



**Issue No: 135**

**Driving the wheel of fellowship**

**June'16 Newsletter**

**Speaker Finder Grace & Thanks**

**June**

- Monday 6th Normal Meeting **Club Assembly**
- Thursday 9th Council Meeting
- Monday 13th Business Meeting
- Monday 20th Normal Meeting Hugh Robertson Smith Ted Wilson
- Wednesday 29th **President Change Over Day**  
John Wilson Roger Rose

**See page 8 for change of time and venue**

**July**

- Monday 4th Normal Meeting John Howell John Roberson
- Thursday 7th Council Meeting
- Monday 11th Business Meeting
- Monday 18th Normal Meeting John Turner Hugh Robertson Smith

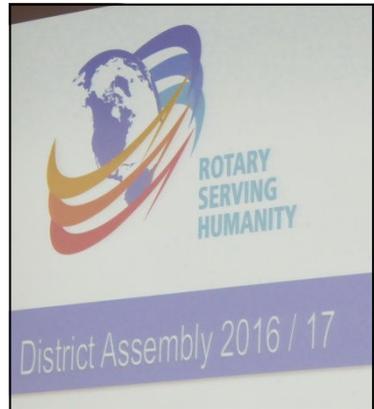
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## District Assembly 2016/17 - 7th May 2016

As a club 9 members attended some for the first time and some who seem to appear year after year.

It was well attended with some 500 plus attending from the district. This year we had new clubs joining the District raising the number to 91.



The Theme for this year is -  
**"Rotary Serving Humanity"**

### **Tony Hirons Resigns**

With regret Tony has decided to resign after years with the Club on account of lack of time to devote to Rotary and still be an active member.

Having been Town Mayor twice and councillor for many years he has found it difficult to find enough hours in the day to do what he wants properly. However he has agreed to run the Annual Christmas Concert in aid of both local and Rotary charities for which we are very grateful—details will be sent out later in the year.

Thank you Tony for being such an active member we shall miss you and your down to earth advice on local events.

## **Sally and I thought this might appeal to the non football members**

### ***Catching the bug!***

*I **hate** football.  
Noisy louts.  
But like the plague  
I've caught the bug*

*I **don't like** football  
Rattling and chanting.  
But with blue and white  
I'm now a glory fan.*

*I **don't mind** football.  
And they've done it!  
You can't deny your birth  
So I sing their song.*

*Leicester – Wogan's forgotten city.  
Bet you know us all now  
For a murdered king -  
and of course - football.*

*Sally Hollis - 2016*

## **Rugby Disabled Sports - 1st May**

We had a very enjoyable and rewarding games.

Thanks to Bernard Johnson and Martin Iliffe for driving the bus and to Hugh Robertson-Smith and John Wilson for providing lifts with their cars.

We had 14 competitors representing Lutterworth Rotary Club and there were over 200 competitors at the event.

## Rugby Games Results

1st May 2016

Here are the Individual results for the Lutterworth team.  
We had 14 competitors entered by Lutterworth Rotary Club

### Table Tennis

1st Ted Carter  
2nd Jack Johnson  
3rd Elliott Hartdman

### Kurling

2nd Andrew Phipps  
3rd Jack Johnson

### Boccia Ambulatory

1st Nathan Smith  
2nd Andrew Phipps

### Boccia Wheelchair

1st Scott Keating  
2nd Sam Milne

### New Age Kurling

1st Ted Carter  
2nd Elliott Hardman

### Target Boccia Ambulatory

1st Nathan Smith

### Target Boccia Wheelchair

3rd Scott Keating

### Throwing the Rugby Ball Wheelchair

2nd Calum Smith

### Throwing the Rugby Ball Standing

2nd Elliott Hardman

### Tree Bean Bag

1st Elliott Hardman  
2nd Neil Anstee

### Bagatelle

3rd Umaymah Dakri

### Junior Skittles

3rd Umaymah Dakri  
2nd Ted Carter

### Mini Crossbow

2nd Neil Anstee

### Table Quoits

2nd Umaymah Dakri  
Special Daniel Hardman

### Shove Halfpenny

1st Elliott Hardman  
2nd Ted Carter

### Target Kurling

1st Umaymah Dakri

### Alley Skittles

2nd Scott Keating

## **A very special day - 9th May—in Jersey**



Anne Toone (David's wife) was our speaker who gave us a fascinating talk titled life on Jersey during WW2. The German Occupation of Jersey (1940—1945) began two weeks after the British government had demilitarised the island fearing the safety of civilians should there be any conflict. However the German Air Force did bomb and machine gun the island, killing nine and wounding many more. Followed by dropping an ultimatum from the air demanding the immediate surrender of the island by displaying White Flags in prominent places.

Anne told us Jersey Law and Government were allowed to function as was the Church who could say prayers for the Royal Family and Empire. The Gestapo did however clamp down on meetings of bodies like the Freemasons and Salvation Army and did regular searches of houses, including the questioning civilians many being taken to Germany never to be seen again.

Anne who lived on a farm told us the story of her father being confronted by a German Officer on his farm wishing to inspect the farm house. Whereby being a true jérriaian he invited the officer round to the front of the house where there a number of elderly ladies having tea on the lawn. The German Officer thought the place was an old peoples home and politely departed never to be seen again. She told us about other incidents too many to record here but highly amusing.

Hitler ordered the conversion of Jersey into an impregnable fortress employing thousands of slave workers from Spain, France, Poland, Russia and Algeria who built the Underground Hospital.

The 40,000 inhabitants who remained on Jersey slowly got used to the conditions. Their greatest hardship being the lack of being allowed to have a radio to learn what was happening outside the confines of the island.

She told us of Horse drawn traffic rather than a car due to petrol not being available and the use of a bicycle. Due to limited supplies reaching the island shop hours were reduced.

Food shortages on Jersey were finally relieved by the arrival of the Red Cross ship SS Vega and tea was no longer made from a mixture of parsnip and



sugar beet. It's interesting to hear that Jersey was the only occupied country where dancing was allowed.

The other thing that she mentioned was that the Germans issued a special currency for those in occupied countries:- coins 1,2,5, and 10 Reichspfennigs and notes 1,2,5,10,and 50.

The Liberation of Jersey was on 9th May 1945 (*the date in May when she gave her talk*).

### **A very special day for Jérriaisians.**

Although too young she recounted stories her father told her of the *HMS Beagle* occasion and the speech Churchill gave involving the islands "our dear Channel Islands are also to be freed today" The arrival of HMS Bulldog and Beagle on 8th May with Force 135 with their Commander and Brigadier AE Snow was the start of celebrations throughout the island.

A wonderful talk given with passion from Anne.

## **Misterton Plant, Craft & Food Fair** **Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> May**

There were 48 stalls on the day enjoying wonderfully warm and dry weather making for a highly successful day with over 1,000 adult visitors plus many children who had free entry.



Misterton Hall gardens a delight to see and a wonderful setting for this event, our thanks to the owner Mrs Craven we really appreciate your hospitality. Also the hard work and organisation put in by our team of Rotarians - our 10<sup>th</sup> Fair, masterminded by Elaine Turner and Mark Thompson.



Visitors commented on the wide variety of stalls, the different plants on sale plus good advice, crafts from jewellery to art and garden gifts, homemade cakes and preserves. Then a choice of refreshments, making a good day out in lovely surroundings. We had a number of new stall holders this year who were impressed by the event and the friendly atmosphere saying that if we hold it next year (and we will) may they have the opportunity of coming again.



The Concourse d' Elegance of cars prompting many appreciative comments on the cars displayed, the winning car was an immaculate 6.5 litre Jensen, the owner being presented with a trophy by Albert Costa Conservative MP for South Leicestershire.

**Please note**

**Our Presidents Change over Day has been changed to Wednesday 29th June 6-30 pm. at the Rutland Room, Misterton Hall followed by Cheese and Wine to which wives and partners are invited cost £10 per head.**

**Future Events**

**Sunday 10th July - Strawberry Afternoon Tea** at John Ensor's Burton Fields Farm, Hinckley, LE10 3HAQ starting at 3.30 pm in aid of the Mary Evans Hospice (Nuneaton's equivalent of Loros) and the Denman Appeal. Cost £12-50 per head.

**Sunday 14th August Big Bike Ride** details to follow.

**Thursday 15th September - Fashion Show**

Details later from Elaine Turner Tel 01455 553425

**Saturday 26th November - Concert at St Mary's Church**

**Lutterworth**

**Sunday Nov. 27th 8th Santa Fun Run**

Joint Event with Lutterworth Wycliffe

Details to follow from John Turner

**Mon and Tues 12/13th December Morrisons Collection**

Joint Event with Lutterworth Inner Wheel.

Details to follow.

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