

MADYSS Matters

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Birthday Greetings

Only two birthdays this month, which the fact that the birthdays are those of a married couple is appropriate as it's the month for Valentine's Day:

- Margaret Barry
- David Barry

We hope you each have a lovely day.

Social Events

Chilli Banana, Macclesfield, SK10 1JX Sunday, 24 February

Our annual outing to this Thai restaurant has now been confirmed on the date above. The plan is to meet at the restaurant from 12.30 pm onwards. The lunch cost will be confirmed at the next meeting so please be prepared to pay Kay Evans and also let her know if you have any special dietary requirements.

Games Night and Fish & Chips Supper Macclesfield Tennis Club, SK11 8JR Saturday, 23 March

Once again we have decided to hold a Games Night at the Macclesfield Tennis Club. The Club will be available to MADYSS from 6.30 pm. As Saturday is a popular day for playing tennis, the bar and facilities will be used by tennis club members until early evening so please do not arrive any earlier.

Ten-pin Bowling, Superbowl UK Report by Yvonne Smith

Eighteen members attended our trip to the Superbowl, Macclesfield on Thursday, 17 January for our annual tournament of ten-pin bowling. Those attending opted to play two games each, meaning we had to be at the Superbowl for 3.00pm, leaving enough time to allow us a good session before going on to the Flower Pot for a meal.

We split into three teams of five. Team 1 (Anne, Gary, John, Kay and Tracey) were the overall winners with a total score of 867, with Teams 2 and 3 coming close on their heels with scores of 855 and 842, respectively. The best individual score went to John, with Tracey second, Richard third and Gill in fourth place. Listening to the screams of laughter and encouragement, it was clear that everyone was having a good time.



Getting ready to bowl a strike!



MADYSS attendees intently focusing on the action at the bowling alley

After all the activity, we were ready for our meal and the Flower Pot did us proud. It was a very enjoyable afternoon and evening, hopefully to be repeated next year. Many thanks to Monica Meah and to Kay Evans for organising another great event.

Bonus Ball Winner

The bonus ball that won in January was number 8, which Jean Clayton had selected at last month's meeting. It was a roll-over month too so it was a good choice.

News of our Members

It was great that **Ian Meah** was able to attend the Flower Pot meeting in January with Monica, and especially to see how well he looked. Welcome back Ian!

As Ike reported at the meeting, unfortunately **Cliff Thomas** has been back in hospital for several weeks now. He had a gall bladder operation a couple of weeks ago and Diane has reported that he is now feeling much better, and is holding his own. Our best wishes go to Cliff, Diane and their children, Oliver and Faye.

2019 Calendars

Sheila Blamire shared sales details of the Wildlife of Central America calendar at the last meeting. A total of 173 calendars were sold producing an income of £1730, which resulted in a profit of £807 after costs. We also received donations of £81 so altogether £888 has been able to be added to MADYSS funds.

We pass on our sincere thanks to Sheila, not only for providing such wonderful photographs to create the calendar and for sorting out the printing, but also for the time and effort she has devoted to ensuring that once again we have a calendar of which we can be truly proud. Thank you Sheila.

Committee Volunteers Sought

We have two positions that will become vacant at the AGM in May, due to resignations from the Committee. These are the Membership Secretary and the Fundraiser. If you could be interested in either of these positions, speak to Ike in the first instance for further information and then if you feel that you are suited to one of the roles, please put your name forward for election. A vote will be taken at the AGM.

AGM

The Annual General Meeting date has been set for Monday, 13 May at the Macclesfield Tennis Club. More details will be released nearer the time. Our guest speaker requires the use of a keyboard for his talk. If anyone knows of one that we may borrow for the day (with payment if necessary), please inform the Chairman.

Capriccio Concert

More information about this event, to be held on Sunday, 12 May at 3.00 pm, will follow later. However, we require assistance in selling tickets before the concert, and if each member could purchase two tickets it would be most helpful. On the day we need help with arranging seats at the Macclesfield Methodist Church Hall, selling raffle tickets and making/serving tea.

Please remember that the Committee is arranging events such as this for the benefit of MADYSS. If we do not get assistance with the work involved, we shall STOP making the effort! Please give your names to Kay Evans if you can offer help. Thank you.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, 11 February at the Flower Pot

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