

Dear Ladies

The year is fast coming to an end and the festive season is upon us.

Our annual Christmas Fayre was a great success despite the awful weather. Many thanks to Ann Middleton and the sub-committee who took on the demanding task of organising the event this year. A big thank you to all those who helped on the day and thank you to the Companies who sponsored the event and to everyone who generously gave a prize for our Wheel of Fortune including AMT Coastline, Cinnamon Bay, La Dolce Vita, Jeeves, The Victory, The Whyte Hart, King & Queen, The Bugle, Boomerang, Baltic Safety, River Rat, Baxter Cusack's, The Co-op Hamble, Beauty Room Williams Pharmacy and Castaway.

You may ask what we do with the money raised at our events? This year we have been able to spend nearly £4500 on the bedroom improvement programme and donated over £5000 to our three charities, Hearing Dogs for Deaf People, Hamble Lifeboats and Macmillan Cancer Support.

At the AGM we saw Lizzy Davis, our chair for the past year, Anne Hardy and Ann Peddley leave the Committee as their term of three years in office came to an end. We would like to thank them for their commitment and hard work over the past three years. Remaining members Ginny Nixon, Carole Gould, Ann Middleton, Helen Jones, Sandie Llewellyn and the Flag Officers wives welcomed four new members Nicky Gardner, Linda Munro, Jo Ward and Stella McCue to the Committee. Carole Gould has agreed to be our Chair for this year.

Plans are already being made for our forthcoming events, a few dates which have been confirmed are listed below. As always if you have new event ideas or would like to help at any of the events then please do contact any of the Committee members, who will only be too happy to welcome you.

- Thursday 10th March 2016 - Bridge Drive
- Thursday 14th April 2016 - Ladies Spring Formal Lunch
- Friday 23rd September 2016 - Macmillan Coffee Morning
- Thursday 13th October 2016 - Ladies Autumn Formal Lunch
- Saturday 5th November 2016 - Christmas Fayre
- Thursday 10th November 2016 - Bridge Drive

After our successful Ladies Night in September we sent a survey to you all and received overwhelmingly positive responses and ideas for improvement. As a result we are planning to make a few changes to the format for the evening and will include a Ladies Night in the 2016 calendar.

Please add these dates to your diaries for 2016 and keep an eye out for more that will be announced shortly.

The Christmas decorations have now been put up at the Club and once again a big thank you to all those that helped with this massive task. After two days of hard work, we are sure you will agree that the club is looking very festive.

We would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Ladies Committee