

MADYSS Matters

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Birthday Greetings

This month there are six members with birthdays:

- Frances Carr
- George Higginson
- Julie Karnon
- Gill Moseley
- Sue Stephenson
- Ruth Wardle

Our best wishes to you all.

Social Events

High Legh Garden Centre, WA16 0QW
Thursday, 25 April

Members will make their own way here, meeting for lunch at 12.00 noon in the restaurant. On our last visit we had excellent service, the food was good and we were well looked after by the staff so we hope that we can look forward to the same again.

AGM, Monday, 13 May 12.30 pm start
Macclesfield Tennis Club, SK11 8JR

More precise details will appear in the next newsletter but MADYSS Matters understands that Ike has arranged for a mysterious 'entertainer' to follow the business part of the meeting, during which the appointment of Committee members will be voted on. At present we have NO ONE for the roles of Membership Secretary and Fundraiser. The group cannot continue without a functioning Committee. PLEASE consider if you can help.

Report on Quiz Night and Fish & Chips Supper

After last year's snow blizzard for the quiz night, it was a relief to get more spring-like weather on this occasion. Thirty-two MADYSS members and friends attended, eager to show off their quiz skills.

We were split into five teams then Tracey Higgins, who acted as John Humphrys for the evening, read out the questions that fell into the eight categories which she had put together: General Knowledge, Sport, TV, Geography, Films, In What Year, Music, and Pot Luck. We also had two bonus rounds of well-known faces and famous lines from films, which were on sheets of paper that each team could try and complete as we went along.

After four rounds we had a well-earned break, during which attendees eagerly devoured the fish and chips supper and refilled their glasses, ready for part two. On completing the final four rounds, the winning team ended up being the March Hares with 98 points, the winners by *just one point!*



Participants enjoying the fish and chips

In addition to the quiz, during the supper break three competitions of Roll the Coin were held. Contestants aimed to get a £1 coin nearest to a bottle of pink gin, gin and finally whisky. The winners of the respective bottles were Chris Willet, Michael Fleming and Chris Warrington, who is a friend of Michael and Judy Fleming.

Our sincere thanks and appreciation go to Tracey for the enormous amount of time and effort she put into developing and running the quiz.



Geoff Blamire tries his luck in one of the Roll a Coin competitions

Many thanks also to: Diane Thomas and Kay Evans for setting up and clearing the room; Thelma Farrell for organising and Gill Moseley for assisting her with the raffle; Monica Meah for supervising the Roll the Coin contests; and Roger Snelling and Kay for collecting the fish and chips.

Last but not least, thank you to the Tennis Club for letting us use the facilities, which were given to us free of charge, and to the volunteer bar staff, Jim Borggren and John and Judy Nixon. As well as enjoying a fun quiz night, we were able to raise £135 for MADYSS from the raffle and Roll a Coin competitions. Thank you everyone.

Meet, Move and Improve

Will those members who attend the above group at Bollington Leisure Centre, please note that the last one before the Easter break takes place on Friday 5 April, returning on Friday 26 April.

The next meeting is on Monday 8 April at the Flower Pot

Capriccio Concert

**Sunday, 12 May, 3.00 pm
Macclesfield Methodist Church**

Despite this concert being advertised previously in the newsletter, to date the uptake of tickets to be sold on by members has been EXTREMELY poor to say the least. The choir will perform a varied programme, which will include folk, jazz, some songs from The Sound of Music and classical choral pieces. It is likely that there will be a piano solo and a flute duet performed. Judy Fleming has put hours and hours of time into organising the event, creating adverts and flyers, getting vouchers from commercial sponsors for the raffle, designing the tickets, etc, etc. Do not embarrass us – come on everyone, this is an event to raise funds for MADYSS so PLEASE sell tickets! To get tickets (£10 each, under 18s free), you can contact Judy at 01625 426879 or email her at: judy.fleming@ntlworld.com.

Donation

MADYSS has been the beneficiary of a generous donation of £250 received from Mike Arrowsmith's mother, Janet, in memory of her husband, Dennis Arrowsmith. A letter of thanks has been sent to her and we extend our sincere condolences to Mike on his recent loss.

Bonus Ball Winner

The winner of last month's bonus ball competition was Steve Goodier who had chosen number 17. Congratulations!

MADYSS Committee

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