

Eye Chat Weekly.

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Welcome to this week's quick update, bringing you news, views and useful information. Contact Jo or Jill in the office if you have an article to share, or email admin@buryblindsociety.org

This week's news:

A Huge Well Done to Peter and Michael!

A big thank you and well done to Peter and Michael, who took on the Bury 10K on Sunday 20 September in support of Bury Blind Society. Together they have raised over £300 to date. They both did brilliantly, showing fantastic determination and commitment from start to finish.

Oswaldtwistle Mill Outing: Good time had by all! Now we're planning our next trip. Come along to the User Forum in October and give us some ideas!

Geoff Kenyon will be entertaining you all on Monday 28th September here at the centre from 1.30pm – always a firm favourite with everyone.

Ready to try something new?

Join us on **Tuesday 29th September at 12:30pm** for Try it Tuesday. Your chance to experience Showdown in a relaxed, beginner friendly environment. Just great sport, great people and a warm welcome. Come and give it a go. You might just find your new favourite sport.

Sports September: As we come to end of the month, thank you to all who have been involved. Remember the 10 Pin Bowling and Showdown are regular BBS activities. Let us know if you want the Tai Chi to continue!

The Met – First Thursday Comedy 1st October 8pm £18.00.

Skipton Building Society this is the last week of the giving scheme please pop in and vote for us. You don't need to be a customer. We have until Friday 2nd October to pop a token in the box for BBS.

Vision 50 Challenge: It's that time of the year - we're holding our static bike challenge again! This year we're aiming for 50 miles per day! Starting on **Monday 5th October** in the Centre, the Mayor will be launching the week at 11am. We're then off to Tesco Bury, Asda Pilsworth and the Millgate throughout the week. Do help us by putting your name down on the Volunteers Board in the Centre. We need collectors too!

AGM, Pergola and new name!! You're warmly invited to join us at the Bury Blind Society Centre on **Thursday 8 October**, from 6pm for our AGM,

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followed by the official opening of our new garden pergola and the exciting reveal of our new trading name! We'll finish the evening with a light buffet and refreshments. Please let us know if you're attending and tell us about any dietary requirements.

Craft Workshop with Nick – Monday 12th October. There is a list in reception as the places are limited, you can phone to confirm your place.

User Forum – Wednesday 14th October. We will be joined by Helen Webster from TfGM with updates on the changes at the Bus and tram station.

Activities in the Centre this week –28th September – 2nd October.

Monday: Centre open 10am – 4pm

- **10am- 12.30pm:** Morning Drop In
- **1.30pm - 3pm:** Monthly Music Social – Geoff Kenyon will be performing.
- **6pm – 8.30pm:** Showdown training

Tuesday: Try Out Tuesday!

- **11am:** 10 Pin Bowling: All welcome £2.00 per game. Meet at the centre 10.30am or at Hollywood Bowl at 11am.
- **From 12.30pm:** Showdown: Come to the Centre and see what it's all about. All welcome to have a go! Refreshments will be available.

Wednesday: Centre open 10am–4pm

- **9am-3pm:** Low Vision Aid Clinic: appointment only.
- **10.30am – 12pm:** Breakfast Drop In & Craft Activities with Carole.

Thursday: Centre open 10am–4pm

- **10.30am – 12.00pm:** Crossword Club
- **1.30pm – 3pm:** Age UK Bury Cluster Group Tea and chatter
- **6pm – 8.30pm:** Showdown open play.

Friday: Centre open 10am–4pm

- **Lunch Club: 11.30am – 2pm.** Soup and Sandwich
- **Walk & Talk: 1.30pm** – due to popular demand we are continuing our gentle 15–20-minute walk around the block. Meet at the Centre.

Please contact the Centre to book any BBS activities or to ask for further information.