

NEWS BULLETIN – Week Beginning 5th May 2025

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Croquet Group

The U3A Croquet Group now plays on Monday mornings as well as Thursday afternoons, so if you wanted to play before but couldn't make Thursdays, why not give it a try now ?

We meet at Congleton Cricket Club between April and the end of September, and new members are welcome - both beginners and those who have played before. All equipment is provided, and our more experienced players offer coaching throughout the season.

Our next beginners' session is on **Monday 19th May**. Please contact [Jules Attard](#) or [Len Taylor](#) if you are interested.

Line Dancing – New Leaders Required

After 16 years and health problems recently, I have decided to retire from leading the Line Dancing Groups at Buglawton on Thursday and Friday mornings. The Groups are therefore looking for new leaders. I would be willing to help with using the website and can provide CDs of lots of the music.

[Margaret Fox](#)

LOCAL EVENTS

Art and Stitched Textile Exhibition

What are you looking for? An exhibition of paintings and stitched textiles by Michael Cook and Michelle Holmes. Shown previously in Melbourne, Derbyshire and Coventry Cathedral.

The exhibition now comes to St. Peter's Congleton from **24th April to 13th May**.

Admission is free. Details of opening times are on flyers available from the Tourist Information Office, St. Peter's Church, the library, or visit allsaintscongleton.org.uk/art or phone Pauline Drew on 01260 272315 for further information.

Organ Recital

An organ recital with concert organist Keith Hearnshaw at St. Peter's Church **Saturday 3rd May** 7.30pm. Music will include Handel's Zadok the Priest, Bach's Toccata and Fugue in D Minor and the Barber Adagio for Strings.

Tickets £12 for over 18's includes wine/soft drinks and nibbles, from TIC, Pauline Drew 01260 272315 or on the door.

Bollington Arts Exhibition

Bollington Arts Centre, Wellington Road, Bollington.

Saturday 3rd to Monday 5th May

Saturday and Sunday 10.00am to 5.00pm, Monday 10.00am to 1.00pm.

Framed and unframed work for sale plus greeting cards.

Tea, coffee and home-made cakes available.

Bath House Open Day

Congleton Bath House and Physic Garden will be having its customary May Open Day on **Saturday 10th May** between 10.00am and 4.00pm.

There will be a Plant Stall, a Herb Society stall, plus refreshments. There will be a chance to see inside the Plunge Pool and Warming room and to listen to a rolling sequence of background talks (by U3A member), plus the Herb society will also be providing talks on a rolling basis.

The Garden is reached through an archway on Colehill Bank, off Lawton Street, behind the War Memorial.

South Cheshire Floral Society holds its next meeting at Astbury Village Hall on **Tuesday 13th May**, with a 1.30pm start time. The speaker we were expecting has now cancelled so we will probably have a quiz and workshop instead.

Visitors are warmly welcomed.

Astbury Garden Trail

Visit six gardens in and around Astbury on **Saturday 7th June** between 12 noon and 5.00pm.

Tickets £10 including tea and cake – pay at the first garden you visit; all proceeds to St Mary's Church, Astbury. The church will also be open all afternoon.

For more details pick up a leaflet from local garden centres, or the Congleton Library.

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