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Driving the wheel of fellowship

October '22 Newsletter

Programme for the next two months.

October

Speaker Finder Grace & Thanks

Monday	3rd	Normal Meeting	Mark Thompson	Martin Iliffe
Thursday	6th	Council	7 p.m.	
Monday	10th	Business Meeting		
Monday	17th	Normal Meeting	Sally Parkinson	Peter Osborn
Monday	24th	Normal Meeting	David Walton	Sally Hollis
Monday	31st	Normal Meeting	Sue Postlethwaite	David Woolliscroft

November

Monday	7th	Normal Meeting	Elaine Turner	Bernard Johnson
Thursday	10th	Council	7 p.m.	
Monday	14th	Business Meeting		
Monday	21st	Normal Meeting	John Howell	Sue Sharp
Monday	28th	Normal Meeting	Alison Allen	John Wilson

If you are unable to carry out your 'duty' please find a substitute and tell **Anne Baker** Tel: 01455 285674 **email** christinabaker304@btinternet.com

Big Bike Ride Sunday 21st August '22

The Lutterworth Big Bike Ride Sunday 21st August, Lutterworth Rotary Club celebrated 10 years of the Big Bike Ride last Sunday. The event as always began and finished at Misterton Hall and allowed riders to ride a choice of routes from 11, 23, 39 and 67 miles.

The day proved to be warm if a little overcast. This didn't deter 300 riders from enjoying a pleasurable ride through the beautiful south Leicestershire countryside, to be welcomed home by the Lutterworth Town Crier ringing his bell. This year we were especially pleased to be able to offer a warm welcome to guests from the Ukraine who were riding with us for the first time having settled in the Lutterworth area, following the outbreak of hostilities in Ukraine earlier this year.

Everyone then had an equally enjoyable afternoon resting on Mrs. Craven's lawn at Misterton Hall, eating a Hog Roast courtesy of Neil Green Catering, an Ice Cream and a Cake from Nathan Miles, washed down by a cold beer from The Jolly Hucksters while listening to music from the Hatstand Band, what a fabulous day that we all enjoyed.

Monies raised which amounted to around £3000, will go to support Epilepsy Action, Cystic Fibrosis & Rotary Charities both in the UK & overseas. Over the 10 years that the Big Bike Ride has been running, some £33,000 has been raised for good causes.

The Rotary Club of Lutterworth would like to thank all our stall holders, our volunteers and those people that came and took part, on a great day.



If you enjoyed yourself why not save the date for next year 20th August 2023.



Ukrainian Picnic 29th August



Lutterworth Rotary club members have come to know many of the Ukrainian guests during August, who are residing in Lutterworth and the surrounding villages, through a pop up cafe in Karters.

To conclude the month Rotary members provided the transport (and the dogs) to meet in Coombe Abbey for a picnic on "Bank Holiday" Monday. It has been wonderful to enable the families to meet their fellow Ukrainians, make friends and share their experiences in their temporary home. In spite of their tragic circumstances they are all optimistic and a pleasure to know.

We, as a club, will keep in touch with them all and provide any further help they might need in the run up to Christmas and the New Year.

Our thanks are extended to Karters Cafe for their hospitality.

To Russia with Love !!!

Power cuts



The result of the 100 Club Draw taken on Monday 5th September was:-

First Prize	No 14	£25	David Ayres
Second Prize	No 35	£15	Pat Iliffe
Third Prize	No 81	£10	Sue Sharp

Talk and visit to the New location of Lutterworth Town Museum on Monday 5th September

Notes from Robert Coleman Trustee of the Museum



Introduction

In 1950 Mr Bert Robinson, Honorary Secretary of the Lutterworth Historical Society, with good Stewardship collected and preserved many local artefacts by depositing them with Leicester County Museum when the historical Society disbanded.

In 1989 Mrs Joyce Mason reclaimed these artefacts for Lutterworth Town Museum.

1989 Museum Founding Committee were:

Mrs Joyce Mason	Mr Douglas Mason
Mrs Kate Laughton	Mr Bernard Laughton
Mr John Daniel	Mr Len Drage
Mrs Sylvia Palmer	Mr Robert Wells
Mr Clifford Ward	Mr Jack Lucas

and of course we should not forget the sterling work carried out by **Geoff Smith** over the last few years.

Recent History

At the end of last year 2021 the museum was struggling to meet its financial commitments. Lutterworth Town Estates Charity offered a room in the new building High Point at a subsidized rent.

The high cost of moving would mean the museum would have been trading while insolvent. The Town Council therefore came up with a plan to assist for three years at this vulnerable time. The Council will provide the cost of rent and basic utilities over the next three years.

The artefacts had all been moved from the old premises in Gilmorten Road to High Point late in December 2021. During January and February 2022, the building had no heating, lighting or water. However, a small team worked three times a week using small battery lamps as the removal company had left boxes of artefacts stacked up. Therefore we needed space to be created before we could even start to sort out the artefacts. The weight of the two engines created a major problem for us.

We will have permanent exhibits to the great figures and periods of Lutterworth.

Roman and Pre Roman artefacts

Wycliffe and the translation of the Bible

Sir Frank Whittle and the invention of the Jet Engine
Clock making

However along side these we will have rotating displays of other aspects of Lutterworth life.

We hope that visitors will visit the museum every three to four months and see a new aspect of our history.

We hope that our Schools and Colleges will use the museum to support their educational needs. We have already contacted them and they are very excited to be attending a museum where we will tailor the exhibits to meet their needs.

Not only for the young people of the town but also to acquaint the adults to potential new names such as -

William Green Percy Pilcher

How much do you know about these historical figures?

Sad death of our Queen Elizabeth Second

On Thursday 8th September we heard that the Queen had died at Balmoral, Scotland, aged 96.



Rotary too has a similar motto of "Service before Self". Long may this continue in our various activities performed in the coming years.

Current total of Knitted Teddy Bears

Since September 2021 the number of teddies knitted by Elaine Turner's team of knitters has grown to **9,643** an increase of 448 over the past year ever nearing their target of 10,000.

A Ukrainian's English Lesson in an English Garden

One of our Ukrainian guests "Olana" enjoys her English lessons while helping in the garden at Anne Baker's with her dogs Hattie and Freckle.

Picture to come in next months COG

Bwengu Project

Bwengu Projects Malawi is a small, family run registered charity run by Sue & Tony Melia together with their daughter Samantha, son-in-law Rob and granddaughter Abi.

Each year they identify the charity's needs then raise the funds and undertake various education and community projects. The latest being additions to the building of a much needed school which was damaged by recent storms. We were asked if could help them meet the cost (£800) of replacing the floors of two classrooms nearing completion (see picture) damaged by the storm, which we have gladly done.



Future Events

Saturday 15th October

"Beats Working" 7-30 p.m. at Wycliffe Rooms cost £10 pp.

Saturday 22nd October

The Northampton Male Voice Choir will be holding an Evening Entertainment at St Nicholas Church South Kilworth on Saturday 22nd October in aid of Mind (Roger Rose's Chosen Charity) starting at 7-30 p.m.

Tickets at £10 pp available from Colin Derrick or Roger Rose

Future Events Continued

Friday 9th December

Salvation Army Band - 7-30 p.m. South Kilworth

Friday 16th December

Scrooge at —Stratford on Avon

Saturday 11th February '23

Skittles at Wolvey Bowls Club

Saturday 13th May '23

Abba Concert— De Montfort Hall - 7-30 p.m.



With a tribute to the Queen from Paddington as well

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