MADYSS Matters

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Birthday Greetings

Lots of B names for birthdays this month:

- Ramala Bakaya
- Maria Barlow
- Sylvia Brown

and the one exception, Roger Snelling.

Happy b...b...b... birthday!

Social Events

If paying by BACS for several outings, please make *separate* payments for each one and state clearly to which outing the payment refers.

Bingo, Macclesfield Tennis Club, SK11 8JR Saturday, 23 March

As already noted, the Clubhouse and bar are open to members from 6.30 pm onwards with the first round of bingo starting at 7.00 pm. Tracey Higgs (Gary Higgs' sister) will be the bingo caller. At around 8.00 pm we will have a break for a meat and potato pie or quiche with red cabbage supper. The second bingo session will start after we have finished eating and the evening should finish at approximately 10.00 pm. The cost of £10.00 per person was due at February's meeting.

World of Glass Coach Trip, St Helens Tuesday, 23 April

Everyone should be at the Flower Pot by 9.45 am for a prompt 10.00 am departure. On arrival we will be met by a Guide, after which we will have tea and coffee. This will be followed by a guided tour of the Museum, the Galleries and a glass-blowing demonstration.

After a light lunch, there will a tour of the Tank House and tunnels, then a visit to the gift shop and we will depart at 3.30 pm. The cost is £30 for members and £40 for guests. A non-refundable deposit of £10 per person was required to secure

your place; the remainder is due at/by the March Flower Pot meeting.

Please note that this coach trip is dependent on a minimum of 20 participants to be viable.

Chilli Banana Lunch, Sunday, 23 February Report by Sue Stephenson

On a frosty but sunny day, 33 members and friends enjoyed a special Sunday banquet at the Chilli Banana in Macclesfield. All the usual starters were there: satay sticks, spring rolls, fish cakes, prawn and pork rolls, which were followed by a variety of Thai main dishes. All dietary needs were catered for, and we finished off with ice cream and coffee.



It was lovely to catch up with Roger Snelling and his daughter Heather, and with Margaret Barry who had travelled from Sheffield to join us.





Most of us retired home afterwards to rest, except for Monica who was off to a party. Don't know where she got the energy from!

Bonus Ball Competition

The winning number for February was 24, which Geoff Blamire had selected. Congratulations go to Geoff. Some of you may recall that Geoff was also last month's winner. Perhaps we should all be shouting, "Fix, fix"!

News of Our Members

Last month we welcomed Margaret Millwood and we have another new member this month, **Mark Stansfield**. Mark is the son of Alan and Barbara Stansfield and also the current MADYSS ten-pin bowling champion, so watch out at next year's bowling outing!

Jim Borggren's first hip replacement operation has taken place and he is back home after four days in hospital. Now the hard work begins to get moving normally again.

Kath Wilkinson would like to thank members for their kind messages of support following her leg injury in late January. It turns out that she has a fractured fibula, not the ligament and soft tissue damage that was originally diagnosed at A&E.

Still desperately seeking . . .

AN ASSISTANT TREASURER

To help Judy Fleming who is happy to offer guidance to anyone interested.

The next Flower Pot meeting is on Monday 11 March 2024

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