

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 provide 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.

If you are unsure, or have questions about any of the groups, or have an idea for a new group, please let us know. All contact details are below. Please contact your Activity Organiser in advance of attending any of the groups. – see contact details below.

Dementia Awareness Week Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June to Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> June- check out Events below		
In Person G	what's On In North Aberdeenshire	
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Banff Castle Gardening Group	11.00am-12.30pm
& 30th	Banff Castle, Castle Street, Banff	
	Come along and join us planting bedding plants in our raised beds, followed by a cuppie in the cafe.	
Tuesday 3rd	Musical Memories	2.00pm-3.30pm
	Banff Library, High Street, Banff	
	For people living with dementia and their carers. Sing along to some old favourites, hear different musicians, have a chat and a coffee.	
	If interested, please get in touch to book a space.	
Tuesday 10th	Walk & Talk at Aden Park Aden Country Park, Station Road, Mintlaw Meet in the car park beside carers garden, join us for a walk round the park followed by a cuppie in the cafe	11.00am-12.30pm
Tuesday 17th	Turriff Hae a News	11.00am-12.30pm
	Turriff Library, Grange Villa, The Square, Turriff	
	For people living with dementia and their carers to meet others, gain social stimulation in a dementia friendly environment	
Tuesday	Fraserburgh Hae A News	11.00am-12.30pm
24th	Fraserburgh Library, King Edward St Fraserburgh	
	For people living with dementia and their carers to meet others, gain social stimulation in a dementia friendly environment.	

Wednesday 4th	Advice Point & Information Stand (Dementia Awareness Week Event)	10.00am-1.00pm
	Aden Country Park, Station Road, Mintlaw Alzheimer Scotland want to make sure that nobody faces dementia alone.	
	Our Dementia Advisors support people with dementia, their families and carers and work with local communities. Your local dementia advisor can:	
	• Provide information and advice. • Help you to find the dementia-specific support that you need. • Connect you to local groups and services.	
	Pop in past to chat to Laura Crockatt & Kathy Fraser to find out more about the range of services on offer.	
Wednesday	Peterhead Dementia Cafe	10.30am-12.00pm
11th	Mission Cafe, Union Street, Peterhead (Please note new venue and time)	
	For people living with dementia and their carers to meet others, have a cuppie and a blether	
Wednesday	Walk & Talk at Aden Park	11.00am-12.30pm
18th	Aden Country Park, Station Road, Mintlaw	
	Meet in the car park beside carers garden, join us for a walk round the park followed by a cuppie in the cafe	
Wednesday	Carer Support Group	2.00pm -3.30pm
25th	Kirkburn Court Care Home, Academy Pl. Peterhead	
	Peer support, establish new friendships and get advice from your local Dementia Advisor. If you need to bring your cared for with you, please get in touch and we can arrange for them to join our dementia friendly social group in a safe environment so you can relax and get the support you need. <b>Contact Laura Crockatt or Kathy Fraser for further details</b>	
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Mintlaw Hae a News	11.00am-12.30pm
<b>&amp;</b> 19th	Mintlaw Library, MACBI Community Hub, Newlands Rd, Mintlaw	
	For people living with dementia and their carers to meet others, gain social stimulation in a dementia friendly environment.	
Thursday	Banff Hae A News & Carer Support Group	11.00am-12.30pm
26th	Banff Library, High Street, Banff	
	For people living with dementia and their carers. Both groups to run alongside each other within The Library.	
	<b>CARER SUPPORT</b> is a safe space for carers to gain peer support and get advice from their local Dementia Advisor	

**SOCIAL GROUP** is for the person living with dementia and their carer to meet others and gain social stimulation in a dementia friendly environment.

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Monday 2nd	Inverurie Carers Support Group Port Elphinstone Community House, Flat 1, Pinewood House, Elphinstone Road, Inverurie.	2.00-3.00pm
	For people who support someone with dementia, to get together for a chat with others in the same situation, share information and experiences	
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Insch Social Group Bennachie Leisure Centre, Largie Rd, Insch	10.45-11.45 am
	A social group for people living with dementia and their carers.	
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Morrisons Supermarket, Inverurie (Dementia Awareness Week Event)	12.30-2.00pm
	Come along and visit our information stand and find out about our local groups	
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup>	KEMNAY Pop-up Café Kemnay Library, Kendal Rd, Kemnay AB51 5RN	1.30-2.30pm
	A social group for people living with dementia and their carers. Come along for some coffee, chat and fun.	
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Port Elphinstone Social Group Port Elphinstone Community House, Flat 1, Pinewood House, Elphinstone Road, Inverurie.	11.00 – 12.00pm
	A social group for people living with dementia and their carers to have a blether, a cuppa and some fun.	
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Morrisons Supermarket, Inverurie (Dementia Awareness Week Event)	10-12 pm
	Come along and visit our information stand and find out about our local groups	
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Westhill Social Group Westhill Library, Westhill Primary, Westhill Drive A social group for people living with dementia and their carers to have a blether, a cuppa and some activities.	2.00 -3.00 pm
Wednesday 18th	Westhill Carers Support Group Westhill Library, Westhill Primary, Westhill Drive	2.00 -3.00 pm
	For people who support someone with dementia, to get together for a chat with others in the same situation, share information and experiences	

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Wednesday 25th Wednesday	Walk at Fetternear , KemnayNEWMeet at Fetternear CarparkCome along and join us for a gentle stroll up to the former Bishop's Palace.The walk will take about 20 minutes in each direction and is suitable for wheelchairs. Toilets are available at Bennachie Lodge, Kemnay (part of Aberdeenshire Council's Comfort Scheme). Contact Susan for further details.In the Same Boat	<b>1.30pm</b> 2.00-3.30pm
25 <sup>th</sup>	Stonehaven Library, Even Street, Stonehaven New in person carers support group for those carers who support someone with dementia living in a care home, or about to move into long term care. It's a great opportunity to access peer support, exchange stories and share information. Please contact Mags if you are interested in attending.	
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Tea, Blether and Buttery Morning (Dementia Awareness Week Event) Westhill Library, Westhill Primary, Westhill Drive Come along and join us for Tea, Blether and a buttery for Dementia Awareness Week. Information will be available about our local groups and our Dementia Advisor will be there to assist with any queries.	10.30 - 12.30pm
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Oldmeldrum Social Group Meldrum Town Hall (downstairs room), The Square, Oldmeldrum Come along & enjoy a social event for people living with dementia and their carers.	1.30 – 2.30pm
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> & 26 <sup>th</sup>	Ellon Social Group The Kirk Centre, Station Road, Ellon (Upstairs – there is a lift) A social group for people living with dementia and their carers to have a blether, a cuppa and join in a fun activity.	2.00 -3.00pm
Thursday 12th	Ellon Carers Support Group Forvie Room, The Kirk Centre, Station Rd, Ellon For people who support someone with dementia, to get together for a chat with others in the same situation, share information and experiences	2.00 -3.00pm

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Morrisons Store, North Deeside Road, Banchory (Dementia Awareness Week Event)	10.00-12 noon
Come along at the start of 'Morrisons Forget Me Not Appeal' week to find out more about our local social group or just have a friendly chat on the support we offer people living with dementia/memory issues and their carers.	
Portlethen Pastimes Portlethen Library, Bruntland Road, Portlethen.	10.30 - 11.30am
A social group for people living with dementia and their carers to have a chat, a cuppa and join in a fun activity.	
Stonehaven Activities & More Community Education Centre, Bath Street, Stonehaven.	10.30 - 12.00pm
A social group for people living with dementia, and their carers, to meet up for some fun activities whilst enjoying a cuppa & a catch-u	p.
Stonehaven Carers Group Stonehaven Community Education Centre, Bath Street.	10.30 –12.00pm
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Pop-Up Dementia Cafe - Dementia Awareness Week 2025 Bervie Church Hall, King Street, Inverbervie, Montrose DD10 oR	10.30-11.30 am Q
For people living with dementia, or memory issues, and their carers get together for a chat, a cuppa and a fun activity.	to
Aboyne Social Group Aboyne Library, Bridgeview Road, Aboyne.	2.00 -3.00pm
A social group for people living with dementia and their carers to meet up for a cuppa and a ch <b>at</b> .	
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Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> & 19th	Banchory Social Group Banchory Library, Bridge Street, Banchory.	1.30 - 3.00pm
	A Social Group for people living with dementia, and their carers, to enjoy some fun activities over a chat and a cuppa.	

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.

On-line Groups		
Tuesday, 3rd	Letting Go Group – Mags Corbett	2.00-3.00pm
	Support group for carers who have a loved one in a care	
	home or moving soon into a care home.	
Thursday 5th	Rare Dementia Carer Support – Laura Crockatt	11.00 am
Thursday, 19th	Aberdeenshire Carers Support Group – Laura Crockatt and Mags Corbett	11 am - 12.30pm

**Check out Our Virtual Resource Centre (VRC)** An online space where people can access groups, activities, and information sessions all from the comfort of their own homes. You can access a range of free live and 'on demand' activities including live music sing-alongs, arts and crafts, quizzes, seated exercises and relaxation techniques. VRC Facilitator Email <u>sberesford@alzscot.org</u>. To access the Virtual Resource Centre follow this link - <u>https://www.alzscot.org/virtual-resource-centre-o</u>

#### Contact details for groups:

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Mags Corbett, Dementia Advisor	Susan Westcott, Comm. Activities Organiser	
Aberdeenshire (Central & South)	Aberdeenshire (Central )	
<u>mcorbett@alzscot.org</u> 07769 366 175	swestcott@alzscot.org 07876 003154	
Dee Cobban, Community Activities Organiser Aberdeenshire (South) <u>dcobban@alzscot.org</u> 07825 546006		



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 <u>https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/aberdeendrc</u>

# What's on June 2025 – Aberdeenshire



# VOLUNTEERS WANTED FOR NATIONWIDE APPEAL

We are teaming up with Morrisons supermarkets in a nationwide fundraising appeal from **Monday 2nd – Sunday 8th of June**. Could you spare a couple of hours to make a difference? You'll be joining a group of volunteers working across Scotland in Morrisons' 62 stores from 10am to 7pm between Monday 2 to Sunday 8th June 2025, in two hour slots. For further details or to register, click on the following link <u>https://www.alzscot.org/MorrisonsVolunteers</u>

Dementia

Dementia Awareness Week 2025 – which runs from Monday 2 June to Sunday 8 June – is an opportunity to support the 90,000 people living with dementia in Scotland and their families and carers.

The theme for this year's campaign focuses on the importance of maintaining friendships and social connections at every step of a person's dementia progression.

Alzheimer Scotland has seen first-hand how staying connected, listening, and showing kindness can bring comfort, joy and a sense of belonging. Friends help keep memories alive, reduce loneliness, and support people with dementia as well as their carers, friends and family.

# **Alzheimer Scotland Conference 2025**

Our Annual Conference will be held on Monday 22 September at the Edinburgh International Conference Centre (EICC). Early Bird tickets are now available to buy at Eventbrite using the link below.

#### Alzheimer Scotland Annual Conference 2025 Tickets, Mon 22 Sep 2025 at 09:00 | Eventbrite

As always, tickets for people with dementia and carers are free - please email **conference@alzscot.org** for more information about free tickets.

More details of the conference, including the full programme will be made available closer to the event.

For more information, or if you would be interested in exhibiting at our conference, please contact our team: **conference@alzscot.org** 

#### In North Aberdeenshire ......



# The following event takes place at the Aberdeen Brain Health & Dementia Resource Centre which you or someone you know may find of interest. All welcome.

Tuesday	Talkspot and Reminiscence: The Tall Ships	2-3pm
17 June	We are delighted to welcome 2 of the volunteers from this years Tall Ships	
	event to present some slides and information on the upcoming event coming	
	to Aberdeen this July. They will also be bringing some memorabilia from the	
	previous Tall Ships event held in the late 90s.	
	This promises to be an interesting and informative event – please spread the	
	word and encourage friends to come too.	
	Feel free to arrive from 1.30pm for a cuppa first.	
	Brain Health & Dementia Resource Centre 13 – 19 King Street Aberdeen	



# Sunday 24 August 2025

## Alzheimer Scotland Memory Walk Aberdeen Time: Arrive from 11.30am. Walk starts at 12 noon. Event finishes at 2pm. Location: Aberdeen Sports Village, Linksfield Road, AB24 5RU

Join us for a gentle 5k walk around the athletics track at Aberdeen Sports Village while raising vital funds for people living with dementia.

Adult tickets are £10. Children's tickets are free - children must be registered for a ticket to take part in the walk and must be accompanied by an adult.

Please note, only guidance dogs are permitted on this walk.

**Register:** <u>https://memorywalk.alzscot.org/event-info-aberdeen</u>

If you can't do the Memory Walk, there is an opportunity to do 'Your Walk, Your Way' - the link above also takes you to this information and registration.

### For anyone planning a trip to Glasgow or knows someone there who may be interested: Dementia-Friendly Visits at the Scottish Football Museum in Hampden

- Drop in between 2–5pm on Thursdays in May & June 2025
   Come along for a relaxed, dementia friendly visit at the Scottish Football Museum
- Try out Alzheimer Scotland's VR Reminiscence Technology
- Enjoy a cuppa and a chat
- Explore Scotland's footballing history in a calm, friendly setting

Free of charge | No booking needed | All welcome including family, friends & carers
Let football memories come alive in a space built for comfort, connection, and community.
Location: Scottish Football Museum. Hampden Park, Letherby Drive, Mount Florida, Glasgow,
G42 9BA.

Phone: 0141 616 639 for more information

Should you no longer wish to receive Aberdeenshire What's On or updates, please call or write to: Val Sleigh, Service Admin Coordinator - 01467-530516 or email <u>vsleigh@alzscot.org</u>

