

MADYSS Matters

September 2016 No.125

Birthday Greetings

Let's say Happy Birthday in September to:

- Amanda Craven
- Kay Kennedy
- Ann Pape
- Gary Yearsley

Social Events

Beamish Holiday

Friday 23 September to Tuesday 27 September

The coach will have pick ups in Heaton Mersey at 10.15 am, Clumber Road in Poynton at 10.30 am and the Flower Pot at 10.45 am. We will be leaving Beamish at 10.30 am on the Tuesday so depending on traffic, we will arrive in Macclesfield around mid-afternoon. Please remember we will be transporting 5 mobility scooters so luggage will have to travel with us on the coach. Be mindful not to take huge suitcases along; we are only going for 4 nights! We are planning to visit the Beamish museum again on the Sunday, have a trip to Berwick on Tweed on either Saturday or Monday depending on the weather, and a visit to Wallington House and Gardens, so do bring your National Trust cards along if you have them.

October Social Event

For October, we may take advantage of the film and pizza/pasta deal that Cinemac and the Fina Bar and Grill in Macclesfield usually offer on Tuesdays and Thursdays for £12 each. The other option that we are considering is afternoon tea at The Bridge in Prestbury. Watch this space or attend the Flower Pot meeting.

Macclesfield Silk Brass Band, Congleton Daneside Theatre, Friday 3 December

The band, accompanied by the Can't Sing Choir, will be performing a concert of Christmas carols at the Daneside Theatre. We may arrange for a meal before the concert; details of this will be made available in due course once confirmed.

Report on Canal Boat Trip, 11 August

We had a pleasant outing on the Mary Sunley cruising along the Macclesfield Canal towards Marple. Unfortunately, a smaller number of sailors than had originally booked were able to attend on the Thursday outing. Thelma wasn't well enough to come along and Peter had been taken into hospital so he and Sue were also absent. Despite the gloomy skies, we were comfortably settled below deck so were not inconvenienced by the cloudy and sometimes rainy weather.

Monica provided an excellent on board drinks service and Chris also proved invaluable in organising the fish and chip orders. Monica and Chris then leapt on to dry land at Marple and disappeared to collect the lunch, swiftly returning with bulging bags as you can see below.



Food, glorious food!



Ready to devour the fish and chips feast



A lovely canal side garden

While we did not experience the warm and sunny weather that those who went on the 23 August trip enjoyed, it was nevertheless a good day out. Our thanks go to Monica for organising the trips and to Chris for providing her with support.

News of our Members

It is with deep regret that MADYSS must inform members that **Colin Kennedy** sadly passed away in August. Colin and his wife Kay have been members of the group for a number of years and were attendees at many group events and social activities, such as MADYSS holidays, the games nights, monthly meetings and meal outings. Until latterly, Colin also attended the Bollington Meet, Move and Improve sessions which take place on Fridays. We extend our sincere sympathy to Kay and to daughters, Toni and Clare.

Pat Snelling continues as a patient in Aston Ward at Congleton Memorial Hospital. We send her our best wishes and trust that arrangements can be made in the near future which may enable her circumstances to improve. **Peter Stephenson**

was in hospital for a few days last month but is now back at home with Sue.

Bonus Ball Competition

There was no bonus ball competition winner last month so we have a roll-over month.

Thought for the Month

Our greatest weakness lies in giving up. The most certain way to succeed is always to try just one more time.

Thomas A. Edison

Meet, Move and Improve

For those members who attend the group that meets at Bollington Health and Leisure Centre, please note that the group will start back on Friday, 9 September. After the summer break, the writer feels sure that many of us will be in dire need of the exercise classes and gym work.

2017 Calendar

Sheila will have a sample copy of next year's calendar at the September meeting so please place your orders then. If you can't be at the September meeting, she would appreciate it if you would send a quick email with your order to sheila@onlybirding.com or a quick phone call to 01565 830168 or text to 07837 745939.

The next meeting is on Monday, 12 September at The Flower Pot

MADYSS Chairman

Ike Karnon 01260 273969