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Many thanks to those who have contributed to this issue.

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The Turn of the Year



The Club's Pre-Christmas Dinner was held in the Britannia Room at the Riviera Hotel.

There being no "in-house" pantomime this year the President kept us happy with a number of very good jokes during his end of year speech.



The Riviera staff were presented with a Christmas gratuity for looking after us so well during the last twelve months.



Congratulations to President Stewart on his marriage to Ellen Lenz at Bournemouth Registry Office on Saturday 16 January, followed by a blessing at Christ Church, Westbourne on the Sunday.

President's Message



As ever the Christmas float reinforced just what Rotary is all about. As members we all gave as much support as our abilities allowed and we had great fun and fellowship. Owing to Alun's never ending facebook posts on location our whereabouts were always known and the reception we got on the streets of Poole was as rewarding as ever. As we have said over recent years this is as much about being a 'service' to the community as a fund raising exercise. Poole RC really engaged with us this year and took over two evenings and said how much they had enjoyed it. A total of £6,745.00 was collected of which about fifty per cent was raised by other charities and organisations. However our biggest thanks go to Pete who unstintingly 'pulled' Santa every evening. Our one night off was for our Pre-Christmas dinner. It was a 'panto free' year but the Riviera did us proud with excellent food and a room beautifully decorated for the festive season.

New Year's day saw a number of us take an informal lunch at Vesuvio at Alum Chine. With a windswept day the leisurely post lunch walk along the promenade I had hoped for was not possible – despite there being a number of swimmers in the sea those amongst us were not tempted.



With the Riviera being closed for a couple of weeks, the start of the New Year has been a little different with our first speaker meeting, with Andrew Mead, Headmaster at Lytchett Minster School, being at the Blue Boar in Poole and our second meeting at Lavish Life in Westbourne arcade being an informal meal and cinema evening. We now have to look forward within the next couple of months to the Lions Swimathon on 6/7th February, Youth Speaks on 9th February, the Rotary Technology Tournament on 18th March and by the time that Bay Views is published we will have welcomed Gerry Clarke as a new member.

The Tri-Club meeting hosted by Parkstone RC was a really enjoyable evening but following their own internal discussions they have decided that merging with Poole and Poole Bay Rotary Clubs is not for them. Poole RC have not said no to a merger and we will now press on with discussions with them to determine what might be possible. The first meeting to discuss detail will be held on 3 February and you will be kept posted and feedback sought from Club members.

Finally my own year got off to an exciting and enjoyable start with my marriage to Ellen. Certainly not at all on my radar when I agreed in 2012 to be JVP for 2013-2014. I leave for South Africa on 15th February for six weeks to continue our celebrations and I am confident that you will understand that this takes priority over Rotary! Fortunately Eddie is able to stand in and the leadership of the Club will be in good hands. In closing Ellen and I would like to thank members for their good wishes and for the generous gift that was presented to me at Lavish Life – Alun even had to twist my arm to get me to attend!!

Stewart Greaves, Club President.

Inner Wheel Club of Parkstone & Poole District



Wishing you all a very happy and healthy new year.

Not too much to report after the Christmas holiday. Forty-three of us had a very good Christmas lunch at the Hermitage Hotel on the 10th December and coffee at the Jazz Cafe on the 15th. District Chairman Alisson Smith visited us at our first meeting in January and she inducted two new members. After the meeting we were served some very nice homemade soup, we call it our frugal lunch for World Inner Wheel Day. On the 17th February 2016 we have a Bridge Tea for my charity, Victoria Education College. If there are any bridge players in your club or you know anyone who plays we would be pleased to see you. Tables are £24 each, if you would like to book one please contact me on 01202 385083. A date for your diary; 23rd April I am holding a fund raising event more details next time.

Mary Smith, IWC President.

Shelterbox Presentation



At the Lytchett Minster School production of Oliver last year the 6th Form organised a charity collection to fund two Shelterboxes. These were subsequently delivered to Korea to relieve suffering following devastating floods. The Shelterboxes contained tents of an innovative design incorporating an insulating layer and a chimney, enabling solid fuel to be burnt safely to heat and cook inside the tent.

Rotarian Howard Matthews and Senior Vice President Eddie Newcomb presented student representatives with a certificate to mark their fundraising efforts. (Tony Ogg)



Club Speakers

8th December 2015: Hearing Matters by Susie McCallum

Susie, SW Regional Fund Raising Manager for “Action on Hearing Loss” formerly the Royal Institute for the Deaf, is based in Bath. She has wide experience of fund raising with several other charities and is responsible for research funding, home visits, liaison with volunteers and schools over a wide area. In the UK there are over 2.5 million with hearing loss ranging from the very young upwards.

A variety of hearing aids are widely available and cochlear implants are now more common. Stem cell research is active and aimed at regrowing hearing nerves. The institute strongly promotes early diagnosis of hearing loss and early treatment especially in the very young. Adults and babies can benefit today, from cochlear implants ensuring normal development of speech in the very young or restoration of speech in adults. Sign language and lip reading are also taught and the art of speaking clearly and listening intently are equally important. Free local facilities are widely available, for hearing aid checks, tests and maintenance of hearing equipment, through the NHS and nominated private companies. Membership of the association costs only £12.50 per year (www.actiononhearingloss.org.uk). Several publications were left with us and the recommendation that we promote action on hearing loss to all those we come into contact with, as there is no need to suffer in silence.

Susie drove from Bath after a working day to give this very interesting talk and was driving back after the meeting. We are very grateful for her dedication. (Tony Ogg)

5th January 2016: Lytchett Minster School by Andrew Mead

Andrew is the Headmaster of the school with 1,500 students. After Oxford University he has always taught in Dorset Schools and was appointed Head in September 2014. He has strong views which have help set the standard for his teaching: teachers are inspiring, belief in the Core Values of resilience, hard work, good behaviour and ambition.

He has found that the more rural pupils are not ambitious enough and should do more reading. His concerns for current education: too much paperwork, teacher shortage, poor careers advice, pressure of exams and PISA. But he supports the OFSTED process – they will be having an inspection shortly. He is very grateful for all the support our Club is giving the school and wants to continue as a prime contact.

(Terry Stewart)

Welcome to a New Member



President Stewart welcomed Gerry Clarke as a new member at the meeting on Tuesday 19th January. Gerry has transferred to us from Ferndown RC as he lives in Poole. He is involved with the organisation of the Bournemouth Jazz Festival which is being held on Sunday 24th April and will be telling the Club all about the event at the Club meeting on 2 February.

Birthdays

Carole Allen on 2nd February
Sue Williams on 4th February
Pauline Burgess on 6th February
Beverley Knijff on 9th February
Elizabeth Stewart on 25th February

Birthdays continued

Hilary Hudson on 27th February
Peter Taylor on 12th March
Peter Hambly on 15th March

Wedding Anniversaries

Nigel & Sandy Wrigley on 4th March

Programme & Duties

January 2016

26th **Business Meeting**
Duties: David Way

26/27th Mock Interviews

February 2016

1st Group 2 Meeting

2nd **Bournemouth Jazz Festival 2016**
Gerry Clarke
Duties: John Walker
5.30 pm Council Meeting

6/7th Lion's Swimathon

9th **Youth Speaks**
NO MEETING AT HOTEL

16th **Poole Quays Forum**
Bill Constance, Forum Chairman
Duties: Alun Williams

23rd **Tri-Club Meeting at Riviera Hotel**
Bowel Cancer by Prof. Alex Mirnezami
Duties: Nigel Wrigley

March 2016

1st **Tesco Evening**
Jan Gould, Tesco Community Champion
Duties: Roger Allen
5.30 pm Council Meeting

March continued

5th(Sat) District Council

8th **Business Meeting**
Duties: Bernard Burgess

15th **Sardinian Evening with Partners**
7.00 pm at Alghero Ristorante
359 Ashley Rd, Parkstone, Poole BH14 0AS
NO MEETING AT HOTEL

18th(Fri) Technology Tournament

22nd **Seeds for Development**
Alison Hall
Duties: Gerry Clarke

29th **NO MEETING**

Early Warning *President's Night*

Saturday 14th May

7.00 for 7.30 pm at

The Kitchen, Poole Park

MEMBERS APOLOGIES

Please give apologies for absence to the Registrar, Bernard Burgess, by 11 am on the Monday before the Club Meeting.

With Meeting format changes some duties may not be required, nevertheless Members are reminded that they must find substitutes for their duties when they cannot attend.