

# MADYSS Matters

November 2023 No.201

## Birthday Greetings

First, apologies to Keith Pembrey whose birthday was on 17 October, but his wife Sue to whom we sent our birthday greetings in September was also listed incorrectly in the October birthdays instead of Keith.

For November we can say Happy Birthday to just one member:

- Roger Smith

## Social Events

### Tatton Park Coach Trip Sunday 3 December

For those going on the coach trip to Tatton Park and who have so far paid only the £10.00 deposit, please note that the balance (i.e. £15.00) must be paid at the 13 November meeting.

Full details of the coach departure time from the Flower Pot will be available in due course. On arrival we will have lunch at 12.30 pm followed by a self-guided tour of the Mansion to see the Christmas decorations, which are all located on the Ground Floor. Electric scooters are not allowed in the Mansion but there are some wheelchairs available, and these must be booked as soon as possible.

There will also be a Craft Fair and people will be free to explore this after the tour. It should be accessible for members as it is near the Mansion, but the Craft Fair closes at 4.00 pm.

### Christmas Meal, The Plough, Eaton CW12 2NZ Monday 11 December

Most members will have now made their meal selections. For anyone who hasn't, these MUST be made at the November Flower Pot meeting.

## Report of the Viceroy Indian Meal

Twenty members went along to the Viceroy restaurant in Bollington for an Indian meal on Sunday, 29 October. We were seated at two tables of ten and, following the usual poppadoms with various dips, the group had plates of mixed starters.

Each of us had selected our main course from a wide range of dishes, according to our desire for the level of spiciness. These were served with pilau rice and nan bread. Those who still had room afterwards, were rewarded with a dessert of ice cream.



*MADYSS attendees at the Viceroy making their selections from the menu*



*Drinks at the ready and waiting for the food to arrive*

Throughout the meal, the Viceroy staff were extremely pleasant and helpful, and before our arrival had put a ramp in place over the few steps into the restaurant to aid access for our wheelchair users. All in all, an enjoyable way to spend a Sunday afternoon.



Enjoying the poppadoms and dips

## News of Our Members

Some of our long-standing members will know of **Vinnie and Fran Carr**, who now live in Hale but used to attend MADYSS events regularly. Vinnie will be going into Wythenshawe Hospital soon for a heart valve operation after his preliminary tests went well. He will probably have the operation around mid-November and hopes to be recovered and able to enjoy time at Christmas. He and Fran are being well looked after by their son, Phillip.

We have learned that **Julie Karnon** is in Manchester Royal Infirmary in the Vascular ward having suffered an aortic aneurysm. Her daughter Ruth has said she spent a few days in Macclesfield General Hospital before being blue lighted to Manchester Royal. Ruth advised us that she is 'very poorly'. We send all our best wishes to Julie and Ruth.

**John and Anne Swindell** turned up at the Flower Pot's October meeting confident that their surgical procedures had been successfully completed. However, John now has to report that this was premature. Last week he had a relapse, which necessitates having another MRI scan because he is back to not being able to walk!

Life is challenging for **Judy and Michael Fleming** at present as Michael has had about three bad falls. It has all been complicated by Judy also having a bad fall three weeks ago with a fracture in the ankle area, which is going to take a long time to heal. Judy is Michael's 24/7 carer (they have just some limited external care) and Social Services offered only Respite care for Michael. However, for safety reasons Social Services has now sourced nightly overnight care until Judy's leg has healed.

## What a Joke!



"She's responding well to her new medication"

**Don't forget that it's the Christmas Meal on 11 December so no Flower Pot meeting after this month before next year**

**The next Flower Pot meeting will be on Monday, 8 January 2024**

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