
Sport, exercise and physical activities for seniors over the age of 55 years of age in Gibraltar.

Gibraltar Sports and Leisure Authority (GSLA) and The Physical Activities Association for Mature Older Adults (PAAMOA) work in partnership to deliver, co-ordinate and disseminate information on exercise and physical activities for seniors (over the age of 55 years) in Gibraltar. (Starting 1st October unless specified) In line with advice from HM Government of Gibraltar Public Health Guidelines activities mentioned below adhere to Public Health guidelines, encouraging social distancing and hand hygiene.

Bayside Sports Complex (GSLA).

Mondays 4.15pm to 5pm - GSLA - Pilates, core strength and muscle toning with Michelle. Perfect class for seniors who are able to exercise in standing and lying position, which concentrates on developing core strength, good posture and muscle toning. **Michelle also has a Face Book 'Fit & Fab at Home', page that will provide classes on line if for any reason we are not able to have a face to face Pilates classes. Contact Michelle on email michelle.turner@gsla.gi telephone 20076522 for further information.** (Face to face classes start on Monday 11th October)

Thursdays - GSLA - Exercise with Music with Karon and Michelle starting Thursday 7th October. First class 9.15am to 10am is aimed at those aged 55 and over who can work out at a reasonable intensity. Requiring the ability to move forwards and backwards, side to side to rhythmical routines for approximately 30 minutes, followed by muscle toning that takes place standing and sitting. Second class, recommended for over 68 year olds, from 10.15am to 11am for those who maybe need a little less rhythmic movement, whilst still exercising their cardio system to popular music. This is followed by chair exercises to help strengthen and mobilise muscle groups. Two great classes concentrating on exercising cardio fitness at the correct ability level whilst maintaining mobility and muscle tone. **Contact Karon on 56002000 or miffy@gibtelecom.net Karon also leads an 'Online' Cardio at home session on her Facebook Site, 'Fit and Fab Seniors', if we are unable to have face to face classes.**

Thursdays 11.45am to 1.45pm. GSLA - Seniors Recreation Morning - Carpet Bowls, Badminton, Table Tennis and Soft Tennis. Badminton and Soft Tennis in the Victoria Sports Hall and Carpet Bowls and Table Tennis in the Bayside Sports Complex MUGA. This is an unsupervised recreation afternoon, all seniors welcome to play badminton, table tennis, soft tennis and carpet bowls. If you have your own equipment we recommend that you use it, however clean sterilized equipment is available for use by starter members. **Contact GSLA Sports Development & Training Unit on email michelle.turner@gsla.gi or telephone 20076522 for further information.**

GFA - Walking Football for seniors over the age of 55 years on Tuesdays, 10.30am and Fridays, 9am at the Bayside Sports Complex (pitches no 3 & 4). Information on medical conditions, medication and fitness levels are required to ensure full health and social benefits. **Contact Desi Curry on desi.curry@gibraltarfa.com or telephone 56002377 for further information.**

GSLA 25 metre and Accessible Pool – Safe swimming for seniors is available 7 days a week.

The GSLA Accessible Pool is available for use by seniors every day of the week at certain times (subject to maximum no's and Covid protocols), please see notice board in the Accessible Pool reception for full details, as allocations change with school usage. All users need to present their pink Senior Citizens Card to enter the pool. The GSLA 25 Metre Pool is also available throughout the week for swim jogging sessions for all adults who enjoy swimming. Bookings for the 25 metre pool must be made in advance. **Contact telephone number for details of availability and what is on offer 20079122 or email poolinfo@gsla.gi**

GSLA - Introduction to safe aqua exercises. Mondays 12noon to 1.00pm Introductory sessions to enable members to exercise safely and independently in the water. **Contact Arianna on What's App 54026708 for further information.**

Additional activities for seniors available in Gibraltar

Chair Exercise for frail older adults on Tuesday morning's for those who want to develop their mobility and maintain muscular toning and balance for everyday living. These sessions are led by Janet Lima and Christine Payas and take place at King's Bastion Leisure Centre, Boyd's Patio. Chair-based for seniors who are more comfortable with seated exercise with some supported standing exercises aimed at maintaining mobility, balance and co-ordination. **Contact Janet on email janbilty@gmail.com or What's App 54195000 or Christine on What's App 54029322.**

Gibraltar Petanque Association offer the opportunity to play Petanque and also many other social activities in their clubhouse which is located at Smith Dorrien Avenue. Covid protocols apply, limited to 12 members at any one time in the club. **For details on membership and opening times contact Mario Victory on email mariovictory@hotmail.com or tel 54002652 or Richard Whitear on email Richard.whitear@hotmail.co.uk or tel 54025360.**

King's Bastion Leisure Centre Ten Pin Bowling and Fitness Gym offer discounted rates for senior citizens. **PAAMOA members meet to socialise and play friendly competitions on Tuesday mornings 10.30am and Friday afternoons 2.30pm. Many of those taking part also meet to play indoor carpet bowls on a Thursday 11.45am to 1.45pm.** Kings Bastion Leisure Centre **Cinema** also has special evenings with subtitles to support seniors who have a hearing impairment at discounted rates. **Contact King's Bowl 20071484 and for the Fitness Gym is 20059834. News and updates can be found on the King's Bastion Leisure Centre Facebook page and our website www.kingsbastion.gov.gi.**

Yoga for mature older adults – classes are available at the Gibraltar Integral Yoga Centre. **Beginners classes are suitable for seniors. For further information Email integralyogagib@gmail.com or www.integralyogagib.com**

For further information on safe exercise, sport and physical activities for seniors over the age of 55 years please contact the GSLA Sports Development & Training Unit on email michelle.turner@gsla.gi or telephone 20076522 or PAAMOA on www.paamoa.gi or e-mail info@paamoa.gi