



# DG 1210 NEWSLETTER

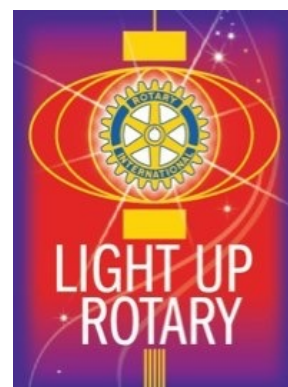


Centre - District Charirman Margaret. Right - National President Thelma. D21 Inner Wheel Rally

## On your marks, get set, go...

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

This month got off to an exciting start as we attended the Rotary Club of Brewood & District for a very special meeting, the induction of the first members of the new Brewood and District Satellite Club. Congratulations to all and to the Rotary Club of Brewood. I look forward to seeing the Satellite Club receive their charter in the near future.



Next on the agenda saw us flying over to Belfast for the RIBI Conference and it was really pleasing to see so many Rotarians from District 1210 in attendance. The conference was informative and engaging, the venue excellent, and we enjoyed our time in Belfast, with plenty of

good fellowship. In fact more fellowship than usual, as I celebrated my Birthday on the Sunday along with fellow District Governors and Rotarians from D1210 who undoubtedly made it one to remember. If you have never attended an RIBI Conference, I would highly recommend attending in the future.

This month I also attended a District Membership, Development and Retention Service Meeting and a District Youth Service Committee Meeting, all of which I thoroughly enjoyed.



**Brewood & District Satellite Club**

The second half of the month has seen a lot of District activity for Ron and I. On the 16<sup>th</sup> we attended District 21 Inner Wheel Rally (this month's cover photo) and as usual we were made very welcome by Chairman Margaret and were treated to afternoon tea. My thanks go to Chairman Margaret and the ladies of District 21 for their warm hospitality.

The 17<sup>th</sup> we were back in the Potteries for an Evening of Song with the Rotary Club of Tunstall, a fundraiser with all monies raised going to Prostate and Breast Cancer. It was a great evening of fun and music, featuring The Daleian Singers and guest Soloist Denise Leigh accompanied by her husband. The event was well attended by the local community and I was delighted to be able to present the club with a Rotary Day Award.

The following day we joined the Rotary Club of Kidsgrove for their 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Community Day. The afternoon was spent entertaining the local senior citizens and my goodness they do know how to enjoy themselves! There was a full programme of entertainment, music, dancing, bingo and afternoon tea. Once again, I was delighted to present another well-earned Rotary Day Award.

Well done to all the members of the Rotary Club of Kidsgrove. A great example of what "doing good in the



**Rotary Club of Kidsgrove feeling the 60's groove!**



community” truly embodies and thank you for letting us share the day with you. A packed agenda then saw us heading over to Patshull Park Golf Club to join the Rotary Club of Dudley for their Ladies Evening. Again another fabulous night with President Pauline and the club members, good food, great company and plenty of dancing.



**RC of Dudley receiving the RIBI Best Club Bulletin Award**

We appear to be on somewhat of a roll as I was once again delighted to present the Rotary Club of Dudley with a Rotary Day Award for an event they had held earlier in the year. Although presenting a Rotary Day Award is always a special event, it was an exceptional pleasure to present the RIBI Award for the Best Club Bulletin that I proudly collected at the RIBI Conference on the Clubs behalf. Well done and thank you for a great evening!

The following morning saw us eagerly heading south to Bristol for the Regional Final of the RIBI Young Musicians Competition. This covered Districts 1060, 1100, 1150 and 1210. Unfortunately our two regional finalists did not go through to the National Finals, but they did themselves and D1210 proud. The winners were Lydia Kenny – Alto Saxophone from D1100 and Verity-Belle Atkinson – Vocals from D1150. It was a highly entertaining afternoon and well done to all those who took part.

We shared Monday 20<sup>th</sup> with the Rotary Club of Stone where we had a very interesting talk from a member of the club, Rtn. Phil Leason. Phil has twice been out to India to assist in Polio Immunisation Days and at the end of the evening President Len presented him with a surprise, a Paul Harris Fellowship for his outstanding endeavours. A great night and a well deserved award. Many congratulations Phil!



**Rtn. Phil receiving his PHF award**

On the 22<sup>nd</sup> I was kindly invited to attend a meeting with the Rotary Club of Audley. This was not one of their usual meetings as they also operate a Trust – administered in partnership with the Rotary Club of Newcastle-under-Lyme – where they distribute funds each year to four or five worthy local community causes such as schools and first responders. This meeting was made extra special as this year's recipients came along to thank the two clubs and also gave a brief talk. It was a very interesting evening indeed and I would like to again thank you for your kind invitation.

Wrapping things up on the 28<sup>th</sup> we joined the Rotary Club of Blythe Bridge for a very interesting and inspiring talk by Afghanistan War Veteran, Ex –Royal Marine & Triple Amputee, Mark Ormrod. If its motivation you need then you cannot do better than to listen to Mark. An excellent and inspirational way to finish the month and to look forward to the next!

*Yours in Rotary,  
Lynne*

## Dates for your Diary

### Rotary Conferences 2015

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- ▶ Rotary International Convention – Sao Paulo, 6th - 9th June 2015
- ▶ District Conference - Venue Cymru, Llandudno, 25th - 27th September 2015

### District Meetings & Club Events 2015

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#### May

- ▶ Rotary Club of The Wrekin - Concert - 9th
  - Hadley Orpheus Male Voice Choir & Rotary Young Musicians @Ercall Wood Tech. College. 7:30 pm
  - Contact for info [robymtrebleclef@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:robymtrebleclef@blueyonder.co.uk)
- ▶ Youth Speaks National Final - Brentwood, Essex - 10th
- ▶ Rotary Club of Whitchurch - Charity Night - 12th & 13th
- ▶ Rotary Club of Audley - Roaring Twenties, Dinner & After Party - 16th
  - The Madeley Centre 7:00 p.m. - Tickets £21
- ▶ Young Musician National Final - Darwen, Lancs - 16th
- ▶ Rotary Club of Wolverhampton - Dragon Boat Race - 17th
- ▶ District Quiz Final - The Lindens, Wolverhampton - 21st
- ▶ District Council - Hatherton Hotel - 26th
- ▶ Rotary Club of The Wrekin - Big Breakfast - 30th
  - Salvation Army Corps. Oakengates.
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#### June

- ▶ Rotary Club of Ironbridge - 60th Charter Night - 4th
- ▶ Kids Out - Drayton Manor Park & Westport Lake - 10th
- ▶ Young Photographer - Ironbridge - 16th

**“At times our light goes out  
and is rekindled by a spark  
from another person.  
Each of us has cause to  
think with deep gratitude of  
those who have lit the flame  
within us”**

**-ALBERT SCHWEITZER**

▶ **RIBI Prostate Cancer Cycle Ride - 21st**

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▶ **District Handover - Shrewsbury FC - 26th**

## **July**

▶ **Joint Incoming Presidents Evening - 3rd**

- **Ramada Park Hall Hotel - £25 per head - Meal & Entertainment**
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NB: If clubs would like to advertise forthcoming functions as part of my newsletter, please contact me at [marshall.lynne@gmail.com](mailto:marshall.lynne@gmail.com) before the 25th of the month.