

THE BANBURY EVERGREENS LINK

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WONDERFUL WALKING



Sara Carter, Pam Williams and Jon Robinson having a catch up



Pam Williams and Jean Lawrence taking the weight off their feet in the sun.



The walking group arrive back first ready for "early doors" as the pub hadn't opened



Jon halts the strolling group for a



The walking group and the strolling groups arrive safely home and settle down with a well earned drink and chat whilst the kitchen staff do the work. A day off for Liz!



Jean, Gillian and Judith step it out down a leafy lane in Grimsbury

Well all of the planning and praying for good weather paid off on Friday 8th May when 23 members took off on a stroll or a walk around parts of Grimsbury. The event had been planned by Shirley, Anne and Carol and they obviously had some influence somewhere as the weather was glorious. We took our time or paced it out according to individual abilities. You have all been very generous with your thanks and encouragement...so much so that we have asked the ladies to organise another walk, well done and thank you again. The Pepper Pot pub provided a lovely light lunch and, of course, pudding - to replace the calories we had burnt. I believe some members even had to replace fluids lost en route! Of course there were one or two hiccups getting the right meals to the right people but everyone had a meal in the end. Next time we will put place names in front of you to help the very willing bar staff.



Sheila Adkins receives the members prize.

Nidd Hall Harrogate



Anthony and Jenifer Bird strutting their stuff in a sequence dance.



Mervyn Gunner & Laura Mason and (rear) Pete and Sue McGill



Stan & Chris K boogie the night away



Chrissy receiving some green fly treatment from the gardener



Don & Maureen on Boat Trip in York enjoying the sun



Penny ,Chris & Jane all doing their own thing and not in sequence



Annette & Chris Wood outside Skipton castle



The Evergreens Formation Sequence Team.
Dave & Barbara Manners, Steve & Carol Ashby, Savino & Ann Campanaro, Jenifer & Anthony



Roy looking for some inspiration on the Royal dunny in the castle



Geoffrey Wyatt & Ann Quincey hit the dance floor on the last night



Evergreen's Dance Team waiting for the next Dance to be announced at the afternoon session



John taking aim as 1 of the 4 Evergreens entering



Phil Parish & Angie Essex on the floor at last. Well done



Peter & Sue McGill Dancing after the Guinness ran out



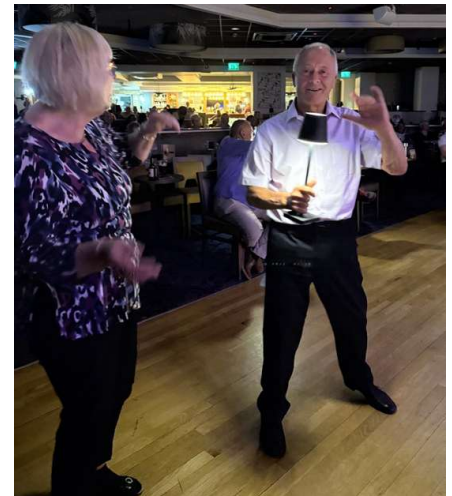
Dave & Barbara Manners



Peter & Liz on the Boat trip with the Campanaro's



Mike & Chris in The York Minster on a guided tour



We were asked to put our phone lights on Savino stole a table light instead!



Norma & Maureen walking in the gardens

I think the photographs say it all. We were blessed with glorious weather for the whole event enabling us to have a go at all sorts of activities. The Evergreens SAS excelled at lazer shooting with all 4 members scoring a maximum of 10 points completely dominating the scores. Several people went on the garden walk and were thrilled with the experience as the gardener made his talk relevant to their gardens as well as Nidds....and was funny into the bargain. Dancing featured highly throughout the week and included sequence, line and general boogying and as always, Evergreens dominated the dance floor being the first to get on there and the last to leave on most days. Skipton Castle was a bit of a surprise visit included at the last moment as a freeby when we couldn't all get on the boat trip. York minster and the guided tour was fascinating especially because there was as much going on under ground as there was above it. The grounds at Nidd Hall are beautifully maintained and every where you walked there were rabbits, geese, ducks, coots and even deer. Most days it was warm enough to sit out for a drink and a chat even if there was an occasional nip in the air.

Meal times were well set up to enable us to get out on our trips and to get to the evening entertainment. Most nights there was a singer and then the house band and another singer followed by a show taking you late into the evening but if you still hadn't had enough the bars stayed open for a nightcap. The rooms were pleasant, the food was good, the company was fantastic so I feel a good time was had by all. Thank you Peter for managing us while we were there and Chris for the pre planning.

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MANY THANKS FOR THOSE THAT FILLED IN THE COMMENTS FORMS. THESE ENABLE THE COMMITTEE TO LOOK FOR THE THINGS THAT YOU ALL ENJOY IN FUTURE HOLIDAYS. NIDD HALL RECEIVED A MARK OF 82% OVERALL

our room was excellent
housekeepers friendly + helpful.

THE TOUR OF THE GARDEN
BY OUR GUIDE, HARVEY

ENTERTAINMENT
VARIETY

Bar Service was slow at times
& not enough staff. Entertainment
not as good as POTTERS.

BEMBRIDGE HOLIDAY 1ST SEPTEMBER

This trip is now sold out apart from 1 place in a twin shared room (female) where someone has had to drop out due to personal circumstances. Please contact Chris 07971 144 416 if you are interested. Please can I remind you that the balance of your holiday fee is due now £445 so if you haven't already paid please do so now especially if you are paying by cheque which takes time to clear. The bank details appear lower on the page. If you are members of English Heritage please let us know as your entry to Osborne House will be free.

60s Night 19th June £10.00 1900 at The Chestnuts

Come and join us for a fun night of 60s music, 60s food, 60s quiz, 60s dancing and if you still fit into them - your 60s clothes. Tickets are available at the sports centre or put your money into the bank account Ref: 60s and your name and your tickets will arrive. Please do not turn up on the night without telling us as there is food to order.

Potters. Hopton on Sea 9th March £545 standard room

Early interest group.....For all of you that have put your name on the this list it is time to confirm. We need to know what room type you prefer as there are limited numbers of standard twins and doubles and they will be allocated on a first come first served basis. You were asked to do this in the last newsletter and only a few have. We are opening the rooms to the whole group next week and if you haven't specified what you want by then as a first choice you could miss out. Remember your deposit date is 1st July at the latest please but don't wait till then to confirm your room type. Do you want an upgrade?

All other interested parties..... there are only 12 places left on this trip. 4 nights, 4 meals a day, all activities and crafts are included, free drinks, transport there and back and day trips - a bargain. Please check out the QR code as there have been some adverse comments about Potters from within the group by people who haven't even been there so check it out. If you don't know how to then please ask. Potters is the No 1 all inclusive holiday company in the UK and has been in operation for over 100 years.

WITH REGRET AND THANKS

I am sorry to have to inform you that Peter and Liz Walden have decided to withdraw from the committee and we want to take this opportunity to thank them for their contributions. Hope to still see you at events. The good news is that we have a secretary lined up Phew! See the next newsletter for details

If you pay direct into the account please use account no 20434140 sort code 20.03,84 and use the reference number given for the event plus your name.

If you want you want to book any activities during your stay on the Thursday of your Holiday please contact Bembridge direct on 01983 873931 Reference WBE330

Membership

We now have 182 members of which 63 are Honorary. We have 124 female members and 63 males. We would very much like to welcome Mary McKeown back into the fold and also our new member Yvonne Shipley, we hope you find plenty to keep you occupied from the programme we offer.

Gratefull Thanks

To Chris Bemand for completing her food hygiene Certificates.

To Sheila Adkins for washing the tea towels

To Bella McTaggart for supplying the Coffee and Sugar again

To Jean Lawrence for sourcing the 60's food baskets

Thanks to anyone who has volunteered for making the coffee on a Thursday and thank you in advance for all of the people who are going to VOLUNTEER SHORTLY!!!

Your Committee 2025

Chairperson. Christine Bemand

Greeter Shirley Bygrave

Trips Lynette Langley

Secretary Position Filled

Raffles Anne Jackson

Chat Group Carol Duncan

Treasurer. (Temp) Chris Bemand

Catering Position vacant at present

IT Roy Beckham

Honorary Chris Wood

June 19th 7pm

**60,s Quiz and Music
with Hot 60,s Food
Chestnuts**

July 24th

**Whitchurch Silk Mill &
Bombay Sapphire Gin
Factory Tour £45.00**

July 29th

**Barn Dance 7pm
Masons Hall
Larkrise Ranters
Bring your own
food**

August 18th

**Treasure Hunt Games and
Afternoon Tea**

September 1st

**4 Night holiday to Warners
Bembridge Isle of Wight**

September

Skittles with Fish & Chips

October

Quiz Games & Bingo

November

AGM & Xmas Trip

December 13th

Xmas Party

OBITUARY

James Williams

**Passed away the 6th May at HGH
Hospital**

**Funeral 10th June 12 Noon at
Banbury Crematorium**

Donations to Katharine House Hospice