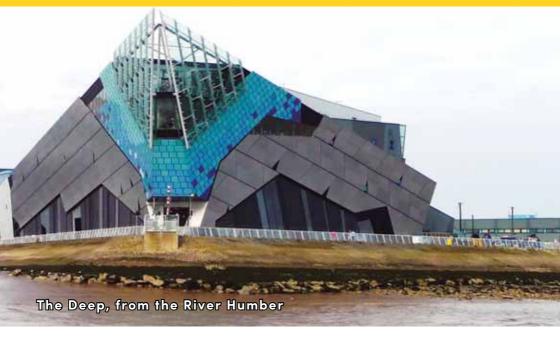


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#### **Humber Wolds District Branch**





Music



Art/Crafts



**Online** 



Dining Out



Walks



Games



Day Trip



**Meetings** 



**Social** 



Talks



Coffee Morning/ Afternoon Tea



Quiz



Day Out to Filey - Tea at Piebald Inn, Hunmanby - Thursday 25 July

### A very warm welcome to our new Events Diary which runs from June – December 2024

Reading through it you will notice many events for you to take part in. Please always feel free to bring along a relative or a friend who has yet to join our Society. You will note there is an open afternoon on Saturday 3 August which is available to all members and especially nonmembers who would like to learn more about the Oddfellows and the benefits our Society has to offer.

Many of our events in the diary request a booking deadline. Please try to remember these dates and adhere to them as it really does help in the organisation and cost.

#### **Contact Details**

Branch Secretary: Neil Smith Telephone: 01482 859234

Email:

neil.smith@oddfellows.co.uk

Social Organiser: Val Smith Telephone: 07713 820743

Email: val.smith@oddfellows.com

Quiz and Bingo and Lunch and Chat:

Chris Cole

Telephone: 07746 425554

Have a browse through the diary and make a note of any event you wish to attend. For further information on any of the events please do not hesitate in contacting our Social Organiser Val on 07713 820743 or email val.smith@oddfellows.com, or indeed any of our member contacts in the Events Diary.

Also, please follow us on Facebook at Humber Wolds Oddfellows as this helps spread the word that Oddfellows is a great society where members can make new friends, try different activities knowing support is there.

#### A bit about us...

The Oddfellows is a not-for-profit friendly society that's been around for over 200 years. Our aim is to bring people together through our social events, as well as support our members with a range of benefits and services. For more information visit www.oddfellows.co.uk or call 0800 028 1810 to speak to one of our team.

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### **June 2024**



#### **Teatime Get Together** at Beech Tree Pub





Cost of your own drinks/meals





Come along to the Beech Tree Pub in the heart of Kirk Ella. With plenty of parking, the Beech



Tree Pub is a traditional pub serving a good selection of food and drinks. Join us for the first of our regular monthly teatime specials with the chance of winning a free meal\* for one for the next one in July! Members and guests welcome. Menu can be viewed online at www.emberinns.com or requested from Val. Menu choices needed by Tuesday 28 May. The Beech Tree Pub, South Ella Way, Kirk Ella, Hull HU10 7LS. Contact Val on 07713 820743. \*Competition rules apply.



#### Lunch and Chat at **Cranswick Garden** Centre





Come along for a chinwag and a spot of lunch, be it a sandwich or a full blown meal - it is up to you. You may even pick up a bargain if browsing around the garden centre as well! Everyone welcome and bring along a friend or two, even if they are not members. Cranswick Garden Centre, Burn Butts Lane, Hutton Cranswick YO25 9IN. Contact Chris on 07746 425554 for further information.





#### Fun Games Night -**Darts Tournament**



7.30pm







180! Fancy yourself as an Eric Bristow or Phil Taylor? You don't need to be anywhere near as good as they were, so come along to the Beverley C Club (formerly the Conservative Club). Teams of four to compete in a friendly tournament to become the Humber Wolds District Branch Dart Champions. Darts provided but if you have them, you can bring your own. Light buffet provided and bar available. Members, guests and friends welcome! Book by Monday 17 June. Beverley Conservative Club, Wylies Road, Beverley HU17 7AP. Contact Val on 07713 820743.

### **June 2024**



#### Speakers Afternoon -The Wheels Off the Bus



·) 2pm

Please come along to

and welcome Angela

Beaumont who will

our speaker's afternoon



be sharing her travel adventures with us. Titled 'The Wheels Off the Bus', 18 people, including Angela, traveled and lived on a double decker bus from London to Kathmandu, Nepal. She will share the trials and thrills of three months on a dangerous but exciting road trip through 14 different countries in a reliable bus! Tea or coffee provided and a bar is available. Members and guests welcome. Book by Monday 17 June. The Manor Farm Pub, (formerly The Wildfowler) held in the private dining room., 194 Willerby Road, Hull HU5 5|W. Contact Val on 07713 820743.

### July



### Teatime Get Together at Country Park Inn



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Cost of your own drinks/meals



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### **Neptune Branch Lunch**



**—)** 12.30pm



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Please come along and join the Neptune Branch in celebrating friendship and togetherness.



The Branch's centennial is soon approaching, so please support our friends and enjoy a convivial lunch together at the Kellington Manor near Goole. The hotel is nestled in the heart of Yorkshire and was originally built as a lavish gentleman's residence. Lunch menu and prices to be confirmed. Meeting at 12.30pm for 1pm. Book by Thursday 13 June. Kellington Manor, Whales Lane, Kellington, Goole DN14 OSB. For further details please contact John on 01482 569030.



Come along to the Country Park Inn under the Humber Bridge with fantastic views of the estuary. Plenty of parking, but there is a charge which can be redeemed at the bar. Join us for our regular monthly teatime get togethers with the chance of winning a free meal\* for one for the next one in August. Members and guests welcome. Menu can be viewed online at www.thecountrypark.co.uk. Book by Tuesday 25 June. The Country Park Inn, Cliff Road, Hessle HU13 0HB. Contact Val on 07713 820743. \*Competition rules apply.

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### July



#### Lunch and Chat at Hornsea Garden Centre



**)** 12 noon



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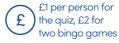
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### Day Out to Filey – Tea at Piebald Inn, Hunmanby



11.30am

further information.

£

Members £10 for coach, Guests £15 for coach, plus pay your own meal



Join us on a coach trip to Filey, a charming seaside town and civil parish in North Yorkshire. With its beautiful sandy beaches, coastal walks and traditional seaside attractions, Filey is a hidden gem steeped in history going back to the Ancient Roman era, right up to Victorian times. Then onwards to the famous Piebald Inn for tea. The Piebald Inn, situated in Hunmanby has a menu of



around 52 different pie fillings, one for each week of the year! An alternative menu is available if pies aren't for you. Menus available from Val. Choices needed in advance please. Coach pick-up points likely to be Willerby and Beverley, but please contact Val for precise locations. We will be returning home from Hunmanby around 6.45pm. Book by Friday 28 June. Piebald Inn, 65 Sands Lane, Humnanby, Filey YO14 OLT. Contact Val on 07713 820743.

### July



#### Speakers Afternoon -Relaxation Techniques



2pm





Please come along to our speaker's afternoon and welcome Lynne Bartle, a registered Hypnotherapist. Lynne will be talking to us about pain management, anxiety, stress relief and relaxation techniques. Tea or coffee provided and a bar is available. Members and guests welcome. Book by Monday 22 July. The Manor Farm Pub, (formerly The Wildfowler) held in the private dining room, 194 Willerby Road, Hull HU5 5JW. Contact Val on 07713 820743.

### **August**

### August



### Teatime Get Together at Half Moon Pub





Cost of your own drinks/meals



Come along to the Half Moon Pub in Skidby. Famously known for its giant Yorkshire puddings. With plenty of parking.



Join us for of our regular monthly teatime specials with the chance of winning a free meal\* for one for the next one in September! Members and guests welcome. Menu can be viewed online at www.halfmoonskidby.com. Book by Tuesday 30 July. The Half Moon, 16 Main Street, Skidby HU19 5GT. Contact Val on 07713 820743. \*Competition rules apply.



### **Oddfellows Member Open Afternoon**



1.45pm



Free



An open afternoon with the Oddfellows. Learn more about the Independent Order of Oddfellows and what it means to become a member of this respected non profit and mutual Society. Find friendship and support at the Oddfellows. The afternoon will include presentations, talks and a guest speaker. Why not meet up with other members who can tell you even more about the benefits of Oddfellowship? A buffet, tea or coffee are provided and a bar is available. There is ample car parking at the rear of the venue or on the village green outside Cottingham Civic Hall. Please confirm if you intend to attend and it would be great if you brought a friend or two along on the day! Book by Monday 22 July. King William Public House (Function room), 152 Hallgate, Cottingham HU16 4BD. Contact Neil on 01482 859234 or Val on 07713 820743.

### **August**



#### Lunch and Chat at Gilberdyke Garden Centre



12 noon



As per menu



Fun Games Night –
Darts Tournament







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### **New York Dance Band Concert**



12 noon



£ ) Members £5, Guests £7.20, plus cost of meal



Come along to Burnby Hall and Gardens Pocklington and be prepared to tap your feet to the New York Dance Band and enjoy their vocalist singing some of the greatest music of the swing era. Band begins at 2pm sharp but please meet outside the Burnby Hall main entrance by 12



noon. Please bring your own folding chairs, blankets etc. Then, afterwards why not join us around 4.30pm for a Sunday lunch at The Three Cups at Stamford Bridge? The Three Cups offer a varied Sunday menu to suit all budgets. The Three Cups, York Road, Stamford Bridge YO41 1AX. See website at www.vintageinns.co.uk. Book by Friday 2 August. Burnby Hall Gardens, 33 The Balk, Pocklington YO42 2QF. Contact Val on 07713 820743.

### **August**



Speakers Afternoon -'Why (not how) men and women think in different ways'







Please come along to our speaker's afternoon and welcome Paul Smith who is



giving us a talk entitled 'Why (not how) men and women think in different ways'. I hasten to add this is a light hearted talk! Tea or coffee provided and a bar is available. Members and quests welcome. Book by Monday 12 August. The Manor Farm Pub, (formerly The Wildfowler) held in the private dining room., 194 Willerby Road, Hull HU5 5JW. Contact Val on 07713 820743.

### **Half Yearly Meeting**







The Half Yearly District Branch Meeting is an agenda led meeting covering all aspects of the Branch financial, member, social and care matters. At this meeting you have the opportunity to have input on the review of the Branch so far and its future. All members welcome. Beverley Conservative Club, Wylies Road, Beverley HU17 7AP. Contact Neil on 01482 859234.

### September

### **ODDFELLOWS** FRIENDSHIP MONTH

1 - 30 SEPTEMBER















**Teatime Get Together** at Sandpiper Pub





Cost of your own drinks/meals



Come along to the Sandpiper Pub at Melton, with plenty of parking and a welcoming atmosphere. Join us for our regular monthly teatime get togethers with the chance of winning a free meal\* for one for the next one in October! Members and auests welcome. Menu can be viewed online at www.sandpiperpub.co.uk. Book by Tuesday 27 August. The Sandpiper, Melton Fields, Melton, North Ferriby HU14 3FQ. Contact Val on 07713 820743. \*Competition rules apply.



### September





#### Lunch and Chat at Cranswick Garden Centre



12 noon

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### Friendship Month Meal



**-)** 1.30pm





Join us and some of our friends from the Cleveland and Durham District for our Friendship Month lunch on the edge of the lovely North Yorkshire Moors National Park at the Fox & Rabbit, Lockton, near Pickering. Transport and menu details to follow. Book by Friday 6 September. Fox & Rabbit, Lockton, Pickering YO18 7NQ. Please contact Chris on 07746 425554 for further information.

### September

#### ODDFFLLOWS **FRIENDSHIP MONTH**

1 - 30 SEPTEMBER













#### Friendship Month Speaker's Afternoon with Buffet









Please come along to our Friendship Month speaker's afternoon and welcome our aood friend Paul Schofield who will



be talking on Local History. Paul's talks are always very informative so we hope today's talk is one of many more to come. Buffet will be provided. Members and guests welcome. Book by Monday 23 September. The Manor Farm Pub, (formerly The Wildfowler) held in the private dining room., 194 Willerby Road, Hull HU5 5JW. Contact Val on 07713 820743.

### October



### **Teatime Get Together** at Old Grey Mare





Cost of your own drinks/meals



Come along to the Old Grey Mare opposite Hull University, entrance on Cottingham Road, Hull. Plenty of parking but please remember to enter your car registration number on the keypad as you enter the pub to avoid a penalty charge. Join us for our regular monthly teatime get together. Members and guests welcome. Menu can be viewed online at www.greeneking.co.uk. Book by Tuesday 24 September. The Old Grey Mare, 193 Cottingham Road, Hull HU5 2EG. Contact Val on 07713 820743.



### Join the fun in Friendship Month

Make someone's day and invite them along to share the friendship fun.

All welcome

**ODDFELLOWS** FRIENDSHIP MONTH 1-30 SEPTEMBER **(\*)** (\*) (\*) (\*)



To see what's on and find out more about Friendship Month visit www.friendshipmonth.com

### **Oddfellows Extra**

- big brand offers and savings



From cinema tickets, holidays and new cars to grocery shopping, health spas and home insurance – Oddfellows Extra\* can help you save on life's little extras or necessities.

Oddfellows Extra is an online collection of money-saving discounts and offers from many well-known brands and major retailers.

All Oddfellows Extra deals are open to Standard members and members with Extra Benefits from day one, for no extra charge.

#### **Access Oddfellows Extra**

If you're a member, sign in to the Member's Area and select 'Oddfellows Extra' from the member offers section. If you've not yet registered for the Member's Area, there are instructions on how to do so on our website: www.oddfellows.co.uk/login

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\*Terms and conditions apply to all benefits. Visit the Oddfellows Extra website for details.



### At a glance

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Thurs 6	Neptune Branch Meeting	7.30pm
Thurs 13	Lunch and Chat at Cranswick Garden Centre	12 noon
Wed 19	Humber Wolds District Branch Meeting	7pm
Fri 21	Fun Games Night - Darts Tournament	7.30pm
Mon 24	Speakers Afternoon – The Wheels Off the Bus	2pm
Thurs 27	Neptune Branch Lunch	12.30pm
July Tues 2	Teatime Get Together at Country Park Inn	5pm
Thurs 11	Lunch and Chat at Hornsea Garden Centre	12 noon
Wed 17	Humber Wolds District Branch Meeting	7pm
Thurs 25	Day Out to Filey - Tea at Piebald Inn, Hunmanby	11.30am
Fri 26	Quiz and Bingo	7.30pm
Mon 29	Speakers Afternoon – Relaxation Techniques	2pm
August Thurs 1	Neptune Branch Meeting	7.30pm
Sat 3	Oddfellows Member Open Afternoon	1.45pm
Tues 6	Teatime Get Together at Half Moon Pub	5pm
Thurs 8	Lunch and Chat at Gilberdyke Garden Centre	12 noon
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Mon 30	Friendship Month Speaker's Afternoon with Buffet	2pm
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Thurs 3	Neptune Branch Meeting	7.30pm
Thurs 10	Lunch and Chat at Hornsea Garden Centre	12 noon
Wed 16	Humber Wolds District Branch Meeting	7pm
Fri 25	Fun Games Night - Darts Tournament	7.30pm
Mon 28	Speakers Afternoon – Life of Amy Johnson	2pm
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Wed 20	Humber Wolds District Branch Meeting	7pm
Mon 25	Speakers Afternoon – Yorkshire's Vanishing Coastline	2pm
Fri 29	Quiz and Bingo	7.30pm
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Mon 9	Christmas Lunch and Optional Stroll	10.30am
Wed 18	Humber Wolds District Branch Meeting	7pm
Fri 20	Las Vegas Experience: Christmas by Candlelight!	7pm



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 your Branch Secretary on page 2.

### 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@citizensadvicemanchester.org.uk



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

\*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 EDCWA50223

### October



Lunch and Chat at Hornsea Garden Centre



12 noon





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Speakers Afternoon – Life of Amy Johnson







Come along for a chinwag and a spot of lunch, be it a sandwich or a full blown meal – it is up to you. You may even pick up a bargain if browsing around the garden centre as well! Everyone welcome and bring along a friend or two, even if they are not members. Hornsea Garden Centre, Sigglesthorne, Hornsea HU11 5QL. Contact Chris on 07746 425554 for further information.



Please come along to our speaker's afternoon and welcome Michelle Beadle who is talking to the group today about the life of Amy Johnson, the



pioneering English pilot who was born in Hull and was the first woman to fly solo from London to Australia. Tea or coffee provided and a bar is available. Members and guests welcome. Book by Monday 21 October. The Manor Farm Pub, (formerly The Wildfowler) held in the private dining room., 194 Willerby Road, Hull HU5 5JW. Contact Val on 07713 820743.



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### November



Lunch and Chat at Gilberdyke Garden Centre



12 noon





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Speakers Afternoon – Yorkshire's Vanishing Coastline



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Please come along to our speaker's afternoon and welcome Malcom Brooke who is talking to us on Yorkshire's Vanishing Coastline. A meze of coastal erosion stories with some military history. Tea or coffee provided and a bar is available. Members and guests welcome. Book by Monday 18 November. The Manor Farm Pub, (formerly The Wildfowler) held in the private dining room., 194 Willerby Road, Hull HU5 5JW. Contact Val on 07713 820743.



<sup>FRI</sup> 29

#### **Quiz and Bingo**



**)** 7.30pm



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### December



### **Neptune Branch Lunch**



12.30pm



Please come along and join the





L)<sub>10.30am</sub>



**Optional Stroll** 

**Christmas Lunch and** 



Come along for a leisurely return stroll along Bridlington beach front from the Belvedere Parade car park to the spa for a coffee, etc and then on to the Manor Court at Carnaby for our Christmas lunch, meeting at 1pm for 1.30pm. Menu and cost to follow. Book by Saturday 30 November, Manor Court, Carnaby, Bridlington YO16 4UJ. Further details from Christine on 07746 425554.



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### Las Vegas Experience: **Christmas by Candlelight!**





£ ) See below

The UK's Premier Las Vegas show. Experience the magic of Christmas at the iconic Hull Minster. Enjoy an unforgettable evening filled with all your favourite Christmas songs with a Las Vegas twist! All under festive candlelight. Tickets are limited so



book early. Cost: £20 for members (excellent seats) and £25 for quests (excellent seats). £5 deposit needed. Please pay in full by Monday 9 December. Book by Monday 25 November. Hull Minster, South Church Side, HULL HU1 1RR. Contact Val on 07713 820743.

### The fun we had in 2023...

#### **Christmas Meal**



**Quiz Night** 



Friendship Month



A Friendship Month meal out



### **Society News**



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### Society-funded cancer research on track

The Centre
for Cancer
Immunology,
current
beneficiaries of
the Society's HA
Andrews Memorial
Fund, recently
received its second
donation instalment.



Nur updating AMC last year

The Centre, based at the University of Southampton, was

chosen as the recipient of the £100,000 grant, split over three years, in 2022. The money is sponsoring the PhD studies of Nur Zainal, who is looking into a specific gene which it is believed can be manipulated to target cancer cells in a new vaccine.

#### Nur's first year

The first year of Nur's studies has been spent preparing for the execution of her PhD project over the next three years. She has been learning appropriate techniques, skills and procedures, as well as being introduced to theories and connecting with relevant research groups.

Nur, who travelled to the UK from Malaysia with her family to undertake the PhD, said: "I believe the invaluable experiences and knowledge I have acquired over the past year have equipped me to be a more productive and capable student.

"I would like to extend my heartfelt gratitude to the Oddfellows for their support in making my studies possible."

#### On the right path

Some of Nur's work on 3D cell culture – growing cancer cells in a way that more closely resembles the environment they experience in our bodies than traditional 2D cell culture – is included in a manuscript which will be published in a major international journal, for which she will be listed as a co-author.

Dr Tim Fenton, Associate Professor in Cancer Biology, says Nur has "excelled during her first year", adding: "We hope that Nur's studies will lead to improvements in the design of cancer



Dr Tim Fenton

vaccines, which is a key theme in the work being undertaken at the Centre for Cancer Immunology here in Southampton."

#### **HA Andrews Memorial Fund**

The Fund provides financial support to UK-based medical research projects or organisations. For more information about the Fund, and how you can donate, go to www.oddfellows.co.uk/ha-andrews

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### Our fantastic four

Congratulations to 2023's First Degree Course Educational Awards winners. George, Benedict, Jamie and Charlotte will each receive £3,600 over the next four years of their respective university courses to help ease the financial pressures of student life and create opportunities.

#### George LeBon Heart of Norfolk Branch member

George began his studies at the University of Southampton in September 2023 – a fouryear course in Computer Science with Cybersecurity.



His dream job is to become a "white hat hacker", which he explained is someone who is "hired by companies to try and hack into their databases and report back the vulnerabilities".

He says he and his family were overjoyed to discover he'd be receiving the funding and has thanked the Society, adding: "It will go towards buying textbooks so I can enhance my knowledge further and better understand the industry that I want to work in."

### **Benedict Weis**

#### Leodis Branch member

Benedict hasn't yet decided what his ideal future job role might be. He is studying Aerospace Engineering at Queen's University Belfast and hopes a career path might become clearer over the next few years.

Since starting in September 2023, Benedict has joined the University's rowing club and the money will help him pay for training camps and trips, which he says will allow him to study



more effectively without worrying as much about his finances.

"I would like to thank the Oddfellows for the award and just to say how grateful I am for it," he said. Society News Issue 25

### Jamie Messett Loyal Lord Byron Branch member

Jamie started his first of four years of Chemistry at the University of Oxford's Balliol College in October 2023, and will put the money towards



money towards learning materials. He would like his future to be in the pharmaceutical industry, but a PhD and a career in research is also a potential avenue.

He said: "Nobody should underestimate how valuable funding can be towards determining how well a student performs.
"I would like to thank everyone involved in helping me with this award, and also everyone involved with providing the funding."

## Charlotte Stevenson, Pride of Woolwich Branch member

Charlotte started her four-year course in Physics and Philosophy at the University of Oxford's Brasenose College in October 2023.

She is hoping to do a PhD in astrophysics and then continue researching within the field beyond that.



The funding will allow her to take part in unpaid researc

unpaid research programmes during university holidays, covering the cost of travel, accommodation and food, as well as contributing to the cost of textbooks and other resources. She said: "This award will be an immense help throughout my degree and I'm so, so grateful to have received it."

Grand Master (Chairman) of the Society, Barbara Needham, said: "Ordinarily, we hand out three First Degree Course Educational Awards each year, but such was the strength of the applications of this year's winners that we felt they all deserved the financial boost. "I'm delighted for all four of them, and I wish them every success over the next few years at university and beyond."

For more information and T&Cs, visit www.oddfellows.co.uk/educational-awards

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### Striving for a greener future

The Oddfellows is committed to being as green as possible. That's why we've been calculating and offsetting our annual carbon footprint since 1 April 2020.

Between 1 April 2022 and 31 March 2023. 106.38 tonnes of CO2e was recorded as being produced



through the operations of our Liverpool and Manchester offices and associated transport activities, which includes our financial services brand, Unity Mutual.

Although this figure is up 5.4% on the previous year, benchmarked against employee numbers, carbon emissions have remained almost constant (up 0.2%).

The Oddfellows' CEO, Jane Nelson, said: "Our focus is to keep learning through our assessments and to make incremental changes to the way we operate so we can bring our greenhouse gas emissions down and play our part in tackling climate change."

The Society's aim is to be Net Zero, where our carbon emissions are as low as possible. As a last resort, we have offset our 2022-23 carbon footprint by funding carbon dioxide-saving initiatives, including in Eritrea, Cambodia, Brazil, Bulgaria and India.

Jane added: "Climate change is real. It's the greatest environmental challenge we've ever faced. But there is hope, because we can all do something about it."

### **Investing in futures**

Unity Mutual discovered a genuine interest in its children's savings accounts – a topic many grandparents and parents hadn't considered before – while at the 2023 Baby and Toddler Show in Manchester.

The Junior ISA (JISA), offered in partnership with Mini First Aid to include a free paediatric first aid course\*, turned heads, especially when parents realised once they'd set it up, anyone could contribute.



Unity Mutual at the Baby and Toddler show

Unity Mutual's Head of Sales and Marketing, Abi Jones, said: "No more brainstorming gift ideas for that first birthday or Christmas - a shared investment in a secure future sparked enthusiasm. Because, sometimes, the best gifts are the ones that grow over time." \*T&Cs apply.

### Interested in volunteering?

Helping others is at the heart of being an Oddfellow and that's exactly what our wonderful volunteers do. There are lots of ways you can get involved as a volunteer, from one-off help to regular support.

#### You can help us by:

- Welcoming members, guests and speakers at events
- Helping prepare refreshments
- Being the volunteer host at external events
- Organising events as part of a social committee
- Joining the Committee of Management
- Becoming a Volunteer Welfare Visitor or befriender.

To find out more, contact Neil by phone on 01482 859234, or email at neil.smith@oddfellows.co.uk

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### **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. Social distancing regulations maybe in place. All meetings are subject to confirmation, please contact the Branch Secretaries to confirm. See below for further meeting details.

#### **District Branch Meeting**

All members are welcome to our monthly meeting at the at 7pm. Contact Neil on 01482 859234 for more information.

7 Jarratt Street, Hull

19 June

21 August

16 October

18 December

#### **Beverley Conservative Club**

17 July 18 September 20 November

Humber Wolds District Branch Half Yearly Meeting Saturday 31 August, 1pm Beverley Conservative Club, Wylies Road, Beverley HU17 7AP.

#### Neptune Branch of Past Grands

The Oddfellows has a long and rich history and this meeting celebrates some of our traditions. For more information contact John on 01482 569030.

This meeting of past Noble Grands/ Chairman is open to all qualifying members of the Society. 7 Jarratt Street, Hull HU1 3HB at 7.30pm.

6 June 1 August 3 October

### **REFER A FRIEND**

# Share the love and make someone smile

To refer someone you know and make their day, either fill in the Refer a Friend form available from your Branch Secretary, or call Membership on 0800 028 1810, or visit our Members' Area at www.oddfellows.co.uk



