

Midlands IBM Retirees Club - Committee Meeting – 14 October 2024

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

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

Chairman's Report

Nothing to report

Treasurer's Report

End of September balance was £3,165.75

AGM expenses paid in September came to £244.03

Membership Report

We have 149 members.

Roger Hampson passed away this month.

Technology Group

The Technology group meetings are paused for the moment.

Events for 2024

October - E2410ARB. - National Memorial Arboretum (31st). - Michael

18 people have now booked so far and Michael is planning a group tour. Michael will write for payments to cover coffee/tea at 10.30 and the Land Train tour which Starts at 11.30. We meet for lunch at 1.00 pm.

December - E2412XML - Christmas Lunch on 11 Dec 2024 - Gary

To be held at the Boars Head in Hampton Lucy.
Gary publicised this event in the September newsletter.
The lunch includes a welcome drink, a 3 course lunch
With wine rounded off with tea/coffee & mince pie.
Cost is £29.45 per person. It was suggested we give a gratuity of £5 per couple if no service charge added.
Gary has 27 bookings so far. Max is 30.

Planning Events for 2025

The following potential events and organisers are:

Ethnic Meal. - Terry - Probably in Leamington in February

Glass Cone factory tour - Paul

McAlpine Estate at Falsely - Paul

A National Trust visit - Ray - Possibly Packwood
House and combined with a walk through the woods (Terry)

National Waterways Museum at Braunston Lock - Paul

Pete's Place - Gary - in May for schools half term

Birmingham Canal Trip - Ray - Guided Tour with lunch - June

Johnson's Coach Outings - New brochures now available - John to review
Possibly visiting small railways in Wales

Boat Yard in Banbury combined with Canal Boat Day - Paul - October

Newsletter

Potential items for October include:

Reminder for the National Memorial Arboretum

Reminder for the Christmas lunch.

AOB.

Gary to update membership list as Dave Compton was missing.

Next Committee Meeting - Monday 11 November at 10.30 am