

# 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](mailto:admin@buryblindsociety.org)

A big thank you to all who supported our Quiz Night. The evening was a great success raising nearly £500 and such fun seeing everyone face to face again. Our next event is **this Thursday 12 May**, a lunch at The Queen Anne, Hollins Lane, Unsworth. Two courses, £8.00 for VI's and £16.00 for guests. All welcome. Places must be booked in advance and choices to be submitted by Wednesday please. To book, and for further details, contact the office.

## Sun Flowers

Thank you to everyone who donated plant pots, all of the sunflowers are now in pots and are just waiting for a good home. You can buy them from the Society for £1 each and there is going to be a prize for the person who grows the tallest. I initially planned on planting 100 sunflowers, these sold out so fast I had to quickly plant a further 100. Thank you to all who have already bought one as I am now trying to sell 200. -Tracey Marno.

## Retinal Dystrophy Group

Due to holidays we are postponing this month's meeting until June where we will be meeting in the Fusiliers cafe on Tuesday 21st June at 12pm. If anyone needs further information about the group please get in touch with the Society.

**Rotary Ramsbottom Duck Race, Saturday 4 June.** Rather than having our monthly raffle, during May we are selling Duck Race tickets at £2 each for the Annual Ramsbottom Rotary Duck Race. The Duck Race takes place at Bridge Street Gardens, and all the money raised by tickets we sell go directly to Bury Blind Society! What a wonderful way to support the Charity. Why not go along to the event to see your 'Duck' win the race! Tickets are on sale in the Lounge at the Centre.

**Tuesday 21 June:** Here's an interesting one! Emergency Services are seeking 3-5 representatives from BBS to join a wider group of volunteers to participate in a training exercise! Volunteers are required to act as casualties and role play for a Chemical, Biological, Radiological and

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Nuclear materials scenario. Interested? Contact Jill at the Office for more details or further information will be in our full VI Bulletin due out next week.

**Get Well Soon:** To Diane, who has been floored by the 'dreaded' Covid bug, and Gill & Jim, who have had a really bad run of luck following their Tennis Weekend in Newcastle when they both had falls so are feeling a little worse for wear. Speedy recovery to all.

## This Week:

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

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May. 'Legal Talk Monday! 10am-12pm.** We welcome back Holly Gethin from Woodcocks Solicitors who is available for an informal chat on any dispute/legal issues you may wish to discuss. All welcome.

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> May, 10am-12pm: Volunteers Coffee Morning.** Barry Grigg, Trustee, is looking forward to having a brew and catch up with volunteers. It's a great opportunity to meet others and discover the variety of roles that are available. We will also be providing some refresher 'Hints and Tips' on supporting people with sight loss. Details of upcoming events where volunteers are required, will be on display to review and to sign up for if you wish. All welcome to drop in.

**Monthly Makes, 2pm.** This month the group are making Centenary Themed Laterns. Join Dorothy and Lynne – no experience necessary. Please book beforehand to ensure sufficient materials are available

**Thursday Healthy Living Group 12<sup>th</sup> May 10.30 to 11.30.** This week the group are exploring the benefits of fermented foods, pro and pre-biotics. Why not come and join Jixie and the group. All welcome.

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May: 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 Light lunch from 12pm.** Please book place by Thursday before. Menu details available from Office.