

# Eye Chat Weekly.

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Welcome to this week's quick update giving you news, views and information. Contact Alex or Ananché in the office, to offer us your article, or email [admin@buryblindsociety.org](mailto:admin@buryblindsociety.org)

Thank you to Kat from Guide Dogs for visiting the Centre last Wednesday. It was a very informative and well attended group.

For Hate Crime Awareness Week, we attended The Met and presented a number of Awareness Workshops for students from local High Schools. It was wonderful to see how engaged the pupils were and some really interesting questions were raised.

**Our Quiz Night** is just a couple of weeks away so do get your tickets either via the Centre or via our website. Don't forget, this is Gary & Michael so the questions will stimulate your ears as well as your brains!! If you want a warm up session, Gary will be holding his usual Monthly Quiz on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> March.

**Glynis is Retiring!** Yes, we can't believe that our wonderful Rehab. Officer, Glynis Howard is leaving us at the end of March, and embarking on that 'Retirement Adventure'! Join us on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> March between 11.00am-12.00pm for an opportunity to thank Glynis and have a brew. If you wish to contribute to Glynis' retirement gift, please contact the office for details.

**Music and Drama** Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March sees the launch of our combined Music and Drama for Fun session. Don't worry, you don't have to be an expert in either field – it's all very informal and good fun!

**Lottery Funding** Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March, 1.30pm-2.30pm and repeated again on 19<sup>th</sup> March, Jill Logan, CEO will be joining the Macular Groups to update on the Charity funding and particularly our Lottery Funding. If you'd like know a bit more about BBS funding and future plans do come along, it would be lovely to see you there!

**Craft Workshop** – we are thrilled that Lynne Guffogg is joining us Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March for both the morning and afternoon session with one of her Craft sessions. All are welcome.

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March:** BBS On Tour are back again with Ananché, Jixie and Geoff performing at Ramsbottom Civic Hall for the Bite Nite event. Do come along and support them, 6.30pm-8.30pm

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**Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> March: Prestwich and Tottington:** We are looking for a couple of additional volunteers to support the stalls at St Johns Church, Tottington and Prestwich monthly market. Please contact Jill if you can help.

**Coming up at The Met** – Little Shop of Horrors - From Wednesday 21st May to Saturday 24<sup>th</sup>, all starting at 7:30pm and matinee at 2.30 pm on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup>, a musical suitable for all ages. Advertised price is £18, potential discounts available. Please let us have your name, number of tickets needed and non-refundable £5 deposit per ticket by 12 noon Friday 7th March If you have difficulty getting there but would like to go, let us know and we will try to get help for you.

## **This week in the Centre & surround:**

**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup>:** 9am-12.00pm: First Monday, CAB Drop In Advice Clinic.  
10am-12pm: Drop In with Margaret and crew. MEGs group meeting in the Lounge.

**1.15pm-2.30pm:** Music & Drama Fun Afternoon

**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup>:** Centre open for appointments only. Foot Clinic With Dougie.

**AM:**10 Pin Bowling. Meet at the Centre at 10.30am or at the Hollywood Bowling at 11.00am. Please confirm your attendance, either by the WhatsApp Group or ring the Centre by Monday to ensure a Volunteer Buddy allocated.

**PM:**1.30pm at The Burrs – Community Health Walk. Ring office to book VI Buddy.

**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup>:** 10.30am-12.00pm **Drop In** for a cuppa with Carole & Crew. Low Vision Aid Clinic – appointments only.

**1.30pm-2.30pm:** New Macular Degeneration Support Group with J Logan.

**Thursday 6<sup>th</sup>:** 10.30am-11.30pm: Craft Workshop with Lynne Guffogg.

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1.30pm-2.30pm. BBS Cricket: meet at Centre at 1pm or at PA Cricket Club for 1.30pm. Book via the office.

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup>:** 11.30am-2.00pm Carole's week this week – Check out the steak & onion pie! Please call and book your place by 11am on Thursday.

**Finally, we send our very best wishes to Rhona, Sid, Kath and Iris who are all dealing with ill health currently. We're missing you!**