



**Issue No: 127**

**Driving the wheel of fellowship**

## October '15 Newsletter

### October

### **Speaker Finder Grace & Thanks**

Monday	5th	Normal Meeting	Anne Baker	David Ayres
Monday	12th	Normal Meeting	John Turner	John Howell
Thursday	15th	Council		
Monday	19th	Business Meeting		
Monday	26th	Normal Meeting	John Wilson	Tony Hirons

### November

Monday	2nd	Normal Meeting	Brenda Burton	David Haynes
Monday	9th	Normal Meeting	<b>Geoff Blurton DG</b>	Peter Hammond
Thursday	12th	Council		
Monday	16th	Business Meeting		
Monday	23nd	Normal Meeting	Mark Thompson	Steve Tallis
Monday	30th	Normal Meeting	Carola Sander-Hess	Roger Rose

If you are unable to carry out your 'duty' please find a substitute and tell **David Ayres** Tel: 01455 202224 email ayres4feet@btinternet.com



## **Magna Park Lutterworth is IDI Gazeley's flagship distribution park.**

It was established in 1988 and celebrated its 25th anniversary in 2013. It was the UK's first and, at 200 hectares, remains Europe's largest dedicated distribution location. It is home to 25 blue-chip companies who operate from 31 buildings totalling in excess of 922,000 sq metres of sustainable floor space and employ 9,300 people.

Magna Park is a private estate that is fully managed by IDI Gazeley with 24 hour access and security and controlled HGV circulation.

The Park, and each individual warehouse site, is set in a fully landscaped, parkland environment that was one of the early pioneers of the still innovative "eco-system" approach to landscape design for commercial developments. IDI Gazeley's management stringently maintains and preserves the park's natural habitat and wildlife. The later buildings feature energy saving, sustainable features which are designed to reduce their resource consumption and carbon footprint, and many of the occupiers of the older buildings are investing to bring theirs up to date

IDI Gazeley developed the Park on the site of the former Bitteswell Airfield in two main phases. Harborough District Council (HDC) granted outline planning permission for the first

phase in 1987 when IDI Gazeley pioneered the distribution park concept in the UK, and the Secretary of State for the Environment, with HDC's support, granted permission for the second phase in 1992.

In response to growing demand from existing Magna Park businesses and other blue chip businesses, IDI Gazeley has aspirations to expand Magna Park. A detailed planning application has been submitted by IDI Gazeley on behalf of DHL Supply Chain for a single warehouse extending to 100,844 sq metres. A decision by Harborough District Council is expected shortly.

Report sent by Gwyn Stubbings of Gazeley

### **Report below from notes taken at the meeting**

#### **Update on Development of Magna Park—7th September**

Gwyn Stubbings Planning Director of IDI Gazeley (part of Brookfield Logistics Properties of America) gave us a very detailed talk on the current development taking place and planned for Magna Park.

The site, comprising of over 550 acres (202 hectares) was originally acquired by the then MFI Group plc in 1987 to develop for distribution warehousing. Gazeley Properties Ltd then a wholly owned subsidiary of Asda had responsibility for carrying out the development. Outline planning permission was granted in 1987 for Magna Park Phase 1 to take place for 4.21 million sq ft (392,000 sq m).

During the '80's the take up of land was rapid and a planning permission for a second phase of 3.5 million sq ft (325,160 sq m) was granted in 1992.

Today Planning Permission is being sort for in a further expansion of the site which if granted will create employment for a further 9,200 people.

They have submitted an initial application for a DHL warehouse the size of 16 football pitches to add to their existing four units totalling more than 55 sq. m and employing 700 people. An interesting point was that 95% of the UK population can be covered within 9 hours driving from the site explaining the interest warehouse operators are taking in the area. DIRFT and its railway link in Rugby and Gateway Estate was mentioned in question time but not fully discussed due to shortage of time. During his talk he went on to say that with this further expansion, if permitted would generate some £20 million of rates for the area and that over a million trees had already been planted to mask the site of the new buildings that would be created. An interesting talk that generated more questions than answers.

### **A career by accident – Sally Hollis**

Like so many of us Sally was never sure of what she wanted to do in life and life took its turns by accident. Whilst in her twenties she worked as a Mental Welfare Officer, (and subsequently a social worker). An opportunity presented itself in 1973 for Sally and her husband to begin their own business in Data Processing. The business collected data for input by punch card and processing on a large mainframe ICL 1900 computer, with magnetic tape drives.

The fledgling business called Arden Data Processing was supported by also running an off-licence providing the essentials of food, wine and cigarettes! After two children and a divorce Sally took over the Managing Director role of the business which moved into Data Base Management in the Direct Marketing business. By the mid 80's she had

gained qualifications in Marketing and was Chair of the Direct Marketing Association's Response Management Council .

The Business – Arden Direct Marketing Ltd – which moved to Barwell Leicester, employed over 75 people engaged in a highly mechanised mailing house and call centre.

The new millennium however saw the rise of email marketing and a decrease in direct mail volumes. The company was renamed Arden Direct Digital, but Sally sought an exit.

Little did Sally know that her exit was to be so dramatic. On December 29th 2012, whilst Sally was away in Paris, the 30,000 square feet of mailing house was raised to the ground by a large fire, caused by an arson attack! After a horrific time of over 18 months dealing with claims and officials, Arden was successfully acquired by the remaining loyal staff in an MBO .

Sally retired in Jan 2015 and joined Rotary.

### **He had a dream at age 9**

Professor Anthony Hollander at the age of 9 wrote to Blue Peter at the BBC asking for help in buying equipment including a syringe (syringe) and cutting tools – he said he needed to “make people or animals alive”. He wrote – this may seem very strange, but I think I no how to make people or animals alive. Why I'm telling you is because I cant get the things I need.

A list of what I need.

- 1 Diagram of how evrehing works (inside youre body).
- 2 Model of a heart split in half. (both halves)
- 3 The sort of seering they yous for cleaning ears (syring must be very very clean)
- 4 Tools for cutting people open.
- 5 Tools for stiches.

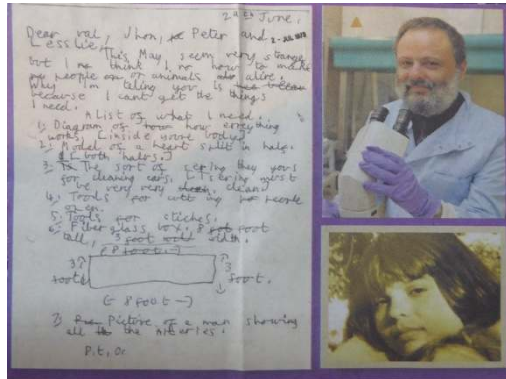
6 Fiberglass box, 8 foot tall, 3 foot width.

7. Picture of a man showing all the arteries.

Sorry but in number 6 in the list the box needs lid. If you do get them on 1<sup>st</sup> March I can pay £10,£11,£12, £13 or £14.

Send your answer to me,

Love from Anthony Peter Hollander.



The reply Bidy Baxter- Editor of Blue Peter to Anthony Hollander read.

"We were interested to hear that you think you know how to make living people – and your list of necessary items intrigued us! We are sorry we can't help you at all, but we wondered if you had thought of talking to your family doctor – he might be glad to help you with some of the diagrams and other information".

*" Professor Anthony Hollander, now head of the Institute of Integrative Biology at Liverpool University, was a member of the team that implanted an artificially grown windpipe into a 30 year old woman in 2008. He has said that if Bidy Baxter's reply "had shown any hint of ridicule or disbelief I might perhaps never have trained to become a medical scientist or been driven to achieve the impossible dream, and really make a difference to a human being's life".*

**Article submitted by Elaine Turner**

**Why do supermarkets** make the sick walk all the way to the back of the store to get their prescriptions while healthy people can buy cigarettes at the front?

### **Fashion Show and Clothes Sale Wed. 23rd Sept.**

Lutterworth Rotary and Inner Wheel Club raised £780 for Air Ambulance. This was made possible by the generosity of Kilworth Springs Golf Club providing the venue, family friends and members of both Clubs acting as models, and SOS Fashion

Shows providing over 1000 garments. Many High Street named brands were featured such as M&S, Next, Dorothy Perkins and many others.



Thank to you all concerned with the evening and to the public for attending and their generosity in supporting the raffle.

### **Great News**

On the news over last weekend we heard that **Nigeria** had reported that there were no reported cases of Polio over the past year leaving just Afghanistan and Pakistan the only two countries in the world who are still aiming to eliminate Polio. At the start of

the campaign 125 countries were afflicted with this terrible disease.

Rotary started to be involved in 1985 followed later by the Bill Gates Foundation.

The next campaigns must be "Malnutrition" and "Malaria".

## **Future Events**

### **Rotary Disabled Sports National Championships at Coventry, Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2015.**

**Practice dates are:-**

**Friday 16th October 6.00pm—8.00 pm**  
Lutterworth College (LE17 4EW)

**Friday 23rd October 6.00pm-8.00pm**  
Lutterworth College (LE17 4EW)

**Friday 30th October 6.00pm-8.00pm**  
Lutterworth College (LE17 4EW)

**An additional practice date for Triathlon (Weights, Cycling & Rowing) to be arranged in October.**

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