

MADYSS Matters

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Birthday Greetings

We have a whole raft of birthdays to mention this month, so here goes:

David Bailey	Pauline Shaw
Geoff Blamire	Alan Stansfield
Pauline Loughran	Barbara Stansfield
Margaret Millward	Kath Wilkinson
Francesca Mason	Chris Willett
George Oliver	Tina Yearsley

Hope you all enjoy your special day.

Social Events

Afternoon Tea at Shrigley Hall Thursday, 17 July

The Pink Room has been booked for the tea, which will start at 2.15 pm. The cost is £15.00 for members and £18.00 for guests. Payment via BACS with your name and the reference **Shrigley** or by cash at the July meeting please. It should be an enjoyable afternoon and we have plenty of places remaining, so please come along and tuck in!

Canal Boat Trips Monday, 18 August and Tuesday, 26 August

Our trips from Poynton along the Macclesfield Canal have always been very popular. This year is no different and the first canal boat trip on the Mary Sunley 2 is now fully booked. There are a few places remaining on the 26 August outing. The cost, which includes a light lunch, is £19.50 for members and £22.50 for guests. Payment via BACS is preferred with your name and **Canal** as the reference. Cash payments at the July Flower Pot meeting may also be made.

National Arboretum, Staffordshire Coach Trip Monday, 15 September

As members already know, for coach trips to be viable, we must have at least 26 members sign up. A £10.00 non-refundable deposit will secure

your place on the coach and we need to know numbers by 15 August.

More details will follow at the next Flower Pot meeting and in the August newsletter.

Bonus Ball Competition

If you attended June's monthly meeting, as you will know we had not one, not two, but three roll-overs to play for. It may sound unbelievable, but for last month once again nobody had selected the winning bonus ball number 39 as their bonus ball so it is now four roll-overs.

Although some members went for more than one number each, there were still 16 numbers that hadn't been chosen. Kay has said that there's more than £55 in the pot currently for the lucky winner, and this will rise after the July Flower Pot meeting.

So, come on everyone, please buy all the numbers and let's get this won!

Tesco Blue Tokens

The Blue Token Scheme allows customers to vote for local charities and projects. Macclesfield Band, a registered charity, has been accepted by the Tesco Blue Token Scheme and the three months during which they can participate in the Scheme will start on Tuesday, 1 July.

You may not be aware of this, but Diane Thomas plays the tenor horn and has been a member of the Band for 10 years. Diane has informed us that they play at different charity events and this year played at the Biddulph Well-Dressing in June. The Band will be doing a fundraiser on Thursday, 3 July at Gawsworth Methodist Church where they will be playing during the coffee morning.

The MADYSS Committee has agreed to support their efforts as one of our members plays with them, and so we are promoting the Band in this newsletter. Diane would be extremely grateful if you could assist by putting your Tesco blue tokens

into the Band's box at any of the following local Tesco stores: Hibel Road, Exchange Street, Bollington, and Broken Cross.

Thank you.



A tenor horn is an instrument common to brass bands

Hurry Up!

For those who haven't yet paid their subscriptions, this is a polite reminder that you should renew before the end of July. After this date you will no longer receive the MADYSS newsletter, and you won't be entitled to receive any outing or activity discounts with the Society.

News of Our Members

The funeral of **Frances Carr** took place on Monday, 30 June in Newton le Willows. The funeral was live streamed and a number of our members watched the live streaming.

Fran together with her husband Vin used to attend the Bollington Meet, Move and Improve group at the Bollington Leisure Centre on Fridays and had also been active members of MADYSS for several years. They moved to Hale a few years ago; Kay and Monica had visited them since they moved, and Vin and Frances became honorary members of MADYSS more recently. We send our deep condolences to Vin. He and Frances had been together for an amazing 71 years.

Last weekend, **Kay Evans** and her daughter Stephanie moved house from Bollington to Sutton. We wish them well as they slowly settle into their new home.

John and Anne Swindell, who are Our Chair and Administrative Secretary, respectively, have just returned from a holiday in Canada. We hope you had a wonderful time.

The next Flower Pot meeting is on

Monday, 14 July 2025

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