# **MADYSS Matters**

## January 2024 No.203

## **Birthday Greetings**

January is about the busiest month for members' birthdays:

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

Hope you each have a good day.

### **Bonus Ball Competition**

No competition was held in December as it was the month of the MADYSS Christmas meal rather than the usual Flower Pot meeting. The winner in November was Chris Willett. Our belated congratulations go to Chris.

## **Social Events**

Ten-Pin Bowling to be held at:

#### Lyme Green Retail Park Wednesday 24 January

We will be going to Lyme Green Bowling for our annual bowling outing to arrive at around 1.45 pm and then to start bowling at 2.00 pm. The cost for members is £10.00 each and for guests it is £13.50 each. This must be paid at the January monthly meeting please.

Afterwards, we are booked into The Rising Sun for a meal at 5.00 pm. Those attending will pay for their own meal at the pub. The meal is optional of course but we need to know numbers and menu choices at the January Flower Pot meeting when a £5.00 p.p. deposit must be paid. Some members may not wish to bowl, but they are welcome to join us for the meal at the Rising Sun. Again, we'll need to know at the meeting.

#### February, Chilli Banana, Macclesfield SK10 1JX

Our February outing will be to the Chilli Banana on Buxton Rd, but the date is not yet available. We will be able to let members know at the January Flower Pot meeting.

#### **Report of Christmas Meal**

Forty members gathered for MADYSS' Christmas meal at The Plough, Eaton on 11 December. Unfortunately, five members had to cancel due to scheduled medical appointments, one of which the member had been waiting for since Covid!

Attendees were seated at four tables in the old timbered barn area where we tucked into a threecourse meal. Some members had chosen traditional turkey with the usual accompaniments and then Christmas pudding. Others may have been considered a little more adventurous and selections ranged from sea bass, pork or the vegetarian offering for main courses.



The Plough's old timbered barn area, venue for our Christmas meal

The food was well presented and served by several pleasant waiting staff. We all pulled crackers and exchanged the usual corny jokes. The party hats were not universally worn and several were swapped so that the colours better matched the ladies' outfits!



Judy and Aicha, Sue and Kay



Jean and David, Yvonne and Roger



Alan and Carol, Chris and Maria, and Jean

## **News of Our Members**

MADYSS was well represented by members and the Committee at the funeral of **Julia Karnon** on 14 December. Some of the Committee who were unable to attend in person were able to view the service via a live Webcast.

Kay Evans and Monica visited **Roger Snelling** in December. He is very much housebound now but was glad of a visit and for a catch up about MADYSS. Kay and Monica plan to visit Fran and Vinnie, and Roger again in the New Year. If anyone in MADYSS knows of someone who is unable to attend meetings and events but who would like a visit, please let one of them know.

Equally, if you are a member who would be interested in visiting some of our older members who aren't able to come on outings or go to the meetings, please let us know.

The next Flower Pot meeting is on Monday, 8 January 2024

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