

## **Midlands Club for IBM Retirees - Committee Meeting– 11 July 2022**

Present : John, Ray, Gary, Paul, and Terry. Also Dave Compton as a guest.

Apologies from Michael and Richard.

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

( The meeting was restricted to a Zoom limit of 40 minutes as John was unable to login as host )

Ray displayed today's meeting agenda on his shared screen.

### **Chairman's Report**

Nothing to report

### **Future of Club**

#### **Club Name**

To be discussed at a later meeting when we have more time.

#### **Bank Account**

Paul would like to switch the club's bank from NatWest to Lloyds as Lloyds provide a better service for small clubs like ours. This was approved by the committee. Paul will arrange this once the club's new name has been agreed.

#### **Co-ordination after Independence Day**

This will also be discussed at a later meeting when we have more time and more information on what the other IBM retirees clubs are planning.

### **Treasurer's Report**

End of June registered balance was the same as May at £3,688.75.

There was one outstanding cheque of £143.88 for the Zoom licence renewal which John has now paid in.

### **Membership Report**

Membership stays level at **419**.

### **Technology Group**

John has not had time to prepare a technology group talk for July so there is no meeting this month. Gary will write to inform club members.

### **Potential 2022 Events**

#### **E2207RAM Ramble from Avon Dassett**

Terry is organising a ramble on Wednesday 13 July from The Yew Tree pub in Avon Dassett. This will be the last ramble of the Rambling Club sub section which is being dissolved into the IBM retirees club.

#### **E2208SML Summer lunch cruise**

Paul will be organising this lunch and cruise on the Thames to be held in August subject to availability.

### **E2209HOL September Holiday**

A holiday has been planned by Terry at the Holme Lacey Hotel in Herefordshire. This is a Warners Hotel. Five rooms have been booked for 4 nights from Monday 26 September. The bookings are for Terry, John, Gary, Ray and Paul. Meal times for breakfast and dinner have been agreed. The holiday balances have been collected by Terry and paid to the hotel. Mike and Rita are also joining us and have made their own booking.

### **E2210TFT Triumph Motorcycle factory**

The maximum for a tour is 15 people. Booking slots are available from 5<sup>th</sup> October. The cost has risen to £25 pp. Richard is checking whether a group booking can be made on their public site or via a special arrangement with their tour organisers.

### **E2212XML Christmas Lunch**

Gary has offered to organise the Christmas lunch again. Venue and date to be decided.

### **Tribute for Alan Bridgman**

Following the recent death of our well respected former chairman, John will write a suitable tribute with input from Terry. This will be published in a future club newsletter together with a photograph of Alan which Michael has.

### **Newsletter**

Potential items for a July newsletter are:

Announcing the new club  
Inclusion of the new constitution  
Tribute for Alan Bridgman (John)  
Summer launch cruise (Paul)

### **AOB**

None

**Next Committee Meeting** - Monday 8 August 2022 at 10.30 a.m.