christmas Quiz	12.15pm
Tues 10	Dine Around Bury - The Mill Coffee House	1pm

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November

Mon 16	Blackburn Bus Pass Day - Barton Grange	10am
Mon 16	Craft and Coffee Morning with Autumnal Crafts	10.30am
Tues 17	Scrabble	1.30pm
Tues 17	Third Tuesday Games Night	7.30pm
Thurs 19	Dine Around Wigan - The Royal Oak	12 noon
Mon 23	A Tour of The Manchester Monastery	2pm
Tues 24	Dine Around Blackburn - Scholars Restaurant	12 noon
Fri 27	Lancashire Night with Supper and Entertainment	7pm

December

Tues 1	Ten Pin Bowling, Blackburn	11.15am
Tues 1	Scrabble	1.30pm
Tues 1	First Tuesday Games Night - Beetle Drive	7.30pm
Thurs 3	Social and Coffee Morning with Lunch, Wigan	10.30am
Mon 7	Craft and Coffee Morning - Wreath Making	10.30am
Tues 8	Christmas at Blackburn Social Club including a Ukulele Band	12.15pm
Tues 8	Dine Around Bury - The Lock Keeper	1pm
Wed 9	Christmas Party and Buffet	1pm
Tues 15	Scrabble	1.30pm
Tues 15	Aladdin - Pantomime at Heywood Civic Hall	6.30pm
Tues 15	Third Tuesday Games Night	7.30pm
Thurs 17	Dine Around Wigan - Golden Days Garden Centre	12 noon

January 2027

Tues 5	Ten Pin Bowling, Blackburn	11.15am
Tues 5	Scrabble	1.30pm

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January 2027

Tues 5	First Tuesday Games Night	7.30pm
Thurs 7	Social and Coffee Morning with Lunch, Wigan	10.30am
Tues 12	Blackburn Social Club - New Year Quiz	12.15pm
Tues 12	Dine Around Bury - Cosalea	1pm
Wed 13	Bolton Museum - Silver Screen	1.30pm
Tues 19	Blackburn Bus Pass Day - Chorley Market	10am
Tues 19	Scrabble	1.30pm
Tues 19	Third Tuesday Games Night - Pig Racing and Supper	7.30pm
Thurs 21	Dine Around Wigan - La Mama	12 noon
Tues 26	Dine Around Blackburn - The Dressers Arms	12 noon

February

Tues 2	Ten Pin Bowling, Blackburn	11.15am
Tues 2	Scrabble	1.30pm
Tues 2	First Tuesday Games Night - Horse Racing with Fish and Chips	7.30pm
Thurs 4	Social and Coffee Morning with Lunch, Wigan	10.30am
Mon 8	Craft and Coffee Morning - Valentines Crafts	10.30am
Tues 9	Blackburn Social Club - Bingo	12.15pm
Tues 9	Dine Around Bury - Olive Café	1pm
Tues 9	Trip to The Fusiliers Museum	2.30pm
Mon 15	Blackburn Bus Pass Day - Boundary Mill	10am
Tues 16	Scrabble	1.30pm
Tues 16	Third Tuesday Games Night	7.30pm
Wed 17	Smithills Hall and Gardens	12 noon
Thurs 18	Dine Around Wigan - Summat to Ate	12 noon
Tues 23	Dine Around Blackburn - Crown and Thistle Bakery Café	12 noon

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March

Mon 1	Craft and Coffee Morning - Spring Crafts	10.30am
Tues 2	Ten Pin Bowling, Blackburn	11.15am
Tues 2	First Tuesday Games Night - Games and Pizza Night	7.30pm
Tues 2	Scrabble	1.30pm
Thurs 4	Social and Coffee Morning with Lunch, Wigan	10.30am
Tues 9	Blackburn Social Club - Guest Speakers, Yvonne and Matt Pinder, Part 2 of An American Adventure	12.15pm
Tues 9	Dine Around Bury - The Papermill	1pm
Tues 16	Scrabble	1.30pm
Wed 17	Blackburn Bus Pass Day - Bury Market	10am
Thurs 18	Dine Around Wigan - The Three Mills	12 noon
Tues 23	Dine Around Blackburn - Ice and Spice	12 noon
Wed 24	Imperial War Museum, Manchester	11.30am

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