



DG 1210 NEWSLETTER

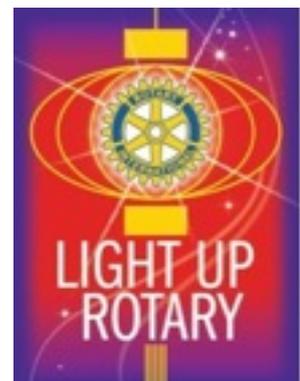


Boscobel Oaks receiving their Rotary Day Award

Pick'n mix!

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

This month has been a mixture of various events and functions, starting out with one of the most important Training Days for the District, the District Assembly. It was a pleasure to open the Assembly and hand over the proceedings to DGE Richard, before heading off down the motorway to Essex for the National Final of the Youth Speaks Competition. By all accounts it does look like an exciting year ahead under the leadership of DGE Richard, and I'm looking forward to what will undoubtedly be a very enjoyable and fun Conference in Llandudno.





Arriving at Brentwood in Essex for the National Final of Youth Speaks, D1210 had a team in the Seniors Section, Adams Grammar School from Newport and they did themselves, their school and D1210 proud! Although they did not win, they did come away with a trophy, as Adil Ali won the award for the best chairman. Well done one and all!

National Youth Speaks Final

On the 14th we joined the Rotary Club of Stafford Knot for their 20th Charter celebrations. It was a night full of surprises. I was given the pleasure of inducting a new member into the club and then assisting with the awarding of two Paul Harris Fellowships. The surprises did not end there, as I presented PDG David Williams with a Paul Harris Sapphire Pin. How they managed to keep all of this a secret I do not know! It was a really enjoyable evening with good food, good company and a great after dinner speaker. Thank you so much for inviting us.



Rn David Williams receiving his Sapphire Pin and President Stuart Perren

The 16th and 17th was spent in Alcester at my final General Council, as such I was joined by the District Governor Elect to aid a smooth transition as we look to the year ahead.

My next stop was the Provisional Rotary Club of Boscobel Oaks (this month's cover image). I was there to present them with a Rotary Day Certificate for the Dog Walk Event that they organised, an event that really raised the public's awareness of Rotary and my goodness what enthusiasm and energy this group has. To hear what they have achieved in the name of Rotary and the funds they have raised for good causes is truly inspirational. Keep up the good work and I am sure it will not be long before we see you receiving your Charter.



Rotary Club of Audley - Winner of the District Quiz

21st May was the Final of the District Quiz. It was the first time that Ron or myself had been to the Final and now I know why, lets just say the questions were not the easiest. The winners were the Rotary Club of Audley, congratulations to them and a big thank you to all those involved with the organisation of this wonderful event and also to those that took part. A special thank you to Geoff Lowndes and Ed Isaacs for organising this event over so many years. They are now looking for Rotarians to take over from 1st July 2016, interested parties please contact Geoff or Ed directly.

Finally it was off to Manchester to attend a Growth Opportunities Seminar ("GO"). This was mainly to learn more about the new style clubs, such as Satellite, Innovative and Flexible, e-clubs etc. but it also covered the issues of retention and ideas on attracting new members. It was nice to share this event with DGN John Sayer and PDG Trevor Davies who also attended - a thought provoking end to the month.

*Yours in Rotary,
Lynne*

Dates for your Diary

Rotary Conferences 2015

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

District Meetings & Club Events 2015

June

- ▶ Rotary Club of Ironbridge - 60th Charter Night - 4th
- ▶ Kids Out - Drayton Manor Park & Westport Lake - 10th
- ▶ Young Photographer - Ironbridge - 16th
- ▶ Rotary Club of Ellesmere - Concert in Aid of End Polio Now - 19th
 - Ellesmere Collage 7 pm for 7:30 pm - Tickets £10 inc. glass of wine or soft drink - contact Bill Hitchen Tel: 01691 624 974
- ▶ RIBI Prostate Cancer Cycle Ride - 21st
 - Contact David Attwood - attwood1@btconnect.com Tel: 01384 825 412 or Mike Herbert - mike.herbert@stmodwen.co.uk Tel: 01270 569 068
- ▶ District Handover - Shrewsbury FC - 26th

July

- ▶ Joint Incoming Presidents Evening - 3rd
 - Ramada Park Hall Hotel - £25 per head - Meal & Entertainment
 - Contact for info ken.dolman@talk21.com or rkstolz@hotmail.com

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.

“Tact is the ability to tell someone to go to hell in such a way they look forward to the trip”

-WINSTON CHURCHILL