

Just Good Friends

May 2025 Newsletter

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REGULAR WEEKLY MEETINGS

MONDAYS	1pm - 3.30pm	DRAMA at the Links Pub, Heeley Road, St Annes. Please note we have now cast all the parts for the new drama.
	1pm - 4pm	PLAY AND CONNECT: Chat, Games, Dominoes, Cribbage at the Links Pub
TUESDAYS	1pm - 4pm	PARTY WITH PURPOSE: Entertainment, dancing, food, fun and laughter at the Victoria Pub, Church Road, St Annes with Johnny Roxx and other entertainers.
WEDNESDAYS	10.30 - 12 noon	WEDNESDAY WARMTH at St Annes Palace, 18, Garden Street, St Annes. Tea/ coffee/biscuits and chat.
THURSDAYS	6.30 pm	CURRY & COMPANY: Friends get-together at the Water's Edge, Heyhouses Lane, St Annes.
FRIDAYS	10am	YOUR PACE OR MINE: Fitness walk round Fairhaven Lake then meet up for coffee in the café.
	1pm	CUE CONNECTIONS: Snooker Club at the Victoria Pub, Church Road, St Annes
SATURDAYS	2pm -4pm	FUN AND FELLOWSHIP at the Well Community Hub, St Albans Road, St Annes. Tea and chat with speakers and activities: Quiz - Bingo - Music
SUNDAY	12.30pm	GATHER & DINE Lunch at the Clifton Park Hotel. Contact Sheila to book 01253 374009 or 07486 466855 or Contact Beryl for The Links on 07530 588037.

Saturday at the Well Community Centre 2pm - 4pm MAY

3rd	Jon's 'Name the Place' Quiz and Raffle
10th	Family Fortunes
17th	Table Games
24th	Catchphrase
31st	Bingo

THE VIC PUB ST ANNES

1pm-4pm every TUESDAY

MAY Programme:

Singers:

Tues May 6th - JOHNNY ROXX

Tues May 13th - DJ GUY

Tues May 20th - JOHNNY ROXX

Tues May 27th - MARIANNE + BINGO



Mike Hughes from Nat West Bank showing hearts on our Just Good Friends' promotion

FRIDAYS AT THE VIC

1pm- no specified end time

our Private Members' Snooker Club with Darts.

We'd love to see more people joining us and don't forget, you can also bring friends and family along with you.

MONDAYS AT THE LINKS

from 1pm each Monday

Come and join us - there is always something to choose from

1pm - 4pm PLAY AND CONNECT
(Chat, Games
Dominoes, Cribbage)

Upcoming EVENTS

Carry on Carrie Friday 9th May 1pm—4pm at St Annes Tennis Club

An Audience with Carrie Ellis, famous West End Musical Star Plus Afternoon Tea
£15 per head

Easter Afternoon at the Well Hub



Margaret Holmes & Anne Brown enjoying the afternoon along with Jenny Bettaney & Margaret Chadwick playing our Easter Rabbit game



Barton Grange Scenic Cruise - Thursday, 3rd July

The Barton Grange cruise for Thursday, 3rd July at a cost of £40 which includes hot food and coach travel is still open if you wish to book a place.

We will leave Ashton Gardens at 11.30am and head to Barton Grange Garden Centre where we board the luxury wide-beam canal boat, The Kingfisher, to start our relaxing three hour cruise.

Along the way, hot food will be provided as we are taken through the scenic north Lancashire countryside where we can enjoy the lovely views of the Bowland Hills and look out for the abundant wildlife which often includes, kingfishers and cormorants in the area.

There is a licensed bar on board serving a range of beverages and there is also a toilet on-board. Please call Joanne on **07796 616912** if you are interested in this outing.

JUST GOOD DRAMA

Our next Murder Mystery Drama

is called *That's Entertainment or is it - Murder!!!*



We now have our drama cast and are looking forward to learning lines and performing. Dates for the event will be announced when available. We meet in the back room of the Links Pub Mondays at 1pm.

JGF DINING OUT

Wednesdays

Bev books a table at various venues for us on a Wednesday after our meeting at St Annes Palace.

Please let her know if you would like to join us. **Her number is 07557 734233.**

Thursdays CURRY NIGHT

Curry Night at the Water's Edge on Heyhouses Lane is a great evening out - come and join us every Thursday 6.30pm.

Please call Bev if you would like to attend.

Sunday lunch - 12.30pm

We meet at the Clifton Park on Clifton Drive South and other venues.

To meet at Clifton Park call **Sheila on 07486 466855** and for details and to book any other venue call **Beryl Dale on 07530 588037.**



Thanks to one of our lovely volunteers Kim Dean for donating lots of Easter eggs to members; also for arranging our Friday walk round Fairhaven Lake for Your Pace or Mine.



Ken in Benidorm...

But what a good idea!

If you have a picture of yourself whilst wearing your Just Good Friends T-shirt send it to us - and see yourself in the Newsletter!



...and again in Malta

A New Venture



The holiday season is a special time of year but for many people it can be a difficult time as we listen to the excitement of friends as they prepare for their holidays.

So with that in mind, I am hoping this is something we could take on board amongst our fabulous group by bringing together friends who would like to share trips or weekends away with starter ideas being:

- Murder Mystery Weekend
- Lake District weekend
- Visit to any of the stately homes or large Parks etc
- 4/5 day UK breaks
- graduating to longer periods away and/or further afield

However, full disclosure - we would need someone to initially manage this idea to enable anyone who expresses an interest to have a point of contact.

So if any of our fabulous volunteers would like to pick this up and run with it, that would be great! Please let me know so we can hopefully start this for the summer.



Finer details of how the group would work with the interested parties would need to be discussed but the benefits could be well worth it and I am personally looking forward to taking advantage of this new venture.

I have even thought of a name - **Just Good Friends on Tour.**

Bev

MAY Birthdays

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| 3 | Mrs Marjorie Byrne |
| 3 | Mr Kenneth Hopwood |
| 8 | Mrs Anne Smith |
| 8 | Mrs Dorothy Wild |
| 12 | Mrs Louise Holah |
| 18 | Mrs Brenda Moulin |
| 20 | Mrs Bev Smith |
| 23 | Mrs Katie Owers |
| 24 | Mrs Lynne Hayes |
| 24 | Mr Dennis Wilson |
| 25 | Mr Dave Mapletoft |
| 27 | Mr Charles Baylis |

Happy birthday to all with MAY birthdays & congratulations to those with extra 'special' birthdays.





Pictured below are the winners from our Easter Raffles.

Joy won the Easter Hamper and Jo, Angela and David are the Just Good Raffle Facebook Easter winners.

To join our **JUST GOOD RAFFLE** simply search for **Just Good Raffle** on Facebook and click the **JOIN** button. For more info on this speak to Julie.



Joy Bertolini won the Easter Hamper



Jo Back - No. 31 - won the £25 Gift Card



Angela Darnell - No. 28 won the Wine & Easter Egg Bundle



David Parkinson-Cane - No. 44 won the Vodka & Easter Egg Bundle



Members of the King's Trust came to visit us and played a fun game of bingo with us at The Palace. It was lovely to see them again and Just Good Friends wish them lots of luck in the future.



Just good friends having a lovely time at Tiggis for an early evening meal



THE 75+ CLUB DRAW

The winning number in the APRIL 75+ club draw was **83** and the winner was Jenny Bettany pictured with her winnings.

If you wish to take part in the Draw, have a chat with Jean Mason at any of the meetings on a Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday and she will be happy to give you all the details.

