

## **IBM Retirees Club (Midlands) Committee Meeting – 2 December 2019**

Present : John, Gary, Paul, Ray, Michael, Terry & Richard

### **Treasurer's Report**

Current balance is £5649.78

Paid £170 subsidy to IBM Club for Theatre outings by retirees

### **Membership Report**

Currently 439 members. No change since last month.

### **Newsletter**

Articles etc. for the December newsletter should be sent to Michael by **Saturday 14 December** (All)

### **Rambling Club**

The November ramble around Draycote Water, organised by Ray, was enjoyed by 9 ramblers and offered walks of 4, 6 and 7 miles. Afterwards lunch was at the Draycote Water restaurant.

The club's AGM is planned for Wednesday 4 December with dinner afterwards at The Cape pub.

### **Completed Events**

The skittles event organised by Dave Dagley was held at Snittlefield Sports Club and was attended by 20 members. Afterwards a hot feast of Shepherds Pie and Apple Crumbled was provided.

### **2019 Events Update**

**E1916XML** Christmas Lunch is being organised by Ray. This has been booked at Walton Hall for Wednesday 18 December. Bookings for 73 attendees have been received and bookings are now closed. Final preparations are to be discussed with Walton Hall rep on Friday 6 December. Gary will be preparing and printing the table tent placements. Ray has written to everyone who booked requesting final payment and provided a list of attendees and directions.

### **2020 Events Update**

Details of these events will be distributed to our members at the Christmas lunch and in the December newsletter.

<b>Month</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Organiser</b>
Jan or Feb	Evening Meal	Terry
	Not yet booked	
February	London Weekend by coach	John
	John is considering making this a railway trip plus one night at the Tower Hotel.	
March	Triumph Motorcycle Factory Tour	Richard
	Richard has visited the factory. Tours are £20 per head with a maximum of 15 per group. Lunch facilities are available. Could consider groups on different days.	

April	Spring lunch	Gary
	Gary has booked this at the Oak Hotel for 2 April. Chris B. has suggested that Ginny Davis (lawyer & actress) would be a good speaker. Gary has arranged this and the negotiated cost is £80 for the speech.	
May	Pete's Place	Gary
June	Visit to house and gardens	John
July	River cruise with lunch on board	Michael
August	Railway trip with lunch	Paul
	Paul has investigated several alternatives including Severn Valley. Best option is the Gloucester Flyer from Cheltenham. This offers a 14 mile rail journey with lunch for £25.	
September	Cornwall sightseeing & walking	Rambling group
October	Visit to a Gin & Whisky distillery	Ray
November	Skittles	Paul
December	Christmas Lunch	Ray

#### **AOB**

None

**Next Meeting - Monday 6 January 2020 at 10.30 at IBM Warwick**