

Atherton Baptist Church, Tyldesley Road.

A lunch club is held at the church on the first Tuesday of the month. The meal costs £3.40 which includes main course, dessert and tea or coffee. Please book your place before hand by calling Pat on: 01204 655555.

A coffee morning also takes place every Wednesday from 9.30am till 11am. Enjoy a hot drink and a chat. This costs £1 to attend.



Atherton Library Crafts Group at Atherton Town Hall, Bolton Road.

Enjoy a crafting session with a friendly group every other Tuesday from 1pm till 3pm. The sessions are free to attend, and using materials costs £1.

Talking About My Generation.

The Talking About My Generation news team have launched the new edition of their 'On The Record' magazine. This is full of articles about people who are changing the record on growing older across Wigan Borough and Greater Manchester! Give it a read on the team's brand new website: <https://talkingaboutmygeneration.co.uk/category/the-record/>

If you'd like a paper copy of the magazine, phone Liz at Age UK Wigan Borough on 01942 615895 and she'll send you one in the post.



Crafts 4 Us at Atherton Town Hall, Bolton Road (First Floor).

Join the group for a variety of crafting activities every Thursday from 1.30pm till 3.30pm. There's lots to have a go at including card making, using a loom, jewellery design and lots more. Suggestions about new crafts to try are always welcomed and taken on board. The sessions cost £3 to attend.

The 55 Club at Chowbent Chapel Hall, Bolton Old Road.

Have a game of Bingo or just come along for a chat every Wednesday 11.30am till 3pm. Dinner is available if you would like for £1.50. Tea and coffee is also available for 50p.

Bright Days at Age UK Wigan Borough

While the Ambition for Ageing Project will come to a close at the end of March 2020, the Bright Days project at Age UK Wigan Borough have a leaflet filled with various activities that take place throughout the Wigan Borough!

If you would like to go on the mailing list and receive the Bright Days brochure every time a new one is made, call: 01942 615883.



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What's on for the over 50s in Atherton **MARCH 2020**



Age Friendly Atherton - Sit Thi Deawn Project.

Have you seen this flower logo in the windows of local businesses? Businesses that display this logo have agreed to provide at least a seat, patient staff, a glass of water and an emergency phone call in an effort to make Atherton a more age friendly place.

Keep an eye out for the logo!

Tyldesley Creative Writers at Tyldesley Library, Stanley Street.

Get your creative writing juices flowing every Tuesday from 10.30am till 12.30pm. The first session is free for you to come along and give it a try. The sessions will then cost £2 to attend, which includes refreshments.



Dementia Buddies at Atherton Town Hall, Bolton Road.

Have some lunch and a chat with a friendly group on the first Monday of the month from 11.30am till 2pm. There's lots of activities to take part in, including a quiz, Bingo and games. Places must be booked before you attend by calling: 01942 888990 or: 07412 521040. This will cost £3.50 to attend.

Have a hot drink, a chat and some cake at the coffee morning which takes place on the third Friday of the month from 10am till 12noon. Upcoming dates for this are: March 20th and April 17th. There's no need to book, it's free to attend and all are welcome.

Ambergate, Lee Street.

Join in with the knit and natter group every Tuesday from 2pm – 4pm and enjoy some knitting or some crochet or just come along to socialise. The session costs £1 to come along, which includes tea, coffee and cake. Eyes down for Bingo every Wednesday from 7pm – 9pm. Bingo tickets will need to be purchased (they cost £1.50 per book), tea and coffee is available for 50p. Have a hot drink and a chat at the coffee morning every Friday from 10.30am. Tea and coffee costs £1 and free refills are available.



Do you enjoy gardening? Join in with the Friends of Ambergate Gardening Club. All are welcome to help take care of the gardens. Tea, coffee and biscuits are available. For more information, call Jen on 07987 106939.



Brew and Banter Carers and Former Carers Group at Hindley Library & Community Centre, First Avenue, Hindley.

Are you looking after someone? Have you had caring responsibilities? Join the group every Friday from 10am till 12.30pm for a brew and a chat. There is a £1 donation cost to attend, and all are welcome. For more information call: 07773 226052.



Ted's Tales

Local author Ted Dakin enjoys reading his short stories to anyone who would like to take a step back in time to an age now lost forever. Enjoy tales of growing up in Wigan before and during the war. Tales sprinkled with humour, tragedy and unforgettable characters. Readings are free to local groups, but any donations to the Alzheimer's Society will be greatly appreciated. For more information, or to book a reading, call Ted on: 01942 498193.

Atherleigh Ladies Bowling League.

The group meets at various clubs on Tuesday afternoons from 1pm. The clubs include: A & T (Gin Pit), Botanical Gardens, Brunswick, Gardeners, Leigh Cricket Club, Leigh Rugby Club, Lord Nelson (Hindley), Sacred Heart (Hindley Green) and Tyldesley and Westleigh Village Club. All clubs welcome new members and have teams for ladies and gentlemen. For more information, call Joyce on: 01942 874606.



Atherton Arts at The Bridge, Dorset Road.

Join the group for an art and crafts session every Friday from 10am till 12.30pm. Debra Jones, a professional artist, will be on hand at the sessions to advise, mentor, teach and support every week. Materials are free to use for the first four weeks, giving you the chance to try out something new. The first session is also free to attend with sessions costing £4 after this, which includes tea and coffee. For more information, call Annie on: 01942 895764.

Belong at Mealhouse Lane.

Come along to the coffee morning every Monday and Thursday from 10.30am till 12noon and enjoy a hot drink and a chat. There's a variety of cakes and tea and coffee. There is also a 'Songs of Praise' session by Friends of Hindley Green Family Church every Friday from 10.30am till 12noon. It's free to attend and all are welcome. For more information about these activities and to find out about special events taking place at the village, call: 01942 898410.

Atherton and Tyldesley Botanical Gardens Bowling Club at 232 Tyldesley Road.

Join a friendly group for some crown green bowling. Social members as well as players are welcome to come along. For more information, call Mavis on: 01942 876600 or on: 07779 923826.

Ted Listens.

Ever thought about recording your memories for posterity? Come and have an informal chat with local author Ted Dakin and record your memories onto a CD. For more information or to make an appointment, call Ted on: 01942 498193.

Hesketh Manor at Bullough Street.

Eyes down for a game of Bingo with a friendly group! You can join in with a game every Friday from 1pm till 3pm.



The Bridge Bowling Club at The Bridge Community Centre, Dorset Road.



Join the group for a game of indoor short mat bowling with the group every Thursday evening from 7.30pm till 9.30pm. The bowling sessions run between September and March. The sessions cost £10 for a 4 week membership, this price includes two games per session and refreshments.

Atherton Central Methodist Church, High Street.

Keep an eye out for the twice monthly fellowship coffee mornings which run from 9.30am till 12noon. Upcoming dates for these are: Thursday 12th March 2020 and Thursday 26th March 2020.

Saturday 14th March 2020 from 10am till 3pm - The Craft Fair. Have a browse of the stalls and a brew.

Saturday 21st March 2020 - Integra Brass Band Ensemble. Tickets must be booked before hand and cost £6. Come and enjoy a brass performance!

Wednesday 1st April from 6.45pm - The Fashion Show. Back by popular demand! Tickets must be pre booked for this event and cost £4 which includes light refreshments after the show. Items can be purchased on the day, come get your summer outfit sorted!

Saturday 18th April 2020 from 10am till 3pm - Good as New Sale. Come and have a browse and bag yourself a bargain! The café will also be open for lunch.

For tickets or more information on the above events, please call 07539 852470 or 07803 627676.

Act III Community Acting at Tyldesley Methodist Church, Elliott Street.



Try your hand at acting, give your thoughts and opinions on plays or simply come along to socialise every Wednesday from 2pm till 4pm. Sessions cost £3 to attend, which includes tea and coffee. The first session is free to attend, so come along and give acting a try!