



THE BANBURY EVERGREENS LINK

Keeping You In Touch

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Come along you Cinderellas - you can go to the ball, but only with a ticket!!

If you haven't bought and paid for a ticket yet then you need to do so by or at the AGM which is the cut off date, as we have to arrange food etc at the committee meeting following this. There are no reserved tickets at all as I only count those who's money is in the bank, 73 of you at this moment. I will endeavour to be at the sports centre on Tues and Thurs from 1600 to 1630 but its worth a call to me just to check. 07971144416. You can put money direct into the account and name it XMA and your name, post it to me at 15 Nursery Drive Banbury OX16 2NE, buy one at the AGM or put it into the Barclays account 20434140 20-03-84 The Banbury Evergreens when you are down town shopping. We haven't reached our maximum yet as we couldn't get in to measure the room last Sunday because of the number of witches and ghosts screaming around but will do so this week, Although the room is fire regulated for 200 we need to protect a dance space and make sure everyone can get in and out to the bar, toilets and food so its likely to be about 100. I also want to ensure that the committee have some time to dance, eat and enjoy themselves as well as delivering food to tables. Thanks in advance to Keith who has done the general knowledge quiz and to the committee who are working hard to make this night special. There will be a competition for the best table decoration so we will bring some things along for this or you can bring your own. Dress code anything from smart casual to tuxedo and ball gowns.

POTTERS REMINDER

For the 31 people attending our spring break to Hopton on Sea the balance is due by 1st Dec. For most of you this will be £505 but if you are in doubt please phone me. Don't forget if you pay by cheque it is a week earlier please. If you are still unsure if you want to go it is "make your mind up time" as we are closing the list. We have secured a summer break at the seaside 4 nights 29th June £545 Sidmouth more details in the Dec magazine.



AGM and fun night

Friday 28th Nov 1900 at Chestnuts

As yet we have had no nominations for the chair or any other committee places so please hurry up. Most of the committee are willing to stand again for a further year and no one else has enquired about joining us or forming a new committee. Derek and Mary are co opted on but need to get be voted in. We have a constitutional change to discuss and vote on regarding the annual membership which does not cover the running costs. Please come and have your say. We will draw the members prize but you have to be there to win. We have fun activities to keep you amused after the formal part. If anyone is a cake maker we would welcome a contribution as some people come straight from work. Please bring small change as there will be some fundraising for the childrens shoe boxes



Looks like Penny, Tony and Kathryn's team focusing on the quiz.



Looks as though you are enjoying your pint Ed. Janet, Mary working on the clues. Savino and Anne watching the skittles progress.



Dave Manners at the helm and David Rose on pick up duties - all ready to go. Thanks to both of you for your help



Keith and Pam, Don and Maureen always up for a quiz.



Nice to see Roy and Maureen back at an event



John and Val, Sue and Karalee in the foreground and Xi and hubby keep Chris company at the rear table



Welcome back Colin and Margaret Cook we are so pleased to see you again.



Chris B giving Chris Kay the members prize



John Lea going for the last remaining skittle prize



*Its the foxy 4 . Almost always at events
Margaret, Sue, Ann and Frances*



Alan and Malcolm catching up with Chris Jane and Maria in a huddle - wonder what they are talking about.



*Peter Wiltshire selecting his raffle prize
with Anne in control*



Not sure where Chris has got her other hand as Ed seems to be in a bit of pain. Ed won the Bowling



*More prizes disappear from the raffle table
as Val and Chris make their selections*

HONORARY MEMBERS INVITE

We have an open invitation for our honorary members to go for a fish and chip lunch on the first Friday of each month at Glebefields residential Home in Drayton. They can only accommodate 12 each time and you need to book in. If this is something you would be interested in then please contact me for details. Chris 07971144416

Committee Nomination Form Please return to Evergreens before 21st November

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Chairperson Treasurer Secretary Committee Member Nominated By

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Not feeling great.

Sorry to tell you that following his sterling work at the skittles night Dave Manners has had a fall and broken his hip (I think) Dave mentioned the ballet and Weatherspoons so I am unclear as to whether he was drinking or doing pirouettes at the time but we all join to wish a speedy recovery. Lily Hewson has been trying out the NHS hotel accommodation and is home now so get well soon. Continuing thoughts go to Win Oxley who hopes to join us at the party - keep on getting there Win.

Charity

Following the Treasure Hunt which Roy hosted we made a donation to 3 local charities, Dogs for Good, Frank Wise School and The RVS centre. We couldn't have done this if Roy hadn't let us invade his space at no room charge so thanks to Roy and all who attended. We have received letters of thanks which will be available at the AGM. There is no charge for the AGM but there will be some very low cost, fun activities and the money raised will go to Barry's children's boxes which Evergreens have supported before.

TRAIN TRIP

Is there anyone on the train trip who has a Blue Badge for parking the car to avoid us paying parking and enable us to park the closest to the event.

Next year

We have lots of thoughts about repeating popular events but also new ideas to keep the Evergreens diary full, challenging and enjoyable but we cannot begin these until after the AGM so keep an eye open in next months newsletter

Stats

We currently have 192 members in Evergreens which puts us back to the figure at the end of last year. We lost 50 members who didn't renew their membership but have made those numbers up with new members. We have 127 ladies and 65 gentlemen of which 68 are Honorary members. Sadly we have seen nor heard from 63 of our members so we have to look for new things to interest them. If you are one of them we would love to hear from you to see what would interest you.

Re. Frank Wise Community Special School – Banbury.

Dear Evergreens, I hope that you are all well, thank you so much for your generous donation of £45.00 it is very kind of you all, I can assure you that the money will be put to good use.

Good afternoon -

Just a quick email to thank you for the payment from The Banbury Evergreens in the sum of £45.00. Gratefully received.

Obviously, we are very happy for you to hire our facility in the future and look forward to hearing from you. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact either myself or Chris Lee.

Kind regards Lizzie Plowman
Service Administrator



Your Committee 2025

Chairperson. Chris Bemand **Secretary.** Mary Evans Young **Treasurer.** (Temp) Chris Bemand
Greeter Shirley Bygrave **Raffles** Anne Jackson **Catering** Carol Duncan
Trips Lynette Langley **IT** Roy Beckham **Honorary** Chris Wood **Member** Derek Evans

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NOVEMBER 28th

AGM and evening
entertainment 7pm
at The Chestnuts

7th December

Xmas Train Trip

leaves 10.00 from the
cross

14th November

Warners Heythrop

2 night last minute break
own/shared transport

December 13th

Evergreens

Xmas Party

7pm till 10.30

General Foods with a bar

9th March 2026

Potters All Inclusive 4 Night Holiday

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