

# What's on

## September 2025 – East 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.

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.

| In Person Group                   |  |                |
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| Mon 1 <sup>st</sup><br>September  | <b>Dunbar Dementia Café</b><br><i>Dunbar Town House Museum &amp; Gallery, High St, Dunbar EH42 1ER</i><br>D'Cafés are for people living with dementia and their families. They are an opportunity to meet others in a similar situation, to make connections and develop friendships, and to support and learn from one another as well as Alzheimer Scotland staff and volunteers. The first half hour is spent together, as a whole group, taking refreshments, and getting to know each other. We then split into an activities group and facilitated carer support group for the remaining hour. | 2.00-3.30pm    |
| Wed 3 <sup>rd</sup><br>September  | <b>Musselburgh Dementia Café</b><br><i>St. Andrew's High Church, High St, Musselburgh EH21 7EA</i><br>D'Cafés are for people living with dementia and their families. They are an opportunity to meet others in a similar situation, to make connections and develop friendships, and to support and learn from one another as well as Alzheimer Scotland staff and volunteers. The first half hour is spent together, as a whole group, taking refreshments, and getting to know each other. We then split into an activities group and facilitated carer support group for the remaining hour.     | 10.30am-12noon |
| Mon 8 <sup>th</sup><br>September  | <b>Dunbar Morning Meet Up</b><br><i>1650 Coffee Shop, 76 High St, Dunbar EH42 1JH</i><br><b>(*Advance notice of attendance essential)</b><br>Morning Meet Ups are for people living with dementia. Family and carers are welcome to join, to meet other people in a similar situation, or to take the opportunity for a break. They are an informal, relaxed opportunity to meet and socialise with others in a similar situation.<br><br>At Dunbar, we enjoy good conversation, refreshments, and word games and reminiscence! (Family and carers meet next door at The Bear & Bull).               | 10.30am-12noon |
| Wed 10 <sup>th</sup><br>September | <b>Tranent Dementia Café</b><br><i>The Fraser Centre, 3 Winton Pl, Tranent EH33 1AF</i>  | 2.00-3.30pm    |

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| Thurs 11 <sup>th</sup><br>September | <p><b>Archerfield Morning Meet Up</b><br/> <i>Archerfield House, Dirleton EH39 5HQ</i><br/> <b>(*Advance notice of attendance essential)</b><br/> Morning Meet Ups are for people living with dementia. Family and carers are welcome to join or to take the opportunity for a break. They are an informal, relaxed opportunity to meet and socialise with others in a similar situation.</p> <p>At Archerfield, we enjoy a 45–50-minute walk followed by good conversation and refreshments back at the café!</p>  | 10.30-12noon   |
| Mon 15 <sup>th</sup><br>September   | <p><b>Dunbar Morning Meet Up</b><br/> <i>1650 Coffee Shop, 76 High St, Dunbar EH42 1JH</i><br/> <b>(*Advance notice of attendance essential)</b><br/> Morning Meet Ups are for people living with dementia. Family and carers are welcome to join, to meet other people in a similar situation, or to take the opportunity for a break. They are an informal, relaxed opportunity to meet and socialise with others in a similar situation.</p> <p>At Dunbar, we enjoy good conversation, refreshments, and word games and reminiscence! (Family and carers meet next door at The Bear &amp; Bull).</p> | 10.30am-12noon |
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| Thurs 25 <sup>th</sup><br>September | <b>Prestonpans Dementia Café</b><br><i>Contact for venue</i><br>D'Cafés are for people living with dementia and their families. They are an opportunity to meet others in a similar situation, to make connections and develop friendships, and to support and learn from one another as well as Alzheimer Scotland staff and volunteers. The first half hour is spent together, as a whole group, taking refreshments, and getting to know each other. We then split into an activities group and facilitated carer support group for the remaining hour.<br><br><b>This month we are joined by Sue Healy, a volunteer with East Lothian Council's Museums Collections team. Sue will invite us to help develop the "Suitcases Project", sharing with us a range of historic objects waiting for your stories to bring them back to life...</b> | 2.00-3.30pm    |
| Mon 29 <sup>th</sup><br>September   | <b>Dunbar Morning Meet Up</b><br><i>1650 Coffee Shop, 76 High St, Dunbar EH42 1JH</i><br><b>(*Advance notice of attendance essential)</b><br>Morning Meet Ups are for people living with dementia. Family and carers are welcome to join, to meet other people in a similar situation, or to take the opportunity for a break. They are an informal, relaxed opportunity to meet and socialise with others in a similar situation.<br><br>At Dunbar, we enjoy good conversation, refreshments, and word games and reminiscence! (Family and carers meet next door at The Bear & Bull).   | 10.30am-12noon |

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