

Newsletter



Members' Newsletter

Latest news from around the Isles

Welcome to our members' newsletter, bringing you news from across **Rotary International in Great Britain and Ireland**. Please note that some links may require sign in to the members' section of the website.

In this newsletter, you will find the following:

- **Rotary Ride.** Returning for 2017, and this time... it's purple.
- **ShelterBox.** Our project partner is working with local Rotarians to respond to the earthquake in Italy.
- **Conference.** More speakers have been added to the programme for Manchester.
- **Magazine.** Exciting opportunities to get involved with Rotary magazine.
- **Convention.** Celebrate 100 years of The Rotary Foundation in Atlanta.
- **Fellowships.** Head to New Zealand to celebrate the World Festival of Cricket.

Rotary Ride Goes Purple

Now in its third year, Rotary Ride is back but this time things are turning purple. As part of the Rotary Foundation centennial celebrations and Rotary's Purple4Polio campaign, this year's ride will be raising money for End Polio. Now to help in the final push to finally eradicate polio from the world.



Rotary Ride has already proved to be a great success and now is your chance to come together and get on your bikes to help Rotary accomplish its biggest achievement.

Keep your eyes peeled over the next few weeks when we will be announcing the date and sending out everything you need to help plan your 2017 Rotary Ride including details of how to register your event. In the mean time, start thinking about how you could get involved and don't hesitate to get in touch with pr@rotarygbi.org with any questions.

ShelterBox Responds In Italy

Following the deadly earthquake which hit Italy earlier this week, Rotary project partner

ShelterBox has mobilised a response team and has headed to the quake zone.

ShelterBox are working with local Rotarians in order to provide essential support and resources to the area.

For updates from ShelterBox please keep an eye on its [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) feeds. Any information from Rotary in these Isles regarding donations will be shared in due course.



Conference - Thank Your Lucky Stars

We are excited to announce that Britain's most loved astrologer and TV personality Russell Grant will be speaking at the 92nd annual Rotary in Great Britain & Ireland conference next April! Well known for his horoscope readings and appearance on BBC's Strictly Come Dancing, Russell is also an Ambassador for Alzheimer's Research and a Patron of Dementia UK. Jump aboard the Rotary



Express and [register today](#) to join Russell and a whole host of [inspiring and entertaining speakers](#), including Paralympian, broadcaster and polio survivor Ade Adepitan.

Don't miss out on your chance to book tickets to what promises to be a truly spectacular evening with Welsh superstar mezzo-soprano classical crossover singer [Katherine Jenkins OBE](#) who will be singing for Rotary conference delegates in a stunning concert! Advanced tickets are available now for registered Rotary conference delegates. Look out for details in your Conference Registration confirmation email after you have registered.

If all the above isn't enough for you, there will also be the 10 year anniversary celebrations of the Rotary Young Citizen Awards where winners from the past decade are invited back to tell us what they have been up to since winning. We promise a variety of [entertainment and functions](#) to tickle your fancy, a buzzing Community Showcase, the Rotaract Conference and many more exciting activities to get involved with!

Don't miss out on the special Early Bird discount and [register now](#) to be part of something special!

Get Involved With Rotary Magazine

We have a number of exciting opportunities available to Rotary members to get involved with our official magazine.

Calling all journalists

Are you a journalist or work in copy writing? If so, we need you! Rotary is the national magazine of Rotary International

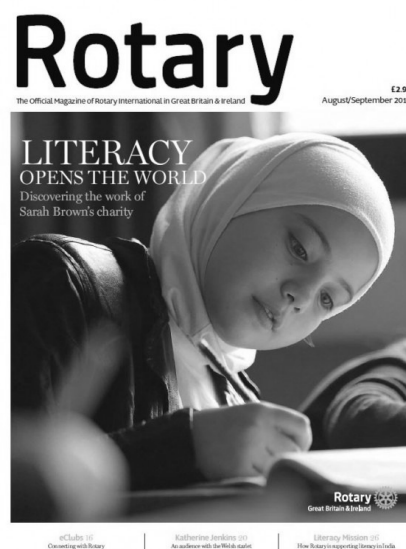
in Great Britain and Ireland and we're looking for on the ground, field journalists who can help supply us with stories straight from the Districts.

Each edition features an exciting array of news and features, from high profile interviews to local club projects and the editor needs a team of contributors, who have a background in media writing and a nose for a story, to tell us what's the big news happening across the country.

If that sounds like something you'd like to get involved in email pr@rotarygbi.org to find out more.

Advertising

Rotarians can also advertise their business in the publication. With a readership of 53,000, there is an audience waiting to be explored. For rates and specifications, please see the Rotary magazine **2016/17 Media Pack** or contact our advertising agency **Media Shed Ltd.**



RI Convention In Atlanta



Rotary International is preparing to host one of the greatest parties in its history; **The Atlanta Convention** (June 10-14, 2017). It will celebrate The Rotary Foundation's Centenary and one hundred years of service to communities, doing good throughout the world.

Expect spectacular, jaw-dropping and emotive opening and closing ceremonies, plenary sessions featuring some of Rotary's foremost speakers, breakout and workshop sessions on every conceivable theme and major project, a massive Hall of Friendship highlighting the multitude of Rotary activities, fellowship throughout (of course) and the full-on Rotary experience that can only be enjoyed at a world convention.

So, it's going to be the place to be for every Rotarian in June 2017. To find out more and book your place, visit the **Convention website**. Early registration discounts close on 15th December 2016, so don't miss out!

Fellowships

The International Fellowship for Cricket Loving Rotarians is now taking names of Rotarians, their family, friends and potential Rotarians wanting to take part in the 9th World Festival of Cricket in Christchurch, New Zealand from Sunday January 22nd to 28th.

With tours being organised before and after the festival, wyo not enjoy the cricket, travel and hospitality?

For further information about the tour to New Zealand or becoming a member of the fellowship please contact either tour organiser **Keith Hopkins** (phone 07715 052718) or Chairman **Rupert Cox**. You can also visit the fellowship **website**.



About this newsletter

This newsletter is **sent to over 39,000 members, honorary members and Rotaract Club Presidents** within Great Britain and Ireland who have a valid email address on the Rotary International (RI) database. If **Club Secretaries** are aware of members with an email address who are not on the RI database, please add their details.

