

What's On

Your bi-monthly guide to what's on at **Belong Atherton**

December 2024 / January 2025

Christmas crafts

Get creative in our festive workshops



The Bistro festive toastie

Don't miss out on this tasty treat!



Christmas market

Join us for a festive afternoon at our annual Christmas market on Sunday 15 December from 1:30pm – 4pm, taking place in The Bistro and The Venue!

Explore a glittering array of gift stalls, play exciting games or visit Santa in his magical grotto! Don't forget our yuletide treats at The Bistro, with warm mince pies, specialty coffees

and hot chocolate to keep you cosy. Entry is FREE, for this fun family afternoon! If you are interested in running your own stall, to showcase your goods for sale, we have a number available; £7 each. Please contact Kim Calland to book on 01942 898410.

Festive Bistro



Get ready for some fabulous festive fare at The Bistro, on Wednesday 4 and Wednesday 11 December, at 12noon on both dates. Savour a seasonal two or three course menu, including a warming soup starter, classic Christmas dinner with all the trimmings and a choice of traditional Christmas pudding or trifle for dessert. Cost: £13.50 for a two-course meal, or £17.50 for three courses. No booking required.

Talespin Panto is back!

Step into the enchanting world of 'Beauty and the Beast,' a timeless fairy tale brought to life in this captivating pantomime performance by Talespin Theatre.

This classic story of love, transformation, and inner beauty promises to delight audiences of all ages. Join us on Friday 13 December, from 6pm in The Bistro for an unforgettable evening filled with laughter, music, and heartwarming moments. Early booking essential. Cost: £12.50pp. Please contact Kim Calland on 01942 898410.



Chocolate treat

Calling all chocoholics on Thursday 9 January, for a decadent afternoon at Slattery's Bakery & Chocolate shop. Enjoy a delicious meal in the restaurant, followed by a visit to their renowned chocolate shop, with tempting treats! Transport leaves at 12noon. Cost: £25pp both ways. Meal and shopping charges apply; booking required.



Bents shopping trip

Get into the holiday spirit with a Christmas spectacular at Bents Garden Centre on Tuesday 10 December!

Indulge in a relaxing afternoon of tea and cake and browse unique gifts for your loved ones. We will be leaving the village at 11:30am and returning at 2pm. Cost £10pp (additional charges apply). Early booking essential. Please contact Kim Calland on 01942 898410.

Festive panto
Enchanting Christmas panto



Christmas market
Festive gifts, games and Santa's grotto



We welcome members of the whole community

B's Café

B's café offers a warm and welcoming space for those living with dementia and their loved ones, serving as a valuable support network where you can access specialist support and enjoy cake and refreshments, whilst taking part in a variety of meaningful experiences. Free to attend, the next sessions will take place on Wednesday 11 December and Wednesday 8 January from 2pm – 4pm, in The Venue. They will include a dementia workshop with Belong Admiral Nurse, Bridget Lawler, along with some fun festive crafts. For more information or to book a place, please contact the village on 01942 898410.



Christmas crafts

Throughout December, join us in the village for a variety of fun and festive craft sessions! From making baubles and wreaths to creating beautiful gifts and cards, there's something for everyone to enjoy. Contact us for further details, including dates and times of events; costs may apply. Let's get crafty!



Festive toastie



Feel warm and 'toastie' this December at The Bistro, with our delicious festive special. Enjoy a mouthwatering sliced turkey and bacon toastie, with a choice of seasonal stuffing or traditional cranberry sauce, served

with a side of crisps and freshly made salad. Cost £6.30; don't miss out on this tasty holiday treat.

Blackpool Illuminations

Get ready on Thursday 5 December for a magical trip to Blackpool from 1:30pm – 7:30pm. Enjoy an afternoon of Christmas shopping, followed by a hearty fish and chip supper and then trip the light fantastic, through the dazzling Blackpool Illuminations! Cost: £28pp for transport. Charges apply for food and shopping.



Burns night

Celebrate Burns Night on Saturday 25 January from 3pm. Experience an armchair journey through Scotland with engaging quizzes, fun facts, and traditional tasters of haggis, neeps, and tatties in The Venue. It'll be an afternoon of Scottish culture, flavour and fun not to be missed! Cost £5pp.

Christmas movie



Get cosy on Tuesday 24 December from 2pm in The Venue. Settle in with a steaming cup of hot chocolate and a delicious selection of Christmas goodies, then sit back and enjoy the heartwarming classic

film, *Miracle on 34th Street*. The perfect way to unwind on Christmas Eve.

Experience Days

Try our popular Experience Days service for yourself, with a free 'taster' session. Our specialist day care service offers meaningful experiences, opportunities to enjoy the village facilities, and to get involved in our community.

The service is available from 10am – 4pm, Monday to Friday and costs £86.50 per session which includes lunch in The Bistro, snack and refreshments. Contact Kim Calland, on 01942 898410, to find out more and to book your place.



Our events programme is inspired by the interests of our community. If there is anything you would like to see added, please share your ideas with our Experience Coordinator, Kim Calland, or email: kimberley.calland@belong.org.uk



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