

All About Atherton

What's on for the over 50s in Atherton May 2019


Ambition for Ageing IT Project.

Do you have a few hours to spare each week? We're looking for volunteers to share basic IT knowledge with older people on a one to one basis in the Atherton, Leigh and Pemberton areas. We're also looking for people who are looking to learn IT skills in an informal environment. For more information, call: 01942 615895.

Ambergate – Lee Street.

Come along to the knit and natter group on Tuesdays from 2pm – 4pm and knit or crochet or just come to socialise. The sessions cost £1 to attend, which includes tea, coffee and cake. Enjoy a game of Bingo every Wednesday from 7pm – 9pm. Bingo tickets will need to be purchased, and tea and coffee is available for 50p. Have a hot drink, a seat and a chat at the coffee morning every Friday from 10.30am. Tea and coffee costs £1 and free refills are available.

Age Friendly Atherton – Take A Seat Project

 Look for the age friendly flower logo in the windows of local businesses. All businesses displaying this flower have agreed to provide at least a seat, patience, a glass of water and an emergency phone call to people aged 50+ if needed urgently.

Atherton Forum – Atherton Baptist Church, Tyldesley Road.

Come and see us at our forum on Friday 7th June 2019 from 2pm – 3pm. You can get updates on the Ambition for Ageing project, information about local investments and activity groups in the area. It's free to come along and free refreshments are provided. For more information or to book your place, call us on: 01942 615895.

Summer Shindig Update

We've been very busy organising our huge celebration which will be taking place at the DW Stadium in Wigan on Thursday 4th July 2019. We've had so much interest in the event that we've sold out of tickets! We are currently still taking requests for tickets, and adding names to a waiting list.

For those of you who haven't heard about the event yet, it will be a fun packed day with entertainment from the Houghton Weavers, various stalls to browse, DW Stadium tours and much more. Free refreshments will be provided, and free parking will also be available. This is a free TICKET ONLY event. If you would like more information or your name added to the waiting list, please give us a call on: 01942 615895.

Tyldesley Creative Writers at Tyldesley Library, Stanley Street.

Get your creative juices flowing at this creative writing group every Tuesday from 10.30am - 12.30pm. Everyone is welcome to come along and give it a try, as the first session is free to attend. Sessions after this cost £2 to attend, which includes refreshments.

Driven – Do you enjoy driving? Register with Driven Community Transport and they will match you with residents near you who are isolated and struggling to get out and about – medical appointment, day care, visit family etc. You choose when you want to drive, all training provided, friendly volunteer team, all expenses paid and a great rewarding hobby. Call Amanda on: 01942 409602 for more information. It's good to be Driven.

Happy Timers CIC Monday Club – Mealhouse Court, Mealhouse Lane.

Come along to this hot lunch and social afternoon on alternate Mondays from 12noon – 2pm (upcoming dates: 13th May 2019/10th June 2019/24th June 2019). The meal is pay as you feel and prepared by volunteers. Enjoy some fun activities after your meal and meet new people in an informal environment. All are welcome. For more information, contact Marlene on: 07734 070203 or Sandra on: 07855 851183.

Leigh Film Society CIC Classic Cinema Club – The Pelican Centre, Castle Street.

Enjoy a classic film in an informal and dementia friendly environment on the last Monday of the month. The film starts promptly at 1pm; the doors open at 12noon. All films shown do have subtitles. Feel free to bring along your lunch or snacks, and tea and coffee is available. A £2 donation to come along would be much appreciated. Carers are free when accompanying. For more information, contact Elizabeth on: 07969 647466.

Atherton Baptist Church – Tyldesley Road.

Join the group for a hot drink and a chat at the coffee morning every Wednesday from 9.30am – 11am. The session costs £1 to attend. Have some lunch with the group on the first Tuesday of the month. The meal costs £3.40, which includes main course, dessert and tea/coffee. Please book your place in advance by calling Pat on: 01204 655555.

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

Join in with some crown green bowling with a friendly group. Social members are also welcome. For more information call Mavis on: 01942 876600 or 07779 923826.

Ted Listens - Have you ever thought about recording your memories for posterity? Come and have a chat with local author Ted Dakin and record your memories onto a CD. For more information, call: 01942 615895.

Blakeborough House – Elizabeth Street.

Come and meet the group for a drink at the community coffee morning on the first Monday of the month from 10am. All are welcome.

Dementia Buddies – Atherton Town Hall, Bolton Road.

Dementia and Age Friendly Lunch Club – Enjoy a two course lunch with drinks, guest entertainers, games, quizzes and more on the first Monday of the month from 11.30am – 2pm. The meal costs £3.50. Please book your place before attending by calling: 01942 603175 or 01942 888990. Come along to the coffee morning on the third Friday of the month from 10am – 12noon for a hot drink, a chat and some homemade cake. This is free to attend, and all are welcome.

Howe Bridge Community Plant Sale – The Gardeners Pub/Bowling Club, Lovers Lane.

From Saturday 25th May – Monday 27th May from 10am – 2pm, you can bring your own pots and baskets and have them filled with plants of your choice. You will only need to pay for the plants, the compost and liners. All money raised goes towards maintaining and improving the village.

Atherleigh Ladies Bowling League

The group meets at various clubs on Tuesday afternoons from 1.30pm. These clubs include: A&T (Gin Pit), Botanical Gardens, Brunswick, Gardeners, Leigh Cricket Club, Leigh Rugby Club, Lord Nelson (Hindley), Sacred Heart (Hindley Green), Tyldesley and Westleigh Village Club. All clubs welcome new members and have teams for ladies and gentlemen. For more information, contact Joyce on: 01942 874606.

Making Space - Do you have caring responsibilities and are aged over 50? Could you benefit from some extra support? We support carers by providing information, advice, confidence building, sign posting and much more... Please ring us on: 01942 367160 for a chat about how we can assist you.

Hesketh Manor – Bullough Street.

Have a chat and join in with a game of Bingo with a welcoming group every Friday from 1pm -3pm. Have a chat and a bite to eat at the Breakfast Club every Tuesday from 9.30am – 11am. £1.50 for a bacon barm, £1 for two crumpets – both prices include unlimited tea and coffee.

Crafts 4 Us – Atherton Town Hall, Bolton Road. (First floor)

Have a go at using the loom, make some cards, maybe even design your own jewellery, or try something different at this friendly crafting group. The group meets every Thursday from 1.30pm – 3.30pm. Suggestions about new crafts are welcomed and taken on board. The sessions cost £3 to attend. For more information, contact Joyce by email: joy1.joan@talktalk.net

Wheelchair Bowling – Leigh Spinners Mill, Park Lane.

Enjoy a game of indoor long mat bowling using the group's specialised wheelchairs. For more information, call: 07554 889556.

Atherton Library Craft Group – Atherton Town Hall, Bolton Road.

Enjoy some crafting with the group every other Tuesday (upcoming date: 21st May 2019) from 1.30pm. The sessions are free to attend; there is a £1 charge for materials.

Belong Atherton – Mealhouse Lane.

Come along and have a cuppa and a chat at the free coffee morning every Monday and Thursday from 10.30am – 12noon. A Songs of Praise session by Friends of Hindley Green Family Church takes place every Friday from 10.30am – 11.30am. On Wednesday 22nd May from 5pm – 7pm, there will be a Mexican themed tea in the bistro. There will be themed decorations, music and you are encouraged to come dressed in the Mexican theme. There will be a range of themed meals to purchase. Try your luck at the prize Bingo and Tombola evening on Wednesday 29th May from 6.30pm – 8.30pm. Small costs for tickets and refreshments do apply.

1 to 1 - Are you currently living alone and would like to chat about your opinions on the local neighbourhood? Then we would like to hear from you. The chat won't take up much time, is completely informal and can happen at a place and time of your choosing. For more information, call: 01942 615895.

Devonshire Place – Devonshire Road.

Join the group for a chat and a game of Dominoes on Monday from 1pm. Take part in a game of Bingo with the group on Wednesdays from 1pm. Have some fun with crafts every Friday from 9am – 11am. The craft session costs £2 to attend.

Atherton Methodist Church, High Street.

Come along to the regular coffee mornings from 9.30am – 12noon. Upcoming dates are: 23rd May and 13th June. Enjoy a cup of tea and a chat. The Strawberry Fayre will take place on 15th June from 2pm – 4pm, with the special attraction of vintage cars. Tickets cost £4 which includes strawberries and cream and scones with jam and cream. An afternoon tea will be held on 22nd July from 2pm - 4.30pm. There will be a duo for entertainment. Tickets costs £7.50. Come and have a browse at the table top sale. Bacon barm will be available to purchase. If you would like a table, or for information on any of the other events, call Lynda on: 07539 852470 or Keith on: 07803627676.

Would you like to take part in an hour of enjoyable tasks as part of an academic project for the University of Manchester? If you are interested then please contact Pauline or Martine on 01942 615895. The session will be held locally and there will be a small fee paid to participants too!

If you would like to be included in the next 'What's On' guide, please contact us:

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