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Race Night – Saturday 30 November

Welcome all to your latest Events Diary, we hope that there is something of interest for you.

A warm welcome to your latest Events Diary. We hope that we have something planned to pique your interest and look forward to seeing you at one or many of them. If you require any further details about booking or what the event involves, please call either myself or Penny at the

office, we will happily answer any questions you may have.

**Kind regards,
Lorraine, District Secretary**

Would you like to get involved?

Looking for something to do? If so, there is plenty for you to get involved in with the Oddfellows. We are always looking for people to help with our care support, social event ideas or writing articles for our magazine.

A bit about us...

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

Weekly Events

The events below all take place at the Oddfellows Hall, 32 Charnwood Street, Derby DE1 2GU.

Line Dancing

Every Monday

⌚ 2pm - 3.30pm £ Members £2
Guests £3

Everyone is welcome and it's a fun way to keep fit! 30p for tea or coffee and biscuits.

Short Mat Bowls

Every Tuesday

⌚ 2pm - 4pm £ Members £1.20
Guests £2.20

Great fun, beginners are always welcome! 30p for tea or coffee and biscuits.

Art Classes

Every Wednesday

⌚ 1pm - 3pm £ Members £5
Guests £7

Art materials are supplied, beginners are always welcome! A Professional Tutor will be on hand to give tips and advice. 50p charge for tea or coffee and biscuits.



Contact Details

For more details about any of the events listed, membership and the wide range of benefits available, please call:

01332 345697

Lorraine Killa

Email:

lorraine.killa@oddfellows.co.uk

or

Penny Folds

Email:

penny.folds@oddfellows.co.uk



Lots of our events take place at the Oddfellows Hall, 32 Charnwood Street, Derby DE1 2GU.

Really easy to find with parking at the rear off Melbourne Street.

October 2019

TUES
01

Life as a Church Warden King George IV Branch



Come and join us for our monthly meeting, followed by refreshments and a talk given by Margaret Gregory. Oddfellows Hall, 32 Charnwood Street, Derby DE1 2GU. Contact Maureen on 01332 345697.

WED
02

Walking Group in Yeaveley



Meet outside Holy Trinity Church in Yeaveley at 10am for a 10.15am start. The easy six mile walk will be followed by lunch at a venue to be confirmed. Lunch not provided by the Oddfellows. Holy Trinity Church, Leapley Lane, Yeaveley, Ashbourne DE6 2DT. Contact Keith on 01332 771964.



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SAT
05

Stanhope Branch District Officers' Visit



Come and meet this year's Provincial Grand Master (District Chairman) and her Officers. A buffet will be served following the meeting. If you would like to come you are more than welcome, please contact Doreen Swain for catering purposes. Book by Thursday 26 September. Hunters Arms, Church Street, Kilburn DE56 0LU. Contact Doreen on 01332 720064.

TUES
08

Dining Out Experience



Come and join us for an evening of food and friendship at The Forge. Please contact the office to put your name on the list. Book by Thursday 3 October. The Forge, Blacksmiths Yard, Sadlergate, Derby DE1 3PD. Contact Lorraine on 01332 345697.

October 2019

THURS 10 Harvest Coffee Morning



11am



See below



It's harvest time! Please bring your harvest wares to sell and help raise funds for the Provincial Grand Master's (District Chairman) chosen charity. Cost: £1 for tea/coffee and biscuits (free refills). Oddfellows Hall, 32 Charnwood Street, Derby DE1 2GU. Contact Lorraine on 01332 345697.



MON 14 Crafty Social



7pm



See below



Come and get involved in our latest project, all ages and abilities (including beginners),



welcome. Cost: £2 (includes tea/coffee and biscuits). Oddfellows Hall, 32 Charnwood Street, Derby DE1 2GU. Contact Lorraine on 01332 345697.

MON 14 Battle Fields of WWI Pares Branch



7.30pm



Free



Come and join us for our monthly meeting, which will be followed by a talk given by Gillian and Alan Talbot. The Coach and Horses, Victoria Road, Draycott DE72 3PS. Contact Barbara on 0115 946 5105.

WED 16 Walking Group in Little Eaton



10am



Free



Meet at the New Inn pub car park at 10am for a 10.15am start. The six mile walk will be followed by



lunch at the pub. Lunch not provided by the Oddfellows. The New Inn, Duffield Road, Little Eaton, Derby DE21 5DR. Contact Keith on 01332 771964.

October 2019

THURS
17

Luncheon Club



Come and join us for a delicious two course meal of sweet and sour chicken with rice. Followed by Bakewell tart and custard. Tea and coffee will also be served. Please contact Penny to reserve your place as numbers are limited. Book by Tuesday 15 October. Oddfellows Hall, 32 Charnwood Street, Derby DE1 2GU. Contact Penny on 01332 345697.

FRI
25

Inter District Skittles Match



This year's match will be held at Derby. Can Burton retain their title or can Derby win against the odds? Come and support if you don't want to play, numbers limited so book



early to avoid disappointment. Supper to be booked when ticket purchased, jacket potatoes with a choice of fillings, followed by gateau or cheesecake. Tickets must be purchased by Friday 11 October. Oddfellows Hall, 32 Charnwood Street, Derby DE1 2GU. Contact Lorraine on 01332 345697.

MON
28

Crafty Social



Come and get involved in our latest project, all ages and abilities (including beginners), welcome. Cost: £2 (includes tea/coffee and biscuits). Oddfellows Hall, 32 Charnwood Street, Derby DE1 2GU. Contact Lorraine on 01332 345697.



WED
30

Walking Group in Repton



Meet at Repton Tea Rooms car park at 10am for a 10.15am start. The six mile walk will be followed by lunch, venue to be confirmed. Lunch not provided by the Oddfellows. Repton Tea Rooms, Brook End Farm, Brook End, Repton DE65 6FW. Contact Keith on 01332 771964.



November

MON 04 **Crafty Social**



7pm



See below



Come and get involved in our latest project, all ages and abilities (including beginners), welcome. Cost: £2 (includes tea/coffee and biscuits). Oddfellows Hall, 32 Charnwood Street, Derby DE1 2GU. Contact Lorraine on 01332 345697.

TUES 05 **Remembrance King George IV Branch**



7.30pm



Free



Come and join us for our monthly meeting, followed by refreshments and an interesting talk given by Gillian Talbot. Oddfellows Hall, 32 Charnwood Street, Derby DE1 2GU. Contact Maureen on 01332 345697.

SAT 09 **Craft Coffee Morning**



10.30am



See below



It's time for a Saturday Coffee Morning, the Crafty Social group will be hosting a stall. Come and see if you can get some Christmas goodies. Cost: £1 for tea/coffee and biscuits (free refills). Oddfellows Hall, 32 Charnwood Street, Derby DE1 2GU. Contact Lorraine on 01332 345697.

MON 11 **Pares Branch District Officers' Visit**



7.30pm



Free



Come and meet this year's Provincial Grand Master (District Chairman) and her Officers. A buffet will be served following the meeting. If you would like to come you are more than welcome, please contact Barbara Smith for catering purposes. The Coach and Horses, Victoria Road, Draycott DE72 3PS. Contact Barbara on 0115 946 5105.

TUES 12 **Dining Out Experience**



6.45pm



As per menu



Come and join us for an evening of food and friendship at The Harvester. Please contact the office to put your name on the list. Book by Thursday 7 November. The Harvester, Pride Park, Derby DE24 8JE. Contact Lorraine on 01332 345697.

November

WED
13

**Walking Group
in Belper**

 10am

 Free



Meet at Bulls Head, Belper Lane End at 10am for a 10.15am start. The six mile walk will be followed by lunch at a venue to be decided. Lunch not provided by the Oddfellows. Bull's Head, Belper Lane End, Belper DE56 2DL. Contact Keith on 01332 771964.

SAT
16

**Annual Inter
Branch Quiz**

 6pm

 Free



Postponed from July. Speak to your Branch Secretary about being part of the team. Come and test your grey matter. Prizes and a trophy to be won. Book by Monday 11 November. Oddfellows Hall, 32 Charnwood Street, Derby DE1 2GU. Contact Lorraine on 01332 345697.




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November

THURS
21

Luncheon Club

L 12.30pm

£ Members £3.50
Guests £5.50



Come and join us for a delicious two course meal of shepherd's pie served with vegetables.



Followed by gâteau with cream. Tea and coffee will also be served. Please contact Penny to reserve your place as numbers are limited. Book by Tuesday 19 November. Oddfellows Hall, 32 Charnwood Street, Derby DE1 2GU. Contact Penny on 01332 345697.

SUN
24

Christmas Meal King George IV

L 12.30pm

£ As per menu



King George IV Branch are having a Christmas meal at the Cross Keys, Newbold. Please contact Maureen Burgoyne for more details, booking essential. Book by Friday 1 November. The Cross Keys, Worthington Lane, Newbold Coleorton LE67 8PJ. Contact Maureen on 01332 345697.



MON
25

Crafty Social

L 7pm

£ See below



Come and get involved in our latest project, all ages and abilities (including beginners), welcome. Cost: £2 (includes tea/coffee and biscuits). Oddfellows Hall, 32 Charnwood Street, Derby DE1 2GU. Contact Lorraine on 01332 345697.

WED
27

Walking Group in Trusley

L 10am

£ Free



Meet at All Saint's Church at Trusley at 10am for a 10.15am start. The five mile walk in the area, will be followed by lunch at the Seven Wells pub. Lunch not provided by the Oddfellows. All Saint's Church, Trusley Village DE6 5JG. Contact Keith on 01332 771964.

SAT
30

Race Night

L 6.30pm

£ Free



Dress to impress for a Day at the Races. Place your bets and cheer on your horse. Free entry. Book by Monday 25 November. Oddfellows Hall, 32 Charnwood Street, Derby DE1 2GU. Contact Lorraine on 01332 345697.



December

SUN 01 Christmas Meal Good Samaritan Branch



1pm



As per menu



Venue to be decided, please contact Keith Glanville for further details. Book by Monday 11 November. Venue to be confirmed. Contact Keith on 01332 771964.



TUES 03 Christmas Party King George IV Branch



7.30pm



Free



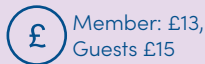
Come and join in the festive fun and games. Please contact Maureen Burgoyne for catering purposes. Book by Tuesday 19 November. Oddfellows Hall, 32 Charnwood Street, Derby DE1 2GU. Contact Maureen on 01332 345697.



WED 04 Christmas Market Coach Trip



9.30am



Member: £13,
Guests £15



We are having a coach trip to the award winning Bury Market this year. We will be leaving Charnwood Street at 9.30am. Numbers are limited for a smaller coach so please book early to avoid disappointment. Bus to leave Bury at 4pm. Come on everyone and let's get festive! Book by Wednesday 27 November. Oddfellows Hall, 32 Charnwood Street, Derby DE1 2GU. Contact Lorraine on 01332 345697.



THURS 05 Christmas Party Good Intent Branch



2.30pm



Free



For our Christmas Party we are having a Christmas Tea Dance with entertainment. Santa will also be making his annual visit so make sure you're not on his naughty list. For catering purposes, please contact Margaret Henchliff. Book by Thursday 21 November. Oddfellows Hall, 32 Charnwood Street, Derby DE1 2GU. Contact Margaret on 01332 519062.

December

SAT **07** **Christmas Meal** **Stanhope Branch**



Venue to be decided, please contact Doreen Swain for further details. Book by Saturday 9 November. Venue to be confirmed. Contact Doreen on 01332 720064.

SUN **08** **Junior Members' Christmas Treat**



This year we are going to Clip and Climb to suit ages from four years old upwards. Have fun and get active, followed by food. Book by Monday 4 November. Clip and Climb, Kingsway Park Close, Derby DE22 3FP. Contact Lorraine on 01332 345697.

MON **09** **Christmas Buffet** **Pares Branch**



Limited places available, please contact Barbara Smith, for catering purposes. Book by Monday 11 November. The Coach and Horses, Victoria Road, Draycott DE72 3PS. Contact Barbara on 0115 946 5105.



TUES **10** **Christmas Coffee Morning**



Come and join us for a festive cuppa and mince pie. There will also be a festive surprise raffle. Cost: £1 for tea/coffee and biscuits (free refills). Oddfellows Hall, 32 Charnwood Street, Derby DE1 2GU. Contact Lorraine on 01332 345697.



WED **11** **Walking Group in Kirk Langley**



Meet at St Michael's Church at 10am for a 10.15am start. The six mile walk will be followed by lunch at the Markeaton pub. Lunch not provided by the Oddfellows. St Michaels Church, Kirk Langley DE6 4NG. Contact Keith on 01332 771964.



December

WED
11

Derwent Valley Branch District Officers' Visit



Come and meet this year's Provincial Grand Master (District Chairman) and her Officers. Also, the much anticipated Christmas charity raffle will be drawn. A buffet will be served following the meeting, please contact the Secretary, Penny Folds to add your name for catering purposes. Book by Wednesday 27 November. Oddfellows Hall, 32 Charnwood Street, Derby DE1 2GU. Contact Penny on 01332 345697.

MON
16

Crafty Social



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THURS
19

Christmas Luncheon Club



It's that time of year again. We will be having a delicious roast turkey dinner with all the trimmings followed by Christmas pudding with brandy sauce, a mince pie and a glass of wine.

Tea and coffee will also be served.

Please contact Penny Folds at the office to add your name to the list as numbers are limited. Book by Thursday 12 December. Oddfellows Hall, 32 Charnwood Street, Derby DE1 2GU.

Contact Penny on 01332 345697.

January 2020

MON 06 Crafty Social



7pm



See below



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TUES 07 New Year New Officers King George IV Branch



7.30pm



Free



Come to our monthly meeting and learn a bit about Oddfellows History when we will be changing the Branch Officers for the upcoming year. Refreshments will follow the meeting. Oddfellows Hall, 32 Charnwood Street, Derby DE1 2GU. Contact Maureen on 01332 345697.

WED 08 Walking Group in Osmaston



10am



Free



Meet in the Shoulder of Mutton pub car park at 10am for a 10.15am start. The six mile walk will be followed by lunch at the pub. Lunch not provided by the Oddfellows. The Shoulder of Mutton, Moor Lane, Osmaston DE6 1LW. Contact Keith on 01332 771964.

THURS 09 New Year Coffee Morning History and Traditions



11am



See below



Shake off the post Christmas blues with a cuppa and a friendly chat, bring some friends, the more the merrier! We will have a guest speaker giving a very interesting presentation on the origins, history and traditions of our fabulous Society. Don't miss it! Cost: £1 for tea/coffee and biscuits (free refills). Oddfellows Hall, 32 Charnwood Street, Derby DE1 2GU. Contact Lorraine on 01332 345697.

MON 13 Beetle Drive Pares Branch



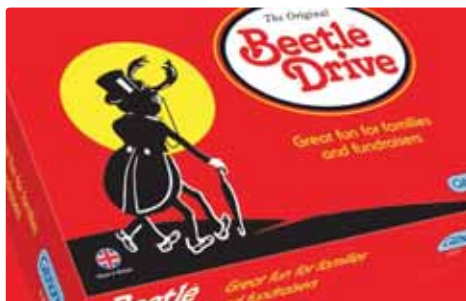
7.30pm



Free



Come to our monthly meeting and learn a bit about Oddfellows history when we will be changing the Branch Officers for the upcoming year. A beetle drive will follow the meeting. The Coach and Horses, Victoria Road, Draycott DE72 3PS. Contact Barbara on 0115 946 5105.



January 2020

TUES
14

Dining Out Experience



6.45pm



As per menu



Come and join us for an evening of fun and friendship at The Oast House. Please contact the office to put your name on the list. Book by Thursday 9 January. The Oast House, Osmaston Park Road, Derby DE23 8AG. Contact Lorraine on 01332 345697.

THURS
16

Luncheon Club



12.30pm



Members £3.50
Guests £5.50



Come and join us for a delicious two course meal of sausage, mash and vegetables with onion gravy. Followed by cheesecake with cream. Tea and coffee will also be served. Please contact Penny to reserve your place as numbers are limited. Book by Tuesday 14 January. Oddfellows Hall, 32 Charnwood Street, Derby DE1 2GU. Contact Penny on 01332 345697.

SAT
18

Celebrating Doris Day



2pm



Members £4,
Guests £6



Spend an afternoon with us to celebrate the life of Doris Day. Film followed by an American themed menu. Book by Friday 10 January. Oddfellows Hall, 32 Charnwood Street, Derby DE1 2GU. Contact Lorraine on 01332 345697.



MON
20

Crafty Social



7pm



See below



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WED
22

Walking Group in Shipley Park



10am



Free



Meet at venue car park at 10am for a 10.15am start. The six mile walk will be followed by lunch at Morley Hayes. Lunch not provided by the Oddfellows. Shipley Country Park, Slack Lane, Heanor DE75 7GX. Contact Keith on 01332 771964.

Forthcoming Events in February

**SAT
22** Annual Dinner
and Dance



Our Annual Dinner and Dance at Derby Conference Centre. More information in the next diary.



Is there someone you know who'd enjoy what we do?

Refer a friend today

To refer a friend, call Membership on **0800 028 1810**, or visit our Members' Area at **www.oddfellows.co.uk** or fill in the **Refer Friend form** available from your Branch Secretary

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**SAT
29** Snow White and the
Seven Dwarfs



The Watson Players are celebrating their 50th Anniversary, let's join them and support their golden performance. Book by Monday 2 December. Landau Forte College, Fox Street, Derby DE1 2LF. Contact Lorraine on 01332 345697.

Branch Contact and Business Meetings

Every Oddfellows Branch is run independently by a committee of members. Regular meetings are held to discuss matters such as Branch finances, membership and member support. Any member is welcome to attend these meetings, if you'd like to know more or come along to one, please contact the Branch Secretary. See below for further meeting details.

Loyal Derwent Valley

Contact Penny Folds on 01332 345697

Meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month at 7.30pm at 32 Charnwood Street, Derby DE1 2GU.

2019: 9 October, 13 November, 11 December. 2020: 8 January.

Loyal King George IV

Contact Maureen Burgoyne on 01332 345697

Meetings are held on the first Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm at 32 Charnwood Street, Derby DE1 2GU.

2019: 1 October, 5 November, 3 December. 2020: 7 January.

Loyal Good Samaritan

Contact Keith Glanville on 01332 771964

Meetings are held on the second Monday of the month at 11am at 32 Charnwood Street, Derby DE1 2GU.

2019: 14 October, 11 November, 9 December. 2020: 13 January.

Loyal Good Intent

Contact Margaret Henchcliff on 01332 519062

Meetings are held on the first Thursday of the month at 2.30pm at 32 Charnwood Street, Derby DE1 2GU.

2019: 3 October, 7 November, 5 December. 2020: 2 January.

Loyal Pares

Contact Barbara Smith on 01159 465105

Meetings are held on the second Monday of the month at 7.30pm at Coach and Horses Pub, Victoria Road, Draycott, Derby DE72 3PS.

2019: 14 October, 11 November, 9 December. 2020: 13 January.

Loyal Stanhope

Contact Doreen Swain on 01332 720064

Meetings are held on the first Saturday of the month at 6.30pm at Hunters Arms Pub, Church Street, Kilburn, Derby DE56 0LU.

2019: 5 October, 9 November, 7 December. 2020: 4 January.

Derby Provincial Lodge of Past Grands

(For qualified members only)

Meetings start at 7.30pm at Oddfellows Hall, 32 Charnwood Street, Derby DE1 2GU.

Contact Mrs D Swain on 01332 720064



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

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To request contact from a Welfare Visitor and for local help and information about Branch benefits and benevolence contact Penny on **01332 345697** or email **penny.folds@oddfellows.co.uk**.

Oddfellows Advice Line

Call 0800 0149 821*

(free to callers from any landline or mobile number)

Monday - Friday, 9.30am - 4.30pm

Email: oddfellows@manchestercab.org



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

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Care and Welfare Helpline

Call 0800 0149 822

(free to callers from any landline or mobile number)

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

Email: care@oddfellows.co.uk

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

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

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November

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At a glance

December

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January 2020

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100 Years Young

In May, Bill and I, had the privilege to visit Joyce Wood to honour her 100th Birthday; Bill as Grand Master to present the Oddfellows celebration telegram and me to present flowers from the District. We enjoyed a very pleasant hour with Joyce and her lovely daughter Jane, reminiscing, of course.

Joyce Catherine Wood moved into Kyte's Lane Cottage, Smalley, Derbyshire at the age of six months in November 1919. This was to be her home until August 2018 when she became a resident at Smalley Hall Care Home.

She attended Smalley Girls' School and has been a life long member of the congregation at St John the Baptist Church, always happy to help with fund raising events, flower festivals and garden fetes and is still a member of the Mothers' Union. In 1940 Smalley Women's Institute was founded and Joyce became one of the original members.

During the war, seven year old twins Kathleen and Margaret, evacuees from Southend on Sea, lived with Joyce and her father for two years. After the war they kept in touch with Joyce and visited Smalley again, even featuring in a BBC Radio 4 Woman's Hour programme where they all spoke about their happy time spent in the Derbyshire countryside with Joyce and her father.

In April 1942, she married Walter Hopkins. They met while they were both working at Celanese at Spondon and she continued to care for her widowed father Richard. A daughter



Jane and son Nicholas arrived and when they grew older Joyce worked as a school secretary and later a welfare assistant at Smalley Richardson Endowed School. After Walter died in 1983, she continued to have a busy life always pottering in her cottage garden and enjoying holidays, both in the UK and abroad with family and friends. A member of Smalley Ramblers for many years Joyce keeps up to date with fellow members.

In October 1988, Joyce married Percy Wood, a childhood friend and next door neighbour and father of Pauline and Peter, and they lived happily together until Percy's death in 1993.

Joyce has always enjoyed being involved with her four grandchildren and she now has three great grandchildren to complete the family. Her many friends and the care home

staff celebrated her 100th birthday with an afternoon tea.

Sadly Joyce has passed away recently and our sincere condolences are sent to her family.

I have also enjoyed visiting our Branches, attending the many social events in the District and representing our District at social events within the Midland Group Conference.

I wish everyone all the best for happy and healthy times as we come into the Autumn, how the year is flying by.

With fraternal greeting and hoping to see many of you in the near future.

**Margaret Henchcliff,
Provincial Grand Master
(District Chairman)**



Walking in Wales

This was our sixth walking weekend in North Wales and once again we were based in The Lion Hotel, Criccieth. It was quite a cold weekend, but thankfully stayed dry.

On the Saturday we repeated a lovely walk we had previously done on our first ever holiday, taking the steam train from Beddgelert to Rhyd Ddu. The scenery in Snowdonia was wonderful and there was a smattering of snow on the top of the mountains. After alighting from the train we started the five mile walk back to Beddgelert. This is a very picturesque walk and it delighted everyone. As a reward we enjoyed ice cream in Beddgelert and were spoiled for choice of flavours in the very busy ice cream shop.



On the Sunday we did a new walk, very different from the first, the scenery was much more harsh and rugged, walking from Rhaeadr Ogwen to Betheddsda. During this walk we passed an absolute mountain of slate waste from the Penrith Quarry, it would be worth a fortune if used in gardens for instance.

Each evening after dinner we walked to the sea in the hope of seeing dolphins, but no luck this year. To break up the journey home we called in at Powys Castle for refreshments and a walk around the wonderful terraced gardens.

Once again thanks to Bob Rodgers for leading the walks and Margaret Glanville for the hotel arrangements.

Five Deadly Terms used by a Woman

Fine - This is the word women use to end an argument when she knows she is right and you should shut up.

Nothing - Means 'something' and you need to be worried.

Go Ahead - This is a dare, not permission, don't to it.

Whatever - A woman's way of saying blow you.

It's OK - She is thinking long and hard on how and when you will pay for your mistake.



ASDA Run For All Sunday 16 June (Father's Day)

Well, I spent the morning at the ASDA 'Run For All' 10K in the Campus of Nottingham University. Now, before you start thinking "Wow, I didn't realise Dave was so fit", I was there in the capacity of a volunteer with the Baggage Facility.

I was asked by Kevin Curtis, the project manager of the Canaan Trust* in Long Eaton, if I would be available to help out and of course I was.

Early start; awoke 6am; arrived at the University around 7.30am where I waited for the rest of the volunteers to arrive. We were given instructions on the best and most organised way of collecting the bags from the runners and placing them in rows according to their race number.

The runners had a tear-off strip on the bottom of their race number (which also had their race number on) which was attached to their bags. We just had time for a quick coffee after the last runner had deposited his bag before the first home had arrived to collect his bag.

Kevin watched for the tired runners who were slowly walking round the corner to collect their bags and called the number out to the first volunteer in the queue. They immediately went to

retrieve the bag from the designated row and arrived back as the runner reached the pickup point.

The volunteer then returned to the back of the queue and so on. We all worked really well as a team. The runners seemed astonished at how efficient this baggage reclaim was and many of them commented on this to us and on social media (apparently).

This was a very enjoyable morning with some new found friends and we have all been asked if we are available for the next Run For All on Sunday 31 May 2020. Barring holidays not yet booked, I will be there.

Dave Smith (Loyal Pares Branch)

Picture above: David is pictured third from the left.

*(The Canaan Trust, an independent Christian Charity provides safe secure and healthy supported accommodation for homeless males aged 16-54. Based in Long Eaton, Nottingham the Trust serves the needs of homeless men from Long Eaton, Ilkeston, Sandiacre, Stapleford, Sawley, Cotmanhay, Beeston, Chilwell, and Toton - all parts of Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire.)

Good Intent Branch Afternoon Tea

Twenty-one members enjoyed afternoon tea at Hackwood Farm, Mackworth. The sandwich fingers (no crusts in sight) were delicious and very plentiful. There was also a lovely selection of cakes and scones with lashings of jam and cream, all washed down with lots of tea or coffee. The Farm Shop was also very popular with several carrier bags full of goodies leaving the premises.



What floats your boat?

As I write this article Derby County are nearing the final of the Championship play-offs to determine whether the Rams or opponents Aston Villa will be promoted to the Premier League and its accompanying riches.



On this day also voting is underway which will determine the outcome of European elections and it is the choice of the individual to vote, or otherwise.

In the tiny Welsh village of Llan-y-Gravi the annual assembly of the little known Ferret and Rodent Society is being held at the community association hall. This will determine which member will hold office for the forthcoming year and will be known as Big Taffy Rat!

Most of us have interests, hobbies, pastimes that give pleasure, a sense of belonging maybe. Some enjoy travel, gardening, rural pursuits. Others obtain enjoyment out of doing sod all! Any that's fine. Me? I would love to see the Rams win promotion on Bank Holiday Monday. As for the European Elections, I shall exercise my franchise by not voting for any of the blighters! As for ferrets and rodents? Not for me, but each to their own, but I certainly would not like to be known as Big Taffy Rat for a year.

On a personal note my preference would be Black Knight forever! (whoever he is).

This message flows from quill, beware
In cursive hand, a skill so rare
No keypads here to pen these letters
For touch so personnel, so much better.
Be not ashamed, express yourself
By written word and steady hand
God bless King John
And England grand

Three cheers for the steady hand.

Champagne Breakfast



Some of the volunteers, Margaret Henchliff, Margaret Bull, Doreen Swain and Diane Langford

Late 2018, when your Social Committee put together the events for the first half of the year we knew a new Royal baby was on the way, so a Champagne Breakfast was organised to celebrate. Luckily Archie Harrison Mountbatten-Windsor arrived just in time on Monday 6 May, just four days before our event; congratulations to his very proud parents, the Duke and Duchess of Sussex. It's always a very enjoyable morning for everyone involved and hopefully we can think of another occasion to celebrate in the not too distant future - cheers!

Your Hearts Desire

Congratulations to Marie Thorp who won the throw knitted by Margaret Henchliff a member of the Craft Group. Marie was delighted to win the Heart's Desire throw as she is expecting a new great grandchild soon. The raffle to win the throw raised a wonderful £75 for the Provincial Grand Master's (District Chairman) chosen charity.



Friendship Pie Recipe

Ingredients

A dash of care, A cup of smiles
A pinch of support, A large spoonful of love.

Method

Put the care, smiles and support into a warm hug, and gently fold in a spoonful of love. Mix the mixture together well, and bake gently for ever.

June Coffee Morning

Clair Burroughs a sister from the CDU (Chemo Suite) came along to talk to us about her work in the department. She has worked in the Unit for 18 months after transferring from Ward 301. Since qualifying she has always worked in Oncology.



Initially she was surprised about the sheer number of outpatients visiting the Unit, between 40 and 100 per day. Claire and her team are always striving to make patient's experience of treatment better at a very difficult time in their lives. Lots of equipment is now needing replacement and they rely heavily on charitable donations and are very grateful that we have chosen the unit for our charity this year.

If anyone would like to make a personal donation, cheques should be made payable to: The Provincial Grand Master's (District Chairman) charity.

Luncheon Club

There was some excitement at the July Luncheon Club when we heard Princess Anne was to visit the property next door.

The previous day security had rehearsed the visit twice with police motorbikes and Landrovers and on the morning of the visit sniffer dogs were in the street doing their checks.

We missed HRH's arrival as lunch was being served, (bet she'd have enjoyed a bit of corned beef hash) but when it came for members to leave, Melbourne Street was blocked off at Normanton Road and there was a policeman on a motorbike blocking next door's gate and a policewoman standing in the middle of the road.

After waiting patiently for about 20 minutes she left the building and got into her car. After all the excitement it was over in a flash and she didn't even notice us waving madly, as she was looking at something on her knee.

Gardeners World Live and The Good Food Show

The coach set off in the rain at the end of a very wet week. All the way to the NEC the fields were often under a considerable amount of water. Luckily the rain had almost stopped when we arrived and no one got very wet all day - just a little damp. As usual everyone headed off in different directions some to the outside gardens, some to the flower marquee and some to the Food Show.

The gardens were lovely, despite the horrendous weather conditions of the previous week. One garden I particularly wanted to see was 'The Children with Cancer UK Strength of Humanity Garden'. I had heard about this garden on the television inspired by a little girl called Megan who was from Belper.



The garden tried to depict fear, strength, love and vulnerability with darker planting, moving on the more joyful planting in the middle with the hanging bell, to represent the bell which is rung at the end of treatment. The bell was made from bands woven together which had messages of hope written on them. Sadly Megan didn't get to ring the bell as she passed away aged 11 in 2016.

Good Food Show

This could almost be called the good drink show as probably half of the stalls contained alcohol, mainly gin of many different flavours - many samples were enjoyed! Hic...



One of the more unusual floral displays in the marquee

Crich Outing

Everyone arrived at Oddfellows Hall equipped for the huge splodge of rain that had been forecast for the day. The journey was fine until we actually reached the Tramway Museum and then down came the rain, which lasted one and half hours.

On arrival we were each given an old penny piece which could be used to purchase our tram tickets. Some of these coins were so old it was difficult to read the date as they were minted in Queen Victoria's reign.

Some members elected to go on an official tour, thinking it was inside, but no it was mainly out doors. Ken our guide was a lovely gentleman, who obviously loved what he did, and was delighted to have so many on his tour on such a dreadful day.



There were trams from many different areas and countries and it was exciting to see a Derby Corporation tram with Ashbourne Road on it and my Grandma and Grandad could, perhaps, have travelled on the very same one!

There are also buildings that have been taken down and rebuilt on the site, including Derby Assembly Rooms facade, the Red Lion Pub which originally stood in Stoke on Trent, an a "Penny Bank" from Leeds.

The weather did dry up and we enjoyed a tram ride and the other things to see, including a woodland and sculpture walk with beautiful views over the Derwent Valley. It was a lovely day out at a place mainly run by enthusiastic volunteers.



National Memorial Arboretum

The long awaited memorial to all Oddfellows who gave their lives in the First and Second World Wars has now been unveiled at the National Memorial Arboretum. The memorial was funded by donations from Districts within the Oddfellows and it was hoped it would be

ready in time for our own Bill Henchcliff to unveil whilst he was Grand Master of the Order (Chairman of the Society), but it was eventually unveiled by David Randall the current Grand Master on Thursday 1 August.

It is a very fitting tribute to the past Oddfellows and looks particularly beautiful in sunlight when the blue within the stone really sparkles.

The words on the front of the stone say:

In memory of
the many members of
The Oddfellows who gave their lives
in defence of their country.
We will always remember them.

On the reverse it says:

Founded in 1810,
the Oddfellows has a long history of
caring for its members, their families
and supporting worthy causes.

During the First and Second World Wars, The Society's Lodges paid the contributions of members who were fighting so their families would continue to be looked after.

The Oddfellows established the Orphan Gift Fund after the First World War to care for the children of members orphaned as a result of the conflicts.

The fund still exists and is part of the Society's mission to improved lives through making friends and helping people.

Derby District's own tree of remembrance is still doing well.



May the Force Be With You

Crime is rising every year
But who is it to blame
The police seem ineffective
Whilst their methods stay the same
When I was young we had no fear
Doors, we didn't need to lock
So when the local Bobby disappeared
It came as such a shock
It was very reassuring
To see policeman on their feet
Two by two in the wee small hours
They would pound the beat
If the neighbourhood had villains
The cops would know their names
And pay them a regular visit
To deter unlawful gains
We don't want high-tech policeman
Working on the net
Putting them back upon the street
Makes them a better bet

Bobbies on the beat
Bobbies on the beat
Back to sweaty armpits
Back to stinky feet
Get them out the office
Get them out the cars
Get them back upon their legs
Not sitting on their arse.

We need law and order
Brought back to the UK
So just why won't the government
Pay heed to what we say
We're shouting out with all our might
We're even praying to God
We want more Bobbies on the beat
Take us back to PC Plod.

Bobbies on the beat
Bobbies on the beat
Back to sweaty armpits
Back to stinky feet
Get them out the office
Get them out the cars
Because keeping Britons safe from harm
Has now become a farce.

By Gordon MacFarlane - 2019
(Gordon apologies for the slight swear word and hopes it does not cause offence).



Who Killed Tom Spanks?

That was the question asked at the Good Intent Lodge's Murder Mystery event on Thursday 1 August. The 'Box Office Hit' set at a supposed first night film screening had six suspects to consider, from left to right (above):

Sandra Ballcock (Linda Verrall), Meg Lyin (Penny Folds), Harris Enfold (Christine Shelton), Antonio Bandana (Colin Smith, who is a member of the King George IV Branch and helped us out), Judy Drench (Sheila Smith), Tom Fuse (John Smith). The scenes were acted out and suspects questioned, all under the direction of Inspector James Fond (Diane Langford, pictured right).

It was a difficult one as the deceased did seem to be a thoroughly unpleasant individual and everyone had some reason to want him 'despatched', but who was responsible for his electrocution from a microphone which should have been disconnected? When all the deliberations had been made Sandra Ballcock was arrested and it appeared only two people in the room had come up with the same decision.

Everyone also enjoyed canapés provided by Branch members.

Thanks to everyone concerned.



Sandra Ballcock (Linda Verrall) just after she had been arrested for murder. Not sure why she is so pleased?

Open Gardens

Doreen and Trevor Swain started off this event on Friday 5 July in their small but lovely garden. Eight gardens in all have been opened to view, with just Christine and Ian Shelton's garden left to visit at the time of writing this article.

The weather has been lovely for everyone except Bill and Margaret Henchliff's, where it rained all day and the garden had to be viewed through the conservatory windows. This was

a shame as Margaret was very excited that her grape vine, which was planted about 10 years ago, finally has a few bunches of grapes. Margaret is hoping the blackbirds don't get them before they grow actual grape size! Sitting in a sunny garden is a lovely way to spend an afternoon and a good amount has been raised for the Provincial Grand Master's (District Chairman) charity. It is obvious too that we have not only keen gardeners in the District, but some excellent bakers. Well done everyone.



From left to right, the grapes in Bill and Margaret's garden, Mya and Karen's garden with Colin Smith who won the blackout prize of a lovely pug dog toy and bottle of gin and Win and Walter's very colourful garden.

Oddfellows Hall, Wareham

Whilst on holiday in Swanage we made a visit to Wareham and my granddaughters spotted this building. It was built in 1889 at a cost of just £3,000. It not only housed the local Branch, but was hired out for entertainment from music hall shows, dances and

concerts to banquets and moving pictures. It operates as a cinema from 1920 when the first floor was inserted and 'talkies' were introduced. It was acquired by the Purbeck Film Charitable Trust in 2009 and is now called The Rex.



King George IV Branch's Barbecue



Pauline (Polly) and Christine Cunningham and Maureen Burgoyne worked very hard at this event.

Polly cooked a very good barbecue, obviously her experience at Scout Camp came to the fore, and there were lots of delicious accompaniments to go with the burgers, hot dogs and chicken pieces. The event took place in Polly's garden which is very large and Christine certainly got her steps in, making sure everyone had enough tea and coffee.

A lovely scarecrow knitted by Christine was won by Jenny Watts and proceeds of the blackout were donated to the Provincial Grand Master's (District Chairman) charity.



Art Group

At the July Coffee Morning members of the Art Group proudly displayed some of their beautiful work for members to enjoy. We obviously have some very talented members whose work shows a greater confidence in their ability over the years. The group have been meeting for many years now and are always looking to welcome new members, so if you feel you would like to come and give it a try just take a look in your Events Diary and take the plunge, you will only be a stranger the first time you come along.



Our Making a Difference 2019 Award winners!



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

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

The judges had a hard time selecting this year's winners, with many worthy nominations received across the awards' categories. But after much deliberation,

four fabulous members were announced at this year's annual conference.

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

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

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

2019 Making a Difference Award Winners

FOR GIVING A HELPING HAND

Vivienne Simpson

Burton-on-Trent District

FOR WORKING IN THE SPIRIT OF MUTUALITY

Bill Rainsbury

North West Kent District

FOR GIVING SOMETHING BACK

David Smith

Cleveland and Durham District

FOR ENRICHING LIVES SOCIALLY

Faye Chadwick

Huddersfield District

Meet our new Grand Master: David Randall, Gipping Branch Secretary

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

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

So what's your Oddfellows background?

I became a member in 1992. However, I had been attending the local Branch's social events for about 20 years prior. So recruiters... never give up on a possible new member! My father-in-law was a long-serving Castle



Branch (Colchester) officer and trustee, so he encouraged me to finally sign up. I guess I was always going to join once I married his daughter! For those of you who don't know, my wife of 47 years is Diana Randall, Secretary of Castle Branch, so there's always a little healthy Branch competition.

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

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

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

Friendship that just keeps giving more.

And now for some less serious questions...

Where's your favourite place in the world?

That would have to be the Amalfi Coast in Italy.

Who is your favourite author?

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

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

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

Who would play you in the movie of your life?

Matt Damon.

Oddfellows Annual Movable Conference takes place in Sunny Southport

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

With a jam-packed schedule mixing business with pleasure, AMC is a great opportunity for members to learn about

the business side of the Society and our traditions, as well as meet and mingle with other Branches.

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

a number of Branches with our annual recruitment awards.

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



Oddfellows members enjoyed the annual bowls competition



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



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



Oddfellows Brass gave a rousing public performance on Sunday



An array of Oddfellows merchandise was available for members to purchase



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

Thank you Bill Henchliff

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

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

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

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



Congratulations



For three years I have been studying for a BSc in Economics at Lancaster University and have recently graduated with a First Class Honours Degree. During these three years the Oddfellows have supported me with an annual grant which has enabled the purchase of some books required for my course. Their support has been greatly appreciated. I am now moving on to study at St Andrews University for my Masters Degree and am very much looking forward to the next chapter in my studies. Thank you from **Joe Lavender**

Congratulations also to **Millie Mo** of the Good Intent Branch on her A level results. Millie is seen celebrating with her family. Very well done to both of our young members and we wish them every success in the future.



Obituaries

Kate Clarke,
King George IV Branch

Doreen Skliarsky,
Good Intent Branch

June Pascall,
Pares Branch

Joyce Walker,
Pares Branch

Abedayo Kujore,
King George IV Branch

Patricia Richardson,
Good Samaritan Branch

Margaret O'Connell,
Good Intent Branch



If I Should Go First Joyce Grenfell

If I should go before the rest of you
Break not a flower nor scribe a stone
Nor when I'm gone speak
in a Sunday voice
But be the usual selves
that I have known
Weep if you must
Parting is hell
But life goes on
So sing as well

Cheque Payment

Please note that our bank, Lloyds, will no longer accept cheques made payable to the Oddfellows. In future when paying your contributions, please ensure that your cheques are made payable to: The Loyal Derwent Valley Lodge.

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"We've a really friendly and supportive online network of thousands of Oddfellows members from across the UK and the world," explained the Society Social Media team. "Our official Twitter and Facebook pages are regularly updated, often daily, with topical national Oddfellows and Branch news. We also love reading your comments and posts!"

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