

January - May 2026



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**Southampton**



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## Welcome to the latest edition of the Southampton District Out and About Events Diary.

What an amazing year we had in 2025. We held 157 events, including 120 regular monthly events across the District, and set up a new venue in Sarisbury Green. We now have four main venues: Totton, Merryoak, Sarisbury Green and Stubbington, going from west to east. We are also discussing setting up a venue nearer the Portsmouth area later in 2026.

In this five-month diary you will find 86 planned events. That means we are on track to hit an incredible 200+ events in 2026. This is thanks to our amazing and tireless social team - who are all unpaid except me - and our wonderful volunteers. We simply could not do it without you, thank you. Of course, we always need more help, so if you think you could step forward and help with anything please let one of the social team know. Just a small amount of help goes along way and means we can share the ever-increasing load. We have also managed to get more members to events by utilising car-sharing. Thanks to those amazing members who have helped make someone's day better. We even heard of one member fixing another member's car, but that was quite extreme - so no pressure!

We like to offer our diary as a menu rather than an itinerary. So, you can pick and choose the events that appeal to you and your budget. Our events include coffee

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mornings, lunches, live music, days out, speakers, games, quizzes and crafting. They run during daytime and in the evenings, on weekdays, Saturdays and the occasional Sunday. We also have family friendly events so that everyone is included.

Our strollers group, run by volunteer Diane, took part in three walks during the good weather, including a delicious pub lunch.

In October, two members volunteered to set up a theatre group. Susan and

Dennis G have already organised and managed a very successful trip for 18 members to My Fair Lady at Eastleigh. Oklahoma at Portsmouth is booked for February (21 members) and Variety from the Heart at Southampton is planned for April. And they are just getting started! Please contact them if you are interested in theatre trips even if you need transport to get to the venues 07866 158475 or fellowstheatre@gmail.com.

Live music was an avenue we explored in 2025 with five trips to The Concorde Club in Eastleigh. They proved very popular with 15 members regularly attending and having a great time together. Therefore, we have extended the live music offering to 11 events planned in the first five months of the year and we have included Hanger Farm, Totton and Fareham Live as venues. We are looking for more venues across the District so please send us your recommendations.

Last year we also started offering trips by minibus. In fact, 13 of our theatre goers will be going to Oklahoma by minibus. A huge thank you goes to Richard at Easy Drive, Gosport who has generously provided a minibus for our trips and to Dennis Clay

who has taken on the brunt of the driving. I am first reserve! We have several more of these minibus trips organised so hopefully you will see something you like.

The events we organise are for you, our members. If you don't see an activity that appeals, if you have ideas for new events, or feedback on events we have run, please let your social team know.

In addition to the events printed in the diary we try to act on ideas or opportunities as they come to us. Especially music, theatre events and minibus trips. However, time and postage costs mean we can only inform those members who have provided email addresses. So please, please send your email address to southampton@oddfellows.co.uk if you want to be in the know.

We are proud to offer you the opportunity to make new friends and enjoy a variety of activities. We are basically a group of friends brought together through shared interest in socialising, making friends and helping people. I hope we meet at an event soon.

**With very best wishes, Yvonne**

## Join the Southampton District Strollers

**We now have a keen group of members showing an interest in short walks with maybe a lunch to follow, preferably at weekends. So, as long as the weather is not too**

**hot or too wet, might you also be interested in sharing our friendly company for an enjoyable stroll in the countryside? If so, please contact Diane on 02380 463334.**

# Introducing the Social Team

We now have a team of four organising events across the Southampton District Branch area. We work/volunteer part time so you may need to leave a message. We are looking for volunteers to help. Anything from meet and greet, assisting or planning. We will organise and advertise and support you. It would be a great help and make a huge difference. Please contact Yvonne. Would you like to have your say on the events in 2026? We will get together in February with interested members to plan the end of 2026. Just let Yvonne know if you would like to join us.

Colour coded index for social events:

## Southampton District Branch

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## Lord Nelson Branch

Dennis Clay  
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## Oswald Branch

Terry Rendle  
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## Princess Royal Branch

Brian Hopper via Peter  
Cawte 01252 312643



## 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. Find out more at [www.oddfellows.co.uk](http://www.oddfellows.co.uk) or call 0800 028 1810.

Everybody is welcome at Oddfellows events. Even if you are not a member, we want to extend an invitation to you, your family and your friends to attend any events that appeal. All are welcome and we like to think we can ensure you have an enjoyable time. Let us know you are coming and we'll look out for you. Hopefully, after attending our events you will see the benefits of joining our caring organisation. Please remember the importance of early booking for all events to avoid disappointment or cancellation due to lack of support.

**Please Note: Photography will take place at each of our events to be used across Oddfellows' website, social media platforms, adverts and promotional material. Please let a member of the social team or the photographer know if you would prefer not to be in any of these images.**

# Regular Events

## Evening Meal and Social, Stubbington

Lord Nelson Branch

**Third Monday of the month**



Enjoy a pub meal and a social catch-up with friends. Followed at 7.30pm by games, quizzes and a raffle. Everyone welcome. Bus stop: Carisbrooke Avenue. The Crofton, 48 Crofton Lane, Stubbington, Fareham PO14 3QF. Booking essential for the meal via Dennis on 07752 406566.

**19 January**  
**16 February**  
**16 March**

**20 April**  
**18 May**

## Branch Meeting

Southampton District

**Monthly**



The Southampton District Branch meet monthly to share the latest business news with members. The meeting will circulate between Totton, Stubbington and Merryoak this year. Full details of times and location in the diary. Contact Peter on 01252 312643.

**7 January** (Totton)  
**4 February**  
(Stubbington)  
**4 March**  
(Merryoak)

**1 April** (Totton)  
**6 May**  
(Stubbington)

## Evening Social and Speaker, Totton

Princess Royal Branch

**First Wednesday of the month**



Join members and friends for our regular monthly social with refreshments and our guest speaker. Bus stop: Salisbury Road. Totton & Eling Community Centre, Library Road, Totton, Southampton SO40 3RS. Please let Peter know on 01252 312643 if you are coming, for catering purposes.

**7 January**  
**4 February**  
**4 March**

**1 April**  
**6 May**

## Coffee Morning, Gosport

Lord Nelson Branch

**Second Wednesday of the month**



Meet up with friends old and new for a tea or coffee. Everyone welcome. Hosted by Barbara on 07969 109343. Bus Stop: Bury Road or War Memorial Hospital. Claire's at Bury House, Thorngate Hall, Bury Road, Gosport PO12 3QX. Contact Dennis on 07752 406566.

**14 January**  
**11 February**  
**11 March**

**8 April**  
**13 May**

# Regular Events

## Roving Coffee Morning

### Central

Southampton District

**Third  
Wednesday  
of the month**

 10.30am

 As per menu



Join us for a cuppa and chat as we visit a different venue each month. See diary for location. Everyone welcome with a complimentary drink on your first visit. Contact Yvonne on 07949 917215.

**21 January  
18 February  
18 March**

**15 April  
20 May**

## Daytime Cinema

Southampton District

**Fourth  
Wednesday  
of the month**

 TBC

 As per film



Calling all cinema buffs! We meet monthly, alternating between Reel Fareham and Vue Eastleigh to watch our chosen film. Booking required. Please contact Yvonne on 07949 917215 to check if the event goes ahead.

**Reel Cinema Fareham, 3 Vannes Parade, Fareham PO16 0BX. Bus Stop: Fareham Bus Station**  
28 January, 25 March and 27 May

**Vue Cinema, Swan Centre, Eastleigh SO50 5SF. Bus Stop: The Swan Centre.**  
25 February and 22 April

## Afternoon Social, Merryoak Oswald Branch

**First  
Thursday of  
the month**

 2pm

 Free



Please come and join us for our monthly social. Chat with friends and enjoy a different social activity each month: speakers, games, crafting and quizzes! Bus stop: Knighton Road. Festival Hall, Merryoak, Merryoak Road, Southampton SO19 7QR. Contact Yvonne on 07949 917215.

**8 January - Due  
to bank holiday  
5 February**

**5 March  
2 April  
7 May**

## Roving Coffee Morning West

Southampton District

**Second  
Thursday of  
the month**

 10.30am

 As per menu



Enjoy a tea or coffee at a different venue every month. See diary for location. Everyone welcome with a complimentary drink on your first visit. Contact Yvonne on 07949 917215.



**8 January  
12 February  
12 March**

**9 April  
14 May**

# Regular Events

## Game On, Sarisbury Green

Lord Nelson  
Branch

**Third  
Thursday of  
the month**



2pm



Members £4.  
Guests £5



A variety of events, from bingo to quizzes. Will it be a game of chance, or will you need your best head on? Come along to find out. Always laughter, rounded off by a raffle. Bus stop: Sarisbury Green or St Paul's Church. Sarisbury Green Community Centre, The Green, Sarisbury Green, Southampton SO31 7AA. Contact Dennis on 07752 406566.

15 January

19 February

19 March

16 April

21 May

## Roving Coffee Morning East

Southampton  
District

**Fourth  
Thursday of  
the month**



10.30am



As per menu



Laughs and lattes with friends at a different venue every month. Everyone welcome with a complimentary drink on your first visit. Contact Yvonne on 07949 917215.

22 January

26 February

26 March

23 April

28 May

## Roving Out to Lunch

Southampton  
District

**Third  
Friday of  
the month**



12.30pm



As per  
menu



Come to lunch with us. We try members' recommendations at a different venue every month. Everyone welcome. See diary for location. Early booking essential for this popular event. Contact Yvonne on 07949 917215.

16 January

20 February

20 March

17 April

15 May

## Methods of payment: bank transfer, cash or cheque

**Cheque** payable to Oddfellows Southampton District with event name on the back e.g. Oklahoma. Cheques should be sent to the event organiser who will provide their address to you on application.

**Bank transfer** for bank account details contact Yvonne on 07949 917215. Please use the event name as a reference for example Oklahoma.

**Cash** at an event only to Yvonne, Peter, Dennis C, Terry, Diane, Susan and Dennis G. Please do not send cash through the post.

# January 2026

THURS  
01

## No Afternoon Social on New Year's Day



No afternoon social on New Year's Day. It has been moved to Thursday 8 January.

WED  
07

## Evening Branch Meeting, Totton



Come and hear the latest updates at the Southampton District Branch meeting. Followed by a social with refreshments. Bus stop: Salisbury Road. Totton & Eling Community Centre, Library Road, Totton, Southampton SO40 3RS. Contact Peter on 01252 312643.

THURS  
08

## Roving Coffee Morning at Dobbies Garden Centre, Cadnam



Bring in the new year with a social get together. Everyone welcome with a complimentary drink on your first visit. Bus stop: Garden Centre. Dobbies Garden Centre, Southampton Road, Cadnam SO40 2NB. Contact Yvonne on 07949 917215.



WED  
07

## Evening Social with Speaker Alan Jones - Traditions and Memories of Christmas, Totton



Maybe it's the Christmas tippie, but we all like to believe in the magic of a jolly, fat man, coming down the chimney laden with gifts. Hear Alan Jones tell the real story of all the traditions of Christmas. Ho, Ho, Ho! Refreshments provided. Bus stop: Salisbury Road. Totton & Eling Community Centre, Library Road, Totton, Southampton SO40 3RS. Please let Peter know on 01252 312643 you are coming, for catering purposes.



# January 2026

THURS  
08

## Afternoon Social: Swap Shop and Games, Merryoak

🕒 2pm

£ Free



Join us for our monthly social and swap shop - bring your unwanted and unwrapped Christmas gifts to exchange for something new-to-you. Followed by games afternoon. Bus stop: Knighton Road. Festival Hall, Merryoak, Merryoak Road, Southampton, Hants SO19 7QR. Contact Yvonne on 07949 917215.

THURS  
08

## Live Music - Motown and Soul, Concorde Club, Eastleigh

🕒 7pm

£ £6



Live music! A Night of Motown and Soul with DJ Paul Mico! Early booking essential by Tuesday 6 January. Bus stop: Concorde Club. The Concorde Club, Stoneham Lane, Eastleigh, Hampshire SO50 9HQ. Contact Yvonne on 07949 917215 to let us know if transport is required.

WED  
14

## Coffee Morning at Claire's, Gosport

🕒 10.30am

£ As per menu



Join friends old and new for a tea or coffee. Everyone welcome. Hosted by Barbara on 07969 109343. Bus Stop: Bury Road or War Memorial Hospital. Claire's at Bury House, Thorngate Hall, Bury Road, Gosport PO12 3QX. Contact Dennis on 07752 406566.



THURS  
15

## Game On, Sarisbury Green

🕒 2pm

£ Members £4  
Guests £5



A variety of events, from bingo to quizzes. Will it be a game of chance, or will you need your best head on? Come along to find out. Always laughter, rounded off by a raffle. Bus stop: Sarisbury Green or St Paul's Church. Sarisbury Green Community Centre, The Green, Sarisbury Green, Southampton SO31 7AA. Contact Yvonne on 07949 917215.



# January 2026

## FRI 16 Roving Out to Lunch at The Bugle Inn, Botley

🕒 12.30pm 🍷 As per menu 🍴

Honest home cooked food at The Bugle Inn, an historic Coaching Inn that dates back to 1650, located in the heart of Botley's lively high street. Bus stop: The Square. The Bugle Inn, 10 High Street, Botley, Southampton SO30 2EA. Early booking essential as there are limited places and you will need to provide a pre-order by Friday 9 January to Yvonne on 07949 917215.

## SUN 18 Live Music - Some Guys Have All The Luck, Fareham Live

🕒 7.30pm 🍷 £32.50 🎵

Live music! The Rod Stewart Story brings to the stage an incredible live concert celebrating one of the UK's most influential icons. Direct from the West End. Doors open at 6.30pm, on stage at 7.30pm. Early booking essential for these popular events. Bus stop: Wallington Library. Fareham Live, Osborn Road, Fareham PO16 7DB. Contact Yvonne on 07949 917215 to let us know if transport is required.

## SUN 18 Late Christmas Lunch, Woolston

🕒 12.30pm 🍴

🍷 Members £23, Guests £25

Join us for a delicious three course Christmas lunch when all the festivities have abated and you are missing turkey and Christmas pud! (Other dishes available!). A chance to celebrate with friends and family. Everyone welcome. A paid bar will be open for drinks. Booking essential and limited seating so book early. St Patrick's Church or Radstock Road. Book by Saturday 10 January. Masonic Hall, Manor Road South, Woolston, Southampton SO19 2DS. Contact Terry on 02380 360109.



## MON 19 Evening Meal and Social, Stubbington

🕒 6pm 🍷 Meal as per menu Games: Members £4, Guests £5 🍴

Enjoy a pub meal and a social catch-up with friends. Followed at 7.30pm by games, quizzes and a raffle. Everyone welcome. Bus stop: Carisbrooke Avenue. The Crofton, 48 Crofton Lane, Stubbington, Fareham PO14 3QF. Booking essential for the meal via Dennis on 07752 406566.

# January 2026

## WED 21 Roving Coffee Morning at Harvester Whiteley



Come and have tea or coffee and a chat with friends. Everyone welcome with a complimentary drink on your first visit. Bus stop: Whiteley Way. Harvester Whiteley, Unit E1-E2, Whiteley Shopping Centre, Fareham PO15 7LJ. Contact Yvonne on 07949 917215.



## THURS 22 Roving Coffee Morning at Harvester Buceaneer Fareham



Lattes and laughs with friends old and new. Everyone welcome with a complimentary drink on your first visit. Bus stop: Craigbank Court. Harvester Buceaneer Fareham, 14 The Avenue PO14 1NS. Contact Yvonne on 07949 917215.



## WED 28 Daytime Cinema at Reel Cinema, Fareham



Calling all film buffs! Meet at Reel Cinema Fareham to watch our chosen film. Bus Stop: Fareham Bus Station. Booking required by Tuesday 27 January. Reel Cinema Fareham, 3 Vannes Parade, Fareham PO16 0BX. Contact Yvonne on 07949 917215.

## FRI 30 Live Music - Man in the Mirror, Concorde Club, Eastleigh



Live music! Man In The Mirror - Tribute to Michael Jackson. Join us for an unforgettable evening celebrating the legendary 'King of Pop!'. Starring CJ, one of the world's top Michael Jackson tribute artists and supported by a talented cast, this show captures the essence of Michael Jackson's unique style and charisma. Don't miss out on this thrilling experience! Early booking essential by Friday 9 January for these popular events. Bus stop: Concorde Club. The Concorde Club, Stoneham Lane, Eastleigh, Hampshire SO50 9HQ. Contact Yvonne on 07949 917215 to let us know if transport is required.



# February

## WED 04 Evening Social with Speaker Aimee Durnell - Between Two Rivers, Totton

🕒 7.30pm

£ Free



Well known local artist Aimee Durnell talks about her wonderful book which traces the source of the Lymington River up to Boldreford Bridge, across the boggy expanses of the New Forest and down the Beaulieu River to the Solent. Refreshments provided. Bus stop: Salisbury Road. Totton & Eling Community Centre, Library Road, Totton, Southampton SO40 3RS. Please let Peter know you are coming on 01252 312643, for catering purposes.



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## THURS 05 Afternoon Social: Speaker on Hearing Loss and Tinnitus, Merryoak

🕒 2pm

£ Free



Do you have hearing loss or tinnitus or know someone who does? Not sure what to do about it? Our speaker from the Royal National Institute for Deaf People (RNID) will provide information and advice to help support. Bus stop: Knighton Road. Festival Hall, Merryoak, Merryoak Road, Southampton, Hants SO19 7QR. Contact Yvonne on 07949 917215.



## SAT 07 Pig Racing with Buffet, Sarisbury Green

🕒 2.30pm

£ Members £11  
Guests £14  
Child £5



Have you ever seen a pig race? Now is your opportunity.



Our pigs are cute and cuddly and will not eat your meal! Join us for a fun and friendly afternoon. Bring family and friends. All welcome. 2.30pm to 5.30pm. Refreshments provided. Bus stop: Sarisbury Green or St Paul's Church. Sarisbury Green Community Centre, The Green, Sarisbury Green, Southampton SO31 7AA. Please book for catering purposes with Dennis on 07752 406566 by Monday 2 February.

# February

## WED 11 Coffee Morning at Claire's, Gosport

🕒 10.30am    💷 As per menu    ☕

Join friends old and new for a tea or coffee. Everyone welcome. Hosted by Barbara on 07969 109343. Bus Stop: Bury Road or War Memorial Hospital. Claire's at Bury House, Thorngate Hall, Bury Road, Gosport PO12 3QX. Contact Dennis on 07752 406566.



## THURS 12 Roving Coffee Morning at The Cowherds, Southampton

🕒 10.30am    💷 As per menu    ☕

Enjoy a tea or coffee with friends old and new. Everyone welcome with a complimentary drink on your first visit. Bus stop: Albany Park Road or Northlands Road. The Cowherds, The Common, Southampton SO15 7NN. Contact Yvonne on 07949 917215.



## FRI 13 Race Night, Hamble

🕒 2.30pm    💷 £1 entry    🎲

We have been invited by Folland Sports and Social Club for a fun race night. Become an owner, be a jockey or just watch the races. Jockeys will be required to wear their silks and mount their hobby horse! Open bar for drinks and snacks. Bar meals may be available (to be confirmed), otherwise you can bring your own supper. Bring family and friends. All welcome. £1 entry. Refreshments and racing costs extra. Bus stop: Verdon Avenue. Book by Monday 9 February. Folland Sports and Social Club, Kings Avenue, Hamble-le-Rice, Southampton SO31 4NF. Contact Yvonne on 07949 917215.



# February

## MON 16 Evening Meal and Social, Stubbington



Meal as per menu  
Games: Members  
£4, Guests £5

Enjoy a pub meal and a social catch-up with friends. Followed at 7.30pm by games, quizzes and a raffle. Everyone welcome. Bus stop: Carisbrooke Avenue. The Crofton, 48 Crofton Lane, Stubbington, Fareham PO14 3QF. Booking essential for the meal via Dennis on 07752 406566.

## MON 16 Evening Branch Meeting, Stubbington



Free

Come and hear the latest updates at the Southampton District Branch meeting. Followed by a social with refreshments. Bus stop: Carisbrooke Avenue. The Crofton, 48 Crofton Lane, Stubbington, Fareham PO14 3QF. Contact Dennis on 07752 406566.

## WED 18 Roving Coffee Morning at The Dolphin, Botley



As per menu

Returning to an ever popular venue. Everyone welcome with a complimentary drink on your first visit. Bus stop: The Square. The Dolphin, 9 High Street, Botley, Southampton SO30 2EA. Contact Yvonne on 07949 917215.

## THURS 19 Game On, Sarisbury Green



Members £4  
Guests £5

A variety of events, from bingo to quizzes. Will it be a game of chance, or will you need your best head on? Come along to find out. Always laughter, rounded off by a raffle. Bus stop: Sarisbury Green or St Paul's Church. Sarisbury Green Community Centre, The Green, Sarisbury Green, Southampton SO31 7AA. Contact Dennis on 07752 406566.

## FRI 20 Roving Out to Lunch at Red Lion, Stubbington



As per menu

Find good food and drink at The Red Lion. A local pub at the heart of Stubbington. Early booking essential by Friday 13 February as there are limited places. Bus stop: Village Centre. Red Lion, Gosport Road, Stubbington, Fareham PO14 2LD. Contact Yvonne on 07949 917215.



# February

SAT  
21

## Theatre Visit with Minibus Option, Portsmouth



2pm



Ticket £17, Ticket plus minibus £25



The wind comes sweepin' down the plain and onto the grand stage of the Kings Theatre. Enjoy the performance sitting with friends. Make your own way or take advantage of a 15 seater minibus available on first come first served basis. Please tell us if you have a rollator or similar walking aid as we will need to allow extra space to accommodate these. Pick-ups: Merryoak, Hedge End. Tickets may still be available, but potentially in a different section to our group booking. Bus stop: Kings Theatre. Kings Theatre, 24 Albert Road, Southsea, Portsmouth, Southsea PO5 2QJ. Contact Susan and Dennis for booking on 07866 158475 or fellowstheatre@gmail.com.

SUN  
22

## Indoor Adventure Golf with Minibus Option, Chichester



TBC



From £12 to £20



Join us for a fun, unique experience on this pirate-themed indoor adventure golf. Make your own way or take advantage of a 15 seater minibus available on first come first served basis. Please tell us if you have a rollator or similar walking aid as we will need to allow extra space to accommodate these. Lunch at Brick Kiln Garden Centre (roasts on offer!). Pick-ups: Sarisbury Green, Hedge End, Merryoak, Totton. All have free all day parking. First pick-up 8.30am. Return approximately at 5pm. Cost: £12 for ticket only, £20 for ticket plus minibus, (meal extra). Bus stop: Green Lane. Chichester Golf Club, Hunston, Chichester PO20 1AX. Booking and payment by Tuesday 17 February via Dennis on 07752 406566.

WED  
25

## Cinema Visit, Eastleigh



TBC



As per film



Calling all cinema buffs! Meet at Vue Cinema Eastleigh to watch our chosen film. Booking required by Tuesday 24 February. Bus Stop: The Swan Centre. Vue Cinema, Swan Centre, Eastleigh SO50 5SF. Please contact Yvonne on 07949 917215 to check the event goes ahead.

# February

**THURS**  
**26** **Roving Coffee Morning**  
**at Alver Valley Garden**  
**Centre, Gosport**

 10.30am  As per menu 

Enjoy a tea or coffee with friends old and new. Everyone welcome with a complimentary drink on your first visit. Bus stop: Grange Road. Alver Valley Garden Centre, Off Barrington Close, Howe Road, Gosport PO13 8NT. Contact Yvonne on 07949 917215.

**SAT**  
**28** **Kurling with Lunch,**  
**Merryoak**

 1pm  Members £11  
Guests £14  
Child £5 



Our popular indoor kurling is a sport for all ages, abilities and good fun too! No ice involved, we promise. Lunch to follow. Bring family and friends. Festival Hall, Merryoak, Merryoak Road, Southampton, Hants SO19 7QR. Booking essential by Friday 20 February, for catering purposes via Dennis 07752 406566.

# March

**WED**  
**04** **Evening Social with**  
**Speaker Jeremy**  
**Prescott - The Unknown**  
**Warrior, Totton**

 7.30pm  Free 

Join Jeremy Prescott to discover the poignant story of the Unknown Warrior at Westminster Abbey – a powerful symbol of remembrance and sacrifice. Refreshments provided. Bus stop: Salisbury Road. Totton & Eling Community Centre, Library Road, Totton, Southampton SO40 3RS. Please let Peter know you are coming on 01252 312643, for catering purposes.



**THURS**  
**05** **Afternoon Branch**  
**Meeting, Merryoak**

 2pm  Free 

Come and hear the latest updates at the Southampton District Branch meeting. Followed by our social with refreshments. Bus stop: Knighton Road. Festival Hall, Merryoak, Merryoak Road, Southampton, Hants SO19 7QR. Contact Yvonne on 07949 917215.

# March

## THURS 05 Afternoon Social - Quiz, Merryoak

 2pm

 Free



First, an opportunity to hear the latest news in our branch meeting followed by a quiz compiled by Quiz Master, Robert R. Pit your wits against his! Bus stop: Knighton Road. Festival Hall, Merryoak, Merryoak Road, Southampton, Hants SO19 7QR. Contact Yvonne on 07949 917215.



## SUN 08 Live Music - Cilla and The Swinging 60s, Hanger Farm, Totton

 7.30pm

 £17



Live music! Cilla and The Swinging 60s is a highly entertaining show, stylishly celebrating the life and music of the legendary Cilla Black along with a selection of her well known contemporaries, including Dusty Springfield, Lulu, Petula Clark, The Beatles and many more. Doors open at 6.30pm, on stage at 7.30pm. Early booking essential by Wednesday 4 February for these popular events. Bus stop: none near. Hanger Farm, Aikman Lane, Totton, Southampton SO40 8FT. Contact Yvonne on 07949 917215 to let us know if transport is required.



## FRI 06 Live Music - The Bohemians - Queen's Greatest Hits, Concorde Club, Eastleigh

 9pm

 £25



Live music! Internationally renowned Queen Tribute band - The Bohemians take you on a high energy roller coaster ride of a concert, featuring the back catalogue of one of the world's most popular and iconic rock acts of all time. Doors open at 7pm, on stage at 9pm. Early booking essential by Friday 13 February for these popular events. Bus stop: Concorde Club. The Concorde Club, Stoneham Lane, Eastleigh, Hampshire SO50 9HQ. Contact Yvonne on 07949 917215 to let us know if transport is required.



# March

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TUES  
10

## Minibus Tour of the South Downs with Lunch



TBC



£10, lunch extra



Enjoy a tour on a (hopefully) bright and crisp spring day with lunch at Haskins Garden Centre Roundstone. 15



seater minibus available on first come first served basis. Please tell us if you have a rollator or similar walking aid as we will need to allow extra space to accommodate these. Pick-ups: Sarisbury Green, Hedge End, Merryoak, Totton. All have free all day parking. First pick-up 8.45am. Return approximately 5pm. Booking and payment by Thursday 5 March via Yvonne on 07949 917215.

WED  
11

## Coffee Morning at Claire's, Gosport



10.30am



As per menu



Join friends old and new for a tea or coffee. Everyone welcome. Hosted by Barbara on 07969 109343. Bus Stop: Bury Road or War Memorial Hospital. Claire's at Bury House, Thorngate Hall, Bury Road, Gosport PO12 3QX. Contact Dennis on 07752 406566.

THURS  
12

## Roving Coffee Morning at The Pilgrim Inn, Marchwood



10.30am



As per menu



Come and join us for a brew and natter. Everyone welcome with a complimentary drink on your first visit. Please note the kitchen closes at 10.45am, so be early if you want breakfast! Bus stop: Twiggs Lane. The Pilgrim Inn, Hythe Road, Marchwood, Southampton SO40 4WU. Contact Yvonne on 07949 917215.

SAT  
14

## Skittles with Supper, Stubbington



6.30pm



£14 (Children 3-13: £9.95) - drinks extra



See you for a fun and friendly competition of skittles. Try your skills or simply come to enjoy the food, good company and laughter.



All welcome! Menu for adults and children available on request. Bus stop: Carisbrooke Avenue. The Crofton, 48 Crofton Lane, Stubbington, Fareham PO14 3QF. Book including menu choice by Friday 6 March with Dennis on 07752 406566.

# March

## MON 16 Evening Meal and Social, Stubbington

🕒 6pm 🇼 ⌘ Meal as per menu Games: Members £4, Guests £5 🍴🍷

Enjoy a pub meal and a social catch-up with friends. Followed at 7.30pm by games, quizzes and a raffle. Everyone welcome. Bus stop: Carisbrooke Avenue. The Crofton, 48 Crofton Lane, Stubbington, Fareham PO14 3QF. Booking essential for the meal via Dennis on 07752 406566.

## WED 18 Roving Coffee Morning at The Two Brothers, West End

🕒 10.30am 🇼 ⌘ As per menu ☕

Back to one of our most popular venues. Everyone welcome with a complimentary drink on your first visit. Bus stop: Chartwell Green Shops. The Two Brothers, Town Hill Way, West End, Southampton SO18 3RB. Contact Yvonne on 07949 917215.

## THURS 19 Game On, Sarisbury Green

🕒 2pm 🇼 ⌘ Members £4 Guests £5 🎲

A variety of events, from bingo to quizzes. Will it be a game of chance, or will you need your best head on? Come along to find out. Always laughter, rounded off by a raffle. Bus stop: Sarisbury Green or St Paul's Church. Sarisbury Green Community Centre, The Green, Sarisbury Green, Southampton SO31 7AA. Contact Dennis on 07752 406566.

## FRI 20 Roving Out to Lunch at Red Rover, West Wellow

🕒 12.30pm 🇼 ⌘ As per menu 🍴🍷

Red Rover, with its cosy pub restaurant, awaits you. Come and join us for a friendly lunch. Bus stop: Slab Lane. Red Rover, Salisbury Road, West Wellow, Romsey SO51 6BW. Early booking essential as there are limited places and you will need to provide a pre-order by Wednesday 4 March to Yvonne on 07949 917215.



## SAT 21 Annual Summomed Meeting, Totton

🕒 2pm 🇼 ⌘ Free 👥

2pm to 3.30pm. Annual Summomed Meeting. Followed at 4pm by free cream tea with musical bingo. Bus stop: Salisbury Road. Totton & Eling Community Centre, Library Road, Totton, Southampton SO40 3RS. Contact Peter on 01252 312643.

# March

SAT  
21

## Cream Tea and Musical Bingo, Totton



4pm



Free



Join us for a delicious free cream tea with musical bingo. Catch up with old friends, meet new ones, or talk to us about what we do and what membership offers. Bus stop: Salisbury Road. Book by Thursday 19 March, for catering purposes. Totton & Eling Community Centre, Library Road, Totton, Southampton SO40 3RS. Contact Yvonne on 07949 917215.

WED  
25

## Daytime Cinema at Reel Cinema, Fareham



TBC



As per film



Calling all film buffs! Meet at Reel Cinema Fareham to watch our chosen film. Bus Stop: Fareham Bus Station. Booking required by Tuesday 24 March. Reel Cinema Fareham, 3 Vannes Parade, Fareham PO16 0BX. Contact Yvonne on 07949 917215.

THURS  
26

## Roving Coffee Morning at Woodies, Wickham



10.30am



As per menu



Chit chat and a brew with old friends and new. Everyone welcome with a complimentary drink on your first visit. Bus stop: The Square. Woodies, 1 The Square, Wickham, Fareham PO17 5JQ. If you plan to have breakfast you will need to provide a pre-order by Tuesday 17 March to Yvonne on 07949 917215.

SAT  
28

## Live Music: Trevor Rice Trio with Lunch, Merryoak



1pm



Members £11  
Guests £14



Brighten your Saturday lunchtime with music from The Trevor Rice Trio 'New Tricks'. Lunch to follow. Bus stop: Knighton Road. Festival Hall, Merryoak, Merryoak Road, Southampton, Hants SO19 7QR. Booking essential by Friday 20 March, for catering purposes via Terry on 02380 360109.



# March

**SUN**  
**29** **Live Music - Buddy and the Golden Crickets, Hanger Farm, Totton**

 7.30pm  £20, Concessions 60+ £18 

Live music! Buddy and the Golden Crickets are the South's top tribute band. Come and hear all the classic Buddy's hits, they're guaranteed to get you rocking in the isles. Doors open at 6.30pm, on stage at 7.30pm. Early booking essential by Thursday 19 February for these popular events. Bus stop: none near. Hanger Farm, Aikman Lane, Totton, Southampton SO40 8FT. Contact Yvonne on 07949 917215 to let us know if transport is required.



# April

**WED**  
**01** **Evening Branch Meeting, Totton**

 7.30pm  Free 

Come and hear the latest updates at the Southampton District Branch meeting. Followed by a social with refreshments. Bus stop: Salisbury Road. Totton & Eling Community Centre, Library Road, Totton, Southampton SO40 3RS. Contact Peter on 01252 312643.

# April

**WED**  
**01** **Evening Social with Speaker Bernard Purrier - Whales and Dolphins, Totton**

 7.30pm  Free 

Our speaker is Bernard Purrier with his talk on Whales and Dolphins. Refreshments provided. Bus stop: Salisbury Road. Totton & Eling Community Centre, Library Road, Totton, Southampton SO40 3RS. Please let Peter know on 01252 312643 if you are coming, for catering purposes.

**THURS**  
**02** **Afternoon Social with Speaker Malcolm Wells MBE - So Far So Good, Merryoak**

 2pm  Free 

Malcolm Wells MBE tells stories of his career: as an Army musician, his time at Canine Partners working with Sir Terry Wogan and how to teach a dog to use a washing machine! Bus stop: Knighton Road. Festival Hall, Merryoak, Merryoak Road, Southampton, Hants SO19 7QR. Contact Yvonne on 07949 917215.



# April

## WED 08 Coffee Morning at Claire's, Gosport

🕒 10.30am    💷 As per menu    ☕

Join friends old and new for a tea or coffee. Everyone welcome. Hosted by Barbara on 07969 109343. Bus Stop: Bury Road or War Memorial Hospital. Claire's at Bury House, Thorngate Hall, Bury Road, Gosport PO12 3QX. Contact Dennis on 07752 406566.

## THURS 09 Roving Coffee Morning at Mabel's Café, Lymington

🕒 10.30am    💷 As per menu    ☕

Join us at this popular venue for a cuppa and a catch up with old friends. Everyone welcome with a complimentary drink on your first visit. Bus stop: Shallowmead Nursery. Mabel's Café, Shallowmead Nurseries, Boldre Lane, Boldre, Lymington SO41 8PA. Contact Yvonne on 07949 917215.



## WED 15 Roving Coffee Morning at The Prince Consort, Netley

🕒 10.30am    💷 As per menu    ☕

We are excited to return to this lovely village pub. Everyone welcome with a complimentary drink on your first visit. Bus stop: New Road. The Prince Consort, 71 Victoria Road, Netley, Southampton SO31 5DS. If you plan to have breakfast you will need to provide a pre-order by Wednesday 8 April to Yvonne on 07949 917215.



## THURS 16 Game On, Sarisbury Green

🕒 2pm    💷 Members £4  
Guests £5    🎲

A variety of events, from bingo to quizzes. Will it be a game of chance, or will you need your best head on? Come along to find out. Always laughter, rounded off by a raffle. Bus stop: Sarisbury Green or St Paul's Church. Sarisbury Green Community Centre, The Green, Sarisbury Green, Southampton SO31 7AA. Contact Dennis on 07752 406566.

# April

THURS  
16

## Live Music - The Syd Lawrence Orchestra, Concorde Club, Eastleigh



8.15pm



£35



Live music! The Syd Lawrence Orchestra - The Best Big Band in the Land. Founded in 1967 by trumpeter and arranger Syd Lawrence, the fabulous Syd Lawrence Orchestra has been thrilling audiences for over 50 years. Renowned for its exciting blend

of high octane Big Band Swing and Classic Dance Music, the orchestra, directed since Syd's retirement in 1996 by Chris Dean, has a repertoire of over 2,000 classic Big Band arrangements. Doors open at 7pm, on stage at 8.15pm. Early booking essential by Thursday 26 March for these popular events. Bus stop: Concorde Club. The Concorde Club, Stoneham Lane, Eastleigh, Hampshire SO50 9HQ. Contact Yvonne on 07949 917215 to let us know if transport is required.



FRI  
17

## Roving Out to Lunch at King Rufus, Chandler's Ford



12.30pm



As per  
menu



King Rufus is a family-friendly pub, offering a vibrant and cosy experience, and renowned for top-notch pub food.



Early booking essential by Friday 10 April as there are limited places. Bus stop: Peverells Wood Avenue or Kendal Close. King Rufus, 135 Winchester Road, Chandler's Ford, Eastleigh SO53 2DU. Contact Yvonne on 07949 917215.

SAT  
18

## Live Music: Salty Sea Dogs with Lunch, Merryoak



1pm



Members £11  
Guests £13.50



The Salty Sea Dogs return to entertain us with rousing sea shanties! Lunch to follow. Bus stop: Knighton Road. Festival Hall, Merryoak, Merryoak Road, Southampton, Hants SO19 7QR. Booking essential by Friday 10 April for catering, via Terry Rendle on 02380 360109.



# April

SUN  
19

## Theatre Trip: Variety from the Heart, Southampton



7pm



Ticket £27.50, Ticket and minibus £35



Cardiac care charity - 'Heartbeat', are returning to Mayflower Theatre for another unforgettable evening of entertainment. A spectacular mix of talent from both seasoned professionals and rising local stars. Expect a dazzling line-up featuring musical theatre, live music, side-splitting comedy and specialist variety acts that will leave you inspired and entertained.



We can put on a minibus if enough people request it, so please let Susan and Dennis know if this is your preferred transport and if you have a walking aid. The minibus will drop and collect at the theatre door. Equally, please let them know if you can offer a lift as this could save us the cost of the minibus. Pick-ups at Sarisbury Green, Merryoak and Hedge End. Bus stop: Sea City Museum, Central Station. Train station: Southampton. Parking: Use West Park Multi-Storey car park (10-15 minute walk to the theatre). Book by Monday 16 February. Mayflower Theatre, 22-26 Commercial Road, Southampton SO15 1GE. Booking via Susan and Dennis on 07866 158475 or fellowstheatre@gmail.com.

MON  
20

## Evening Meal and Social, Stubbington



6pm



Meal as per menu  
Games: Members  
£4, Guests £5



Enjoy a pub meal and a social catch-up with friends. Followed at 7.30pm by games, quizzes and a raffle. Everyone welcome. Bus stop: Carisbrooke Avenue. The Crofton, 48 Crofton Lane, Stubbington, Fareham PO14 3QF. Booking essential for the meal via Dennis on 07752 406566.

WED  
22

## Cinema Visit, Eastleigh



TBC



As per film



Calling all cinema buffs! Meet at Vue Cinema Eastleigh to watch our chosen film. Booking required by Tuesday 21 April. Bus Stop: The Swan Centre. Vue Cinema, Swan Centre, Eastleigh SO50 5SF. Please contact Yvonne on 07949 917215 to check the event goes ahead.

# April

## THURS 23 Roving Coffee Morning at Silversprings Garden Centre, Fareham



Chit chat and a brew with old friends and new. Everyone welcome with a complimentary drink on your first visit. Bus stop: none nearby. Silversprings Garden Centre, Fontley Road, Titchfield, Fareham PO15 6QX. Contact Yvonne on 07949 917215.

## SUN 26 Live Music - In The Mood with Five Star Swing, Hanger Farm, Totton



Live music!  
Five Star Swing - this band of multi-instrumentalists and singers perform a lively programme of songs from Glenn Miller and Sinatra to Jools Holland and the swinging 60s. Doors open



at 6.30pm, on stage at 7.30pm. Early booking essential by Thursday 19 February for these popular events. Bus stop: none near. Hanger Farm, Aikman Lane, Totton, Southampton SO40 8FT. Contact Yvonne on 07949 917215 to let us know if transport is required.

## TUES 28 Afternoon Tea, Totton



Experience the essence of culinary excellence with Elsabel Cakes where every bite tells a story of passion and perfection. Well, how can you resist? Bus stop: Salisbury Road. Elsabel Café, 4A Water Lane, Totton, Southampton SO40 3DP. Booking and payment required for catering via Yvonne on 07949 917215 by Monday 20 April.

## WED 29 Minibus: Chichester with Roast Dinner



Join us for a trip to Chichester on market day. Enjoy the sights of this historic city. Then onto Brick Kiln for a delicious roast lunch! Come with us by minibus and enjoy a stress free day. 15 seater minibus on first come first served basis. Please tell us if you have a rollator or similar walking aid as we will need to allow extra space to accommodate these. Pick-ups: Sarisbury Green, Hedge End, Merryoak, Totton. All have free all day parking. First pick-up 8.45am. Return approximately 5pm. Booking and payment by Friday 24 April via Dennis on 07752 406566.

# April

THURS  
30

## Live Music - The Temple Brothers - Everlys and Friends, Concorde Club, Eastleigh



8.30pm



£25



Live music! Real life brothers - The Temple Brothers - faithfully recreate the music and harmonies of one of the greatest and best-loved duo's of all time: The Everly Brothers. The show also stars Buddy Walker giving his awesome tribute to Buddy Holly and the talented Pete Gill's amazing piano pumping tribute to Jerry Lee Lewis. Backed by their all-star band, the show will take you on a walk down memory lane. Doors open at 7pm, on stage at 8.30pm. Early booking essential by Thursday 9 April for these popular events. Bus stop: Concorde Club. The Concorde Club, Stoneham Lane, Eastleigh, Hampshire SO50 9HQ. Contact Yvonne on 07949 917215 to let us know if transport is required.

# May

FRI  
01

## Live Music - Bob Drury's - Viva Neil Diamond, Hanger Farm, Totton



7.30pm



£20



Live music! This award-winning one-man show, now back from Las Vegas, is an absolute 'must-see' for any Diamond fans. Prepare to be blown away by his vocal likeness which has been delighting audiences around the world, combined with his stunning prowess on the guitar. Doors open at 6.30pm, on stage at 7.30pm. Early booking essential by Thursday 5 March for these popular events. Bus stop: none near. Hanger Farm, Aikman Lane, Totton, Southampton SO40 8FT. Contact Yvonne on 07949 917215 to let us know if transport is required.

WED  
06

## Evening Social with Speaker Manny Hinge and his films, Totton



7.30pm



Free



Manny is a well-known local film maker based in the New Forest and is a firm favourite of ours. He will be chatting about the process of making wildlife films and showing examples from his extensive library. Refreshments provided. Bus stop: Salisbury Road. Totton & Eling Community Centre, Library Road, Totton, Southampton SO40 3RS. Please let Peter know on 01252 312643 if you are coming, for catering purposes.

# May

THURS  
07

## Afternoon Social with Speaker Ian Abrahams - The History of Jigsaws, Merryoak

L 2pm

£ Free



Local historian Ian Abrahams returns, this time to share his love and collection of jigsaw puzzles.

Bus stop:

Knighton Road.

Festival Hall, Merryoak, Merryoak Road, Southampton, Hants SO19 7QR. Contact Yvonne on 07949 917215.



SAT  
09

## Pig Racing with Lunch, Merryoak

L 1pm

£ Members £11  
Guests £14  
Child £5



Have you ever seen a pig race? Now is your opportunity. Our pigs are cute and cuddly and will not eat your lunch. Join us for a fun and friendly afternoon. Bring family and friends. All welcome. Bus stop: Knighton Road. Festival Hall, Merryoak, Merryoak Road, Southampton, Hants SO19 7QR. Please book with Yvonne on 07949 917215 by Monday 4 May.



FRI  
08

## Minibus Tour of Hayling Island, with lunch at Stanstead Park

L TBC

£ Minibus £10, Meals and admission extra



Tour of Hayling Island, stopping at the pier for a break and then onto Stanstead Park for lunch. There will be plenty of opportunity to wander round the parkland, visit the house (admission extra), private chapel and walled garden with its tearoom, farm shop, garden centre, maze and miniature railway.



15 seater minibus on first come first served basis. Please tell us if you have a rollator or similar walking aid as we will need to allow extra space to accommodate these. Pick-ups: Sarisbury Green, Hedge End, Merryoak, Totton. All have free all day parking. First pick-up at 8.45am. Return approximately 5pm. Stansted House, Rowland's Castle PO9 6DX. Booking and payment by Monday 4 May via Yvonne on 07949 917215.

# May

## WED 13 Coffee Morning at Claire's, Gosport

🕒 10.30am 🍷 As per menu ☕

Join friends old and new for a tea or coffee. Everyone welcome. Hosted by Barbara on 07969 109343. Bus Stop: Bury Road or War Memorial Hospital. Claire's at Bury House, Thorngate Hall, Bury Road, Gosport PO12 3QX. Contact Dennis on 07752 406566.

## THURS 14 Roving Coffee Morning at The Chapel, Café & Shop, Totton

🕒 10.30am 🍷 As per menu ☕

We return to The Chapel and we are looking forward to you joining us. Everyone welcome with a complimentary drink on your first visit. Bus stop: Hammonds Green. The Chapel, Café & Shop, Church Of The Cross, 12 Hammonds Green, Totton SO40 3HG. Contact Yvonne on 07949 917215.



## FRI 15 Roving Out to Lunch at Silver Fern, Warsash

🕒 12.30pm 🍷 As per menu 🍴🍽️

Combining good food and drink with friendly service and inviting atmosphere at The Silver Fern. Come and try this pub at the heart of Warsash. Early booking essential by Friday 8 May as there are limited places. Bus stop: Village Centre. Silver Fern, 19 Warsash Road, Warsash, Southampton SO31 9HW. Contact Yvonne on 07949 917215.



## MON 18 Evening Meal and Social, Stubbington

🕒 6pm 🍷 Meal as per menu Games: Members £4, Guests £5 🍴🍽️

Enjoy a pub meal and a social catch-up with friends. Followed at 7.30pm by games, quizzes and a raffle. Everyone welcome. Bus stop: Carisbrooke Avenue. The Crofton, 48 Crofton Lane, Stubbington, Fareham PO14 3QF. Booking essential for the meal via Dennis on 07752 406566.

# May

## MON 18 Evening Branch Meeting, Stubbington

 7.30pm  Free 

Come and hear the latest updates at the Southampton District Branch meeting. Followed by a social with refreshments. Bus stop: Carisbrooke Avenue. The Crofton, 48 Crofton Lane, Stubbington, Fareham PO14 3QF. Contact Dennis on 07752 406566.

## WED 20 Roving Coffee Morning at The Alma Inn, Upham

 10.30am  As per menu 

Chit chat and a brew with old friends and new. Everyone welcome with a complimentary drink on your first visit. Bus stop: Upham Street. The Alma Inn, Alma Lane, Upham, Lower Upham SO32 1HE. Contact Yvonne on 07949 917215.

## THURS 21 Game On, Sarisbury Green

 2pm  Members £4  
Guests £5 

A variety of events, from bingo to quizzes. Will it be a game of chance, or will you need your best head on? Come along to find out. Always laughter, rounded off by a raffle. Bus stop: Sarisbury Green or St Paul's Church. Sarisbury Green Community Centre, The Green, Sarisbury Green, Southampton SO31 7AA. Contact Dennis on 07752 406566.

## WED 27 Daytime Cinema at Reel Cinema, Fareham

 TBC  As per film 

Calling all film buffs! Meet at Reel Cinema Fareham to watch our chosen film. Bus Stop: Fareham Bus Station. Booking required by Tuesday 26 May. Reel Cinema Fareham, 3 Vannes Parade, Fareham PO16 0BX. Contact Yvonne on 07949 917215.

## THURS 28 Roving Coffee Morning at St Mary's Church Tearoom, Porchester

 10.30am  Free 

A lovely café at Porchester Castle. Come and enjoy the atmosphere with friends. Everyone welcome with a complimentary drink on your first visit. Bus stop: none near. St Mary's Church Tearoom, Church Road, Portchester, Fareham PO16 9QW. Contact Yvonne on 07949 917215.



# May

FRI  
29

## Live Music - Ultimate ELO Vs The Pretend Beatles, Concorde Club, Eastleigh

🕒 9pm

£ £22.50



Live music! Ultimate ELO play sets packed with all the disco hits and lighter waving anthems that will have everyone singing along. The Pretend Beatles are a top UK tribute to The Fab Four and pride themselves in truly capturing The Beatles' sound. Doors open at 7pm, on stage at 9pm. Early booking essential by Friday 8 May for these popular events. Bus stop: Concorde Club. The Concorde Club, Stoneham Lane, Eastleigh, Hampshire SO50 9HQ. Contact Yvonne on 07949 917215 to let us know if transport is required.

SAT  
30

## Six Pin Bowling and Lunch, Sarisbury Green

🕒 1pm

£

Members £11  
Guests £14  
Child £5



Ever played this version of bowling? Come along and give it a go and enjoy a lunch with friends too. Bus stop: Sarisbury Green. Sarisbury Green Community Centre, The Green, Sarisbury Green, Southampton SO31 7AA. Booking and payment by Monday 25 May via Dennis on 07752 406566.



## 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 Peter by phone on **01252 312643** or email [peter.cawte@oddfellows.co.uk](mailto:peter.cawte@oddfellows.co.uk)

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# Bring friendship to your front room



There are many reasons that might prevent you from being able to attend some of our events in person. A clash in the diary might mean something else takes priority, you might not be able to spare the cost this time, or perhaps you just want to stay close to home that day.

We want people to enjoy the benefits of friendship no matter what. That's why Branches all over the country host around 50 free online events each month, ranging from talks, arts and crafts and games, to exercise and meditation sessions. These online events are a great opportunity to catch up with familiar faces and meet new and interesting people from all corners of the country from the comfort of home. You might even discover a new favourite hobby.

## What's coming up online

We have lots of national online events that all our members can enjoy, the events below are just a flavour.

### **Tuesday 3 February, 7pm - 'Being Cheerful' with Nancy Radford**

Register in advance for this meeting at [www.oddfellows.co.uk/online-events/](http://www.oddfellows.co.uk/online-events/)  
Or use this link to register directly on Zoom:  
<https://tinyurl.com/BeingCheerfulOddfellows>

### **Tuesday 24 February, 7pm - 'Hedgehogs - In Need Of Your Help' and 'Getting Connected' with Stephen Powles**

Register in advance for this meeting at [www.oddfellows.co.uk/online-events/](http://www.oddfellows.co.uk/online-events/)  
Or use this link to register directly on Zoom: <https://tinyurl.com/HedgehogsOddfellows>

### **Tuesday 17 March, 7pm - 'An Introduction to British Sign Language (BSL)'**

Register in advance for this meeting at [www.oddfellows.co.uk/online-events/](http://www.oddfellows.co.uk/online-events/)  
Or use this link to register directly on Zoom: <https://tinyurl.com/BSLOddfellows>

Anyone is able to attend an Oddfellows online event, no matter where they live so spread the word.

All our online events are hosted on Zoom. If you haven't tried Zoom video-conferencing before and would like help on how to use it, let us know. You can come to me, or email the Events team on [events@oddfellows.co.uk](mailto:events@oddfellows.co.uk), with any questions and we'll help you get logged on and ready to join in.

To find out about all upcoming in-person and online events, including online events hosted by other branches, go to [www.oddfellows.co.uk/events](http://www.oddfellows.co.uk/events) or ask me to send you a list by email.

**Yvonne Kiley-Fuller**

# Junior Members



**Don't forget about our junior membership, we hold family friendly events throughout the year, and at Christmas time all junior members receive a gift voucher. For more information about our junior membership contact Peter Cawte or Yvonne Kiley-Fuller.**



*Trevor and Di pictured with Yvonne. Thank you to these two wonderful volunteers who enable us to run our events at Merryoak.*



*Susan and Dennis G.*



*A huge thank you goes to Richard at Easy Drive, Gosport who has generously provided a minibus for our trips.*



*Oswald members presenting a cheque for £515.15 to Hampshire and Isle of Wight Air Ambulance, raised through raffles and donations through the year.*



*Bingo at the Lord Nelson evening social.*

## Join the Southampton District Theatre-goers Group

Are you interested in our newly formed Theatre-goers Group? We would love to hear from you. Please use [fellowstheatre@gmail.com](mailto:fellowstheatre@gmail.com) to register an interest or for questions and suggestions on theatre trips. Or contact Susan and Dennis G on 07866 158475.



## Car Share

Many of our members tell us they would like to attend our events but have no transport. Please contact Yvonne on 07949 917215 if you have spare seats and are able to give someone a lift. Please help make someone's day.



## Snooker anyone?

Are you interested in playing snooker? One of our members is a member of an Eastleigh club and would be very happy to organise an event or a few games. Please use [southampton@oddfellows.co.uk](mailto:southampton@oddfellows.co.uk) to register an interest.





# 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 Peter on **01252 312643** or email **peter.cawte@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@citizensadvicemanchester.org.uk](mailto: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.

**\*Citizens Advice is an independent advice agency and are solely responsible for all advice they provide.**

## **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](mailto: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](http://www.oddfellows.co.uk/benefits/care)  
for care and welfare information**

## Friendship: the constant that carries us forward A message from our CEO, Jane Nelson

**Another year has passed by so quickly at the Oddfellows, and it reminds me how fast life moves. However, in a hurried world, friendships really do slow the pace and bring us back to what truly matters.**

Life for each and every one of us feels richer in good company. Even between get-togethers, friendships keep us hopeful. They anchor us through life's ebb and flow – deepening our joy in good times and supporting us in challenging ones. True friends celebrate our successes, steady us when we falter, and offer a sense of belonging.

Life may change, but lasting friendship remains a constant that grounds us, making everything a little brighter. And whether near or far, genuine connections help us navigate life with resilience, laughter, and warmth.

Remember every friendship begins with a simple moment of connection, and we all have the power to create new ones or welcome others into our community who seek companionship. Please always stay open to new friendships in 2026 and nurture the ones you treasure.

If you're a member and see a new face at one of our social events, offer that warm welcome we're known for. A friendly chat, a check-in, or an introduction can ease first-visit nerves and help turn a new space into a familiar one. These small acts show that we want people with us for the long run.

Throughout 2026, let's hold on to what gives our Society its strength – the belief that shared friendship creates a place where people feel supported, valued, and at home.

Friendship is the bedrock of our Society. So together, let's continue building a welcoming community where every friendship can begin.

This will be my last turn of year message to you all as of course I retire in May. I want to thank each and every one of you for your support and friendship over the years and I wish you, your friends and your families a very happy and healthy 2026.

**Yours in friendship,**

**Jane Nelson, CEO, the Oddfellows**

## A warm welcome to Simon, our CEO Designate

In October 2025, the Society appointed Simon Gallimore as Chief Executive Officer Designate. He's currently working alongside Jane Nelson, our CEO, ahead of assuming full responsibilities in May 2026. Read more at: [www.oddfellows.co.uk/news/welcoming-our-new-ceo-designate](http://www.oddfellows.co.uk/news/welcoming-our-new-ceo-designate)



# Talented trio win Educational Awards

**We're proud to announce our 2025 First Degree Course Educational Award winners: Melanie Healy (Humber Wolds Oddfellows), Will Stevenson (Pride of Woolwich Oddfellows) and Emma Corbin (Worcester Oddfellows).**

Each winner will receive a non-repayable bursary worth £900 per year for the duration of their studies, which can go towards anything from text books and vital equipment to helping out with rent, bills and other practical items.

**Jane Nelson, CEO of the Oddfellows, said:**

It fills me with pride each year when we announce the winners of the First Degree Course Educational Awards, and I'm sure that Melanie, Will and Emma will work hard and have a wonderful university experience.

University is an exciting time, but it can also be quite stressful. I hope this money will go some way to help reduce some of the financial pressures that are a reality of being a student.

## **Melanie Healey, Humber Wolds Branch**

In October 2025, Melanie began her Asian and Middle Eastern Studies course at the University of Cambridge. The four-year course will begin with learning Arabic language skills from scratch, building up her existing French language skills and looking at French Literature.

She says she is hoping to put the money towards travelling to French and Arabic-speaking countries for internships and exchanges to help sharpen these skills.

Melanie said: "I was delighted when I found out that I'd been chosen to receive the funding, and I would like to thank the Oddfellows for the grant."

Although unsure what her career plans are at this stage, Melanie says she "would definitely like to work in a role that allows me to use my language skills".



**Will Stevenson**  
**Pride of Woolwich Branch**

Will started reading Geography at the University of Durham’s Trevelyan College in Autumn 2025, where modules cover



topics such as climate change, physical geography, human geography, geographical research and geographies in crisis.

The money, he says, will go towards the social aspects that university life has to offer, such as the Durham University Big Band.

Will said: “Hearing I was a recipient of the award was incredibly exciting, and I am extremely thankful to the Oddfellows for the trust and generosity they have offered me.”

Will also hasn’t mapped out his career plans at this stage, but says that’s one of the reasons the course appealed to him, given “the breadth of Geography and its wide application”.

**Emma Corbin**  
**Worcester Branch**

Unbeknownst to either, Emma and Will have ended up on the same Geography course at the University of Durham.



Emma plans to put the money towards learning materials and field trips.

“I felt extremely grateful and lucky when I was picked as one of the successful candidates from what would have been many amazing applications,” she said. “I would like to say how thankful I am. It is a great opportunity to have an award like this available.”

Emma too hasn’t decided which direction she wants her career to take, but thinks her chosen course will provide her with a range of opportunities.

“It’s an increasingly relevant subject, considering topics such as climate change and geopolitics,” Emma added.

**More about our Educational Awards**

Each year, our Fraternal Board chooses who will receive the Educational Awards funding, based on the applications received from members. To learn more about the awards, including the Apprenticeship Educational Award, eligibility and how to apply, visit [www.oddfellows.co.uk/benefits/care/educational-awards](http://www.oddfellows.co.uk/benefits/care/educational-awards).

## 2026: Time to make a financial plan



a proud part of the Oddfellows

**The year might have only just started, but we all know how quickly the calendar can flip. One minute it's spring, and the next we're wondering where the mince pies have gone.**

Taking a little time now to think about your finances before the new tax year starts in April can make life feel calmer and more organised.

### Where to start?

A financial plan doesn't have to involve spreadsheets or complicated formulas. It can simply start with a few questions, like: 'What do I want to save for? Am I prepared for life's surprises? Could my money be working harder for me?'

For some Oddfellows members, the focus might be on simply enjoying life or planning for the future. Others may also be thinking about the younger people in their lives – children, grandchildren, or that teenager who changes career ambitions daily.

Small, regular contributions now could grow into something meaningful later.

### Start saving

Lucky for Oddfellows members, our financial services arm, Unity Mutual, is close at hand.

Unity Mutual is a regulated provider of ISAs and other savings and investment

products, which means they follow strict rules designed to protect our members.

Unity Mutual's Guaranteed Investment Bonds, including two, three and five year terms, offer fixed-rates for savers with a lump sum to invest, and Oddfellow members can benefit from preferential rates.

Alternatively, ISAs are a tax-efficient way to save or invest, whether you're building up funds to enjoy retirement or looking to help give your child a confident step into adulthood.

ISA Products available from Unity Mutual for Oddfellow members include a Lifetime ISA, a Flexible ISA and a Junior ISA, and you can also make the most of Guaranteed Investment Bonds and Tax-Exempt Savings Plans.

### Get in touch

And the good news? You don't have to figure it all out by yourself. Unity Mutual is happy to chat with you about your goals, big, small, or somewhere in between.

Our friendly staff can provide information on what is available to you. They'll talk through things in plain English, not financial jargon, so you can make decisions confidently and comfortably.

### Find out more

Visit [www.unitymutual.co.uk](http://www.unitymutual.co.uk) or call us for a chat on 0161 214 4650.

# Branch Meet Ups and Contacts

## Southampton District

The Southampton District Branch meeting will circulate between Totton, Stubbington and Merryoak. Come and hear the latest business news. Full details in the diary.

Our large District ranges from Downton in the New Forest, north to Stockbridge, includes Winchester and then east to Chichester and all of the coast from Chichester Harbour to Milford-on-Sea.

We hold a variety of events for our members including family-friendly events where children are welcomed. We always need members to come forward to help with events. If you can do something to help please contact Yvonne on 07949 917215 or southampton@oddfellows.co.uk

**District Secretary:**  
Peter Cawte  
**Telephone:** 01252 312643

**District Social Organiser:**  
Yvonne Kiley-Fuller  
**Telephone:** 07949 917215

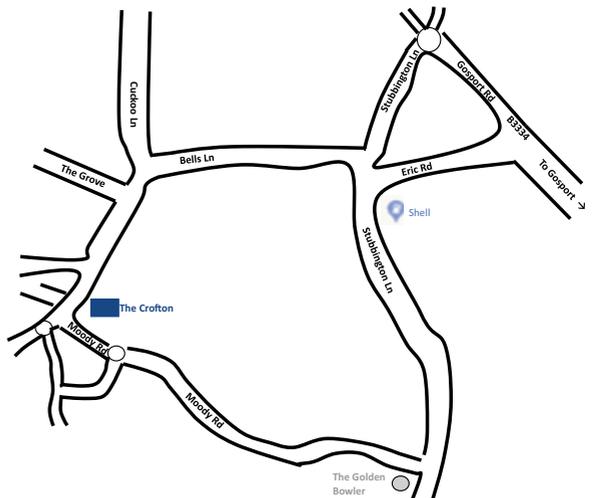


**Note:** Vecta (Isle of Wight) events are now in a separate diary. Contact Maretta Heap on 01983 523115 or go to [www.oddfellows.co.uk/events](http://www.oddfellows.co.uk/events) to see them.

## Lord Nelson

Lord Nelson Branch meet every third Monday of the month at 6pm for a meal followed at 7.30pm by a social including games, quizzes and a raffle. The Crofton, 48 Crofton Lane, Stubbington PO14 3QF.

**Social Organiser:**  
Dennis Clay  
**Telephone:** 07752 406566



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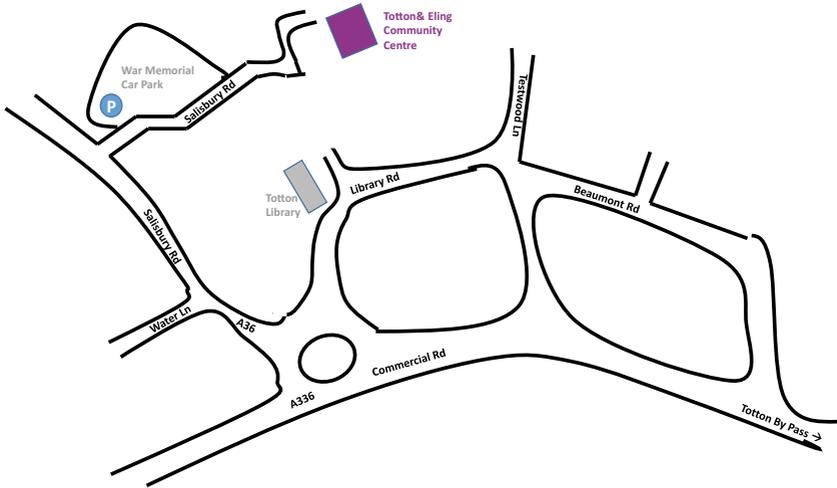
## Princess Royal

Princess Royal Branch meet every first Wednesday of the month at 8pm for a social with a speaker and refreshments. Totton & Eling Community Centre, Library Road, Totton SO40 3RS.

### Social Organiser:

Brian Hopper via  
Peter Cawte

Telephone: 01252 312643



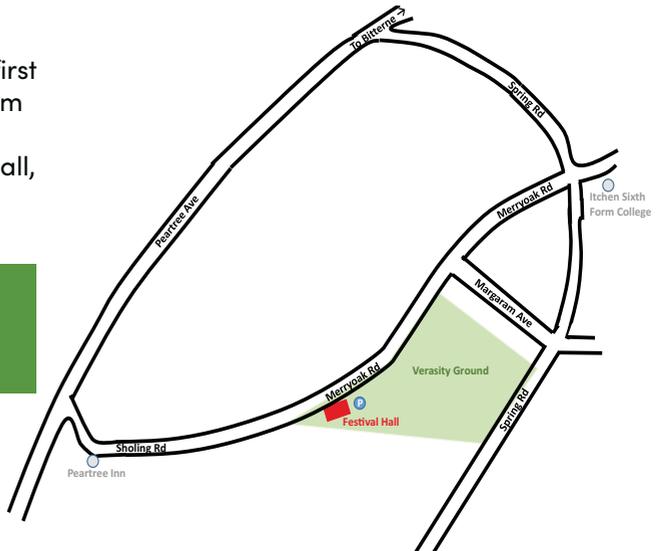
## Oswald

Oswald Branch meet every first Thursday of the month at 2pm for a different social activity and refreshments. Festival Hall, Merryoak Road, Merryoak, Southampton SO19 7QR.

### Branch Social Organiser:

Terry Rendle

Telephone: 02380 360109



# At a glance

## January 2026

<b>Thurs 1</b>	No Afternoon Social on New Year's Day	N/A
<b>Wed 7</b>	Evening Branch Meeting, Totton	7.30pm
<b>Wed 7</b>	Evening Social with Speaker Alan Jones - Traditions and Memories of Christmas, Totton	7.30pm
<b>Thurs 8</b>	Roving Coffee Morning at Dobbies Garden Centre, Cadnam	10.30am
<b>Thurs 8</b>	Afternoon Social: Swap Shop and Games, Merryoak	2pm
<b>Thurs 8</b>	Live Music - Motown and Soul, Concorde Club, Eastleigh	7pm
<b>Wed 14</b>	Coffee Morning at Claire's, Gosport	10.30am
<b>Thurs 15</b>	Game On, Sarisbury Green	2pm
<b>Fri 16</b>	Roving Out to Lunch at The Bugle Inn, Botley	12.30pm
<b>Sun 18</b>	Late Christmas Lunch, Woolston	12.30pm
<b>Sun 18</b>	Live Music - Some Guys Have All The Luck, Fareham Live	7.30pm
<b>Mon 19</b>	Evening Meal and Social, Stubbington	6pm
<b>Wed 21</b>	Roving Coffee Morning at Harvester Whiteley	10.30am
<b>Thurs 22</b>	Roving Coffee Morning at Harvester Buccaneer Fareham	10.30am
<b>Wed 28</b>	Daytime Cinema at Reel Cinema, Fareham	12.30pm
<b>Fri 30</b>	Live Music - Man in the Mirror, Concorde Club, Eastleigh	9pm

## February

<b>Wed 4</b>	Evening Social with Speaker Aimee Durnell - Between Two Rivers, Totton	7.30pm
<b>Thurs 5</b>	Afternoon Social: Speaker on Hearing Loss and Tinnitus, Merryoak	2pm
<b>Sat 7</b>	Pig Racing with Buffet, Sarisbury Green	2.30pm
<b>Wed 11</b>	Coffee Morning at Claire's, Gosport	10.30am
<b>Thurs 12</b>	Roving Coffee Morning at The Cowherds, Southampton	10.30am
<b>Fri 13</b>	Race Night, Hamble	2.30pm
<b>Mon 16</b>	Evening Meal and Social, Stubbington	6pm
<b>Mon 16</b>	Evening Branch Meeting, Stubbington	7.30pm
<b>Wed 18</b>	Roving Coffee Morning at The Dolphin, Botley	10.30am
<b>Thurs 19</b>	Game On, Sarisbury Green	2pm
<b>Fri 20</b>	Roving Out to Lunch at Red Lion, Stubbington	12.30pm

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## February

<b>Sat 21</b>	Theatre Visit with Minibus Option, Portsmouth	2pm
<b>Sun 22</b>	Indoor Adventure Golf with Minibus Option, Chichester	TBC
<b>Wed 25</b>	Cinema Visit, Eastleigh	TBC
<b>Thurs 26</b>	Roving Coffee Morning at Alver Valley Garden Centre, Gosport	10.30am
<b>Sat 28</b>	Kurling with Lunch, Merryoak	1pm

## March

<b>Wed 4</b>	Evening Social with Speaker Jeremy Prescott - The Unknown Warrior, Totton	7.30pm
<b>Thurs 5</b>	Afternoon Branch Meeting, Merryoak	2pm
<b>Thurs 5</b>	Afternoon Social - Quiz, Merryoak	2pm
<b>Fri 6</b>	Live Music - The Bohemians - Queen's Greatest Hits, Concorde Club, Eastleigh	9pm
<b>Sun 8</b>	Live Music - Cilla and The Swinging 60s, Hanger Farm, Totton	7.30pm
<b>Tues 10</b>	Minibus Tour of the South Downs with Lunch	TBC
<b>Wed 11</b>	Coffee Morning at Claire's, Gosport	10.30am
<b>Thurs 12</b>	Roving Coffee Morning at The Pilgrim Inn, Marchwood	10.30am
<b>Sat 14</b>	Skittles with Supper, Stubbington	6.30pm
<b>Mon 16</b>	Evening Meal and Social, Stubbington	6pm
<b>Wed 18</b>	Roving Coffee Morning at The Two Brothers, West End	10.30am
<b>Thurs 19</b>	Game On, Sarisbury Green	2pm
<b>Fri 20</b>	Roving Out to Lunch at Red Rover, West Wellow	12.30pm
<b>Sat 21</b>	Annual Summoned Meeting, Totton	2pm
<b>Sat 21</b>	Cream Tea and Musical Bingo, Totton	4pm
<b>Wed 25</b>	Daytime Cinema at Reel Cinema, Fareham	12.30pm
<b>Thurs 26</b>	Roving Coffee Morning at Woodies, Wickham	10.30am
<b>Sat 28</b>	Live Music: Trevor Rice Trio with Lunch, Merryoak	1pm
<b>Sun 29</b>	Live Music - Buddy and the Golden Crickets, Hanger Farm, Totton	7.30pm

# At a glance

## April

<b>Wed 1</b>	Evening Branch Meeting, Totton	7.30pm
<b>Wed 1</b>	Evening Social with Speaker Bernard Purrier - Whales and Dolphins, Totton	7.30pm
<b>Thurs 2</b>	Afternoon Social with Speaker Malcolm Wells MBE - So Far So Good, Merryoak	2pm
<b>Wed 8</b>	Coffee Morning at Claire's, Gosport	10.30am
<b>Thurs 9</b>	Roving Coffee Morning at Mabel's Café, Lymington	10.30am
<b>Wed 15</b>	Roving Coffee Morning at The Prince Consort, Netley	10.30am
<b>Thurs 16</b>	Game On, Sarisbury Green	2pm
<b>Thurs 16</b>	Live Music - The Syd Lawrence Orchestra, Concorde Club, Eastleigh	8.15pm
<b>Fri 17</b>	Roving Out to Lunch at King Rufus, Chandler's Ford	12.30pm
<b>Sat 18</b>	Live Music: Salty Sea Dogs with Lunch, Merryoak	1pm
<b>Sun 19</b>	Theatre Trip: Variety from the Heart, Southampton	7pm
<b>Mon 20</b>	Evening Meal and Social, Stubbington	6pm
<b>Wed 22</b>	Cinema Visit, Eastleigh	TBC
<b>Thurs 23</b>	Roving Coffee Morning at Silversprings Garden Centre, Fareham	10.30am
<b>Sun 26</b>	Live Music - In The Mood with Five Star Swing, Hanger Farm, Totton	7.30pm
<b>Tues 28</b>	Afternoon Tea, Totton	2pm
<b>Wed 29</b>	Minibus: Chichester with Roast Dinner	TBC
<b>Thurs 30</b>	Live Music - The Temple Brothers - Everlys and Friends, Concorde Club, Eastleigh	8.30pm

## May

<b>Fri 1</b>	Live Music - Bob Drury's - Viva Neil Diamond, Hanger Farm, Totton	7.30pm
<b>Wed 6</b>	Evening Social with Speaker Manny Hinge and his films, Totton	7.30pm
<b>Thurs 7</b>	Afternoon Social with Speaker Ian Abrahams - The History of Jigsaws, Merryoak	2pm
<b>Fri 8</b>	Minibus Tour of Hayling Island, with lunch at Stanstead Park	TBC

# At a glance

## May

<b>Sat 9</b>	Pig Racing with Lunch, Merryoak	1pm
<b>Wed 13</b>	Coffee Morning at Claire's, Gosport	10.30am
<b>Thurs 14</b>	Roving Coffee Morning at The Chapel, Café & Shop, Totton	10.30am
<b>Fri 15</b>	Roving Out to Lunch at Silver Fern, Warsash	12.30pm
<b>Mon 18</b>	Evening Meal and Social, Stubbington	6pm
<b>Mon 18</b>	Evening Branch Meeting, Stubbington	7.30pm
<b>Wed 20</b>	Roving Coffee Morning at The Alma Inn, Upham	10.30am
<b>Thurs 21</b>	Game On, Sarisbury Green	2pm
<b>Wed 27</b>	Daytime Cinema at Reel Cinema, Fareham	12.30pm
<b>Thurs 28</b>	Roving Coffee Morning at St Mary's Church Tearoom, Porchester	10.30am
<b>Fri 29</b>	Live Music - Ultimate ELO Vs The Pretend Beatles, Concorde Club, Eastleigh	9pm
<b>Sat 30</b>	Six Pin Bowling and Lunch, Sarisbury Green	1pm

## CALLING ALL MEMBERS! YOUR BRANCH NEEDS YOU!

Please help us! We need members to get involved with events, either one-off help or regular support. Could you:

- Welcome members and guests
- Help prepare refreshments
- Help set up or clear up
- Be the volunteer host at a coffee morning
- Help plan the 2026 events?



We will organise, advertise and support you. Please contact Yvonne on 07949 917 215.

**You could make all the difference...**