

THE SAM FUND CHRISTMAS LUNCH 2019



Sunday 8th December 2019 saw the second **SAM Fund Christmas Lunch** – the sequel! It can be of concern when hosting a follow-on event but this is **The SAM Fund** where everybody turns up to have fun and be merry. This event turned out to be no different! Great, fun competitions, great, fun prizes, great food and some carol singing to get us all in the mood for the festive season. Of course the key ingredient is always your wonderful donations. We started the day enticing you to take part in our £5 Lucky Dip and I did not hear of one disappointment. Everyone was chuffed to bits with their gifts.

As we moved through to lunch, we started with high jinks and the **Heads & Tails** competition. It was great to see everyone up taking part and having fun. We gradually progressed to the grand final between Clive Moules and Paul Klecha and on this occasion Paul was triumphant winning the £50 prize. Well done Paul and thank you all for your indulgence.

I must add my huge personal thanks to my lovely assistant Millie Pike. Millie plays the part really well and adds to the fun. Well done Millie. ❤️

We then settled for a lovely Christmas Lunch with all the trimmings. After lunch we held the competition for the best Christmas Jumper – the winner again being selected via the clapometer. 🙌 This year it was so close! In one corner we had Jesse Pike whose jumper actually lit up! (by the way, so did the Chairman's and I thought his was the best but he's not allowed to win!) and in the other corner we had Beatrix Whitelock Neagus, aged 4.... need I say more! Beatrix actually stole the show! She melted all of our hearts and became the real star of the event. She was great fun and had us all in stitches with her fun comments and singing. We hope you liked the early present Beatrix ❤️. We decided we had to have two winners – well done Jesse and Beatrix. We hope you enjoy the prize of chocolates. Jesse was presented with our *Christmas Jumper Award 'The CrimJum'*.

We then drew our raffle which again was littered with super prizes.

We then finished the afternoon with some Christmas Carols. The melodic outcome was expertly led by Steve Ashby accompanied by the ever popular organist Bob Allder. After a shaky start the whole crowd found their voices and everybody was soon joining in and singing along. The singing was brilliant! It was only fitting that we finished with 'The 12 Days of Christmas' and again a competition was held for the table that sung best. Table 5 were this year's winners with *Five Gold Rings* the stand out item! They indulged in their prize of chocolate immediately! Table 9 are always worth a mention as they are... Table 9! They are indeed a lot more than that to all of us at **The SAM Fund**. They are great followers and great fans and always up for a great laugh. Thank you to all. The afternoon was completed with the chairman announcing donations raised on the day.

🎟 Tickets £250 🎁 Lucky Dip £290
🎲 Heads & Tails £147 🎁 Raffle £460
💰 Money Boxes £106
🎁 Gift Aid £325

Raising a Grand Total
of **£1578**
for **The SAM Fund**

He then thanked everybody for their tremendous support and making the afternoon great fun. It really was a fantastic event that will be repeated!

The date booked for 2020
is Sunday 13th December.
Get your tickets and
we will see you there!



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