

DISTRICT CHAIRMAN VERA'S DIARY DATES FOR 2017- 2018

JULY

4th-6th Leicester Assembly
 13th District Assembly Officers Meeting - Evening
 17th Induction Day - Eastwood Hall

AUGUST

2nd Warsop Club Visit
 9th Bolsover Club Visit

SEPTEMBER

1st Chesterfield Club Visit
 12th Sutton-in-Ashfield Club Visit
 13th Mansfield Club Visit
 14th Retford Club Visit
 21st Dronfield Club Visit
 26th Church Wilne Club Visit
 29th – 30th Rotary Conference - Llandudno

OCTOBER

1st Rotary Conference - Llandudno
 5th Clay Cross Club Visit
 6th Bolsover Charter
 8th Bingham Charter
 10th Wollaton Park Charter
 11th Matlock Charter
 12th Ravenshead Charter
 16th Beeston Club Meeting
 19th Retford Charter
 20th Melbourne Charter
 24th International Rally - Eastwood Hall
 25th Kirkby-in-Ashfield Charter



NOVEMBER

1st Warsop Charter
 2nd Alfreton Club Visit
 6th Long Eaton Club Visit
 11th District Meeting - The Post Mill Centre,
 South Normanton
 13th Heanor Club Visit
 19th Chesterfield Scarsdale Charter
 21st Sherwood Forest Club Visit

DECEMBER

11th Kirkby-in-Ashfield Club Visit
 13th Carlton Club visit
 13th West Ashfield Club Visit
 17th Inner Wheel and Rotary Carol Service - Trent College

2018

JANUARY

9th Wollaton Park Club Visit
 10th Keyworth and Ruddington Club Visit

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News in 22

Inner Wheel



*District Chairman
Vera Dilks*

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**Chosen Charity
2017-2018**

**Derbyshire
and
Nottinghamshire
YOUNG CARERS**

Personal copy for _____

Your District Executive 2016 - 2017

*1st Vice-Chairman
Linda Elkin*



*Secretary
?*

*District Chairman
Vera Dilks*



*Member of Council
Gloria Humphrey*

*2nd Vice-Chairman
Anne Lyons*



*Treasurer
Elaine Hopkins*



*Editor
Jacquie Chapman*



*International Service
Committee Chairman
Marion Tasker*

*Immediate Past
District Chairman
and Membership Officer
Di Hylton*



The Smile Virus - Author unknown

Smiling is infectious
You catch it like the flu
When someone smiled at me today
I started smiling too

I passed around the corner
And someone saw my grin
When he smiled I realised
I'd passed it on to him

I thought about that smile
Then I realized its worth
A single smile just like mine
Could travel round the earth

So if you feel a smile begin
Don't leave it undetected
Lets start an epidemic quick
And get the world infected



Thank you D10

What did one flea say to the other?

"Shall we walk or take the dog?"

"It is such a lovely evening, let's walk"



Dear Friends

Thank you one and all for the contributions that have gone into the Summer edition 135 of our News in 22. As always it represents our wonderful, District and I hope you enjoy reading it as I have producing your work. This is my farewell as Editor and my heartfelt thanks go to you all for making the past three years so exciting for me. What a lot I have learnt! It was a pleasure and honour for me to be your Editor and represent District 22 especially at Conferences, a role I thoroughly enjoyed. To my successor Jacquie Chapman my best wishes and know that you have my support. Have an enjoyable Summer. Cheerio all!



Diann

The Autumn Edition 136 will soon be upon us so kindly note the deadline date **10th SEPTEMBER 2017**. All articles on or before that date please to our NEW Editor Jacquie Chapman of Kirkby-in-Ashfield. e-mail: jacquie.chapman@hotmail.com



Bereavements

The Executive Committee and all members of District 22 offer their sincere condolences to the family and friends of:

Cynthia Beetham	Ashbourne
Paula Hammond	Church Wilne
Yvonne Davenport	Mansfield

And our thoughts and condolences go to:

IPDC Di Sardesai - Heanor
on the death of her husband Subhash

Ann Davies - Mansfield
on the death of her husband Dewi

Penelope Richardson - Newark
on the death of her husband Bryan



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DISTRICT CHAIRMAN 2017 - 2018

**Mrs Vera Dilks
Alfreton Club**

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Dear Friends

How time flies! It hardly seems two minutes since I thought what a good idea it would be to take on the role of District Secretary. It is an office that covers all aspects of Inner Wheel and as a result, would teach me so much more about our wonderful organisation. Time moves on whether we want it to or not, and here I am taking on the role of your District Chairman for 2017/2018. It is a great honour to be doing so and I look forward to working alongside all of you. As my year starts, we will be saying goodbye to several of our Executive team. Immediate Past District Chairman and Membership Officer Di Sardesai, Member of Council Sue Curley, Treasurer Lyn Woolmer and Editor Diann Jacobs. Having worked alongside these ladies for many years now I know how much effort and commitment they have put into our District, for which we are very grateful. For the remaining members of the team the work goes on with Di Hylton as our IPDC and Membership Officer, Linda Elkin as our 1st Vice Chairman and Anne Lyons as our 2nd Vice Chairman. Marion Tasker continues in her role as International Service Committee Chairman for another year. I welcome three new members to the team. Gloria Humphrey (Warsop) as our Member of Council, Elaine Hopkins (Warsop) as our Treasurer and Jackie Chapman (Kirkby-in-Ashfield) as our Editor. At the time of writing this the Secretary's position has not yet been filled. The Association President this year is Liz Thomas (Great Yarmouth, District 8).



Her chosen Charity is Children's Hospices and Clubs will be asked to donate to their local hospice. The International Inner Wheel theme is 'Leave a lasting Legacy'.

My chosen charity is **Young Carers** – Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire and you will learn more about it at the November District Meeting.

As we all know, our objectives are:

- To promote true friendship**
- To encourage the ideals of personal service**
- To foster international understanding**

These objectives are our backbone and if we take the letters **U**, **F** and **N** from the words 'true friendship', then we spell the word **FUN!** Let us aim to have lots of it!

I look forward to meeting all of you when I visit your Clubs.

Sincerely

Vera x

Welcome to the three new additions on the District Executive. Gloria Humphrey as Member of Council, Elaine Hopkins as District Treasurer and Jacquie Chapman as District Editor.

I am so looking forward to being back on the District Executive, as Member of Council D22. I was your District Chairman 2007/8, which seems a long time ago now, but have still been an active member of my Inner Wheel Club at Warsop, where I have just finished my term as President.

This is, of course, International Convention Year in Melbourne, where I hope to get more of an insight into the working of our International Organisation and come back brimming with fresh ideas.

For the last five years, I have been a Volunteer for the NSPCC School Service, where I have been visiting Primary School children, talking to them about Speaking Out to Stay Safe, a very important message. This Charity has been a very important part of my life. As your Member of Council, I will be the link between our District and Association, so please, if you have any queries, do not hesitate to contact me, I will always be happy to help.



I was born and brought up in Nottingham. At 16 years of age I went to catering college in Buxton and then went to London to work, before taking my final catering post with Boots as their area Catering Manager in Nottingham. I joined Nottinghamshire Police in 1977 and served for 38 years.



I also met and married my husband a serving Police Officer in 1981, our first home was in Nuthall. Our son Timothy was born in 1984. Since retiring from the Police I have taken on a new role of community fundraiser, initially for the Royal British Legion and currently for Nottinghamshire Hospice. I joined the Inner Wheel Club of Warsop in 2012 and found out what fun and friendships I had been missing out on. I am just completing my second year as club treasurer, a role which I have really enjoyed. I am looking forward to a new challenge as District Treasurer and working hard on the District Executive, maintaining the high standards you are all used to.



The walk was a joint event between the members of District 7 and District 22 for Association President Zena's Charity.



2016-2017 New Members Dinner: This took place at Morley Hayes on Wednesday 24th May 2017. Photo above shows some of the new members with IPDC and Membership Officer Di Sardesai - right and below with the addition of DC Di Hylton and District Executive members.



I have been a member of Kirkby in Ashfield Inner Wheel club for three and a half years. During that very short time I have been President of the club and I am currently Secretary. I believe that Inner Wheel has a great deal to offer women of all ages and it is my hope as District Editor and webmaster, that I will be able to promote Inner Wheel both inside and outside of its organisation. I am married with three sons, two stepsons and one daughter. Three of our sons are married and we have three grandchildren. Our daughter is getting married in October. During my working life I worked in the Information technology industry mostly within the financial services sector, rising to senior management. I ran my own IT consultancy business for a number of years and whilst living in New Zealand I was the finance manager for a large secondary school.



In retirement I cannot sit still. Apart from Inner Wheel I am an active member of U3A (University of the Third Age), I keep bees on my very productive allotment, I sing with Ashfield Harmony and I enjoy holidaying overseas.



WELCOME



NEW MEMBERS

Welcome All! The members of District 22 are happy you have joined us and hope you have many enjoyable and fulfilling years in Inner Wheel.

CHESTERFIELD SCARSDALE

Tracey Warwick

HEANOR

Pauline Arnold

KIRKBY-in-ASHFIELD

Audrey Halfpenny

CLAY CROSS

President: Sue Greatorex
President Elect: Julie Marshall

In January, Rotarian Sally Jackson gave a very enlightening talk about her work as a Red Socks Volunteer at Chatsworth Country Fair. Members enjoyed a Sunday lunch at The Hardwick Inn with members of Rotary, as well as attending a Burns Night. Past Association President Pam McConnell visited the club and spoke about her recent visit to Gambia when a new school was opened. President Sue hosted a Pea and Pie Supper (photograph) at her home where tasty food was enjoyed by all. Members went to the theatre to see Dreamboats and Petticoats. A few of our members attended The Association Conference in Nottingham in March.



The remaining few months of this year will be busy as we have several events to look forward to:- a Fish and Chip Supper, a Bowling Evening and The Silent Auction and Charter Meal at Hassop Hall.

Sue Glover

DERBY SOUTH

President: Maureen Crook
President Elect: Anne Burton

2017 started with a Business Meeting on 18th January. We welcomed Sheila North to our February meeting who gave us a most amusing and informative talk on Parkinsons. Her truly positive attitude on how to cope and live with this debilitating disease and still see the funny side was amazing.

Our Treasurer Diann Jacobs took part in the Sponsored Walk held at East Midlands Airport in aid of B-eat in the pouring rain but still managed to smile. Our 30th Charter Luncheon was held on 19th March at Morley Hayes. The speaker was Doug Bradbury who spoke about his 'Life as a Farrier'. He had many amusing tales to tell and rounded off a delicious lunch in good company. At the AGM in April we were able to confirm officers for all posts for the coming Inner Wheel year.



Margaret Hagues

CHOIR REUNION - Twenty two members of the choir met at Horsley Lodge on a glorious Monday in May for afternoon tea. It is thirty two years since its formation and seated at the front are five FOUNDER members.



**CHESTERFIELD
SCARSDALE**

President: Pauline Wilkie
President Elect: Sue Young

Marks and Sparks – a trip down memory lane!

Several members and friends of Chesterfield Scarsdale Inner Wheel Club recently enjoyed a day out to visit the Marks and Spencer Archive at Leeds University. After lunch in the University we enjoyed a short but interesting history of Marks and Spencer from the early days of the Penny Arcade to the present day. On returning to the beautiful, but very empty, shopping centre we



all went into a npleasant wine bar to refresh ourselves until it was time to catch the train to return to Chesterfield. A very enjoyable day organised by Caroline Enoch.

June Oldham

ASHBOURNE

*President: Sue Miller
President Elect: Dinah Archer*

To mark Inner Wheel Day, the January meeting took the form of a Cheese and Wine Lunch at the home of President Sue Miller. Members together with husbands and friends had a marvellous time sampling various cheeses, meats and pickles. In February, the Club welcomed District Chairman Di Hylton to the meeting at The Bentley Brook Inn in Fenny Bentley. DC Di spoke about her life and how she became involved with Swadlincote Inner Wheel, as well as her charity. During the business part of the meeting she gave wise advice and support to the Club which has been struggling with falling numbers. March was a business meeting preceded by a meal at The Bentley Brook and in April the Club decided to go to Betty's Vintage Tea Room in Ashbourne for an afternoon tea. Friends were invited and a splendid tea was enjoyed by all; doggy bags were provided for the leftovers. In May for the Spring outing, the Club will be visiting Aquabox in Cromford followed by lunch locally.

Celia Yates

'The President Demands, the Members Obey !!!!'

Competition



Have some fun for B-eat



Make a donation and guess either the name of the club above and or the combined age of the participants. Send a cheque made payable to Inner Wheel District 22 for the sum collected to Elaine Hopkins, District Treasurer.

MATLOCK

*President: Sylvia Netley
President Elect: Rosemary Ripamonti*

World Inner Wheel Day was as busy as usual with members packing and bundling 37 Toy Bags, 24 Baby Bundles, 41 Knitted Blankets, 35 Bobble Hats, 6 Haberdashery Boxes and 225g Stamps. Four of our members attended the three days of Conference and two members attended for a day; they all had a very enjoyable time. In February it was Quiz Night, unfortunately the weather was extremely stormy but four of our members managed to get there. We did not win but were not a total loss either, all good fun. At the March meeting we welcomed a speaker from Dukes Barn Disabled Residential Centre in Beeley near Chatsworth. It is amazing what the team there can encourage the disabled to do, abseiling and rafting in the river. Our next club meeting is a visit to a local chocolate making shop and we are all looking forward to that.



At Nottingham Conference

Mavis Brown

BOLSOVER

*President: Erika Keyworth
President Elect: Jackie Atherton*

In February we sent along two teams for the District Quiz and later in the month had a fun packing day at the home of Margaret Lomas. It is always an enjoyable day and as usual Margaret provided a scrumptious lunch. At the end of the day our efforts were rewarded with a large pile of bundles and bags. February also saw the induction of our newest member, Lyn Copper. In



April seven members attended the Conference in Nottingham and helped out, including Tom, on Pam's stall for the Gambia School Trust. (Photograph at the Conference). We assisted Rotary at their Band Concert and we are now helping Maureen Holmes in the preparation for our annual Craft Fun Day in May; our eleventh.

Jo Gott

The Quiz on 23 February 2017. The weather bomb 'DORIS' did not stop the enjoyment on a very stormy evening.



Congratulations

Winners 'Sutton Skiers' with DC Di Hylton on the right



2nd place 'Ravenshead Rebels' with DC Di Hylton on the left



FRIENDSHIP



FELLOWSHIP

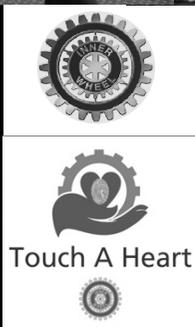


NOTTINGHAM 3rd -5th APRIL



Association President
Zena Coles

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SHERWOOD FOREST

President: Shirley Isard
President Elect: Margaret Grimshaw

On The Inner Wheel Day, President Shirley invited the club to her home. We filled Toy and Joy bags along with a bag of soft toys and one of sports equipment. These were collected by a volunteer from the National Police Aid Convoy. President Shirley's husband Keith, made lovely soup for our light lunch and he received many compliments from the ladies. Invitations have been received from our Rotary partners to join them when they have interesting topics on their agenda. President Shirley and Betty attended the Inner Wheel Rally day and Shirley was our representative at the Conference in Nottingham. Our Charter is in May with District Chairman Di Hylton, Rotary President Tim and his wife Karen attending.

Margaret Bentley

RETFORD

President: Jocelyne McGarvey
President Elect: Maureen Lilley

Our January speaker was from Welbeck Estate's School of Artisan Food. He spoke about the art of bread making. Later in the month, members and partners enjoyed a pub meal and quiz. In February we were enlightened by Caroline Anderson, music therapist at Bluebell Wood Hospice. Walking around Daneshill Lakes followed by lunch out, was another fun activity. Our frog race, attended by Bassetlaw's District Chairman, raised money for Literacy Volunteers and was great fun. This month, 36 Baby Bundles, 30 Joy and 12 Toy Bags were packed.



President Joice with the swimmers

March saw us taking part in a sponsored swim with Rotary. Our funds went to Forget-me-Nots, a charity supporting Dementia.



(Photo with Rotary President Terry Dunmore and President Joice right) Our 'Beat' effort had us wearing silly socks for our Clumber Park Walk as well as at our meeting. We had a 'Giving Service Week'. Fourteen members enjoyed Conference in April and at our meeting we learned about Women's Aid from Allison Lovely, the Area Officer. A busy few months!

Joice McGarvey - deputising

BINGHAM

President: Josie Henson
President Elect: Fay Matthews

Two interesting talks were given at our February and March meetings. The availability of talking books for the blind and the many things the Post Office is able to do for us these days.



At the start of her year, President Josie gave us each five pounds and challenged us to make it grow for her



charity. Two members gave a soup and dessert lunch and all had a pleasant afternoon making their five pounds grow handsomely. Conference took the place of our April meeting and was very much enjoyed by members who attended, Robin Hood being very popular! We entertained District Chairman Di Hylton at our May meeting and went out for lunch afterwards. *Barbara Biddle*

MELBOURNE

President: Ros Bell
President Elect: Rachel Cooper

In January we held an afternoon meeting in the Senior Citizens Centre. Our president Ros Bell brought along her collection of wedding dresses worn by her past family members. Beautiful dresses (some hand sewn) still in wonderful condition. The icing on the cake was, of course, her own daughter's wedding dress. The Hardinge Arms was the venue in February when we had the pleasure of inviting our District Chairman Di Hylton to lunch. We were entertained with a short resume of her life and her love and involvement in Inner Wheel. Three of our members attended conference in Nottingham.



We had a very interesting meeting in April. Sarah Spencer, a volunteer, came to talk to us about fundraising for Whistlewood Common in Melbourne. It is a pioneering social enterprise developing an exciting growing project for our community. Eventually Whistlewood will run workshops and educational activities for people of all ages in Melbourne. *Maggie Evans*

SWADLINCOTE

President: Gillian Harvey
President Elect: Ruth Bird

February was a busy month. At our Inner Wheel meeting at Lakeside I persuaded my husband, Mark Ratcliffe, to give a video presentation on the Isles of Scilly, with special reference to Tresco gardens and the bird life. February also saw many of our members attending the Rotarians' 70th birthday party at Lakeside. The food was good and the speaker, Jayne Good, was excellent. Jayne demonstrated how to paint a landscape by the Bob Ross method, using mainly large brushes and oils. She returned to Lakeside for our meeting in March but this time she painted some flowers - many of our Rotarians attended this meeting. March was our International meeting to which we invited our Melbourne colleagues. Natalie Fennell, our speaker, updated us about the Children's House of Hope in Ghana and she was presented with a cheque. *Pam Ratcliffe*

WARSOP

President: Gloria Humphrey
President Elect: Helen Tomlinson

We celebrated World Inner Wheel Day with a 'friends are like flowers' lunch. Demonstrations were given by our much-loved flower girls, Christine and Sue. Too cold for just socks! We did B-eat out the cobwebs and raised money walking around Clumber Park, thankfully in the sunshine. Cantamus Choir sang beautifully at an evening concert raising funds for the President's charity, NSPCC. District Rally and Conference were brilliant events creating lasting memories and were both well attended by our members. We held our annual knit and natter tea party at the Oaklands as a thank you to all our local knitting ladies. A big thank you to all our ladies who arrange club walks, socials, coffee mornings and much, much more. Check out our website www.warsopinnerwheel.co.uk



Ruth Riches

Knit and natter bag ladies

Happy Birthday

Special Birthday wishes to the following members

Sheila Chambers
of the Beeston
Club

Ann Powell of
the Beeston Club

Dot Middleton
of the Heanor
Club

Joyce Hannibal
of the
Keyworth and
Ruddington Club

Noreen Bustin
of the
Sutton-in-Ashfield Club

Judith Masters of
the Sutton-in-
Ashfield Club

Judith Turner
of the West
Ashfield Club

Christine
Bradley of the
Wollaton Park
Club

DRONFIELD

President: *Susanne Haywood*
President Elect: *Janet Mills*

The New Year began with some of our members enjoying a visit to the Theatre. Our January meeting was in the form of an open afternoon meeting where we all enjoyed a lovely afternoon cream tea. We have also enjoyed a fellowship evening with lots of fun, chats and laughter.

Another most enjoyable evening was when our President Susanne and her friend took us through the A to Z of Germany; very interesting and professionally produced.

In April, one of our members opened her lovely home to Inner Wheel members and friends for a coffee morning with proceeds going to our President's charity. It was a great success and a most enjoyable morning.

Hazel Smith

Fun Around The District

MANSFIELD -
Kathy Winson,
and Joan Sadler
at the Crowne
Plaza Hotel.



WOLLATON PARK -
Margaret Jackson on raffle
at coffee morning



ALFRETON -Having fun at President
Mandy's get together at Conference

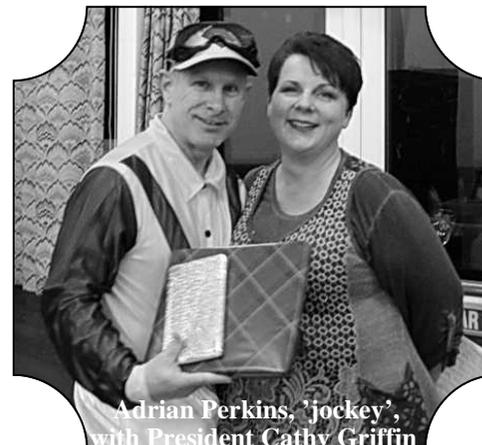


CHURCH WILNE

President: *Cathy Griffin*
President Elect: *Stephanie Cook*

I am sure it is a sign of age but time passes quickly and Inner Wheel Presidents and President elect get younger. This is certainly true for Church Wilne. Cathy's year finishes with a whirlwind of events. Some of the members were well and truly pampered by President Cathy at her pamper afternoon with president elect Stephanie providing a fabulous afternoon tea.

There was much laughter at her traditional games evening but the highlight of the last few months was the horse racing evening. Not only did it raise a fabulous amount for President Cathy's chosen charity, Genesis Research Trust, but we had a real(?) jockey in his silks galloping around and entertaining the audience. As we go to press Church Wilne is looking forward to its 30th Charter which takes place on Friday 9th June 2017.



Adrian Perkins, 'jockey',
with President Cathy Griffin

Yvette Thomas -deputising

CARLTON

President: Jenny Burroughes
President Elect: Brenda Harvey

The start of another year saw members at Elaine's house for Inner Wheel day. Out came our scissors for cutting round the edges of large piles of stamps, followed by lovely home made scones with jam and cream and cups of tea. Thanks go to Elaine. In February our speaker was a legal aid solicitor who specialised in prison law - different but very interesting. Some members held Lent charity lunches at their homes - soup and rolls and cheese and biscuits etc. Several members attended the District Rally dressed in their finery. Also in March we had our Charter Dinner at Portland College - the evening enjoyed by all. Our guest speaker, a lady from Gosport, told us about her job in charge of ceremonial braidings to Naval uniforms. In April a number of members attended the Association Conference. President Jenny on the final evening thought she was going to 'prison' to dance not 'Prism'.



Nora Clarke

RAVENSHEAD

President: Margaret Craddock
President Elect: Sandra Jackson

In March we held a successful coffee morning at the village hall, we sold cakes, plants, handbags, scarves, jewellery and books. We raised a vast sum of money for our charities. At our April meeting at Portland College our speaker was Diane Keey from Dementia friends. She gave an informative talk about how dementia is a disease of the brain and how you can still live well with support and care. Our May meeting was held at The Sherwood Ranger



where we had our Hucknall Challenge playing skittles and then had a buffet. Ravenshead won the challenge. We had a fabulous time of fun and friendship with our mother club.

Jacqueline Green

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES**SILVER**Kirkby-in Ashfield

Jacquie and Simon Chapman - 22nd May

**RUBY**West Ashfield

Linda and Celestine John - 17th August

Church Wilne

Jenny and Andrew Lord - 27th August

GOLDENKeyworth and Ruddington

Maureen and Frank Trout - 25th March

West Ashfield

Jenny and Peter Wilson - 5th June

Mansfield

Gillian and Terry Crich - 1st April

Hucknall

Sandra and David Spencer - March

Wollaton Park

Mary and Peter Goodwin - 27th May

Marilyn and Derrick Nurse - 18th July

Matlock

Rosemary and Albert Ripamonti - 19th September

Mavis and David Brown - 20th September

Church Wilne

Penny and David Newbold - 5th August

Carlton

Pat and Graeme Marshall - 5th August

Dronfield

Carol and Tony Reed - September



Danielle Perry, Youngest Member of Inner Wheel???

You may not be aware, but Danielle Perry is the youngest member in District 22. Danielle joined the Retford Club in August 2016, aged twenty. Danielle attended her first Conference in Nottingham, April 2017, enjoying every minute. I do not think she stopped smiling and talking to so many people. The smile masks a young lady who has had to fight for life! In 2010, she was given forty eight hours to live having become paralysed from the breast bone down due to a very rare disease called Transverse Myelitis. After days of fighting for her life, she started to become aware of her surroundings. She was told she would never walk again. All these events happened while Danielle was on holiday with her family and the only signs or symptoms were a pain in her side the day before. She spent sixteen days in the French hospital before being allowed to fly home to continue rehabilitation in Doncaster Hospital. However, Sheffield Children's Hospital was to oversee her treatment and spending months in hospital meant she missed out on her last two years of schooling. Her determination and stubbornness led her to use a wheelchair, crutches and then to walking short distances on her own. She suffers relapses of numbness and is unable to get up when she falls. Balancing is an issue and Dani is not able to run. Her lower internal organs do not work properly and she has regular treatment. This illness is very unpredictable and as it is rare, there is no cure. It is believed to be caused by viral infection. What we can do is spread awareness as there are not really very obvious signs and symptoms. People need to seek treatment straight away as the first forty eight hours are crucial for positive long term recovery. Transverse Myelitis can happen to both genders at any age. If you have a few minutes, Google for more information. Danielle is a strong young lady and has achieved Level 2 and 3 qualifications around her passion for Small Animal Care. She has been busy helping to raise money for Charity and gets involved with Inner Wheel Events. She instigated a " Save 20 pence pieces in A Smarties Tube" Effort, after giving a presentation, resulting in raising funds to sponsor a Canine Partner Puppy. At Nottingham Conference Dani presented a cheque to Canine Partners. (Photo) However, she still finds time



Dani (L) with President Joce and Canine Partners.

to support the Sheffield Steelers Ice Hockey Team at home and away. This is just an overview. There have been many obstacles for Danielle and her family to overcome and toooooo many to write about.

Written by Natalie, a very proud mum . In friendshipKeep Smiling!

MANSFIELD

President: Dain Pinder
President Elect: Diana Whiteley

The New Year started with President Dain's brilliant Ceilidh, led by the Kurly Kale Band, which encouraged everyone to dance the night away! The pie and pea supper and desserts were delicious. An amazing amount of money was raised for local charities in an evening full of fun and friendship. Rosemary Wilson hosted a successful Working Day and lunch, organised by ISO Carol Hyde Barker. Numerous baby bundles, joy, toy and roy bags were made and dispatched to Syria by the Nottinghamshire Police Aid Convoy. Carol also organised an excellent sandwich lunch, which raised a large sum of money for international charities. Dot O'Brien gave a fascinating, illustrated talk on her school project in a remote village in Nepal. Our speakers at club meetings varied from James Pinder on Bolivia, Kate Lake on Cantamus, Alastair Morrison on Estate Management to Vivienne Brown's interview with Joan Smith on 'Desert Island Discs'. Vivienne also set up a wonderful display in Mansfield Museum to celebrate our Club's 70th Anniversary.



L-R at Conference:- Lorna Pye, Carol Hyde Barker, President Dain Pinder, Norma Shore and June Lane.

Margaret Thomas

HUCKNALL

President: Joan Brinklow
President Elect: Inez Radnell

We started 2017 celebrating Inner Wheel Day with good food, friendship and fun at Karen's house. International Service Organiser work night was productive and enabled us to fill many, many large goodie bags to go abroad. Our team took part in the District quiz on the evening that storm 'Doris' raged. We were not put off going. Joint Presidents Marilyn and Joan celebrated in style our 47th Charter at South Forest, a beautiful day out enjoyed by all. Mary, a Salvation Army friend, brought stories of laughter to our March meeting and we feasted on cheese and wine at Joan's home to bring a close to March. Some members attended Conference as day visitors. A very emotional but rewarding talk was given to our club by Melanie Wilson about her son and his best friend, his dog; Autism Assistance Dog. Last but not least, congratulations to our ladies who did the beat sponsored walk. I think they would rather have boarded an aeroplane.

Kim Challand

**Association of Inner Wheel Clubs in G.B. & I.
District 22 Thanksgiving Service and 45th District Rally
on 27th March 2017 at St Mary's Church Greasley and
Eastwood Hall.**



LONG EATON

President: Margaret McMorran

President Elect: Alison Bowman



Vanessa Savage

President Margaret welcomed all attending our April meeting, held at Petersham Hall in Long Eaton. This was our annual friendship meeting with daughter club, Church Wilne, always a special favourite for our members. Our Speaker was Vanessa Savage, valuer for Charles Hanson's Auction House, who was very entertaining as she spoke of her job, occasionally picking out items brought in by members when she explained the history, what the item was made of and used for and the value. It would seem the large auction houses are not in for any startling business

following our offerings but we all thoroughly enjoyed the experience. Following the Speaker our friendship meeting continued with a buffet meal prepared by our members over which conversation and laughter with friends old and new was enjoyed.

Jean Bianchi

Around the District



CHESTERFIELD -
President Joan Doody
with Robin Hood

HEANOR -
IPDC Di Sardesai (L) and Suzanne
Mukherjee dining in style at
Nottingham Conference. Cheers!



KEYWORTH AND RUDDINGTON *President: Jane Welham*
President Elect: Liz Thornton

At the beginning of March we had our International meeting with a very interesting talk by Nic Seller about his charity in Kenya 'Kadzinuni'. This was followed by a delicious buffet prepared by the International Committee. Then two days later several of our members did the 'Silly Socks' walk in appalling weather but raising quite a sum in sponsorship for the eating disorder charity BEAT. At the end of March we had a very exciting and competitive indoor curling evening with a delicious fish and chip supper delivered piping hot by our local mobile fish and chip van. Also at the end of March we had our April meeting (to avoid a clash with Conference) with a talk entitled 'A Taste of Heraldry' by Bob Jones. This helped to give members an insight into the ancient and complicated subject of Coats of Arms and how they are individually designed. We also enjoyed champagne courtesy of Mo and Frank Trout to celebrate their golden wedding and a delicious 90th birthday cake from Joyce Hannibal. President Jane Welham and several members attended and enjoyed Conference in our own City of Nottingham and Lynn Crane gave a detailed and amusing report to members at the May meeting after we had heard about 'Living Eulogies' and other services from two members of the Registration Service.

Yvonne Rix

The traffic light on the corner buzzes when it is safe to cross the street. I was crossing with an intellectually challenged colleague of mine. She asked if I knew what the buzzer was for. I explained that it signals to blind people when the light is red. Appalled, she responded, "What on earth are blind people doing driving?"!

Jenny Seth of Wollaton Park

BEESTON *President: Angela Westerman*
President Elect: Judith Birkby

Our Inner Wheel Day fish and chip lunch was followed by a quiz which was arranged by our International Service Officer Margaret Curtis. We were joined on this enjoyable occasion by some of our 'knitting ladies'. We followed this in February by a very enjoyable lunch at a local hostelry. We had an interesting talk by Martin Sykes of the Long Eaton and District Talking Newspapers for the blind and partially sighted. He demonstrated the simple device given freely to listeners with poor or no sight, together with a memory stick onto which news and magazine articles are recorded. Our President's daughter-in-law, Adele, had us in awe and laughter at the trials and tribulations of being a nursery nurse of young children. We learned that in some cases, parents apparently can be more difficult to deal with than their offspring. We look forward to a return visit by Adele to hear more of the exploits of 'Wrecking Ralph'.

Pat Lowe

Thanksgiving Service and 45th District Rally on 27th March 2017 continued



WOLLATON PARK

President: Stella Taylor
President Elect: Catherine Green

Our first meeting for 2017 was on International Inner Wheel Day. Kalpana kindly invited us to her home for the morning and provided a delicious light lunch. The members had a very enjoyable time nattering, cutting around all the stamps, knitting squares and sewing them together for blankets. Then a quick dash home and change for our Club Meeting in the evening. We were delighted to have District Chairman Di Hylton and Past District Chairman Rachael Cooper join us. On what surely must have been the wettest day in February, Jenny Seth and Jaya De Silva braved the elements and completed the charity walk for beat. During the last few months Margaret Jackson and her Social Committee organised a range of attractions for our members. In January, Ii Travatore at the Showcase cinema proved to be good value for money and in February a group of members had lunch at the famous Strelley Hall Mulberry Tree Café. Members and friends visited Middleton Hall in April and were treated to a guided tour of this fantastic restored Grade II listed building. After a walk around some of the vast 40 acres of land, walled gardens and Tudor Barn the group had lunch in the Hall Courtyard before setting off home. On the 25 March, under Shelagh Howard's supervision, members worked their magic on an empty hall filling it with an assortment of stalls for our annual coffee morning, an event well supported.



L-R President Elect and President at coffee morning

Helen Thornhill

The Plight of the Senior Citizen



I have become a little older since I saw you last, and a few changes have come into my life, frankly I have become a frivolous old girl. I am seeing five gentlemen each day. As soon as I wake up, Will Power helps me out of bed, then I go and see John, next it is Billy T. They leave and Arthur Ritis shows up and stays for the rest of the day, he does not like to stay in one place very long, so he takes me from joint to joint. After such a busy day I am really tired and glad to go to bed with Johnny Walker. Oh what a life!

Sent in by Joan Orme of the Matlock Club

WEST ASHFIELD

President: Linda Elkin
President Elect: Brenda Renshaw

We have had a varied programme over the last few months. One talk was by Dr. Roger Summers about forensic science and how that progresses after an air crash. Another very interesting talk was by Ros Bell about her family history on her maternal side. Ros was able to show us her Grandma's



handmade wedding suit of a long skirt and matching top and jacket in blue that would have been worn again quite often and her mother's 1938 silk wedding gown and beautiful veil. We also saw her own lacy dress with short veil and her daughter's dress with its wonderful train. Ros also shared photos and memoirs. Three of our members took part in the silly socks walk although soggy socks might have been more appropriate. Looking forward to our afternoon tea on Thursday 1st June. President Linda has sourced some raffle prizes with promises of prizes from Thornton's, Denby and David Nieper, not forgetting our Charter later in June.

Alison Redshaw

Presidents Elect for 2017-2018 with the then 1st VC Vera Dilks and all will be changed by publication to Presidents and District Chairman Vera.



ALFRETON

President: Mandy Walker
President Elect: Pauline Summers

February brought a special day for our club, the 71st Club Charter. It was a lovely day with candle lighting ceremony and cutting of the special cake. President Mandy Walker organized a tour to Great Ormond Street Hospital which is her main charity. We were given a very interesting tour around by volunteers, after which



President Mandy presented a cheque to Martin Harris, a senior fundraising executive. The conference came next in Nottingham. Our club is very proud of member Margaret Day who is the Conference Chairman and what a good job she did. District 22's Member of

Council, Sue Curley also a club member, was very busy arranging the Sheila Crane walks with Robin Hood. The last charity event for G.O.S.H. was a Variety Show which was well attended with star guests singing duo Hilary Leam and Andy Quinn (The Two Tones). Every one enjoyed a lovely evening with ice cream and tea and coffee being served.

Joy Fox

CHESTERFIELD

President: Joan Doody
President Elect: Rita Clarke

Well we are still recovering from Nottingham Conference, returning home very tired and ready to arrange next year's Conference in Bournemouth. A team attended the District Quiz; never mind team, winning is so overrated? World Inner Wheel Day was celebrated with lunch at a member's home of soup and puddings. We held a coffee morning with raffle which was well attended. Our members helped fill a moses basket with baby and new mum essentials for new mums in financial need. In May, twelve members visited the Aqua Box Depot (photograph) to help pack items to go to disaster areas all over the world.



Rita Clarke

HEANOR

President: Aandrea Elder
President Elect: Angela Walker

President Aandrea Elder welcomed guests from various Inner Wheel Clubs from around the District and club members with their guests to an afternoon of flower arranging. Mrs. Jean Fordham, a member of our club, demonstrated



Jean Fordham

her skills and produced a variety of lovely arrangements. These were raffled to help raise money for the Royal Derby Oncology Unit, our President's Charity. Jean's granddaughter Freya made a very different but delightful Easter arrangement of paper flowers with Easter eggs within the display. After this fabulous and most enjoyable demonstration the ladies were served with delicious sandwiches and scrumptious mouth watering cakes. The occasion was held in the United Reform Church at Marlpool. All good things have to come to an end and President Aandrea thanked all those who had attended and her club

members who had worked hard behind the scenes. Our 71st Charter in May was held at Morley Hayes and was a very enjoyable time. Our guest speaker was Sheila North from Parkinson's UK who gave an inspirational talk and also spoke about her own life of facing the challenges of living with Parkinson's.

Kathleen Hill

SUTTON-in-ASHFIELD

President: Judith Holmes
President Elect: Sue Fensome

February was a good month for us as our quiz team, 'Sutton Skiers', were the proud winners of the District Quiz and yes, we were all very proud. Our Theme Evening 'The Best of British' was successful and fun and as always we dressed up in style with some fabulous costumes. We held our 72nd Charter at the Hostess Mansfield and our speaker Imogen Joyce told the tale of the Chilwell Canaries and the Arletty Theatre Group. Imogen brought along a quilt, each square represented a story of an inspiring woman. There were so many interesting stories to be told. Our guest speakers have been Mr Martin Anderson a Gold Medal winner from the Chelsea Flower Show, Brian and Janet Fox with Pluto the guide dog for the blind, Sandra Peak from 'Over the Rainbow', a charity supporting people with Parkinson's disease and Liz and Lisa From Crossroads Care Community Service for helping people within their homes and social day support sessions. Two members joined in with the rather wet day for the beat charity walk and twelve members attended and enjoyed the conference in Nottingham.

Helen Gregory

KIRKBY-IN-ASHFIELD *President: Jacqueline Hampshire*
President Elect: Jean Moulson

Inner Wheel Day was a hive of activity at ISO Susan Smailes' home as members had a crochet lesson, sewed blanket squares, trimmed stamps and enjoyed lunch together. Our February meeting found us welcoming new member Audrey Halfpenny and being entertained by Myra Hannett who spoke about the trials and tribulations of hair removal. Two teams had fun taking part in the district quiz but didn't win!! In March seven of us arrived at East Midlands airport dressed for the cold and wet weather to join others at the Step and Smile fundraiser for B-eat. Later that month several members donned hats and went to the Rally and eight members enjoyed Kirkby Rotary's 70th Charter. Robin Hood welcomed our early arrivals at the National Conference where eighteen members had a brilliant time meeting friends from other clubs, enjoying the speakers and the talented 'Classic Buskers' and dancing the night away. April found us at Linda White's home where, after a

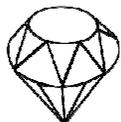


short informal meeting and afternoon tea, we said goodbye to Rita Hobson who joined the club nearly 30 years ago. Rita has moved to South Wales to be near to her family. May

started on a high note at the Old Ashfield Restaurant with members celebrating President Jacqui's year and Eve Griffith from the Samaritans received a large donation from President Jacqui at our meeting.

Ann Wilson

Diamond Wedding Anniversary



Beeston
 Sylvia and Paul Walker - 24th August

Carlton
 Dorothy and Keith Newman - 14 September

Chesterfield Scarsdale
 Margaret and Keith Pollard - 8th June



**ADIEU TO IMMEDIATE PAST DISTRICT CHAIRMAN AND
 MEMBERSHIP OFFICER
 DI SARDESAI**



So long, Farewell

My days on the District Executive Committee are coming to an end seven years after being persuaded to take up the position of District International Service Committee Chairman. That office gave me the opportunity to visit clubs, making many friends along the way as they celebrated and raised money in a variety of different ways for their chosen charities. Three successful International Rallies were held with speakers on Bangladesh, Children in Distress and Medicins Sans Frontiers. What was to be our final hosting of the Dutch visitors from District 60 was a very enjoyable three days of fun and friendship and I feel sad that this exchange has come to an end. As 2nd Vice Chairman the stall at District meetings took precedence and it was during this year that it was decided to reduce the articles for sale to Inner Wheel goods only. Then began my year of preparation in readiness for a fantastic year as District Chairman. District Induction Day at a new venue Eastwood Hall went well and I was able to introduce my chosen charity NSPCC in Schools Service. Members took this charity to heart and raised a very substantial sum of money which enabled the training of another eight volunteers. Next came the Rotary Conference in Southport at which I was invited to bring greetings from Inner Wheel, a weekend Subhash and I both enjoyed immensely. The Carol Service at Trent College was another special event at which my granddaughter Katie read a poem "Love at Christmas" and Santa Claus paid a visit. The Conference in Glasgow was a friendly affair and District 22 made quite a statement in their Stewart tartan sashes. District Rally was held in the lovely St Mary's Church at Greasley conducted by the now familiar Rev. Dave Marvin with lunch and meeting following on at Eastwood Hall. The final event of my Chairman's year was the lunch and Vintage Fashion Show by Notty Hornblower which was thoroughly enjoyed by over 150 people. My last year spent as your Membership Officer has seen me trying to encourage new members, but also to understand the reasons for resignations. Now all that remains for me to say is thank you to members of the Heanor Club and all the members of District 22 for being with me and making me welcome at all your events, the Executive Committee for your help and friendship throughout my journey and District Governor 1220 Roger Summers for his cooperation and interest in Inner Wheel.

Lastly, I say a big thank you to my husband Subhash for his patience and understanding during this most memorable time.

Love to you all

IPDC Di Sardesai