Midlands IBM Retirees Club - Committee Meeting – 10 July 2023

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

Apologies received 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 June balance was £3,,458.69
This balance includes deposits for the canal boat and railway trip events.

Membership Report

Membership 121.   No change from previous month.

Ray will draft a leaflet inviting members of the IBM Club Warwick Club to join the MRC. This will be handed out at the closing EGM of the IBM Club Warwick on 26 July at The Old Fourpenny Shop.

Technology Group

On Friday 16 June Gary gave a talk on how to make a Gimell ring.

There will be a summer break now and the next technology group meeting is planned for September.

Planning for 2023 Events

E2307ABR – Arboretum Visit

 This will be a summertime visit to Batsford Arboretum on Friday 14 July. Booking details were given in the June newsletter.

E2309AGM – The Annual General Meeting

 This will be held at 11 a.m. on Monday 14 August after the normal monthly committee meeting. Ray and John will finalise the agenda for this to be included in the July newsletter with the Zoom link.

E2308CAN - Canal trip in self drive day boats

 Paul has booked the boats for 23 August. If 20 members go the cost will be £10 per head. So far 16 people have expressed interest.

E2309CFS – Railway trip

Paul is booking this for the 5 September and has 16 people interested. The GWSR trip is from Toddington to Cheltenham . The return fare is £25. Paul is also contacting the Railway Pub to book places. There may be a chance to tour the engine shed at Toddington.

E2310RAM – Autumn Ramble with lunch in October

E2312XML - Xmas lunch in December

Newsletter

Potential items for the July newsletter are:

YouTube link to the Pete's Place video   (Gary)

Pics from the Batsford Arboretum trip on 14 July   (Ray)

Details of the Canal trip on 23 August   (Paul)

Details of the Railway trip on 5 September   (Paul)

Details of the AGM with finalised agenda   (Ray)

AOB

Terry had problems accessing Zoom as it requested a passcode that was not included in his link. Terry will send John the link he uses for John to check. Ray will email Terry the link he uses.

Next Committee Meeting - Monday 14 August 2023 at 10.30 a.m. followed by …

   The AGM at 11.00 a.m.