

Results Indoor Bowling season at the NSC in Douglas.

December 2025 winners were: Ladies – Barbara Mason, Gents – David Farrell, **March 2026** Ladies – Margaret Hardill, Gents – Les Crellin, **Overall scores for both sessions** Ladies - 1st Barbara Mason, 2nd Margaret Hardill, 3rd Irene Lindsay, Gents 1st Les Crellin, 2nd Neil Corlett, 3rd John Levitt. Most improved player Ladies – Nola Baker, Gents Alan Lowe. Many thanks to Neil Corlett for organising this event. Les Crellin has managed to secure a green at Onchan park every Thursday afternoon at 2pm during the summer months. for MRA members too.

Fair Weather Walking Group. Our next walk takes place on Monday 11th May at 11am at Ballaglass Glen Maughold which is on the coast road from Douglas (A2) and turn left at the Hibernia. Then turn right about a mile down that road cross over the MER track and the carpark is on the right. This is a lovely walk though pathways won't be smooth. If you require a lift or more details contact host Sally Farrell on 346239

Outings and Visits

Tour of the IOM Creameries; Our next Tour is at 10am and on **Monday 18th May** at 10am. (**Fully Booked now**) We have also booked a third tour on **Monday 15th June** at 10am. Please note there are a lot of stairs so not suitable for those who have walking difficulties Tour takes approx 45 mins to one hour. Cost per person is £5 numbers are limited so please book your place. Members only due to limited nos that can attend the Tour. More details contact Ann Cottier 472742.

Reminder that we have two tours booked at the **Lavendar Farm** in Sandygate in June and July contact the office for more details

Visit to Heroes on the Water Aquatic Centre in Port Soderick. This centre was set up to help out Veterans and members of the Blue Light Emergency Services to enjoy various water based activities, such as Kayak fishing, veterans also enjoy sailing for the disabled, Walking with wellness and carriage driving. They have 24 volunteers and our members enjoyed taking two tours of this facility. Last year they had over 4,000 visitors and 600 dogs. Thanks to Tony Palmer Chairman and the other volunteers for talking to us and showing us around the centre. **Ann Cottier**

Lunches 2026-

April 24th Ramsey Golf Club The Project Manager from the **Manx Viking Project Christian Hall** came along a gave members a most informative talk about this exciting new historical project to create a working Viking Settlement at Sandygate. We plan to visit this centre when its up and running. **200 club** winners were Steve Knowles, Margo Naylor and John Wilkinson. We still have a few numbers left so contact the Office if you wish to buy a number.

May 27th (Wed) The Abbey Ballasalla .12.30pm Speaker from the Manx Military Museum.

June 24th (Wed) Falcolns Nest Port Erin at 12.30pm Speaker from Rushen Heritage.

A New Rummyclub club is being set up in the South of the Island on the last Monday of each month at 2pm in Morton Hall Castletown Open to all members, their family and friends, we plan to start up at the end of September. For more details contact Ann Cottier 472742

MRA AGM Monday 27th April at 10.am Onchan Pensioners Club

Onchan. Sadly only 27 members attended our Annual General Meeting. Chairman Jim Cottier gave an overview of how things have fared this year since going digital with the monthly Islander and the changes made by Manx Telecom re manx.net users. We still have a number of our members not renew their subscription for what ever reason. Jeff Campbell our Treasurer gave a very comprehensive report of our current financial state and it was agreed by all those present to leave subs at £25 for single members and put up the membership fee for couples to £40 an increase of £5. Reports from Events held throughout the year were also given to our members.

Chris Blyth is stepping down from Committee after his 3 year tenure and he was thanked for all his hard work in compiling the Discount booklet as well as organising the Ten Pin bowling sessions in Ramsey. The present committee have been re-elected to serve for another year and we welcome Ricky Kramer as a new member of the Committee. Jeff Cambell and John Cuddy gave 12 months notice that their 3 year tenure would be up too. We are looking to appoint a new treasurer who could shadow Jeff over the next 12 months. Please contact our Chairman Jim Cottier on 495436 if you would be interested in the role or joining the committee.

The current Financial statement and AGM minutes can be obtained from the Office.

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