

## **IBM Retirees Club (Midlands) Committee Meetings – 14 June 2021**

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

The previous meeting minutes were approved and there were no matters arising.

### **Chairman's Report**

Nothing to report.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Zoom licence renewed for £143.88.  
End of May balance was £4,892.41.  
Balance of deposit for August cruise due in July.

### **Membership Report**

433 members in May. June report not yet received.

### **Technology Group**

At the May meeting Paul gave a presentation on Smalltalk.  
For the June meeting the topic will be Electric cars.

### **Rambling Club**

First ramble this year was organised by Terry based on the Foley pub in Napton.  
Only 9 ramblers took part owing to many factors including injuries, pandemic restrictions etc.  
Terry will send note to rambling club members to arrange planning of next ramble.

### **Planned Events Update**

#### **E2108SLA – Summer Lunch on a Thames Cruise**

This event was first publicised in the March newsletter and then further publicised in the April and May newsletters. So far, Paul has received 13 bookings for 26 members. The event is financially viable with these bookings but further members would be very welcome. It was thought best to give further publicity to this event in the June newsletter. Balance of hire cost due in July.

#### **E2108PPL – Pete's Place**

Gary has arranged with Pete to organise a charity open day at Pete's Place on Thursday 26 August. Further publicity for this event will be given in the June newsletter.

#### **E2110BAT – Visit to the Batsford Arboretum**

Ray will plan this self drive event and discuss details at our July committee meeting. The event day will be mid week before the schools half term. The entry cost will be subsidised by the club and members will buy their own food in either the outdoor or indoor catering facilities.

#### **E2112XML – Christmas Lunch**

Gary has found that the Oak Hotel has been renamed Hockley House. Gary has been quoted £44 per head for a Prosecco, a three course meal, half a bottle of wine per head and tea/coffee after. The committee thought this was a reasonable price and Gary will make booking at the suitable time.

### **Other Potential Events**

A Summer Holiday Photos competition. To be discussed at next committee meeting.

**Newsletter**

The June newsletter will include:

Reminders for the Summer Lunch cruise and Pete's Place.

A statement that we are planning a visit to Batsford Arboretum in October.

A statement that we are planning a real Christmas Lunch at Hockley House (formerly the Oak Hotel).

**AOB**

None

**Next Official Meeting - Monday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2021 at 10.30 at home via Zoom**