



The Cog

Newsletter of the Rotary Club of Lutterworth



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Driving the wheel of fellowship

June'19 Newsletter

Programme for the next two months.

Speaker Finder Grace & Thanks

June

Monday	3rd	Normal Meeting	Sally Hollis	Sue Sharp
Monday	10th	Normal Meeting	John Howell	David Haynes
Thursday	13th	Council Meeting	7-30 p.m.	
Monday	17th	Business Meeting		
Monday	24th	President Change Over Day	Mark Thompson	Sally Hollis

July

Monday	1st	Normal Meeting	John Turner	David Walton
Monday	8th	Normal Meeting	Richard Stannard	Elaine Turner
Thursday	11th	Council Meeting	7-30 p.m.	
Monday	15th	Business Meeting		Sally Hollis
Monday	22nd	Normal Meeting	Sue Postlethwaite	Bridget Hunt
Monday	29th	Normal Meeting	Roger Rose	Mike Toone
			Wycliffe Club joining us	

If you are unable to carry out your 'duty' please find a substitute and tell
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To the New Committee

Ode to a Committee Member

Oh, give me your pity, I'm on a committee,
Which means that from morning 'til night,
We attend and amend and contend and defend,
Without a conclusion in sight.
We confer and concur, we defer and demur,
And reiterate all of ones thoughts,
We revise the agenda with frequent addenda,
And consider a load of reports,
We compose and propose, we suppose and oppose,
And points of procedure are fun, But though
various notions are brought up as motions
I'm afraid that nothing gets done!
We resolve and absolve but we never
dissolve, because that's one thing that never is done,
It would be a pity to end our committee
'cos where else could we have so much fun.

Zelda - in South Africa - "Two Oceans Ultra Marathon"

Is there no holding our marathon girl back.

Zelda has just returned from Cape Town South Africa where she took part in the very competitive "Two Oceans Ultra Marathon" (*with her trusted friend Frank the Rotary Bear who joined her at the end of the race*). This well respected race has been held in Cape Town since 1970 over the Easter period.

The distance run being some 56 Km/35 Miles through what is said to be through the unparalleled beauty of the Cape Peninsula.

The course for the first 17 miles is both fast and flat at the end of which it climbs the Chapman Peak on to the Constantia Nek with the Atlantic Ocean on the left finishing on an uphill gradient to the University of Cape Town The home stretch called the UCT's green mile. Unfortunately the route had to be changed,



this year, at the last minute due to an expected protest action in the Hout Bay Imizamo Yethu informal settlement area along the route.

The route deviation she said was a very different beast. It climbs up Ou Kaapse Weg for a brutal 5 miles after running the first 17 miles, getting to a precipitous decent to the base of the mountain and then a long plod to Southern Cross Drive and the final stretch meeting up with the original route along the green mile.

It was the 50th year the race has been held.

Out of a field of 12,087 she finished a very worthy 9,999 in a time of 6 hours 52 minutes 53 seconds.

Proceeds from the “Wishing Well”

The “Wishing Well” was last emptied on 13th February 2018 giving us £161-22.

This May 2019 the proceeds collected amounted to £81-50

All monies going to “Water Aid”.

Helipads for Hospitals

On Monday 29th April Graham Johnson's speaker John Nowell gave us an impassioned talk on the need for more Helipads situated either at or near major hospitals. He himself was in the RAF as an instructor in training future helicopter pilots.

Now working with the Air Ambulance he showed us some wonderful photos of people being rescued in mountainous areas of the country, along with the use of dogs used to locate the injured in areas not seen from either the ground or air.

There are now more than forty ultra-modern helicopters in the Air Ambulance Association (AAA) covering the UK.

However, a recent report by the AAA revealed that many NHS A&E's do not have a CAA approved helicopter landing pad. This means that the helicopters have to land nearby and the patient is transferred to a ground ambulance and driven into the A&E—an inefficient, time wasting and uncomfortable operation.



aluminium cans ...



help us to build helipads at NHS

In order to build some new helipads if we can all work together by collecting empty aluminium cans which can be crushed and smelted to form sections of new helipads for NHS hospitals.

Graham has agreed to have his house as the collecting point for the Lutterworth area.

His Address being:-

"Field House" Ashby Lane Bitteswell Leics. LE17 4SO

Please support this very worthwhile charity.

Disabled Sports

The Lutterworth Disabled Sports Team attended the Stamford Games on Sunday 15th April, organised by Stamford Clubs on behalf of District 1070.

It was a great success being held at the Stamford Schools Sports Centre.

We had a team of 14 competitors winning the male table tennis and boccia competition. The boccia competition composed of 100 competitors who took 6 hours and 4 courts to complete.

It's very pleasing to see local Rotary Clubs—Leicester, Leicester de Montfort, Leicester Novus and Oadby Launde expressing an interest in supporting Disabled Sports.

They provided over 20 volunteers to help with the games in general especially the Boccia Competition which was run by Stephen Cooper—John Duggan and Mark Beeby.

John has said a big thank you to Bernard and Martin for driving the mini-bus.

16 competitors were entered from Lutterworth but on the day this figure was reduced to 10 due to ill health and other commitments.

Lutterworth came away with 16 trophies covering all events. A big thank you to all Club Members who supported our efforts in promoting Disabled Sports in the area by both the late Bryan and Shirley Cooper aided by both their son Stephen and John Roberson and others.

Thank you Mark Thompson (President) for attending both days of the event.

New Members

May the Club welcome the “Stannards” (Richard and Mary) as new members to the Club



Impetus Org

Our speaker on 13th May Joanna Burrows spoke about a charity she is involved with called Impetus Org which is involved in giving “A bright future for disadvantaged young people”

She started her talk asking whether we knew that there are over 2 million young people living in poverty in Britain today.

Impetus Org transforms the lives of young people from disadvantaged backgrounds by ensuring they get the right support to succeed in school. They maintain that every young person can succeed whatever their background.

She talked about Youth unemployment where people assume that it's yesterday's problem. A survey by Impetus shows that disadvantaged young people are twice as likely not to be in education, employment or on a training scheme (NEET).

Quite a sobering thought.

For those interested it is worth turning up “Impetus” on google.

Misterton - Plant, Craft and Food Fair

Who would have believed that we could have had such good weather for our Misterton Plant, Craft and Food sale on Sunday 12th May following a rather indifferent week leading up to the event?

The Event raised over £5000 with 1,111 Adults attending and over 70 children, some of whom who enjoyed having their faces



painted - displaying them with some glee at the gate as they and their parents left laden with plants together with a range of craft goods and food delicacies.

The DIY contingent was a not disappointed with a wide range of tools and garden implements, reaping some £900 for a range of charities and run by Rotarian Bernard Johnson who is beginning to make a name for himself at the Annual Shows he has supported over the years.

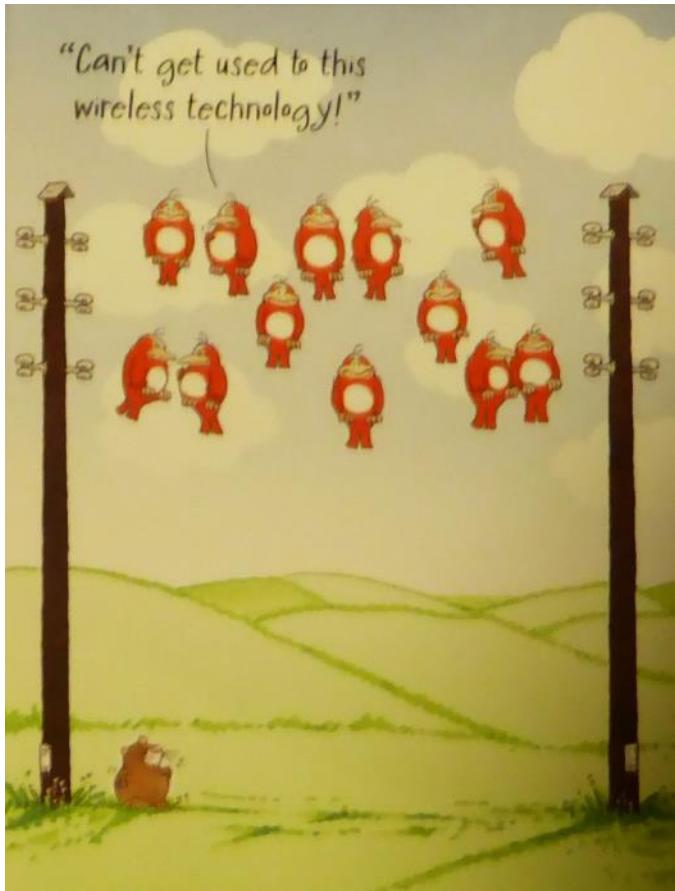
Alongside this was the ever popular Concours D'Elegance of Classic and Vintage Vehicles - the winners being Geoff Hamblin with his immaculate 1930 Austin "Heavy 12", Graham Surman and his 1934 Riley Lynx, and Ian Robertson and his 1962 Austin Healey 3000.



Dorothy Greaves came up trumps in raising a staggering £280 which she has most generously donated to the work on the Town's "Narrows" tidied and created with the help of Lutterworth Rotary members.

Thank you all for making it such a successful day.

Who said Wireless?



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