

**Our next meeting will be on Saturday 13th September 2025
We have no meeting in August**

We are very sorry to have to report that Danielle O'Neill, our AHP who is pump primed by Parkinson's UK and Gail Linstead, our Parkinson's UK Service Improvement Advisor NE England and Yorkshire aren't able to be with us this month, due to Danielle being off sick, to update us on how things are going with the provision of services. A summary from Gail is overleaf. We wish Danielle a speedy recovery.

[Caz in Hornsea](#)

Caz is holding an art exhibition at the Bowling Club in Hornsea during August. There will be a sale of her work on Friday 29th August, doors open 6.30pm if anyone fancies a trip out.

Helen Isles has put out a call for (full) bottles for the bottle stall at the Autumn Fayre on the 8th November.

All bottles welcome, drink (hard and soft), kitchen supplies (vinegar, oil, ketchup etc.) or bath time treats in bottles.

Contact Helen on 07748 484264



Anyone interested in starting boxing classes in the autumn? There is a chance that classes will be available in Hebden Bridge once NPBA move to their new, fully accessible, home at the Trades Club.

I also have news of wheelchair rugby and basketball at Calderdale College if anyone is interested please,

Contact Jo 07876 383683

Update summary from Gail Linstead, Parkinson's UK Service Improvement Advisor NE England and Yorkshire, 9th July 2025.

In September 2024, Danielle O'Neil started in post at Calderdale and Huddersfield NHS Foundation Trust as a Parkinson's Specialist Physiotherapist. This post is funded via the Parkinson's UK Pump Prime Scheme, which is part of the Flagship Complete Care for Parkinson's Programme. The aim of Danielle's role is to undertake specialist assessments and planning care for complex patients with mobility issues. She has already set up clinics in the community to carry out these assessments and has seen a number of patients. She also has plans in progress to establish Parkinson's specific exercise groups with an aim to be proactive as well as reactive to patient needs.

Danielle will be working closely with the PNS Fran Tindle, who is currently undertaking her Nurse Prescribing Course, and also the consultants within the trust. The trust has recently appointed a new Movement Disorder Specialist Consultant, Dr Beckett.

My role as Service Improvement Manager is to support them to develop and embed the role appropriately into the patient pathway, establish Key Performance Indicators (KPI's) and set up appropriate ways of monitoring progress. However it isn't my role to be involved in operational decision making within the trust. The steering groups take place on a bi-monthly basis where Danielle feeds back on her progress against the set KPI's and we discuss both the positives that have been achieved and any challenges that she has come across to jointly find solutions.

Danielle is keen to ensure that she presents the updates on the progress that she has made to date and therefore don't feel it is appropriate for me to do this on her behalf. However I can say that she is doing a fantastic job and we are very happy with the progress.

Upcoming events

We have no Saturday meeting in August but Golf, Dance and Shibden Park sessions continue to meet during the summer.

Our next Saturday Club meeting will be 13th September and then in October we will celebrate our 55th Anniversary on the 11th when our Choir with Shared Harmonies comes along to help us celebrate our ongoing friendship and support.

Wishing everyone a very happy summer and hoping to see you soon.