CHAMELEONS' NEWS





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CONGRATULATIONS to Linda Aylward who celebrates her 60th birthday this month!

It is with regret to tell you that Jen Davies, mother of Ceri-Anne passed away on the 4th October. Our thoughts are for Ceri and the family at this time. The funeral was held on October 22nd.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

All members of the swimming and bowls needed to renew their membership last month. The fee is £15.00 for the year. Please make payment to our Club treasurer- Mrs Elaine Daw, 11 St. Edeyrn's Road, Cyncoed, Cardiff CF23 6TB.

Cheques made payable to Cardiff Chameleons. "100" Club

If you wish to continue, or would like to join in, please send me your name and a cheque for £12 made payable to Cardiff Chameleons. You will be keeping the same numbers. If you do not cash your cheque and it has gone past the 6 months, no other cheque will be issued and the Club will keep the money. *If we do not get enough* people to run it to be profitable then I will return your payments and discontinue the 100 Club.

I am deferring the start of this to January 2019. This has been agreed through the Club committee.

COFFEE MORNING

Pamela held this on Thursday 25th October at St. Philip Evans church hall. Thanks to those who did attend and £180.00 raised.

CHRISTMAS

Pamela is arranging a coach trip to the *Christmas Market* in Worcester. This will be on *Saturday 1st December* and is open to anyone and will cost £20.00 per person. Please give your name if you would like to go. It is an ideal way of doing some of your Christmas shopping.

Our **Christmas Dinner and Dance** will be held at **St. Philip Evans Hall.** The reason is that our usual venue was damaged in the bad snow fall earlier this year and may not be available in time. We will still use Spiro as he also does outside catering.

The dinner will be on *Friday 7th December* starting at **7.30pm.** The cost is £23.50 per person, for a two course meal. A menu is attached / enclosed. If you would like to attend please complete and return as soon as possible. The bar will be available and we will have the usual raffle and a disco.

A **Christmas Disco** for **swimmers and bowlers** is being arranged for **Thursday 20**th **December** at the Cardiff Medical Centre Sports & Social Club at the Heath Hospital. Starting about 7pm, there is no charge all we want you to do is to bring a plate of food for the buffet.

Please can you give your name if you are attending to Pamela by the 5th December.

The **PODS pantomime** this year is "**Pinocchio**". We have got tickets for the performance on Thursday 6th December. If you wish to come with us to see this, then please contact Denise.



Chameleons Anniversary 1959 - 2019

The Clubs 60th Anniversary is nearly here!

Celebrate by buying / selling our new Flashlight Pen.

Ideal for the winter nights! Or stocking fillers?

Only £1.50 each [OR 3 for £4.00 - Bargain!]

Please contact Elaine for your supply of pens.

Many Thanks Elaine Daw - Tel:02920 764770

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<u>Torquay Disabled Bowls Tournament - Friday 22nd March to Sunday 24th March, 2019.</u>

Arrangements are in hand for our weekend in Torquay next year.

We shall leave Cardiff on Friday 22^{nd} March in the morning [time and venue to be confirmed] and return

late afternoon on the Sunday 24^{th} March.

If you wish to attend, please ask Elaine Daw [20764770] elainemdaw@googlemail.com for details.

Thank You. Elaine

HIJINX CHRISTMAS PRODUCTION

This year Hijinx are once again performing their popular Christmas production entitled **HANSEL GEDEON and the GRIMMS' WOOD** at the Western Studio, Wales Millennium Centre on Thursday 6th Friday 7th and Saturday 8th December. Performances are at 7.00pm on each evening as well as 3pm on Saturday. Tickets are available from the WMC and are priced at £9 for adults and £6 for under 16s.

This is a sparkling new production with a large cast of disabled and nondisabled performers. It's an ideal opportunity for the whole family to enjoy a Christmas treat.

Vision 21 CHRISTMAS FOOD AND CRAFT FAYRE

This will be held at Sbectrwm Community Centre, Fairwater on Friday 7th December from 10am – 2pm with 20p entry. This is always a popular event with many stalls. All proceeds go to Vision 21.

Steve, Pamela and John - have finally moved!!

Having left our old address so that we wouldn't lose our buyer and spending a month between a Travelodge and my mum's caravan, we have now settled into our new house.

Our address is:-

33 Ty Cerrig, Pentwyn, Cardiff. CF23 7DP, our telephone number has stayed the same

60th Anniversary

We are now two months away from the start of our 60th celebratory year! At present we only have the dinner in June on the go and Barrie is organising a Bowls competition in March and Pamela will be organising guest teams to compete at our Club gala in August. We had 2 entries to design a medal to use at these competitions.

It would be nice if we could do more speciality events other than just jazzing up our normal annual events. Do you have any ideas? Would you be prepared to run them? I am going to put the following tag line on the front of each newsletter next year...



Please let the committee know of any ideas you may have.

A fond farewell...

We say goodbye to the Cardiff Mencap caravan this month. The caravan's which has been sited at the Penally Court site since 1985 with a change of caravan I believe in 1998 have been the holiday destination for many people over the years. Unfortunately, with rising pitch rent and diminishing bookings the cost of keeping the caravan is no longer sustainable.

The site is just a mile or so from Tenby and was a quieter than the Kiln Park which it was linked to. Those of you who have stayed there over the years I am sure you will all have your own fond memories!

The current caravan which is



now to be closed.

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Club Sessions		
Swimming	Monday	Pentwyn LC 8pm – 8.45pm
Swimming	Tuesday	Eastern LC 8.30pm – 9.15pm
Bowls	Friday	Cardiff Indoor Bowls Club, Sophia Gardens 4pm – 6pm

Any items for the newsletter need to be in 5 days prior to the end of the month. Please put them in a word document and as an attachment to the e-mail. Thank you.

Articles submitted to the newsletter are included as written and are not subject to changes or necessarily the view of the editor.