

Just Good Friends

August 2025 Newsletter

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REGULAR WEEKLY MEETINGS

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MONDAYS	1pm - 3.30pm 1pm - 4pm	DRAMA at the Links Pub, Heeley Road, St Annes. Please note we have now cast all the parts for the new drama. PLAY AND CONNECT: Chat, Games, Dominoes, Cribbage at the Links Pub
	Thiii - 4hiii	real AND CONNECT. Chat, dames, bollinoes, chobage at the links rub
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	6.30pm	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 & Pool with Darts at the Victoria Pub, Church Rd
	1pm	FUN IN THE SUN: In the Rose Garden, Ashton Gardens
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

Saturday at the **Well Community Centre** 2pm - 4pm AUGUST

12.30pm

SUNDAY

	P P P P P P P P P P P P P P P P P P P
2nd	Steve's Fact or Fiction Quiz and Raffle
9th	Black or Red? A new card game
16th	Eats with Elvis (see below)
23rd	Table Games
20th	Ringo



16th August (See above)

An afternoon of Elvis videos on the big screen including a buffet. Cost is £9 and places must be

booked with Jean Mason and paid for before August 10th.

Just Good Friends dressed up in many fabulous outfits at the carnival - see inner pages for more great pictures.

THE VIC PUB ST ANNES

1pm-4pm every TUESDAY **AUGUST** Programme:

Singers:

Tues 5th - DJ Guy Tues 12th **Johnny Roxx** Tues 19th **Paul Allen** Tues 26th - Johnny Roxx

FRIDAYS AT THE VIC

1pm- no specified end time

our Private Members' Club Snooker & Pool 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)

Barton Grange Scenic Cruise



A group of 29 excited members got on the coach to Barton Grange for our barge trip. The weather was in our favour and it was a good journey with our friendly and helpful driver.

We arrived at Barton Grange and after a photo call we went aboard with plenty of chatter. On each table was a dish with pickled cabbage and beetroot - Bev and I started on the beetroot. The hotpot was beef, carrots and potato with a pie crust and was lovely: drinks orders were taken and delivered to our tables.

The sun was out and warm with a slight breeze and some of us went to sit outside at the front of the boat and watched the world go by and chat.

It was lovely slowly cruising along and looking out at the fields, cows, mallards, swans and a heron was spotted. Some of us were moving around inside the barge and talking to other members. A number of people admitted to feeling relaxed and chilled and indeed two members were asleep on the coach before we left.

Everyone enjoyed it and I look forward to planning another trip in the not too distant future.

Joanne



Thank you so much for the £5,000 donation from Sue Hornby.

Sue thanks us for the love and care given by Just Good Friends and that we are always there for each other.

Sue is right when she says we are all family. Bev

Thank you Joanne!

On behalf of myself and every person that came on the Barge Trip we want to thank Joanne very much for everything. She worked so hard to get this trip together and everything went very smoothly.

Behind the scenes Joanne did lots and lots including hiring the coach and the barge, ordering the food, contacting members to see who wanted to go on the trip, collecting the money, informing members of times and where to be picked up, contacting our Trustees to ensure all insurances were in order for the trip. Lastly but not least, ensuring every one's safety was taken care of as this is always of paramount importance.

Well done Joanne, lots of love and thanks from us all - now we are onto the next adventure with Just Good Friends.

Bev xx



Just Good Friends 13th Anniversary

17th September 2025
More details will be issued when available but the date is confirmed.

The Christmas No. 1 Single

Pictures from this event will be in next month's Newsletter

St Annes Carnival Weekend - July 2025





Fantastic turnout and glorious weather for the carnival and, as Bev shows, we were rewarded with First Place in our group of

Best Community Association.

Amazing outfits and enormous thanks to everyone who helped make it such a joyful, happy weekend.



John Ashby & Marjorie Ward

Many thanks to AKS who kindly provided their van and Andy Jamieson who drove it for us.

Special thanks also to Alisha and her Beaverbrooks team who provided the decorations for the van and made a great job decorating it and what a fantastic top hat they made!!!



Steph Whiteside & Joyce Day



Graham & Ellen Thomas



Joanne & Sue Hornby



It was a beautiful family event with much laughter and well worth all the hard work. Thank you everyone and if you weren't in the parade, thanks for your support and cheering us on as we passed by you.



Ann Smith & Andy Jamieson



John & Helen Munn





All dressed and ready for the parade including the van which was decorated by Alisha (3rd from left) and the Beaverbrooks team.



AUGUST Birthdays

- 1 Nick Ireson
- 4 John Donnelly
- 5 Pauline Scott
- 6 Patricia McGauran
- 7 Pat Dawson
- 7 Margaret Stevens
- 9 Kay Gould
- 10 Gemma Jebson
- 10 Lorraine Lay
- 10 Clive Tandy
- 11 Jenny Bettaney
- 11 Kath O'Brien
- 12 Ann Snell
- 13 Mark Nutley
- 16 Janet Crossley
- 16 Derek Hall
- 17 Ann Kidby
- 17 Lynn Lyddon
- 18 Simon Slater
- 20 Geoffrey Hodgkinson
- 21 Edward Forster
- 21 Paul Wilkins
- 25 Mary Liptrot
- 27 Kim Dean
- 28 Thelma Dorney
- 29 Jon Harrison
- 30 Enid Forster

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

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 The Links or any other venue call **Beryl Dale on 07530 588037**.



