

Midlands IBM Retirees Club - Committee Meeting– 14 November 2022

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

Apologies from Richard

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

Chairman's Report

Nothing to report

Treasurer's Report

End of October registered balance was £3,317.15

Web site fees of £179.72 have now be paid.

There could be refunds needed in November if all the Triumph tickets are not sold.

Paul has now opened a new account with Lloyds bank and will be transferring our funds from our current NatWest account over to this new account shortly.

Brian Dunston is arranging to close the Rambler Club's NatWest account and will be arranging with Paul to pay the closing balance to our club.

We need to decide what public liability insurance we need to take out as the existing IBM arranged cover expires at the end of 2022. John will contact other club chairmen to see what they are doing.

Membership Report

Membership has increased by 5 to 120 members.

Technology Group

Continuing the Home Heating topic theme:

In November Dave Compton will discuss his solar panel installation and running costs.

In December we plan to cover **Heating Pumps, Insulation** and the latest **Utility tariffs**.

2022 Events

E2210TFT Triumph Motorecycle factory

This is planned for Thursday 24 November. A group booking for 15 people has been made by Richard for the 2 p.m. factory tour. There is still one ticket available for this event.

E2212XML Christmas Lunch

Gary has booked Xmas Lunch at the Cote Brasserie in Leamington Spa. This is to held on Wednesday 7 December. Details were given in the October newsletter and so far Gary has received 20 bookings and is expecting at least 26 to attend.

Planning for 2023 Events

The following six events are planned for the first half of 2023:

E2302EVM - Ethnic evening meal in either Kineton or Wellesbourne Indian Restaurants (John)

E2303RAM – Ramble with lunch (Terry)

E2304LUN – Spring Lunch (Ray)

E2305GWR – Railway trip with fish and chip lunch (Paul)

E2305HOL – May weekend away

E2306PPL - Pete's Place (Gary)

The following are potential events for the second half of 2023 :

Canal trip in self drive day boats

Factory Tour – possibly Morgan Cars in Malvern or Land Rover in Solihull

Brewery Museum – Burton on Trent

Amazon Fulfilment Centre – either Banbury or Coventry

Crown Derby Pottery tour

Iron Bridge Museum

Walks in Summer and Autumn with lunch

Batsford or Westonbirt Arboretums

City tour of Oxford

Xmas lunch

Newsletter

Potential items for the October newsletter are:

List of planned events for the first half of 2023

Reminder to book Xmas lunch by end of November

Details of the Technology Group December presentation on Heat Pumps and Insulation.

AOB

Terry – Would like a copy of Dave Compton's presentation if available.

Next Committee Meeting - Monday 12 December 2022 at 10.30 a.m.