

COELIAC UK BUCKS GROUP 2026 AGM

WELCOME TO THE AGM

Brian Barnes, Group Organiser welcomed the members to the AGM

MINUTES OF THE 2025 AGM

The Group Organiser apologised as this is a report rather than the minutes of the 2025 AGM - for various reasons we had been out of touch with our members for some time and we hoped this would be an opportunity to start to get back to a regular way of life by trying to organise some GF meals out.

Our problems over the last year have been principally medical to the degree that the AGM was held at the end of June.

Richard's wife died and he felt he couldn't continue with the coffee mornings in Milton Keynes. Similarly, Margaret his helper at these mornings found the regular drive from Northampton to MK to be too much – George her husband had also not long died.

The lady running "Tilly's" in Aylesbury lease had run out and she decided it was time to hang up her cake making and so that exercise finished.

Steph our long standing supporter had been in hospital in Oxford and was now slowly recovering at home.

Allan's wife Carol and Brian's wife Margaret had also had spells in hospital.

Judy's family also had their fair share of problems and Judy was still trying to work a full weeks work.

On top of all this Anita our Secretary's mother was very ill in Sydney in Australia and Anita was "down under" and was not able to join the meeting.

On more mundane subjects our finances were stable and we were able to maintain our coffee mornings at John Lewis once a month at Handy Cross near High Wycombe.

GROUP ORGANISER'S REPORT

Brian continued by saying that it seems that all we have done this year is to go out for meals or coffee.

Mainly, we meet on the first Tuesday of each month at the "place to eat" in John Lewis at Handy Cross near the M40 Junction for coffee and/or cake and a chat about the world of Coeliacs. This was started some years ago in order for newly diagnosed Coeliacs to talk to people about their dietary problems. Over the years this has been a great success.

However, following on from the 2025 AGM, your committee has been active in searching out venues for good GF meals.

So, as a starter we went for a lunchtime meal at the White Horse Pub. in Beaconsfield in August. Those of you who have been before will know they have a wide ranging menu, but their specialism is Gluten Free fish and chips.

The second was for a Coeliac supper at St Katharine's Parmoor on the evening of Sept 24th.

The third tantalizing trip was the China Diner in Beaconsfield on the evening of 1st October. The chef there set our meal for 6pm so he can concentrate on GF ingredients with no fear of cross contamination.

Following on from those, we made bookings on a Thursday roughly in the middle of each month and since the August meal was thoroughly enjoyed, we booked another visit to the White Horse for Thursday 20th of November. We saw this as an early Christmas meal. Unfortunately, this wonderful establishment is now closed.

So, after Christmas we started in earnest:-

February 12th the Yew Tree Frieth. More excellent fish and chips.

March 19th Mowchak at Stokenchurch. A lunch time Indian buffet.

April 16th another visit to the China Diner.

The next one on May 21st will be a Buffet lunch at St Katharines Parmoor.

June 18th we will be back at the Cote Brasserie in Marlow.

July 16th at The Hit or Miss pub at Penn Street will be a new venture for some of us as this is a recommendation from Rosemary

August 20th back at the Yew Tree in Frieth.by popular request

And finally – so far – we are going again to the Mowchat on the 17th Sept.

Our aim is to spread our research to cover much more in Bucks and so I hope my next letter will show some bookings for further afield.

Today, after our bring and share lunch we will have our usual range of tea, coffee and a biscuit or two and a chance to win from the raffle, and hopefully some time for a general discussion between ourselves about all things Coeliac.

TREASURER’S REPORT AND FINANCIAL UPDATE

The Treasurer, Allen Leddy reported that the group funds had marginally increased in 2025 due to the proceeds of the AGM raffle

		BANK			CASH			Funds
Date	Description	Receipts	Payments	Balance	Receipts	Payments	Balance	
	BROUGHT FWD	519.71						
28/6/2025	HALL HIRE					34.02		
28/6/2025	AGM RAFFLE				41.00			
	CHINA DINER RCT				528.00			
23/9/2025	PAY MEAL					528.00		
		519.71	0.00		569.00	562.02		
	CARRY FORWARD			519.71			6.98	526.69

Notes

The office now handles the banking on our behalf

PROPOSED ELECTION OF OFFICERS

GROUP ORGANISER	BRIAN BARNES
SECRETARY	ANITA PARK
TREASURER	ALLEN LEDDY
COMMITTEE MEMBER	STEPH COX
COMMITTEE MEMBER	JUDY WHEELER
COMMITTEE MEMBER	VACANT
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All unanimously elected

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

A proposal from the floor was that we hold our Christmas meal at the Yew Tree pub in Frieth.

It was agreed that this proposal shall be investigated

11 members in attendance and 5 guests.

There being no other business the meeting closed.

