## What's on January 2025 – West Lothian

Our Community Groups are there to be enjoyed by anyone living with dementia or experiencing difficulties with their memory, including their families and friends. All are welcome; people who can attend independently and/or, for those unable to do so should come with a companion who can provide any support for them. We are unable to transport for these groups and therefore it is your responsibility to get to and from this community activity, safely. Please speak to us, so we can support you to explore other transport options.

We are also here for you with a warm drink, a biscuit and company. We will be providing more coffee catch ups, or just pop in for a warm drink. Please see below for more details.

If you are unsure, or have questions about any of the groups, or have an idea for a new group, please let us know. Everyone is welcome to any of our groups. Our **West Lothian Brain Health and Dementia resource centre is at Unit 1 Grampian Court, Beveridge Square, Livingston EH54 6QF.** All our other contact details are below.

In Person Group		
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> of January	Knit and Natter (Knitting, crochet, sewing group)	10:30am- 12pm
	Knitting, crochet and sewing group. All levels of kitting welcome. Grab a cuppa and learn new skills.	
	Redbrick Café – Social Circle (under 65)	11am – 12.30pm
	This is a space for People under 65 newly diagnosed with Dementia, worried about their memory, MCI or living with dementia.	
	Movie Monday	2pm – 3:30pm
	A different movie shown each week. This is a space for all to sit back and relax, enjoy watching a movie with a cuppa.	
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> of	Bathgate Memory Café Community café	
January	Rosemount Court, Mid Street, Bathgate, West Lothian, EH48 1QW	2:30pm – 4pm
	Our community cafes are a relaxed and informal setting for people living with dementia and their carers to meet other people in their area. We provide a therapeutic activity which you have the choice to take part in.	

Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> January	Community Café Drop in – The kettle is on!	
January	Come along and drop in for a coffee and a chat about anything from Brain Health to dementia information to support services.	Drop in between 10am -12pm
	Creative corner (Craft group)	
	Come and try our crafty group. Unleash your creative flow and see what you can create.	10:30am – 12pm
	Livi Legends (Sports group)	
	Come along to the centre for a look back at your favourite teams and players from the glory days. Test your sporting trivia with quizzes, look at goals that were history making and have a laugh with a cuppa.	1pm – 2:30pm
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> January	Volunteer peer support and information session	Pop in between 10am – 12pm
	A space for volunteers to get support, share their experiences, new ideas to develop or for people considering volunteering.	
	First Wednesday of the month	
	Young Onset Carers Group (Under 65) – Self facilitated	10:30am-12pm
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	Livingston memory café, Livingston	
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Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> January	Social Circle - Bookable	
	We understand that caring for someone with memory loss can be both rewarding and challenging. That's why we offer Social Circle—a weekly group for individuals living with memory loss, designed to give carers the time they need for self- care and relaxation. Whether you need a few hours to rest, run errands, or simply take a break, Social Circle provides a supportive and engaging environment for your loved one while you get some much-needed "me time."	Pop in between 10am – 12pm

	Bloom and Blether (Gardening group)	1pm – 2:30pm
	Our gardening-based group This group is based around planting and growing our own produce, but we alternate from gardening to garden themed activities such as a quiz.	
Friday 10th	1:1 Support – Booking required	
January	To talk about any questions or concerns you have about your brain health or dementia	10am – 3pm
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> January	Knit and Natter (Knitting, crochet, sewing group)	10:30am – 12pm
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Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> January	West Calder community café	
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Tuesday 14th January	Community Café Drop in – The kettle is on!	Drop in between
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Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> January	Young Onset Carers Group (Under 65) – Self facilitated This is a peer support drop-in group for the loved ones of under 65 newly diagnosed with Dementia, worried about their memory, MCI or living with dementia.	10:30am – 12pm
	Music Memories (Music Group) Music can bring back 1000 memories. Come along and share your memories through music.	1pm – 2:30pm
Wednesday 15th January	Linlithgow Caring Community Café Queen Margaret Hall, 53 Blackness Road, Linlithgow, EH49 7JA Our community cafes are a relaxed and informal setting for people living with dementia and their carers to meet other people in their area. We provide a therapeutic activity which you have the choice to take part in.	10:30am – 12pm
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Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> January	1:1 Support – Booking required	
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Friday 17th January	The Memory Café, Armadale Community Café	
	The Community Centre, North Street, Armadale, EH48 3QB	11am – 1pm
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Monday 20th January	Whitburn/Blackburn Quality Community café	
	Blackburn United Football Club, Ashgrove, Blackburn, EH47 7LL	
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Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> January	Community Café Drop in – The kettle is on! Come along and drop in for a coffee and a chat about anything from Brain Health to dementia information to support services. Creative corner (Craft group)	Drop in between 10.00am – 12pm
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Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> January	Young Onset Carers Group (Under 65) – Self facilitated	10:30 am – 12pm
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Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> January	<ul><li>1:1 Support – Booking required</li><li>To talk about any questions or concerns you have about your brain health or dementia.</li></ul>	10am – 3pm
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> January	Knit and Natter (Knitting, crochet, sewing group)	
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Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> January	The Memory community Café- Uphall/Broxburn	
	Strathbrock Partnership Centre – ENTERANCE B, 189a West Main Street Broxburn EH52 5LH	10am – 11:30pm
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Tuesday 28th January	Community Café Drop in – The kettle is on!	Drop in between
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	Advice Shop Drop-in. Booking essential	1:30pm – 4pm
	Amanda from West Lothian advice shop is on hand to advise about benefits you may be entitled to and can also support with filling out forms.	
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> January	East Calder Forget Me Not Community Café	
bandary	East Calder Parish Church Hall, Main Street, East Calder, EH53 0HF	10am – 12pm
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Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> January	1:1 Support – Booking required	
	To talk about any questions or concerns you have about your brain health or dementia.	10am – 3pm

For those times when you cannot make it into the centre, or wish to attend some groups in person, and some online.

Please contact the person listed below the activity and they will send you the link to join.

Online Group		
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup>	NDAS CARERS EVENING	
January	Join this friendly informal group for carers to meet others who are caring for someone living with dementia. A chance to share experiences and information to develop coping strategies. Please email Craby@alzscot.org to access	7pm – 8pm

Contact details for groups: West Lothian service

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Community activity organiser Stacey Tel: 07825063367

Our support and activities are only possible thanks to the donations we gratefully receive. There are many ways to support our groups, please speak to any member of staff detailed above for more details. To make a donation, please consider donating to our local Just Giving page <a href="https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/alzscot-fundraising-edinburgh-mid-east-lothian">https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/alzscot-fundraising-edinburgh-mid-east-lothian</a>

