



Minutes of the Committee Meeting

Thursday 13th November 2025 at 2.20pm

Those Present: Barbara Dennis (BD), Viv Leech (VL), Mandy Wickison (MW), Sara Higgins (SH), Susanne Wilson (SW), Julie Cooper (JC), Julia Hill (JH)

1. Apologies

Cathy Judd

2. Minutes of the last Meeting

The minutes of 30th September 2025 were approved and were signed by the BD.

3. Matters Arising

No matters arising

4. Lady Captains Report – September and October 2025

You may wonder why I am reporting on two months – this purely matches up with how our Ladies Committee meeting have met and taking into consideration holidays.

We are so fortunate to have a great team of greenkeepers who keep our course in such good condition so my thanks must go to Mark and everyone on the team for all their hard work in making it so.

The first week of September saw 32 ladies playing in our Invitation Day – a great turnout. Everyone enjoyed the day and the food and the raffle on the day raised £140 for the British Heart Foundation. So, thank you to everyone who brought a guest along.

On Saturday the 7th September 12 couples played in the annual Addison Mixed Trophy and on the 19th September 48 members (12 teams of 4) played in the Mixed Pearce Trophy. Sara will be reporting on these competitions – let's hope next year we are able to get more members playing in these. The mixed competitions are always good fun so please look out next year for these.

On the 11th September we had our Away day at Dunston Hall – it was unanimously decided to have just an away day rather than stay over somewhere. I chose Dunston Hall as it was relatively close for all and not too hard for ladies to play. The day started with Bacon or Egg rolls and then 18 holes. 24 ladies came along. The day was a success until we came to eat after, but I hope the day was not spoiled by this. However, every lady enjoyed their day – the weather was kind to us. My thanks must go to Ged Moreton for making 4 cloth bags which I utilised into the prizes.

The winners on the day were: -

NTP 9th Vice Captain Viv Leech

NTP 18th Lesley King

2nd TEAM Captain Barbara, Sara, Sonia and Angie 78 points

WINNING TEAM Mandy W, Cathy C, Sue F and Anne 79 points

There was nothing I could have done about the food but apologize to all the ladies that attended.



On the 27th September Division 1 was played at Ipswich Golf Course. Despite the chilly and windy weather 35 ladies played and I am pleased to report that our own Vice Captain Viv Leech came 2nd in the nett competition. Well done Viv, a very good year for you and hope it continues during your captaincy next year.

Now for October – on Sunday the 5th October 96 members played in the joint Captains Charity Day raising lots of money for my charity The British Heart Foundation and the Gents Captains Young Carers charity. This was a huge success albeit a very long day too. So thanks must go to all the members who stayed for the results and presentations at the end of the day – Sara will report on these in her report. My charity saw another £601.60 raised through raffle and voucher bids. My thanks must go to everyone who supported both Paul and me on the day we really do appreciate your support for two very worthy charities.

October saw so much work go on behind the scenes by myself and those on the committee to ensure that our Spooktacular Day was a success. 51 ladies played this year – sadly two teams had to drop out the week before due to family illness. We are not a large section, but 20 ladies volunteered their help the day before and during the day – my heartfelt thanks go to each and every one of you who volunteered – without whom this day could not have gone as well as it did. The Wenhaston room was transformed into what ladies have commented on as being the best yet – with manikins, coffins, spiders etc etc all playing their part. The halfway house and food looked fabulous with even more ladies helping with making the food behind the scenes for which please accept my sincere thanks.

This year we had jacket potatoes with fillings and bakewell tart for dessert. This change was also very much appreciated; my thanks must go to Amy and her team for all the hard work in ensuring every scary lady enjoyed their day. The day was a very long day for a lot of ladies, to which I am very grateful. For Viv who had to step up on the day to make my little talk, with a little ad hoc too, and announce the prizes – I had lost my voice to just a little squeak so for once I had to keep quiet. I really appreciated all the ladies who stayed after to ensure the Wenhaston room was returned to normal. A staggering £1200 was raised through excess on entrance fee, raffle and the sale of apple juice which Susanne had bought in. This apple juice was from her own garden which she arranged to get professionally pressed and bottled. Thank you, Susanne, this was very generous and kind of you and I must say is the best apple juice I have had. My thanks also to Cathy Judd who organised not only the halfway house so well but also sorted out all the raffle prizes – very professional.

Following my email to all the teams detailing all the results and sending all the photos which Lesley King took on and off the course – thank you Lesley, they are fabulous, so many teams have already booked themselves in for next year – Wow that's awesome.

We are now entering the last month of my captaincy and the quieter months of the year but hopefully the weather will be kind and we are able to keep playing this great game of golf.

Barbara Dennis. Lady Captain. 5th November 2025

5. Main Meeting Report

- From January Sunday Ladies will be able to have tee times within the men's competition.
- Club 100 is going to fold as there are not enough members.
- Operation 36 is a coaching plan used with the juniors but is suitable for anyone new to golf. It starts at the green and works back to driving, which is very good for the short game.



- Tree plantation is going ahead along the path towards the 1st tee and over the bridge on the 1st to the left side towards the green.
- There will be a new shoe cleaner placed in a better position.
- Slope rating for ladies is hopefully being implemented in January.
- The result of the planning application for the gym is due to be known at the end of November.
- The halfway house is still in the planning stage, working out the best place for services.
- There will be a rise of 6% in annual membership fees in 2026. Introduction of couples membership of £2,150. Total membership numbers capped at 750 and also a joining fee of £399 for new members.
- Committee Minutes & AGM Minutes can now be posted as draft before being approved at the next meeting.
- IG announced members with the app will have access to HowDidiDo in 2026, updates to follow

6. Competition Secretary report

Ladies Invitation Day – played 4th September – 32 ladies took part in teams of two.

1st, Cathy Chandler (22) & Paula Ledger (15) 42
2nd, Barbara Dennis (17) & Susan Anderson (26) 41
3rd, Rita Fossey (9) & Rachael Goldsmith (7) 40

Addison Mixed Foursomes – played 6th September – 24 players took part in teams of 2
1st, Jo Catt & Sally Catt 42 £13.00 each 2nd, Sonia Lord & Stephen Lord 39 £8.00 each
3rd, Karen Last & Clive Seward 37

Mixed Pearce Trophy – played 19th September – 48 players took part in teams of 4
1st, Simon Hunter (10), John Morley (19),
Peter Foulger (24) & Julia Hill (24) 85 £15.00 each 2nd, Keith Ellis (11),
Andrew Millard (17),
Viv Leech (11) & Kevin Robertshaw (20) 84 £12.00 each 3rd, Richard
Fernley (10), Robin Gwillim-Douce (19),
Martin Fowler (26) & Sue Hellman (25), 83 £8.00 each

Combined September Stableford played 14/18th September – 27 ladies signed up to play
Congratulations to Sonia Lord winning the 'Granny Trophy' Well done Sonia

DV 1 Winners

1st, Sonia Lord (25) 34 £12.00
2nd, Viv Leech (12) 34 £7.00
3rd, Clare Woods (20) 33 £4.75

DV 2 Winners

1st, Feri Fitton (39) 29 £12.00
2nd, Emma Hawkins (35) 29 £7.00
3rd, Alison Dudeney (34) 28 £4.75



Combined September Medal played 21/25th September – 17 ladies signed up to play
Congratulations to Rita Fossey for winning the **Scott Salver (gross) and Budd Vase (net)** a great achievement to win both gross and net – Well done Rita

DV 1 Winners – Net

1st, Rita Fossey (8) 71 £7.50
2nd, Clare Woods (20) 73 £4.50
3rd, Mandy Wickison (22) 74 £3.50

DV 2 Winners - Net

1st, Nicky McQueen (32) 72 £7.50
2nd, Karol Perley (29) 79 £4.50
3rd, Helen Jones (45) 79 £3.50

DV 1 Winners – Gross – No payouts result only

1st, Rita Fossey (8) 79
2nd, Clare Woods (20) 93
3rd, Susanne Wilson (18) 94

DV 2 Winners – Gross

1st, Nicky McQueen (32) 104
2nd, Karol Perley (29) 108
3rd, Jean Berry (28) 114

Fun Daytona day competition – played 9th October

1st Clare Woods and Hilary Jeffrey £7.50 each
2nd Sonia Lord and Sue Millard
3rd Barbara Dennis and Lesley King

Daily Mail Foursomes – played 28/09 & 02/10 - 12 teams of two signed up to play. No entry fee and no prize money. Well done Julie and Sara and good luck in 2026 representing Halesworth ladies.

1st, Julie Cooper & Sara Higgins 38
2nd, Sally Catt & Mary Pickering 35
3rd, Judith Bedwell & Barbara Dennis 34

Combined October Stableford played 12/16th October – 29 ladies signed up to play.
Congratulations to Viv for winning the Berendt Rose Bowl. Well done, Viv.

DV 1

1st, Viv Leech (11) 39 £12.50
2nd, Sonia Lord (24) 37 £7.50
3rd, Lesley King (15) 34 £5.00



DV 2

1st, Sally Catt (26) 39 £12.50
 2nd Mary Pickering (26) 37 £7.50
 3rd, Sue Hellman (28) 37 £5.00

Combined October Medal played 19/23rd October – due to inclement weather on the Thursday, very few ladies decided to play so overall only 9 signed up and played over the two days. Congratulations to Barbara for winning the Harvest Medal. Well done, Barbara.

DV 1

1st, Sally Catt (25) 75 £7.00
 2nd Barbara Dennis (16) 80 (Trophy winner) £4.25
 3rd, Susanne Wilson (18) 83 £3.50

DV 2

1st Sue Hellman (28) 76 £7.00
 2nd Nicky McQueen (30) 77 £4.25
 3rd Mary Pickering (26) 77 £3.50

Spooktacular Day held October 30th – 51 ladies signed up in teams of 3. winners 1-4th place as follows: -

1st Yvonne Rogers (26), Sharon Yenson (20) & Barbara Fielding (28) - 85
 2nd Maggie Hart (30), Marie Norman (11) & Paula Ledger (16) - 83
 3rd Jane Godfrey (27), Susan Poole (21) & Andrea Newman (29) - 82
 4th Julie Gooderham (22), Dawn Brain (32) & Julie Giles (30) - 81

Order of Merit/ Player of the Year – Ends 30th November 2025 – standings so far.

<u>Player</u>	<u>Played</u>	<u>Wins</u>	<u>Total Points</u>	
1st Viv Leech	18	1	96	well done Viv, leader from the start!
2nd Judith Bedwell	16	4	75	
3rd Rita Fossey	15	2	65	

Best of Series – The Goldsmith Bowl – finalised end of October 2025

1st Rita Fossey 6 325 well done Rita - excellent scoring
 2nd Viv Leech 6 339
 3rd Sara Higgins 6 340

7. Handicap Secretary report

New Ladies

No new member in October

Handicap Changes



Movement in handicaps has significantly reduced this month, in part to the change in weather conditions and there have been limited opportunity to play Qualifiers on a Thursday this month. The schedule taken up this month with the Daily Mail Foursomes, a Fun Competition, poor weather and the Spooktacular.

However, some notable changes were:

Viv Leech	a reduction of	0.9	down to 10.4
Nicky McQueen	“ “	0.8	down to 28.7 (reduced for the 3rd month)
Sonia Lord	“ “	0.7	down to 22.5
Janice Sausman	“ “	0.7	down to 32.7

There were a further 10 ladies with stroke reductions between 0.5 & 0.1

Soft CAP

The purpose of the SOFT Cap is to slow the rate at which a handicap can increase. The Soft Cap is triggered when the difference between a player's newly calculated Handicap Index and their Low Handicap Index is greater than 3.0 strokes. When a calculated Handicap Index increase is greater than 3.0 strokes, the value above 3.0 strokes is restricted to 50% of the increase.

The Low Handicap Index is the lowest they have been in the last 12 calendar months and is fluid as dates change.

	HCP Index	Low HCP Index	Soft CAP in Effect	Hard CAP in effect
Jeffrey, Hilary	29.8	26.6	Yes	No

REVIEW

A handicap review is due and would take place by the end of the year.

Eclectic

Winner of the Summer Eclectic was Lesley King with a NETT score of 53.4, & the runner up Susanne Wilson with a NETT score of 54.5

Current standings for the Winter eclectic:

1 st	Viv Leech	67.1
2 nd	Barbara Dennis	68.4
3 rd	Judith Bedwell	70.5

Birdie Tree

1 st	Sara Higgins	13
2 nd	Rita Fossey	10
	Viv Leech	10



8. TREASURERS REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 2025

Another busy month with both Invitation Day and Lady Captains Away Day taking place, both very successfully held. From Invitation Day £140 was raised from the raffle hampers for Barbara's BHF Charity with a small surplus of £19.59 was donated to the Sections funds.

From the competitions held this month we received £406 with £260.50 paid out in prize monies.

In addition, the majority of the Spooktacular funds have been received with only 4 fees remaining to be paid. I expect those to be received early next month.

With my busiest months now approaching I'm trying to get all outstanding bills paid and funds into the bank account as soon as possible.



Transactions			Receipts													
DATE	Detail	Amount	Previous Year	Xmas Lunch 2024	Captains Drive in (ladies section)	Gala Day	Captains Charity	Invitation Day	County Comps & Exps	Comp Fees In	Spookie	Trophies & Similar	LC Away Day	Sundries	Other Section Income	Deposit Account
01-Sep	InvDay-Millard	£ 50.00						£ 50.00								
02-Sep	InvDay-Dennis B	£ 50.00						£ 50.00								
03-Sep	InvDay-KingL	£ 50.00						£ 50.00								
05-Sep	InvDay Raffle	£ 140.00					£140.00									
05-Sep	Caps A/Day-McCoy-Dep	£ 10.00											£ 10.00			
05-Sep	Spooky-Hoskins	£ 120.00									£ 120.00					
08-Sep	Spooky-Collins	£ 120.00									£ 120.00					
08-Sep	Spooky-WallaceA	£ 120.00									£ 120.00					
08-Sep	Spooky-Starley	£ 120.00									£ 120.00					
08-Sep	Spooky-Nichols S	£ 120.00									£ 120.00					
09-Sep	Spooky-Edwards S	£ 120.00									£ 120.00					
09-Sep	HGC-AugFees	£ 492.50					£ 57.75			£ 434.75						
10-Sep	Spooky-Barrett	£ 120.00									£ 120.00					
12-Sep	Spooky-A Newman	£ 120.00									£ 120.00					
16-Sep	Spooky-Gooderham	£ 120.00									£ 120.00					
17-Sep	Spooky-Tobin V	£ 120.00									£ 120.00					
18-Sep	Spooky-Hart M	£ 120.00									£ 120.00					
	Total	£2,112.50	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -	£197.75	£ 150.00	£ -	£434.75	£1,320.00	£ -	£ 10.00	£ -	£ -	£ -

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05-Sep	InvDay-Exp-Flwrs Dennis	£66.41						£ 66.41								
05-Sep	InvDay-Exp-Vchrs Dennis	£90.00						£ 90.00								
08-Sep	HGC-Addison Prizes	£42.00								£ 42.00						
10-Sep	HGCCG-Will/mxd op/mx sal	£340.25					£340.25									
10-Sep	Ref V Leech LC Brooch	£109.95										£109.95				
19-Sep	HGC-Sept S'ford	£47.50								£ 47.50						
19-Sep	HGC-Mxd Pearce Trophy	£140.00								£140.00						
22-Sep	Exp- J Cooper Fixture meet	£10.00												£ 10.00		
26-Sep	HGC-Sept Med/Budd/Scott	£31.00								£ 31.00						
	Total	£ 877.11	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -	£340.25	£ 156.41	£ -	£260.50	£ -	£109.95	£ -	£ 10.00	£ -	£ -

OpeningBalance=		£2,550.69							Treasurers Account			£ 19.64				
Receipts		£2,112.50														
Payments		£ 877.11														
ClosingBalance as at		£3,786.08														
ExpectedReceipts																
Competition money for Sept				£1,206.00												
Total				£4,992.08												
ExpectedExpenditure																
LC-Funds see sheet																
Xmas Lunch																
Invitation Day				£ 800.00												
Charity Receipts				£ 1,108.25												
Spooktacular				£1,680.00												
Total				£3,588.25												
Available to Spend					£1,403.83											

TREASURERS REPORT FOR OCTOBER 2025

Well, the final month of our 'year' has arrived, where did that time go? And also, one of the busiest with the Joint Captains Day as well as our own Spooktacular.



This month also meant paying out all the summer knockouts and eclectic; this year we received £371.00, paid out £194 and retained £177 for the section. I'm sure Sara will give more details in her report of these. In addition, the winter competitions start with £52.50 paid in for the singles knockout and £66.50 for the eclectic. It's a shame more don't enter these competitions, not only as it would give the section more funds but it keeps the golf interesting in the dark winter months.

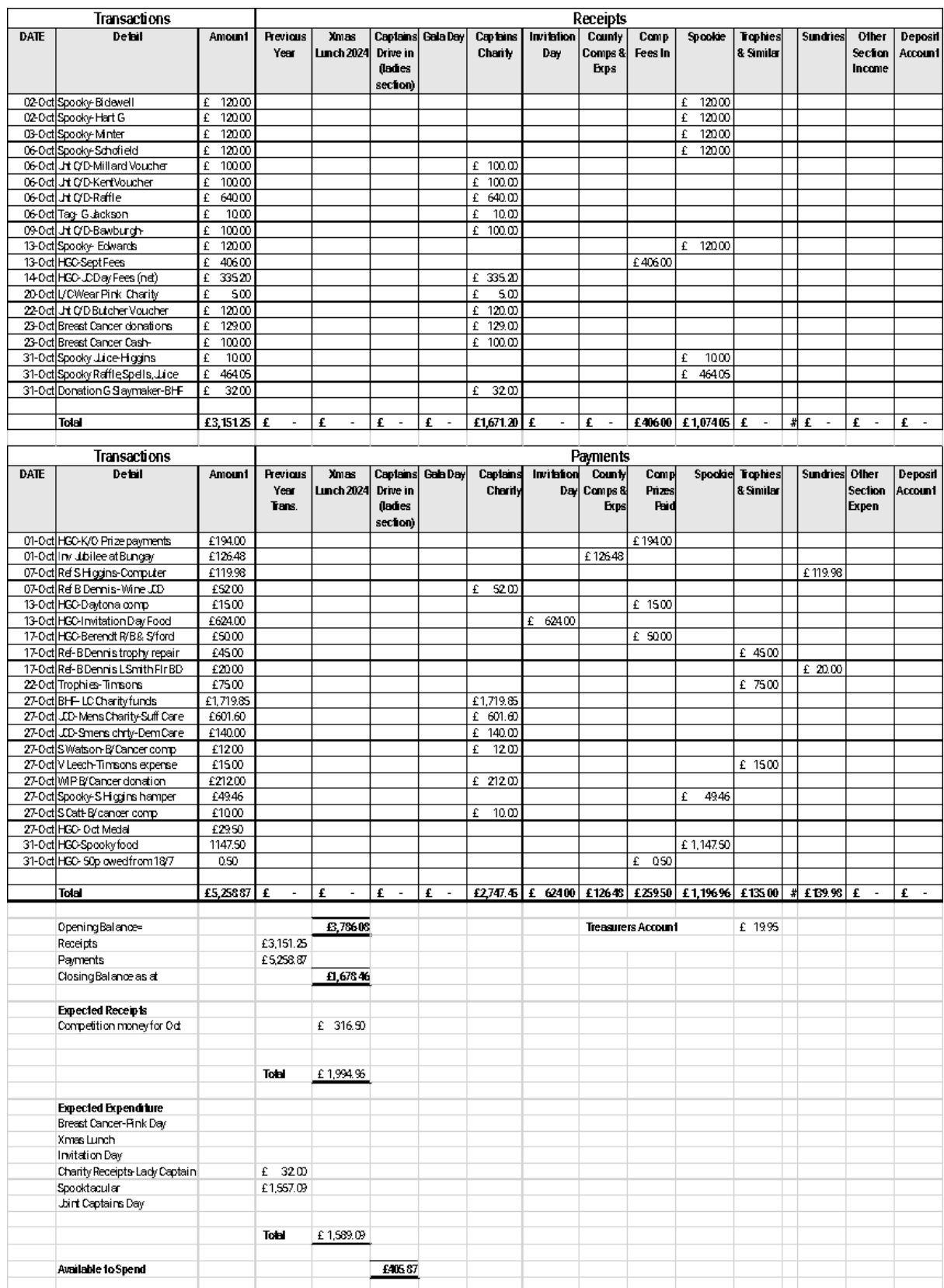
JCD on the 5th of October had 100 players entered (£1k in fees) slightly fewer than 2024 but still raised £2060, which after expenses were deducted meant £601.60 to the Lady Captains Charity (same to the men's and £140 to the Seniors charities).

Spooktacular was an even better success than 2024 with £2754.05 raised meaning that after expenses of £1553.85 was paid out, £1200.20 was sent to Barbara's BHF Charity (£1026.03 in 2024).

In between, we had the weekly competitions-the monthly Stapleford and Medal and a new Daytona game, so total fees received in October amounted to £316.50.

I will obviously give a full report and finalise the figures for our AGM on 27th November.

Viv





9. AOB

- a) It was agreed that, going forward, the Birdie Tree will run from 1st December to 30th November of the following year to fall in line with the AGM.
- b) As the “New Members” committee position has not taken up much time, it will be incorporated within the “Vice-Captain” role.
- c) BD reported that, once the changes to the constitution are approved by the management, they will be available on the IG website.
- d) MW had received an email from a member with her observations in respect of: -
 - 1. The zones on medal days not always working out
 - 2. Two balls appearing amongst three balls in other competitions
 - 3. Not receiving all the standings in the results of fun competitions

After some discussions the committee reached the following decisions regarding: -

- 1. SW would look at how the handicaps were split and if we needed to change the zones.
- 2. If a two-ball remains in the tee sheet due to a withdrawal, every effort will be made to re-balance the competition, so players are neither delayed nor rushed during play.
- 3. MW suggested that once the fun competition is finalised the result be sent to her for an email to be sent to the ladies.

Meeting closed at 4.30pm

Next meeting: - Tuesday 6th January