PROGRAMME: March 2019 – December 2019



United

Are you a man aged 50+3

Are you interested in getting out and about and socialising with other men?

INTEER NOW

Then read on ...









A note from the Chair

Volunteer Now would like to invite all men **aged over 50** to join in some (or all!) of the activities listed in this booklet.

Men United is a group for men aged 50+ in Belfast. We are concerned with men's health and wellbeing.

Men United seeks to combat social isolation and loneliness through building connections and camaraderie. We do this by providing opportunities to share and develop skills; by organising outings, workshops, volunteering opportunities and advocacy.

The MAP (Men's Active Participation) project

The MAP Project is funded by the Big Lottery Fund through the Awards for All funding stream.

The MAP project seeks to address these key issues, over the course of a year by providing approximately 30 participants from across Belfast the opportunity to participate in each event organised within the MAP programme.

The MAP project is based on two specific ROAD MAPs, one reflecting Saint Patricks Trail and the other reflecting the Causeway Coastal Route, it will also touch on the Great Wars Trail in North Down & Ards. Overall the Project is a mix of outings, workshops and volunteering experiences.

This is a cross-community, multi-ethnic project which will allow for safe discovery and exchange of ideas, skills, expertise and culture.

Raj Puri

Workshops & Volunteering Events

The theme of every workshop for the year has not yet been agreed but each workshop will offer either the opportunity to discover some time-honoured skills or will be a chance to develop new skills or hone existing skills.

The Volunteering opportunities will be linked to charities across Belfast and will be a practical and fun way to 'give something back' to the community.

Occasionally other events will take place that aren't listed in this booklet and we will let you know. If you aren't already on our mailing list contact reception at Volunteer Now 028 9023 2020.

Advance booking is ESSENTIAL so that arrangements can be made for meals and transport where applicable. Please ensure you secure your place by telephoning Reception at Volunteer Now on 028 9023 2020, 9am – 4.30pm or Out of Hours, telephone Tommy Martin on 07512 450396

(Places on many events are limited and will be allocated on a firstcome-first-served basis. For some events deposits will be required to secure your place.)

If for any reason you cannot attend any activities you have booked, please contact us and cancel your place as all events are prebooked and you will be charged if you do not cancel in good time.

Some events may be subject to change so please check closer to the date for more information and clarification.

For any other information on Men United's events and meetings contact **Deirdre Murphy or Sandra Faulkner**

Community Projects Volunteer Now T: 028 9023 2020 E: deirdre.murphy@vounteernow.co.uk

MARCH 2019

Your Health is Your Wealth

- Event: Men's Health Day
- Date: Tuesday 5th March 2019
- Venue: Crumlin Road Gaol
- Time: 10.30am 2.00pm
- Places: Unlimited
- Transport: Make your own way
- Cost: FREE



Event:Committee MeetingDate:Wednesday 6 March 2019Time:10.30amVenue:Volunteer Now, 34 Shaftesbury SquareTransport:Make your own way

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ay 7 th March 2019
hews Church, Memorial Gardens, metery, Milltown War Graves
m – 3pm
– Wetherspoons, The Bridge House
p at Townsend Street

Event:	CLICK Photography Workshop	
Date:	Friday 22 nd & Friday 29 th March 2019 (Two meetings on taking photographs and uploading images)	
Venue:	Belfast Exposed, 23 Donegall Street	
Time:	9.30am – 1.30pm	
Lunch:	Printers Cafe	
Transport:	Make your own way - Meet at 23 Donegall	Street
Cost:	£5	

MARCH 2019

Back in Time

- Event: Live Well Programme with the Ulster Museum Introductory session on the programme with Susan Kelly which includes mystery objects from the museum
- Date: Tuesday 26th March 2019
- Venue: Volunteer Now, 34 Shaftesbury Square
- Time: 10.30am
- Cost: FREE

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Live Well Sessions – 10am – 12.30pm Thursday 6th June - Volunteer Now - Introduction to the Girona Thursday 13th June - Volunteer Now - Tudor Health Thursday 20th June - Ulster Museum - Girona Treasure Thursday 27th June - Volunteer Now - Last session

APRIL 2019

Event:	Committee Meeting / Leather Workshop 1 Learn the art of leatherwork
Date:	Tuesday 2 nd April 2019
Time:	10.30am
Venue:	Volunteer Now, 34 Shaftesbury Square
Transport:	Make your own way

Through Belfast Streets Broad and Narrow

- Event: Tour of Old Belfast
- Date: Wednesday 17th April 2019
- **Time:** 10.30am
- Transport: Meet at steps of St Anne's Cathedral
- **Cost:** £5 (lunch provided)
- Lunch: John Hewitt Bar

APRIL 2019

I've Started so I'll Finish

- Event: The Big Quiz Lots of Prizes
- Date: Thursday 25th April 2019
- Time: 1pm (Lunch) 2pm (Quiz)
- Venue: The Bridge House (Wetherspoons) Bedford Street
- Transport: Make your own way
- **Cost:** £10
- Lunch: 1pm



MAY 2019

Event:	Committee Meeting / Leather Workshop 2 Learn the art of Leatherwork
Date:	Tuesday 7 th May 2019
Time:	10.30am
Venue:	Volunteer Now, 34 Shaftesbury Square
Transport:	Make your own way

Come Fly with Me

- Event: Return visit to Ulster Aviation Museum A chance to see the exhibits we missed on our first visit
- Date: Monday 13th May 2019

Time: 9.30am

Venue: Museum by The Maze

Transport: Meet at Townsend Street Church – 9.30am

Cost: £10 including lunch at the Tuesday Bell, Lisburn

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MAY 2019

Smile Please

Event: Getting to Know your Camera Workshop

- Date: Tuesday 21st May 2019
- **Time:** 10.30am
- Venue: Volunteer Now, 34 Shaftesbury Square
- **Transport:** Make your own way
- Lunch: Lunch is optional we suggest The Bridge, Bedford Street, at your own expense

Brian and Sean will show you how to take superb pictures on your camera – including your mobile phone!

Learn how to focus, get the correct exposure and set your shutter speed.



JUNE 2019

Event:	Committee Meeting / Leather Workshop 3 Learn the art of leatherwork
Date:	Tuesday 4 th June 2019
Time:	10.30am - Trustee Meeting
Venue:	Volunteer Now, 34 Shaftesbury Square
Transport:	Make your own way

Back in Time

- Event: Live Well Programme Introduction to the Girona
- Date: Thursday 6th June 2019
- Venue: Volunteer Now, 34 Shaftesbury Square

Time: 10am – 12.30pm

Transport: Make your own way

Cost: FREE



The Casey Jones Experience

Event:	Steam Train from Belfast to Dublin Return
Date:	Thursday 6 th June 2019
Time:	Depart Lanyon Place - 9am (formally Central Station, Maysfield)
	Arrive Dublin - 12noon
	Depart Dublin – 4pm (Water Stop at Drogheda, both ways)
Activity:	Visit to Irish Family History Centre to discover your Genealogy
Cost:	£25
	Back in Time
Event:	Back in Time Live Well Programme with the Ulster Museum - Tudor Health
Event: Date:	Live Well Programme with the Ulster Museum
	Live Well Programme with the Ulster Museum - Tudor Health
Date:	Live Well Programme with the Ulster Museum - Tudor Health Thursday 13 th June 2019
Date: Time:	Live Well Programme with the Ulster Museum - Tudor Health Thursday 13 th June 2019 10am – 12.30pm

JUNE 2019

Cost:

Sunken Ship

Event:	Visit to the Ulster Museum Girona Treasure
Date:	Thursday 20 th June 2019
Time:	10am – 12.30pm
Venue:	Ulster Museum, Stranmillis
Transport:	Make your own way



Back in Time

FREE

Live Well Programme – Last Session
Thursday 27 th June 2019
10am – 12.30pm
Volunteer Now, 34 Shaftesbury Square
Make your own way
FREE

JULY 2019

Date: NO MEETING THIS MONTH

AUGUST 2019

Event:	Committee Meeting / Leather Workshop 4 Learn the art of leatherwork	
Date:	Tuesday 6 th August 2019	
Time:	10.30am - Trustee Meeting	
Venue:	Volunteer Now, 34 Shaftesbury Square	
Transport:	Make your own way	
	You can have a Fishy	
Event:	Bangor Fishing Trip	
Date:	Friday 16th August 2019	
Time:	9.30am – 3pm	
Lunch:	1.40pm – Porkies Smoke House (Deposit of £10 payable two weeks prior)	
Transport:	Meet at Townsend Street Church - 9.30am	
Places:	maximum 15 people	
Cost:	£20	

AUGUST 2019

The Sport of Kings

Event: Outing to Down Royal Races

- Date: Friday 30 August 2019
- Time: 3.30pm Bus leaves Donegal Square West
- Return: 8.30pm Bus Returns to Donegall Square West

£10 Return – Belfast Bus Company

BOOKING YOUR PLACE ON THE BUS IS ESSENTIAL

Cost: £8 Entrance



SEPTEMBER 2019

Event:	Committee Meeting
Date:	Tuesday 3 rd September 2019
Time:	10.30am
Venue:	Volunteer Now, 34 Shaftesbury Square
Transport:	Make your own way

Oh Argh!

Event:	Tempted Cider – Cider making and tasting Cider Workshop
Date:	Wednesday 11 th September 2019
Venue:	Loughgall, Armagh (33 Old Loughgall Road)
Time:	10am – 3pm
Lunch:	1pm – 2.30pm - Head o' the Road, Portadown
Transport:	Meet at Townsend Street Church – 10am
Cost:	£10

What goes on behind "The Scenes"

Event:	Cinema Magic Days Gone By
Date:	Friday 27 th September 2019
Venue:	Strand Cinema
Time:	10am – 3pm

Lunch: 12.45pm – The Park Avenue Hotel

Transport: 9.30am - Pick up Townsend Street Church

Cost: £10

Step back in time when you visit the Projector room of the Strand Cinema built in 1935. Enjoy a history tour of this iconic building followed by a black and white movie.



OCTOBER 2019

Event:	Committee Meeting
Date:	Tuesday 1 October 2019
Time:	10.30am - Trustee Meeting 11.30am – AGM
Venue:	Volunteer Now, 34 Shaftesbury Square
Transport:	Make your own way

Culture for All

Event:	Orange Heritage Centre
Date:	Wednesday 9 October 2019
Time:	11am – 2.30pm
Transport:	6a Bus from Donegal Square West (Meet at 10.15am)
Lunch:	12.30pm
Cost:	£5

NOVEMBER 2019

Event:	Committee Meeting / AGM	
Date:	Tuesday 5th November 2019	T
Time:	10.30am - Trustee Meeting	6
Venue:	Volunteer Now, 34 Shaftesbury Square	
Transport:	Make your own way	

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Aye Aye Captain

Event:	Tour of Royal Naval Association
Date:	Thursday 14 th November 2019
Time:	11am
Transport:	Make your own way and meet at the Royal Naval Association, Gt. Victoria Street
Lunch:	12.30pm – Royal Naval Association
Cost:	£5 (Lunch included)

DECEMBER 2019

Event:	Committee Meeting
Date:	Tuesday 3 rd December 2019
Time:	10.30am
Venue:	Volunteer Now, 34 Shaftesbury Square
Transport:	Make your own way

Wishing you a Merry Christmas

- Event: Christmas Outing Evening Dinner and Entertainment
- Date: Friday 6th December 2019
- **Time:** 6.30pm 10pm
- Venue: Whites Tavern, 2/4 Wine Cellar Entry (off High Street)



- **Transport:** Make your own way
- **Cost:** £10

What have I booked?

A quick reminder

MARCH 2019

- □ Committee Meeting
- □ Men's Health Day,
- □ Outing to Belfast City Graveyards
- □ Photography Workshop
- □ Live Well with the Ulster Museum

JULY 2019

□ NO MEETINGS

AUGUST 2019

- Committee Meeting
- Bangor Fishing Trip
- Outing to Down Royal Races

APRIL 2019

- □ Committee Meeting
- Tour of Old Belfast
- □ Big Quiz

MAY 2019

- □ Committee Meeting
- Outing to Ulster Aviation Museum
- Know Your Camera Workshop

□ JUNE 2019

- □ Committee Meeting
- Introduction to Girona
- Steam Train Belfast Dublin
- □ Tudor Health
- Ulster Museum Visit
- Live Well Last Session

SEPTEMBER 2019

- □ Committee Meeting
- Outing to Tempted Cider
- Strand Cinema

OCTOBER 2019

- Committee Meeting
- Orange Heritage Museum

NOVEMBER 2019

- Committee Meeting / AGM
- Royal Naval Association

DECEMBER 2019

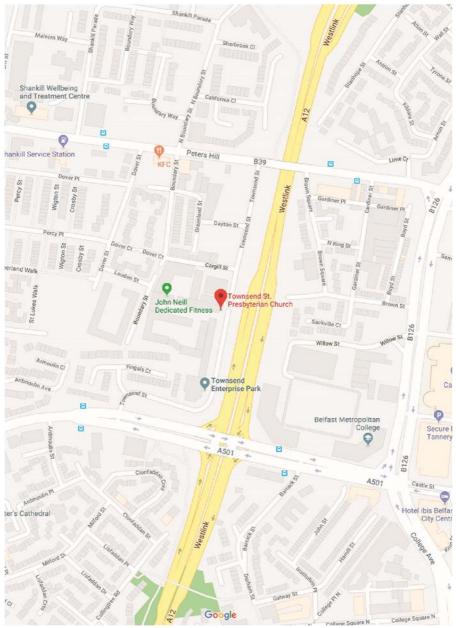
- □ Committee Meeting
- □ Christmas Outing

Volunteer Now 34 Shaftesbury Square



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Townsend Street Presbyterian Church



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MEN UNITED PARTICIPANT REGISTRATION FORM

1. CONTACT DETAILS

Name:			
Address:			
Postcode:	Telephone	e:	
Email Address:	·	D.O.B.	
2. INTERESTS / HOBBIES			

Are there any interests or hobbies you would like to try? If so please give suggestions.

3. SUGGESTIONS FOR NEW PROGRAMME

What activities are you currently involved in, if any?

Please note any activities, workshops, day trips, training you wish to be considered for the new programme

What skills, if any, would you like to share with the group?

HEALTH CONDITIONS 4.

Are there any health conditions or concerns that would impact on your ability to undertake activities set out in the programme? If yes please make known. YES / NO

While participating in the Men United Programme there may be activities that will not suit you, therefore, please feel free to discuss any aspect with the Co-ordinator.

DECLARATION

- 1 Please indicate that you give permission, by signing below, to Volunteer Now to collect, hold and use your personal information
- 2. I also give permission for Volunteer Now to use my image(s) and if relevant my volunteer profile in
 - Volunteer Now publicity material, including Volunteer Now website and social media pages YES/NO

 News media, including local press YES / NO Volunteer Now/Volunteer Now Enterprises collects your personal information, holds it securely and only uses it for the purposes for which it is intended. For more information about how we use your data, please see our privacy policy at http://www.volunteernow.co.uk/privacv-policv.

Signed: _____ Date: _____



VOLUNTEER NOW It's Good For Your Health!

VOLUNTEERING IS GOOD FOR YOUR HEALTH ...

Research indicates that getting involved in volunteering can offer a huge range of benefits and has shown to

- 1. improve confidence
- 2. encourage socialising and prevent loneliness and isolation
- 3. provide opportunities to have fun
- 4. help with physical and mental health
- 5. offer the opportunity to share existing and learn new skills

Volunteer Now is planning a variety of Men's Volunteer Activity Day's between March 2019 – March 2020

Examples include:

• Whitehead Railway Museum

Cleaning/restoring carriages for display and weeding outside of museum.

• Habitat Re-Store

Painting, upcycling, preparing school resource packs and pricing small items in store.

• Colin Neighbourhood Partnership Working on allotments or in polytunnels.

Each Event will finish with Lunch

If you would like to participate or find out more contact: Victoria.O'Neill@volunteernow.co.uk or telephone 0290 232020 www.volunteernow.co.uk





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