



# AIR NEWS

**Activity In Retirement (AIR) founded in 1989, registered Charity No. 1001228**

*An organisation established by retired people, for retired people and run by retired people*

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## Chairman's Letter to AIR Members

Due to the forthcoming elections on Thursday 4 May 2023, we may not be able to conduct our normal activities as the rooms may be used as voting stations on that day and therefore will not be available. Please monitor the situation nearer that time to ensure we do not clash. We have made enquiries to Cheshire East Council as to whether the MCC will be used for this purpose and shall confirm when a response is received. On the subject of voting, please don't forget that we all need to take identification to enable your vote to be registered.

Since the end of our payment holiday we have all paid towards activities that involve a rental charge (i.e. rooms, courts, etc.) and the collected monies have then been deposited into the AIR bank account. I would like to express my thanks for those involved in the collection and depositing of these monies. It seems that all activities have been successful in setting up arrangements that enable these deposits, and also then advise Judy Nicholson (Treasurer) of the amounts in order for her to maintain the accounts. Please continue this positive trend, but should there be any problems please advise Judy, or myself, accordingly.

As stated previously we have been advised that two of our present trustees wish to resign. The trustees carry out a valuable and necessary role to ensure the Management Committee runs the charity within the rules of the Charity Commission. These positions must be maintained in order to satisfy charity operational requirements. Should you consider that you would like information regarding standing for this position, please contact me.

The next planned coffee morning will be held at the Macclesfield Community Centre on Saturday 1 April 2023. It is very pleasing that these events are becoming more popular and thanks must be expressed to the Social Committee for their continued support.

Stay safe and look after yourselves,  
Regards

Paul Waugh

Chairman – April / May 2023

## For Hire

AIR have purchased approximately 150 glass champagne flutes and are now offering these to members for hire. Should this be of interest and you wish to secure more details please contact Paul Waugh 07906 235913

## AIR SOCIAL EVENTS



### COFFEE MORNING



Come and join us at our latest Coffee Morning on Saturday 1 April at the Community Centre 10 am to 12 noon. There will be the usual Book and Jigsaw tables with donations going to the East Cheshire Hospice. Our last collection box raised **£136.67**.

We also hope to have Chloe Wallace from Clear Ears who is an ear wax removal specialist on hand to discuss your ear problems which sometimes can be resolved by wax removal.

Chloe will be happy to advise you.

You may have heard of the One Project a local Charity who specialise in green issues and we hope that they will be able to attend with their Shed project which recycles old tools and small garden items. So if you have anything surplus to your requirements please bring them along to either donate or maybe swap for something you may need.

**We hope to see you there.**

Any enquiries to Anne Mathews at [annie01@hotmail.com](mailto:annie01@hotmail.com) or on 01625 612269.

## NEW MEMBERS

The Management Committee extends a warm welcome to the following new members:-

Ronald Adams	John Clayton	Terry Jaques	John Pool	Edward Warburton
Brigid Beirne	Sue Davenport	Margaret Kearey	Howard Redfern	Richard Warters
Eva Boys	Shirley Dawson	Paul Lang	Muriel Rodrigues	
Judith Brammer	Gill Elliott	Stephen Milburn	Patricia Rogers	
Robert Buckingham	Sue Fryer	Jacqueline Oldfield	Janet Rose	
Diana Bullock	Gilda Hammond	Jenny Pearson	Brian Shelmerdine	
Patricia Chapman	Mary Hobson	Margaret Perry	Andrew Thomson	

Total AIR Membership is now **614**

## AIR IN ACTION

### KURLING

Kurling on Thursday evening will be cancelled with effect from the last session to be held on Thursday 6 April and will resume again in Sept/Oct (dates will be confirmed closer to the time).

This is due to the fact that a lot of the attendees from a Thursday evening will be crown green bowling now the better weather is here. For the non-bowlers you are very welcome to join the Monday afternoon Kurlers 2pm-4pm. The Monday group above runs each week apart from bank holidays and with one exception of the Monday 17 April (no group that week).

For further information please contact Rita (07986 083854) or Brenda (01260 253786)

## AIR IN ACTION

### AIR RAMBLERS

In recent months (post Covid) the Ramblers Walking Group has become a victim of its own success. Groups of around 30 plus people have become a regular occurrence, causing problems with parking, safety, especially along roads, and pace of walks involving stiles. As a result, we have decided not to admit any new members for the time being. However, we will continue to monitor the situation and apologise for any inconvenience.



AIR Ramblers enjoying a recent walk stopping by the canal near to Danes Moss Nature Reserve.

### Walk Leaders Rota

03Apr David Bowden (611098)	01 May Peter Solomon (420782)	05Jun Alistair Croft (261964)
10Apr Chris Jones (820355)	08May Margie Hill (562179)	12Jun Chris Jones (820355)
17Apr Doreen Dean (01260 227207)	15May Pat Wroe (01260 223389)	19Jun David Bowden (611098)
24Apr Mike Cliff (501534)	22May Terry Heathcote (574418)	26Jun Doreen Dean (01260 227207)
	29May Alan Chapman (422295)	

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## PAINTING FOR PLEASURE

**The Painting for Pleasure Group is looking for new members.**

It meets on a Monday afternoon from 2pm to 4pm at Broken Cross Methodist Church. The room is light and bright with no heavy tables to move. Sadly, the traffic problems at Broken Cross over the last few months have put a lot of people off, but the conditions are now much improved and should no longer be a problem, so come and give it a try.

**For further information please contact Pat Finch on 01625 423931**

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## BOULES

Boules will be starting again, weather permitting, on Tuesday the 4 April. We play at Holy Trinity Church in Hurdsfield, meeting at 9.50am. All equipment is provided and all abilities, including beginners, are welcome.

**If you have any questions, please contact Kelvin Menzies on 01625 435038.**

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### INDOOR CARPET BOWLS

Indoor Carpet Bowls has had a very successful run of late with increasing numbers of members enjoying the facilities at All Saints Church on Wednesday and Friday mornings from 10am to 12noon. This normally finishes at the end of March as most members change to Crown Green Bowling at South Park on a Thursday morning also 10am to 12noon. However, because of it's popularity the Indoor Bowls will continue on a Wednesday morning for the Summer Season and new members are very welcome.



For more information please contact Janet Stevens (07711 678398)

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## AIR COACH TRIP

**Coach outing to Llandudno with optional Bodnant Gardens visit**

AIR and MCHC

***Wednesday 17 May 2023***

There will be a joint AIR and MCHC visit to Llandudno on Wednesday 17 May. Llandudno is the largest seaside resort in Wales and, as early as 1861, was being called 'the Queen of the Welsh Watering Places'. Members may also opt to spend half the day at Bodnant Gardens and half at Llandudno itself. The laburnum arch might be in flower as well as the azaleas and rhododendrons.

Please complete the enclosed application form if you wish to attend.

