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Driving the wheel of fellowship

August '18 Newsletter

Programme for the next two months.

August

Speaker Finder Grace & Thanks

Monday	6th	Normal Meeting	David Walton	Bernard Johnson
Thursday	9th	Council		
Monday	13th	Business Meeting		
Monday	20th	Normal Meeting	Anne Baker	Peter Osborn
Monday	27th	Summer Bank Holiday		

September

Monday	3rd	Normal Meeting	Brenda Burton	Hugh Roberson	Smith
Monday	10th	Normal Meeting	Steve Tallis	Roger Rose	
Thursday	13th	Council			
Monday	17th	Business Meeting			
Monday	24th	Normal Meeting	John Wilson	Martin Iliffe	

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

Milele: Tenth Anniversary Celebration

President Mark Thompson together with Elaine Turner & John Turner met up with Amy Dobson, founder of the Kenyan educational charity Milele, on July 1st to celebrate the charity's achievements on the tenth anniversary of its establishment. Also present was Rieder, the Kenya Coordinator for Milele who is responsible for the day to day operation of the charity and who had travelled to the UK to meet supporters and sponsors to celebrate the anniversary.

As Amy has written:

'We are a sponsorship programme, so we sponsor the education of children from the townships just north of Mombasa, Kenya. Currently 18 young people are being sponsored.

Although education is at our heart, we have grown and learned a lot along the way and



now Milele is really much more than that. We have a food programme and a healthcare programme for our children as part of a really holistic approach. We also provide access to counselling and psychological therapy, as well as social and emotional educational input. All of our children come from very vulnerable backgrounds and many were at very high risk of issues such as child marriage, early pregnancy, HIV or just simple malnutrition before we sponsored them.

Our children are all different, have different needs and require different support. We have built personalised plans of care for every child, tailored around them and their family to help keep them safe, healthy and happy. We also support a number of families, mainly the mothers of sponsored children, with small financial grants to set up businesses that can help them to become financially independent.

Our teddy donation programme (in partnership with Elaine Turner and her merry band of knitters!) is also going well.

We have given out hundreds of teddies around Mtwapa and neighbouring Shanzu, often giving a child their first ever toy.'

The Rotarians who met Amy and Rieder were once again inspired by their energy, enthusiasm and vision for how Milele can & is changing the lives of young people in Kenya. It was interesting to hear at firsthand how Charo [a young man now in his late teens], who is sponsored by the club, is thriving at school and it is clear that Rieder plays a key role in supporting all the young people in the programme. Milele is always looking for more sponsors and details of the scheme can be found at www.milele.org.uk .

Welcome to **Val Cooper** a new member of our Club who was previously a Rotarian at Clitheroe Rotary Club.



Jaipur Limb Project

Roger Neuberg our speaker on Monday 2nd July spoke with passion about the progress that had been made in Jaipur—India.

He said that it is estimated that in the developing world one in every thousand of the population has a lost a limb . That equates to over a million in India alone.

The Jaipur limb is so called as it was developed at the Mahaveer Society Hospital in Jaipur by Dr Pramod Sechi.

It is made by trained local technicians from readily available polyurethane (such as suitably sized drain pipes) at a relatively low cost .

Since 1990 the Rotary Jaipur Limb Project have sponsored many limb camps establishing permanent centres in 19 centres in Uganda—Kenya, Malawi, Nigeria, Tanzania, Rwanda and Zambia.

Other Centres are in Nepal, Pakistan, Sri Lanka and across India.

He went on to say that in many developing countries thousands of people are suffering considerable difficulties in moving due to amputated or deformed limbs as a result of accidents, war or diseases like polio and leprosy.



While you think of amputated legs progress has been made in hands where the wearers are now able to grip a cup, work a hoe or tool and ride a bicycle and even begin to write again or use a computer all at a cost of £30 per limb.

As you will appreciate having a missing or useless limb will result in the humiliation of invisibility, the stigma of deformity and dependence upon others and the loss of dignity which the Jaipur project address. It provides independence, mobility and normality being able to stand upright and restores self confidence, for both young and old.

To date 9 clubs in District 1070 have raised over £13,000—we being one of the 9 Clubs.

The Ramblings of an old man (David Wooliscroft)

I was born in the lovely Derbyshire village of Tissington well known for its Annual Well Dressing. My parents rented a small dairy farm at Kirk Ireton where my brother Peter was born in 1937; 2 years later they moved to Tissington where I was born in 1939. We only stayed there for a year, before moving to a

larger farm on the estate, Tissington Wood, where my sister was born in 1941; the nearest neighbour being 1½ miles away. My father found a useful diversion as every week he'd go down to the village to play cards in the guise of the home guard leaving my mother with 3 children on her own!

In 1943 we moved to Ashtree Farm in Rodsley to a dairy and mixed farm of 120 acres employing 3 men and only 2 tractors and a horse—how times have changed! In 1950— my brother William was born, completing the set of 4 siblings on 4 farms. My social life in Ashbourne as I was growing up was centred around family and Young Farmers, however this was slightly curtailed by the fact I had 42 cousins all living locally and all working in agriculture. Any stories were soon relayed to my parents by bush telegraph!!

In 1957 my parents moved to a 220 acre farm on the Denbigh Estate at Street Ashton and continued until 2015 still doing dairy and arable, but with cattle, pigs and sheep as well I had pigs on my own account which bought my first car. I started shearing sheep with John Gray, David Toone and two other friends and we had a hard but interesting time going to different farms and seeing people's different way of life. I continued to shear sheep until 1979 when I reached the age of forty.

In 1962 I had a very busy year , Chairman of Pailton Young Farmers where I met my wife Anne who was secretary. In 1964 we were married. Towards the end of my Chairmanship I went on a trip of a lifetime to Canada with Rob Weathall and Richard Reeve to look at the opportunities of farming in Canada. This made a very big impression on me.

After our wedding when living at Newnham Paddock our three 3 children were born Ian, Robert and Jane.

In 1970 we acquired the tenancy of Wharf Farm, Hillmorton; a council farm of 90 acres. It was a dairy farm, set up with the help of my father who gifted 20 cows (which grew to 100 cows in 3 years) and some machinery to myself, which he had also done for my brothers 4 years previously

In 1972 we began contracting completing a range of work including hedge trimming to silage making which grew to where we were employing my two sons and four other employees. This continued until 1993 when we sold and went back to farming a total of 350 acres.

Sons Ian dredged canals and Robert developed a computer

rental business in Coventry.

In 1994 our daughter Jane moved abroad to Australia with our son-in-law Scott.

We now have 7 grandchildren none directly in agriculture.

In 2005 we retired and sold the farm moving to Husbands Bosworth giving Anne more time to be with her horse.

My interest has always been in the restoration of cars but when I had the opportunity to build a 2 seater plane I took it and when everyone comments "fancy flying an aeroplane built by a farmer" eyebrows are raised. This plane is still flying today and I still get to fly it occasionally.

Ben Charity 9th July



Jean Wooliscroft our speaker spoke on

"The Ben Charity" dedicated to the

Automotive Industry in which she worked as an occupational therapist seeing it grow in size and importance over many years.

She spoke very eloquently and gave us details of the organisation which I have précised here, hopefully not leaving important bits out.

"Ben" is an independent non profit charity and is dedicated Partner to the automotive industry providing support for life for its people and their family dependents.

It is focused on delivering care and support to enable total health and well being through working and later life. It provides free and confidential advice and support on four main areas—financial—physical—mental and social support. It includes excellent nursing, residential, dementia and respite care via its care centres in Aldershot, Rugby and Northam (Berwick-on-Tweed) and Day Centres in Coventry and "independent living made easy" for the over 65's at its retirement village in Sunninghill near Ascot Berks.

"Ben" was founded in 1905 by A J Wilson.

Over the years various other benevolent funds were amalgamated into "Ben" including coach builders and agricultural engineering and now they support people from right across the automotive and its allied trades.

Some 800,000 people now work for the automotive industry in the UK.

Thank you Jean for what you covered in the limited time afforded you on Monday.

Bob Derrick

Bob Derrick - as you know - spent a lot of time promoting and collecting things for "**Aquabox's**" which Bernard has taken over but he is still involved in collecting used "**Stamps**" for "macmillan care" and "Cystic Fibrosis" along with the collection of used "**Glasses**" (not cases) for "Vision Aid Overseas".



He would be very grateful if members would support him by handing him (at Meeting) either or both for these very worthwhile charities.

The Highway Code and Safe Driving

Our Speaker Cliff Wilkins a freelance Authorised Driver Instructor (ADI) spoke to us about certain things that we, as drivers, do when at the wheel and have become our motor-ing habits. He reminded us that on average 2·4 mistakes go to make a crash – some small and some somewhat more serious.

In the time available to him he gave some useful nuggets of information that are worth remembering.

Reminders of what we learnt prior to taking our test some many years ago.

He repeated the three things we should do automatically when driving off.

M look in the three **mirrors** before moving off.

S **signal** what you are about to do.

M **manoeuvre** safely onto the road



He then went on to say you should not need to take your hand off the steering wheel when using your signal indicator—many people do.

Don't flash your headlights when thanking fellow motorists who make space for you to pull out. Flashing your headlights can mean a multitude of things when picked up by other motorists on the road and can lead to potential accidents.

Be very careful of cars that turn off across you and watch the way their wheels are turning not their indicator, these may not have been cancelled.

Do not come up on the inside of lorries turning—leave them room—they may not see you there and being longer the tail of the lorry will take a tighter corner when turning left than you had initially thought. Or when turning right will need to come onto your part of the road in order to negotiate the corner. Always pull back and give lorries space.

He then went on to Roundabouts where the attached pictures can explain better than words.

A very thought provoking talk of which we should take heed.

Future Events

Don't forget our Annual **Big Bike Ride** being held at Misterton Hall on **Sunday 19th August**.

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