



BFA NEWS

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October BFA Social

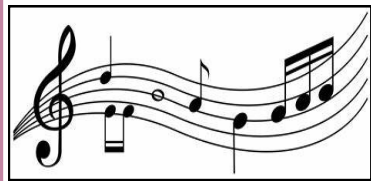
BFA enjoyed the return of Fred Vacher who gave us an inspired Halloween Concert of European Music. Freds concert was full of inspiring songs which Fred explained in detail to the audience. There were also some well known French songs and lots of audience participation. Fred will be taking a break from performing at BFA next year as he has lots of other concert commitments but will hopefully return in 2027. The BFA Team were on hand and the Raffle went well. Thank you Fred.



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November BFA Social

BFA were delighted to welcome back ONNTA. A local trio made up of: Billy, Jakey and Dave who put on a fantastic varied Concert of new songs that were loved by the people present. There was lots of singing along to the music selection and a few bursts of dancing. The Raffle was a great hit and the BFA Team did a great job making sure everyone enjoyed themselves. BFA look forward to ONNTA's return next year with New Concert for 2026. Thankyou to ONNTA.



BFA Eatery Meals

Festive Program at BFA 2025	Please see the Notice Board, Newsletter and Member Emails for Other Festive Fun Events.
Wednesday 3rd December Town Bar Queensgate Bridlington Time: 1-4pm	BFA Christmas Jumper Café Community Event – All Welcome Entrance £2 & Children Free Free: Teas & Coffees Sweet Treats (Mince Pies, Cake, Cookies) Free Christmas Crafts and Jenny Bray and the Wolf Gang perform: The Snowman. Bar Open to Purchase other Refreshments. Christ-
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Wednesday 4th December Clickham Grange, Burton Fleming YO253HP Time: 1.30pm	Festive Afternoon Tea Beautiful Festive Setting & Food Restricted Number: 12 People £22.50 per person (Savoury or Sweet)
Thursday 11th December Friendly Forester, Marton Gate, Bridlington Time: 12.30pm	BFA Christmas Lunch 50 Spaces Available 3 Course Festive Menu With BFA Discount for Members: £15.95 Guest Cost: £20.95 per head Pre-Order Required
BFA Eatery 2026	
Tuesday 20 th Jan 12.30pm Seacourt Hotel 76 S Marine Drive Bridlington YO15 3NS	BFA Eatery Lunch Pre-order required Pay on the day
Thursday 29 th January The Freeman Cookhouse Pub and Restaurant, Seafront, Albion Terrace, Bridlington, YO15 2PJ Time: 9.30pm	Breakfast Brunch Order and Pay on the Day Numbers required for table booking

2025 BFA's Festive 'Big 5' Program BFA Community Festive Social



When: Wednesday the 17th of December

Where: Town Bar, Queensgate, Bridlington

Time: 1pm-4pm

What's On:

Pantomime: Robin Hood & The Cheese Factory

Large Christmas Raffle and Children's Craft Table

Christmas Songs

Food: Assortment of Afternoon Teas to Pre-Order

Entrance: £1 per person - Children Free



For more information contact Tracey via: E: chairbfa@mail.com T: 07935980159

Booking Required for all meals . Contact Tracey via:

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Message from the BFA Chairperson

Well we made it to December! What a quick year its been packed full of great entertainment, laughter and fun at BFA. The BFA Strolling Group that started this year back in January has been a great success and the Group Facilitator Bruce Oliver has taken the group on some great local strolls. Our BFA Drama Group have been stars as always and gave us great Murder Mystery nights earlier in the year and are currently working really hard rehearsing for the Pantomime: Robin Hood and the Cheese Factory, that will be shown on the 17th of December at the BFA Community Christmas Social. A highlight of the year for me personally was the Jolly Rogers Ukelele Band that performed for the first time this year at BFA and Im pleased to say they will be returning to BFA in February 2026 to entertain us with a brand new concert ! If you missed them the first time I would recommend coming along to the February Social and seeing them perform. We are planning another Valentines Chocolate Bingo for 2026 after the success of it this year and we would be interested to hear from members if they would like us to set up a Bingo Afternoon or Evening going forward.

There are some great BFA Eatery Meals booked in for you to be part of, in 2026 ,starting with a lunch at the Seacourt Hotel which is shown on the front page.

Coming up is our BFA Festive 'Big 5' program advertised throughout this Newsletter. We hope you will join us to celebrate the Festive Season at many of the events. The BFA Team and I look forward to seeing you all at many of the events over the next month and in 2026.

Please don't forget we are starting a new Membership Year at BFA on the 1st of December 2025, please contact me or pop into an event to fill in your renewal form and pay your subs which are the same as last year, if you haven't already. Thank you all who have. I would like to wish you all a very Happy Christmas & New Year 2026.

As always: Id also like to say a very big thank you to my Committee and all our Group Facilitators including volunteers who help support BFA and its Members, its really appreciated. As always, I wish all our member's 'Good Health and Good Friends'.

Tracey Hobson Chair of BFA

BFA TOWN BAR EVENTS

Wednesday 3rd December
BFA Christmas Jumper Café
Activity & Music: The Snowman & Crafts £1 Entrance, Free Sweet Treats, Teas and Coffees
Time: 1-4pm

Wednesday 17th December
BFA Community Christmas Social
Music: 'Pantomime, Kids Corner, Afternoon Tea /Pasty to order etc'
 £1 Entrance, Large Christmas Raffle
CHRISTMAS BREAK.....

Wednesday 14th January
BFA New Year Café & Launch of Health & Well-Being Month
 Free Entrance, Teas and Coffees
Time: 1-4pm

Wednesday 28th January
BFA Monthly Social
Speaker/Music: John D Slater
'An Actors Life for Three' £1 Entrance, Raffle **Time: 1 - 4pm**

Thursday 29th January
BFA Monthly Quiz Night: Town Bar, Entrance £2pp, Raffle & Cash for Questions. **Time: 7pm for 7.30 start**

Wednesday 11th February
BFA Valentines Café with Chocolate Bingo Entrance £1, free Teas and Coffees , Bar Open & **Raffle Time: 1-4pm**

Wednesday 25th February
BFA Monthly Social
Music: Jolly Rogers Ukelele Band £1 Entrance, Raffle , Bar Open **Time: 1 - 4pm**

BFA Strolling Group



Fancy some Fresh Air in Good Company

This group meets once a month at various locations to have a leisurely stroll around a place of interest or along a Seafront and then finish with Coffee and Cake/Lunch at or near the location.

The 11th BFA Strolling Group will take place in Bridlington, on Monday the 26th of January 2026 at 11am onwards.

Bruce will meet you just before 11am at Bridlington Railway Station (RS). The walk will start from the RS via Quay Rd over the railway tracks, left at Roundabout over the Railway Bridge, Along the 'New Walk' (by B&M etc). The Group will stop at Cooplands Café for refreshments, then continue and cut down Springfield Avenue then back around to Bridlington Railway Station.

This BFA Strolling Group location is suitable for people with Mobility Issues and those who use a Wheelchair or Mobility Scooter. There are plenty of places to sit dotted along the way. It's a great way to stroll with others and enjoy Beautiful Bridlington.

There is plenty of parking outside the Priory Church and in the surrounding roads. The walk is just short of 2 miles in total.

Bruce and the BFA Committee are always present and look forward to seeing YOU!

For more information contact Bruce:07882 305832



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The 12th BFA Strolling Group will take place in Bridlington, on Monday the 23rd of February at 11am onwards.

Bruce will meet you just before 11am in front of the Hall at Sewerby Hall and Gardens, Church Lane, Sewerby for a walk around the Gardens and Woodland Trail. Following this the Group will go to the Clock Tower Café for Refreshments.
 (The location is FREE to enter this time of year)

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There is plenty of FREE parking at Sewerby Hall and Gardens.

The walk is 1-2 miles in total.

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BFA's Festive 'Big 5' Program

Community Christmas Jumper Café



OPEN to ALL

When: Wednesday the 3rd of December

Where: Town Bar, Queensgate, Bridlington

Time: 1pm-4pm

Christmas Jumper Competition (prizes)

Entertainment: The Snowman - Jenny Bray and The Wolf Gang

Professionally Performed through: Music, Song & Story Telling

Free: Sweet Treats

Bar Open to purchase: Refreshments/Teas & Coffees



Christmas Craft Tables



All Welcome

Entrance: £2 per person - Children Free

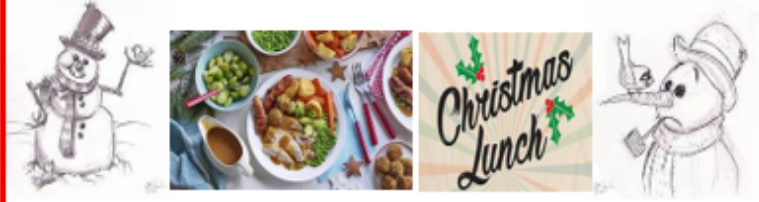


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BFA's Festive 'Big 5' Program

BFA Christmas Lunch



When: Thursday the 11th of December

Where: Friendly Forester, Marton Gate, Bridlington YO16 6YS

Time: 12.30pm onwards

All Welcome

Booking & Pre-order Required

Festive Menu to come out in September 2025

Up to 40 spaces available

Lunch will be set in a private area

To Book your Space use contact details below



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BFA's Festive 'Big 5' Program

BFA Festive Afternoon Tea



When: Thursday the 4th of December

Where: Clickham Grange, Wold Newton, Driffield, YO25 3HP

Time: 1.30pm

A wonderful Festive Treat. Home Baked Goods from the Farm. Beautifully decorated Farmhouse. A Festive Experience not to be missed.

Choices: Sweet, Savoury or GF

All Welcome

Cost: £22.50 per person – Booking Required

Please use details below to Book



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BRIDLINGTON FRIENDS ASSOCIATION

2026 BFA Monthly Quiz Nights



Come join the fun and laughter at the Town Bar, Queensgate 7pm for a 7.30 pm start

ALL WELCOME

All dates are the Last Thursday of the Month

THURS 29TH JAN	THURS 30TH JULY
THURS 26TH FEB	THURS 27TH AUG
THURS 26TH MARCH	THURS 24TH SEPT
THURS 30TH APRIL	THURS 29TH OCT
THURS 28TH MAY	THURS 26TH NOV
THURS 25TH JUNE	The December Mini Quiz is part of the BFA Christmas Social on WED 10 th December

Everyone gets to play as part of a Team

Committee always present to Meet & Greet

8 Rounds of Questions with something for Everyone
Cash for Questions and a Raffle

Entrance is £2 per person with all entrance monies being paid out in Team Prizes

BFA Indoor & Outdoor Activity Groups

Community Partners:

Table Tennis
Short Mat Bowls (Seasonal)
Flat Green Bowls (Seasonal)
Yoga & Pilates
Pétanque (Seasonal)

BFA Diabetes Support Group
BFA Bridlington Chess Club
BFA Board Games & Cards
Geoarchaeology Group
BFA Drama Group
BFA Eatery
BFA Strolling Group
BFA Craft Cafes
Would you like to be a Group Facilitator ? BFA can help.

To join a Group, Start a New Group, Become a Group Facilitator or you have an Idea for a New Group, please let us know. BFA contact details are below.

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BFA New Year 2026 Café

When: 14th of January

Where: Town Bar, Queensgate, Bridlington

Time: 1-4pm

New Year Catch Up Café

Happy New Year
2026

Launch of the 2026 Health Month

Tips and advice surrounding Diet, Exercise and Health & Well-being available in sheet form at BFA Events, Emailed out Weekly and on the BFA Website:

<https://www.bridlingtonfriendsassociation.org.uk>

Let's Make 2026 our Healthiest Year Yet



Free Entrance, Free Teas and Coffees and the Bar is open selling other Refreshments

BFA January 2026 Monthly Social

When: Wednesday 28th of January

Where: Town Bar, Queensgate, Bridlington

Time: 1-4pm

Speaker: Mr John D Slater

'An Actors Life for Three!' (New Talk for 2026)



BFA look forward to the return of John for the continuation of his story

He has been an Actor for over 60 years; John will talk about the people he's met along the way and the hilarious stories that go with it.

John usually throws in a song or two and has us all laughing at his escapades!

Entrance £1, Raffle and BFA Information and Sign-Up Sheets for BFA Eatery Meals
Town Bar will also be open selling Hot and Cold Refreshments

Bridlington Christmas Tree Festival at St Johns Burlington Methodist Church from Friday 28th Dec to Sunday 14th January. Please pop along and see the BFA Christmas Tree displayed in the foyer of the church and all the other decorated trees and Christmas Scenes.

Please have a look at our BFA Website with all up to date information on:

<https://www.bridlingtonfriendsassociation.org.uk>

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(The Home of the BFA is the Town Bar, Queensgate).



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Palms Leisure Club is an exclusive Health & Fitness Club working with BFA to offer our members a

Heated indoor swimming pool
Relaxing sauna, steam & jacuzzi
Fully equipped gym

Corporate Membership available to BFA Members. The Palms Leisure Centre is based at Carnaby, Bridlington.