

MADYSS Matters

February 2026 No.228

Birthday Greetings

There are four members who have February birthdays. These are:

- Margaret Barry
- Judy Fleming
- Lesley John
- David Pope

Happy Birthday!

Social Events

**Bingo, Macclesfield Tennis Club, SK11 8AH
Saturday 21 February, 6.30 pm for 7.00 pm**

The night will include a meat and potato supper or vegetarian quiche option with red cabbage and beetroot. The cost is £10 for both members and guests. Payment is via BACS (**your name and Bingo** as the reference) or cash at the February Flower Pot meeting.

**Chilli Banana, Macclesfield, SK10 1JX
Sunday 29 March 2026, 12.00 to 2.00 pm**

The visit to the Chilli Banana in Macclesfield will be for the Buffet Lunch as above. The cost is £20 for members and £25 for guests. Payment is via BACS with **your name and Chilli** as the reference or cash. Please arrive on time but the restaurant doesn't open until 12.00 noon. You should notify Kay of any dietary requirements.

**Report on 10-Pin Bowling
by Kay Evans, Photos by Sue Stephenson**

Another good outing to Superbowl UK at Lyme Green started the MADYSS events for 2026. It was enjoyed by 14 of us who were bowling, with a few observing or supporting players.

We had two newcomers to the lanes join us this year. David Bailey, who enjoyed the event very much. David was supported by Claire and Joyce and he managed to achieve third place. Well done

David. Alan Gatley also joined us. He hadn't done any bowling for some time, although he used to bowl.

Alan was rather frustrated to begin with as it took him a while to get his mojo back and then, guess what, he managed to be our 2026 winner for this year's trophy. Congratulations Alan.



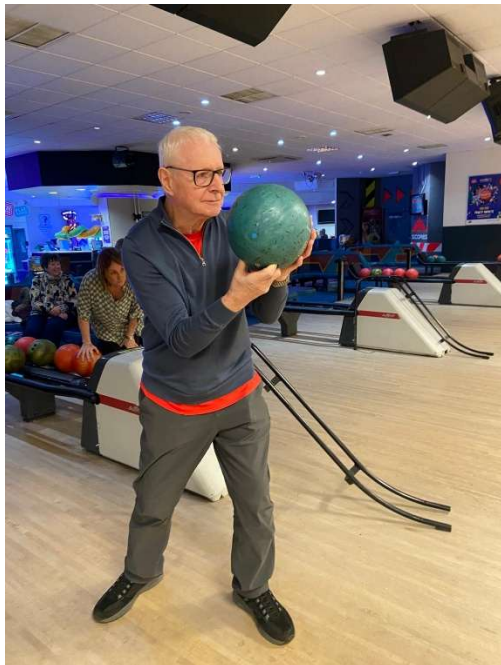
Our winner Alan showing good technique as he bowls



Alan Stansfield preparing to use the bowling device

The rest of us enjoyed trying to get Strikes, which some of us did. We had fun and lots of laughter.

The results were: first Alan Gatley 123, second Helen Pimlott 114, third David Bailey 105. After the bowling a pleasant evening was had at The Rising Sun where 19 of us relaxed and enjoyed our meals. Here's looking forward to next year.



John eyeing up the pins

Bonus Ball Competition

The bonus ball competition for last month was won by Colin Huck, who had correctly selected number 23. Congratulations on your big win!

News of our Members

MADYSS has just learned that Vin Carr passed away on 18 January. Vin and his late wife Frances were members of our Group for many years. They used to attend our events and the Flower Pot meetings until they moved out of the area to Hale, and Vin had continued as an honorary member on MADYSS until his death last month.

Thought for the Month

Do your little bit of good where you are; it's those little bits of good put together that overwhelm the world.

Desmond Tutu

What a Joke!

- How do celebrities stay cool? They have many fans.
- My boss said, "Dress for the job you want, not for the job you have." So, I went in as Batman.
- Why did The Rolling Stones stop making music? Because they got to the bottom of the hill.
- I used to run a dating service for chickens, but I was struggling to make Hens meet.

The next Flower Pot meeting is on

Monday, 9 February 2026

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