

Eye Chat Weekly.

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Welcome to this week's quick update giving you news, views and information. Contact Alex or Jill in the office, to offer us your articles, or e-mail admin@buryblindsociety.org

Please note, the Centre is closed Bank Holiday, Monday 2nd May, re-opening as normal on Tuesday 3rd May.

A Bank Holiday weekend! Hope you all have something nice planned. Last weekend we held our first 'Sunday Jumble Sale' and were delighted with the result. We are now looking to hold another – date to be announced. This Saturday is the Bury Pride 2022, award-winning equality, diversity and inclusion event. There is a parade, and stalls in the Castle Armory Drill Hall. Tickets are free. For more information go to: www.burypride.co.uk

Volunteer, Viv Makin, kindly stepped into the breach to attend the Prestwich Volunteers Fair on 25th April after Gill Currie tested positive for Covid. Viv said she found the event really interesting and even managed to gain a couple of prospective volunteers! What better way for us to promote volunteering with BBS than through our own volunteers. If you are a volunteer and interested in helping on one of these stalls in the future, please do let Jill Logan know. June's Volunteers Fair will be based in Ramsbottom.

Thanks to Sid Pritchard for providing the wonderful entertainment at our Monthly Monday Social. If you are interested in attending these monthly afternoons, ring the office for details.

Sunflower Seeds: Support our Sunflower Challenge by purchasing one of the seedlings planted by Tracey Marno (thanks to all who have donated pots!). Available from the Centre at just £1.00 each.

Our thoughts: Go out to Tarnia Canham, now due to go into hospital this Wednesday, Doreen from the Megs Group, who has just come out of hospital, John Greenwood, and finally Gill & Jim Currie, who are both recovering from a bout of Covid. We look forward to seeing you all back to full strength soon! Belated birthday wishes to Kris Owen – we all enjoyed singing Happy Birthday to Kris last Wednesday. What we lacked in talent, we made up for in enthusiasm!! If you would like a special

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mention for a friend, then do let us know and we will include in our weekly bulletin.

Queen Anne, Hollins Lane, Unsworth. Bookings are now being taken for the lunch at the Queen Anne. Menu choices are available in the office. Meeting 12pm for 12.30pm meal, price £8 for VI's £16 for guests. (2 courses). Places are limited so please do book asap.

This Week:

Drop Ins: Monday (closed due to Bank Holiday), Wednesday and Thursday mornings 10am-12pm.

Wednesday 4th May, 10am-12pm: The theme this week for the Drop In is 'Sensory World'. This has developed from our 'World of Touch' and this week we are looking at plants, textures and smells! This is as well as continuing to come up with our 'Braille Phrase' to display at the Centenary Exhibition later in the year! All welcome to join in.

Thursday Healthy Living Group 5th May 10.30 to 11.30. This week, Mags will be demonstrating the benefits of hand massage. Why not come and join Jixie and the group. All welcome.

Friday 6th May: Get your places booked by Thursday! Chicken a la King followed by Sticky Toffee Pudding! All for just £8 donation! Join Carole and the gang for a wonderful lunch. Don't forget, bookings are being taken for the 1940's meal on Friday 27th June.

Coming Up:

Wednesday 11th May, 2.00pm – Monthly Makes. This month putting together 'Centenary themed lanterns'! Join Lynne and Dorothy – no experience necessary. Booking required to ensure sufficient materials are provided.

Friday 13th: Foot Practitioner, Dougie's Clinic 10am-2pm. Having problems cutting toe nails, or maybe an ingrowing toe nail or a nasty corn? Let Dougie sort it out for you. Dougie very kindly donates £5 for every appointment he has so it's a great way to help support BBS – and get your feet sorted!

Friday 13th the Bi-monthly VI Link will be due out. If you have an article you wish to be included please submit before Tuesday 12th May.