# **B & R Friends November 2023 Programme**

## **Regular Events**

Every **Monday** at 9.50am **Walk for Health, Sanders Park, Bromsgrove.** Meet up (by the café) with fellow group members for a short, medium, or long walk. You do as much or as little as you feel like on the day. For info only but Steve C will normally be there.

Every **Thursday** 10.30 am **Classic Cinema at Redditch Library**. Join fellow members to see a choice of films. Romance, comedy, musical, crime, adventure. Coffee, tea and biscuits are available for £1.00 contact Jackie 97833 174580 for more details.

Every **Friday** 9.30–10.30 Studley Ladies Swimming. Join members for a ladies, swimming session at Studley Swimming Pool. Book in advance, pay on the day.

November 2023	Events	Contact/Book
Saturday 3 <sup>rd</sup> 6.30 & 7.30 display	Redditch Cricket, Hockey and Rugby Club. Bromsgrove Rd, B97 4SP Spectacular fireworks, food vendors, bar, craft stalls and children's funfair. Adults £6.00 Child £4.00	Tickets on Website
Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup> 17.00-21.30	Fireworks and Street Food Valley Stadium,(football club) Bromsgrove Rd, Redditch, B97 4AU. Entry Adult £9.05 child £6.00	Tickets on Website
Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> 3.15 onwards	An afternoon of <b>live music</b> at Chas Mann Café, Kings Norton Green <b>B38 8RU</b> . Free entry, different band each week, food and bar available.	lan Shipway 07504 520470
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> 10.00 Flyford 10.45 Pershore	No 8 Cinema Pershore. Join Angie and Maz to watch, A Haunting in Venice, Kenneth Branagh returns as Hercule Poirot. Followed by a quick shop and coffee or lunch. Car share from Flyford Flavell if you'd like.	Angie 07517 714576
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> 6.30 meal 7.30 pm pub night	Pub night – The Golden Cross, Bromsgrove B61 8HH. Back to an old favourite this evening. Join us for a cheap meal followed by pub night, Well lit, parking at the rear, so why not pop along for a fun evening out.	Angie 07517 714576
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> 7.30 pm	Worcestershire Wildlife Trust, Talk on Bats. Winyates Green Community Centre, always interesting and informative.	
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> 7.45 pm	E57 Social Club, 699 Alcester Rd, Kings Heath.B14 5EY Charity Ceilidh. £5.00 on the door, join Tsu for this one.	

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Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday Brunch Club at Golf Centre	
11.00 am	<b>B'Grove</b> join Steve and the gang for a lovely	
	Brunch to kick off the weekend.	
Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup>	An afternoon of live music at Chas Mann	
3.15 onwards	Café, Kings Norton Green B38 8RU. Free	
	entry, different band each week, food and bar	
	available.	
Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup>	GlastonBeoley Music Quiz, The Woodland	
7pm	Cottage, B97 4JH. £3.00 each or £15.00 for a	
	team of six.	
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Coach Trip to Oxford. Johnson's Coaches –	
8.15 am	see Lyn M for details if you'd like to go.	
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Pub night – The Tardebigge, B'Grove. B97	
7.30 pm	<b>6QL</b> Meet in the bar for an evening of chat.	
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Walk from Studley A nice stroll around Studley	
10.00 am	countryside to help build your appetite.	
Wednesday 15th	The Lark, Studley B80 7NP. Join Suzie and	
12.30 pm	John for a lunchtime meal, which is always an	
,	excellent reason not to cook. Nice pub with	
	good food.	
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup>	The ever-popular <b>Skittles</b> evening. <b>South</b>	
7.00 pm	Redditch Sports and Social Club. Another	
	fun evening of watching them not fall down let	
	Glen know by Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> if you're going. £7.00	
	to include skittles and food. (Bank details on	
	front cover).	
Saturday 18th	Bromsgrove Christmas Lights Switch on. If	
4 pm	anyone has more details can I have them. Ta	
Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup>	An afternoon of <b>live music</b> at Chas Mann Café,	
3.15 onwards	Kings Norton Green <b>B38 8RU.</b> Free entry,	
	different band each week, food and bar	
	available.	
Tuesday 21st	Pub Night – Bramley Cottage B97 5QB.	
6.30 comm. mtg	Committee meeting followed by pub night.	
7.30 Pub night		
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Mo's Coffee Morning - Botany Bay Café, B96	
12.00 noon	<b>6BG.</b> Another popular outing so please let Mo	
	know if you'll be joining her.	
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Adventure Golf, Four Ashes, Dorridge	
11.15 am	<b>B93 8NQ.</b> Great fun, lunch, lots of laughs and	
	even a bit of fishing if you're unlucky.	
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Lyn's Friday Lunch Club, The Jubilee,	
12.30 pm	Studley. B80 7PQ. Please let Lyn know if	
	you're coming to this one. Newly refurbished.	
	Great food, great price, and great company.	
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Catshill Social Club, Join Tsu and friends to	
7.00 pm	watch the Wrestling and help her cheer on	
	young Tom who's a winner of a very large belt.	

Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup> 3-6 pm	Astwood Bank Lights Switch on in the High Street.	
Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup> 7.30 pm	The Palace Theatre, Redditch Operatic Society presents the musical EVITA. One not to miss. For further details ring 01527 304009 or contact Jackie on 07341 132202	
Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup> 11 am	Tardebigge Christmas Market. Not sure where this one is ut it's such a small place I'm sure we'll find it.	
Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup> 3.15 onwards	An afternoon of <b>live music</b> at Chas Mann Café, Kings Norton Green <b>B38 8RU</b> . Free entry, different band each week, food and bar available.	
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> 7.30 pm	Pub Night – The Bell, Astwood Bank. B96 6AX proper pub that's popular and usually well attended.	
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> 7.00 for 7.30 pm	Shahi Palace, 66 Unicorn Hill, Redditch. It's curry night to round off November. Names to Maz by Monday27th.	

## **Dates for your diary**:

#### December:

6<sup>th</sup> December, 12.30 Suzie will be organising her lunch at The Jubilee.

Lyn's Friday Lunch Club, Christmas edition. 15<sup>th</sup> December at 12.30 at The Bell, Astwood Bank. Let Lyn M know if you're going and she'll give you the food choices. Lyn's on 07747 803562.

16<sup>th</sup> December, it's our Christmas Dinner Dance at The Jinney Ring. 7.00 till 12.00pm. It's a 3 course meal with a disco, always a great night. Cost is £39.50, however, anyone who's been a paid up member for over 6 months will receive a subsidy of £10.00 towards the cost of their ticket. Dress code is smart so time to get your Posh frocks out Ladies.

Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> December, 7.30 till 12.30. Solihull Friends New Years Eve Party. Solihull Indoors Bowls Club, B91 3LE £20 to include Buffet and Disco. Ring Jackie Daniels on 01564 824760 to book your place.

#### 2024 (yes you read that right!)

Solihull Friends Group have booked a coach holiday from Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2024 to Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March to Great Yarmouth. Trip includes 4 nights half board at the Waverley Hotel (see on TripAdvisor), entertainment on 2 evenings and to Sheringham, Cromer and Norwich.

Cost is £209 pp availability on twins and doubles, no singles at present.

Ring Chris Checkley asap if interested on: 07502 083557

Bromsgrove and Redditch Friends is a social group organised for the benefit of paidup and life members. The membership is primarily comprised of unattached persons (i.e., not living together as one of a couple). The group is non-profit making and subscriptions are used to the benefit of the group. An elected committee runs the group according to the provisions of its constitution, copies of which are available from the secretary.

Disclaimer; lease note, anyone taking part in any Friends events does so entirely at their own risk. The group accepts no responsibility for the loss of or damage to property or personal injury.

The committee for 23/24 is

Chairman Angie Byres Committee Members

07517 714576 Maureen Bishop, Steve Cole, Jackie Miller

**Secretary** Lyn Mader Glen Ralph, Maz Winfield

07747 803562

**Treasurer** Suzie Wood

07828 147105

**Chairmans Chat**: Well, Autumn is upon us already and the clocks have gone back but that won't stop us having fun so let's wrap up warm and carry on enjoying everything our group has to offer. Let's kick loneliness into touch by joining in and appreciating everything this wonderful group has to offer.

I'd like to say a massive thank you to everyone who contributed to last month's programme, which was thoroughly enjoyed by lots of members. Moving forward to this month we've Fireworks, Cinema, Meals out, Live music, Adventure golf, Wrestling, Skittles, Music Quiz, Pub nights and lots more to see and do. Just fabulous so see you there!

**Notice to members**: To put on an event, you will find the diary at our pub nights. Please check the date is available for your event and providing it's on our programme, hosted at your property with group members attending then the group will give you £40 towards the cost of hosting.

**Events and car sharing**: We would urge you to share a car wherever possible and contribute towards the cost of petrol and parking. Environmentally friendly and cheaper all round by far.

**Eating out**: The cost can sometimes be prohibitive to members so please so not assume that everyone will be happy to split the bill equally.

**Prospective members**: Are invited to come along from 7.30pm on Tuesday meeting nights and will be introduced to other members. If you would like a member to meet you outside the venue, then we will happily do so. If you like what you see you are welcome to attend meetings and events for a month before deciding whether to apply for membership.