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Saturday 25 September - Sunday 3 October 2021



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Later Life Hub

Boccia Challenge Cup October 17th

The Sports Hall, St John's University, Haxby Rd York

Boccia (pronounced 'bot-cha') is a target ball sport, played in pairs or teams of three, which tests both muscle control and accuracy. From a seated position, players throw, kick or use a ramp to propel a ball onto the court with the aim of getting closest to the white 'jack' ball.

We are delighted to have the support of Boccia England, the National Governing Body (NGB) for boccia. We will have professional players and community players participating in what will be a fantastic day for the sport. Bite boccia Paralympian Beth Moulam will be helping us launch the event and attending the final to congratulate the Boccia Challenge Champions.

Entry Forms can be obtained from Later Life Hub and Dementia Forward. All funds raised in aid of Dementia Forward. Dementia Helpline 03300 578592



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We are a group of professionals who have come together to offer a range of solutions for people who are retired, considering retiring and / or have elderly relatives they are caring for.

We recognise that there is a lot to think about once you reach 'a certain age'. Be it your own health, financial planning and wellbeing or that of a relative. Everyone has different needs and requirements and we know that with our cross section of businesses you will find one that can help you. We cover North Yorkshire and the surrounding areas and have a dedicated phone number that you can call and be directed to the service best suited to your needs: 0300 330 9480. Find out more about our 22 services on https://laterlifehub.org or email info@laterlifehub.org.

Join us on October 17th for the Boccia Challenge Cup at the Sports Hall, York St. John University Sports Park, Haxby Rd, York YO31 8TA. Funds are being raised for Dementia Forward. More information is available on our website: https://laterlifehub.org

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At Harrowells, we have always had a practical, can-do attitude and we have drawn on that ethos from the very start of the pandemic to ensure our clients received timely advice as conveniently and as safely as possible. It is great to see the York Fifty Plus Team follow the same approach in getting 'the show on the road' in 2021. Best wishes to everyone taking part in this year's festival.

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Foresters Friendly Society has been established in York since 1837. Members of local branches administer their funds for the benefit of members in the form of support, educational, dental, optical and convalescence grants (over £1 million granted nationally) as well as organising social events and fundraising activities.

Full details of membership can be found at www.forestersfriendlysociety.co.uk
Or contact branch secretary Helen Mackinnon on 01609 751675



We are a female-led collective of like-minded individuals who are passionate about guiding and supporting you through life's milestones.

From September we will be holding regular workshops and talks at our premises in New Earswick. See our website for details.



Anne-Marie Ledson
Here To Eternity Ceremonie



Annette Jones
Civil Celebrant



Anne Wyn-Jones



Chris Dudzinska



Kerry Aldridge
Hand In Hand Funerals/End-of-life Doula



Louisa Starr Starr Gazing Ceremonie



Sarah Jackson Keepsake Art, for lasting memories



Sharon Kent Civil Celebrant



Sylvia Wagner-BottomerSoul Midwife / TLC for carers / Threshold choir

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Important information

- All events are being held under current local and national guidelines re COVID and it is the responsibility of the event provider to ensure these are fully adhered to.
 All participants are required to fully adhere to these guidelines.
- Please check with the contact people before attending an event as details may have changed after this programme was printed.
- All venues are accessible unless stated otherwise but please check with the contact if you have any access queries.
- Many regular activities continue after the Festival but some events that are free during the Festival may have a charge afterwards.
- Please take note of events that need to be **booked**, some may be cancelled if there are not enough participants.





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During the Festival

Saturday 25 September - Sunday 3 October

10 am - 4 pm

NELLI Chatty Bench

NELLI (New Earswick Less Loneliness Initiative) is a social group and lunch club who meet at the Folk Hall for fun and friendship, varied activities and trips out. Come and have a chat with the organisers or the Local Area Coordinator to find out more.

NELLI Bench, Folk Hall (outside the library), New Earswick

Free

Contact: Kit Weatherall 07717 583201

kit.Weatherall@outlook.com

TBC

York City Knights Memories Club

The York City Knights Foundation run a weekly Memories session looking to connect local people and share, listen, relive and talk about their memories of York Rugby League from the past. Help us as we archive our extensive collection of medals, match day programmes, playing shirts, and videos of past games as we look to bring to life the years gone by.

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Community
Stadium,
Kathryn
Avenue,
Monks Cross Dr.
Huntington,
York
YO32 9AF

Free

Contact: Adam Prentis 01904 670880

heritage@yorkcityknights.com https://yorkcityknights.com/

Monday 27 September - Friday 1 October

10 am -Celebrating Life with Friends Open 3 pm Week

Celebrate and enjoy life with your friends in the historic ambience of St. Sampson's Centre. Buy your food and drinks at affordable prices and join in the activities provided or sit in a quiet courtyard enjoying the lush green surroundings.

St. Sampsons Centre for over 60s. Church St, York **YO1 8BE**

Free

Contact: St. Sampson's Centre 01904 652247 centre@stsampsonscentre.co.uk

Monday 27 September - 18 October

10 -11.15 am

At home with Qi Gong: movement to soothe and calm (4-week course) How do we settle back into the steadying support of the body and the the comfort of ground, when we feel anxious and unsettled, and our thoughts become unanchored? These sessions will teach you essential tools, drawing on the nourishing practice of Qi gong, to reconnect to this vital support. This 4-week course is an opportunity to be guided through the Shibashi form, which is a deeply relaxing, gentle and flowing moving meditation. Please book your place by contacting Nicky.

You will be able to participate in this course from vour own home via zoom.

£40

Contact: Nicky Thomas Acupuncture & Yoga 07583 291616 nickyjanethomas123@gmail.com www.nickythomasyork.com

10 - 11 am French Taster session by French native speakers for complete / post

beginners.

Basic French for the Holidays,

phrases, role-plays, listening and a bit about cultural differences and similarities, etc.

11.30 am - French Taster session by French native 12.30 pm speakers for improvers / intermediate.

French for the Holidays, and everyday French, role-plays, listening and a bit about cultural differences and similarities, etc.

We hope to have the sessions available in-person, at York CVS, York YO1 6ET and also online (via Zoom). £5 /session / person

1.30 -2.30 pm

French Taster session by French native speakers for intermediate / advanced Conversation in French on various current topics using newspapers, live news, etc. A good grasp of the language is essential.

Booking is essential. A minimum of 4 persons are needed for each session to run.

Contact: Alliance Française de York at afdeyork@gmail.com or Christine 07834 613799. www.alliancedeyork.co.uk

10 am -4 pm

Red Tower Open Day

Come and have a look round the only brick tower on the Bar Walls and find out about its amazing history. See our award winning refurbishments and drinks and cake will be available for a donation.

Bar Walls, Foss Islands Road.

Ground floor including toilet is level, stairs to upper floor

Free

Contact: enquiries@redtoweryork.org.uk

www.redtoweryork.org.uk

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10 am - Eat...Pray...Love: open day at St 4pm Denys Church, Walmgate

"A warm community welcome is extended to all-comers.... We will offer tea, tours, talks and entertainment under the theme of "Eat-Pray-Love...." telling the history and ambition of our beloved church alongside refreshment both bodily and spiritual; celebrating the refurbished church fabric and fabulous 'Henry' organ installation." No booking required; covid-safe capacity of 30 (June 22) - preopening up of venues.

St Denys Church, Walmgate, York YO1 9QD

Stepped entry to church.

Free

Contact: Mary Brooks, PCC Secretary 07941 246312 stdenyschurchyork@gmail.com

10.15 *-*11.45 am

Qi gong for challenging times (both in the studio and online)

How do we settle into the steadying support of the body and the ground, when we feel anxious and unsettled, and our thoughts become unanchored. This session will teach you essential resources, drawing on the deeply relaxing, flowing and nourishing embodied practice of Qi gong, to help you reconnect to this vital support during challenging times.

York Yoga Studio, 112 Acomb Road, York, YO24 4EY

In-person studio cost £15 Online cost £12

Contact: Nicky Thomas Acupuncture & Yoga 07583 291616 nickyjanethomas123@gmail.com www.nickythomasyork.com

10.15 am Family History Workshop

- 12 pm Are you an unpaid carer in York?

Have you ever wondered about the lives of relatives who came before you? Take some time out to join us for our relaxed family history sessions, to learn the basics of how and where to get started and explore some of the free research websites. We'll ask you to bring details of at least one person you are keen to research.

Please get in touch to book a place.

Online via Zoom

Free

Contact: York Carers Centre 01904 715490

enquiries@yorkcarerscentre.co.uk www.yorkcarerscentre.co.uk

17 Priory Street, York, YO1 6ET



8 or 9

Play basketball for FREE am - dusk Why not try shooting a few hoops. Glen Gardens, Rowntree Park and Hull Road Park have free to use basketball courts and are open from 8am Monday to Friday and from 9am on Saturdays and Sundays, closing at dusk and are available to use on a

Hull Road Park. Rowntree Park and Glen Gardens. Heworth

Free

Unfortunately, basketballs are not available to hire at these venues so please bring your own.

Contact: Paul Ramskill paul.ramskill@york.gov.uk

'first come first served' basis.

1 pm

GOTri Acomb Family Triathlon This non-competitive Swim Bike Run event is designed to encourage all generations to participate as a family covering the distances together or as a family relay. A veteran of the sport or a novice? This event encourages all family members to take part as a family.

Energise Leisure Centre. Cornlands Road. York. YO24 3DX

£10 per team

Booking is essential via www.gotri.org

Contact: Chris Armstrong

chris.armstrong@gll.org www.better.org.uk

1 - 4 pm

Masters Hockey Session

This mixed hockey session is for people aged 50yrs+ to come along and play hockey whatever your ability and experience. Whether you are a current player, played before or a complete beginner then come along. Booking is essential.

Huntington School Astro Pitch. Huntington Road, York, **YO32 9WT**

£3

Contact: Jenni Fitton 07801 969204 senior@cityofyorkhc.co.uk www.cityofyorkhc.co.uk

2.15 -	"York Minster in close up - the	SPARK,
4 pm	exterior "	17 - 21 Piccadilly,
	An illustrated talk based on my book	York
	of the same name, showing you lots	YO1 9PB
	of the amazing grotesques and other	and online
	carved figures on the outside of the	
	Minster. Books will be available to	Donations
	buy afterwards.	
	Please book if attending in person, if	
	watching online, I'll email the link.	

Contact: Catherine Sotheran 01904 411845 <u>CSotheran@aol.com</u> facebook.com/catherine.sotheran/

Monday 27 September

10 - 11 am	Walking Football Our walking football sessions are targeted at older people and those with long term injuries/illness/health	Burnholme Sports Centre, Mossdale Avenue,
	related issues who wish to keep physically active. This game of	YO31 0HA
	football is adapted from association football to allow players continued opportunity to play the sport they love. Maximum speed is walking, no matter ability or fitness you are welcome to attend our sessions. They are recreational and inclusive for all. On every Monday.	£5

Contact: Amy Tyro 07834 588259 inclusion@yorkcityfcfoundation.co.uk

10 *-*11.30 am

Happy to Chat Bench (Community Health Champions)

Happy to Chat Benches are for everyone to enjoy. They are a great chance to have a break, a chat with a Community Health Champion and/ or ask where you can get some support or advice. No booking required.

King George's Field, Fossway, Heworth, York YO31 8SF

Steps down from Fossway on to grass, level access from Arran Place, off Dodsworth Avenue

Free

Contact: Hannah Hall 07785 368543 Hannah.Hall@york.gov.uk

10 am *-*1 pm

Confidence Building for Women Returners Workshop (Online)

Are you socially isolated and struggling with mental health issues whilst planning a return to work after years on a break? This workshop offers empowering insight into ways to rebuild our confidence, self-belief and self-worth, self-identity and resilience to knocks. Increase your capacity to overcome potential barriers (e.g. self-limiting beliefs) to move closer to work-readiness.

Booking essential (max. 10 places) by email. Upon payment of the fee you will receive a direct zoom link to access the workshop.

Online via zoom

£5

Contact: Liz Hempshall 07495 731958

lizhempshall@futureintentions.co.uk https://futureintentions.co.uk/

10 am *-* 3 pm

Bowling Green Taster Sessions
Taster Sessions... Why not come and try bowls on our beautiful green.
The club is always looking for new players, it's a great way to get out and meet new people. Club members are very happy to welcome new and experienced bowlers alike. If you are interested in finding out more pop along to the free taster sessions.

West Bank Park, Acomb Road, Holgate Y024 4NS

Free

Contact: Keith Nelson 07538 268820

6 - 7 pm

Bringing the Rowntree Post-War Leisure Surveys to Life

In the late 1940s, Seebohm Rowntree conducted surveys with people in England to gather information on their leisure activities, their working lives, and their hopes and worries for the future. We will be screening a new short creative film of theatrical performances inspired by the surveys. This will be followed by a Q&A with the film's writer and director Rachel Feldberg, Borthwick Archivist Dr Sally-Anne Shearn, and historian Dr Catherine Oakley.

(Booking essential)

Online event

Free

Contact: The Rowntree Society <u>info@rowntreesociety.org.uk</u> www.rowntreesociety.org.uk

9.30 am - Free Employability and Careers3.30 pm Advice Telephone Drop In

Via phone

Are you unemployed or thinking of changing career? Please call Julia on 07785 996895 or Stephen on 07976 856242 for free employability and careers advice and signposting to other York Learning Services that can help you (your phone provider's standard telephone charges will apply).

Contact: York Learning on either of the numbers above

9.30 am - Talk to a trusted solicitor about4 pm making your Will and Lasting Powers of Attorney

Online

Free

Belinda-Jane Poulter at Crombie Wilkinson Solicitors is providing an online legal advice drop-in clinic to take questions about making your Will and Lasting Powers of Attorney. Pre-book your 30 minute appointment with Belinda before Tuesday 28 September, then Online joining instructions will be emailed to you. Appointments available 9.30am-4pm and booked on a first come first served basis.

Contact: Belinda-Jane Poulter 01904 624185 19 Clifford Street, York, YO1 9RJ <u>b.poulter@crombiewilkinson.co.uk</u>. www.crombiewilkinson.co.uk

10 -11.30 am

Finding out about Homeshare York Are you over 55 years old and have a spare bedroom or perhaps you have a relative or neighbour you know? Would you benefit from some YO1 8BE practical support in the home and / or just someone to talk to? Are you happy to share your home with another person (the "Homesharer") in exchange for them contributing 10

hours of support per week?

St. Sampsons Centre for over 60s. Church St. York

Free

Why not pop along for a chat with Carl to talk about how Homeshare York might work for you. If the day or time does not work out for you, just contact Carl to arrange a different time,

Contact: Carl Wain 01904 554595 HomeshareYork@york.gov.uk https://york.gov.uk/HomeShareYork

10 am -1 pm

Confidence To Be Your Authentic Self Online via zoom (Online Women Workshop)

Have you have wondered how amazing it would be to be your authentic self? How much happier you could be if living an authentic life for yourself not the version others expect of you! This workshop offers empowering insight into how you can be your authentic self, living the life you have always dreamt of.

£5

Booking essential by email (max. 10 places). Upon payment of the fee you will receive a direct zoom link to access the workshop.

Contact: Liz Hempshall 07495 731958

lizhempshall@futureintentions.co.uk https://futureintentions.co.uk/

10 am -3 pm

York Men's Shed Open Day The York Men's Shed is a community organisation with membership fees providing a place where men of 50+ can gather to work on projects or socialize with fellow members. In the Shed mostly woodworking takes place but there is opportunity for other projects too. Please come and check us out.

Old Warden's Hut. Corner of Alcuin Avenue and Flaxman Avenue, Hull Road Park, York, YO10 3TW

Rowntree Park.

Rowntree Park

Richardson St.

Free

Contact: Mark Guilford, Chair 07725 183456 yorkmensshed@outlook.com www.yorkmensshed.co.uk

12 pm

10.30 am - Happy to Chat Bench (Community Health Champions)

> Happy to Chat Benches are for everyone to enjoy. They are a great chance to have a break, a chat with a Community Health Champion and / or ask where you can get some

support or advice. No booking

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Lodge,

York

Free

required.

Contact: Hannah Hall 07785 368543 Hannah. Hall@york.gov.uk

12.30 pm

11.30 am - Action For Elders - A York Walk Join us for a fun and safe walk. through wonderful Rowntree Park with your walking guide Celeste. Finish at Rowntree Park Café. Booking is essential via website.

Meet at: Rowntree Park Car Park. Rowntree Park. Terry Avenue, York, YO23 1JQ

Free (optional donation)

Contact: Action For Elders 030 330 30132

info@actionforelders.org.uk https://www.actionforelders.org.uk

12.30 pm

11.30 am - Guided House Tour and Meditation Enjoy a tour of the beautiful grade II* Georgian mansion followed by a relaxing guided fifteen minute meditation. Afterwards feel free to wander in the forty acres of grounds and enjoy refreshments from our cafe. Numbers are limited so booking is essential by emailing: group.visits@madhyamaka.org

Madhyamaka KMC, Kilnwick Percy Hall, Kilnwick Percy, **Pocklington YO42 1UF**

£2

Contact: Ali Boseley 01759 304832 epc@madhyamaka.org www.madhyamaka.org

12 - 9 pm

Minster Lions Club of York Open Day Our Mission: We Serve It's that simple. Lions Clubs are places where individuals join together to give their valuable time and effort to improving their communities, and the world. How do you feel you could volunteer in your community? Come and join us to find out about the Lions and what we do. We work hard on our projects and have fun while doing so. We socialise too with barbeques, concerts, walks, quizzes and much more. Free and open to Everyone.

Acomb Conservative Club. 12A Front Street, Acomb. York YO24 3BZ

Free

Contact: Robert James 03458 339578 info@minster-lions.org.uk Facebook / Twitter @minsterlions

1 – 2 pm	Fun With Google	Clifton Explore
	Do you Google? A fun introduction	Library,
	to the power of Google searching on	Rawcliffe Lane,
	the internet and how it can work for	York
	you. A chance to ask those questions	YO30 5SJ
	you've always wanted to ask about	
	Google searching.	Free
	Booking advised – maximum places	
	12 Rook via our website	

Contact: York Learning 01904 554277 york.learning@york.gov.uk www.yorklearning.org.uk

1 - 4 pm	Burnholme Sports Centre Open	Burnholme
	afternoon	Sports Centre,
	This informal afternoon offers an	Mossdale
	opportunity to visit Burnholme	Avenue, Tang
	Sports Centre, tour the facilities and	Hall, York
	try gym & class taster activities	YO31 0HA
	including Nordic Walking. On the	
	former site of Burnholme School we	Free
	have a range of activities suitable for	
	all generations.	
	No Booking Required	

Contact: Chris Armstrong chris.armstrong@gll.org www.better.org.uk

Online via zoom

£2

2 pm or 7 pm

Painting and Drawing ONLINE Join experienced artist and tutor Donna Maria Taylor for an introductory taster session of online painting and drawing. Open to all abilities from complete beginners onwards. Depending on interest this could lead to a longer online course that runs through the Autumn term and beyond.

Just basic drawing materials will be needed for this session – ideally cartridge paper (or A3 sketchbook) and a 2B pencil.

Numbers are limited and booking is essential.

donnamtavlor@ntlworld.com

Contact: Donna Maria Taylor 07752 303946 www.donnamariatavlor.com

2 - 4 pm

Can you 'Play your Cards Right'? Join the Yorkshire Energy Doctor to play this iconic gameshow, have fun and learn about energy. You may even win a prize! York Energy Advice will be on hand to provide advice on saving energy, reducing bills, and keeping warm and well. Booking advised.

St. Sampsons Centre for over 60s. Church St. York YO1 8BE

Free

Contact: Ivana Jakubkova 07912 432819 Ivana@stnicks.org.uk https://stnicks.org.uk/get-inspired/events/

6.45 -	"York in close up"	SPARK,
8.30pm	An illustrated talk based on my book	17 - 21 Piccadilly,
-	of the same name, showing you lots	York
	of little details on buildings that	YO1 9PB
	you've probably never noticed,	and online
	followed by a fun picture quiz.	
	Books will be available to buy.	Donations
	Please book if attending in person, if watching online, I'll email the link.	

Contact: Catherine Sotheran 01904 411845 <u>CSotheran@aol.com</u> facebook.com/catherine.sotheran/

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Contact: Charlie Malarkey 07712 443163

9.45 -	'Light A Candle Café'	The Tower
11.15 am	A space to talk about loss, bereavement and hope, to	Room, St.
	remember loved ones and connect with others.	Nicholas Church, Dunnington, York
		Free

Contact: Revd Mark Poole 01904 426522 revmarkpoole20@gmail.com

10 am Dementia Awareness Session

In this session we will cover dementia awareness and the services offered by Dementia Forward, your local charity which supports over 1,000 people in the York area. We will talk about what dementia is and things we can all do to support people living with dementia, and look at volunteering opportunities.

Online via zoom

link https:// zoom.us/ j/2769841086

Meeting ID: 276 984 1086

Contact: Debby Lennox 01765 601224 debby.lennox@dementiaforward.org.uk www.dementiaforward.org.uk

10 -11.30 am

Happy to Chat Bench (Community Health Champions)

Happy to Chat Benches are for everyone to enjoy. They are a great chance to have a break, a chat with a YO31 0XH

Community Health Champion and /

or ask where you can get some

support or advice. No booking required. Heworth Glen

Gardens.

East Parade.

Heworth

Free

Contact: Hannah Hall 07785 368543 Hannah. Hall@york.gov.uk

10 *-*11.30 am

Live Well York
Live Well York is a website for adults
and families. Find information on
Health and Wellbeing, Adult Social
Care, Money & Legal and more.
Discover hundreds of local groups
and activities. Find events happening
across York, and explore
volunteering opportunities. Rob will
be on hand to answer your questions
and show you how to get the most

St. Sampson's Centre for over 60s, Church St, York YO1 8BE

Free

Contact: Robert Kilner 01904 551006 rob.kilner@york.gov.uk livewellyork.co.uk

from the site.

10 am *-*12 pm

Chatty Bench - Acomb Front Street
Age UK volunteers will be at benches
on Acomb Front Street to connect
with older people, provide
information about Age UK York's
work and general chat! Chatty
Benches is a national scheme which
we hope to draw attention to, which
aims to promote social connection.
See more at https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-northern-ireland-57712142

Acomb Front

Street

Free

Contact: Jennifer Allott ageukyork@ageukyork.org.uk/york/

10 am -12.30 pm

Want to feel more confident with your smartphone or tablet?

Come and meet the Families Get Active team to help build your confidence with your smart phone or tablet. We will show you some simple techniques and share with you some details about our York Family Walks project. Numbers extremely limited and sign up is via email to

Bramley Room, New Earswick Folk Hall YO32 4AO

Lift to first floor

Free

Contact: Rebecca Rowan 07833 127786 rrowan@wea.org.uk www.wea.org.uk

12 pm

10.30 am - Interested in Volunteering with OCAY (Older Citizens Advocacy -York)?

rrowan@wea.org.uk

We are looking for those who relish a challenge, those who want to give something back to their community, individuals who care about ensuring older citizens get a say, people looking to utilize their existing skills and learn new ones.

We have a range of volunteering roles with no minimum time commitment (we're flexible!) Join us at our 'Interested in Volunteering?' session to find out more.

Phone or email to book a place.

OCAY.

The Priory Street Centre.

15 Priory Street,

York. **YO1 6ET**

Free

Contact: Ruth Potter 01904 676200 ruth@ocay.org.uk

1.30 pm Experience Nordic Walking

Experience and try Nordic Walking, at this fun interactive session. Learn how it can help you easily stay active, lose weight, keep fit and make friends. Equipment is provided. Our friendly and experienced Nordic Walking instructors will be there to chat and answer any questions you have. Come along and see why this exercise is fast becoming one of the most popular in Europe. Suitable for all abilities and level of fitness. Places limited, Booking Essential.

Rawcliffe Country Park, Rawcliffe

Free

Contact: Jules Titheridge 07950 030040 <u>jules@york.walx.co.uk</u> https://walx.co.uk/find-walx/209771

2 pm or	Painting and Drawing ONLINE	Online via zoom
7 pm	As Tuesday 28th, see p. 25	
		£2

Contact: Donna Maria Taylor 07752 303946

donnamtaylor@ntlworld.com www.donnamariataylor.com

2 pm + 3.30 pm

Behind the scenes tours of York's Art Deco theatre

A guided tour of the theatre built by Rowntrees for their workers and local community. A unique opportunity. Two 1 hour tours, max. 10 people on each tour (involves

York YO31 8TA

Haxby Road,

Theatre.

Joseph Rowntree

Donations

steps). Booking essential

Contact: Gary Bateson gary.bateson@jrtheatre.co.uk www.josephrowntreetheatre.co.uk/

2 - 4 pm **Eco-Crafters Taster**

Pop along to have a go at the group's activities - could be anything Centre, from wool felting to macrame or sewing - or bring your own project. This friendly group meets every Wednesday for natter and crafts over

a cuppa, often using upcycled materials. All skill levels are

welcome.

St Nicks

Environment

Rawdon Avenue.

York

YO10 3FW

Free

Contact: Ivana Jakubkova 07912 432819 Ivana@stnicks.org.uk https://stnicks.org.uk/get-inspired/events/

6 - 7 pm Walking Football

Our walking football sessions are targeted at older people and those with long term injuries/illness/health related issues who wish to keep physically active. This game of football is adapted from association football to allow players continued opportunity to play the sport they love. Maximum speed is walking, no matter ability or fitness you are welcome to attend our sessions. They are recreational and inclusive for all. On every Wednesday.

Huntington Secondary School.

YO32 9WT

£5

Contact: Amy Tyro 07834 588259 inclusion@yorkcityfcfoundation.co.uk

10 - 11 am Walking Football

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Burnholme Sports Centre, Mossdale Avenue, YO31 0HA

£5

Contact: Amy Tyro 07834 588259 inclusion@yorkcityfcfoundation.co.uk

10 *-*11.30 am

Happy to Chat Bench (Community Health Champions)

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King George's Field, Fossway, Heworth, York YO31 8SF

Steps down from Fossway on to grass, level access from Arran Place, off Dodsworth Avenue

Free

Contact: Hannah Hall 07785 368543 Hannah.Hall@york.gov.uk

10 *-*11.30am

Age Friendly York Citizen Group
We want older residents to help
shape where they live by working
with local groups, businesses and
ourselves to identify and make
changes to their physical and social
environments. We have regular
surveys where we ask your opinions
about creating a more age friendly
city and report back on progress.

Library,

St. Sampson's Centre for over

60s,

Church St, York

Free

To book a place or find out more in advance then please go to www.york.gov.uk/AgeFriendlyYork or give Carl a ring for a chat. Contact: Carl Wain 01904 554595 AgeFriendlyYork@york.gov.uk

10.15 - Autumn Planting

11.30 am

Are you an unpaid carer? Come along for a chat and a spot of horticulture at our Autumn Planting sessions.

We're running the session in partnership with St Nick's, and the aim is to have a bit of time for yourself, where you can catch up with our staff and other carers. We'll be decorating a pot and planting seeds to grow and keep at home. All the equipment will be delivered to your door beforehand. Please get in touch to book a place.

Online via Zoom

Free

Contact: York Carers Centre 01904 715490 enquiries@yorkcarerscentre.co.uk 17 Priory Street, York, YO1 6ET www.yorkcarerscentre.co.uk

11 am Experience Nordic Walking

Experience and try Nordic Walking at this fun interactive session. Learn how it can help you easily stay active, lose weight, keep fit and make friends. West Bank Park, Acomb Road, Holgate Y024 4NS

Free

Contact: Jules Titheridge 07950 030040 <u>jules@york.walx.co.uk</u> https://walx.co.uk/find-walx/209772

11 am - Get Your Kit On - Recreational12 pm Football

Our Recreational sessions are for those who still enjoy playing the fast paced version of the game. We focus on the Fun and sociable element of what playing sport can bring. No experience necessary. A good place to come and give Football ago with no prejudice. Just get your trainers and come and join us. All are welcome! On every Thursday.

Burnholme Sports Centre, Mossdale Avenue, YO31 0HA

£5

Contact: Amy Tyro 07834 588259 inclusion@yorkcityfcfoundation.co.uk

11 am -12.30 pm

KEEPSAKES

Are you awoc – ageing without the support of children to help out in time of need? Check the national charity at www.awoc.org.uk to learn more about the 1000s of invisible awocs in our society. The local group, AWOC York, is inviting you to share stories about the things that conjure memories and bear a special place in your life. We'll meet and chat and then record our stories to share. Please book your place.

Online via zoom

Free

Contact: Sue Lister 01904 488870 hello@awocyork.org.uk www.awocvork.org.uk or book on Eventbrite 164043020089

11 am -1 pm

Haxby Happy to chat bench Come for a chat and to see a friendly main street, The face, help build your community and be part of a global movement to make neighbourhoods friendly. Two people can sit comfortably on the bench, and there are another 2 benches nearby, no need to book.

Bench on the Village, Haxby (outside St Mary's church)

Free

Contact: Natalie Greaves 07957 455359

natalie.greaves@york.gov.uk

11 am -**Acomb Chatty Bench**

4 pm Come and meet two of York's Local Area Coordinators at the Chatty Bench near Gateway Centre on Front Street. Find out about things to do in your local area, or just have a chat! If you are not able to be there on 30th Sept, why not visit the bench when you are next in the area, see who else Bench outside Gateway Centre, Front Street. Acomb

Free

Contact: Penny Hutchinson 07903 868742 penny.hutchinson@york.gov.uk

is there waiting for a chat.

1 - 2 pm Getting to Grips With Using Zoom

A chance to find out how to use Zoom to video call others or join a video call to access a course or talk to your friends and family. You can bring YO30 5SJ your own laptop or tablet if that's what you'd be using, or you can use our computers if you don't have a mobile device that you'd use. Find out how to join a Zoom call using codes, or from your email. Booking advised (via our website) maximum places 12.

Clifton Explore Library,

Rawcliffe Lane.

York

Free

Contact: York Learning 01904 554277

york.learning@york.gov.uk www.yorklearning.org.uk

2.30 - Social Media and Using QR Codes –3.30 pm The Basics

Do you want to find out more about social media, like Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc but are not sure where to start? Would you want to get some advice to stay safe on social media? Have you seen people using or talking about OR codes and would like to be more informed? This informal workshop with an experienced York Learning ICT tutor will help you find answers to questions you didn't even know you had yet! You don't need any knowledge of social media or QR codes to attend. Booking advised maximum places 12. Book via our website.

Clifton Explore Library, Rawcliffe Lane, York YO30 5SJ

Free

Contact: York Learning 01904 554277

york.learning@york.gov.uk www.yorklearning.org.uk

7.45 - Jorvik F 9.45 pm dancing

Jorvik FDC of Traditional English folk dancing

Folk dancing from traditional with some Playford and modern. We dance to recorded music, instructions called with each dance. Beginners are welcome! We don't always succeed even with instructions but we do enjoy. Booking essential. On every week.

St. Aidan's Church Hall, Ridgeway, Acomb, York YO26 5DP

£3

Contact: Annette 01904 705261 <u>annette@soothill.com</u>



Minster Lions Club

York

How would you like to connect with others?

Lions get involved with five common causes: diabetes, vision, hunger, environment and childhood cancer

We have more volunteers in more places than any other service organisation. **As Lions we step forward** to tackle local community challenges, wherever they occur.

Our Mission: We Serve

It's that simple. Lions clubs are places where individuals join together to give their valuable time and effort to improving their communities, and the world.

Join Us – you will be made very welcome! We meet on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month at 19.30 at Acomb Conservative Club, 12A Front Street, York YO24 3BZ Info@minster-lions.org.uk

Minster Lions Club of York is a charitable incorporated organisation (CIO) Registered in England and Wales with charity number: 1185813 Charitable Trust registration number: 1105292



OCAY staff & volunteers are here to help.

We can offer face to face appointments in our office or over the telephone.

We are open Mon - Fri 10am - 3pm

Call us on 01904 676200

You Talk - We Listen - Life Changes

8 - 9 pm	Action For Elders - The Furious Five	Online
	Quiz NightTest your skill and	
	knowledge	Free (optional
	The 'Furious Five' is a series of	donation)
	questions on music, film, TV and books	
	to test your skill and knowledge.	

We have 5 questions on a variety of subjects with five answers to each question. There's a prize of an Amazon voucher.

Booking is essential via email or the website below.

Contact: Action For Elders 030 330 30132

info@actionforelders.org.uk https://www.actionforelders.org.uk

Friday 1 October

7 - 8 am	Fitness and Boxing session	York Masters
	The mental and physical benefits of this	Club,
	training have been great and it was	17 Redeness St,
	greatly missed during the lockdowns.	Layerthorpe,
	We have a great number of over 50s	York YO31 7UU
	enjoy the fun and benefits of this type	
	of exercise.	£2

Contact: Charlie Malarkey 07712 443163

10 -	Live Well York	St. Sampson's
11.30 am	Live Well York is a website for adults	Centre for over
	and families. Find information on	60s,
	Health and Wellbeing, Adult Social	Church St, York
	Care, Money & Legal and more.	YO1 8BE
	Discover hundreds of local groups and activities.	Free

Find events happening across York, and explore volunteering opportunities. Rob will be on hand to answer your questions and show you how to get the most from the site.

Contact: Robert Kilner 01904 551006 rob.kilner@york.gov.uk www.livewellyork.co.uk

10.30 am	Nordic Walking - Full Lesson How to use Nordic Walking	Rawcliffe Country Park,
	poles to gently work your upper body and legs, giving effective all	Rawcliffe
	over workout that doesn't feel like one! Burning more calories, improving	£25
	posture, and reducing impact on joints.	

Suitable for all, including those with mobility issues or recovering from illness. Places Limited, booking essential.

Contact: Jules Titheridge 07950 030040 <u>jules@york.walx.co.uk</u> <u>https://walx.co.uk/find-walx/209773</u>

10.30	Age UK York - open house	St. Edmund
am -	Age UK York offices will be open with	House, Margaret
12 pm	staff, trustees and volunteers available to	Street, York
	provide information and advice about	YO10 4UX
	Age UK York services and strategy. Drop	_
	in to view our new offices, pick up a	Free
	leaflet, have a cup of tea and a chat.	

Contact: Jennifer Allott <u>ageukyork@ageukyork.org.uk</u> https://www.ageuk.org.uk/york

info@actionforelders.org.uk

www.actionforelders.org.uk/live-sessions/

	Action For Elders - Balanced Lives : Healthy Older People	Takes place via Zoom
	An exciting new exercise session expanding our reach to healthier older people with Betty Sutherland. Minimum health requirement - must be able to stand for 45 minutes. Every Friday.	Free
Contact	: Action For Elders 030 330 30132	

Happy to Chat Bench (Community 11 am -12.30 Health Champions) Happy to Chat Benches are for pm everyone to enjoy. They are a great

chance to have a break, a chat with a Community Health Champion and / or ask where you can get some support or advice. No booking required.

Poppleton Green. The Green, Upper Poppleton, York YO26 6EQ

Free

Contact: Hannah Hall 07785 368543 Hannah.Hall@york.gov.uk

11 am -12.30 pm

Walls and floods – a thousand years in York's history (free walking tour) This walking tour shows how actions on Tower Gardens. the Foss a thousand years ago created a moat around York Castle and flooded a huge swathe to the east of the city,

entrance to (next to Skeldergate Bridge) Free

Tower Street

changing the city's defences. 15 people maximum - contact the host by email to book places.

Contact: Ian Tempest 07821 926553 <u>ian.tempest1@btinternet.com</u>

2 -3.30 pm

Happy to Chat Bench (Community Health Champions)

Happy to Chat Benches are for everyone to enjoy. They are a great chance to have a break, a chat with a Community Health Champion and / or ask where you can get some support or advice. No booking required.

St. Lukes Church (outside), Burton Stone Lane. Clifton, York **YO30 6DG** Free

Contact: Hannah Hall 07785 368543 Hannah.Hall@york.gov.uk

6.15 - Tag rugby

7.15 pm Friday night social tag. Everyone

welcome, no matter what your ability, keep fit and healthy but the main aim is to have FUN !!!

Join us for a bit of fun social tag rugby then into the clubhouse for a cheeky

lemonade.

New Earswick Sport Club, White Rose Avenue,

YO32 4AG

Free

Contact: Liam Haxby L.haxby@live.co.uk

7 pm Resolving Pain Using The Mind Body Connection

If you are experiencing long term pain this on-line workshop is for you. Explore different perspectives for resolving pain and practical tapping

resolving pain and practical tapping exercises to help reduce pain & feel more comfortable. To book please email Debbie / Jenny and we'll send

zoom link / details for payment.

Workshop via emailed zoom link.

Zoom online

£6

Contact: Debbie 07949 174359 <u>debbie.pogson@gmail.com</u> or jen2627@hotmail.co.uk <u>www.yorknaturalhealth.co.uk</u>

7 - Action For Elders - Balanced Lives Tai7.30 pm Chi and Chat Relaxation

Talk about anything from lockdown anxiety to health and wellbeing issues.

Plus some gentle exercise with Balanced Lives Teacher - Betty Sutherland – to keep you happy and

motivated. Every Friday.

Contact: Action For Elders 030 330 30132

info@actionforelders.org.uk https://www.actionforelders.org.uk/

<u>live-sessions/</u>

Takes place via

700m

Free

7 -

JRHT Care Services. "We show we care" 8.30 pm Few know what care is available if an elderly relative or friend needs help? This question and answer session explains the options and processes. The session is led by Sue Hogston, Care Transformational Lead and Head of Residential and Nursing Care for Joseph Rowntree Housing Trust Care

Online

Free



Register in advance to gain the online link. This can be done via the email address below or scan the QR code.

Contact: JRHT Events events@jrf.org.uk

Saturday 2 October

8 or 9 am dusk

Play basketball for FREE Why not try shooting a few hoops. Glen Gardens, Rowntree Park and Hull Road Park have free to use Basketball Courts and are open from 8am Monday to Friday and from 9am on Saturdays and Sundays, closing at dusk and are available to use on a 'first come first served' basis.

Hull Road Park. Rowntree Park and Glen Gardens. Heworth

Free

Unfortunately, basketballs are not available to hire at either venue so please bring your own.

Contact: Paul Ramskill <u>paul.ramskill@york.gov.uk</u>

JRHT Care Services. "We show we care" 10 -11.30 am As Friday 1 October, see top of the page. Online Free

Register in advance to gain the online link. be done via the email address below or scan the QR code.

Contact: JRHT Events events@jrf.org.uk



10 am *-*12 pm

'Cuppa, Cake and Chatter'
A space to celebrate and give thanks for something or someone. Please bring a photo or an item to share and talk about.

The Tower Room, St. Nicholas Church, Dunnington, York

Free

Contact: Revd Mark Poole 01904 426522 revmarkpoole20@gmail.com

10 am -4 pm

Red Tower Open Day Come and have a look round the

only brick tower on the Bar Walls and find out about its amazing history. See our award winning refurbishments and drinks and cake will be available for a donation. Islands Road.

Ground floor including toilet is level. stairs to

Bar Walls, Foss

Free

upper floor

Contact:: enquiries@redtoweryork.org.uk www.redtoweryork.org.uk

1 - 3 pm

Inclusive Fitness Open Afternoon

This is an opportunity to visit Energise Leisure Centre, tour the building and discover the accessible facilities on offer including our PoolPod and Inclusive Fitness Initiative accredited Gym both designed to support those with restricted mobility to access more active lifestyles.

Energise Leisure Centre, Cornlands Road, York YO24 3DX

Free

Contact: Chris Armstrong chris.armstrong@gll.org

www.better.org.uk

4 pm

1 - approx. Introduction to Spiritualism / Mediumship

A short talk on Spiritualism followed by an introduction to Spiritual Healing with a short demonstration then a demonstration of Mediumship by our local mediums. Tea/Coffee and a home baked cake included in the entrance fee. No need to book. Small free car park to the rear of the building.

7 / 9 Wilton Rise

York

YO24 4BT

£2

Contact: York Spiritualist Centre 07914 795537 emailmlawton@gmail.com

Sunday 3 October

8 or 9 am

Play Tennis for FREE

- dusk

Why not try tennis. Hull Road Park has free to use Tennis Courts which are open from 8am Monday to Friday and from 9am on Saturdays and Sundays, closing at dusk and are available to use on a 'first come first served' basis. Unfortunately, tennis rackets and balls are not available to hire so please bring your own.

Hull Road Park

Free

Contact: Paul Ramskill paul.ramskill@york.gov.uk

11 am <i>-</i> 12 pm	Talk on the Buddhist Way to Inner Peace plus Guided Meditation Come and find out about the Buddhist way to inner peace and enjoy a short guided meditation and refreshments.	Kadampa Meditation Centre, 24 Gillygate, York YO31 7EQ
	Numbers are limited so booking is essential by email on	£5 including

group.visits@madhyamaka.org

Contact: Ali Boseley 01759 304832

epc@madhyamaka.org www.madhyamaka.org

2 - 4 pm Winter Wellbeing for the over 50s

Wellbeing in York Panel: self care for winter. Particular focus on keeping well in colder weather. Including stress and anxiety about health and wellbeing. Our integrative healthcare practitioners offer therapeutic recommendations and answer your personal questions. Also time for private chats with the therapists.

Wellbeing in York, The Raylor Centre, James Street, York **YO10 3DW**

refreshments

Wheelchair accessible. No Hearing Loop

£5

Contact: June Tranmer 07932 163602

enquiries@wellbeinginyork.org www.wellbeinginyork.org

We show we care

What care is available if an elderly relative or friend needs help?

This Q&A session explains the options and processes.

Speaker Sue Hogston, RGN, is Care Transformation Lead and Head of Residential and Nursing Care at JRHT Care Services.

Friday 1st October 7pm – 8:30pm



Saturday 2nd October

10am - 11:30am



For further information Scan the QR code or Contact JRHT Events at: events@jrf.org.uk



To find out more, call us on **01904 406 252** or email residentialcare@jrht.org.uk



York 50+ Festival

YOPA would like to welcome you and your friends to the 16th York 50+ Festival. We hope you will enjoy taking part.

The Festival is going ahead this year despite the challenges posed by the pandemic. Mary Cannon (co-ordinator), Catherine Sotheran (brochure editor), Sue Lister (publicity), and other volunteers have worked on this year's programme. If you want to help with follow up and obtaining feedback this year or to work on next year's Festival phone Mary for a chat on 01904 332613.

The International Day of Older People is celebrated on 1 October, with the theme of digital inclusion, and we're also supporting Silver Sunday on 3 October. More details on the YOPA and Live Well York websites and in the local press.

YOPA's bi-monthly open meetings and newsletters continue, and YOPA is also aiming to hold an Information Fair later in the year.

Contact us to join in and let us know what you think.

Please check with the contact people before attending an event as details may have changed after this programme was printed.

FOR AN AUDIO SUMMARY, BRAILLE, OR LARGE PRINT VERSION OF THE PROGRAMME PHONE 01904 636269

York Older People's Assembly Registered Charity 1101018 SPARK, 17-21 Piccadilly, York, YO1 9PB

Website: www.yorkassembly.org.uk Email:yorkolderpeoplesassembly@outlook.com

Tel: 07856 908586

ENJOY!

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