

MADYSS Matters

December 2024 No.214

Birthday Greetings

Our best wishes for a very Happy Birthday go to:

- Jim Borggren
- Jean Clayton
- Carol Gatley

Social Events

**Christmas Meal, Davenport Golf Club
Middlewood Road, Stockport, SK12 1TS
Wednesday 11 December, 1.00 pm**

We hope that all those who have booked are looking forward to this year's Christmas meal. Any final food orders should have been given to Anne at November's meeting. The dinner itself will be served at 1.00 pm. Please arrive from 12.30 pm.

**Ten-pin bowling, Superbowl UK
Lyme Green, Macclesfield, SK11 0TB
Wednesday 22 January 2025**

Our January activity will be the usual and popular afternoon's bowling at Superbowl UK, 1.45 pm for a 2.00 pm start, followed by a meal at the Rising Sun. Even if you don't intend to bowl, you are welcome to join us at The Rising Sun afterwards. Anne will have menus at the January meeting.

Report of Quiz Night, Macclesfield Tennis Club

The evening got underway at 6.30 pm when 25 quiz aficionados arrived. After splitting into four teams (all bar one had six members), we armed ourselves with drinks and prepared with some trepidation for the 7.00 pm start. Tracey Higgins, our quiz master, introduced us to the format that the quiz would take: four categories before a break for pizza and then a further four after the supper break.

The eight categories were General Knowledge, Geography, Initials of Organisations, TV and Film, Sport, Music, Chocolate Bars, and Pot Luck. Each of the teams chose a name: the Secret Seven, the

Demicks, Stephenson's Rockets, and the very originally named Team Four who, you've guessed it, happened to be positioned at the fourth table! Tracey also distributed sheets with photos of famous people and another containing the real names of well-known people to each team.



Quiz participants awaiting questions from Tracey (positioned near the curtain)

Half way through the evening attendees devoured the various pizzas that were delivered at just the right time from *73 and Pizza*. These were extremely tasty and went down very well.

At the end of the night, only 13 points separated the last and first teams but the winner – drum roll please – was Team 4. Each member of the team was awarded, appropriately, a large tube of Smarties.



Team 4 winners, front right (minus one member)

Organising 80 quiz questions, finding, sorting and printing photos of well-known people and names to solve is no mean feat. Tracey, who also did a sterling job as quizmaster, was thanked warmly by attendees and received flowers and chocolates from Kay. Diane, who had arranged the evening, also received the same tokens of gratitude. Our sincere thanks must go to Margaret and Ann from the Tennis Club, who acted as bar tenders. MADYSS gave each a Poinsettia plant as a thank you for providing an excellent drinks service to the participants.

Final 2024 Donation to MADYSS from Co op

We have now been notified of the amount of the second donation from the Co op to MADYSS as one of their local community causes for 2024. This was sent to us last month. We received £1,883.02 which, when added to the £1,176.16 received in February 2024, gives a total for the year of £3,059.18.

This is a fantastic amount and our thanks goes to Judy Fleming for her hard work in applying to the Co op in the first place. But also, to all of you and your friends and family who chose MADYSS as the local cause to support. We couldn't have done it without you. As you will know from last month's newsletter we have been selected *AGAIN*, and Judy has pulled off this remarkable feat once more by devoting the not inconsiderable time and effort to gather the materials required to re-apply. A sincere thank you from all of us must go to Judy; it's very much appreciated.

Bonus Ball Competition

The winner of the November competition, which was a rollover, was Keith Pembrey who showed a great deal of skill, or perhaps it was just luck, in selecting the winning number 17. Congratulations.

**The next Flower Pot meeting is on
Monday, 13 January 2025**

**MADYSS wishes all members a
Happy Christmas
and a peaceful New Year**

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