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# St Helens and Warrington News and Views

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## Welcome to the latest edition of the St Helens and Warrington News and Views

This is your newsletter, so if you have any ideas for items please send them in. Maybe you have a favourite recipe, joke or a celebration that you would like to share with other members? Why not write about a social event you've attended or send in photos?

All items will be gratefully received. Any member wishing to contribute an article should please send them to me (details on the right). I look forward to hearing from you.

### The Editor

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## Update

With the current situation we are unable to announce any face to face meetings. We will of course be carrying on with our twice weekly Zoom Odd Chats until the restrictions ease, if anyone would like dates, times, Meeting ID and passcodes and do not receive Julie's emails please ask or check out our Branch Facebook page or the Oddfellows website for details.

Once restrictions are eased we will resume face to face events, obviously we cannot say when, where or even how many members will be able to attend. If, like last year when things were



eased slightly we will resume our coffee mornings, possibly on a rota system which did work out well for those few weeks in the summer. All government guidelines will be followed and the safety of all our members will always be a priority.

## Fun with crafts



## We would like to welcome

Sheila Barlow, Karen Eilbeck, Robert Gowan, Lesley Mattieson, Jean Moore, Anne Pearson, Lloyd Roberts and William Smith, who have all joined us since our last diary. We did manage to meet one or two of our new members a few times before we had our first lockdown, the others we are hoping to meet in the not so distant future.

# No doom and gloom here!

**With a year full of doom and gloom we asked members for anything positive that has happened in the last year. Here is a small selection.**

Many of you had 'special' birthdays last year, of course most were unable to celebrate how you would have wished. Val Nicholls was 70 and was one of the lucky ones who managed to squeeze hers in while we had a relaxation of numbers being able to meet. Unfortunately, Val couldn't have any friends to celebrate with her but she did have a great weekend with her family.

Beryl Eckersley reunited with her best friend Ann Fisher from over 40 years ago. Beryl and Ann worked at Northgate Sewing and were best friends, marriage, family commitments, and the factory closing led to the pals losing touch with each other. Amazingly the friends found each other on Facebook and have now become firm friends once again.



Ann did manage to get to one of our coffee mornings and is hoping to become a regular with Beryl once we get the chance to reopen our events.

Kerry Webster gained her Geography BSc degree from Hull University, finishing her work from home. An indefinite postponement of the graduation ceremony was not the ideal way to finish all the hard work, but hopefully all graduates will finally get their graduation ceremony they deserve at some point. Kerry has continued her studies and is now studying for her Masters in Environmental Change Management and Monitoring.

Anne Riley wrote about her studies, "Hooray I have awarded myself a degree 'first class' in home schooling via Zoom. I could probably have one in patience too, the number of dropped pencils, visits to the toilet which result in the sound of footsteps down the stairs, but no reappearance of Harrison! After numerous "where are you?" He pops up from under the table. Didn't I see him crawl in? It has become a mantra, capital letter, full stop, how have you spelled that? Ask Alexa? Art has been a challenge, never my strong point but the 'draw with' sessions has been a revelation providing he's not left handed. I can't wait for school to reopen and the chance to put my mortar board away. I long for coffee mornings, trips to places of interest, lunch out with some alcohol. Happy days".





Maureen Fitzgerald became a great grandma to Jaxon Jadon born on 02.02.2020, a bit of interest with the date as that is the first date palindrome since 11.11.1111. Luckily, Maureen did just manage to meet baby Jaxon before lockdown but obviously hasn't seen much of him since.



Zoom has become the norm these days, who would have thought a year ago that's how our social life would be for the coming year or so, well done to everyone who has given it a go. One member that has welcomed Zoom is Anne Turner, a music teacher who also leads the Reeve Court Singers. With celebrations of their 10th Anniversary in tatters they held a virtual celebration, hopefully they will be able to come along and entertain us at one of our coffee mornings in the not too distant future. Anne has also been able to carry on her teaching via Zoom and Skype as she said, "Thank goodness for my laptop, a crucial piece of kit in retaining some income during the pandemic".

Norma Kenyon also became a first time great grandma with baby Freddie Thomas being born on the 15 December, a great early Christmas present and something to celebrate during these tough times.

As many of you know I am eagerly awaiting the birth of my first grandchild, I will of course keep you all updated once Kate has had the baby (due any day now). I am sure when the lockdowns are eased Kate will be bringing the youngest Oddfellow along to our coffee mornings.

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## Sue and Ann - A trip to India

**While most of the country could only dream of a holiday in 2020, two of our lucky members managed to get away in February for a trip to India.**

Arriving in Delhi to the crowds and chaos that is India, onto Agra and the amazing Taj Mahal, spending hours exploring the beautiful white marble tomb. After lunch, a trip to Agra Fort before returning to the Taj Mahal for the glowing sunset.

Off to Rathambore by train. Luckily, both ladies had seats so they didn't have to sit on the floor or worse the roof! At the National Park they were lucky enough to see a huge tiger resting in the shade

only about five metres from their jeep, an amazing sight.

The last part of the Golden Triangle was a visit to Jaipur, the Pink City, visiting the world's largest astronomical park and the City Palace. The highlight of Jaipur was the tour of the city by night, the sights, sounds and smells of the night market followed by an hour speeding around the city by rickshaw was an unforgettable experience.

Finishing their tour with four nights relaxing on the beach at Goa was the perfect end to an amazing journey that had changed their opinion and perception of India and a trip that neither will ever forget.

## A rescue from the Canaries

**Another member who got away was Sheila Dixon, with Saga insisting it was safe to travel off she went to the Canaries, her flight from Manchester was the last to land before Spain went into lockdown in March.**

Once lockdown had been announced the hotel immediately closed bars, shops and pools, and stripped the grounds of sunbeds and seats, food service continued but it soon became obvious they were emptying the cupboards and a ban on going outside came into force.

Plans to evacuate were changed every few minutes, people were told to be prepared to leave at short notice. Eventually on day eight the call came, no regional flights, just everyone to Gatwick. With armed guards at the airport, shops and cafes closed, the queues were endless.

The full flight landed at Gatwick strangely there were no extra checks at security. Outside free taxis waited to take everyone home, 14 hours after leaving the hotel Sheila was relieved to be home. Saga did their best and refunded the cost of the holiday, total cost of Sheila's adventure, two cups of coffee!



# Social distancing can still be social

Your guide to online events you can enjoy  
from the comfort of your own home

**March – May 2021**

Social restrictions have meant that our usual face-to-face events had to be suspended, but that doesn't mean we can't get together! Our network of 121 Branches are running a huge variety of nationwide online events, and everybody is welcome to join – no matter where in the country you are.

This guide lists the current regular and featured events available for you to attend.

**Not attended an online event yet – you don't even need to be on the internet? Need help? Check out our 'How to' overleaf...**



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# How to join a Zoom event for the first time

You will need a device that is connected to the internet with a camera and microphone (most computers, laptops, smart phones and tablets have them). Don't worry if you don't have these, you can still join an event using your landline phone – you'll be able to hear and speak to everyone but not see them. Here's some simple steps to help get you started.

## 1. Connecting to Zoom via an app or website

You can download the free Zoom app from your app store – once you've 'signed in' and set up a password you'll be ready to start. Alternatively you can connect to Zoom via **www.zoom.us** – just click on 'Join a Meeting' and enter the 'Meeting ID'.

## 2. Using the 'Meeting ID' to join an event

The 'Meeting ID' is a unique set of numbers listed with the event information in this leaflet – you need to enter these once you've logged onto Zoom (either via the app or website). For some events you may have to pre-register with the event organiser and/or enter a '**Passcode**'.



## 3. Getting your audio and video settings right

When prompted, make sure your video and audio is on – if you see a red line through the microphone and/or camera icons, click on them to activate otherwise you won't be seen or heard!

## 4. Joining an event with a landline phone

You can use your landline to phone into an event – there is a charge, (please check your operator for details), but the standard rate number is **0330 0885830**. You will be prompted to enter the Meeting ID number followed by # and may also be asked for a Passcode followed by #. For additional information on how to join meetings, here's a few useful links:

<https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/201362193-joining-a-meeting>

<https://www.ageuk.org.uk/bp-assets/globalassets/trafford/how-to-use-zoom-for-the-first-time.pdf>

## Monthly events

Frequency/time	Event	Meeting ID	Passcode	Contact	
1st Mon	2pm	Prize winning Quiz	460 928 7642	1810	karen.pye-smith@oddfellows.co.uk
3rd Mon	11am	Coffee in the virtual Potting Shed	848 9002 1785	493398	valerie.ashcroft@oddfellows.co.uk
4th Mon	4pm	Zingo Bingo	542 724 7603	-	joanne.bullock@oddfellows.co.uk
1st Tues	2pm	Brainiest Brain Fun Quiz	231 522 2288	1810	judith.cotton@oddfellows.co.uk
1st Tues	2pm	Word Games and Chat	542 724 7603	-	wendy.atkins@oddfellows.co.uk
2nd Tues	2pm	Busy Fingers, Crafts and Coffee	542 724 7603	-	wendy.atkins@oddfellows.co.uk
2nd Tues	4pm	Beetle Drive	542 724 7603	-	joanne.bullock@oddfellows.co.uk



# Weekly events

Below are events that occur every week – for a full description visit [www.oddfellows.co.uk/events](http://www.oddfellows.co.uk/events) and type “online” in the location search box or contact the local organiser listed.

Time	Event	Meeting ID	Passcode	Contact
<b>Monday</b>				
10.30am	Online Games - All Welcome	950 0863 2889	1810	emma.leighton@oddfellows.co.uk
2pm	Chi Gung	824 6194 4085	-	sarah.north@oddfellows.co.uk
3pm	Monday Music & Musing	420 044 9988	942052	maretta.heap@oddfellows.co.uk
7pm	Weekly Monday Games Night	967 996 1868	-	charles.venables@oddfellows.co.uk
<b>Tuesday</b>				
4pm	Art, Talks, Fun and games	910 7968 6020	1810	paul.fitton@oddfellows.co.uk
7pm	Fun quiz open to all	869 8507 8184	-	sarah.north@oddfellows.co.uk
<b>Wednesday</b>				
11am	National Coffee Morning	988 3920 7187	-	peter.needham@oddfellows.co.uk
2pm	Fun and Games	980 885 9304	-	andrew.spencer@oddfellows.co.uk
3pm	Fun quiz open to all	854 769 23503	-	debbie.jex@oddfellows.co.uk
<b>Thursday</b>				
10.30am	Coffee Morning	949 4131 7445	1810	emma.leighton@oddfellows.co.uk
11am	Easy Zumba Gold	9468 1625 757	PRE-REG*	debbie.jex@oddfellows.co.uk
2pm	Oddfellows Fun Thursdays	988 3920 7187	-	events@oddfellows.co.uk
7pm	Weekly Quiz Night	967 996 1868	-	charles.venables@oddfellows.co.uk
<b>Friday</b>				
2pm	The Weekend Starts Here!	910 7968 6020	1810	paul.fitton@oddfellows.co.uk
3pm	Friday Fun and Games	420 044 9988	942052	maretta.heap@oddfellows.co.uk
<b>Saturday</b>				
11am	Fun, Quiz and Games	894 5983 8236		peter.needham@oddfellows.co.uk
<b>Sunday</b>				
5pm	Facebook Live @ 5 Quiz	www.facebook.com/Oddfellowslpswich		wendy.atkins@oddfellows.co.uk

**\*please contact the event organiser to register in advance of the event**

2nd Tues	7.30pm	Games, quizzes and more	860 2803 8495	-	dawn.taylor@oddfellows.co.uk
1st Wed	2.30pm	Nationwide Quiz	852 9201 2067	1810	syd.goodwin@oddfellows.co.uk
3rd Wed	2pm	Sing Along	853 5928 5951	-	helen.bullock@oddfellows.co.uk
3rd Wed	7pm	Talks from Tunbridge Wells	688 663 8622	1810	karen.rose@oddfellows.co.uk
1st and 3rd Fri	7pm	Fun on Friday	542 724 7603	-	wendy.atkins@oddfellows.co.uk
2nd and 4th Fri	7pm	Fun on Friday	845 7787 3384	-	sarah.north@oddfellows.co.uk
Last Fri	10.30am	Corona Club Coffee Morning	231 522 2288	1810	judith.catton@oddfellows.co.uk
Last Sat	5pm	Saturday Sing Along	967 996 1868	-	charles.venables@oddfellows.co.uk
3rd Sat	7pm	Saturday Night Fun	460 928 7642	1810	karen.pye-smith@oddfellows.co.uk

# Featured events

Featured events are usually one-offs – they may be repeated but not necessarily weekly or monthly. As with the other listed events, you can find out more about them via [www.oddfellows.co.uk/events](http://www.oddfellows.co.uk/events) or by contacting the event organiser.

## Date/Time and Event

## Meeting ID

## Code

## Contact

### March

2	4pm	My Family & other Famous People Pt 1	910 7968 6020	1810	paul.fitton@oddfellows.co.uk
3	2pm	Remember the 70's	853 5928 5951		helen.bullock@oddfellows.co.uk
3	7pm	How Science actually works	897 4265 3274		sarah.north@oddfellows.co.uk
4	7pm	Chef to Four Prime Ministers	894 5983 8236		peter.needham@oddfellows.co.uk
5	2pm	From Slave Girl to Heiress	910 7968 6020	1810	jackie.lancaster@oddfellows.co.uk
10	2pm	Lesser Known Brontes	853 5928 5951		helen.bullock@oddfellows.co.uk
12	2pm	The Mystery of Cleopatra	910 7968 6020	1810	paul.fitton@oddfellows.co.uk
17	2pm	The Victorian Photographer	853 5928 5951		helen.bullock@oddfellows.co.uk
19	2pm	Edith Cavell	By Request		paul.fitton@oddfellows.co.uk
23	4pm	My Family & other Famous People Pt 2	910 7968 6020	1810	paul.fitton@oddfellows.co.uk
26	2pm	Food and Drink Quiz	910 7968 6020	1810	jackie.lancaster@oddfellows.co.uk

### April

2	2pm	Marie Curie Charity	910 7968 6020	1810	paul.fitton@oddfellows.co.uk
9	2pm	The Great Unwatched – Bob Sinfield	910 7968 6020	1810	paul.fitton@oddfellows.co.uk
13	4pm	The Carry on Films and their Stars	910 7968 6020	1810	paul.fitton@oddfellows.co.uk
14	2pm	The Contrast of China	853 5928 5951		helen.bullock@oddfellows.co.uk
16	2pm	RSPB	910 7968 6020	1810	paul.fitton@oddfellows.co.uk
21	2pm	Sing Along	896 1081 9201		helen.bullock@oddfellows.co.uk
23	2pm	Scientific Errors – Ian Hutt	By Request	1810	paul.fitton@oddfellows.co.uk
28	2pm	Discovering Family History	853 5928 5951		helen.bullock@oddfellows.co.uk
30	2pm	The History of Morris Dancing	979 6004 8870		paul.fitton@oddfellows.co.uk

### May

4	4pm	Eric Sykes – What a Life!	910 7968 6020	1810	paul.fitton@oddfellows.co.uk
5	2pm	And So To Ted	853 5928 5951		helen.bullock@oddfellows.co.uk
7	2pm	Dead and Breakfast – Bob Sinfield	910 7968 6020	1810	paul.fitton@oddfellows.co.uk
11	4pm	From Phil Silvers to Sergeant Bilko	910 7968 6020	1810	paul.fitton@oddfellows.co.uk
14	2pm	Sinatra	910 7968 6020	1810	paul.fitton@oddfellows.co.uk
19	2pm	Sing Along	896 1081 9201		helen.bullock@oddfellows.co.uk

**\*please contact the event organiser to register in advance of the event**

## More online events are added every week!

If you'd like the latest online event listing, email your Secretary or Social Organiser with the subject line 'Please send the online events list'. You can also receive the latest Oddfellows news straight to your inbox. Just make sure your Branch Secretary has your up-to-date email address or call our Membership team to check on **0800 028 1810**. You can opt out at any time by contacting your Branch Secretary or [unsubscribe@oddfellows.co.uk](mailto:unsubscribe@oddfellows.co.uk). We'll never share your details with any third party without your consent.

## Oddfellows spirit shines throughout Friendship Month 2020

**Friendship Month looked very different this year, with many of our events held online, or restricted to a maximum of six people meeting face-to-face. However, we couldn't be more proud of the way that the Oddfellows spirit shone through, as we once again celebrated the power of friendship.**

**ODDFELLOWS  
FRIENDSHIP MONTH  
1 - 30 SEPTEMBER**



We saw Branches organising COVID-secure walks and outdoor picnics, making the most of the last bit of sunshine. Lots of Branches also turned their hands to organising virtual

events, Zooming across the country to link up with members and guests all over the UK! We've picked out a selection of our favourite pictures from September, to share with you a little warmth and happiness during these cold and difficult days. We know how important face-to-face events are to our members and as soon as Branches are able to safely hold these again, we will let you know.

If you have any pictures from an Oddfellows event that you'd like to share with us, feel free to tag us in them on Facebook! We're at [www.facebook.com/OddfellowsUK](https://www.facebook.com/OddfellowsUK)



*Ipswich Oddfellows celebrate the launch of a new Friendly Bench, Boston and Lincoln Oddfellows plant some seeds of friendship with their potted plants, Derbyshire Peak Oddfellows host a picnic in the park, Stockport and Combermere Oddfellows network with a Zoom guest talk from local radio stars and Bradford Oddfellows enjoy a stroll along the canal.*

# A year like no other...

**2020 has been a year unlike any I've experienced before. In March, we entered our first lockdown. Among many others, it placed restrictions on how we could spend time with friends and family, make visits to loved ones in hospitals and care homes, and even how we all earn our living.**

Most devastatingly, many people were held back from saying a proper, supported farewell to those friends and family members who passed. My heart goes out to anyone who has lost someone special in the recent months. I know from personal experience how difficult it is, so if you need any comfort or help please remember to lean on us.

## Coming together

It's human nature to come together in a time of crisis – to squeeze a hand, to offer a shoulder to cry on, to hug, or to simply sit side-by-side. However, despite it all, we are finding ways around things, as best we can. Nothing will ever stop us resourceful Oddfellows from giving comfort and support to each other and those in desperate need.

This year, I've witnessed compassion and human kindness on a scale I've never known within the Society before, and this has really lifted me on my difficult days.



## Being there for each other

I hope that if you needed help this year, you received it. I know that the staff and volunteers in our Branches have worked flat out to make sure members know they have someone to turn to. They've made thousands of calls and sent thousands of emails to check in with members and see if any help is needed. This has meant that many members were able to access critical food and medical supplies, as well as financial and emotional support. So, if anything is troubling you, please make sure you get in touch.

## Keeping spirits lifted

I've seen some incredible innovation to keep spirits lifted and people connected. We'd only hosted a few online events here and there before 2020, but we're now broadcasting talks, quizzes, and even fitness sessions, straight into people's front rooms almost daily. I know online



events won't ever replace getting together in person, but they're a wonderful way to make sure we can still keep in touch, safely. I do hope you try one if you haven't already. I've also been kept in the loop on so many unexpected acts of kindness from members and Branches, such as quizzes and puzzles being posted through letterboxes, and afternoon tea hampers and flowers being dropped off on members' doorsteps. Such small gestures make a huge difference to people, so if there is anything you can do to keep this going, then please do. Kindness is infectious.

## Helping others

Oddfellows have always looked further than their own front door when it comes to charitable giving, and this year was no exception. In spring, a nationwide appeal to raise critical funds for The Silver Line and the National Emergencies Trust resulted in a donation of £19,210. It helped some of those hardest hit by the coronavirus pandemic. £7,600 was also raised and sent overseas to help Australian people to rebuild their lives following the 2019/2020 bushfires.

We know there have been countless other examples of charitable giving made by members and Branches this year, so thank you for helping where you can, and being wonderful ambassadors for our Society. I would also like to give a special mention to this year's four Making a Difference Award winners, members Margaret Wells, Barry Bedford, Bruce Nicole and our youngest to date,

seven-year-old Effie Bowman. Our Society is powered by the hard work and selflessness of such wonderful members. Huge congratulations to them and all who were nominated. Shortlisting these awards is such a difficult task, but it's an absolute joy to know that we have so many members out there living and breathing our motto of friendship, love and truth.

## A truly special family

Looking forward to 2021, please try and stay positive. We have news of a vaccine, and therefore hope that we can be back together again, and that we can resume our daily lives with less fear, difficulty and uncertainty.

I've always known this, but the events of 2020 have confirmed just how caring, supportive, generous, friendly, and resourceful our Oddfellows family is. I am immensely proud to be a member of something so incredibly special and purposeful. I do hope you feel the same. Please accept my very warmest wishes for a happy and healthy New Year. Until we're all able to meet together freely again, let's stay in touch. We're always here if you need us.

Take care, stay safe and stay well.  
Yours always in friendship,

**Jane Nelson**  
**CEO, the Oddfellows**

# Lupus research pushes through pandemic

**2020 has seen our second instalment of the HA Andrews Memorial Fund given to the research team at the Lupus Trust. The £28,000 donation supports the day to day running of the team, which includes Bekki Velounias, who is currently working towards completing her PhD through her research with the Lupus Trust.**

The team is looking into what causes the breakdown of certain cells, triggering the autoimmune reaction in lupus. Throughout lockdown, the team managed to avoid too many significant setbacks, working in the lab when they could, and analysing huge datasets when national lockdown was enforced.



*Professor Jo Spencer with Bekki Velounias and our very large cheque!*



*Member of Ware Branch, Paul, has lupus and inspired our decision to support the Lupus Trust over 3 years.*

Professor Jo Spencer, from the Lupus Trust, says, “Bekki has been a fantastic addition to the research team, and her commitment to pushing forward with work throughout lockdown has been commendable. We’re pleased with how the research is progressing in the face of so many difficulties.”

Jane Nelson, CEO of the Oddfellows, says, “We’re so pleased to hear that the research has been able to move forward despite social restrictions. It’s been a difficult year for many, and this research is needed more than ever.”

If you would like to find out more about the HA Andrews Memorial Fund, please visit the ‘Giving Back’ section of our website.

# 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 Margaret on **01744 739561** or **07927 731016** or email **margaret.harrison-ingham@oddfellows.co.uk**.

## **Oddfellows Citizens Advice Line**

**Call 0800 0149 821\***

(free to callers from any landline or mobile number)

Monday - Friday, 9.30am - 4.30pm

**Email:** [oddfellows@manchestercab.org](mailto: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](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**

# Know Your Committee

Before the lockdown we saw Maureen Price and Sue Johnson travel to Bury to further their knowledge and involvement with the Oddfellows. Maureen received her Scarlet and Gold Degrees while Sue started her journey receiving her White and Blue degrees. Both ladies are getting more involved with our Branch with Maureen now our Provincial Grand Master and Sue a Trustee, if anyone else would like to get more involved or find out what is involved in being a committee member please ask Lynn or any committee member:

**Please remember all correspondence, claim forms etc must be sent to: Lynn at 25a Bleak Hill Road, St Helens WA10 4RP.**

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(Branch Secretary/Prov CS)  
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Lodge Officer

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(DPGM), Deputy Provincial Grand  
Master, Lodge Officer and Trustee

W Wilkinson  
(PPGM), Past Provincial Grand Master,  
Lodge Officer

Margaret Rodger  
Committee of Management member

Sue Johnson, Trustee

Ann Price, Trustee

Nadine Allen, Committee of  
Management Member (Co-opted)

Shana Begum, Committee of  
Management Member (Co-opted)

# Thank You

Last year we saw both Keith Holden and Willie Wilkinson step down from our committee, both gentlemen had been Trustees and have given our Branch many years of service which we are all very grateful for. Gifts of appreciation were sent out to both as unfortunately due to the lockdown we were unable to present them in person. Once again we would like to say a big thank you to them both.