

Midlands IBM Retirees Club - Committee Meeting – 9 December 2024

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

Apologies: None

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

Chairman's Report

Nothing to report

Treasurer's Report

End of November balance was £3,677.06
This includes deposits for the Xmas Lunch
Paul to investigate opening a savings account.

Membership Report

We have 150 members. No change from last month.

Technology Group

The Technology group meetings are paused for the moment.
John is looking into preparing a talk on Electric Vehicles including tariffs.
Bernard asked if anyone had knowledge of Google Strike but no-one has knowledge of this software.
Paul has offered to help Max upgrade his PC hardware.

Events for 2024

December - E2412XML - Christmas Lunch on 11 Dec 2024

Our last event of the year was well attended with 33 members enjoying a well prepared Christmas lunch with drinks at the Boar's Head in Hampton Lucy. Thanks to Gary for organising this.

Planning Events for 2025

The following potential events and organisers are:

E2502ETH - Ethnic Meal. - Possibly Sabai, Sabai Leamington	Terry
National Waterways Museum at Gloucester on 20 March.	Paul
A National Trust visit - Packwood House walk through the woods before house & lunch. (Terry)	Ray

E2505PPL - Pete's Place - on Thursday 29 May for half term. Gary

Glass Cone factory tour - Paul

McAlpine Estate visit. - Paul

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

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

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

Newsletter

Potential items for December include:

Christmas lunch article including photos. Gary

If possible, advance notice of Ethnic Meal in February Terry

Notice of potential self drive trip to Lake District. John

AOB.

None

Next Committee Meeting - Monday 13 January at 10.30 am via Zoom