

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

Thank You's:

To Jixie, Geoff and Ananché for their amazing singing talents last Friday at The Ramsbottom Nite Bite event in the Civic Hall and to all the volunteers who helped make our stalls at St Johns and Prestwich such a success. Together the events raised over £350 for BBS.

To the Carers Hub who came along on Thursday morning session at the centre to explain what their organisation can offer to anyone who is a carer.

This Saturday, 15th is our Monthly Book club meeting at the Centre. Starting at 11am-12.30pm we dive into a new adventure every month. Annette and Jixie would love you to join them.

Coming up at The Met – Are you interested in either of the following performances? If you have difficulty getting there but would like to go, let us know and we will try to get help for you.

The Sounds of Simon – Saturday 14th June at 8:00pm. A captivating tribute to Simon and Garfunkel featuring beautiful harmonies and a glimpse into their legendary partnership. Advertised price is £20, potential discounts available. Interested in attending, contact the office, with your name, number of tickets needed and non-refundable £5 deposit per ticket by 12 noon Friday 21st March.

Fundraising: It's Mothering Sunday on 30th March and we are holding a number of stalls in the week running up to Mother's Day. On Monday 24th and Thursday 27th, we shall be at Tesco, Bury. On Wednesday 26th we will be holding a Mother's Day tombola. Can you help out? List if on display on the Volunteers' Board in the Centre or ring the office. Thank you.

Don't forget we're holding a celebratory '**Coffee Hour**' **between 11.00am and 12.00pm, Wednesday 19th March** to wish Glynis Howard, one of our Early Intervention Team, a happy retirement. Come along and pass on your best wishes. Glynis was our first rehabilitation officer when we took over the Rehab. provision from Bury Council eight years ago and has been hugely instrumental in the development, and success of the service. We wish her all the very best in her next adventure and want to thank her for all

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her patience, perseverance and humour during her time with us. You will be missed Glynis!

Update on Rhona Forrester-Kittridge Funeral. The family of Rhona would like all to know that Rhona's funeral is to take place at Radcliffe Crematorium on Tuesday 25th March, 1.30pm and afterwards at Radcliffe Football Club, all welcome.

This week in the Centre & surround:

Monday 17th: 10.30am-12pm: Drop In with Margaret and crew. MEGs group meeting in the Lounge.

1.15pm-2.30pm: Music & Drama Fun Afternoon

Tuesday 18th: Centre open for appointments and Foot Clinic with Dougie.

AM:10 Pin Bowling. Meet at the Centre at 10.30am or at the Hollywood Bowling at 11.00am. Confirm via 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 19th: 'Follow On' Gadget Group meeting in The 'Chatterton Room, 11am-12pm.

11.00am-12.00pm in The Lounge: Farewell Coffee Hour for Glynis Howard our retiring Rehab Officer. All welcome.

1.30am-3.00pm: Macular Support Group: Guest speaker J Logan discussing BBS and the Lottery at 2.00pm.

Thursday 20th: 10.30am-11.30pm: Drop In for a Brew with Michelle & Kelly. All welcome.

1.00pm – 2.30pm 3rd Thursday so it's Bridie's Bingo!

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

Friday 21st: 11.30am-2.00pm. Jacket potato with cheese, beans or Chilli. Please call and book your place by 11am on Thursday.

Monday 24th March 1.15pm-2.45pm: Our usual Monthly Social is being taken over by Beetles!! Don't worry, it's not the creepy type, we are holding an Afternoon Beetle Drive including a light Afternoon Tea for the usual subsidised cost of £3.00pp. There will be background music during the break so why not book your place? The more the merrier, so do encourage members of your group to come along. Places to be booked at the office by Friday 21st for catering purposes.