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**Driving the wheel of fellowship**

## November '23 Newsletter

**Programme for the next two months.**

### **November**

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

Monday	6th	Normal Meeting	David Haynes	Bernard Johnson
Monday	13th	Normal Meeting	John Howell	Sue Sharp
Thursday	16th	Council 7 p.m.		
Monday	20th	Business Meeting		
Monday	27th	Normal Meeting	Alison Allen	John Wilson

### **December**

**Monday 4th Joint Christmas Dinner Inner Wheel**

Monday 11th Normal Meeting Jennie Taylor Colin Derrick

**Monday 18th Christmas Lunch Social Meeting**

**Monday 25th Christmas Day Holiday No Meeting**

If you are unable to carry out your 'duty' please find a substitute and tell  
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## How to know when you're getting old

Everything hurts!  
What doesn't hurt, doesn't work.  
The gleam in your eye  
is the sun shining on your bi-focals,  
You feel like the morning after,  
but haven't been anywhere.  
Your children begin to look middle age.

You join a health club,  
but you don't go.  
A dripping tap causes an  
uncontrollable urge.  
You have all the answers,  
but nobody asks you the questions.  
You look forward to a dull, evening.  
You need glasses to find your glasses.

You turn out the light for economy  
instead of romance.  
You are in a rocking chair,  
but can't make it go.  
Your knees buckle, but your belt won't.  
Your back goes out more than you do.

Your house is too big,  
your medicine box is not big enough.  
You sink your teeth into a steak,  
and they stay there.  
Your Birthday cake collapses from the  
weight of all the candles!

### Did you know

**A landwaiter** is a customs official responsible for checking the unloading of ships from foreign ports.

**A tide surveyor** is a customs officer responsible for searching vessels anchored in port.



**Weather Map used for Shipping Forecast**

**The 100 Club Draw for October was:-**

- 1st Sue Postlethwaite      £25
- 2nd Sue Postlethwaite      £15
- 3rd Mike Toone              £10

The next Draw will be in December

## **Foundation Talk on Monday 2nd October**

Our speaker on Monday was the District Rotary Foundation chair Paul Dickinson of the Melton Mowbray Belvoir Club who spoke on Foundation.

Based on 36 members our contribution last year was slightly less than the \$100 per member aim which placed the Club about mid way in the District.

In total \$330 million was donated in the year and such is the size the cost of running the Organisation was \$57 million.

Paul mentioned the financial benefit of applying for grants which boost money available to any project.

Grants are awarded when two clubs come together to raise money for a specific project and jointly apply for a grant. The Clubs can be in different countries. The club chair must first pass the Foundation exam which will take less than 30 minutes on line. The eradication of polio is still one of the main projects. There are very low numbers of polio now in just two countries which includes India. Rotary support since 1988 has eradicated 99.9% of polio cases and vaccination will continue for two years after nil infections are reported.

*My thanks to Bernard for providing these notes.*

## **Proposed Lutterworth Youth Club**

Last Monday, 9<sup>th</sup> October 2023, Sally Hollis and Val Cooper invited Mike English, Chairman of Lutterworth Athletic Football Club, to speak to us and below you will find a brief overview of the Club.

Lutterworth Athletic Club was established in 1983 to provide the children and youth of Lutterworth and surrounding villages with the opportunity of playing local League Football; at the same time learning both physical and emotional skills, team discipline and, of course, having lots of fun.

The Club has been accredited as an FA Charter Standard Club since the 1st July 2009. The Charter Standard provides recognition by the FA to clubs that are well run with sustainability at its heart and with child protection and safety paramount.

It also recognises a Club's commitment to coaching, player and coach development and raising the standards of behaviour in the game.

Recently the Club completed and passed its annual FA Health Check enabling it to operate as a FA Charter Standard Club for the 4th season in succession. They guarantee that the club is run properly and the welfare of the children is of the highest priority. As many of you are already aware the Club is undergoing a huge transitional period throughout this season, and they are about to realise the dream of accommodating all of the teams at a single facility in Hall Lane. This is something that they have been trying to achieve since the Club was formed nearly 30 years ago. When completed it will be without doubt one of the best sports facilities in the county which will not only enable them to generate a real identity but also create a sense of community at the Club.

In former seasons this has been a huge challenge as their nomadic existence has seriously inhibited progress in this area. They are now relying on their members to endorse their vision and move the Club forward.

Val and Sally are interested to find out if ,with Rotary's help, this Club could develop a youth club offering other activities outside sport to capture those children who are not interested in sport.

They will let you know how they get on over the coming months.

*My thanks to Martin for providing these notes*

## Future Events

Friday 1st December 7-30 p.m. Salvation Army Concert at  
St Nicholas Church South Kilworth

Friday 8th December Stratford Christmas Market

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Friday 12th January Puss in Boots at Concordia Theatre  
Hinckley at 7-15 p.m.

Saturday 3rd February Elvis Concert at De Montford Hall  
at 7-30 p.m.

Saturday 10th February Skittles at Wolvey Bowls Club  
at 7-00 p.m.

Sunday 10th March Rod Stewart Story at De Montfort Hall  
at 7-30 p.m.

Friday 12th April Fashion Show Wycliffe Rooms, Lutterworth  
time TBA

### **Lutterworth Fire Brigade Fire Safety in the home**

Our Speaker at Rotary was Andy Smith who moved to Lutterworth from Market Harborough Fire Station where he had been Manager for the past 40 years. His subject was Fire Safety in the Home and what you should do to prevent a fire. He spoke about what needed to be regularly checked to avoid a fire like the devastating one that happened in Lutterworth at the Shambles in the Market Square on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February. *See photo opposite.* Andy ran through things we should look out for in our homes – quoting the fact we are twice as likely to die in a fire if you don't have a smoke alarm that works.

90 people die each year in a house fire if the battery in the smoke alarm is flat or the battery is missing.

Have an alarm on each storey of the house and check them often.

If you have a gas appliance have a carbon monoxide alarm fitted in an appropriate place.

5 fires a day are started by using candles.

Faulty electrical wiring or an overloaded socket cause 7,000 house fires across the country each year.

If you use an electric blanket roll them when not in use

never fold them as this, over time, can create an electrical short circuit.  
Always unplug the blanket when it is not being used.

Shut doors at night to stop a potential fire spreading.

Christmas lights should be replaced after 3 years use.

Anyone without a smoke alarm can contact the local Fire Service and they can be fitted free and come with a 10 year battery life.

The Lutterworth Station carry out 600 fire safety checks each year and his helpful comments were a reminder to go home and do our own checking.



## **Call my bluff** (*first answer is always correct*)

### **Coddiwomple**

SP To travel purposefully toward an as yet unknown destination.

MT To adjust ones codpiece in public.

SH To have a massive, high wig - High fashion began by Louise XIV and then Charles II, to hide thinning hair which may have been a sign of syphilis. The bigger the better, giving us the term BIG WIG due to the Coddiwomple a massive high wig.

### **Grimthorpe**

MT To restore an old building with more money than taste.

SP A word used to describe a rundown area, town or village.

SH A derogative term used by residents of Scunthorpe referring to Grimsby. (Im sure a term known well to Bernard)

### **Rhabdomancy**

SP Diving or dowsing with a stick.

SH To have no fixed abode – to keep moving from place to place. A gypsie Rom-any term Rhab do mancy

MT A condition caused by a lack of sleep

### **Podiacide**

MT The act of shooting oneself in the foot. From the Latin Podia meaning foot.

SP The word used to describe when dolphins beach themselves

SH The term used for killing of your IPod.

### **Pareidolia**

SH When the mind perceives a specific image or pattern where it does not actually exist eg seeing a face in the clouds. Sometimes an explanation when saints reported visions and religious visitations that they had experienced PARE ID OLIA.

SP A Ballerina will perform a Pareidolia on her points PAREI DOLIA

MT The word for a very lacy, full underskirt worn in the Victorian era.

### **Verisimilitude**

SH something that merely seems to be true or real eg in films

SP The term use to describe the readjustment that astronauts have to go through when returning from space.

MT A word which describes the effect when first wearing bi-focals, which can cause a feeling of confusion when walking down steps until the eyes become adjusted. VERI IS MILITUDE.

### **Defenestration**

MT literally means throwing someone out of the window or a swift dismissal or expulsion

SH Following successful treatment from a pest controller the premises can be called DEFNESTRATED.

SP An Australian term for turning a farm back to nature – de fence station