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making friends, helping people

out & about

Erewash Valley Branch



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Social



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Coffee Morning/
Afternoon Tea



Quiz



National Justice Museum – Friday 7 February 2020

Welcome to the latest edition of your 'Out and About' Events Diary and Newsletter for the Erewash Valley Branch of the Oddfellows.

As a local Branch of a national membership organisation we offer you a great opportunity to make new friends and enjoy a variety of activities. We also provide our members with a range of advice and support services when you need them. We are basically a group of friends brought together through shared interests in socialising and making friends and helping people!

This issue features listings of our upcoming events from meals out to trips out, we hope there is something to interest you.

We have also included the handy listing month by month at a glance section at the end of the events diary. We hope you find it useful!

Looking forward to seeing you at an event very soon!

For more details about becoming a member and the wide range of benefits available, please call our membership team on 0800 028 1810 or visit our website at www.oddfellows.co.uk.

A bit about us...

The Oddfellows is a friendly society with Branches across the UK. Through friendship and social events, we help our members get more enjoyment out of life, and offer care, advice and support in times of need. We welcome everyone of all ages. Find out more at www.oddfellows.co.uk or call 0800 028 1810.

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.

Evening Meal and Quiz

Second Wednesday
in every month



7pm



As per menu



Relax and enjoy an evening of homemade food, followed by a fun quiz for a fun prize. Duke of Wellington, Church Street, Kirkby in Ashfield, Nottingham NG17 8LA. Contact Kay Adkin on 01773 590917.



Contact Details

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For more information on any of the events or the Oddfellows, please make any enquires to Melanie: 9.30am – 4.30pm, Monday to Friday.

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September 2019

ODDFELLOWS
FRIENDSHIP MONTH
1 - 30 SEPTEMBER



Celebrating 10 years

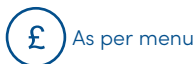
TUES

03

Coffee Morning



11am



As per menu



A social gathering over morning coffee. Harper and Finch, 66 Bath Street, Ilkeston, Derbyshire DE7 8AJ. Contact Alison on 07597 263855.

TUES

10

Meet and Greet



2pm



As per menu



Lets have a chat over coffee or tea. Not Just Desserts, 7 Toothill, Mansfield, Nottinghamshire NG18 1NJ. Contact Melanie on 0115 963 8766.

WED

04

Cinema Buddy



1.30pm



As per tariff



There's nothing quite like watching visual story unfold come and join me for a great afternoon out. Book by Wednesday 28 August. Odeon, Park Lane, Mansfield, Nottinghamshire NG18 1BU. Contact Melanie on 0115 963 8766.

TUES

17

Afternoon Tea



2.30pm



Free



Come and help us celebrate our 10th Friendship Month in style with a delicious afternoon tea and the company of people from all walks of life and find out how we make great friends while having great fun. Places are limited so book early. Book by Friday 6 September. Awsworth Village Hall, 60 The Lane, Awsworth, Nottinghamshire NG16 2QQ. Contact Melanie on 0115 963 8766.

FRI

06

Picnic in the Park



11am



Car Parking



To celebrate friendship why not join us for a gentle stroll and lunch in the park. Carr Bank Park, Windmill Lane, Mansfield, Nottinghamshire NG18 2AL. Contact Melanie on 0115 963 8766.



ODDFELLOWS FRIENDSHIP MONTH

1 - 30 SEPTEMBER



Celebrating 10 years

FRI
20

Speakers Corner



10.30am



Free



Comic Cuts presented by Ann Featherstone. Refreshments will be provided. Eastwood Conservative Club, Church Street, Eastwood, Nottinghamshire NG16 3BP. Contact Melanie on 0115 963 8766 or Kay on 01773 590917.

TUES
24

Breakfast Club



10am



As per menu



A great way to start the day. The Regent, Diamond Avenue, Kirkby in Ashfield, Nottinghamshire NG17 7BQ. Contact Melanie on 0115 963 8766.

WED
25

Games and Quizzes



1.30pm



Free



Forget your troubles and have some fun. Refreshments will be provided. Cantelupe Centre, Market Place, Ilkeston, Derbyshire DE7 5HY. Contact Melanie on 0115 963 8766 or Alison on 07597 263855.

October

TUES
01

Coffee Morning



11am



As per menu



A social gathering over morning coffee. Harper and Finch, 66 Bath Street, Ilkeston, Derbyshire DE7 8AJ. Contact Alison on 07597 263855.



WED
02

Cinema Buddy



1.30pm



As per tariff



Fancy an afternoon at the pictures then join me. Book by Wednesday 18 September. Odeon, Park Lane, Mansfield, Nottinghamshire NG18 1BU. Contact Melanie on 0115 963 8766.

TUES
08

Meet and Greet



2pm



As per menu



Spend a relaxing afternoon over coffee and cake. Not Just Desserts, 7 Toothill, Mansfield, Nottinghamshire NG18 1NJ. Contact Melanie on 0115 963 8766.

October

FRI
11

Sherwood Pines Walk



11am



Car Parking



Take a stroll around the woods on a beautiful autumn morning. Sherwood Pines, Edwinstowe, Nottinghamshire NG21 9JL. Contact Melanie on 0115 963 8766.

SAT
12

Fright Night



5.45pm



See below



Body-snatchers have been robbing local graves in search of fresh cadavers to sell to Nottingham Hospitals. However, one surgeon has been visiting the County Gaol and making medical adjustments to inmates. This is not for those of you who have a heart condition, can't see in the dark or are generally nervous as ghosts, ghouls and monsters lurk round every corner. Strictly over 14s only. Cost: £10.95, concessions £9.95. Book by Monday 23 September. National Justice Museum, High Pavement, Nottingham NG1 1HN. Contact Melanie on 0115 963 8766.

FRI
18

Speakers Corner



10.30am



Free



'Shivers and Shrieks' - a ghoulish look at Halloween. Presented by Ann Featherstone. Eastwood Conservative Club, Church Street, Eastwood, Nottinghamshire NG16 3BP. Contact Melanie on 0115 963 8766 or Kay on 01773 590917.

SAT
19

Ghost Tour



5.45pm



See below



On this chilling character led tour, we'll walk in the foot prints of those who were condemned, imprisoned and executed. Listen to eerie tales and paranormal events. Strictly over 14s. Cost: £10.95, Concessions £9.95 Book by Monday 30 September. National Justice Museum, High Pavement, Nottingham NG1 1HN. Contact Melanie on 0115 963 8766.

October

SUN
20

Boston and Lincoln Sunday Lunch



12.30pm



See below



Enjoying going out for lunch on Sundays why not meet up with new friends in Boston. Costs: £10 for one course, £13 for two courses, £16 for three courses. Book by Monday 30 September. Boston West Golf Club, Hubberts Bridge, Boston PE20 3QX. Contact Debra on 01205 358217.

WED
23

Games and Quizzes



1.30pm



Free



Have laugh over board games, cards and more.

Cantelupe Centre, Market Place, Ilkeston, Derbyshire DE7 5HY. Contact Melanie on 0115 963 8766 or Alison on 07597 263855.



TUES
29

Breakfast Club



10am



As per menu



What better way to start the day than with a hearty meal and good company. Hole in the Wall, Main Road, Underwood, Nottinghamshire NG16 5GQ. Contact Melanie on 0115 963 8766.

November

MON
21

Murder Mystery and Mayhem Book Club



2pm



Free



Relax and enjoy talking about our book. Murder Mystery and Mayhem Book Club, 108 Burton Road, Carlton, Nottingham NG4 3BG. Contact Melanie on 0115 963 8766.

TUES
05

Coffee Morning



11am



As per menu



A social gathering over morning coffee. Harper and Finch, 66 Bath Street, Ilkeston, Derbyshire DE7 8AJ. Contact Melanie on 0115 963 8766 or Alison on 07597 263855.

November

WED
06

Cinema Buddy



1.30pm



As per tariff



Want to go to the pictures but can't fact it alone? Join us! Odeon, Park Lane, Mansfield, Nottinghamshire NG18 1BU. Contact Melanie on 0115 963 8766.

FRI
08

Teversal Trail Walk



11am



Car Parking



There are lots of different paths to follow. Where will ours take us? Teversal Trail, Carnarvon Street, Teversal, Sutton in Ashfield, Nottinghamshire NG17 3HJ. Contact Melanie on 0115 963 8766.



TUES
12

Meet and Greet



2pm



As per menu



Kick back and have chat for the afternoon. Not Just Desserts, 7 Toothill, Mansfield, Nottinghamshire NG18 1NJ. Contact Melanie on 0115 963 8766.

FRI
15

Speakers Corner



10.30am



Free



'Orrible Murders: Tales from the Illustrated Police News'. Presented by Ann Featherstone. Eastwood Conservative Club, Church Street, Eastwood, Nottinghamshire NG16 3BP. Contact Kay on 01773 590917.



TUES
26

Breakfast Club



10am



As per menu



What's better than company for breakfast. Twitchel Inn, Howitt Street, Long Eaton, Nottingham NG10 1ED. Contact Melanie on 0115 963 8766.

WED
27

Games and Quizzes



1.30pm



Free



Come along and have some fun. Cantelupe Centre, Market Place, Ilkeston, Derbyshire DE7 5HY. Contact Melanie on 0115 963 8766 or Alison on 07597 263855.

December

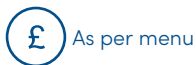
TUES

03

Coffee Morning



11am



As per menu



A social gathering over morning coffee. Harper and Finch, 66 Bath Street, Ilkeston, Derbyshire DE7 8AJ. Contact Alison on 07597 263855.

WED

04

Cinema Buddy



1.30pm



As per tariff



Going to the pictures at this time of year is always a special treat. Odeon, Park Lane, Mansfield, Nottinghamshire NG18 1BU. Contact Melanie on 0115 963 8766.



TUES

10

Meet and Greet



2pm



As per menu



Take time out from Christmas stress and join us for a natter before the festive season gets into full swing. Not Just Desserts, 7 Toothill, Mansfield, Nottinghamshire NG18 1NJ. Contact Melanie on 0115 963 8766.

FRI

13

Speakers Corner



10.30am



Free



A Merry Little Christmas. Presented by Ann Featherstone. Eastwood Conservative Club, Church Street, Eastwood, Nottinghamshire NG16 3BP. Contact Melanie on 0115 963 8766 or Kay on 01773 590917.

FRI

06

Christmas Dinner Dance



6.30pm



£30



It's time to celebrate, so join in the party of the season, unleash your inner child this Christmas time. A scrumptious three course meal, live entertainment with spectacular company. Why not add bed and breakfast too? Single rooms £55 and double £65. Book by Monday 18 November. Nottingham Sherwood Hotel, 296 Mansfield Road, Nottingham NG5 2BT. Contact Melanie on 0115 963 8766.



December

FRI
13

Christmas Lunch



12 noon



£11.79



Start your Christmas the Erewash way with great company and great food. A lovely three course meal to get your Christmas under way. Book by Friday 29 November. The Hole in the Wall, Main Road, Underwood, Nottinghamshire NG16 5GQ. Contact Melanie on 0115 963 8766.

MON
16

Murder, Mystery and Mayhem Book Club



2pm



Free



A chance to catch up with friends and mull over the adventures we've had.



Murder Mystery and Mayhem Book Club, 108 Burton Road, Carlton, Nottingham NG4 3BG. Contact Melanie on 0115 963 8766.

TUES
17

Breakfast Club



10am



As per menu



For an extra special Christmas treat I'm starting my day with steak and eggs. What will you chose from this diverse menu. Porterhouse by Barlows, 174 Forest Road, Kirkby in Ashfield, Nottinghamshire NG17 9JB. Contact Melanie on 0115 963 8766.

January 2020

TUES
07

Coffee Morning



11am



As per menu



Share your Christmas stories over coffee with friends. Harper and Finch, 66



Bath Street, Ilkeston, Derbyshire DE7 8AJ. Contact Melanie on 0115 963 8766 or Alison on 07597 263855.

WED
08

Cinema Buddy



1.30pm



As per tariff



Start the year with a movie premier. Odeon, Park Lane, Mansfield, Nottinghamshire NG18 1BU. Contact Melanie on 0115 963 8766.

January 2020

TUES
14

Meet and Greet



2pm



As per menu



Relax and unwind with tea and cake. Not Just Desserts, 7 Toothill, Mansfield, Nottinghamshire NG18 1NJ. Contact Melanie on 0115 963 8766.

FRI
17

Speakers Corner



10.30am



Free



'Winter Warmers'. Presented by Ann Featherstone. Eastwood Conservative Club, Church Street, Eastwood, Nottinghamshire NG16 3BP. Contact Melanie on 0115 963 8766 or Kay on 01773 590917.



WED
22

Games and Quizzes



1.30pm



Free



Fun with friends. Cantelupe Centre, Market Place, Ilkeston, Derbyshire DE7 5HY. Contact Melanie on 0115 963 8766 or Alison on 07597 263855.

TUES
28

Breakfast Club



10am



As per menu



Buffet style breakfast your way. Kings Mill Farm Dinning and Carvery, Kings Mill Road East, Sutton in Ashfield, Nottinghamshire NG17 5EH. Contact Melanie on 0115 963 8766.

February

TUES
04

Coffee Morning



11am



As per menu



Refreshments in good company. Harper and Finch, 66 Bath Street, Ilkeston, Derbyshire DE7 8AJ. Contact Melanie on 0115 963 8766 or Alison on 07597 263855.



WED
05

Cinema Buddy



1.30pm



As per tariff



No need to go to the pictures alone. Come and join us. Odeon, Park Lane, Mansfield, Nottinghamshire NG18 1BU. Contact Melanie on 0115 963 8766.

February

FRI
07

National Justice Museum



2pm



See below



Explore the full range of exhibitions, meet the characters from history or take part in interactive activities. Meet back at reception at 3.30pm and take advantage of the daily guided tour 'Tales of Truth and Legend', give access to secret spaces and little known stories. Cost: Adult £10.95, Concessions £9.95 and Children £7.75. Book by Friday 17 January. National Justice Museum, High Pavement, Nottingham NG1 1HN. Contact Melanie on 0115 963 8766.



TUES
11

Meet and Greet



2pm



As per menu



Relax, unwind and have a natter. Not Just Desserts, 7 Toothill, Mansfield, Nottinghamshire NG18 1NJ. Contact Melanie on 0115 963 8766.

FRI
21

Speakers Corner



9.30am



Free



Victoria Valentines. Presented by Ann Featherstone. Eastwood Conservative Club, Church Street, Eastwood, Nottinghamshire NG16 3BP. Contact Melanie on 0115 963 8766.

MON
17

Murder, Mystery and Mayhem Book Club



2pm



Free



Frank and fun discussion of the current book. Murder, Mystery and Mayhem Book Club, 108 Burton Road, Carlton, Nottingham NG4 3BG. Contact Melanie on 0115 963 8766.

TUES
25

Breakfast Club



10am



As per menu



Join old friends and new for winning start to the day. Larch Farm, 2 Mansfield Road, Ravenshead, Nottinghamshire NG15 9HA. Contact Melanie on 0115 963 8766.

February

WED
26

Games and Quizzes



1.30pm



Free



A great afternoon of fun and socializing. Cantelupe Centre, Market Place, Ilkeston, Derbyshire DE7 5HY. Contact Melanie on 0115 963 8766 or Alison on 07597 263855.



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**All holidays are booked through third party travel companies and terms and conditions apply.
Please ask for further details before booking.**

Holidays are open to Oddfellows members and their guests.

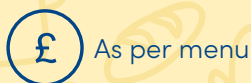
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Dine Around the World



7pm



As per menu



Latino

Friday 27 September 2019

All the colours of the rainbow, veggies, fish, seafood poultry and fresh fruit. Book by Friday 20 September. Latino, 25-27 Chilwell Road, Beeston, Nottingham NG9 1EH.

Lobster Pot

Friday 25 October 2019

Fish with a French twist. Book by Friday 18 October. Lobster Pot, 199 Mansfield Road, Nottingham NG1 3FS.

Nandos

Friday 29 November 2019

Famous for their Peri-Peri chicken which comes in differing hotness from mild to fiery. Book by Friday 22 November. Nandos, Ikea Way, Giltbrook, Nottingham NG16 2RP.

Ania

Friday 20 December 2019

Traditional Polish cuisine is real comfort food a must on a cold winters night. Book by Friday 6 December. Ania, 558 Mansfield Road, Sherwood, Nottingham NG5 2FS.

Pistachio

Friday 31 January 2020

Iranian food is combinations of rice, meat, vegetable, fruit and nuts. Book by Friday 24 January. Pistachio, 15 Carlton Road, Nottingham NG3 2DG.

Himalayan Inn

Friday 28 February 2020

Nepalese and Indian food at its best. Book by Friday 21 February. Himalayan Inn, 156 Front Street, Arnold, Nottingham NG5 7EG.

Contact Melanie on 0115 963 8766 for more information and to book.



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 Melanie on **0115 963 8766** (9.30am to 4.30pm) or email **melanie.archer@oddfellows.co.uk**.

Oddfellows 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 welfare benefits, money and debt issues, consumer problems, housing, fuel bills, employment issues and many other issues.

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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**



Mansfield Fire Museum

Members and friends came together on a visit to this little known treasure. Hidden behind the new fire station. We spent a wonderful couple of hours with our tour guide exploring the wealth of history packed into the small but well preserved museum.

It is set out with the 'British Room', which is where we viewed the Merryweather collection donated by the London Merryweather Fire Engineers with pieces dating back to the Great Fire of London. There was a terrific collection of badges from all over the country and we were allowed to try on helmets



Moving on to the Overseas Room we looked at the diverse range of uniforms and helmets from around the world. Our tour guide explained that when fire-fighters go on holiday either here in the UK or abroad they sometimes visit fire stations and they often come back with uniforms, helmets badges and more.



This is a picture of member Sheila wearing a Japanese lady fire fighters helmet made from bamboo.

There was a variety of fire engines, information and memorabilia on fire fighting during World War II and we were reminded of the role that fire fighting



boats have to play by the beautiful handmade models on display.

Visits are by appointment and the District was proud to present a donation of £50 (see picture above) as thanks for allowing us the pleasure of our time spent there.

Get-together with the Oddfellows

Members and friends of the Oddfellows are always in the mood for a bit of fun, with dinner dances and lunches throughout the UK all year round there's always some where to go and someone to have a good time with Erewash members have already attended a number of functions including Nottingham Trent's annual Sunday Lunch, Derby District Dinner and Derbyshire Peaks Dinner Dance.

Upcoming events include Boston Lunch in October, Coventry Godiva Dinner Dance on Saturday 9 November, not to mention our own Christmas Party on Friday 6 December, so there's no need to stay at home come along and join the fun you're sure to have a good time

For more information call Melanie on 0115 963 8766.



Our Making a Difference 2019 Award winners!

To celebrate our wonderful members and their contributions to the Society as a whole, we launched the first official Making a Difference Awards late last year, and after careful consideration from the judges, we're ready to reveal the winners!

The judges had a hard time selecting this year's winners, with many worthy nominations received across the awards' categories. But after much deliberation, four fabulous members were announced at this year's annual conference.

Jane Nelson, CEO said: "So many of our members make the Society a wonderful place to form friendships, access advice and get support. It's important that we reward those who go above and beyond for their Branch when we can and the Making a Difference Awards is the perfect way to do this.

"Huge congratulations to this year's winners, and thank you to everybody else who was nominated! Your hard work and dedication is much appreciated, and doesn't go unnoticed."

Member nominations for 2020 are now open. Do you know someone who always goes the extra mile when volunteering, fundraising, caring for other members, or doing their very best for the Branch? Download a member nomination form from www.oddfellows.co.uk/makingadifference or contact your Branch Secretary.



Bill, Vivienne, David and Faye with Grand Master Bill Henchcliff after being presented with their awards.

2019 Making a Difference Award Winners

FOR GIVING A HELPING HAND

Vivienne Simpson

Burton-on-Trent District

FOR WORKING IN THE SPIRIT OF MUTUALITY

Bill Rainsbury

North West Kent District

FOR GIVING SOMETHING BACK

David Smith

Cleveland and Durham District

FOR ENRICHING LIVES SOCIALLY

Faye Chadwick

Huddersfield District

Meet our new Grand Master:

David Randall, Gipping Branch Secretary

How did it feel being installed in front of such a large crowd at the AMC?

It was such a proud moment and one I will cherish forever. My involvement in the Oddfellows is something I take very seriously, and I'm pleased to be able to use my time as Grand Master to raise awareness of the Oddfellows and the benefits of becoming a member with the general public, as well as doing my best to meet as many members as possible around the country.

So what's your Oddfellows background?

I became a member in 1992. However, I had been attending the local Branch's social events for about 20 years prior. So recruiters... never give up on a possible new member! My father-in-law was a long-serving Castle Branch (Colchester) officer and trustee, so he encouraged me to finally sign up. I guess I was always going to join once I married his daughter! For those of you who don't know, my wife of 47 years is Diana Randall, Secretary of Castle Branch, so there's always a little healthy Branch competition.



Do you have a standout memory from your 47 years of being involved with the Society?

Yes – the pride I felt when attending my District's Provincial Grand Master Dinner in 2010. We were celebrating 200 years of Oddfellowship, my wife was the Provincial Grand Master and the then Grand Master, Alan Cole, was our guest of honour. I was Provincial Deputy Grand Master and I couldn't have felt happier to be part of such a meaningful Society.

How would you sum up the Oddfellows in just six words?

Friendship that just keeps giving more.

And now for some less serious questions...

Where's your favourite place in the world?

That would have to be the Amalfi Coast in Italy.

Who is your favourite author?

John Grisham, I have read every one of his fiction books and his one non-fiction book.

You're stranded on a desert island.... What three items would you take with you?

Matches, a sharp knife and the woman I love, if she'd come with me! If she wouldn't, then I'd probably take a fishing line.

Who would play you in the movie of your life?

Matt Damon.

Oddfellows Annual Movable Conference takes place in Sunny Southport

For 2019, our Annual Movable Conference (AMC) returned to Southport and we really did have the weather on our side! Each year our members get together to catch up, celebrate the past 12 months, vote on important Society matters, and of course, welcome the new Grand Master (Society Chairman).

With a jam-packed schedule mixing business with pleasure, AMC is a great opportunity for members to learn about the business side of the Society and our traditions, as well as meet and mingle with other Branches.



Oddfellows members enjoyed the annual bowls competition



Business began by paying tribute to some of our late Past Grand Masters: Sydney Bolton, Andrew Porter, and Keith Adamson



Oddfellows Brass gave a rousing public performance on Sunday



A 60s themed dance kicked off the celebrations at the Grand Master's Welcome Party

At our conference, Deputies vote on decisions that will impact the Society's business focus moving forward. For example, this year it was decided that our H A Andrews Memorial Fund would support Lupus Trust with a donation of £85,000 over three years. Plus, to celebrate our growing membership, we presented a number of Branches with our annual recruitment awards.

These include the Ken Hughes Silver Salver Award, won this year by Pride of Woolwich Branch, and the Lillian Ogden Recruitment trophy, awarded to Ormskirk and Southport Branch. Members can help their Branches to win awards too, as we also present the Refer a Friend Awards, to recognise Branches which have a great network of strong member advocates.



An array of Oddfellows merchandise was available for members to purchase



The "Refer a Friend" Award for the highest number of member advocates was awarded to Ormskirk and Southport Branch, with 31 members recruiting a new member in 2018

Thank you Bill Henchliff

A huge thank you as always to our now Immediate Past Grand Master Bill Henchliff, who says:

"It has been a great honour to be Grand Master of the Order. I couldn't possibly choose a favourite moment from the past year, but meeting all the members across the country, especially the two Centenarians from Hartlepool and Derby, has been quite special. The support and advice I have received from my colleagues on the Board, from the CEO and Insurance Director, and the External Non-Executive Directors has been invaluable."

Bill has some sound words of advice to welcome the new Grand Master, David Randall: "Be yourself and enjoy the year, it goes very quickly!"



If you have a business head, or a passion for organisation, why not get involved with your Branch's Committee of Management? And if you'd be interested in becoming a Deputy at a future AMC, you can find out how by visiting our website, or speaking to your Branch Secretary.

At a glance

September 2019 - Friendship Month

Tues 3	Coffee Morning	11am
Wed 4	Cinema Buddy	1.30pm
Fri 6	Picnic in the Park	11am
Tues 10	Meet and Greet	2pm
Wed 11	Evening Meal and Quiz	7pm
Tues 17	Afternoon Tea	2.30pm
Fri 20	Speakers Corner	10.30am
Tues 24	Breakfast Club	10am
Wed 25	Games and Quizzes	1.30pm
Fri 27	Dine Around the World - Latino	7pm

October

Tues 1	Coffee Morning	11am
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Wed 9	Evening Meal and Quiz	7pm
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Sat 12	Fright Night	5.45pm
Fri 18	Speakers Corner	10.30am
Sat 19	Ghost Tour	5.45pm
Sun 20	Boston and Lincoln Sunday Lunch	12.30pm
Mon 21	Murder Mystery and Mayhem Book Club	2pm
Wed 23	Games and Quizzes	1.30pm
Fri 25	Dine Around the World - Lobster Pot	7pm
Tues 29	Breakfast Club	10am

November

Tues 5	Coffee Morning	11am
Wed 6	Cinema Buddy	1.30pm
Fri 8	Teversal Trail Walk	11am
Tues 12	Meet and Greet	2pm
Wed 13	Evening Meal and Quiz	7pm
Fri 15	Speakers Corner	10.30am
Tues 26	Breakfast Club	10am

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November

Wed 27	Games and Quizzes	1.30pm
Fri 29	Dine Around the World - Nandos	7pm

December

Tues 3	Coffee Morning	11am
Wed 4	Cinema Buddy	1.30pm
Fri 6	Christmas Dinner Dance	6.30pm
Tues 10	Meet and Greet	2pm
Wed 11	Evening Meal and Quiz	7pm
Fri 13	Speakers Corner	10.30am
Fri 13	Christmas Lunch	12 noon
Mon 16	Murder, Mystery and Mayhem Book Club	2pm
Tues 17	Breakfast Club	10am
Fri 20	Dine Around the World - Ania	7pm

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Tues 7	Coffee Morning	11am
Wed 8	Cinema Buddy	1.30pm
Wed 8	Evening Meal and Quiz	7pm
Tues 14	Meet and Greet	2pm
Fri 17	Speakers Corner	10.30am
Wed 22	Games and Quizzes	1.30pm
Tues 28	Breakfast Club	10am
Fri 31	Dine Around the World - Pistachio	7pm

February

Tues 4	Coffee Morning	11am
Wed 5	Cinema Buddy	1.30pm
Fri 7	National Justice Museum	2pm
Tues 11	Meet and Greet	2pm
Wed 12	Evening Meal and Quiz	7pm
Mon 17	Murder, Mystery and Mayhem Book Club	2pm
Fri 21	Speakers Corner	9.30am
Tues 25	Breakfast Club	10am
Wed 26	Games and Quizzes	1.30pm
Fri 28	Dine Around the World - Himalayan Inn	7pm

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