

July - December 2021



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Making Friends in Salisbury



Theatre



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Dining Out



Quizzes



History



Social



Talks



Games



Coffee Morning/Afternoon Tea



Cheese and Wine Evening - Saturday 4 December

Welcome to the latest edition of your Salisbury Out and About

We are a network of friends who enjoy life and help others. We organise a wide range of social events and meals out, open to both members and non-members, to enable you to meet new people. Membership is open to all. This Events Diary is a handy guide for you to keep so that you know what is happening in the area.

Have you seen our Facebook page?

Find us at Salisbury Wessex Oddfellows. Please feel free to share with all your friends



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Dates are sometimes subject to change. Please call to confirm your attendance.

Notice

We are always looking for people to attend our monthly business meetings. We meet on the third Monday of every month, 7.30pm at Hale Hall, School Lane, Salisbury (opposite the arts centre). If you would like to come along and learn more about us (on a non-obligation basis) please email Angela on angela.harmsworth@oddfellows.co.uk.

Regular Events

Coffee Morning



10.30am



Pay for what you order



Everyone
welcome

Meet new
friends in
Salisbury

Held fortnightly on Thursday

15 July
29 July
12 August

26 August
9 September
23 September

7 October
21 October
4 November

18 November
2 December

Come along and join us for a coffee (or whatever takes your fancy!) and a chat. Meet new friends in a lovely surrounding. All welcome. Don't worry if you are coming alone, there will always be a friendly face to welcome you and you will soon be part of the group. Call or text to say you are coming and we will look out for you. Or just turn up on the day, that will be fine too. The White Hart, 1 St Johns Road, Salisbury SP1 2SD. Contact Angela Hamilton on 07999 836038.



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on Unsplash*

Evening Social



7pm



Pay for what you order



Everyone
welcome

Held fortnightly on Thursday

22 July
5 August

19 August
2 September

16 September
30 September

14 October
28 October

11 November
25 November

A social gathering in the evening, with drinks and a meal, or whatever you prefer. Just come along and meet new friends, chat, eat, enjoy a glass of wine and new company. Don't worry if you are coming alone, there will always be a friendly face to welcome you and you will soon be part of the group. Call or text to say you are coming and we will look out for you. Or just turn up on the day, that will be fine too. The Greyhound, 4 Market Place, Wilton SP2 0HT.

As the venue is definitely subject to change for these events, it is essential that you telephone in advance for details of where we are meeting. Please call Angela Hamilton on 07999 836038.

July 2021

WED
28

Trip to the New Forest Lavender Farm



12 noon



Just pay for entry cost



Join us for a trip to the simply stunning New Forest Lavender Farm and maybe treat yourself to their gorgeous Lavender Ice Cream! The New Forest Lavender Farm, Giles Lane, Landford SP5 2BG. Contact Angela Hamilton on 07999 836038.



August

WED
11

Informal Gathering of Lymington Branch



11am



As per menu



Depending on Covid regulations, this event alternates between The White Hart Hotel in Whitchurch and the John Russell Fox (Wetherspoons) in Andover. In Whitchurch, we hold an informal meeting of the Branch, summarising what has happened over the last couple of months, followed by lunch. In Andover, we just meet for lunch and therefore usually meet at 12 noon instead of 11am. Book by Tuesday 3 August. The White Hart Hotel, Newbury Street, Whitchurch RG28 7DN. All welcome so please contact Angela Harmsworth on 01747 833776 if you wish to attend.

September

WED
01

Informal Gathering of Lymington Branch



12 noon



As per menu



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September

ODDFELLOWS FRIENDSHIP MONTH

1 - 30 SEPTEMBER



October

WED 06 Informal Gathering of Lymington Branch



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SAT 04 Skittles Evening



Join us for a fun skittles evening!
Ticket price does not include food – pay for what you order. There will be a raffle in aid of Branch funds. Raffle prizes always welcome. The Swan at Stoford, Warminster Road, Stoford SP2 0PR. Contact Angela Hamilton on 07999 836038.

Our social events meet the current COVID-19 Secure guidelines



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

www.oddfellows.co.uk/events

October

SAT
09

Rock and Roll Evening

7pm

£ Members £10, Guests £13



Join us for a fun evening of rock and roll dancing. Are you ready to shake, rattle and roll and of course, get your blue suede shoes out! Ticket price includes light supper of jacket potato and delicious fillings. Bring your own drink and glass. Wilton Community Centre, West Street, Wilton SP2 0DG. Contact Angela Hamilton on 07999 836038.



November

WED
03

Informal Gathering of Lymington Branch

11am

£ As per menu



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December

WED
01

Informal Gathering of Lymington Branch

11am

£ As per menu



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December

SAT
04

Cheese and Wine Evening



6pm



Members £10
Guests £13



Join us for a cheese and wine evening in the beautiful surroundings of the Cathedral Close in Salisbury. We always hold a raffle and raffle prizes are always welcome. Book by Monday 29 November. Sarum College, 19 The Close, Salisbury SP1 2EE. Contact Angela Hamilton on 07999 836038.

WED
15

Christmas Lunch



12 noon



TBC



Usual Christmas lunch in Whitchurch, more details nearer the time but



just put the date in your diary for a good time with good food and friends. The usual raffle will be held, and maybe one or two quizzes or games. Nothing too taxing on the brain! Book by Wednesday 1 December. The White Hart Hotel, Newbury Street, Whitchurch RG28 7DN. Contact Angela Harmsworth on 01747 833776.

Online events you can enjoy from the comfort of your own home...

**Talks, coffee mornings, exercise classes,
quizzes, fun & games and much more**

**Visit oddfellows.co.uk/events and enter
'Online' in the place name box**

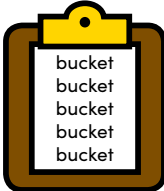

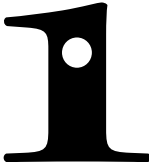
Need help to attend an online event?
Just give your local Social Organiser or Branch
Secretary a call or email events@oddfellows.co.uk

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Dingbats

Answers on the page 10.

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10.	11.	12.

Alphabet Soup

Ladle the letters from the soup tureen and fit one into each of the 26 blank squares on the table below, so that the finished result is a complete crossword containing English words. All of the letters in the tureen must be used – thus no letter is used more than once. When rearranged, the letters in the filled bowls spell out a variety of pea. Answers on page 10.

C	A	R	P				U	A	W	
		A		J		U		V		L
B	A			O		A	R	O		A
E		D		L		K				
		O	U	T	S		T			
G	E	M							A	N
			S	T	A	N		A		
M		P				I				H
	A		M	Y			U	A		A
L		U		S		H		D		Z
E		G			Y			E	F	

Sudoku (Answers on page 10)

Place one of the numbers from 1 to 9 into every empty cell so that each row, each column and each 3x3 block contains all the numbers from 1 to 9.

1	8			2			7	9
	3			1			4	
		9	7		6	3		
7	2		5		9		6	1
		5	4		1	7		
4	1		2		7		3	5
		1	6		5	8		
	6			7			5	
8	5			4			9	7

		1		2		5		
9	4		5		3		2	6
	2		9		7		4	
		3	8	6	9	2		
2	6						8	7
		9	2	7	4	3		
	1		6		2		7	
3	9		7		8		1	5
		7		9		4		

Dingbats Answers on page 8

1. Bucket List
2. Tickled Pink
3. Four Better Four Worse
4. Small World
5. Jack in a box
6. Short Straw
7. Wish upon a star
8. Cross-road
9. Mind over Matter
10. Hole in One
11. Top Secret
12. Forgive and Forget

Alphabet Soup on page 9

C	A	R	P		S	Q	U	A	W	K
U		A		J		U		V		L
B	A	N	J	O		A	R	O	M	A
E		D		L		K		W		X
		O	U	T	S	E	T			O
G	E	M			P			F	A	N
A			S	T	A	N	Z	A		
M		P		R		I		C		H
B	A	L	M	Y		G	U	A	V	A
L		U		S		H		D		Z
E	I	G	H	T	Y		D	E	F	Y

Answer is ONWARD

Sudoku on page 9

1	8	6	3	2	4	5	7	9
5	3	7	9	1	8	2	4	6
2	4	9	7	5	6	3	1	8
7	2	3	5	8	9	4	6	1
6	9	5	4	3	1	7	8	2
4	1	8	2	6	7	9	3	5
3	7	1	6	9	5	8	2	4
9	6	4	8	7	2	1	5	3
8	5	2	1	4	3	6	9	7

7	3	1	4	2	6	5	9	8
9	4	8	5	1	3	7	2	6
5	2	6	9	8	7	1	4	3
1	7	3	8	6	9	2	5	4
2	6	4	3	5	1	9	8	7
8	5	9	2	7	4	3	6	1
4	1	5	6	3	2	8	7	9
3	9	2	7	4	8	6	1	5
6	8	7	1	9	5	4	3	2

The Oddfellows Annual Movable Conference (AMC)

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

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

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

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

Welcoming our newest Grand Master, David Ogden

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

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

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



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

Congratulations to our Making a Difference Award winners!



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

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

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

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



Wendy, from Ipswich Oddfellows

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



Paul, from South London Oddfellows

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

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

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

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



Janice, from Reading Oddfellows

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

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

Working together to Make a Difference for 2022

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

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



Have your say!

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

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

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

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

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



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

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

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

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 Angela on **01747 833776** or email **angela.harmsworth@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.

*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**

At a glance

July 2021

Thurs 15	Coffee Morning	10.30am
Mon 19	Monthly Business Meeting	7pm
Thurs 22	Evening Social	7pm
Wed 28	Trip to the New Forest Lavender Farm	12 noon
Thurs 29	Coffee Morning	10.30am

August

Thurs 5	Evening Social	7pm
Wed 11	Informal Gathering of Lymington Branch	11am
Thurs 12	Coffee Morning	10.30am
Mon 16	Monthly Business Meeting	7pm
Thurs 19	Evening Social	7pm
Thurs 26	Coffee Morning	10.30am

September - Friendship Month

Wed 1	Informal Gathering of Lymington Branch	12 noon
Thurs 2	Evening Social	7pm
Sat 4	Skittles Evening	7pm
Thurs 9	Coffee Morning	10.30am
Thurs 16	Evening Social	7pm
Mon 20	Monthly Business Meeting	7pm
Thurs 23	Coffee Morning	10.30am
Thurs 30	Evening Social	7pm

October

Wed 6	Informal Gathering of Lymington Branch	11am
Thurs 7	Coffee Morning	10.30am
Sat 9	Rock and Roll Evening	7pm
Thurs 14	Evening Social	7pm
Mon 18	Monthly Business Meeting	7pm
Thurs 21	Coffee Morning	10.30am
Thurs 28	Evening Social	7pm

November

Wed 3	Informal Gathering of Lymington Branch	11am
Thurs 4	Coffee Morning	10.30am
Thurs 11	Evening Social	7pm
Mon 15	Monthly Business Meeting	7pm
Thurs 18	Coffee Morning	10.30am
Thurs 25	Evening Social	7pm

December

Wed 1	Informal Gathering of Lymington Branch	11am
Thurs 2	Coffee Morning	10.30am
Sat 4	Cheese and Wine Evening	6pm
Wed 15	Christmas Lunch	12 noon
Mon 20	Monthly Business Meeting	7pm