MADYSS Matters

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Birthday Greetings

This month is a busy one for birthdays:

Geoff Blamire Thelma Farrell Des Leech Alan Stansfield Kath Wilkinson Tina Yeasley Sharon Clements Susan Lakin George Oliver Barbara Stansfield Chris Willett

Happy Birthday everyone!

Social Events

Lunch, The Tytherington Golf Club, SK10 2JP Wednesday, 27 July

Please note CHANGE OF VENUE for July's social event. Members should make their own way to the Golf Club, 12.00 onwards for lunch at 12.30. The cost is £10 for a main course only; you may purchase dessert if you wish on the day. If you would like to go, please pay £10 to Monica Meah at the July Flower Pot meeting or email her for information at: monicameah@hotmail.com, as we must provide exact numbers and food choices to the Club at least a week in advance. Main course choices are:

- Chicken breast with pork, bacon & apricot stuffing
- Hake fillet wrapped in pesto and Parma ham with tomato fondue
- Caramelized red onion and goats cheese tart.

Canal Boat Trip, Higher Poynton, SK12 1TH Thursday, 11 August and Tuesday, 23 August

Please be at the Lord Vernon Wharf in Higher Poynton by 10.45 am as the boat will leave promptly at 11.00 am on both dates.

Shugborough Hall Trip, Thursday, 23 June Report by Ike Karnon

About 20 members visited Shugborough Hall on Thursday, 23 June We had a wonderful day with no rain and lovely conditions. We were particularly pleased that Peter and Sue were able to join us. After Peter's recent health problems, it was doubtful whether he would be able to join us, so we were happy to see him. We were sorry that Roger Smith was not well enough to travel.

After winding our way through some housing estates, we arrived at Shugborough to a pleasant welcome. We visited the Hall, which was most interesting. It appears that Lord Lichfield gave the Estate to the Treasury in lieu of death duties. A lot of the contents were removed by the present Lord Lichfield who lives in Devon on a 'small' 2,500 acres estate. The National Trust, who were given the Estate by the Treasury, then re equipped the Hall and introduced appropriate furniture and equipment. The private apartments contain original material which belonged to Lord Litchfield and was left by him.

We also visited the servants quarters, which for most of us was a trip down memory lane as the area was packed with an array of amazing objects that were part of our childhood or youth. There were remarkable displays of clothes, shoes, toys, kitchen equipment, medical things, a model classroom and a magnificent laundry. A lot of the displays were, of course, much older than our childhood time, for example the dentist's chair. There were a lot more things to do and see on the estate, but time was not on our side and distances didn't allow us to reach them.



MADYSS members enjoying afternoon tea at the Hall

We concluded the visit with a scrumptious afternoon tea in the Orangerie and had a good and quick trip home. A good time was had by all. Thank you Sue and Monica for organising a wonderful day out.

Seeking a Deputy Chair

Ike, our new Chair at MADYSS, asked at the June meeting if someone would volunteer for the role of Deputy Chair. Unfortunately, we are still seeking for one of our members to fill this position and provide assistance to Ike as required. Please do consider if YOU could take on the role. You would be given lots of support to help you settle in to this valued and supporting post, we promise!

Mobile Numbers

If you have a mobile number, please ensure that Chris Willett has been notified of the number for our records. Chris was collecting missing numbers at the June meeting, but if you did not attend and are not sure if it is in her possession, please contact Chris on 0161 432 0893 with the number.

Bonus Ball Competition

The winner of the June competition was Monica Meah, who was lucky enough to be the recipient of the princely sum of £31.50 as it was a roll-over month. Congratulations!

Thought for the month

Life is ten percent what happens to you and ninety percent how you respond to it.

Lou Holtz

The next meeting is on Monday, 11 July at The Flower Pot

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