



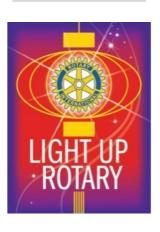


Rotary Club of Dudley tells District Governor to get on your bike!

Dear Fellow Rotarians.

While greatly enjoying my club visits, 28 at the end of August, I have also attended the official opening of the new conservatory at Rotary House. Rotary House is run by the Rotary Club of Dudley and provides sheltered accommodation for the elderly. This really demonstrates Rotary at its best, carrying out fantastic work for the benefit of local communities.

This year's challenge is to Light Up Rotary



Whilst at the Rotary Club of Dudley I heard about a cycle ride that is to take place in September. Rtn David Attwood is planning a sponsored cycle ride from Lands End to John O'Groats to raise money for the End Polio Now Campaign. He will be leaving Lands End on Sunday 7th September and will complete his epic cycle ride on Tuesday 16th September. I am sure you all join me in wishing him every success. If you want to see him as he passes through our district to cheer him on or even ride along with him, please see his schedule at the end of this newsletter. The President and I along with some members of the Rotary Club of Dudley are planning to meet him on Tuesday 9th September as he stops overnight in Market Drayton. Good luck David!

The last week in August is always special as it is the RYLA Camp, which is held at Kibblestone Scout Camp. I spent an afternoon being shown round the campsite and seeing the facilities. We are so lucky to have these facilities in our own district.



Enjoying the food at RYLA

RYLA candidate - Paulina - receiving award



On the Thursday evening I joined other Rotarians at what can only be described as 'RYLAs Got Talent Night' as all the young people and their mentors provided some great entertainment. A fantastic and fun filled night was certainly had by all. For me this is one of the things that we excel at in this district, working with young people, to help them grow in self-confidence and help them prepare for the future. The camaraderie between these young people by the Thursday evening was truly wonderful. I felt honoured to be able to give these young people the recognition they fully deserve. I believe this District can be very proud of our

RYLA Camp and I would like to say a big thank you on behalf of us all to Rtn David Roberts and his team for their incredible enthusiasm and hard work. Well done!

Finally, District Conference is now less than 4 weeks away and hope you are all ready to put your glad rags on and have a good time.

Looking forward to being with you all in Llandudno.

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, <u>Waterfront Conference Centre Belfast</u>, 10th 12th April 2015 ribi.org/2015conference
- Rotary International Convention Sao Paulo, 6th 9th June 2015 rotary.org

District Meetings & Events

September

- Special District Council Meeting Penkridge 1st
- > Youth Service Rally 9th
- Disabled Sports Day 14th

October

- Vocational Service Rally 8th
- Rotary Club of Walsall Last Night at the Proms 11th
- Rotary Club of Stafford Castle Charter Night 18th
- Rotary Club of the Wrekin Charter Night 25th
- Rotary Club of Uttoxeter Charter Night 25th

November

- ▶ RIBI President Peter King visits District 3rd to 4th
- Trentham Fireworks 7th
- District Foundation Seminar 10th
- Rotary Club of the Wrekin Fashion Show & Clothes Sale @ The Belmont Hall, Wellington 15th
- District Officers Team Meeting 17th
- District Council 18th

"A day without laughter is a day wasted"

-CHARLIE CHAPLIN

December

Rotary Club of Etruria - Big Breakfast - 2nd

NB: If clubs would like to advertise forthcoming functions as part of my newsletter, please contact me at <a href="mailto:mailto

David's Route...

Sunday 7th September

LAND'S END - Penzance - Camborne - Newquay - Wadebridge - Camelford - Davidstow - Maxworthy - Holsworthy - HATHERLEIGH

Monday 8th September

HATHERLEIGH - Chulmleigh - Witheridge - Tiverton - Bampton - Wiveliscombe - Taunton - Othery - Street - Wells - Chewton Mendip - Chew Magna - Long Ashton - Leigh Woods - Cribbs Causeway - Over River Severn - CHEPSTOW

Tuesday 9th September

CHEPSTOW - Monmouth - Hereford - Leominster - Ludlow - Bromfield - Diddlebury - Much Wenlock - Broseley - Sutton Maddock - Shifnal - Sheriffhales - Newport - MARKET DRAYTON

Wednesday 10th September

MARKET DRAYTON - Audlem - Nantwich - Middlewich - Northwich - Lostock Gralam - Moss End - High Legh - Warburton - Culcheth - Ashton-in-Makerfield - Abram-Ince-in-Makerfield - Standish - Bamber Bridge - Broughton - Garstang - Lancaster - CARNFORTH

Thursday 11th September

CARNFORTH - Milnthorpe - Kendal - Watchgate - Penrith - Salkeld Dykes - Scale Houses - Castle Carrock - Brampton - Long Town - Gretna Green - Annan - DUMFRIES

Friday 12th September

DUMFRIES - Thornhill - Sanquhar - New Cumncock - Cumnock - Mauchline - Kilmarnock - Stewarton - Dunlop - Lugton - Howwood - Milton - GREENOCK

Saturday 13th September

GREENOCK - Dunoon - Rashfield - Strachur - St Catherine's - Cairndow - Inverary - Cladich - Stronmilchan - Bridge or Orchy - Ballachulish - FORT WILLIAM

Sunday 14th September

FORT WILLIAM – Brackletter – Invergarry – Fort Augustus – Invermoriston – Drumnadrochit – Milton – Balchraggan – Maryburgh – DINGWALL

Monday 15th September

DINGWALL - Alness - Bonar Bridge - Crask Inn - Altnaharra - Tongue - Coldbackie - BETTYHILL

Tuesday 16th September

BETTYHILL - Strathy - Melvich - Reay - Thurso - Castletown - Dunnet - Dunnet - Dunnet - Mey - Gills - JOHN O'GROATS