

# Just Good Friends March 2023 Newsletter

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March Regular Schedule		
Monday	1pm	The Links Pub, Heeley Road, St Annes - Dancing, Dominoes, Darts, Pool, Bingo.
Tuesday	1pm	Fun & laughter at The Vic Pub, Church Rd, St Annes - alternate weeks with Roy Rolland and Johnny Roxx
Wednesday	10.30am - 12 noon 12.30pm	The Palace at 18, Garden Street, St Annes - tea/coffee & chat Lunch with Just Good Friends after the above meeting. Various venues. See page 3 for more details.
Thursday	2pm 7pm	Meet-up at Bernie Worsfold's house. Please speak to Bev for details. Water's Edge is our new venue for Curry Night. Join us for a meal at 7pm. Contact Bev (no. above) or Kelvin on 07534 890426. For more info see page 3.
Saturday	2pm - 4pm	Well Community Centre, St Albans Road, St Annes - Tea and chat with speakers & activities. Word game - Bingo - Music - see March Programme below.

#### **Meetings with Trustees**

We hope you all enjoyed the Members' meetings which were held on a Wednesday and Saturday by our Trustees. Hopefully you will now have a better idea of what goes on behind the scenes. If you do have any further questions please don't hesitate in contacting myself or our Trustees.

#### **Charity Race Night**

Just Good Friends are really pleased to sponsor St Annes Rotary for their Charity Race Night on the 10<sup>th</sup> March from 6.30 pm at Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish Centre, St Albans Road, St Annes. Tickets are £10 per person which includes a Hot Pot Supper.

It's going to be fun so please let Joanne know if you would like to support St Annes Rotary. There will be a further Race Night later on in the year that Bernie is planning for a fundraiser and details will follow nearer the time.

We asked what you would like for our next fundraiser and the agreed decision was **Play Your Cards Right and Quiz. This will take place on Friday 17th March at the Tennis Club** (see page 3). It's St. Patrick's day too so there will be an Irish theme to it, plus sausage & black pudding casserole with red cabbage and cakes for afters.

Again its just going to be fun with prizes.

If there is anything else you would like to see at Just Good Friends please let me know.

Thanks everyone and lots of love to you all. Bev

Saturday at the Well Community Centre 2 - 4pm

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4th	Quiz and Raffle	
11th	Amusing Verses & Tales	
18th	'Memories of a Justice of the Peace'. A talk by one of our members - Doug Atkinson	
25th	Bingo	



We've managed to do many wishes over the years so here's to a New Year and new wishes! Let me know what you have always wanted to do or who you would like to meet. Plus who has been you're hero? Let me know. Bev



... just around the corner! Daffodils are waving in the breeze today along with the snowdrops and crocus which all seemed to appear overnight a couple of weeks ago. What a glorious time of year. New life and promises of a good year. Enjoy, best wishes, Celia



Brilliant Saturday afternoon at The Well Hub at the beginning of February when Brian Sefton entertained us with his magic performance along with relating stories about his Life in Magic.

Many thanks to one of our ladies for taking part as his assistant and as you can see, the audience certainly enjoyed the afternoon.



Many thanks Brian - you were MAGIC!





Thanks so much to our fantastic members for all the gorgeous raffle prizes donated to help raise funds for Just Good Friends. You're all simply the best - lovely Valentine afternoon at the Vic.



David Cowan won 1st prize (chocolate bundle) in the online raffle, 2nd prize was Ginger Rodgers (gift card & gift bundle) and 3rd prize was won by David Parkinson-Cane (booze bundle). For details of the raffle, please ask Bev or Julie at your next meeting.

How lovely! Henry wins a raffle prize and picks a rose for his lovely mum Victoria Wilson



**Clare wins the 75 Club Draw** The winning number in the Draw for February was 34 and the lucky winner was Clare Pipon, pictured here with Jean Mason.

Well done Clare!

**AKS Lytham** 

CHANGE YOUR WORLD

Good afternoon

My name is Fiona Bleasdale from the Preparatory school at AKS. As the History coordinator I felt it was appropriate for the children to celebrate the coronation of King Charles. We will be doing this by putting on an afternoon concert, which will take place on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May in the Senior School hall from 2 till 3.30pm.

We would like to invite the Just Good Friends group to this event, which will consist of singing from the Preparatory school children along with refreshments.

I hope you and your fellow members of the group will be able to attend this event to mark such an auspicious occasion.

> Kind regards **Fiona Bleasdale**

Members: Please put this in your diaries and we will take names later in the Spring of those wishing to attend. Bev

## JGF DINING OUT

#### Wednesdays:

Kelvin Gardiner books a table at various venues for us on a Wednesday after our meeting at St Annes Palace. Please let him know if you would like to join us. Kelvin's contact is: 07534 890426.

#### Thursdays: CURRY NIGHT

**CHANGE OF VENUE**: JGF have moved from Wetherspoons to the Water's Edge on Thursdays for our curry night and its a huge success. There are about 20 plus joining us at 6.30 for 7pm. Come along and enjoy the good food and company. Please let Kelvin or Bev know if you can make it as Kelvin books a table.





#### Sundays: SUNDAY LUNCH

at the Water's Edge and Clifton Park 12.30pm are also going well. Please let us know as we always book. It would be great if you could join us. For Water's Edge call Bev 07557 734233



and for Clifton Park call Jean Wyatt-Gunning on 01253 713370.

The food is great at both venues and everyone enjoys themselves - certainly looks like Geoff

Hodgkinson is having a nice Sunday out, pictured here with Jean Pritchard.





### **March Birthdays**

- 1 Jacky Ramage
- 3 Winifred Ball
- 4 Diane Sylvia Lee
- 7 Victoria Louise Wilson
- 9 Geoffrey M Bellingham
- 9 Hilary Pape
- 9 Margaret Smith
- 13 Pat Cowell
- 17 Jacqueline Buksh
- 19 Celia Burgess
- 19 Julie Rodgers
- 24 Eric Coates
- 24 Alfie Wilson
- 26 John Valentine
- 27 Vernon Allen
- 28 Beth Finlayson
- 28 Christine McCherry
- 29 Anne Brown
- 31 Moira Hannah

Happy birthday to all with March birthdays & congratulations to those of you with extra 'special' birthdays





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