



DG 1210 NEWSLETTER



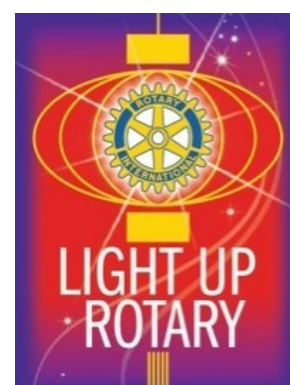
Welcome to the New Rotary Year

This year's challenge is
to Light Up Rotary

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

I would like to thank everyone who attended the District Handover and I hope you enjoyed it as much as Ron and myself. Ron is now finding it very amusing being the District Governor's Partner and the neighbours are beginning to talk, as I get picked up most nights by different men in different cars as I start my club visits. As at the end of July I have completed 16 visits.

I started my year by going to London where Ron and I boarded the Elizabethan boat on the River Thames to attend the Handover of the RIBI



President, Peter King. Then it was back to attend Ellesmere Regatta on Sunday, both of which were thoroughly enjoyable events and I must admit I have not stopped enjoying myself since.

The next social event I attended was Wednesbury Carnival and what a surprise I had in store when I entered the gates. I did not imagine it would be such a huge event.



At one point I felt that I was living in Wolverhampton as I made the journey down there 5 times in 10 days, attending: the annual Pre Tour Concert of the Wolverhampton Youth Orchestra, the Wolverhampton Young Citizen of The Year Award and a Joint Celebration of the New Presidents of 9 clubs from that area. Two of these were new events and both proved to be very successful, the Young Citizen Award taking the place of the annual Tom Warren Dinner and what a wonderful idea the Joint Celebration of the New Presidents turned out to be. We are undoubtedly starting to 'Breathe New Life into Rotary' throughout our District.

Winners Celebrate at
Ellesmere Regatta



RIBI President Peter King will be visiting the District on the 3rd and 4th of November. He will be speaking at RC of Blythe Bridge on Monday 3rd November and then at lunchtime at the RC of Wolverhampton on the 4th November. Both clubs will be sending out invites nearer the time. In the meantime, I have a plea for help! If any club has a project that they think would be suitable for President Peter to visit - bearing in mind the weather - then please do let me know.

Joint Presidents'
Evening

I am happy to report that I have attended the induction of 2 new members. Please can I ask that you let me and Brian Reilly know about any new members as I would like to send a letter of welcome.



As I go around the clubs I am delighted to see that so many of you appear to be considering holding a Rotary Day. Furthermore, I am pleased that I have already been able to present two awards. One to RC of Ellesmere for their Regatta and one to the RC of Wednesbury for their Carnival Day. It is fantastic to give an award that is for having fun in the community and I hope that in the future there will be many more to follow.



The planning of District Conference is going really well and although numbers are good, Rtn John Sayer is still taking registrations. So if you thought you were too late I am pleased to say you are not. I've also been informed there are a few places left for the Golf Competition.

We are planning to have lots of fun and fellowship in Llandudno, a venue that we have not visited for 6 years. So see you all there!

Top: Carnival Day at Wednesbury

Bottom: Rotary Day Award Wednesbury

*Yours in Rotary,
Lynne*

Dates for your Diary

Rotary Conferences 2014/15

- ▶ **District Conference**, Venue Cymru – Llandudno, **26th - 28th September 2014**
rotary1210.org
- ▶ **RIBI Conference**, Waterfront Conference Centre – Belfast, **10th - 12th April 2015**
ribi.org/2015conference
- ▶ **Rotary International Convention** – Sao Paulo, **6th - 9th June 2015**
rotary.org

District Meetings & Events

August

- ▶ **V Fest Tent Collection** 19th - 20th
- ▶ **RYLA** 24th - 29th
- ▶ **RYLA Talent Night** 28th

September

- ▶ **Special District Council Meeting** – Penkridge. 1st
- ▶ **Youth Service Rally** 9th
- ▶ **Disabled Sports Day** 14th

October

- ▶ **Vocational Service Rally** 8th

November

- ▶ **Trentham Bonfire** 7th
- ▶ **Foundation Seminar** 10th
- ▶ **District Council** 18th

**“It is better to light
a single candle
than sit and curse
the darkness”**

-CONFUCIUS

NB: If clubs would like to advertise forthcoming functions as part of my newsletter, please contact me at marshall.lynne@gmail.com before the 25th of the month.