



MAY 2025

# COMMUNITY BULLETIN



## FIND OUT WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ROSSENDALE...

- Community Activities and Information
- Health and Wellbeing
- Funding
- Training
- Volunteering

## WELCOME TO YOUR MAY COMMUNITY BULLETIN!

We produce a monthly bulletin with our health and community partners to keep you updated on the community support and activities happening across Rossendale. This includes information from our community groups, events, health information, grants and community training opportunities. We hope you will find the bulletin useful.

All published Community Bulletins are available on our website – [Community Bulletins](#)

Feel free to share the bulletin with friends, community groups and on your own social media. If you have any information that you would like to share in our next bulletin, or you would like to be added to the e-mail distribution list, email us at [communitiesteam@rossendalebc.gov.uk](mailto:communitiesteam@rossendalebc.gov.uk)

# COMMUNITY INFORMATION

## A BREW FOR YOU

### COMMUNITY COFFEE AFTERNOON

Join a FREE coffee morning to meet others and have a good natter!

Every Wednesday from 10-11:30am.  
Where? St Peter's Church Haslingden Community Centre.

For more information email:

[cathedisford1@gmail.com](mailto:cathedisford1@gmail.com)



For men, those aged between 85-89 are most likely to provide 50 hours or more of care.

36% of male carers said the next Government should provide better access to the NHS, compared to 32% of women

## MEN CARE TOO

42% of unpaid carers are men. But 4 out of 10 Male Carers never get a break from their caring role.

CALL US  
01254 387444  
OR  
HEAD TO OUR  
WEBSITE



## BEACON SHED

The Beacon Shed is a purpose built dementia friendly community space where people living with dementia can take part in activities they enjoy. Staff are on hand to help visitors thrive. Visit their website for more information:

[Beacon Shed](#)

## MOVE AND GROOVE AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

### HASLINGDEN FAMILY HUB

No need to book just turn up for games, activities, boardgames, playdough, quizzes, art and crafts, and lots more! Snack and drinks provided.

From 7th April until 19th May – Every Monday 3:30 – 4:45pm.





# yoga

IN THE PARK



**FREE FOR EVERYONE**

No need to book, just turn up.



Starting  
Saturday  
10th May

**Stubbylee Park, Bacup**

**9:30AM – 10:30AM**

**Every Saturday till  
Saturday 20th Sep**

**Whitaker Park, Rawtenstall**

**9:30AM – 10:30AM**

**Every Sunday till  
Sunday 28th Sep**

Starting  
Sunday  
4th May

SCAN FOR  
MORE INFO



PLEASE NOTE\* Mats & towels for yoga  
are not provided, please bring your own.



Please join our Facebook Groups  
for all updates.



**CIVIC PRIDE**  
...Rossendale

## BOCHOLT BOARD GAME FESTIVAL

ST VERONICA'S COMMUNITY HALL, HELMSHORE

Gaming fun for seasoned gamers and novices alike with international board games from Ticket to Ride to TiddlyWinks to Terraforming Mars.

Games for all ages - £5 entry with all proceeds to fund this year's youth delegation to the Bocholt Youth Camp. When? Saturday 10th May from noon until 10pm.



## GRANE HERITAGE WEEKEND

Celebrating 100 years since St Stephens Church was moved from its original position to Holden Wood.

'Graners' or people associated with St Stephens are invited to join a tea party Saturday 24th May at Holden Wood Antiques Centre from 2-5pm.

Exhibition available at Holden Hall Cemetery Chapel from 24th - 26th May for anyone interested in the local history.

To book the tea party contact:

[Jax1956@googlemail.com](mailto:Jax1956@googlemail.com)

[07544 371566](tel:07544371566)



## HEALTH AND WELLBEING EVENT

### HASLINGDEN COMMUNITY LINK

FREE Health and Wellbeing event.

Find out the health, wellbeing, services, and community support available in Rossendale.

When? Thursday 29th May from 10am – 3pm.



## PANDAS

PANDAS Foundation are the only free UK wide support for parents, carers and their network who are struggling with their perinatal mental health.

They offer support from conception through to birth and beyond. Their aim is to make sure no parent, carer or family feels alone.

They have a variety of support services available to ensure help and support is delivered in a way that is right for each individual.



[www.pandasfoundation.org.uk](http://www.pandasfoundation.org.uk)

# junior parkrun

Free, weekly, 2k for 4-14 year olds  
walk, skip, run, volunteer, spectate - it's up to you!

We are looking for a group of volunteers to help bring junior parkrun to  
**Moorlands Park, Bacup**

**Interested in being involved?**

We'd love to hear from you, send an email to  
[julie.holden@rltrust.co.uk](mailto:julie.holden@rltrust.co.uk)

## LANCASHIRE SCIENCE FESTIVAL 2025

UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL LANCASHIRE, PRESTON

Join the FREE day out full of all things science, technology, engineering, and maths.

The day is full of live shows, workshops, drop-in activities, and exciting hands-on activities on our science show floors. So much fun and learning awaits!

[uclan.ac.uk/lancashire-science-festival](http://uclan.ac.uk/lancashire-science-festival)





## SING MOVE LAUGH

ST PETER'S CHURCH, HASLINGDEN

Free singing sessions with a difference!  
Every Monday 10am – 11:30am.

Register your interest by contacting:

[catheddisford1@gmail.com](mailto:catheddisford1@gmail.com)

[07727 180164](tel:07727180164)



# Space For Me

## Free Theatre Wellbeing Workshops For Teens

8 week course focussing on improving confidence and self esteem

Ages 13-16 years

Starting Thursday 8th May 6pm-7.15pm  
@ Haslingden Community Link

Email [catheddisford1@gmail.com](mailto:catheddisford1@gmail.com) to book a space



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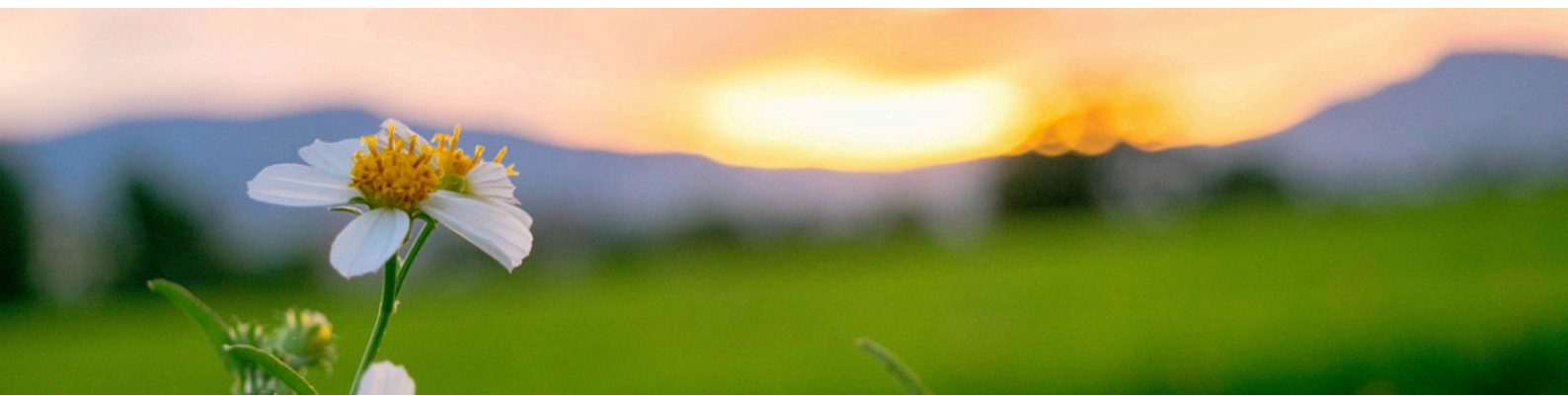
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GROWING STRONGER COMMUNITIES TOGETHER

## GREEN FAYRE

ST THOMAS CHURCH HALL, HELMSHORE

Learn more about how you can look after nature and our planet. Eco-friendly stalls and children's activities available!

When? Saturday 7th June - 1-4pm.



## EAST LANCASHIRE YOUNG PEOPLE'S MENTAL HEALTH

Concerned about your mental health? Are you aged younger 18 or concerned about someone younger than 18?

Attend advice session online - enter 'ELCAS' as the first name and 'drop-in' as the second name followed by your date of birth.

When?

Wednesday 7th May - 1-3pm

Wednesday 14th May - 3-5pm


Wednesday 21st May - 5-7pm

Wednesday 28th May - 1-3pm.

[tinyurl.com/ELCAS-LSCFT](https://tinyurl.com/ELCAS-LSCFT)



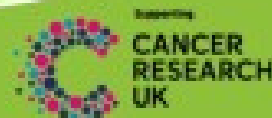
# BOWLS' BIG WEEKEND

Official Partner  AVIVA

Sunday 25th May 2025  
11pm - 3pm

Bacup Park Bowling Club  
Stubblee Park Bacup

  
**TRY  
BOWLS  
FOR  
FREE**  

## HEALTH PROTECTION BULLETIN

Click here to view the recent Health Protection Bulletin.

[Health Protection Bulletin](#)



## VE DAY EVENTS

Here are some of the events taking place to commemorate 80 years since VE day.



**Sunday 11th May**  
**The Ashcroft, 1pm-5pm**

**80th Anniversary Of  
VE Day Celebration**

**Featuring -**  
Whitworth Vale & Healey Brass Band  
Whitworth Community Choir  
Rossendale Drum Majorettes  
Whitworth u3a's Ukelele Band

**Tickets**  
**£6**

**Available**  
**from Whitworth**  
**Town Council**

**Lords' famous potato pie**

**1940s fancy dress encouraged**

**Brought to you by**

**WHITWORTH**  
TOURISM & LEISURE COMMITTEE

Whitworth Town Council

ROSSENDALE BOROUGH COUNCIL



**VE DAY BREAKFAST**  
FOR VETERANS AND PARTNERS

**VIC**  
Veterans in Community  
Veteran Support Project

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**FULL ENGLISH BREAKFAST**  
**THURSDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> MAY AT 9.30AM**  
HASLINGDEN COMMUNITY LINK, BURY ROAD, HASLINGDEN  
(PLACES STRICTLY LIMITED)

CONTRIBUTION TO COST £2 EACH

THEN EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO JOIN US FOR A  
SOCIAL AFTERNOON AT THE VIC CENTRE IN  
HASLINGDEN WITH A SPECIAL **VE DAY QUIZ**  
FROM 1PM.

Contact Amy Thompson on 01706 833180 or [amythompson@vic.org.uk](mailto:amythompson@vic.org.uk)



Join us on Thursday, May 8th, as we commemorate the joys of VE Day in Bacup with a Free exhibition featuring street parties, forced marches, and heartfelt homecomings. The celebration will continue into Saturday, May 10th, when we invite you to indulge in a Free delightful 1940s afternoon tea ( booking is essential for the afternoon tea due to limited availability )

Time: 12:00 - 4:00

For more information and to book your afternoon tea, visit [bacupmuseum.co.uk](http://bacupmuseum.co.uk).

Our standard Admission charge will apply to the Museum, Home Front Kitchen and Mrs Ibbitts' 1917 Shop & Parlour



## Cowpe:



COME AND JOIN US AT WHITEWELL BOTTOM COMMUNITY CENTRE ON

SUNDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> MAY

FROM 12PM

TO CELEBRATE VE DAY 80<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY.

WE WILL HAVE LOVELY HOMEMADE FOOD AND PUDDINGS FOR EVERYONE IN THE COFFEE BAR, THANKS TO ROSSENDALE BOROUGH COUNCIL FOR THEIR GRANT.

SO, WHY NOT JOIN US FOR SOME MUSIC, FOOD AND FUN. EVERYONE IS WELCOME

SEE YOU THEN!



# VOLUNTEERING

## REPAIR CAFE

HASLINGDEN COMMUNITY LINK

Are you handy with:

- Sewing
- Electricals
- Toys/Mechanical Items

Haslingden Community Link are looking for volunteers to lend a helping hand – they only need a few hours once a month. For more information contact:

[07517 118526](tel:07517118526)



## STEP TOGETHER

HELPING CONNECT VETERANS TO LOCAL SERVICES

Step Together is a charity that supports those aged over 30 with a partner of someone part of the NW 'Thrive Together' programme. They are looking for volunteers with live experience of the Armed Forces to help veterans and personnel facing media discharge access support available.

Complete an application form online:

[www.step-together.org.uk](http://www.step-together.org.uk)

Or contact their Volunteer Coordinator, Sally Houlihan

[sally.houlihan@step-together.org.uk](mailto:sally.houlihan@step-together.org.uk)

[07701 219207](tel:07701219207)



# FUNDING

## SUMMER COMMUNITY FUND

The Police and Crime Commissioner is re-opening the Summer Community Fund on Friday 2nd May 2025.

The fund will support projects that engage young people at risk or in need of positive support during the summer holidays. This includes diversionary activities, prevention initiatives, and targeted interventions.

Applications up to £3000, will be welcomed from Community Safety Partnerships, local organisations, charities, community groups, and Parish and Town Councils.

<https://www.lancashire-pcc.gov.uk/>



## COOKING FOR ALL GRANT

150 grants of £1,000 available to provide children and young people with access to healthy foods, and how to cook it. Eligible groups include; schools, nurseries, youth groups, charities, CICs, Brownies, Guides, and Scouts. Applications close Friday 30th May.

<https://tescostrongerstarts.org.uk/cookingfund/>



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# THANK YOU FOR READING

PLEASE SHARE

If you have any information you would like to include our April Communities Bulletin please email us by Friday 23rd May 2025

[communitiesteam@rossendalebc.gov.uk](mailto:communitiesteam@rossendalebc.gov.uk)

