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Driving the wheel of fellowship

July'19 Newsletter

Programme for the next two months.

Speaker Finder Grace & Thanks

July

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

August

Monday	5th	Away Day at Stoney Cove		Sally Parkinson
Thursday	8th	Council Meeting	7-30 p.m.	
Monday	12th	Business Meeting		Sally Hollis
Monday	19th	Normal Meeting	Anne Baker	Elaine Turner
Monday	26th	Bank Holiday		No Meeting

If you are unable to carry out your duty' please find a substitute and tell John Howell Tel: 01455 553209 email sheila.m.howell@hotmail.co.uk

.Making Skiing a pleasure business



Allan Rimmar our speaker had had a lot of hobbies during his life but waited until he and Stephanie (his wife) were nearing sixty before seriously taking up their love for skiing. His wife is American and taking on a hosted skiing franchise in the UK they had no idea of the complications involved in getting an English Passport for her, laughable but true. They were both good cooks and only wanted to create a ski lodge which would pay for their new found hobby. Being a member of the Lutterworth Speakers Club he lost nothing in telling us about achieving his goal through his trials and tribulations in achieving their eventual success. As they said what seemed the impossible takes a little longer even if you have patience and tenacity. A highly entertaining talk enjoyed by all.

Unusual Olympic Facts taken from Saga Magazine

Over the years numerous weird and wonderful events have made brief appearances.

The men's 100 metre freestyle for sailors at the 1896 games in Athens was a more exclusive affair and swum only once. It was open only to sailors of the Greek Royal Navy and just three competitors took part, enabling the host country to increase its medal count by three.

In 1920 the Olympic Committee turned down a serious proposal to include hand grenade throwing in the Antwerp games.

Sailing as a hobby

Rev. Jenny Impey a Methodist Minister from Blaby gave us a very interesting account of her hobby developed over the last five years

“Sailing”

She told us of her initial loathing of getting wet and the thought of sailing was far from her mind having been born in Eltham—London.

However having had a friend introduce her to sailing both on the River Hamble and Solent where one of her first trips in charge of the tiller she took fright in encountering the Queen Elizabeth some 2 miles away. She became smitten with her new found hobby and told us how much she now enjoys the



sport.

To date she has sailed some 10,000 miles in the last 190 days and is always looking for a new challenge of sailing round the world on a 70 foot clipper. She has started in working towards this by spending 47 days sailing round Britain and encountering

storm “Kate” which tested her prowess sailing in hurricane force winds. She now had experience in sailing boats from very small to 68 ft clippers and with 5 years of experience is looking forward to tackling ocean sailing.

If anyone can inspire you into a new hobby she could. Her talk was wonderful giving you confidence in tackling something new.

Her Motto must be “Perseverance Conquers All”.

Update on "Mercy Ships" Charity

Africa Mercy is a hospital ship (ex a 46,000 Ton Danish Ferry) which is run by the charity and travels to countries on the west side of Africa providing medical help and **free** medical expertise to those unable to afford it. Including the use of 6 fully operational theatres run by volunteers from around the world.

Over the years Lutterworth Rotary have subscribed to this Charity.

Africa Mercy has recently left Conakry in Guinea for a much needed maintenance check having spent the past 10 months there performing:-



- 2,230 surgical operations on Adult patients
- 473 operations on Children

- 7,937 Dental procedures

- Run 1,099 training courses

- Mentoring for 155 medical professionals which have included 17 surgeons
- 17 surgical nurses
- 14 anaesthesia providers

- The completion of 3 renovation projects
- A Dental Clinic
- Hope Centre
- Agricultural facility

To name but a few.

Change of President

The handover to our new President Sally Hollis took place on Monday 24th June from our current President Mark Thompson after his very successful year.

Mark's designated charities for the past year were:-

Rainbows Hospice	£1,000
Milele Charity	£839
Share and Care	£500

Sally's Charities will be:-

Cancer Research
MIND
Twenty/Twenty



A big thank you Mark from the Club.

The bad boys of bowls

The fighting, the swearing, the drunken violence - who would have guessed that lawn bowls could be so exciting? This is supposed to be a pastime for people who think "Last of the Summer Wine" is a little racy. Yet bad behaviour has now become such a problem that organisers are threatening to ban offenders from competition.

The latest warning follows the abuse of officials by bowlers in Cornwall, but the trouble is widespread.

In Southampton in 2017 a player allegedly even head butted an opponent during an argument about etiquette on the green (the rules are very strict: there should be no butting while play is in progress).

We can only hope that bowling hooliganism does not spread to other traditionally demure and respectable sports. After all, the damage that might be done with a croquet mallet and a couple of those sharpened hoops just doesn't bear thinking about.

By courtesy of the ladies !!!



Visit to Bletchley Park 26th June

In a cool wind, 17 Rotarians and friends visited Bletchley Park.

We initially all enjoyed a walking tour with a very knowledgeable guide, setting the scene for the day. Afterwards we all meandered around the various huts, which were so well preserve, making us feel transported to the war years.

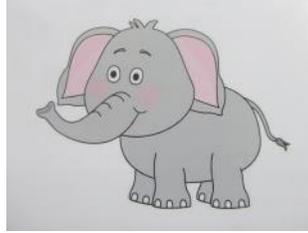
A very well organised trip. appreciated by all who went.

Display of **Alan Turing** at work in breaking the Code.



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