

R Rotary



Man from Mars, No, District Governor Neil

The District Governor Writes

My Friends in Rotary

Time marches on and we are now three quarters of the way through the last year of the first century of Rotary Service above Self. The Charter Season is now well advanced and I have enjoyed the fellowship and hospitality of 35 clubs so far. Lisa has accompanied me on several occasions and sends her thanks.

Monies still trickle in for Polio Eradication and District 1220, with just short of £116,000 donated so far, is second in total and one of only three Districts in which every club has donated in R.I.B.I. - well done everyone! The response to my appeal for the Iran earthquake disaster has reached almost £6,000 for Aquabox with the Erewash Group of Clubs collecting a sizeable amount for Shelterbox.

Whilst mentioning Aquabox, Frank Lund of Wirksworth has circulated clubs with an appeal for "hands on" assistance over two shifts on Saturday mornings. This project is getting larger and is continually called upon from all over the world - it is the flagship of District 1220 - so if you can spare an occasional couple of hours on a firm commitment - say once a month or so - please contact Frank at the Wirksworth Club.

D.G.E. John and Shirley are now home from Anaheim with the new Theme "Celebrate Rotary". At the time of writing we haven't seen the blazer or tie but no doubt they will soon be unveiled.

Clubs should now be preparing for their assemblies with the incoming Presidents' teams setting out next year's programmes.

The 2004 Council on Legislation (14th -18th June 2004) looms and our representative, P.D.G. Peter Swift, will be holding a seminar on 11th May 2004 at the Mansfield Civic Centre, start time 7:15 pm, to give us all an insight into the finalised proposed enactments. If anyone would like prior details, the six AG's, all have a CD which sets out the provisional enactments and they will be pleased to give you details. Remember, this Triennial Council is the only way in which you can have an input into the governing of Rotary International.

I was pleased to meet recently a group of prospective members for the proposed new Clubs of "Drone Valley" which the Rotary Club of Dronfield are hoping to sponsor. A few already knew quite a lot about our movement and I have high hopes of a new club being formed in the not too distant future. My thanks to Drs. Tony and Jill Bethell for hosting these early meetings.

We, the Pilgrims Dream Team, still have three months to "Lend a Hand" and I know that many projects are still on going. I wish you all well. I still have the R.I.B.I. Conference (Bournemouth 22nd - 26th April) and the R.I. Convention in Osaka (23rd - 26th May) so I still have much to look forward to.

I also look forward to hearing what and how you have been doing via the nominations forms for District Trophies which you will be receiving soon - remember, it is from these returns from you that I will make my decision for the awards which will take place on Change - Over Night 2nd July 2004 at the Royal Regency Rooms, Ilkeston - remember the date!

Continue **find the need, then do the deed** as we move towards the Centenary.

Sincerely Yours in Rotary Friendship and Fellowship

REVIEW

LEND A HAND

AQUABOX

Are there any Rotarians who could spare time, on a Saturday morning on a rota basis, to assist with the filling and loading of Aquabox's at their Cromford Hill Depot. They require three people from 8:00 am to 10:00 am on the first shift and two people on the second overlapping shift from 9:00 am to 11:00 am. Further information is contained within the article "Aquabox - An Invitation on page : 3.

If you can help please contact :
Rotarian Frank Lund - Project Chairman
Telephone : 0162 982 2036

RAINBOWS HOSPICE



Help change this into Ecogarden

Are there any Rotarians who could spare time to help with the "Central news Ecogarden" which will evolve over the next twelve months to create a peaceful area for children, their family, friends and the Rainbows staff to enjoy.

With the countryside diminishing, gardens form the largest nature reserve in Britain. This project will show "gardeners" how to work with climate change and how to attract wildlife regardless of garden size.

If you are able to volunteer for a few hours then please contact Richard Porter Telephone : 0150 963 8000 to make the necessary arrangements.

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EXTRACTS FROM DISTRICT ASSEMBLY ADDRESS

JOHN KIRKLAND - DISTRICT GOVERNOR ELECT



In the Centenary Year of Rotary RI President will be Glen Estess Sr. of the Rotary Club of Shades Valley – Alabama, District 6860.

Glenn is well qualified having joined Rotary in 1960 and since that time he has held many senior positions in Rotary International.

The Rotary theme for the year is "Celebrate Rotary" – 100 Years emphasised by the theme "Service above Self".

The Year will be a **"Year of - Consolidation and Continuity"** with the

first and main ambition, for 2004/05, to Succeed in the Eradication of Polio and to carry on with the projects started by this year's President Jonathan Majiyagbe. The other areas of emphasis are the following: -

Health

- Incorporating health concerns such as HIV/AIDS
- Eye Care - Blindness
- Lack of Pre Natal Care

Water Management

- One Billion people do not have access to safe water.
- 6000 children die every day because of impure drinking water and sanitation**

Literacy

- A staggering 2 Billion people cannot read or Write.

That is nearly one in three people in the world who cannot read or write.

The Family of Rotary

- A family that includes Foundation Scholars
- Group Study Exchange Students
- Interactors
- Rotaractors
- Youth Exchange Students and participants in RYLA.

A family that inspires Fellowship and involvement.



The RIBI President in the Centenary Year will be Gordon McNally of the Rotary Club of South Queensferry, District 1020. Gordon will be the youngest ever President of RIBI at 46 years young! His theme will be Rotary's theme "Service above Self" with the title "The Tartan Army". Apparently Gordon's Family Tartan is the Buchanan Tartan.

President Gordon has two preferred projects which are the following :-

First Responders

- A partnership between RIBI and Lifesavers which aims to raise awareness of the issues surrounding Cardiac Disease
- Influence the creation of Community First Responder Groups

Rotary's Africa Hope

- In conjunction with Hope and Homes for Children will support orphans of HIV/AIDS and genocide in Rwanda and South Africa.

District ambitions for the year ahead :-

As a result of a series of meetings with the Club Centennial Officers it was established that Clubs preferred to major on Club events. The following projects were established as the only events that District should undertake.



Delegates at first plenary session

District Centenary - Llandudno Sept 10th to 12th 2004
Conference

Centenary Service - Derby Cathedral Sunday February 27th 2005

"Celebrate Rotary" - Royal Concert Hall Saturday March 12th 2005
Concert Nottingham.

Club's ambitions for the year ahead :-

District will continue to have dialogue with Clubs regarding proposals for Rotary's 100th Birthday on Wednesday **23rd February 2005**. During the Centenary Year Clubs have decided to Celebrate Rotary individually or in groups of Clubs.

The programme and plans are the Clubs to determine. The District Assembly is therefore extremely important as your Club prepares for this special Centenary year and to take advantage of the latest knowledge your District Team have acquired at the recent RIBI Assembly.

I encourage you to have dialogue with the District team they are available to help as and when needed.

John Kirkland - District Governor Elect ambitions for the Centenary Year:-

To continue with the ongoing projects and challenges and consolidate with special consideration for the following :-

Foundation Capitation Goal - to be achieved by the Centenary year.

The slogan refers to the annual donation of Rotarians to enable the Foundation to achieve the level of funding that is required to satisfy the yearly estimated expenditure of the Humanitarian and Educational programmes.

Our District Capitation minimum target of £27.50 was approved at the last Foundation Seminar in November. Being the Rotary Charity it would be a tremendous achievement if we could beat our minimum contribution target per Rotarian - thereby achieving a substantial increase on last year.

Membership net retention - with a target of plus 60 for the District.

The challenge of Rotary International worldwide was to significantly increase membership by the Centennial Anniversary. The Centennial will create excitement with a lot of positive publicity. This should generate interest in Rotary among potential members, making the coming year an ideal time of opportunity to strengthen our membership. Your consideration and support of the two projects would be tremendous.

When Shirley and I were in Anaheim at the Rotary International Assembly for the District Governor's Elect Training as we entered the Hall to the Plenary Sessions was a notice reading "Enter to Learn". On leaving the Hall there was a second notice reading "Go forth to Serve".

I wish you Great Success as we Celebrate Rotary. Let us together make it a year to remember!

District News

LINK EVENING A NIGHT TO CELEBRATE FOUNDATION.

250 people enjoyed a very successful evening on March 11th at Ilkeston. The returning GSE team from Brazil gave an excellent insight into their experiences and it was obvious from the confidence of the team members and their comments the value of this programme. The five incoming scholars and the one outgoing scholar provided an entertaining interview session superbly conducted by BBC Radio Nottingham Colin Slater.



There were many humorous comments by all concerned which made great entertainment.

Paul Byers, the RIBI Foundation Chairman and his wife attended the evening and thoroughly enjoyed themselves. It

gave District 1220 a chance to show RIBI the very positive attitude to Rotary Foundation by our Clubs.

The evening concluded with an excellent talk given by Professor Paul Rogers, Peace Studies, Bradford University who gave us an insight into the workings and value of the Rotary Peace Scholarship Programme.

I want to take this opportunity to thank all those who took part in the evening and particularly Rotarian Brian Darlison for organising the event. I have been delighted to receive a large number of very positive comments about the evening and hope to improve on this next year.

Val Lindley - Foundation Chairman

IS ANY MEMBER IN YOUR CLUB WILLING TO BE AN AMBASSADORIAL COUNSELLOR THIS YEAR?

If you would like further details please contact Rotarian Terry Leivers
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AQUABOXES FOR IRAN



A large consignment of Aquaboxes have been delivered to the earthquake area of Iran on 8th January by Blythwood Care. They are a Presbyterian Aid organisation who insist on being allowed to stay and effectively monitor the use of the Aquaboxes as well as the Shelter Boxes from the Rotary Club of Helston.

The Methodist Missionary Society out of Belfast also sent a consignment of 290 boxes directly to Iran. The goods from most of the containers of aid were unloaded and then the goods were just dumped in large warehouses for general distribution in due course. Blythwood Care refused to do this and insisted on doing the monitoring themselves.

This is in keeping with our requirement that we will only release Aquaboxes where there is a reasonable possibility that they will be monitored by the Aid Agency. We are not prepared to "throw them at the place of need" and hope for the best. To do that is to waste the generosity of sponsors.

Since the beginning of this year we have sent out 1,470 Standard Boxes and 150 Aqua 30's overseas to several areas of need, equivalent to about £185,000 of aid and providing over five and a half million litres of purified water!! **Frank Lund - Project Chairman**

AQUABOX AN INVITATION

You will, no doubt, be aware that the first thoughts of introducing a plastic box to replace the then existing wooden "Emergency Box" was, in fact, at a meeting of some District Officers in 1990. The Rotary Club of Wirksworth took up the challenge, and the risk at £1,000 per member if the project had "gone down the drain", and launched the project in 1992.

Subsequently the scheme has succeeded far beyond our wildest dreams thanks to the generous sponsorship, initially in this District, then throughout RIBI and later from many Churches, Youth Organisations, Inner Wheel, W/I's and others.

In the early days filled boxes were received by a commercial facility and despatched from them with no monitoring by Rotary. For the past 5 years we have received boxes into a warehouse at Wirksworth, separate from our main depot.

However all activity of preparing boxes for despatch to sponsors, reception of filled boxes back from sponsors, and despatch to Aid Agencies for transport overseas now takes place at our Cromford Hill Depot. The Rotary Club of Wirksworth is now, effectively the catalyst for this project and there is no doubt that we would find it almost impossible to maintain the Project at its' present level of activity without the assistance given by members of the Wirksworth and Matlock Churches and other members of the community as purification tablets are packed and boxes are prepared, during each week ready for each Saturday despatch.

With the authority of District Governor Neil an invitation is given for any members of other Clubs in the District, and in particular from Clubs adjacent to Wirksworth, who would wish to be involved in the despatch of boxes on Saturday mornings from our depot and join in our fellowship together to make contact with me for inclusion in the regular Saturday rota.

Each Saturday we require 3 persons from 8.00 am to 10.00 am on the first shift and 2 persons on the second overlapping shift from 9.00 am to 11.00 am. PDG George Curley, from the Alfreton Club has, in his inevitable enthusiastic way, jumped the gun and is already on our rota!! The rota would normally be one duty every 4th or 5th week as a firm commitment. The first shift process and strap the orders for despatch for filling and between 9.00 am and 10.00 am both shifts are available to receive the incoming filled boxes and load the outgoing boxes when the Parcel Force van arrives.

All incoming boxes are then checked that they are watertight and topped up, if necessary, and then palletised and shrink-wrapped ready for despatch overseas.

I believe that such joint involvement in this way can be a great way of showing Rotary in this District as one effective service body working as a team. I must add that to volunteer to participate will require a commitment to be present, **and on time**, on the Saturday's when on the rota as all boxes must be ready by the time that the Parcel Force van arrives!

Any Rotarian who would be prepared to be included in this activity should contact me as soon as possible as the next rota schedule will be prepared for the 3 month period from 1st May 2004.

Frank Lund - Project Chairman

District News

REGION 2 YOUTH SPEAKS FINAL

Seven teams stretching from Banbury in the south to Cleethorpes in the north met to do battle at Portland School in Worksop on Saturday March 6th. And what a battle it was! They represented three state schools and four independent schools. The standard was quite superb showing just what talented young people there are around - well worth every club's support.

The audience which was large was spellbound. Most teams had strong support apart from our two teams - **Why?** We were on the home patch.

As with the rules of this contest young people can select their own subjects to talk on and these were various - The End of the World (mix of serious and comic), David Blaine - illusion or delusion, Trust, voting rights and the winning entry from Gainsborough High School entitled Men Behaving Badly. This may sound a rather flippant subject but many serious issues were also raised about the new male/female balance in society.

We were very glad to have some excellent judges in place. Their task was horrendous because of the high standard of performance. The outcome was a very narrow win for Gainsborough over last year's national champions from Hornsea, a comprehensive school from the Yorkshire coast.

We would like on behalf of the district to wish Gainsborough well in the final in Cardiff on Saturday 17th April 2004.

There is a big incentive for GCSE students as they may claim A's for English Speaking and Listening if they perform in front of an external audience. Schools are keen to take advantage of this. Why not give them the chance through your Club next year. Alan Langton of Mapperley Rotary Club will advise you if you need any help.

I would like to express my personal thanks to all those who helped. **Graham Wallis - Youth Chairman**



The winners Gainsborough receiving the trophy from the High Sheriff of Nottingham

Guilherme with President Roger exchanging Rotary Club banners.



For someone who has only been in the UK for one month and who has only recently started to learn English, it was a most interesting and informative talk about a country that is so large and one which has most species of the world's flora and fauna.

Guilherme was thanked by Past President Keith Edwards for a speech very warmly received by members.

Graham N Smith MBE

LONG EATON BRAZILIAN EXCHANGE STUDENT

Guest speaker at our Club on Monday evening was 16-year-old Guilherme Rimoli, a Rotary Youth Exchange Student from Tres Lagoas in central Brazil. Guilherme who will be living and going to school in Long Eaton for one year said the two biggest differences he had noted were the weather (it never drops below 28 degrees Celsius) and the fact that "drivers car doors in England are on the wrong side"!

Guilherme's family are currently hosting Jessica Smith from Sawley who completes her year in Brazil in June and who is currently in Rio de Janeiro with them for this year's carnival.

NEW GENERATIONS VOLUNTEER

Having talked at length with John Pedley of District 1280 I am convinced that there is real potential in New Generations where very young new appointees/apprentices are given the opportunity to work abroad for three weeks, wages paid by their firm, fare paid by the young person with Rotary acting as co-ordinator. The companies in Lancashire have felt it well worthwhile supporting.

A volunteer is required to head this with good communication skills and business connections. If anyone is interested would they contact Graham Wallis. Telephone : 0115 937 5712

Graham Wallis

ROTARY YOUTH PROGRAMME GOES EVEN MORE INTERNATIONAL

Eleven teen-aged students from around the world have just finished a week's holiday in Notts and Derbyshire as the guests of four local Rotary Clubs. The seven girls and four boys are spending a year away from home under Rotary International's School Year Exchange programme.

A new dimension to the annual Notts/Derby week is that, whereas previously all the guest students have been spending their school year in various parts of Britain, this year six are currently based in Belgium. So an already International Rotary Youth Programme has become even more International.

Rotary School Year Exchange enables young people all over the world to spend a complete academic year at a school or college in a foreign country. They are sponsored by their home Rotary Clubs or Districts and stay with Rotary host families.

The Rotary Clubs of Alfreton, Amber Valley, Warsop and West Ashfield hosted the students, who were from Australia, Brazil, Canada, Mexico and USA. West Ashfield originally introduced and currently organises the Notts/Derby week, having borrowed the idea from their twinned Club in Périgueux, France - another international connection. The week is now part of Rotary's School Year Exchange programme covering the whole of Britain.

The six visitors from Belgium first met up with the five UK - based students at a Rotary event at Bilton Grange, near Rugby, and then travelled here for the Notts/Derby welcome party. All the students together with their hosts also attended a joint meeting of the Amber Valley and West Ashfield Rotary Club's. Among highlights of the week were: Nottingham for the new trams, Tales of Robin Hood and the City Caves; Denby Pottery; Belper Mills; Harley Gallery; and the National Tramway Museum at Crich. The eleven students, many having formed new International friendships, travelled back to their host families around Britain and Belgium on Sunday April 11th. **Ron Walker**

International Robin: the eleven Rotary School Year Exchange students in Nottingham.



District News

ROTARY YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARD (RYLA)

The next Rotary Youth Leadership Award (RYLA) course will take place from 7-9 May at the White Hall Centre in Derbyshire and is for 14 - 16 year olds. 30 places are available to clubs; however these are being taken up very quickly so do not delay in putting forward your sponsored students.



One club is so enthusiastic about the course that it has already booked another 4 places for the November course, which is for 16-18 year olds. The principal aim of the course is to develop the leadership potential of the students through a series of team exercises, challenges and outdoor activities.

It is vitally important that the Clubs sponsoring students become involved in the selection process and that the students go back to the club as soon as possible after the course to give a talk on their experiences. This will also give the club a chance to keep in touch with the students who are future Interactors, Rotaractors and Rotarians. In one particular recent development a student went back to school with the intention of forming an Interact club - an obvious case where support is needed which the sponsoring club can provide.

These are just some of the benefits of RYLA courses so take the opportunity to sponsor young people - invest now for the future. Clubs are invited to visit White Hall Centre during the course weekend to see at first hand what your District is achieving with young people. Please notify Rotarian Graham Warburton (President, Worksop) who is the District Co-ordinator for this youth activity and Graham is also more than willing to attend any club which requests to give a talk on these worthwhile and increasingly popular courses.

Graham Warburton

PERCY LAWS MEMORIAL TRUST BACKGROUND AND HISTORY

In 1989 the Club was in receipt of a gift from the widow May Laws, who was married to the late Percy Laws, a member of the club from its early days during WW2 until his death in the early 80's. The bequest consisted of Government stocks and shares plus a pair of shops in the main shopping area of Retford. One of these shops was the shop he operated his photography and art supplies business from, the other shop sold ladies underwear and still does to the present time. The bequest stated that the income from the shops leases and the interest from the investments were to be given away locally by a trust to be set up and operated by the Rotary Club of Retford.

Over the years to the present time, around £350,000 has been given away to local groups, individuals and organisations. Some grants to locally based groups and organisation have benefited international causes.

Two sub committees of Retford Rotarians, both of which report to the Club Executive Committee, operate the fund on a day-to-day basis. One committee controls the operation of the trusts investments, the operation of leases and the investment policy. The second committee is the management committee and they control the spending of the surplus income. They meet monthly and receive requests for funding from the local organisations and people. They investigate each request and report to the club on their decisions and donations.

Large donations have been made to the local Hospitals, Hospice, Churches, the Bassetlaw Museum and for the purchase of Minibuses for local groups and schools.

Around 7 years ago it was decided to offer an award to two A level students from each of the four secondary schools in our area, these students being nominated by the head of each school. It was stressed that the award was not one for purely academic achievement, but needed to have elements of social, school and other locality based projects as well. The awards currently stand at £250 and are awarded every September just before students go to University.

In the past 3 years the Trust has made awards to individuals who have written for support of Gap year projects and even Post Graduate projects. Ruth Allen was the recipient of this type of award. **Bob Stockdale**



RETFORD RUTH ALLAN AWARD

Our first speaker of the month was Ruth Allan, another recipient of a Percy Laws sponsorship award. Ruth told us of her three months placement at the Permanent Court of Arbitration in The Hague, where she was involved in administration duties. This followed her law degree and has helped her obtain employment in a London law firm next year. In the meantime, she intends to spend time in Mexico. Another tribute to youth and another grateful 'student'. **Alan Hirst - President**

AQUABOX SURVIVING SCHOLAR

Suada Aslanov, the Ambassadorial Scholar from Baku, Azerbaijan, tries out a survival bag during a visit to the Aquabox HQ. Assisting Suada with her survival are Rotarians Rev Simon Lumby and Peter Clark of the RC of Wirksworth.

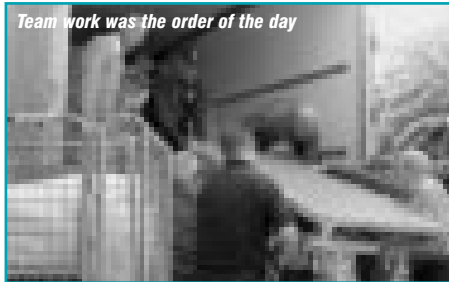
Ron Walker



Club Roundabout

YOU, TOO could see news of your Club's activities on these pages. Just send typescripts and photographs to me. PLEASE MARK BULLETINS WITH THE ITEM YOU WANT CONSIDERED FOR PUBLICATION. The next edition of Rotary Review will be published on 21st July 2004 with the final copy date 25th June 2004 - Editor

AMBER VALLEY PROJECT ROMANIAN RESCUE



Team work was the order of the day

Our Club in conjunction ASSERT, a Christian Organization, established to support the churches, hospitals, and the poor people in the Constanta region of South East Romania filled a 40 ton artic with beds, much needed vitamins, bleach and sterilising fluid for the hospital.

The customs at Constanta had a "field day" giving Dr. Nicolae the run around over paper work for the bleach and sterilising fluid. Dr. Nicolae was sure that he would be able to free them from the seal placed upon them when they were unloaded at the hospital.

In addition to the hospital equipment large bags of pasta for the Street Children were also sent which was truly providential as they were running out of food for everyone and there was no money to buy any more.

The staff at Project Romanian Rescue (PRR) had for various reasons had another "payless pay day", however, with the £200 donated from our Club they were able to buy food for the month and also able to take over (between us/friends in Dronfield and Barnsley) the finances for their salaries and bills.

BAKEWELL BOOKS INTO AFRICA



John Robinson - International Chairman with Paul McIver with just a few of the books

Over the past few months our Club has organised an International project that necessitated collecting books for the libraries in the Mathare valley in Nairobi, Kenya. Enormous thanks are due to everyone at Lady Manners School for all their help and for the many books that have been donated by local residents and Bakewell Rotarians. It was during the summer of 2003 that the well known Bakewell resident and former Bakewell Rotary Citizen of the year, Alan Pigott, received an E Mail from Bob and Anne Moore in Nairobi pleading for books. Alan immediately thought of Rotary and the request was handed over to Paul McIver, Junior Vice President of the Club and a member of the Club's International Committee. At the present moment Paul has thirty boxes of books awaiting collection for a flight to Nairobi.

A happy footnote to this story is that Anne Moore received an MBE in the New Year's Honours list for her work. **Photograph : Derek Harrison**

BEESTON AGE CONCERN



For the second time in this Rotary Year our Club, in conjunction with our associated Inner Wheel Club, provided an afternoon tea and entertainment for our local Age Concern Group. The ladies of Inner Wheel bought and prepared the splendid tea while the members of our Club served the food, in their DJ's, and completed their task by doing all of the washing up. The event was financed by a donation from our Club.

The event was thoroughly enjoyed by our guests and members of both Clubs.

BOLSOVER SCANNER FOR URUGUAY



Our Club, through its International Committee, obtained and provided an Ultrasound Scanner to the Rotary Club of Colon in Uruguay. The Club were successful in obtaining a Humanitarian Grant through the Rotary Foundation of Rotary International that enabled a printer to be purchased in Uruguay, to print the results of the Scanner. The money raised was \$1,900 and was provided by the following :-

- Rotary Foundation of Rotary International \$ 740.00
- Rotary Club of Bolsover \$ 640.00
- Rotary International in Great Britain & Ireland District 1220 \$320.00
- Rotary Club of Colon Uruguay \$200.00

BRETRY STATIC BIKE RIDE

Our third Sponsored Static Bike was once again held in Coopers Square shopping precinct in March. Each team of four persons road a static bike for 10 minutes and the distance travelled was measured electronically.

The teams paid the Club £40 for the pleasure of competing, however, the main attraction was that any money over and above the £40 goes to the teams chosen charity. One team gave us £40 and put over £400 to their charity.

The winners, who received a trophy and a small cash sum, were Ken's Kamikaze's who covered a distance of 4.636Km just 44 metres ahead of the second team The Barton Riders.

We are the facilitators who make a little money for our charities. The event raised about £900 for our Presidents Charity - The Donna Louise Children's Hospice



Lucy's Team - The Bretby Rotary Extras were :- Rear l - Alistair Heyward, r - Cedric Insley Front l - Peter Moralee, r - John Graves Grand daughter Lucy Graves (3) sat on the additional passenger seat.

The event forms the "April" page of the RIBI Calendar this year with the Inner Wheel ladies -- "The French Tarts" -- riding. Obviously they took part this year as the "Calendar Girls".

BULWELL and BASFORD SHOEBOXES



Lewis Wilson with Chris Ryan - IPP beside the vehicle used to transport the shoeboxes

Lewis Wilson travels the country as Transport Co-ordinator for the International Aid Trust, one of whose jobs is to collect Rotary Shoeboxes. During last year he covered 30,000

miles, a considerable part of which, was for our scheme.

Our club have despatched 150 boxes in the last week, some of which can be seen on the lorry. They were collected by four schools in our area over the Lent period, and should be in Northern Romania very soon.

Over the winter term, several other Junior Schools in our area hope to collect 400 boxes in time to get them to southern Europe for Christmas. Our Club seem to be successful with the genre 'charity boxes'. We have, in addition to the shoeboxes, sent off 27 aquaboxes and 1 shelter box . Chris Ryan, IPP Bulwell and Basford.

CARLTON
"SHARES" ITS SUCCESS



Our third open evening in February attracted five prospective new members which we hope will boost our membership of 50. Our guests heard a number of talks from committee chairmen with PD.G. David Bendall giving a view of the wider scene. The most innovative presentation was from International Chairman Mike Hall who had help from the Top Table in illustrating his talk. In case you are puzzled his theme of SHARE is :-

- S - Speakers
- H - Helping Hand
- A - Action not words
- R - Responding to Needs
- E - Entertaining

CHURCH WILNE
VISIT TO ARIZONA, U.S.A.



Rotarians Robert McTernan and Peter Wealthdale paid a visit to the Rotary Club of Saddlebrook in District 5500, Arizona, USA.

They enjoyed an excellent fellowship meeting and the hospitality of the President Ted Mueller and his members was first class. This was the first visit to Saddlebrook by a Rotary Club from District 1220 and may well lead to ongoing International relations.

Robert McTernan - President

CLAY CROSS
ROTARY GOES CONKERS



The Rotary Club of Clay Cross has been planting for the future. A Horse Chestnut tree has been planted in Kenning Park as a thank you to the residents of the town, for their support in local Rotary projects.

It is hoped that the future younger generations of the area will have many happy

hours playing with its conkers while the rest of us enjoy its shade.

DERBY SOUTH CHARTER NIGHT



L to r John Booth - President of Derby South Probus Club, Neil Sharman - District Governor, Mrs. Sharon Sallis and President Keith Fletcher.

The venue for our Clubs Charter Night was the Risorante Hotel - La Gondola, Derby. President Keith Fletcher's guests included, John Booth - President of Derby South Probus Club and Mrs. Sharon Sallis.

During the year the Christmas raffle and Christmas tree sale raised £2,400 for President Keith's Charity "Wish upon a Star".

John Booth - Past President

DRONFIELD
POÇO DE JACÓ'S PROJECT



The new equipment in the new kitchen

Everyone in District 1220 will remember Marcia Moura de Paula, the GSE Team Leader from District 4470 Brazil and Paraguay and member of the Rotary Club of Tres Lagoas - Cidade das Aguas, from her visit in September 2002. Marcia brought with her details of a number of small projects for which her Club was seeking matched funding.

One of them was POÇO DE JACÓ'S project, which is a home for street children in Marcia's home town and which her Club supports. The children who range from infants to 16 years have been completely abandoned and had nowhere to live until this project was evolved.

Matched funding of US\$700 was required to equip the kitchen of the home with a three fold aim of making the home self sufficient, teaching the children skills that will hopefully lead to employment when they have to leave at age 17 and enabling the home to sell surplus products in the neighbourhood and produce an income.

Our Club decided to participate by organising a Ceilidh, which raised US\$700 in one night. When Rotarian Alan Hepworth went to Brazil as return GSE Team Leader in April / May 2003 he took the money with him and handed it over at a Sunday lunch time barbeque meeting of Marcia's Club, taking them a little by surprise as they had not then started their fund raising.

The project has now been completed and a number of pieces of industrial kitchen equipment, including a blender, churn, meat chopper, potato masher, orange juicer, pressure cooker, pots, pans and containers have been purchased, together with a quantity of new bedding and towels for the home.

EREWASH GROUP
SHELTER BOXES CO-ORDINATED PROJECT

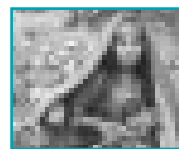


At the meeting of the new International Chairpersons, at the District Assembly earlier last year, Keith Rogers - International Chairman of the Amber Valley Rotary Club made the suggestion that other smaller Rotary Clubs, in local areas, should be involved in projects that may be to large, or where financial assistance would enable them to have an input in schemes that would be additional to their existing projects or budgets.

As a result greater co-operation between clubs became part of the programme for the Rotary years 2003 -2004. Keith decided, that with the backing of his own club that he would give a talk and video presentation, on the Shelter Box, to each of the ten clubs in the District 1220 Erewash Group. These talks were well received by the clubs and consequently they all agreed that this was a worthwhile project.

Because of the terrible earthquake in Iran Keith proposed that the ten Clubs purchase several Shelter Boxes in a joint venture. As the response that he received from the clubs was positive it was suggested that five complete shelter boxes should

be purchased at a cost of £460 each. All of the clubs involved contributed £230 with the Rotary Club of Heanor donating a further £460.00 which raised the total donation to £2760.00 sufficient for six Shelter Boxes.



Since the Shelter Boxes are considered to be a humanitarian project they qualified for a District Simplified Grant which realised a further £1840, sufficient to purchase a further four boxes.

The scheme was designated District 1220 Erewash Group Co-ordinated Project in which the following clubs contributed :-

- Amber Valley
- Alfreton
- Belper
- Church Wilne
- Clay Cross
- Eastwood
- Heanor
- Ilkeston
- Long Eaton
- Ripley

It is hoped that since this project was so successful that other Clubs within the District, who feel that they have a worthwhile project, may consider benefiting from a Group Co-ordinated Scheme, for International, Community, Vocational or Foundation.

The ten Shelter Boxes provided by District 1220 Erewash Group were included in a delivery of 110 Shelter Boxes, which have been despatched to Bam in Iran. **Keith Rogers - International Chairman of Amber Valley Rotary Club**

HEANOR
SOUTH AFRICA
CHAMPIONSHIPS



L to r: SVP Trevor Hartshorn, Mrs. Bell, President Keith, Martyn and Ray Smith

Martyn Bell was presented with a cheque for £600, from our President Keith Poynter, to enable him to go and represent Great Britain in the Learning Disabilities Cross Countries Championships in South Africa. **Ray Smith**

HOPE VALLEY CHINA-BOUND



Rachel receiving her cheque from Rotarian Les Lennon (right) watched by President Ian Charles

Our Club has given financial backing to a Bakewell teenager who has decided to swap the luxuries of home for a year of demanding work in China. Lady Manners School student Rachel Gay hopes to teach English and drama at a Chinese middle school but is still waiting to hear exactly where in the country she will be based.

She expects to leave in August and plans to read social sciences at university when she returns. The GAP year trip will cost Rachel almost £4000 and, despite working at Bakewell's Renaissance restaurant, attending car boot sales, staging a cabaret evening and organising a sponsored leg wax for male members of staff at Lady Manners, she is still well short of her target.

After telling our members about her hopes and aspirations for her year in China, Rachel was presented with a cheque to help with her expenses by Rotarian Les Lennon who is the Chairman of the Club's International Committee.

Rachel, who was welcomed by Rotarian Ron Eyley, has promised to keep the club informed about her activities while she is away. President Ian Charles said later: "Rachel impressed everyone with her enthusiasm and commitment. She will be an excellent ambassador." **Ron Eyley**

KEYWORTH AND RUDDINGTON AMBASSADORIAL SCHOLAR CELEBRATED WITH CAKE



District 1220 outward-bound Ambassadorial Scholar, Jenny Blackman, gave a confident address to the club shortly before her departure for Sydney, Australia. Val Lindley, District Foundation Chairman, Terry Leivers, Ambassadorial Scholarships Coordinator and

Jenny's parents attended the meeting.

In a short address Val told the club how the Foundation Committee had considered Jenny to be an outstanding candidate to represent Great Britain and Rotary International. She will be studying Sports Science and Rehabilitation followed by Media and Communications so District Clubs can expect some interesting presentations about life and study down under on her return.

Her UK counsellor is JVP Martin Clarke. He and PP Frank Trout had arranged a T-shirt and a giant cake as parting gifts for Jenny. She promptly shared the cake, for everyone to enjoy. It was then a case on the evening of "let Rotarians eat cake." **Andrew Bulmer**

KIRKBY IN ASHFIELD CLUB'S ACTIVITIES

The second half of our Rotary year has been equally as busy as the first six months. Our monthly Disco of Soul and Motown Music has proved very popular, and they are now making a useful contribution to our Charity account. The Raffle last month along with a further amount is being donated to the Rainbow Fund, when they visit our Club to give a talk.

On Friday April 2nd we had an Organ Concert in the local Festival Hall by Phill Kelsall, the resident Organist at Blackpool Tower. This was an excellent Concert and very well attended.

February 13th we held a very successful Tombola Stall in the local Cooperative Store.

February 27th we had a very pleasant Annual Games evening with the Sutton-in-Ashfield Club. I won't embarrass the Sutton Club by giving the result.

Wednesday March 25th we held a Turkish Evening in a local Restaurant. 59 members and friends attended and enjoyed a performance by a Belly Dancer. This was in aid of Aqua Boxes.

Plans for our Annual Spring Carnival are now well advanced to take place on Bentinck Miners Welfare Ground on Sunday May 9th with fun and games for all the family. We are hoping that the weather will be kind to us. **Gordon Sugg**

LONG EATON RED ARROWS FLY INTO CLUB MEETING



More than 100 Rotarians and their guests attended a very special meeting of our Club on Monday 16th February at West Park Leisure Centre to see and learn more about the UK's most famous formation team, the Red Arrows.

Speaker for the evening was Flight Lieutenant Dan Simmons who flew in position Red 4 in the 2003 flying display season and has been selected to fly as Red 7 in the 2004 season. Illustrating his talk with an action-packed video and a most informative Power Point presentation, Dan Simmons covered everything one ever wanted to know about the

history and work of the Red Arrows, who are based at RAF Scampton, Lincolnshire.

The vote of thanks was given by Past President Rotarian and Flight Lieutenant Keith Hall MBE RAF Retired. Keith recalled his time in 1946 when he himself was in a formation team and the engine of his plane cut out with no starter button available!

Joining the Rotarians for dinner were a group from the Long Eaton Air Cadets and who are seen in the accompanying picture with President Roger Alton and Flight Lieutenant Dan Simmons.

Graham N Smith MBE

MATLOCK LITTLE ANGELS HOME



John Bent and his wife Anthea handing over the cheque to Phillip together with Mrs Audrey Ball, Matlock Inner Wheel, who had made the visit to see her daughter and who also handed over a cheque.

Our Club has donated £250 to the little Angels project, and the Club decided that as Past President John Bent and his wife Anthea were going to South Africa it would be nice to get some first hand information on the way the money is helping them.

On first meeting Phillip Rensburg one is immediately struck by the sheer determination of the man to make this dream a reality. He has fought against all the red tape that the authorities could throw at him.

A former bank manager Phillip and Pat decided to start this care home in the Western Cape to help the victims of Aids. They now look after 30 orphans and many children are free from the HIV virus and therefore Phillip can foster and indeed place children for adoption and offer them a new opportunity in life.

This couple's care and inspiration is wonderful to see at first hand and the money donated was put towards the cost of a new kitchen for preparing the babies food.

NEWARK CASTLE ALL OF A QUIVER



The visit to King Stand Farm for the archery competition on January 13th was thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended. I, for one, had no idea that this venue even existed, the home and work place of Ken, the

only real bow maker in England, on our doorstep at Rufford, in Robin Hood Country. Ken made the bow that was used to win Gold in the Sydney Olympics.

The first two of our groups received instruction from Christine, Neil and Adrian on the technique of archery at their indoor archery gallery. At the same time the other two groups watched a video showing the distortion of the arrow during flight and hearing from Ken, a real craftsman, on the art of bow making. Later the activities were reversed.

In the gallery each of the "archers" had nine arrows practice before starting the competition. Hitting the target allowed scores of 1,3,5,7 or 9 per arrow. The highest scores in each group were:

- Group 1 : SYP Allen with 9,9,5; 9,9,7 and 5,5,7 totalling 65.
- Group 2 : Stuart with 9,9,7; 7,7,5 and 5,3,7 totalling 59.
- Group 3 : Geoff with 7,9,7; 7,7,9 and 7,9,7 totalling 69.
- Group 4 : Derek with 7,7,5; 7,7,3 and 9,7,7 totalling 59.

The "Top Score" trophy went to Geoff (Robin Hood) Woodward with the "Runner Up" prize going to SVP Allen. A small bow was presented to Naomi and Sam Slack to reward them for their excellent efforts on the evening.

A meal at the Robin Hood Pub aptly finished off an excellent evening, where the presentations were made : **Dave Gregson**



RETFORD EDUBOX

Dr Jo Walker and Colin Walker have many connections with South Africa as Colin is the European Director for an African charity called

Educate Africa. They, with our club, have done much work with the Charity and also direct to schools in South Africa. One of their concerns was that many schools outside built up areas or small towns lack even the basic facilities, but may have a hut or room available.

The idea of the Edubox is to despatch in one box. (Aguabox Size) enough equipment to start up a class of 40 or so children in primary education. The boxes will be distributed by larger secondary schools who will act as mentors for these fledgling village schools, even taking some of the students later into secondary education.

Each Edubox contains enough equipment, everything from pens and pencils, files, paper, crayons, rulers, calculators plus things for use by a teacher, chalk, textbooks, etc, to allow a class to be started and run for one year

The targeted school's area or village would be decided by the local sponsoring School, their local knowledge in this area is vital for the success of the project. South Africa initially has been targeted because of the connections that already exist.

Clearly if the project is successful it could be rolled out anywhere where Rotary Clubs exist and a need can be identified. It is however, vital that the box is supported with frequent contact from the sponsoring organisation.

Edubox is not a "Classroom in a box". The box cannot be simply sent to a remote area and expect the school to start on its arrival. Support, simple or complex is needed to ensure its success.

Bob Stockdale

SOUTHWELL CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

Despite the awful weather on the first ticket selling day, in the Market Place, tickets to the value of £458 were sold. The following Saturday's collection at the Co-op produced £405. Members bought or sold the rest. Thanks especially to two remarkable salesmen the total of £2,400 was achieved, which is better than last year. This is before expenses, which will be light because all 30 prizes were donated, including the first prize of £200 which was donated anon by a Club member and won by someone outside the Club.

This is a reflection on the effort that members have put in over recent months and the money will now stand the club in good stead for the remainder of my year and give Bill a good start to his.

David Steel

SUTTON - IN - ASHFIELD AN EGGSTRE EVENT



L to r President Peter Ford, Immediate Past President John Thompson & Past Presidents John Pearce, Phil Bustin and Koshy Mathew at the Clubs stand.

At last years Ashfield Show our Club, in conjunction with the local ASDA store, held a competition to guess how many eggs were held in an egg transport container, as seen in the photograph. The three prizes on offer were of course eggs, which were supplied to the winners by ASDA on a weekly basis. The competition was very well supported and resulted in the Rainbows Hospice being presented with a cheque for £500 by President Peter at the ASDA store.

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WEST ASHFIELD CREATING KERALA CONNECTIONS



The Rotary Old People's Home and Hospital in Trivandrum

Early on a scorching tropical morning in January, three Inner Wheel members and two Rotarians from West Ashfield landed at Trivandrum airport in Kerala, south west India. They were greeted with five bouquets of flowers by a group of elegant ladies in saris, the reception party from the IW Club of Trivandrum.

The visit came about because the current IW District 22 Chairman, Judith Turner, was invited by her counterpart in IW District 321, Jaya Chandrahassan, to attend that District's Conference. (Judith in turn invited Jaya to attend the IW District 22 Rally on 23rd March.) This year's IW President Pat Walker and IPP Doreen Taylor joined the Kerala trip and Rotarians Turner and Walker went along to carry the luggage. It proved to be not only the trip of a lifetime for the five Britons, but also important for the two West Ashfield Clubs in strengthening existing Inner Wheel connections and creating new Rotary ones.

For many years the IW Club of West Ashfield has enjoyed a strong association with Trivandrum, principally through the British Club's provision, via their Indian counterparts, of funds for the education and housing of Priya, a girl who was born without arms. It was a moving and humbling experience to meet Priya, now in her twenties, and to see her write with her foot a thank you message in English for the ladies to bring home to their fellow members.

One of the purposes of the trip was to see the establishments set up and supported by the IW Club of Trivandrum, but we were also able to visit two maintained by the city's Rotary Club. First was an old people's home, housing dozens of aged men and women who would otherwise probably be living on the street or at the least in considerable poverty. The home was founded by the RC of Trivandrum and is funded by them. The manager is a Rotarian. We asked, "How long do they stay here?" The answer: "Till death".

The individuals who stood in the doorways of their cell-like rooms, giving us the traditional hands-together "Namaste" greeting, may have been pathetic but they had great dignity. At first we kept our cameras hidden, out of respect for the residents' privacy, but when we were told that they would be pleased to have their photographs taken, we unhesitatingly obliged. The hospital next door, a deserted building seemingly out of the 19th century, is used as a day clinic.

That evening we attended the first part of the weekly meeting of the Trivandrum Rotary Club. Most of Rotary and Inner Wheel business in India is conducted in English. We were given the usual Rotary welcome but invited to opt out of the second part, which unusually was a talk in the local language, Malayalam, on safer roads. In fact the speaker was delayed by a traffic jam!

Later in our two week visit to India we were taken to see the Rotary School for the Mentally Challenged in Trivandrum. This was founded by the Rotary Club, which, with its IW Club, still contributes substantially to the upkeep. Currently teaching 161 pupils, 90 of whom are residential, the school reflects the high incidence of mental problems in India, caused – it was explained – by the continued encouragement of marriage between first cousins.

On arrival at the school we were treated to a drink of coconut milk (in the coconut), then to a tour of the various classes and workshops. Among the products from these are carrier bags made from old newspapers, and stick chalk. In honour of our visit, five of the girl pupils performed an intricate folk dance and one sang an unaccompanied song. We were indeed honoured! We were also very impressed with the size and scope of this on-going programme, which we felt our own Rotary Club could help support.

One of the two nights away from our base at the beach resort of Kovalam was spent at Kottayam (pronounced Kottam), a five hour drive to the north, as guests of the local IW Club. Judith and David stayed in the town and the rest of us at a rubber and spice plantation a few miles away in Ullayam. As Doreen, Pat and Ron were being shown round the plantation, a gaggle of children approached on their way to the nearby upper primary school. Our host told us the cause of the children's embarrassed giggles was that they had never seen westerners before. Later the Head Teacher invited us into the school and we showed each of the three classes the locations of England and India on the map – and their relative sizes. Here again there is the opportunity for both Inner Wheel and Rotary in West Ashfield to make a positive contribution to the life of this remote village school by helping to fund the badly needed extensions to the humble buildings and to increase the stock of the modest library.

To describe adequately the wonderful hospitality, official and personal, given us everywhere we went, the exquisite beach-side location of the Rockholm Hotel in Kovalam, the fascinating similarities and differences of Indian and British styles of Inner Wheel and Rotary (especially the conferences), the exotic variety of Kerala's vegetation, the bare-back elephant ride, the dinner with two princesses, etc, etc, would fill this magazine. But over-spanning all this, we have made lasting friends and colleagues in a country thousands of miles away, yet sharing the same aims and ideals. And if that isn't Rotary at its best, what is? **David Turner and Ron Walker**

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Our Centenary Project

BURTON

Sir Stanley Clarke formally launched our Clubs Cancer Ward Appeal at the Bass Museum, Burton on 15th December and said how delighted Lady Hilda and he were to accept the role of Patrons. It was clear to all present that the project is very close to Sir Stanley's heart and his enthusiasm gave a tremendous boost to members.

In our area there are many people suffering from various forms of cancer - some will be treated at Queen's Hospital, Burton upon Trent, others as far away as Manchester and Liverpool. After treatment they return home.

Many patients then need "emergency" hospitalisation, because of infection or side effects of the treatment, and they are taken to Queen's, irrespective of their treatment centre. There is no dedicated area for such emergency admissions with consequent difficulties for patients and specialist staff.

The object of the appeal is to raise a minimum of £50,000 and to establish a dedicated ward at Queen's Hospital providing specialist oncology/ haematology in - patient services for patients suffering from cancer and leukaemia.



President Peter Merrick, DG Elect John Kirkland, Sir Stanley and Lady Clarke and Sir Henry Every

This project will provide a ward with dedicated beds immediately accessible to specialist resources and in the most appropriate surroundings. This facility was specifically requested by the Queen's Hospital and is being given their fullest support.

Sir Henry Every, Hospital Trust Chairman accepted the first contribution to the fund of £10,000 and expressed the gratitude of Queen's Hospital for the work being done by the Club and he reminded everyone that this project was of vital importance to the wellbeing of cancer sufferers in East Staffordshire.

Currently the appeal has raised the sum of £31,000. At our Charter Dinner on 19th March 2004 the Club bestowed honorary membership on Sir Stanley and Lady Clarke for all the support that they have given to the project.

MEMBERSHIP SERVICES

2005 members for 2005 is the Membership Service Committee's slogan and membership target for the Centennial and Club's are responding well. The snapshot taken of the District membership during the November/December census with the help of Club Presidents indicated that there were 1957 members with 34 about to be inducted within a month.

Providing these potential members actually joined and deducting losses of 25 the membership at the beginning of March should be 1966. Clubs also informed us that there are a further 70 possible Rotarians in the pipeline but with the usual end of year losses of approximately 50, the net gain is likely to be 20 giving a predicted membership total of 1986 if all goes well and we all strive to find new members.

This would give us a good springboard to launch a major membership drive in July to achieve our 2005 membership target to celebrate 100 years of Rotary Service. Stephen Kitch's Extension drive is progressing well with The Lace Market, Nottingham Queens, Drone Valley and Chilwell beginning to take off and hopefully they will swell our numbers for the Centennial.

Members of the Committee are available to talk to clubs about membership topics, so please contact us. Our details are in the District Directory pages 9 and 10.

Charles Tyrie - District Chairman Membership Service Committee

DISTRICT OFFICERS FOR 2004/05.

District Office	Appointee	Club
A District Governor	John Kirkland	Sutton in Ashfield
A Immediate Past District Governor	Neil Sharman	Hucknall
A District Governor Elect	Rex Barnett	Bingham
E District Governor Nominee	David Curtis	Mapperley
E Asst. Governor - Sherwood	Roger Pursey	Kirkby in Ashfield
E Asst. Governor - Derwent	David Edge	Derby
E Asst. Governor - Erewash	David Soul	Belper
E Asst. Governor - Central	Lionel Howard	Wollaton Park
E Asst. Governor - Trent	David Curtis	Mapperley
E Asst. Governor - Peak	Alan Hepworth	Dronfield
E District Secretary	John Berrington	Mapperley
E District Treasurer	Michael Neville	Mansfield
E Chairman - Membership Services	Stephen Kitch	Beeston
E Chairman - Comm. & Voc. Services	Derek Ringer	Carlton
E Chairman - International Services	Tony Stimpson	Keyworth & Ruddington
E Chairman - Youth Services	Graham Wallis	Keyworth & Ruddington
E Chairman - Foundation	Valerie Lindley	Sherwood Sunrisers
E Chairman - Communications	Pauline Johnston	Sherwood Sunrisers
E Rotaract Officer	Peter Swift	Eckington & District
E Interact Officer	Peter Swift	Eckington & District
E Youth Exchange Officer	Mike Edwards	Wirksworth
E Assistant - District Secretary	John Worsley	Beeston
E District Auditor	David Wilson	Mansfield
E Finance Committee - Member 1	Peter Lindford	Wollaton Park
E Finance Committee - Member 2	Nigel Dunn	Trent Bridge
Ap Centennial Celebration -2005	John Bendall	Nottingham
Ap District Extension Officer	Stephen Kitch	Beeston
Ap District Protection Officer	John Thompson	Sutton in Ashfield
Ap Membership Development & Retention	Philip Renshaw	West Ashfield
Ap Recreational & Vocational Fellowships	Michael Knighton	Etwell & Hilton
Ap I. T. Officer	Paul Christie	Sherwood Sunrisers
Ap Web Master	Mark Snape	Ravenshead
Ap Internet Communications Officer	Jeff. Curtis	Beeston
Ap District Editor	Jeff. Curtis	Beeston
Ap Public Relations Officer	Brian Darlison	Hucknall
Ap Training Advisor	Peter Swinscoe	Worksop
Ap Ambassdorial Scholarships	Terry Leivers	Sherwood Sunrisers
Ap Group Study Exchange Officer	Donald Mackenzie	Mansfield
Ap Rotary Friendship Exchange	Jan Harding	Worksop Dukeries
Ap Sales	Peter Staton	Alfreton
Ap Archivist	Arnold Crosby	Wirksworth
Ap Sergeant at Arms	Gordon McGlone	Wirksworth
Ap District Conference Director	Keith Hammond	Derby
Ap Conference Registration Officer	Steve Lawes	Vale of Belvoir

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JOHN TUNGAY ROTARIAN OF THE YEAR (TWICE)

I have tried to piece together information on a man I recently was privileged to meet. A man who stunned Rotarians to silence for 45 minutes with his talk at Keyworth and Ruddington Rotary!

John is not in the flush of youth but is a human dynamo. In his younger days he edited one of South Africa's leading newspapers and was a very senior broadcaster. Reading partially between the lines he played a major part in the demise of apartheid and was badly beaten up by the Apartheid police requiring four operations to restore his sight. But, undeterred he has spent his life in trying to help those in need in Kwa Zulu, Natal.

As well as being involved in the Hilton and Howick projects (see other article) he is a very accomplished musician. He has trained the Drakensburg Boys Choir to be world champions and is now working to produce three more orphan choirs to go on World Tours to celebrate the centenary of Rotary.

A few years back, to raise emergency funds for a village that had lost its school and community buildings in a storm, they arranged with Anglo-American to set up a world challenge for the longest continuous organ playing. He won - having played continuously for 7 days and 5 hours

It is John who is co-ordinating the Wilderness Adventure for our two District 1220 award winners. They go to South Africa on July 9th and they will report back to us on return. **Graham Wallis**

DISTRICT QUIZ

In a tightly fought contest, the Rotary Club of West Ashfield emerged as the new champions and winners of the 2003/4 District Quiz, held at The Embassy Rooms, Ilkeston on the 2nd March. The runners up were the Rotary Club of Southwell, who narrowly beat the 2002/3 champions, the



WestAshfield - Winners

Rotary Club of Bretby in a penalty shoot-out. District Governor Neil Sharman thanked Quizmaster Rotarian Charles Tyrie and his wife Hilary for their hard work in running the quizzes and presented the District Quiz Trophy to the winning team together with individual engraved cut glass whisky tumblers.

The runners up also received commemorative whisky tumblers and Pam Cox from Southwell a fun mug for being the guest with the highest score of 26, which was higher than the Rotary Club of Bolsover's collective team score! The results were Bolsover 23, Chesterfield 31, Bretby 33, Long Eaton 30, Carlton 32, Southwell 33 plus 1 from the penalty shoot-out, West Ashfield 35 and Matlock 29.

Charles Tyrie

73rd ANNUAL ERIC POTTER DISTRICT 1220 GOLF COMPETITION

This event started in 1931 and, with the exception of the war, has been played every year since.

The event this year is being held on Wednesday 2nd June 2004 at Cotgrave Place Golf Club, Stragglethorpe, near Cotgrave Village, Nottingham NG12 3HB.

The cost is £38.00 per person and includes coffee and bacon roll on arrival, 18 holes on the Masters Course, prizes and a meal in the evening. The tee is booked from 2.00pm until 3.00pm.

Last year Beeston successfully took the cup from Wollaton Park and they hope to hang on to it! We had 24 players last year and hope to increase the numbers again this year.

**For further information and an application form please contact :
Bruce Liddle (RC Beeston) Telephone : 0115 9431251**

ROTARY WITH SLEEVES ROLLED UP

When John Tungay announced he was to come to the U.K. to organise a fund-raising concert tour I knew we had to ask him to speak to my club and any other interested visitors from local clubs. Why?

I had previously attended a performance of the Young Zulu Warriors on an earlier RIBI sponsored tour and this summer had met his counterpart from God's Golden Acre (an AIDS Orphanage and outreach project). Heather Reynolds and I had heard of John's many exploits!

He belongs to Hilton and Howick Rotary Club near Pietermaritzburg. A club of seventeen members of whom a number belong to the zimmer frame brigade. To give them legs they have formed six ; yes six, Interact Clubs to help them carry out the most amazing programme of support to their local community. What about this for putting Service Above Self. They run:

Rick Barrata with his truck loaded with food



- A daily emergency feeding programme, co-ordinated by Rick Barrata a 77 year old ex- New York cop, for hundreds of starving people
- An outreach programme into the Valley of a Thousand Hills where an estimated 100,000 people need feeding and medical support
- A Department of Home Affairs for the government - one Rotarian has taken over the governments role locally to supply birth certificates to orphans to allow them access to education. She has provided 1500 children with this service this year. She now is working on training locals to provide paperwork for other aspects of social need.
- A programme to train ladies in creating a sewing business to allow them to provide for extended families.
- Assisted with the orphanage and hospice at God's Golden Acre

All this from 17 people and 6 Interact Clubs!!

The Nottingham Emergency Fund Raising Concert in support of Rotary's Orphans in South Africa, as they are locally referred to, will be held at the Nottingham Boys High School on **Saturday 3rd July** starting at 7:30 pm.

Tickets priced at £10 each can be obtained from:-

Graham Wallis	Keyworth & Ruddington RC	0115 937 5712
Paul Christie	Sherwood Surisers	0115 967 1896
Leonard Gelblum	Nottingham	0115 947 4123

Graham Wallis - Youth Chair 1220

RAVENSHEAD BYRON 30 CHALLENGE WALK 2004

The Byron 30km challenge walk, starting and finishing at the Ravens Lodge Scout Headquarters (SK 566554), next to 'The Little John' public house on the B6020 Ravenshead will take place on Saturday 15th May 2004.

An 18km walk and a short 5km family walk will also take place at the same time and in the same area as the 30km walk.

The walk takes in part of the beautiful rolling countryside around Lord Byron's ancestral home of Newstead Abbey in Nottinghamshire. The walk passes through Harlow Wood, Thieves Wood, Nomanshill Wood, Newstead Abbey Park, Papplewick, Papplewick Moor, Burnstump Country Park, Sansom Wood, Blidworth Bottoms, Old Blidworth, Rainworth Water, Harlow Wood before returning to Ravenshead.

The walk will be marshalled at key points and a number of checkpoints will be provided. Complimentary tea, coffee and squash will be provided for competitors at some of the checkpoints, food and a selection of other drinks can also be purchased if required.

A comprehensive route plan will be provided on the day and emergency support will be available, should this be required.

On receipt of an entry form an acknowledgement, with details of the venue and an entry number, will be posted, or e-mailed, by the end of March 2004.

The entry fee of £5 per individual or £10 per team of four includes:

- complimentary drinks at the start and en-route
- a certificate to all finishers
- a prize for the individual raising the most sponsorship

**For more details and entry form please contact : Paul Craddock
Telephone : 0162 346 7704**

WOLLATON PARK CHARITY BIKE RIDE

The Rotary Charity Bike Ride will take place on Sunday 23rd May 2004 starting from the Stick and Pitcher pub on University Boulevard from 9:30 am.

There will be three routes, of 5, 10, and 25 miles. The 5 and 10 mile routes are largely off road. All routes will start and finish at the STICK and PITCHER pub where there will be BBQ, bar food and drink available to purchase throughout the day.

The money raised will go to local charities and Cancer Research, Family Care and the Education Centre at Attenborough Nature Reserve.

The entry fee of £5 per adult and £2.50 per junior includes:

- a certificate to all finishers

1st prize of £50, 2nd prize £25 and 3rd prize £10

**For more details and entry form please contact : Andrew Taylor
Telephone : 0115 928 6075
E-mail : a.taylor54@ntlworld.com**

KEYWORTH & RUDDINGTON HOPE AND HOMES TRIPS - 2004

Following the success of our trips to Paris and Prague last year **Hope and Homes for Children** benefited by over £6000.

We continue to support this charity for our sixth year with visits to **Amsterdam and Barcelona** and hope that you will join us in support of the foundation of the **Marion Bates** home in Rumania.

**Amsterdam – July 30th to August 2nd
Price £169 per person**

Surely one of Europe's most beautiful cities with lively café society and exciting nightlife, cosmopolitan Amsterdam boasts a fantastic variety of restaurants and cuisines. It's world famous museums and art galleries, historic buildings, cafes, flower markets and diamond houses border a picturesque canal system.

Travel by luxury coach and ferry to your comfortable 3* Novotel on Friday and arrive in the evening in time for a short walk and dinner at a restaurant of your choice.

On Saturday morning we will take you on a comprehensive tour of the city. You will see almost every famous landmark in the city as well as visiting Coster Diamonds, the exclusive diamond house who polished the famous Koh I Noor. The afternoon and evening are free for you to explore Amsterdam at your leisure.

On Sunday morning we visit the Koller-Muller art museum situated in the De Hoge Veluwe National Park, world famous for its collection of works by Van Gogh, Picasso, Gauguin & Monet. From there a short drive takes us to Arnhem, scene of the tragic World War 2 battle depicted in the film "A Bridge Too Far".

During the afternoon we visit the Palace of Het Loo, former summer residence of the Dutch Royal Family. The evening is free for you to choose your own entertainment from the many and varied range that Amsterdam offers.

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Our November trip to Barcelona will feature in the next issue of Rotary Review.

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Saturday 29th and 30th May to 2004

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Saturday 8th May 2004

Viewing from 6:00 pm
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Catalogue £1.00

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