

MADYSS Matters

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Birthday Greetings

The start of the year is certainly a bumper month for members' birthdays:

- * Sheila Blamire
- * Don Brown
- * Val Bush
- * Vin Carr
- * Gary Higgins
- * Lesley John
- * Jean McMahon
- * Diane Thomas
- * Hilary Wheelock

Social Events

Wednesday 25 January, AMF Ten-Pin Bowling, Brindle Way, Lyme Green SK11 0TB

There will be two games of bowling, the cost for which is £10.00. Afterwards, we will have supper at the Rising Sun on Congleton Road. This has been booked for 5.00 pm and members will each pay individually. Please note that the meal will be open to everyone, whether or not you will be joining us for the bowling itself.

Thursday 16 February, 12.00–2.00 pm Lunch at the Chilli Banana, Macclesfield SK10 1JX

Our annual visit will this year take place on a Thursday when we will have booked the Banquet. Could those members who plan to go, please let Kay or Monica know at either the January or February meetings. The cost is £15.00 each.

Thursday 30 March, Gawsworth Coffee Morning, 10.00–11.30 am

The charity chosen as beneficiary from the March coffee morning will be MADYSS. As usual, it will take place at Gawsworth Methodist Church Hall, Dark Lane, Macclesfield SK11 WZ.

Diana has requested that members make any donations for the bottle tombola that will be one of the stalls. Bottles of alcohol tend to attract those who attend, but soft drinks or anything else in a bottle (eg food items) will be gratefully received. Please pass these to any Committee member from January onwards. Kay Kennedy and Kay

Evans will be running the tombola and cake stall, respectively, but a volunteer to run the raffle is sought.

Report on MADYSS Christmas Meal at the Deanwater Hotel, Thursday 15 December

Forty-two members gathered at the Deanwater Hotel, Woodford for our festive lunch. This was our second visit here for a Christmas meal and it certainly did not disappoint.

Seated at tables of six, we followed our starters with either the usual turkey or alternatively had the poached salmon or a vegetarian option. While turkey was chosen by four diners at the writer's table, two of us had selected the salmon with a leek and mustard sauce, which was delicious. The traditional turkey with all the usual trimmings seemed to receive wide approval too.



MADYSS Christmas Meal at the Deanwater Hotel



L-R: Keith, Sue, Bev, Sylvia, Don, John and Anne

After pulling our crackers and relating the usual corny jokes, the Chairman John Swindell got up and said a few words while donned in a red top hat, from which he then produced a white rabbit!



L-R: Roger, daughter Heather, Michael, Judy and Val



L-R: Sue, Tina, Gary, Mike and Kay

News of our Members

Ian Meah's funeral was held on 22 December at St Alban's RC Church in Macclesfield. MADYSS was well represented on this sad occasion with approximately 20 members paying their respects.

Monica would like to thank members who attended the funeral and wake. She said it was lovely to have her friends with her as well as family, and it was very much appreciated. She also thanks everyone for all the love, care, support, charity donations, and messages of sympathy that she and her family have received.

Unfortunately there is no more news on when **Yvonne Smith's** hip surgery will take place. Despite her sending out umpteen emails and contacting as many administrators as possible for help, she's had no response. Yvonne has now been advised to put a formal complaint into the Patient Advice and Liaison Service at Macclesfield General Hospital. We wish her good luck with that!

Meet, Move and Improve

For those members who attend MMI at Bollington Health and Leisure, the first session will be on 6 January. However, PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE WILL BE NO SESSION ON 13 JANUARY as it will be Stuart Wilkinson's funeral that day.

Although Stuart wasn't a member of MADYSS, many know that he was a regular attendee at MMI each Friday. Should anyone wish to attend, the funeral will be held at 10.45 am at Macclesfield Crematorium with refreshments afterwards at the Packhorse Bowling Club.

Bonus Ball Competition

After two rollover months, finally we have a winner. We are pleased to announce that Diane Sutcliffe had chosen number six, which was the winning number. Many congratulations Diane!

AGM Date for your Diary

Please make a note that the Annual General Meeting (AGM) is booked for Wednesday, 10 May at Macclesfield Tennis Club. We will meet at the Club from 12.30 pm, and the AGM itself will commence at 1.00 pm. Full details to follow at a later date.

The next meeting at the Flower Pot is on Monday 9 January 2023

MADYSS Committee

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