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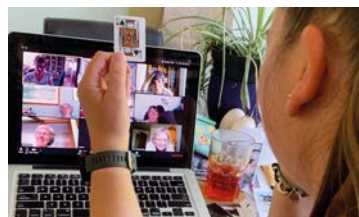


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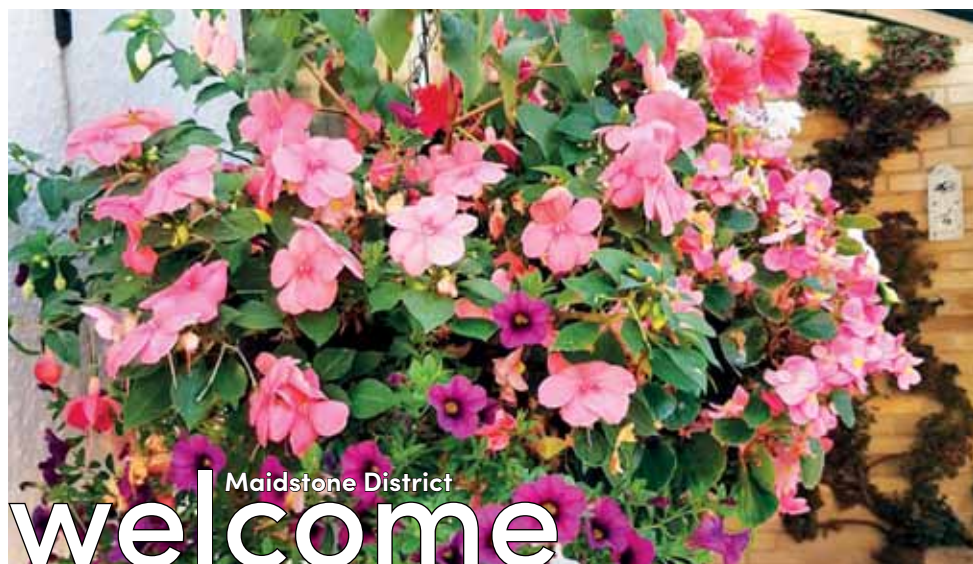
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National Online Events



**Money raised for good
causes in 2020**



Welcome to the latest edition of the Maidstone 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). We look forward to hearing from you.

Rose Mills and Lisa-Rae Brough

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Dear Oddfellows Family

What a challenging year we've all had to endure during the Covid-19 pandemic.

But, think we would all agree, we've built a stronger value for the simplest things we tended to take for granted, freedom to see and go where we choose. Throughout this time, we managed to keep in touch with a lot of our members, offering personal calls, emails, social media groups and Zoom Activity and social groups. We have even made some new members and potential new members through our contact support. This is open to everyone, we wouldn't want anyone to feel totally isolated so if you haven't received any contact, but would like to have some support, please make contact with us, and we can set up some support for you.

We have been sent by some of our members photos of their wonderful hobbies or works they've been kept busy doing during lockdown. Including some lovely walks and so on, some of which we included in this newsletter, thank you to everyone who sent them in.

Thankfully the vaccine program had been working really well, and we continue to hear members having received their first and even second vaccine. As of 29th March we are able to socially distance meet in small groups of six outside,

following government guidelines. Our intentions are to have one or two short walks a week thereafter, enabling members to get together for a walk and natter, all good for our mental and physical health, weather permitting. We want to thank Neil Hardman for offering his time to help support with this, in showing us some interesting local walks we can enjoy. Please let us know if you are interested as numbers have to be within the six person group rule.

As soon as we have been given the go ahead from the Government to re-open our centres at Maidstone and Marden, we will be excited to do so. We are looking to start our Events Diary from July. However, if things change either way, we will adjust the Activities and Events program accordingly.

We look forward to some great places to visit, interesting things to do, when we are socially able to enjoy time together, and the better weather. For now, we've included some fun quizzes and word games for you, some great links to Zoom Activities in this Newsletter, and we are always here for you, if you want or need a chat or support.

Take Care and look after yourselves.

Lisa-Rae and Rose

Big Thank You

We would like to send a big thank you to Barrington Dubois, who has kept some of our members entertained on a Monday night live performance, via his Facebook page during lockdown. Oddfellows has had a few mentions and with his wonderful voice and amazing smile, he has lifted the spirits of many. Barrington is an

established entertainer and resident in Spain, his father-in-law is one of our members, John.

He sings Soul, Motown and Reggae, give him a comment if you see him.



Samaritans

During lockdown, I have also had an insight via work, into the amazing support that the Samaritans do for people who need that little bit of emotional support. So, during March I will be walking 310,000 steps to raise money and awareness for this amazing charity.

Lisa-Rae (Activity Coordinator)

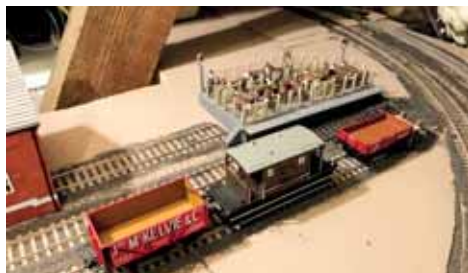


From one of our Trustees

I joined the Oddfellows in the mid 80s, have been through the chair and I am a Past Provincial Grand Master (Past District Chairman), I am a Trustee of Fernleigh Branch, Maidstone and also serve on the Management Committee.

I have three daughters, two are staying with me during this lockdown period. Since last March, when all this started I have been, amongst other things building myself a small model railway, here are some photos but there is still lots to do.

Richard Baker



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 Rose on **01634 868308** or email **rosaline.mills@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



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

*The Oddfellows cannot provide legal advice and accepts no liability whatsoever for advice provided by Citizens Advice, which is an independent advice agency. If you have any queries about the advice you have received or wish to make a complaint then you should contact Citizens Advice directly. Citizens Advice operate a formal complaints process.

Care and Welfare Helpline

Call 0800 0149 822

(free to callers from any landline or mobile number)

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































Email: care@oddfellows.co.uk

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

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

Can you name these logos?

Answers on page 22.

				
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26.	27.	28.	29.	30.

Riddle Time

Answers on page 22.

1. It's shorter than the rest, but when you're happy, you raise it up like it's the best. What is it?
2. You can carry it everywhere you go, and it does not get heavy. What is it?
3. The more you take, the more you leave behind. What am I?
4. A word I know, six letters it contains, remove one letter, and twelve remains. What am I?
5. You see a boat filled with people. You look again, but this time you don't see a single person on the boat. Why?
6. What word of five letters has only one left when two letters are removed?
7. A bus driver goes the wrong way on a one-way street. He passes the cops but they don't stop him. Why?
8. What is at the end of a rainbow?
9. How many bricks does it take to complete a building made of bricks?
10. A rooster lays an egg at the very top of a slanted roof. Which side is the egg going to roll off on?
11. Where can you finish a book without finishing a sentence?
12. What is as big as an elephant, but weighs nothing at all?
13. Name a 7 letter word, from which if you take out 4 letters, you will have 1 left?
14. When you need me, you throw me away. When you don't need me, you bring me back. What am I?
15. What can you hold in your left hand but not your right?
16. Trevor pointed to a girl in the street and said, "She is the daughter of my grandmother's only child." What is the girl's relationship to Trevor?
17. A man is driving along and sees three doors: a diamond door, a ruby door, and an emerald door. Which does he open first?
18. What is at the beginning of eternity and at the end of time, is in every race, but is always last in line?
19. If there are three cups of sugar and you take one away, how many do you have?
20. What exists when one person has it but ceases to exist when another person gets it?

Anagrams – Classic British Food

The following are anagrams of popular British food dishes, how many can you solve? Answer on page 23.

	Question	Answer
1	Bad Man Gnashers	
2	Often Wellbeing	
3	Pick Bald Dung	
4	Nuke Bad Squabble	
5	Farewell Use Choice	
6	Poetic Gate	
7	Decimate Instant	
8	Fin Dish Chaps	
9	Screws A Retired Barman	
10	I Sew Shirt	
11	Enthral Sociopath	
12	Sporty Chains	
13	Hung Lump On Clash	
14	Naked Keen Sapidity	
15	Headline Tooth	
16	Terrible Wash	
17	Dopy rude shirking	
18	Recheck, Emus Nip	
19	Free Boats	
20	Nun Licks Elk	

Do you remember old money?



Answers on page 23.



1. How many old pennies were there in £1?
2. How much was a bob, as in 'bob a job'?
3. How many shillings were there in a pound?
4. How many old pennies were there in a shilling?
5. How much was half a crown?
6. How much is a shilling worth in decimal pence?
7. What letter was used to denote a quantity in old pence?
8. Which of these was worth the most? A crown, a sovereign, a pound or a guinea.
9. How many sides did a brass threepenny bit have?
10. Which of these was worth the most? A florin, a sixpence, half a crown or a shilling?
11. How much was a farthing worth?
12. How much was a guinea?
13. How many farthings are there in £1?
14. What was special about silver coins minted before 1947?
15. Which UK coin had a picture of a wren on it?
16. How much is a 'tanner'?
17. What famous ship featured on Britain's halfpenny coin?
18. What does 'LSD' stand for in old money?
19. If you bought a jar of coffee for 1/11 (1 shilling and eleven pence) and gave half a crown how much change would you get?
20. What metal were 'silver' coins made from after 1946?
21. There were two versions of the one shilling coin minted between 1937 and 1966. What were they commonly known as?
22. What was the last year when you could spend an old money coin in the UK?
23. When was the last time you could spend a white five pound note in Britain?
24. In which pre-decimal years did the Royal Mint issue crowns since the Second World War?



General Knowledge

Answers on the back page.

1. What's the biggest animal in the world?
2. Which country is brie cheese originally from?
3. How many times has Andy Murray won Wimbledon playing singles?
4. What year was Heinz established?
5. What is the capital of Iceland?
6. Put these Tom Hanks films in chronological order: Catch Me If You Can, Forrest Gump, The Terminal, Bridge of Spies?
7. To a single decimal point, many kilometres in a mile?
8. What nut is in the middle of a Ferrero Rocher?
9. Who plays Del Boy Trotter in Only Fools And Horses?
10. Who came second in the FIFA Women's World Cup in 2019?
11. Who is the highest spiritual leader of Tibet?
12. For two points, if all of the states of America were placed in alphabetical order, what would be first and last?
13. Where in England would you find the theme park Dreamland?
14. Who painted the Mona Lisa?
15. Which fashion designer reportedly had a relationship with Winston Churchill?
16. How many valves does the heart have?
17. What's a baby rabbit called?
18. Typically, what's the strongest muscle in the human body?
19. Which planet is closest to the sun?
20. What is the largest country in the world?
21. Name one landlocked country in Europe?
22. What is the Papaver rhoeas flower better known as?
23. What month was Prince George born?
24. Who has been the First Minister of Wales since December 2018?
25. What does He stand for on the periodic table?

Sport Wordsearch

Answers on the back page.



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Archery
Athletics
Badminton
Baseball
Basketball
Boxing
Cricket
Diving
Fencing



Football
Formula One
Golf
Gymnastics
Handball
Hockey
Judo
Lacrosse
Polo

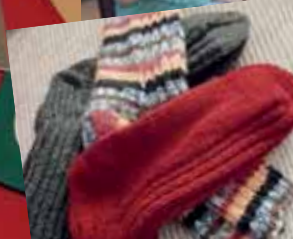


Rugby
Sailing
Skiing
Soccer
Softball
Squash
Sumo
Surfing
Swimming



Taekwondo
Tennis
Volleyball
Weightlifting
Wrestling







Social distancing can still be social

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

April - June 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...

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 or by contacting the event organiser.

Date/Time and Event			Meeting ID	Code	Contact
April					
2	2pm	Marie Curie Charity	910 7968 6020	1810	paul.fitton@oddfellows.co.uk
3	3pm	Easter Fun Afternoon	872 9621 0277		sarah.north@oddfellows.co.uk
9	10.30am	Social Prescribers	940 0419 6205		emma.leighton@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
14	7pm	Charity Schools in York	894 5983 8236		peter.needham@oddfellows.co.uk
15	7pm	A Question of Taste? – Henderson's Relish	829 8042 3134	1810	toni.siddall@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
22	7.30pm	Peculiar Words and Phrases	835 7286 6270	1810	sarah.robinson@oddfellows.co.uk
23	10.30am	Nutrition and Wellness Talk	916 0511 4104		emma.leighton@oddfellows.co.uk
28	2pm	Discovering Family History	853 5928 5951		helen.bullock@oddfellows.co.uk

May

5	2pm	And So To Ted	853 5928 5951		helen.bullock@oddfellows.co.uk
5	7pm	My Derbyshire Life'	821 0037 5056	200051	toni.siddall@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
19	2pm	Sing Along	896 1081 9201		helen.bullock@oddfellows.co.uk
25	4pm	Skeletons in the Cupboard	910 7968 6020	1810	paul.fitton@oddfellows.co.uk
27	7.30pm	Winston Churchill "I'll be sober in the morning"	847 8664 4646	1810	sarah.robinson@oddfellows.co.uk

June

1	4pm	Oddfellows Membership Benefits	910 7968 6020	1810	paul.fitton@oddfellows.co.uk
8	4pm	The Lives and Music of The Everly Brothers	910 7968 6020	1810	paul.fitton@oddfellows.co.uk
11	2pm	Blasts from the Past	910 7968 6020	1810	paul.fitton@oddfellows.co.uk
18	2pm	John Scott Cree's Christmas Special	910 7968 6020	1810	paul.fitton@oddfellows.co.uk
22	4pm	Your Hundred Best Tunes	910 7968 6020	1810	paul.fitton@oddfellows.co.uk
29	4pm	60s Karaoke	910 7968 6020	1810	paul.fitton@oddfellows.co.uk

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. We'll never share your details with any third party without your consent.

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
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
2nd Tues 7.30pm	Games, quizzes and more	860 2803 8495	-	dawn.taylor@oddfellows.co.uk

Weekly events

Below are events that occur every week – for a full description visit 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
Monday				
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

Tuesday

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

Wednesday

11am	National Coffee Morning	988 3920 7187	-	peter.needham@oddfellows.co.uk
3pm	Fun Quiz – Open to all	854 769 23503	-	debbie.jex@oddfellows.co.uk
6pm	Tai Chi	873 2888 5615	-	sarah.north@oddfellows.co.uk

Thursday

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
11am	Coffee Morning	798 2731 5650	-	sarah.north@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

Friday

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

Saturday

11am	Fun, Quiz and Games	894 5983 8236		peter.needham@oddfellows.co.uk
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Sunday

5pm	Facebook Live @ 5 Quiz	www.facebook.com/Oddfellowslpswich		wendy.atkins@oddfellows.co.uk
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***please contact the event organiser to register in advance of the event**

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	984 8355 1408	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
1st and Last Fri	10.30am	Corona Club Coffee Morning	231 522 2288	1810	judith.cotton@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

Branches raise over £145,000 for good causes in 2020

A big part of the Oddfellows is about giving back. We're run by our members, for our members, and that means providing them with the support they, their friends, family and communities may need.

The societal impact of the worldwide pandemic and nationwide lockdowns truly showed us the importance of coming together as a community. And despite many facing funding and resource crises themselves, charitable organisations stepped up to play a huge part in helping people to get through the struggles of last year.

To show our continued support, our UK Branches raised £145,742.59 for good causes in 2020.

Jane Nelson, CEO of the Oddfellows, says: "In one way or another, we've all needed somebody to lean on at various points during the pandemic, so it's wonderful to see how our Branches and members have been helping their local communities and good causes."

Oddfellows Branches and members also made significant contributions to Society fundraising initiatives during the past year, such as our Coronavirus Emergency

Appeal, in which £19,210 was raised to split between The Silver Line and the National Emergencies Trust.

Our 115 UK Branches regularly donate to a long list of local organisations and charities. From supporting homeless shelters through to funding public defibrillators, they work tirelessly to help make their towns great places to live for people of all ages, from all walks of life. Here are a few examples...

Nottingham Trent Oddfellows

Sponsored a local mum with £550 who was raising money for the Children with Cancer charity by running a marathon across town. Every day, 12 families are given the heartbreaking news that their child has cancer, and CWC funds over 60 research projects which all work towards giving children the very best chance of survival.



Mid-Staffordshire Oddfellows

donated £1,000 to Midland Air Ambulance Charity, which has air bases in Staffordshire, Shropshire and Worcestershire, and provides emergency care in hard-to-reach places.



North Gloucestershire Oddfellows

donated £6,000 to Merton House Hotel to get it back on its feet after early closures in 2020 due to government restrictions. Merton House Hotel offers respite and convalescence care to a number of Oddfellows members.

The Great Berkhamstead District

donated £2,000 to a local school last year that runs a charity called "No Child Without". Many children were left at a disadvantage following school closures, due to a lack of access to tablets and laptops at home. No Child Without makes sure that every child has the basic necessities to learn, no matter their background.

Nene and Welland Oddfellows

raised £1,000, plus £400 worth of food and bedding for the Exotic Pet Refuge, which runs entirely on public donations to support its menagerie of wolves, snakes, monkeys and meerkats – to name a few!



Leigh and Bolton Oddfellows

donated £500 to Bolton Hospice, which offers local support for people with life-limiting or terminal illnesses. The hospice costs £4 million per year to provide its specialist care.

If there's a cause close to your heart which you'd like to support, have a chat with your local Branch Secretary, and share some of your fundraising ideas with them.

Apprenticeship Educational Awards 2020

Each year, we offer members who are undertaking an apprenticeship the opportunity to apply for a financial grant to help them with their training. Applications are open from March each year, until 31 December, and of those who apply, three members are selected by our Fraternal Board to receive **£250 for every year of their studies.**

Meet our 2021 Apprenticeship Educational Award Winners!

Fenton Gaymer, 16, is completing a plumbing apprenticeship at Gayges Ltd in Swanley, Kent, through Bexley College.

He says: "I'm really excited to start my career in plumbing. It's an essential service and I feel that there will always be a need for plumbers. An apprenticeship is a great way to begin a career, as it offers the opportunity to earn a wage whilst learning a skill, meaning that when I'm fully qualified, I'll be able to get started straight away."

Jack Lockwood, 18, is completing an apprenticeship in Carpentry with Alan Bender Ltd in Colchester, through the Colchester Institute.

He says: "I'm hoping to put as much of it as I can towards a van and some tools to help me get set up in the trade."



Fenton, Jack and Rhianna

My Grandad was a carpenter, but I really got into woodwork at school. It's always satisfying to see a project from start to finish, and feel proud that you've created it yourself."

Rhianna Lees, 17, is completing an apprenticeship in Manufacturing Engineering at Rolls Royce in Derby, through the University of Sheffield.

She says: "I'm extremely grateful for the award. It will go a long way in helping me to purchase essential course textbooks. My mum's always encouraged me and my twin brother to dream big and go for what we want. She's really made me who I am today."

We also offer Educational Awards for members who are undertaking their first University Degree. If you'd like to be considered for our First Degree Course Educational Awards, contact your Branch Secretary for an application form. The deadline is 31 August each year, and member eligibility applies.

Peak District Friendship Tour

Oddfellows Travel is hosting a special three night guided tour of the Peak District. All members and their guests are invited.



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Can you name these logos on page 6

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|------------------------------|--|
| 1. British Heart Foundation | 17. Aston Villa Football Club |
| 2. Ferrari | 18. Premier League Football |
| 3. Lloyds Bank | 19. Dodge Viper |
| 4. Alfa Romeo | 20. Toblerone |
| 5. Nationwide | 21. Shell |
| 6. Barclays Bank | 22. Brighton and Hove Albion |
| 7. Tottenham Hotspur | 23. Ellesse |
| 8. Raleigh Bikes | 24. NBC - National Broadcasting (USA) |
| 9. UK Space Agency | 25. Burger King |
| 10. Bedford Blues Rugby Club | 26. Cancer Research |
| 11. Bentley Cars | 27. Arsenal Football Club |
| 12. Hallmark Cards | 28. Playstation |
| 13. Le Coq Sportif | 29. British Medical Association |
| 14. Subaru | 30. BAFTA's - British Academy of Film and Television |
| 15. Bank of America | |
| 16. ING Bank | |

Riddle Time on page 7

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|---|---|
| 1. A thumb | 12. The shadow of an elephant |
| 2. Your name | 13. Someone |
| 3. Fingerprints | 14. An anchor |
| 4. Dozens | 15. Your right elbow |
| 5. The boat has not sunk. All the people on the boat are married. | 16. She is Trevor's sister |
| 6. Stone | 17. His car door |
| 7. He was walking | 18. The letter E |
| 8. The letter W | 19. One, as that is the only one you took away and that is all that you have. The rest still remain where there were. |
| 9. One brick - complete a building | 20. A secret |
| 10. Neither, roosters don't lay eggs | |
| 11. Prison. | |

Anagrams – Classic British Food on page 8

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|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Bangers and Mash | 11. Lancashire Hotpot |
| 2. Beef Wellington | 12. Cornish Pasty |
| 3. Black Pudding | 13. Ploughman's Lunch |
| 4. Bubble and Squeak | 14. Steak and Kidney Pie |
| 5. Cauliflower Cheese | 15. Toad in the Hole |
| 6. Cottage Pie | 16. Welsh Rarebit |
| 7. Mince and Tatties | 17. Yorkshire Pudding |
| 8. Fish and Chips | 18. Chicken Supreme |
| 9. Strawberries and Cream | 19. Roast Beef |
| 10. Irish Stew | 20. Cullen Skink |

Do you remember old money? on page 9

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|---|--|
| 1. 240 | 13. 960. |
| 2. One shilling (or 5p) | 14. They contained at least 50% real silver |
| 3. Twenty | 15. A farthing |
| 4. Twelve | 16. Six pence |
| 5. Two shillings and six pence | 17. The Golden Hind (or the Pelican) |
| 6. Five pence | 18. Libra Solidus Denarius |
| 7. D | 19. 7d (seven pence) |
| 8. A guinea, it was £1 and one shilling or £1.05, a sovereign was a pound and a crown was five shillings or 25p. | 20. Cupronickel |
| 9. Twelve | 21. English and Scottish |
| 10. Half a crown. Half a crown is two shillings and six pence, a florin is two shillings and sixpence is half a shilling. | 22. 1993. Bonus: Which coin was it? Answer: A florin |
| 11. A quarter of an old penny | 23. 13 March 1961 |
| 12. Twenty-one shillings or £1.05 | 24. 1951 (Festival of Britain), 1953 (The Queen's Coronation), 1960 (no reason), 1965 (the death of Sir Winston Churchill) |

General Knowledge on page 10

- The blue whale
- France
- Twice - in 2013 against Novak Djokovic and in 2016 against Milos Raonic
- 1869
- Reykjavik
- Forrest Gump (1994), Catch Me If You Can (2002), The Terminal (2004), Bridge of Spies (2015)
- 1.6km
- Hazelnut
- David Jason
- Netherlands
- The Dalai Lama
- First: Alabama. Last: Wyoming
- Margate
- Leonardo Da Vinci
- Coco Chanel
- Four - the mitral, tricuspid, aortic and pulmonic valves
- A kit
- The masseter - the main jaw muscle
- Mercury
- Russia
- Any of the following 14 countries: Andorra, Austria, Belarus, Czech Republic, Hungary, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Macedonia, Moldova, San Marino, Serbia, Slovakia, Switzerland, and Vatican City.
- A poppy
- July
- Mark Drakeford
- Helium

Sports Wordsearch on page 11

