

LUNCH AND SOCIAL CLUBS IN THE STROUD AREA



These luncheon clubs, social clubs and day centres in the **Stroud** area are generally for older people. They provide opportunities to make new friends, often with a meal or refreshments. The club may also organise entertainments and excursions, and activities such as bingo, cards, dominoes, darts, skittles and board games.

This list has been compiled in good faith, but we cannot guarantee that these details have not changed since we last contacted the providers. Neither is this list a recommendation for any of the clubs or day centres included.

Please note – many of these organisations are run wholly or partly by volunteers, for social, recreational and leisure purposes – and normally do **not** provide Day Care facilities. For information about Day Care, please contact the Community and Adult Care Directorate Helpdesk on 01452-426868, or GUiDE.

Please contact the club or centre direct for further information on its activities and how to join. Unfortunately, some may also have a waiting list.

If you find this list to be inaccurate or have any suggestions for it, please contact:

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Please contact GUiDE if you need information on any other support services in Gloucestershire

Organisation:	The Friday Club		
Comment:	The Friday Club is a Club that meets on alternate Friday afternoons, except in August, between 2:30 and 4:00pm. at the Village Hall in Victoria Square. The purpose of the Club is to entertain and inform members with talks, slide shows, music etc and organise summer coach outings. The premises provide toilet facilities and a ramp at the rear of the building. The Friday Club is for the parish of Painswick (including Sheepscombe, Pitchcombe, Miserden, Whiteway, Slad and Edge) and any guests are welcome. The club is eager to hear from anyone wishing to join, so please contact Mrs. Stewart directly.		
Address:	Painswick Village Hall Victoria Square Painswick	E-mail:	
		Cost:	£2.00 per meeting including tea and biscuits, plus £5.00 annual membership
		How to Contact:	Apply direct to Mrs. Stewart
Phone:	01452-814157	Accessibility:	Ramp at rear of Town Hall
		Transport:	Limited, arranged among members
Contact name:	Mrs. P. Stewart	Who is it for:	People over fifty who are retired and live in the Painswick area

Organisation:	Berkeley Pensioners Club		
Comment:	Berkeley Pensioners Club is a local, friendly club of about forty members, meeting fortnightly at the lounge at Jenner Court, 2:30 to 3:45pm, on Tuesdays; tea is provided, together with Speakers, Bingo, Raffles etc. Monthly Outings are arranged during the Summer, which take place on a Wednesday, leaving in the morning and returning about 8:00pm. Any person is interested on joining one of these monthly outings is more than welcome as the club are always looking for people to make up the numbers. Members raise funds to help with fares and expenses. Whist drives and various sales are held. Please note: as of October 2009 this club has a waiting list and NO vacancies.		
Address:	Jenner Court Salter Street Berkeley GL13 9BT	E-mail:	
		Cost:	Annual membership is £5.00, plus 30p per meeting
		How to Contact:	Contact direct
Phone:	01453-811677	Accessibility:	Easy access
		Transport:	Transport not provided
Contact name:	Mrs. Edwards	Who is it for:	Anyone aged fifty and over

Organisation:	Beeches Green Friendship Circle		
Comment:	Beeches Green Friendship Circle is a small, friendly group that meets on the third Tuesday of each month from 1:15 to 3:15pm, in the Parish Hall at Beeches Green. Many activities are held throughout the year, including outings, speakers and self promoted entertainment such as bingo. Refreshments are available at meetings.		
Address:	Parish Hall Beeches Green Stroud	E-mail:	
		Cost:	Annual Membership fee £6.00
		How to Contact:	Contact direct for further information
Phone:	01453-764491	Accessibility:	Yes
Contact name:	Mr. D. Harper	Who is it for:	Senior citizens and friends

Organisation:	Stonehouse Pensioners Social Club		
Comment:	Record suspended – no up-to-date information received, so club may not still be running.		
Address:	E-mail:		
	Cost:	Annual fee £1.00 plus 50p per meeting	
	How to Contact:		
Phone:	Accessibility:	Good, no steps	
Fax:	Transport:	Use own transport to attend meetings	
Contact name:	Who is it for:	All pensioners in the area	

Organisation:	Acorn Centre		
Comment:	<p>The Acorn Centre is a day centre for older people providing day care on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. Day Care is provided for lonely, frail and partially housebound people and people with special needs, eg. slightly confused. Sessions are from 9:30am to 2:45pm, although people are welcome any time after 9:30am.</p> <p>There is a small charge - please phone for details. Transport is provided by Dial-a-Ride or the Voluntary Car Service, or family etc. Lunch is included and consists of a two course meal. Tea and biscuits are served through out the day.</p>		
Address:	E-mail:		
	Cost:	Please phone for details	
	How to Contact:	Contact direct for further information	
Phone:	Accessibility:	All on one level, accessible toilet facilities	
Fax:	Transport:	By Ring and Ride or volunteer drivers	
Contact name:	Who is it for:	Older people (over sixty) living in the Stroud area	

Organisation:	Stonehouse Day Centre		
Comment:	Stonehouse Day Centre meets weekly on Wednesdays from 10:00am to 3:00pm for frail, older people. Refreshments and lunch are provided. Speakers and entertainment are arranged, together with games and bingo. Twice a year, committee members organise a meal out. The group is affiliated to Age Concern.		
Address:	E-mail:		
	Cost:	£5.00 a day for coffee, tea, meal and transport	
	How to Contact:	Referral by GPs, Nurses and Social Workers	
Phone:	Accessibility:	Fully accessible	
Fax:	Transport:	Provided through private hire	
Contact name:	Who is it for:	Older, frail people	

Organisation:	Horsfall House Day Centre		
Comment:	The Horsfall House Day Centre is well equipped with its own kitchen and bathroom. Assisted bathing is available and hairdressing and chiropody can be arranged. Activities include gentle exercises, games, quizzes, arts and crafts, music and singing, poetry and story reading by visiting speakers, and outings. Refreshments are provided throughout the day and include a home cooked lunch from freshly prepared ingredients. They offer a warm, friendly atmosphere in which to socialise.		
Address:	Windmill Road Minchinhampton Stroud GL6 9EY	E-mail:	cathy.jobling@horsfallhouse.co.uk
		Cost:	£26.20 per day including lunch (reviewed annually)
		How to Contact:	Self referral or via Social Services, GP etc.
Phone:	01453-731227	Accessibility:	Purpose built centre
Fax:	01453-886371	Transport:	Minibus option (included in price)
Contact name:	Cathy Jobling	Who is it for:	Older people within a six kilometre radius of Minchinhampton (Ragged Cot)

Organisation:	University of the Third Age - Stroud		
Comment:	The University of the Third Age (U3A) enables people to participate in constructive activities, broadly of an educational kind. No academic qualifications are required and none are awarded. The Stroud and District Branch is a warm and friendly group that meets on the first Thursday of the month at The Maypole Hall, Paganhill, Stroud at 2:30pm. Classes and activities include art, french, history, poetry, psychology, computer club, walking, gardening, keep-fit, money matters, photography, play-reading and many other subjects. Classes are held either in private houses or in rented meeting rooms, and all tuition is voluntary.		
Internet:	www.stroudu3a.org.uk		
Address:	St. Lawrence Hall The Shambles Stroud GL5 1AP	E-mail:	glynn.nixon@googlemail.com
		Cost:	Details on application
		How to Contact:	Ring or e-mail Glynn Nixon direct
Phone:	01452-812979	Accessibility:	Various venues, usually private houses
Fax:		Transport:	Individual members often willing to give lifts
Contact name:	Mr. Glynn Nixon	Who is it for:	People who are retired or semi-retired and over fifty

Organisation:	Trinity Fellowship		
Comment:	The Trinity Fellowship has been going for a number of years, offering senior citizens an afternoon of company. Tea and biscuits are provided, plus bingo, outings and entertainment when the budget allows. The Fellowship meets on Monday afternoons from 1:00 to 3:30pm at the Trinity Rooms.		
Address:	Trinity Rooms Field Road Stroud	E-mail:	
		Phone:	01453-757261
		How to Contact:	Senior citizens (over fifty, but predominantly the over sixty fives)
Contact name:	Betty Harris, Secretary	Who is it for:	Senior Citizens living in the locality

Organisation:	Dursley Friday Lunch Club		
Comment:	Dursley Lunch Club meets every Friday at the Community Centre from 10:30am. Currently around seventy members attend for friendship and a chat, and also enjoy a lunch which is served at 12 noon. The Club generally finishes at around 1:30pm. Referrals via GP, Health Visitor etc. are required to attend the club.		
Address:	Dursley Community Centre Rednock Drive Dursley GL11 4BX	E-mail:	
		Cost:	
		Transport:	Transport can be provided through Dursley Transport for the Disabled and Elderly
Phone:	01453-543355	How to Contact:	Referral required to attend Club, via GP, Health Visitor
Contact name:	Jane Ball	Who is it for:	Older people living in the Dursley locality

Organisation:	Cranham Friends		
Comment:	Cranham Friends is an informal and friendly club that meets on the second Thursday of the month, from 2:30 to 4:00pm, at Cranham Village Hall. Any woman living in the Cranham locality is welcome to join the group for a chat and refreshments, followed by a guest speaker. In addition to the regular meetings, activities are organised throughout the year - January usually consists of a meal out at a local pub or restaurant, an outing is arranged during July, no meetings in August, and in December a Bring and Share lunch is organised.		
Address:	Village Hall Cranham	E-mail:	
		Cost:	£3.00 per meeting including refreshments
		How to Contact:	Contact Mrs. Bowl direct for further information
Phone:	01452-812231	Accessibility:	Yes
Fax:		Transport:	
Contact name:	Mrs. G. Bowl	Who is it for:	Any woman living in the Cranham locality

Organisation:	Stonehouse Friendly Circle (WRVS)		
Comment:	Stonehouse Friendly Circle is an old peoples welfare club affiliated to the WRVS. The Club meets every Friday at the Community Centre from 2:00 to 3:30pm. Various activities and entertainments are organised. The group also organises day trips, birthday tea and Christmas lunch.		
Address:	c/o Stonehouse Community Centre Laburnham Walk Stonehouse GL10 2NS	E-mail:	
		Cost:	£1.00 per meeting, inclusive of refreshments
		How to Contact:	Contact the secretary directly
Phone:	01452-527391 (WRVS)	Accessibility:	Yes
Contact name:	Pat Grey	Who is it for:	Older people over sixty


Organisation:	Royal Mail and British Telecom Pensioners (Stroud Branch)		
Comment:	The Royal Mail and British Telecom Pensioners group meets on the fourth Thursday in every month (except December) in the Meeting Room adjacent to Bedford Street Church - entrance next to Parkers Estate offices. The meetings start at 2:30pm, finishing around 4:00pm. They offer an opportunity for social gatherings and help to provide a national voice on the rights of pensioners, and especially of those people who have worked with the Royal Mail, BT, British Steel, Rolls Royce and Bentley.. Membership of £10.00 per person includes eight editions of Unite magazine.		
Address:	The Church Hall Bedford Street Stroud GL5 1AY	E-mail:	
		Cost:	£10.00pa
		How to Contact:	Contact the Secretary or attend a meeting
Phone:	01453-764032	Accessibility:	The meeting venue is fully accessible-lift available
Fax:		Transport:	Other members may be able to help on request
Contact name:	Mr. John Byrne	Who is it for:	Ex-employees of Royal Mail and BT, British Steel, Rolls Royce and Bentley

Organisation:	Woodchester Friendly Circle		
Comment:	Woodchester Friendly Circle meets every other Tuesday at Woodchester Village Hall, off Selsley Road, North Woodchester. at 2.30pm. The aims are: + to provide meetings for entertainment and social recreation; + to promote a friendly and caring community.		
Address:		E-mail:	
		Cost:	
		How to Contact:	By telephone
Phone:	01453-872424	Accessibility:	Yes
Opening hours:		Transport:	Voluntary collection of members unable to walk (fellow members bring in their friends)
Contact name:	Mrs. M. Olpin	Who is it for:	Men and women over fifty five or semi retired

Organisation:	Wotton-under-Edge Day Centre		
Comment:	Wotton-under-Edge Day Centre meets at the Civic Centre on Thursdays from 10:00am until 1:45pm. Refreshments and a lunch are served during the day. Members meet for a chat and numerous activities and games are arranged. Sometimes speakers are invited to give a presentation to members, and occasionally day trips are arranged. This is a popular group and anyone interested in joining should ring Lesley Holland in the first instance regarding membership.		
Address:	The Civic Centre Bradley Street Wotton-under-Edge GL12 7AR	E-mail:	
		Cost:	£2.50 per day for coffee, biscuits, lunch and afternoon tea
		How to Contact:	Contact direct for further information
Phone:	01453-842004	Accessibility:	
Fax:		Transport:	Transport can be provided -please check first
Contact name:	Lesley Holland	Who is it for:	Older residents living in the Wotton-under-Edge locality

Organisation:	Stonehouse Luncheon Club		
Comment:	Stonehouse Luncheon Club meets monthly on Tuesdays (first Tuesday of the month), 11:30am to 1:30pm, at Stonehouse Community Centre, Laburnum Walk.		
Address:	Stonehouse Community Centre Laburnum Walk Stonehouse GL10 2NS	E-mail:	mattie.ross@btinternet.com
		Cost:	£2.90 for meal
		How to Contact:	Initially, please contact Mrs. Ross
Phone:	01453-826587	Accessibility:	There is disabled access
Contact name:	Mrs. M. Ross	Who is it for:	Older people from Stonehouse

Organisation:	Dursley and Cam Friendship Club		
Comment:	The Dursley and Cam Friendship Club is a friendly club formed in 2004. Meeting on the first Wednesday of the month from 2:00 to 4:00pm, the entertainment is varied, with speakers, slide-shows, keyboard players and quizzes, to name just a few of the activities. Apart from the monthly meetings, they also have coach trips and occasional theatre visits.		
Address:	St. James' Parish Centre Dursley GL11 4JE	E-mail:	peopleforyou@candrdursley.plus.com
		Cost:	Annual membership £5.00, each meeting £2.00
		How to Contact:	Contact direct
Phone:	01453-543084	Accessibility:	Yes - with care - flagstones uneven
Contact name:	Barbara Weldon	Who is it for:	Older people, aged sixty and over

Organisation:	Library Clubs		
Comment:	<p>Library clubs are available in many parts of the County as a way of bringing housebound people to the library. Where these clubs exist, transport to the library is provided and people usually visit the library once a month. The clubs are held monthly, and serve over three hundred housebound people. Most club meetings last around ninety minutes - some held while the library is closed to the general public, some are held when the library is open.</p> <p>Staff are always on hand, with volunteers to assist and support. They can accommodate wheelchair users and people with sensory loss. Customers can have a cup of tea and a chat while they choose their books.</p> <p>If you are interested in this idea, ask the librarian whether a club operates in your area or click on the link to the Gloucestershire libraries web page and follow the links from there.</p>		
Internet:	www.libraries.gloucestershire.gov.uk/index.cfm?articleid=11552		
Address:		E-mail:	libraryhelpline@gloucestershire.gov.uk
		Cost:	Free service
		How to Contact:	Contact direct
Phone:	0845-230-5402	Accessibility:	
Fax:		Transport:	Transport can be provided
Contact name:		Who is it for:	Housebound people

Organisation:	Eastcombe Russets Over 60's Club		
Comment:	The Eastcombe Russets Over 60's Club meets on alternate Wednesday afternoons from 2:00 to 4:00pm at Eastcombe Village Hall. A small group of senior citizens, predominately in the seventy to eighty age range, meet for friendship and a chat. Refreshments are served during the afternoon. For further details, please contact Miss Waggett directly.		
Address:	Eastcombe Village Hall Eastcombe	E-mail:	
		Cost:	50p for tea, biscuits and raffle
		How to Contact:	Contact direct for further information
Phone:	01452-770426	Accessibility:	
Contact name:	Miss F. Waggett	Who is it for:	Senior Citizens living in the locality

Organisation:	Nailsworth Valley Probus Club		
Comment:	The Nailsworth Valley Probus Club meets on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month, for a talk. Other events - trips out, etc. - are also arranged.		
Address:	Mortimer Room Old Market Nailsworth GL6 0DU	E-mail:	
		Cost:	2008 / 9 subscription is £15.00
		How to Contact:	By telephone
Phone:	01453-833581	Accessibility:	Yes
Contact name:	Mr. H. Bryant	Who is it for:	Retired men

Organisation:	Maypole Club for the Elderly		
Comment:	The Club is a support and social group for people who are elderly, and disabled, from Stroud and the surrounding area. Members pay £4.00 for the day, and this covers a hot, two-course lunch, a homemade tea, rent of the hall (and heating), transport and entertainment. All the helpers and drivers are volunteers. The Club meets on the second Monday of each month, from 10:30am to 3:30pm, at the Maypole Hall, Pagan Hill, Stroud.		
Address:	Paganhill Community Centre Stratford Road Stroud GL5 4AN	E-mail:	
		Cost:	Members pay £4.00 for each meeting they attend
		How to Contact:	Contact Celia Hargrave direct
Phone:	01452-814306	Accessibility:	Easy access
Contact name:	Celia Hargrave	Who is it for:	Elderly, housebound and disabled people

Organisation:	Salvation Army Drop-in Day Centre		
Comment:	The drop-in day centre is managed by the Salvation Army. The centre is open on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 10:00am to 2:00pm. Lunch is available for a small cost (booking required). Activities are provided as requested by the clients.		
Address:	Salvation Army The Citadel, Acre Street Stroud GL5 1DR	E-mail:	stroudsarmy@btconnect.com
		Cost:	£1.50 per session (£4.00 if lunch included)
		How to Contact:	Contact direct
Phone:	01453-765528	Accessibility:	Yes
Opening hours:	Tuesday to Friday 10:00am to 2:00pm	Transport:	May possibly be arranged - mainly via Ring-and-Ride
Contact name:	Margaret Bailey	Who is it for:	People who need social contact

Organisation:	Dursley Day Centre		
Comment:	This Pop In is run by the Dursley and District Old Peoples Welfare Committee which is an independent, self supporting organisation. Run by volunteers, it is open 9:30am to 3:30pm (Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday), 10:00am to 12 noon (Wednesday) and 9:30 to 12 noon on Saturday. Light refreshments and snacks are available, but people are welcome to drop in just for a chat or whilst waiting for a bus. Second-hand clothes, books, cards and calendars are sold to finance the project. Smoking in the Centre is not allowed.		
Address:	Dursley and District Old Peoples Welfare 15 May Lane Dursley GL11 4JH	E-mail:	
		Cost:	Charge made for refreshments
		How to Contact:	Just pop in to the Centre
Phone:	01453-543049	Accessibility:	Good, opposite to the bus station and library
Contact name:	Mrs. D.E. Sutton	Who is it for:	Older people visiting Dursley

Organisation:	Cashes Green Fellowship		
Comment:	Cashes Green Fellowship is a club providing a weekly meeting - at 2:15pm on Thursdays - for men and women over fifty five. They have speakers, musical entertainments, quizzes, outings, Easter and Christmas lunches and weekly tea and biscuits.		
Address:	Cashes Green Youth and Social Centre Queen's Drive Cashes Green GL5 4NR	E-mail:	
		Cost:	£1.00 per meeting
		How to Contact:	Phone Mrs. Hendrie for further information
Phone:	01453-766864	Accessibility:	Ramp and disabled toilet
Contact name:	Mrs. J. Hendrie	Who is it for:	Over 55's

Organisation:	Horseshoe Club		
Comment:	The Horseshoe Club is a small Club consisting of local, older people - though they welcome anyone wishing for company and a chat; one member comes from as far afield as Berkeley. They meet on the fourth Monday in each month 2:30 to 5:00pm, and have a small spread of food including jellies, sandwiches, cakes and drinks. They average around ten or twelve people, and usually meet in Mrs. Maules House and hold a competition and a raffle which costs 50p. The main aim of the club is to get people out of their homes and into a social environment - it is very relaxed, aimed at making sure everyone has a pleasant time. The club has been active for over twenty five years.		
Address:	The Glen High Street Arlingham GL2 7JN	E-mail:	
		Cost:	£2.00pa. membership, 50p per month includes raffle.
		How to Contact:	Contact Mrs. Maule direct for further details
Phone:	01452-740973	Accessibility:	As required
Contact name:	Mrs. Maule	Who is it for:	Older people (sixty and over)

Organisation:	North Nibley Senior Citizens' Club		
Comment:	North Nibley Senior Citizens' Club is a friendship club that meets in North Nibley Chapel, every Wednesday afternoon at 2:30pm.		
Address:	North Nibley Chapel North Nibley Dursley	E-mail:	
		Cost:	30p. per meeting
		How to Contact:	Phone Mrs. King for further information
Phone:	01453-544697	Accessibility:	Yes
Contact name:	Mrs. Marlene King	Who is it for:	Anyone over sixty years of age

Organisation:	Rodborough Tabernacle Wednesday Fellowship		
Comment:	Although the meetings are held at Rodborough Tabernacle, they are open meetings - that is, varied talks with guest speakers, slide or video presentations, or demonstrations. They commence briefly with a hymn and prayers, then the rest of the hour is handed over to the speaker. On the 5th. Wednesday of any month, they hold a 'Tea at 3' afternoon.		
Address:	Tabernacle Walk Rodborough Stroud	E-mail:	
		Cost:	Voluntary collection
		How to Contact:	Phone Mrs. Watkins for more information
Phone:	01453-763905	Accessibility:	Yes
Fax:		Transport:	Transport not provided
Contact name:	Mrs. J. Watkins	Who is it for:	Anyone

Organisation:	Bussage and Brownhill 60+ Club		
Comment:	The Bussage and Brownhill 60+ Club meets every second Wednesday of the month, from 2:00 to 4:00pm. Meetings are held in Bussage Village Hall. The club is for anyone over sixty, although most of the members are in their eighties.		
Address:	Bussage Village Hall Bussage Stroud	E-mail:	keith437@btinternet.com
		Cost:	£5.00 per year, plus 50p per week
		How to Contact:	In the first instance, phone Mrs. Walker
Phone:	01453-713495	Accessibility:	Yes
Fax:		Transport:	Transport can be provided
Contact name:	Mrs. J. Walker	Who is it for:	Over sixties

Organisation:	Nailsworth Mothers' Union		
Comment:	The Mothers' Union (MU) is a Christian organisation, but people who come to the meetings do not need to join MU. Everyone is welcome to share the fellowship of coming together. They have speakers on various subjects, and the meetings usually last one and a half to two hours. The Nailsworth branch of MU meets on the first Wednesday of the month at 2:15pm and on the third Wednesday of the month at 7:30pm. For more information, details of the venue, etc., please contact Mrs. Jones direct.		
Address:		E-mail:	
		Cost:	£1.00 per session
		How to Contact:	By phone
Phone:	01453-832564	Accessibility:	Good
Fax:		Transport:	Car parking available
Contact name:	Mrs. T. Jones	Who is it for:	Anyone with an interest in the work of MU