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Youth Speaks



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Dr Maurice Fearnley

It is sad to report that Maurice Fearnley, who was President of the Club in the 1994/1995 Rotary Year, died on 9 February 2016 aged 84 years. His funeral was held at The Church of the Holy Angels, Lilliput and was attended by many Club members.

President's Message



Despite being in the Southern Hemisphere and as ever totally enjoying our time here it would have been very remiss not to put together a short message. The wonders of the Internet have meant that I have been able to keep in touch in my absence although wi-fi here in the Western Cape is a bit hit and miss.

Clearly, and as Eddie will have reported, I was extremely disappointed to learn that despite our hopes, the possibility of merging with Poole Rotary Club seems to have taken a huge step backwards in the past couple of weeks. My understanding is that more than a third of their members were not supportive, the main reason being "loss of identity". This is particularly disappointing as we had already indicated that the Poole Rotary Club name would remain and we would relinquish ours. As dedicated Rotarians I know that we do still seek to sustain Rotary in Poole and, where we can, continue to play a part in supporting others in our community whilst still enjoying the fun and fellowship we share. We have spent many hours trying to crack the problem of reinventing ourselves and attracting others to join Rotary but despite not yet achieving this it is still my hope that we can do so.

Youth Speaks was as successful as ever this year and thanks go not only to Peter Dawes for arranging it but to all the unsung heroes that helped. As President I was relieved of tea making duties but am happy to return to that role next year. Pete Taylor was instrumental in our participation with the Lions Swimathon and by the time this is published Pete will have acted as chief judge for the Technology Tournament at Corfe Hills. Disappointingly the number of teams from the Poole schools are down this year but we have been pleased to welcome and include teams from Swanage and Wimborne. In the next few weeks we have the visit by Ancenis and the 30th anniversary celebration of our "union" at dinner at President's night on 14 May. The Toddlethon is also in May and in the meantime plans need to be laid for Eddie's year as President. I look forward to seeing you all again on my return on 5 April.

Stewart Greaves, Club President.

Inner Wheel Club of Parkstone & Poole District



First of all, a sad note one of our members, Brenda Didham, passed away three weeks ago. She was a very active member, attending most meetings even after she moved to Sunrise. Quite a few of us attended her funeral.

We have now found a deserving mother for our holiday scheme for carers giving her a week in a hotel in Bournemouth. She has five children, one having high function autism. We held a very successful bridge tea raising approximately £400 for my charity, Victoria School, and have recently paid two visits to the school. Our main fundraiser is still to come - 23rd April an Antiques Evening with Philip Traves from Dukes of Dorchester.

We are very pleased to report that our skittles team won the 3rd round and are now in the District semi-finals.

Mary Smith, IWC President.

2016 Youth Speaks Competition

The Group 2 Youth Speaks competition took place at Bournemouth School for Girls on Tuesday 9 February 2016. This year, only one of the teams was hit at the last moment by illness and we therefore had a fairly full turnout.

The teams were reasonably evenly balanced number-wise with seven in the Intermediate competition and (after the last minute withdrawal) five in the Seniors. We were therefore able to proceed at a sensible pace and both competitions finished well within their expected time frame.

After the statutory break for refreshments, the announcement of results and presentation of prizes all happened in good time and most people were able to get away by 8.30 pm (a real concern for the younger students—and their parents). Harewood College won the Intermediates with a talk entitled “Another Brick in the Wall” whilst the Senior trophy was once again lifted by Twynham School with exactly the same team as last year—and why not if they qualify and are good, which they clearly are? Their main Speaker (again completely without the aid of notes) addressed the topic “Is being grown up simply a state of mind?” which drew some interesting comments from the Questioner and the Chairman. The two winners now move on to the District Finals in Southampton on 5 March and we wish them every success.

(Peter Dawes)



Harewood College Team winners of the Intermediate Youth Speaks Competition.



Twynham School winners of the Senior Youth Speaks Competition.

Club Speakers

19th January 2016: Transformation from the Ground Up by Sam Parkin

Sam Parkin, an ex-Poole Grammar Schoolboy, gave us a talk about his time in South Africa with ICS (International Citizen Service). Sam is taking a gap year before going up to Cambridge to study natural Sciences, and he applied to go on an ICS sponsored project. To achieve that, he had to raise £1500 by his own efforts and by undertaking a 12 hour sponsored tennis marathon he raised over £2000.

Sam spent 10 weeks in South Africa, living with a Zulu family and assisting with teaching in a Zulu school for orphaned and vulnerable children. He assisted with the teaching of a wide range of age groups, and found the experience has contributed greatly to his self-confidence and personal development. We were all struck by Sam's maturity and his presentational skills and felt his time abroad helped, not only those needy children in South Africa, but also Sam himself. (Peter Taylor)

2nd February 2016: Bournemouth Jazz Festival by Gerry Clarke

Gerry, the latest member of the Club, outlined his plans for the 2016 Bournemouth Jazz Festival in April (more information on page 5) and expressed the hope that Rotary should have prominent participation in the event with a publicity stall and by helping with the various events being held around Bournemouth. (John Walker)

16th February 2016: Poole Quays Forum by Bill Contance

Bill Constance (Forum Chairman) explained how over the last two and a bit years the Poole Quays Forum had come together to take advantage of the 2011 Localism Act. The group had gone through the statutory requirements to develop a neighbourhood forum and proposed neighbourhood plan. Covering the Old Town and Hamworthy with their 8000 residents the Plan had been submitted to Poole Council on 1 December 2015. Currently subject to evaluation, it has to be voted through by residents and businesses before it is adopted as part of the Council's planning policy. (Alun Williams)

23rd February 2016: Bowel Cancer by Prof. Alex Mirnezami

To set the scene Alex reported that about 40,000 cases of Bowel Cancer are diagnosed each year – 110 per day! It is one of the primary fatal diseases. To illustrate its impact he summarised the story of R.J. Mitchell – the designer of the Spitfire who died of bowel cancer in his 40's before seeing the success of his design in action, in spite of receiving the best care available at the time. This care was only palliative and less than 5% of patients survived for 5 years or more. The major problem is the cancer spreading to other parts of the body, particularly the organs at or below the waist, but can include the brain.

Alex then reported that in recent years two routes to improved treatment have been identified. The first was massive surgery removing everything affected. This can have a major effect on a patient's life and is, therefore, only undertaken with the patient's full agreement. The operation required can take 8-21 hours with up to 5 different surgery teams cooperating to work on different organs, but it can generate a 50% chance of 5-yr survival.

The second route is the main area of Alex's current research – The identification of gene characteristics – Micro-RNA's or MiR's – that are particularly prevalent in affected tissue. These have been found to accelerate the spread of the cancer but, also, it has been found that they can be targeted by gene therapy. This will not be a single "magic bullet" as many MiR's are involved and each one needs its own treatment. For example, Alex is now working with a team of 10 people on this research and MiR's numbered 154 and 223 of the ones they have investigated so far have been found to be active. One interesting thing about this £multi-million research is that it was all kick-started by an initial £9,000 grant from charity to fund the initial exploration. We left the meeting knowing that in the foreseeable future this new therapy route will lead to a massive reduction in the threat posed by this disease. (Nigel Wrigley)

Restaurant Evening

For the Club Meeting on 15 March a Restaurant Evening attended by twenty-five members and guests was held at Alghero in Ashley Road, Parkstone.

The theme was a Sicilian menu with pasta dishes to the fore and an excellent dish with chicken cooked in a tomato and olive sauce with mushrooms.

Thanks go to Alun Williams for organising another successful evening of good food and fellowship.



2016 Bournemouth Jazz Festival



Developed by the film director and entrepreneur Gerry Clarke, the new-look Festival features five distinct strands:

A **Headline Acts programme** comprising top international and national jazz names including saxophonist **Jean Toussaint** who worked with the legendary Art Blakey and the much-loved singer **Tina May** and rising trumpet star **Yazz Ahmed** and an appearance by **Jacqui Dankworth**.

A **“World Jazz Jamboree”** featuring jazz styles from Africa, Europe, India, The Middle East and South America.

A **“Jazz Village”** in Bournemouth Town Centre with a live music stage, food and drink stalls and a programme of ‘street jazz’ across the town with additional “razzmajazz” pockets planned for Westbourne, Southbourne and Boscombe.

An **education programme** featuring jazz workshop opportunities for young musicians followed by a schools jazz competition in which bands will be judged and given feedback from an expert panel of judges.

A culminating **Awards Ceremony with Concert** will feature The Dorset Youth Jazz Orchestra and the Bournemouth University Big Band plus special guests.

In addition the Festival will feature many of Bournemouth and Dorset’s best-loved jazz musicians and groups including tenor sax player **Ian Ellis’s Quartet**, trumpet player **Andy Urquhart’s Sound of Blue Note** with special guest **Mark Nightingale** added on trombone, celebrated club singer **Rachel More**, **Sarah Bolter’s “Not Just Sax”** with special guest **Tina May** on vocals, **The Swing Unlimited Big Band** performing a night of swing classics, **The Girls Only Jazz Orchestra** and **Zoe Schwarz’s** award winning **Blue Commotion band**.

The expanded 2016 Bournemouth Jazz Festival has been made possible by successful funding bids to Arts Council England, The Bournemouth Coastal BID and The Bournemouth Town Centre BID.

For participation in the Educational Programme and Awards Ceremony Concert
please contact

Gerry Clarke, Festival Director: gerry@bournemouthjazzfestival.co.uk

Ticketed events can be booked through The Bournemouth Jazz Festival website
<http://www.bournemouthjazzfestival.co.uk> or through the BH Live website

<https://www.bhlivetickets.co.uk/Online/default.asp>

Birthdays

Richard Bostock on 22nd March
Peter Dawes on 23rd March
Elizabeth Walker on 25th March
Janet Fox on 7th April
Lynda Hambly on 21st April
Sandy Wrigley on 20th May

Wedding Anniversaries

David & Hilary Hudson on 2nd April
Peter & Barbara Taylor on 4th April
Wilf & Janet Fox on 7th April
Bernard & Pauline Burgess 18th April
Dimpee & Duncan Smith on 16th May
Roger & Carole Allen on 25th May

Programme & Duties

March 2016

22nd **Quiz Evening**
Duties: Gerry Clarke

29th **NO MEETING**

April 2016

1/3rd RIBI Conference, Bournemouth

5th **Speaker from British Red Cross**
Duties: Peter Dawes
5.30 pm Club Council Meeting

12th **Business Meeting**
Duties: Brian Finch

19th **Social Evening at the Argyll Bowls Club**
West Overcliff Drive
5 pm for bowling 5.30 to 6.30 pm
Meal at 7.00 pm
Partners invited

26th **Speaker on Hengistbury Head**
Duties: Gillian Finch

Proposed day trip to the Channel Islands
this month

May 2016

3rd **NO MEETING**

10th **Annual General Meeting**
Duties: Tony Ford
5.30 pm Club Council Meeting

11th(Wed) Toddlethon in Poole Park

13/15th Visit by Ancenis Rotary Club

14th(Sat) President's Night 7.00 for 7.30 pm
The Kitchen, Poole Park

17th **Young Achievers Foundation**
John Thornton
Duties: Peter Hambly

24th **New Committees**
Duties: David Hudson

29/5-1/6 RI Convention, Seoul, S. Korea

31st **NO MEETING**

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.