



Merry Christmas

Every year the club has a Christmas Dinner where members are encouraged to bring along their partners for a friendly social gathering. This year was no exception and in spite of ailments and inclement weather 38 of us enjoyed a good meal and a fun evening.

The chairman thanked everyone for coming and for the opportunity to meet the 'other half'. In particular he thanked Roy for all the hard work in preparation and management of the whole affair.

After the traditional funny story he wished everyone a Merry Christmas and reminded them of the Chips and Chat Night soon to follow.

At said Chips night one new member was pleasantly surprised to discover that the chips were of the potato variety and the chat was about things other than computers.

Mike J conducted a light-hearted quiz. This time it was designed to prevent Steve using his encyclopaedic knowledge of music to win yet again. It didn't work. It would appear that Steve knows a thing or two about other things as well – films in particular. No wonder members are quite keen to be on his team.

The chairman conceals his inability to answer the questions by the devious ploy of collecting the fish and chips instead. He is, of course, quite capable of eating his fair share; possibly due to years of practice.

He thanked Mike for the quiz and Nick for the hot drinks and again wished one and all a Merry Christmas.

He then reminded everyone of the Annual General Meeting in January and talked about the programme that needs to be settled at that time. Members were asked to let the Committee know what topics they would like to have covered in the meetings up to July.

The topics could be mini master classes to do with one tiny feature of computing as a how-to-do-it session or the illustration of broader areas of computing where it would be sufficient to register for future reference that a computer is capable of doing something.

He stressed that there was scope for both types of evening and that the club was keen to meet the needs of its members.

He pointed out that the notices for the AGM also contained a nomination form for the election of officers and committee and that they should be used to enable the posts of Secretary and Treasurer to be filled to ensure the continued smooth operation of the club.