

HASSRA W.M. NEWS

April 2021



HASSRA National Lottery Winners:

Congratulations to the latest West Midlands HASSRA national lottery winners in the **March 2021** draw:

£100: Diler Sodhi (Birmingham Centennial House)

£100: Anonymous winner (Worcester Vine House)

£100: Nicola Sharp (Burton on Trent JCP)

£100: Iona Old (Coventry Cofa Court)

£100: Tim Fletcher-Gwilliam (Birmingham Ravenhurst)



You can view the latest lottery winners in full at www.hassra.org.uk/lottery-results

April Amazon Giveaway

A total of 422 people correctly entered the HASSRA West Midlands April Amazon Giveaway competition to win a £20 Amazon e-code. There are **4,100** miles of river running through the Amazon rainforest. Our 20 winners are listed below:

1. Balbir Kaur - Sutton Coldfield JCP
2. Alan Dicken - Walsall Bridle Court JCP
3. Melissa Baynham - Dudley Pedmore House
4. Rebecca Lock - Dudley Pedmore House
5. Penny Loveland - Retired Member
6. Sharaz Ali - Birmingham Ravenhurst
7. Amrein Akhtar - Birmingham Ravenhurst
8. Elaine White - Hanley Service Centre
9. Nick Brown - Coventry Cofa Court JCP
10. John Percival - Nuneaton Debt Centre
11. Aaron Power - Coventry Cofa Court JCP
12. Paddy Potts - Shrewsbury JCP
13. Paul O'Connor - CFCD Coventry Cofa Court
14. Dani Price - Brownhills JCP
15. Dimple Patel - Dudley Pedmore House
16. Linda Cooper - National Associate Member
17. Lisa Kelly - Nuneaton Debt Centre
18. Judith Rowe - Dudley Pedmore House
19. Jatinder Sandhu - Birmingham Five Ways House
20. Neil Langley - Birmingham Five Ways House

Congratulations to all of our winners, we hope you enjoy spending your prize.

Those unclaimed have until 17/05/2021 to do so. Prizes unclaimed after this date will be redrawn.

The Amazon logo, featuring the word 'amazon' in a white, lowercase font with a curved orange arrow underneath it, all set against a dark blue background.

Join the HASSRA National Lottery TODAY!

The HASSRA Lottery has a total of £55,000 in cash prizes up for grabs every month

You can opt to buy anything up to a maximum of 20 numbers at £1.00 each per month.

Each month we give away:

- A top prize of **£12,500**
- 2 prizes of **£2,500**
- 15 prizes of **£1,000**
- 25 prizes of **£500**
- 20 prizes of **£250**
- 50 prizes of **£100**



Payment for lottery shares will be made by monthly deductions from pay or pension in the case of members whose payroll or pension provider makes deductions on behalf of HASSRA or by annual payments in advance in the case of ordinary and associate members who cannot pay by deductions from their pay or pension. To join, simply visit your HASSRA Live online account.

You have to be in it to win it!

HASSRA West Midlands Online Quiz

The April HASSRA West Midlands online quiz took place on Wednesday 14th April, with 37 participants, our winners are detailed below:

Winner	Wednesday 14 th April 2021
1 st Place (£40)	Dave Walklate (Newcastle Under Lyme JCP)
2 nd Place (£20)	Dani Price (Brownhills JCP)
3 rd Place (£10)	Nancy Walker (Oswestry JCP)
Random Draw Winner (£10)	Mandy Harrison (Lichfield JCP)

The next quiz will take place on **Wednesday 12th May**, starting at 7.00pm. To take part you will need to sign up to [Myquiz.org](https://myquiz.org). We will send you the participant code to enter on the day of the quiz. There is no need to download an app, creating an account is fast and easy. For each quiz the prizes will consist of Love2Shop vouchers to the following value:

1st - £40 2nd - £20 3rd - £10

Plus we will draw one person outside of the top 3 to win a £10 prize.



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Local Club Lockdown Grants

National HASSRA awarded **793** grants throughout 2020, at a cost of **£166,000** to the association.

Supporting Charity

Throughout 2020 local HASSRA clubs raised **£120,000** for charity.

Virtual Bingo

Our April HASSRA West Midlands virtual bingo evening took place on Friday 9th April via Zoom. A total of 50 members took part under the stewardship of our bingo caller Tim Cotton.

Our winners per game are detailed below:

Game	Any Line (£5)	Any 2 Lines (£10)	Full House (£20)
Game 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Howard Jacks (Telford Newtown House) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Andy Collin (Hanley JCP) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kayt Wain (Bridgnorth JCP) - £10 Melissa Baynham (Dudley Pedmore House) - £10
Game 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kerry Jesic-Ivans (Dudley Pedmore House) - £5 Paulina Poplawska (Telford Newtown House) - £5 Helen Wilkinson (Telford Newtown House) - £5 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jade Billingham (Birmingham Five Ways House) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Neil McPherson (Coventry Cofa Court)
Game 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Amanda Titterton (Walsall Bridle Court JCP) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gareth Niblett (Shrewsbury Princess House) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Anna Calvert (Kidderminster CFCD)
Game 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Anna Calvert (Kidderminster CFCD) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Daniel Suggitt (Telford Newtown House) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Susan Davies (Dudley Pedmore House) - £10 Malgorzata Westwood (Birmingham Five Ways) - £10 Donna White (Birmingham Sparkhill JCP) - £10

Virtual bingo will return on **Friday 7th May** at 7.30pm. Registration details have been circulated to club officials for cascade.

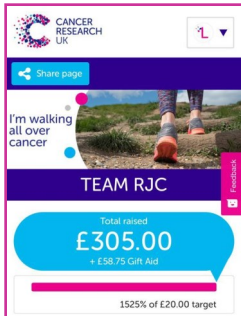


“Thank you so much. I cannot express my absolute gratitude to HASSRA over the last 12 months. I am overwhelmed how much I have been able to participate in.”

March for Cancer

HASSRA members at Redditch Jobcentre donned their trainers and running gear recently to “March for Cancer”.

To encourage one another to get moving and keep active, colleagues set up a WhatsApp group to encourage and motivate one another to achieve 10,000 steps per day. The daily totals were captured by John Chambers, with the group totalling 1,411,292 steps throughout the month. With extremely generous donations from work colleagues, family members and friends an impressive **£305.00** was raised for Cancer Research UK.



Organisers Louise Smith, Nicky Beecham and John Chambers (right) received certificates to mark their achievement - well done to everyone involved. Charities have suffered significantly during the COVID pandemic, so it's great to see them receiving our support.



Coventry's Limerick Competition

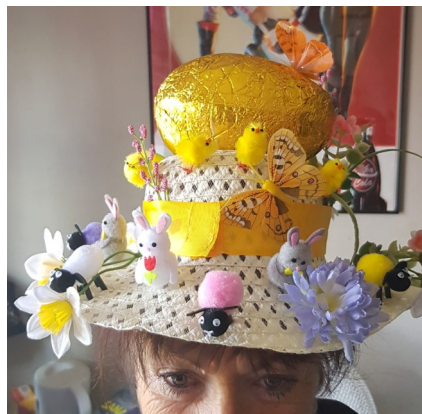
In celebration of St Patrick's Day last month, HASSRA members based at Coventry Cofa Court, our best large regional club, were asked to devise a short limerick. Alison Clifford was selected as the winner, receiving 2 Guinness glasses, 10 cans of Guinness, snacks, party poppers and silly string. Her winning limerick is below.

*“There once was a woman in lockdown,
Who frankly should be given a crown.
Keeping fit, work and zoom,
Teaching kids, doom and gloom.
She could do with a night on the town!!!”*



Easter Bonnet Competition

The Easter Bonnet Competition returned to Telford Newtown House this month with HASSRA members asked to get creative by designing their best Easter themed bonnet. Here's a selection of the entries received:



Spring Garden Giveaway Competition

Make your garden look fabulous this Spring with a helping hand from HASSRA West Midlands.



HASSRA West Midlands has x20 £25 B&Q vouchers to give away in our *'fun and free'* Spring Garden Giveaway.

To enter simply answer the following question:

In what year was the Royal Horticultural Society founded?

- (a) 1804
- (b) 1826
- (c) 1840

HASSRA West Midlands members can enter the Spring Garden Giveaway via their [HASSRA Live account](#).

The closing date for entries is midnight on Friday 21st May 2021.



HASSRA National Lottery

The HASSRA National Lottery gave away prizes to the value of **£660,000** throughout 2020.

National 'Fun & Free' Competitions

National *'fun & free'* competitions gave away prizes totalling **£224,669.90** throughout 2020.

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New Year New You - Lockdown Challenge

As we entered 2021 with another lockdown in place, HASSRA West Midlands put the health and wellbeing of our members first with the launch of a "New Year New You" lockdown challenge.

Members were encouraged to get active and walk, jog or run on a regular basis between 1st February and 31st March 2021. They signed up to the challenge joining either a beginners (up to 10km aspiration) or advanced (up to 25km aspiration) group. Members could then follow one another's progress and distance covered using the Strava Group on their mobile phones.

As time went on, organiser Jo Jones threw in a number of optional fun challenges, asking participants to take photos or selfies with certain objects during their exercise. Challenges included a photograph with a number 1 in, a Valentine's challenge to be photographed alongside something red in colour, the 'Hump Day Challenge' - a photo with the letter W for Wednesday, a photograph with an animal, a Spring challenge - a photo of new spring growth and finally a funny or unusual road name or place. There were many innovative interpretations of the challenges, with members uploading their photographs onto the Strava app for other participants to see.

Beginners Group	
Name	Total KM
Sean Greening	547.7
Lynne Fowell	255.1
Anna Calvert	240.8
Andy Collin	227.3
Jenny Gill	193.1
Imran Bashir	178.44
Raj Doherty	173.8
Sharon Ridge	172.68
Elaine Ruscoe	138.73
Colette Watts	103
Annette Fox	98.9
Sarah Findlay	93.2
Melissa Baynham	90.69
Louise Goodgame	71.9
Stephanie Edwards	66.9
Jit Kaur	11
Joanne Wheatley	3.9
Cassie Weaver	1.9
Total	2,669.04

Advanced Group	
Name	Total KM
Debbie Osborne	782.3
Manie Toor	705.2
Amanda Osborne	577.32
Jo Jones	558.62
Harj Sahota	503.29
Sonia Hayward	464.5
Sukie Pritchard	457.6
Rachael Shankland	452.1
Paul Flewitt	429.2
Dawn Rides	424.7
Nicola Flavell	423
Emma Aspinall	402.9
Graham Griffiths	391.4
Sam Thompson	382.47
Pardip Purewal	320.56
Gayle Gardner	319.1
Hayley Flewitt	304.7
Helen Sharrott	288.9
Karen Litherland	285.6
Andrea Davies	260.5
Jane Fowler	253.7
Richard MacKenzie	249.4
Helen Carroll	211.2
Laura Newton	182.9
Sushma Vegad	176.2
Michael Dzioba	161.1
Alison Clifford	149.91
Gemma Jackson	104.8
Syla Rees	71.4
Gareth Simmill	55.9
Kerry Pritchard	55.8
Carol Rose	51.1
Emma Smith	44.4
Bhupinder Bhopal	19.8
Kirsty Tweed	10.1
Karen Vincent	3.39
Total	10,535.06

"Just want to say I am really enjoying the lockdown challenge, it gives you a real incentive to get up and get out, especially when you work from home."

Across the 2 month challenge, the 2 groups covered a total of **13,204.1km**. Love2Shop e-codes were issued as prizes to the top 15 participants in each group.



"Like a lot of people, I was really struggling in January. As well as some family problems, the 3rd lockdown just seemed one too many for me and I was genuinely concerned that I was becoming depressed. I have always enjoyed walking as a way of keeping fit and controlling my weight but I just couldn't motivate myself to stick to a regime this time.

This challenge came along at the perfect time for me. The weather was really cold during the first couple of weeks and if I wasn't part of the challenge, I definitely wouldn't have walked as much as I did. I surprised myself with how many miles I clocked up during that 1st week and I was determined to keep it up."