# NEWSLETTER

# **District 1210**

Rotary

# A Message From District Governor, Carol Reilly

#### Hi Everyone,

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Welcome to the June Newsletter, "Rotary Fellowships Month", let's celebrate 'Our Foundation' and what it can do to achieve this. The first week of June was also Volunteer week.

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I would personally like to *THANK, YOU and YOUR PARTNERS* for the hard work and dedication put into this organisation to 'Make a Difference' in our communities. I have been blown away by the variety of projects across the Avenues of Service.

This my final edition which presents a mix of news from Rotary International, Rotary in Great Britain and Ireland together with examples of Rotarians in D1210 "Making that Difference", whilst having lots of FUN and FELLOW-SHIP. I would like to acknowledge all the New Members and newly awarded Paul Harris Fellows this month. Additionally, I pass on my sincere condolences to those Clubs and families who have lost members over recent months.

In respect of membership, it is unfortunate that this Rotary year will have seen 4 Clubs, Stoke South, Penkridge, Albrighton and District and Endon Stockton Brook decide to close, however it is pleasing that not all the members have left our organisation as many have transferred to other clubs. A special Thank you to all associated with those clubs for your many years of "Service Above Self".

This is a sign of the times and we rapidly need to do something, everyone has a lot more awareness of the need for change, to make Rotary an organisation for the 21st Century and beyond. Can I encourage you all to try new things? There is a place for tradition and new ways of working within our organisation. Many clubs are proving this on a day to day basis. RIBI are committed to Rotary 2 going forward, in these islands developing project-based Rotary to be exciting and innovative. District 1210 is playing a part in this going forward as the Health Awareness Day video was launched this month, but we must do more.

This last month is again busy with visits to events to which I thank all clubs for inviting and hosting me, such as Crucial Crew offering insight and learning to local primary schools. A project that really does work in partnership with local organisations. It also brings Clubs in the District together as Rotarians give of their personal time. The RC Kidsgrove secured funding for a project that brings our young and older people together, you can read more as you go through this newsletter. "Joined Up Rotary".

It was a pleasure to personally meet and greet cars and their teams at Trentham Gardens, during "The Rotary Grand Tour Rally" to raise awareness and funds to **End Polio Now**, a huge success and publicity opportunity from cars coming through our District. Thank you to all involved. A total of 29 cars passed through our check point.

As the year almost comes to an end, I look forward to Rotary International Convention, and singing in the choir with the International Fellowship of Rotarian Musicians, along with and promoting our Health Awareness to Drive Membership Model at one of the Breakout sessions.

I hope that many of you will be at our District Handover, so that I can personally thank you, if however, you cannot make it may I once again thank you all for your friendship and support during my year as District Governor. I have many memories that I will cherish for many years to come. I close by wishing DGE Ashlev Grav and his team Good Luck and every success for the Rotary year 2018/19, where Rotarians will 'Be the Inspiration'.

Whatever motivation each of us had for joining Rotary, it is the satisfaction we find that causes us to remain, the satisfaction of knowing that week by week, year by year, we are part of Rotary: Making a Difference. We are the People of Action.

Thank you,

Carol.



June 2018 with DG Carol

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## Staffordshire Ironman:

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Rotarians from across the District were up at the crack of dawn to Marshall, Steward and assist with many different tasks at this years event.

Teams from many different clubs helped with the distribution of Snacks and Drinks at different points over the 70 Kilometre course and many thanks to Rotarian Janet Stubbs for once again co-ordinating the teams who worked so hard.

This year approximately 2300 competitors took to the event which started with swimming at Chasewater, Cycling around the roads of Staffordshire and finishing with running in Shugborough finishing up at Stafford Market Square

Rotary Clubs receive a payment of £30 per member assisting for distributing to charities that the clubs and members choose.

District Governor Carol was on hand to assist her own club at Marsh Farm, Uttoxeter Road, Rugeley by passing out Isotonic Drinks to those wanting them and thanks everyone for giving up their time on a Sunday morning.

There was plenty of Snack bars and Bananas left over which were donated to causes within Staffordshire so nothing was wasted.



# Out and About with DG Carol



## Rotary "Making A Difference" Through Partnerships.



Rotary Club of Kidsgrove Visit The Arlewas Arboretum, thanks to the Co-Op.

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On the 74th anniversary of D-day, RC Kidsgrove took two full coaches for a visit to the Arboretum. Local pensioners, Steve from Tri Services, a group of pupils from Kings School, staff from Whitehill Co-op and an escort from the Royal British Legion veteran Bikers Group made an impressive entrance. The project could take place because we bid for money, as a charity, to the Co-op members scheme which donates a percentage of every penny spent using their membership card, to charities people choose. Rotary Kidsgrove was one of those.

Everyone visited the chapel on arrival for a small Remembrance service and The Last Post, then had a ride on the land train round the amazing site showing hundreds of war related memorials. A sit down lunch in a splendid marquee topped off the visit.

The trip showed how working with other major companies and groups in the community can lead to wonderful projects and enhance community spirit.

The club were also joined by DG Carol Reilly must also thank Rotarian Sylvia Dymond for her great organising skills in building the event following her application to the Coop. The bid raised over £3,000 to pay for projects created by Rotarians in Kidsgrove, enabling high school pupils and pensioners to come together and bridge the age gap.

We have also had a lunch at the Kings school Bistro, provided and served by pupils to local older folk. Both groups sat and talked with each other at the end of the wonderful meal. Another youth project we created was a quiz and evening meal with our Rotarians and young people from the Clubs created with lan Atherton's Staffordshire Youth Project. This was part of our youth theme this year.

Rotarian Cressida Dickens is also happy to speak with any Rotarian who wishes for more information on The Co-Op scheme which made this day happen.

# ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 1210

DISTRICT GOVERNOR CAROL REILLY





Crocus Corns Ordering 2018 Deadline 31.07.2018 Order forms were sent out via district weekly news.

# **Purple for Polio Merchandise**

### Now available to purchase directly from D1210.

DG Carol Reilly and AG Malcolm Hallewell have agreed to assist the sales of Merchandise for the campaign locally and will also be attending other Districts to promote the sales of items that are available.

> Full list of items available can be viewed at https://endpolionowguernseyshop.org

Orders can then be placed with Carol or Malcolm

cereilly50@gmail.com or

lionshome@yahoo.co.uk

## District Young Photographer Final.

This years final presentation evening was held at The Barr Beacon School, kindly arranged by the RC Aldridge on Thursday 7th June.

There was a display of 45 photographs from individual entries which this year had attracted over 1000 entries and a number of portfolio entries from primary schools.

District Governor Carol Reilly along with the competition organisers Janet and David Stubbs presented the prizes and certificates to the entrants. This year over 1000 photographs had been entered for the competition.

All attendees were invited to on their vote personal own favourite photograph from the display where winner the shown below was selected.



# D1210 Welcomes: <u>To Rotary Membership.</u>



### Jean Daniel - RC Leek

Total new members reported to DG Carol in 2017/2018 - 75

# Congratulations 1

I am delighted to be able to confirm that Rotarian Neil Phillips has been awarded the British Empire Medal in the Queens's Birthday Honours. This is in recognition of Neil's work as "volunteer and fundraiser for Uttoxeter First Responders and for services to the emergency care". Neil was awarded

Honorary Membership of RC-Uttoxeter in recognition of his work that lead to establishing Uttoxeter First Responders.



Neil with AG Peter Broadbent and President David Rushton

# **Congratulations 2**

To both the Rotary Clubs of Aldridge and Eccleshall Mercia for being nominated and awarded The Youth Service Award



by The International Fellowship of Scouting Rotarians.

This award is made from the fellowship to nominated clubs for their involvement with local Scout Groups, both clubs have recently been sent their awards.

# Conference 2018

# ACC Liverpool 12th to 14th October 2018

Geoff Miller - England and Derby Cricketer and Test Team Selector

Tony Hawks - The Moldovan Child Care Centre

Intermediate Youth Speaks Finalists Shrewsbury High School

End Polio Now Merchandise

**Mathews Merchandise** 

Buddy Bag Packing

Aqua Box Challenge

Saturday 10.00am - 12.00 Noon 2.00pm - 4.00pm

Sunday 10.00am - 1.00pm