



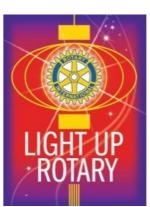




It's Official!

Dear Fellow Rotarians.

This month saw us heading over to Ellesmere twice. The first time for the 29th Charter of the Rotary Club of Ellesmere (pictured left), which they held in the Boat House and what a superb evening it was. It was well supported not



only by Rotarians from District 1210, but also Rotarians from across the border in District 1180 and I was honoured to give the toast to the club. Thank you for a really enjoyable evening.

The second event was to present the Charter to the Interact Club of Ellesmere College (main cover picture above). We had a lovely lunch at the College with Rotarians from RC of Ellesmere, The Headmaster, members of staff from the college, and members of the Interact Club before presenting them with their Charter. It was a very enjoyable event, proud to have been able to make this presentation in my year as DG and I feel sure that the Interact Club of Ellesmere College will go on to achieve great success. I am sure you all join me in wishing them every success in the future. Congratulations to them and to the RC of Ellesmere.

February sees the start of our Youth Competitions and I have attended one of the Young Chef Semi Finals and I also attended the Young Chef District Final. The cooking standard displayed by these young chefs was extremely high and I am glad that I was not one of the judges, but there had to be two winners and they were Jessica Broom sponsored by the RC of Brewood and Hattie Williams sponsored by the RC of Wem. Congratulations to them as they move forward to the Regional Final on the 14th March to be held at Builth Wells High School in Mid Wales.



DG Lynne & DGN John with the Young Chef Finalists

We wish them the best of luck but above all we hope they enjoy themselves. Ron and I will be there to cheer them on and we are looking forward to attending other youth competitions over the coming months.

Sadly, I was unable to attend the Telford Tree of Light cheque presentation at Shifnal due to a pesky chest infection, but I congratulate the clubs involved for a fantastic effort in raising almost £40K which was distributed to the selected charities on the night.

Mid month was the third General Council and I spent an interesting couple of days at Alcester. I cannot believe there is only one more General Council left in my year as DG. They say time flies when you are having fun!

On the 20th February we joined the RC of Blythe Bridge & District for their Presidents Night, where once again I was privileged to give the toast to the



Pres. Howard dancing with the Antill family

Rotary Club. This was a bit special for me, because

as the clubs past Assistant Governor I introduced President Howard to the Club and as they say, the rest is history. Looking back I am sure that neither one of us would have ever imagined we would be where we are today in Rotary. The night then became even more special as 3 members were made Paul Harris Fellows. Our thanks to the club for an excellent night and we danced till midnight!



Pres. Harry receiving the Rotary Day Award

Finally on the 27th February we were at the Lindens with the RC of Sedgley & Wombourne for their Ladies night and this time I responded on behalf of the guests. It was a lovely evening, with a great comedian providing the after dinner entertainment. I was delighted to be able to present President Harry with a Rotary Day Award during the proceedings and we thank you for your kind invitation and warm hospitality.

Yours in Rotary, Lynne

Dates for your Diary

Rotary Conferences 2015

- RIBI Conference, Waterfront Conference Centre Belfast, 10th 12th April 2015
- Rotary International Convention Sao Paulo, 6th 9th June 2015
- District Conference Venue Cymru, Llandudno, 25th 27th September 2015

District Meetings & Club Events 2015

March

- Stoke On Trent South Jazz Brunch Keele Hall 12 noon to 4 pm 1st
 - Tickets £21 Brunch & 2 Jazz Bands
 - Contact Harry Mouat 01782 313874/321010 or winston.hathaway@sky.com
- Rotary Club of Ironbridge Annual Rex Bolton Lecture 5th
 - Speaker Stephen Drew of Medic Malawi
 - Contact Peter Nixon for info petergnixon45@gmail.com
- Youth Speaks Junior 9th
- Youth Speaks Senior 10th
- Young Chef Regional Final 14th
- > Young Musicians District Final Ercall Wood Tech. College Telford 15th
- Rotary Club of Telford Centre Barn Dance Hadley Learning Community 7 pm for 7:30 pm 20th
 - Dancing to Cat's Whiskers
 - Tickets £15 inc. finger buffet bring your own beer & wine
- Youth Speaks Regional Final

April

- ▶ Rotary Club of Ironbridge Barbershop Night RECKLESS _-SPOCK STAR TREK THE
 - Contact doug.bouynton@blueyonder.co.uk

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- Rotary Club of Tunstall Evening of Song 17th
 - The Daleian Singers guest soloist Denise Leigh
 - Contact for info 07815 176219 / 07889 026616

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