

News in 22



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**District Chairman Linda's
Message for the New Inner Wheel Year**

Dear Friends

I am really looking forward to being your District Chairman for the Inner Wheel year 2018 – 2019, it is an honour. I shall wear the chain of office with pride and hope that I can live up to the high standards set by previous District Chairmen.

As this year starts we say a fond farewell to Past District Chairman and Membership Officer Di Hylton. Di and I joined the Executive Team at the same time seven years ago and she has worked tirelessly upholding our traditions whilst introducing new and exciting ideas to take our District forward. I am grateful for her support and friendship and wish her well for the future.

This is an unusual year as we only have one new member joining the Executive, this is Margaret Day as 2nd Vice Chairman. I do hope she enjoys this year starting to think about her special year and, of course, looking after the Stationery Stall!

Our Association President this year is Ann Acaster of the York Vikings Club in District 4. Her chosen Charity is Jessie's Fund. A York based charity that helps seriously ill children through music therapy.

The International Inner Wheel President is Christine Kirby from Australia, her theme for the year is Empower and Evolve. I would like to empower all Clubs to "try something different whilst having fun" this year as this is the way that I think District 22 will evolve into the most forward thinking District in GB&I.

My chosen charity is The Children's Air Ambulance, they fly critically ill children across the UK to the specialist care they need. I am hoping that our donation to them will empower them to evolve this service to include more specialist teams across the country thus helping more children. I am having an "Afternoon Tea at the Races" on the 23rd May 2019 in support of this charity and hope you will be able to attend. (Look out for more details later in the year.)

I am looking forward to travelling around the District meeting friends old and new, learning all about your activities and promoting Inner Wheel whenever and wherever I can.

Linda



New Members

- Janet Clark – Church Wilne
- Doreen Litherland – Carlton
- Barbara Smith – Ravenshead
- Mel Eden – Retford
- Gaby Tate - Swadlincote
- Jenny Bailey - Retford

Welcome to District 22

Class: _____ Teacher: _____

Dogs Word Search



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From The Editor

My first year as editor is almost done and this magazine has had more submissions than the previous two. For that I am very grateful but it has meant that I have had to edit some things down and sadly leave some things out. I have tried to ensure balance but if your 'bit' isn't here please don't give up, just try again next time. I am delighted to announce that the winner of the Photography competition is Ruth Riches with a picture of Long Eaton Church at sunset. This will feature as a cover in the near future. When you have finished with your magazine please donate it to the magazine table in your local library, doctor's or dentist's waiting room. It may encourage someone to join us and if you are that 'someone' reading this please contact us through our website. Enjoy your summer break.

Jacque



Tell Me More

If you are interested in knowing more about joining a club in Inner Wheel District 22. Look at our web page

www.innerwheeldistrict22.co.uk

Or phone 01283 229449

Alfreton

President: Pauline Summers

President Elect: Penny Riggott

Continuing with fundraising; a quiz was launched of photographs entitled "Know your Derbyshire", swiftly followed by members, family and friends enjoying a late lunch when the speaker was Lydia Slack. As usual Lydia amused us with her tales of being a farmer's daughter

The last few months have been busy: Christmas Party; Christmas Cheer at the home of President Pauline; speakers on aquabox, "Drop-Inn" centre which works with young people and quilting. The latter included an opportunity for members to look at the different techniques used.

In addition, the Club has been represented / participated at the joint Alfreton Rotary Carol Service and their Christmas Lunch; 50th Anniversary party of Alfreton Tangent and decorated a Christmas Tree entitled "Leave a Legacy" in support of our annual charity.

A very interesting meeting was when members were invited to bring along and speak about a memorable item. The Club continues to support the local Foodbank.

A number of members enjoyed Conference in Bournemouth, the highlight being the presentation of the Margareta Golding award to Margaret Day.

Bev Bunting

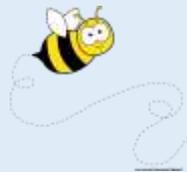
Melbourne

President: Rachel Cooper

President Elect: Ros Bell

Since our last report in March we have enjoyed three meetings. We had Pat Zadora from the Padley Centre to speak to us. DC Vera joined us for a very enjoyable meeting and we had an early business meeting. Conference saw three members brave the snow driving to Bournemouth attending a very interesting, enjoyable and thought provoking conference. Over the next three months we are looking forward to a friendship meeting when other club members will join us to hear Kerry Wilson from Action for Children speak to us at the Tea Rooms. Where has the year gone? soon it will be another Inner Wheel year. Bring it on!

Dianne Marriott





I am a Yorkshire lass, born in Morley near Leeds and moving to Harrogate when I was thirteen. In 1963 I ventured south to Matlock Teacher Training College wondering if I really wanted to be away from home for three years – and I have been in Derbyshire ever since!

I was appointed to teach PE at Moorfield Secondary School in Bolsover where I met the late PDC Mary Bestwick who was Deputy Head. Career wise I became Head of Girls PE, Senior Tutor and then Deputy Head, moving to Heritage School in Clowne before taking early retirement in 1997.

It was through my friendship with Mary and her husband Ted that I started attending Rotary and Inner Wheel events. I was invited to become an Honorary member of the Alfreton Club when Mary was Club President in 1987. Fortunately for me Alfreton had plenty of “pink elastic”, I remained an Honorary member until the rules changed in 2002 when I then had the great pleasure of being invited to become a full member. Since then I have been Club President twice, Treasurer and I am now completing my second term as Secretary.

For the last 8 years I have been involved with the Association Conference Committee starting as APP Pam’s assistant deputy hostess and finishing as Conference Chairman. What an experience, challenging and hard work, but I have loved every minute.

Guiding has always been a big part of my life and although not as involved as I once was I enjoy my weekly sessions in Chesterfield Guide depot where we sell uniform, badges, books etc and I am also District Treasurer.

Church activities keep me busy as a leader in Junior Church and as Secretary / Treasurer of our Church hall. There is not much time for other hobbies but I do enjoy relaxing with a game of scrabble or rummikub!

As an honorary member 30 years ago I never expected to be even a full member let alone become a member of the District Team. My sincere thanks to all who have supported me in the past and I now pledge my support to District Chairman Linda, the Executive Committee and to District 22 as a whole.

In friendship Margaret



My very dear friends

My time as a member of District 22 Executive has come to an end and it is with a great sadness I bid farewell. I began as your district editor, a role I loved and thoroughly enjoyed. The magazine progressed and I am delighted to say it continues to do so under the watchful eye of Jacquie. It was lovely receiving all the news first hand and having so much fun with the emails from all my club correspondents, many laughs took place and great friendships formed. I moved on to become 2nd vice chairman, looking after the stationery stall with the help of my fabulous Team Heanor, always there to support me and all very much appreciated. On to first vice chairman, planning, planning and more planning, how a year can fly by! The moment arrived, my Induction Day, I loved every minute and felt so proud to be district chairman of our fabulous district, the warmth I received was wonderful and friendships old and new guided me through a fantastic year, one I will never forget. Visiting clubs and charters where I was made to feel so welcome and special; joining you at some of your charity events was such a pleasure. I wish to thank you all for the support shown to me throughout that year; my garden party was made a success by you all even if it was just to see the “sheds”. We achieved the naming of our dog from Hearing Dog for a Deaf Child so puppy “Hylton” is being trained as we speak. The carol service was a delight and my little grand-daughter sang her heart out in her solo, the choir making her feel so grown up by allowing her to join them, very special thanks to Kathleen Hill for taking her under her wing. The sponsored walk around East Midlands Airport for Beat, this showed what a great team we are, never mind the weather you all turned out to support this wonderful cause. The quiz was, as always, a good night and I thank my club of Swadlincote and Melbourne for their assistance. Rally Day – as you all know is my most favourite day of the Inner Wheel year and I was not disappointed, even “Jellygate” could not dampen my love of the day. From the service in church to our address by Zena everything was as I wished it to be – thank you all for such a brilliant memory. I know there are lots of members I should thank but I doubt I would be allowed to take up the whole magazine, Rachel, Judith, Di S, my fellow exec members to name but a few – my love goes to you all – thank you and long may our district prosper. I am very proud to say I now join the ranks of the “past its”.

Di



Inner Wheel in Action

Once again the clubs of District 22 have been busy. Coffee mornings and afternoon teas abound but you have all been busy making things as well; baby bundles by the score, and friendship hearts to name but two. Taking trips out to garden centres and the Assay office have also featured.

I think the crowning glory was Warsop's Masquerade Ball which apart from being a lot of fun, raised a significant amount of money for Autism East Midlands





Bingham

President: Fay Matthews

President Elect: Anita Indcox

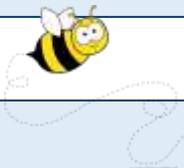
We welcomed speakers from President Fay’s two charities. Naomi Walters from the QMC children’s ward charity, gave a presentation on the work they have been able to fund on all the children’s wards. In April Anna Joyce from Flower Pod, part of the Reach Learning Disability Charity, told us about their work. They grow and sell cut flowers and arrangements as well as drying flowers for natural confetti, to generate their own income.

We look forward to visiting the site in June to see their work first hand. Anna was presented with a cheque.

Funds were boosted in April with a knit, natter and coffee morning at Secretary Sylvia’s home. Cakes and refreshments were provided at the Art Exhibition weekend.

On a beautiful May day we entertained District Chairman Vera Dilks with lunch out.

Barbara Biddle



West Ashfield

President: Brenda Renshaw

President Elect: Kindy Sandhu

A good number of us attended the Rally. Several of us attended Conference in Bournemouth in March and had a lovely time – the conference was excellent as always and Liz Thomas, our Association President, was lovely, with a brilliant sense of humour!

We have changed our meeting venue this year and so far, this is working out very well. Still lots to look forward to, our international inter club lunch this month and Charter in June at the Hostess.

We also planted 45 trees with West Ashfield Rotary Club in memory of Wendy North and dedicated a plaque in her memory. Leaving a lasting legacy..

Alison Redshaw

Church Wilne

President: Stephanie Cook

Joint Presidents Elect: Paula Beenham and Andrea Tew

We started 2018 on Inner Wheel Day when our members got together for a coffee morning to raise funds for International. President Stephanie baked cheese, onion and thyme scones – recipe in the Spring edition of News in 22.

In January we made up “baby bundles” which along with three sewing machines, material and duvets, went to NPAC (National Police Aid Convoys) for a convoy heading to Africa. We also made up Joy Bags, which were taken to District 22 for distribution, together with a variety of clothing, hand-made pencil cases, bedding etc.



In March we held a “Frog Racing” event.

Everyone had a thoroughly good time racing and taking a punt on the frogs, with a yummy fish and chip supper during the break.

We also had a “Beautiful Coffee Morning” raising funds for President Stephanie’s charity.

Beautician Claire demonstrated how to apply make-up and gave us lots of useful tips. We had some giggles as we practised our new-found skills on our partners.

New member Janet Stopher Clark was inducted at our March meeting.

Our speaker Elaine Harrison gave us an insight into the dress code and etiquette imposed by the court of King Henry VIII, donning the outfit of a Tudor Countess to illustrate her talk. Fascinating!

Jane Page



Mansfield

President: Diana Whiteley

President Elect: Anne Lyons

President Diana organised a most enjoyable and highly successful Beetle/Beatle Drive at Queen Elizabeth's School, attended by 160 people, who, after the beetle drive and pie & pea supper, were enthralled by the "Beatles" and "Cilla". An amazing amount of money was raised for Marie Curie, The British Red Cross, Bluebell Wood Hospice, Guide Dogs for the Blind and APTCOO.

Rosemary Wilson kindly hosted our Working Day and provided a delicious lunch.

International Service Organiser, Veronica Malkowski, and other members had made beautiful blankets, matinée coats and sheets for baby bundles, and collected goods for toy and joy bags to be transported by the National Police Aid Convoy to Zambia and Malawi.

Veronica also organised a splendid Sandwich Lunch at Ravens Lodge for international charities. Elizabeth Dunford, wearing traditional costume, gave an inspirational, illustrated talk about how she and her husband set up a secondary school in a remote village in Lesotho through the Rafiki Thabo Foundation.

Margaret Thomas

Carlton

President: Brenda Harvey

President Elect: Jennifer Crosby

We held Inner Wheel Day at Elaine's cutting stamps followed by delicious scones jam and cream.

In February we held a joint quiz with our Rotarians with a fish and chip supper which was thoroughly enjoyed by all. Also in February we had Pete a first responder who gave us a CPR demonstration and talked about his working life.

Our 38th charter was held in March at the Park Inn Hotel Nottingham which was well supported with everyone enjoying a delicious afternoon tea and entertainment from Andy Smith with his singing and four guitars

Nora Clarke

Ravenshead

President: Sandra Jackson

President Elect: Susie Parry-Williams

At our January meeting we welcomed friends and members from other Clubs who live in Ravenshead for a cheese and wine supper at The Centre at St. Peter's. PC432 Jayne Walters was our speaker and she gave a very interesting and informative presentation on 'Personal Safety'. International IW Day was celebrated with a Knit and Natter evening at Jacqui's home. In February we welcomed DC Vera to our meeting.

The 'Beast from the East' caused havoc in March. Our Coffee Morning and Meeting had to be postponed. The Meeting took place a week later at Sandra's home.

Rotarians and friends joined us at our April Meeting at Portland. Rtn Mike Storr of Carlton gave a talk and presentation 'Masters of Mirth', telling us about the history of Music Halls and performing monologues from many 'old time' entertainers.

Hucknall IW were hosts at our annual 'Get Together'. After a buffet supper, we enjoyed a 'Quiz'. Hucknall won the Trophy beating us by ½ point.

The sun shone for our rescheduled Coffee Morning in April which was very well attended. A Skittles Match with our Rotarians in May at the Sherwood Ranger was a great evening with lots of cheering and laughter. We lost by over 30 points.

Jacqueline Green

Golden Wedding Anniversary

Chris & Roger Holroyd - Alfreton

Pat & Frank Seals - Alfreton

Chris & Paul Fryer - Matlock

Inez and Peter Radnell - Hucknall

Polly and John Hill - Hucknall



Kirkby in Ashfield

President: Judi Parkinson

Joint Presidents Elect: Jean Moulson and Lynda Moor

After the post-Christmas lull, it was full steam ahead for Conference in March with 22 members representing the Club. Everyone enjoyed being together in Bournemouth especially our first timers. Speakers were inspirational and the entertainment was first class.

We have been entertained and informed by speakers at our meetings. In April we welcomed Ivor Manning who gave a talk and demonstration using a Lifepak Defibrillator to deliver CPR – not so frightening now if we are called upon in an emergency! In May President Judi was delighted to accept a certificate presented by Tim Copestake from NPAC in recognition of our support for the organisation which celebrates its 25th Anniversary this year. At the same meeting President Judi gave a cheque to Alex Davidson, Chairman of Blood Bikes in Nottinghamshire. The volunteers work 24/7 collecting and delivering blood products, frozen breast milk and medical items across a wide region from Chester to Hull, Sheffield and Leeds.

Lastly, we have enjoyed our coffee mornings, trips out for coffee, lunch and shopping – what better way to enjoy club membership.

Anne Jackson



Chesterfield Scarsdale

President: Sue Young

President Elect: Lynda Wallace



One of our members, Christine Heathcoat, is a very proud mother and grandmother. Even more so now that they have appeared on the Vogue Italia website! This photo of her two grandchildren, left, with friends on Beaumaris Beach Anglesey, taken by her daughter Melissa's friend Helen. Helen thought it such a good shot that she put it up for selection on a website called PhotoVogue. Obviously everyone was delighted that it was chosen. So, if you have a photograph that you are rather proud of, put it on the website. Yours too may be chosen.

June Oldham

News from a
Clubs

*Come and Celebrate Diwali
with
The Inner Wheel Club of Kirkby in Ashfield*

*Friday 10th November at 7pm
At the Summit Centre Pavilion Road
NG17 7LL
£25*

*Indian food, Raffle, Disco and Fireworks
Dress the part if you wish
In aid of Inner Wheel Charities*

See the website for details



Sutton in Ashfield

President. Sue Fensome

President Elect: Joan Broughton

Eight members attended and thoroughly enjoyed conference at Bournemouth. We arrived with snow still on the ground but by Tuesday the sun was shining and we managed to sit out on the sea front.

A visit to Nottingham Theatre Royal to see War Horse was appreciated by all. This was preceded by an excellent lunch at Pierre Bistro. We also had a most interesting tour of the Birmingham Assay office, one of the four assay offices in the UK where the testing and hall marking of precious metals take place. Quite an education.

Our Joint Presidents evening with Rotary was held at the Hostess, the band "No Damn Clue" rounded off a really good night. .

Our speakers have included Mary Rutter from the Roseberry Trust, which helps provide grants for holidays and day trips for children within Nottinghamshire. Rachel Ball from the City Hospital on the work of the oncology unit and scanner. Mr John Whitehead a Methodist reader on his amazing experience at being invited to and attending, the Royal Maundy Service at St George's Chapel London. We even got to handle the Red and White purses containing the gifts of silver coins.

May bank holiday we held an American Lunch at the home of Pam Lord. We had an excellent afternoon and delighted the sun shone on our planned outdoor event, quite a novelty!

Helen Gregory

Long Eaton and Dronfield

Sadly due to illness and bereavement within these clubs and their immediate families, neither has been able to submit reports this time. District 22 wishes both clubs well and hopes to see their reports in the Autumn.

Deaths

Cynthia Parsons – Warsop

Kate Ellis – Warsop

Anne Tate - Mansfield

Norman Dunks husband of Ann – Ravenshead

John Marshall husband of Mavis – Wollaton Park

Melvyn Stanley husband of Sue - Hucknall



Warsop

President: Helen Tomlinson

President Elect: Ruth Riches

Starting the year in July was the as always perfectly fabulous Warsop carnival - a day filled with fun and friendship and lots and lots of cake!

There have been so many highs during my year to date such as pottery painting at Glazey place, a P Party filled with all things P - prosecco, pizza, pasta, pies and Pimms the list was endless and we definitely had a pile of precious fun!

We then had a fashion show held at the Fretwell Centre which was a great night with lots of beautiful fashion for ladies to purchase after the show. A few of our ladies helped by being beautiful catwalk models on the night. Not all good things run smoothly though; the back story to this great night was that the venue wasn't actually booked..... oops. Oh how we laughed that morning when we realised!! but everything was sorted on the night and a fabulous night was had by all. Our Christmas flower arranging day was another sell out with ladies each making two beautiful arrangements. Then just before Christmas we had our club Christmas dinner at Ciao Bella - very different from what the club has been used to but everyone had a great time and the food was scrumptious.

Helen Tomlinson





District 22 Rally

The annual district rally is very much the highlight of each District Chairman's year and this year was no exception for District Chairman Vera. The music at the church service at St Mary's Church Greasley reflected District Chairman Vera's favourite hymns and readings.

The weather despite a cold start was bright and fine allowing us to wear our hats without having to cover our fashion finery with winter coats.

Eastwood Hall as in other years was a familiar setting and all the ladies in attendance were clearly relaxed and enjoying the day.

Association President Liz spoke with her usual dry sense of humour and she too was at ease with the formalities. We were delighted to welcome the District Chairmen from not only Districts 7 and 127 with whom we have a long-standing friendship but also District 10 who were delighted to join us after a very happy time at the previous Leicester assembly.

Rotary District Governor Michael presented District Chairman Vera with a certificate reflecting the closeness of their cooperation throughout the year.

Many of us went home with table flowers as a memento of the day which all considered to be a resounding success.





HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Alfreton 80th

Doreen Staton - April 2018

75th

Ann Fox - November 2017

Margaret Marshall - April 2018

70th

Vera Dilks - February 2018

Pat Seals - April 2018

65th

Joyce Clifford - February 2018

Carlton 80th

Dorothy Parr June 2018

Matlock 85th

Kate Garritty

Wollaton Park 75th

Margaret Jackson

70th

Kalpana Sharma June 2018

Mansfield

80th Birthday

Barbara Dixon May 2018

Hucknall 80th

Susan Upton



Chesterfield

President: Rita Clarke

President Elect: Adrienne Handley

Due to heavy snow our International Meeting in March had to be cancelled but fortunately we were able to reschedule for the following month when we were delighted to be able to welcome as our Speaker, Marion Tasker, District International SCC. Marion spoke to us about her several charity visits to Africa particularly relating to the production of much needed sanitary products made by local women. We were given a good insight into how much help is needed by many people in many areas of Africa and how very privileged we are here in UK to live in such an affluent society.

In March four members including President Rita enjoyed three days in Bournemouth at conference. Presidents Evening saw four Kool Katz, Hot Chix from Chesterfield Inner Wheel display their feline characteristics.

Celia Kelly



Swadlincote

President: Ruth Bird

President Elect: Diane Hylton

Our New Year began with our annual "Knit and Natter" meeting, which was held at Julie Nicholl's house, in order to raise money for international charities. We were treated to a delicious tea and we all won a raffle prize. Our new member, Gabby Tate, was inducted into our club at our February meeting and District Chairman Vera gave us her talk on her life, her job as a teacher, her family and how she came to join Inner Wheel. She gave Ruth a gift of Thyme and asked her to produce a recipe using thyme for her district booklet. In March one of our members, Peggy Burns, gave us Part 1 of her very interesting life story as a youngster living on the Thoresby Estate with no running water or electricity. She helped on the farm and enjoyed party nights at weekends and later dances.

Pam Ratcliffe



Matlock

Joint Presidents: Gwyn Chisnall & Rosie Ripamonti

President Elect: Gillian Oldroyd

Amid a lot of chatter and laughter Inner Wheel day was spent assembling baby bundles, haberdashery boxes and trimming stamps followed by a delicious lunch at the home of ISO Gill. The speaker in January was Mandy Walker talking about G.O.S.H. In February we are always pleased to invite the District Executive to our meeting and this year we had afternoon tea. At the March meeting Gill organised a 'Nosh for knickers' supper where 170 pairs of knickers were donated for overseas. In April we had an excellent talk by Albert Ripamonti about his 500 mile 'Camino Di Santiago' walk. We learned a lot about blisters and bed-bugs! Kedlestone Hall was the venue for our May meeting followed by lunch at Meynell Langley garden centre. Our monthly book and craft clubs and weekly walking group are still popular and well attended

Joan Orme.

Sherwood Forest

President: Margaret Grimshaw

President Elect: Pat Naylor

In January we met at President Margaret's for soup and sandwiches. We collected Toy and Joy Bags and a bag of Soft Toys for the National Police Convoy. These were collected by a representative, to be sent on their next trip abroad.

Two members attended Rally Day. Shirley Isard represented our club at the Bournemouth conference and gave a report at our April meeting.

President Margaret and her husband Barrie hosted a St. George's Day dinner at their home, this was for her Charity, the Pituitary Foundation. We attended with our Rotary partners. Good company, food and wine. A very enjoyable evening was had by all.

Margaret Bentley

Beeston

President: Judith Birkby

President Elect: Tricia Read

On Inner Wheel day our treasurer, Shirley Mee, very kindly hosted a very enjoyable soup & jacket potato lunch. We also managed to fill a large number of joy bags afterwards for our international officer Margaret Curtis.

At our January meeting, Dr.Jill Naidoo, a retired GP who supports dementia research, gave us a very informative talk about the work and activities at the memory café in Beeston and its importance to both the dementia patients and their carers. A donation was made to this invaluable service.

We had a very informal and enjoyable lunch in February at a local hostelry.

As our numbers were rather depleted at our next meeting since some of our members were attending the Annual Conference in Bournemouth, we had a social meeting with chat and laughter.

Past President Edwina Lonsdale organised a quiz for us in April! Some of us found that our brains weren't switched on at 10am on a Monday morning. We certainly need to practice 'Dingbats'.

Pat Lowe

International Theme 2018—2021





Ravenshead's Report on The Bournemouth Conference by Susan Spanswick

Day 1: Was disrupted by the snowy weather. The golf competition and some of the walks were cancelled, as was President Liz's sponsored zip wire event on Bournemouth Pier.

Day 2: Following a "Celebration of Unity and Service" led by the Reverend Catherine Forsdike [Member of Council D.8] the conference opening remarks were given by President Liz and we were warmly welcomed by Cllr Laurence Williams, Mayor of Bournemouth.

We had presentations about Children's Hospices, Modern Slavery and Medical Detection Dogs [with a remarkable display of the medical dog in action during the presentation]. The Guest speaker of the day was John Benjamin who gave a talk on his career progression from the "despair of his parents" to a presenter on the Antiques Road Show.

A District 22 highlight was seeing Margaret Day from Alfreton Club being presented with a Margareta Golding award.

The evening's entertainment was the "Opera Boys" – they were really good.

Day 3: The AGM. The Report of the Council was presented followed by the Treasurer's Report and audited accounts. The accounts reflected the impact of reduced membership and sales revenues. It was interesting to see how much cheaper it had been to hold the 2017 Conference in Nottingham, it cost just over £4500 less than the previous year.

The key point of the Association Editor's and Home Service Report was the "mind blowing" diversity of fund raising activities – although I still can't work out what a "knicker party" is! In total £919,785.15 had been raised for GB&I charities in 2016-2017.

The International Service Report reminded us that we were not a "cheque book but a hands-on organisation" and that "change happens when we work together". It was also pointed out that we should "not be shy of giving because of a few bad apples".

The Membership and Development Report again highlighted concerns about shrinking clubs. We were informed that membership packs were being sent to Districts to personalise the "unique mindfulness that is IW" and that a car sticker is also now available. Although clubs were shrinking over 600 new members had been recruited in the previous year. Recruitment was an issue and the IW really needed more experts in social media to come forward to help with advertising and recruitment.

The final report was from the Association Constitution Committee. It talked of the need for "wriggle room" within the spirit of the rules – we should all consider the "pink elastic" concept and develop new ideas on how to increase membership which may or may not result in rule changes to accommodate newer forms of club structure.

The day finished with a talk given by Helen Sharman on her training and experiences as an astronaut. She talked of her 18 months training and of her Soyuz mission to the MIR space station in 1991, and also how she got the job – she heard an advert on her car radio and thought why not, apparently so did 13,000 other individuals! The overall message that we took away from the conference was:

Be less formal, be less rigid, be more adaptive to survive



Margaretta Golding Award for Margaret Day



In what must have been one of the most joyous moments of the 2018 Bournemouth Conference Margaret Day of Alfreton Club received a Margaretta Golding award. Richly deserved for her services to Girl Guiding, schools in Gambia and the church Margaret was presented with her award by Dr Kapila Gupta.

Margaret is very well known to many Inner Wheel members for her very impressive organisational skills in respect of the last three conferences and it was with some delight that we saw her rendered speechless by this award. Usually never at a loss for words she was without doubt 'gobsmacked'

Embarrassed by the attendant publicity and accolades Margaret makes light of her services to her community but we are very proud of her as she should be of herself.



Kirkby-in-Ashfield Conference starts with a Bang

After their bus was snowed in, and therefore a two hour delay in starting off, 18 members of Kirkby in Ashfield Club arrived in Bournemouth at about 5pm on Sunday.

Next morning, Monday, three ladies decided to take a bus trip to Lymington.

Sitting on the double decker, bus upstairs front seats, they saw their bus and a car both approach a T-junction together. Both vehicles stopped each waiting for the other to set off. Unfortunately, they both decided to go at the same time and the car smashed into the bus's entry doors and they were unable to open them.

The ladies although shaken were unhurt but had the experience of leaving, with help via the emergency exit door at the rear of the bus. Not very easy when you are in your 80's. They certainly are star troopers, just brushing it off like it was an everyday occurrence.



Derby South

Acting President: Margaret Hagues

Our March meeting was held at the home of Beryl Guest. We welcomed Olivia Dean as our speaker on Crown Derby who had brought a wonderful selection of the china which we were allowed to handle. Her knowledge and enthusiasm made it a most interesting evening. We all enjoyed a delicious supper.

In April Yasmin Wahedna came for a third time to speak on Breast Cancer. Her talk and slides were a good reminder to the ladies on what to look out for. Different treatments options are available and are not always invasive. She said that success rates are going up. A worthwhile reminder. Anyone over 70 can still be screened by contacting the Breast Unit.

A raffle was held and the proceeds will go to the Derby Breast Cancer Support Clinic, President Anne's chosen charity for this year.

Margaret Hagues

Bolsover

President: Pam McConnell

President Elect: Jackie Atherton

In February we all got together at Lyn Copper's for a very successful packing day. In between all the packing we had a delicious lunch. March saw nine of us head off to Bournemouth for the Conference, helping Pam on the Gambia School stall. We transferred our April meeting to Maureen's where we had a lot of fun (and laughter) doing some of the crafts Maureen had left over from the craft days. The fun and crafts were followed by a short business meeting and then a delicious lunch. In April the Band Concert, held in conjunction with Rotary, was a big success, not a seat left in the house! Plans are now being made for the coffee morning for Mary's Meals to be held in May.

Jo Gott

Keyworth & Ruddington

President: Liz Thornton

President Elect: Rosemary Garratt

In early March we held the first of our two major fundraisers this year, a murder mystery evening featuring Inner Wheel and Rotary members in "Who Killed the Headmaster".



The sell out audience had to guess the killer whilst enjoying supper cooked by our members and served by our Catering Committee from the Village Hall Kitchen.

The event was a huge social and financial success and at the end of the evening our President, Liz Thornton, was able to present a substantial cheque to representatives of one of her chosen local charities Keyworth and District Community Concern.

On the 4th April our Club marked a very unique achievement. One of our members, Kathleen Hogg, celebrated 50 year's of service with Inner Wheel. Kathleen, who is still a very active member, has been President twice in our Club and also held office in her previous Club in the District. The photo shows President Liz presenting Kathleen her a Certificate celebrating 50 years



of service, together with a Friendship Ball and some lovely flowers.

We are looking forward to our final fundraiser on Saturday 2nd June, which will be an afternoon tea with homemade cakes, sandwiches and scones provided by members.

This will again be held in the Village Hall and will be well supported by local people as well as members and their families.

Yvonne Rix

"Always and never are two words you should always remember never to use."

~ Wendell Johnson ~ 16



Heanor

President: Angela Walker

President Elect: Diana Sardesai

Since our last report the club has been enjoying several activities starting with an evening at June Gaunt's home on Inner Wheel Day, this was followed by supper, then onto more food. Barbara Woods held a pudding evening with the puddings being made by the members. The evening finished with a quiz and the proceeds from both events went towards swelling the president's charity fund.

The Club has enjoyed some inspirational speakers at our meetings, one being Mrs Helen Moon who spoke about the sinking of the Titanic. She informed us of new facts which had been found regarding the ship's demise. Another was Mrs Barbara Daykin who outlined the setbacks in her early years to receiving an M.B.E.

The annual conference in Bournemouth was attended by seven members who all enjoyed it as you can see from the photograph of two jolly cats on the last evening, one being our President.



Several members visited Notty Hornblower's vintage clothes museum at Hope House followed by Afternoon Tea, they all agreed it is well worth a visit.

We enjoyed a Beetle Drive at the home of Maree Smith; many different beetles were drawn with some looking a bit like aliens: the member who drew them will know what I mean!

Our last funding event is a Coffee Morning at Sue Mukherjee's with yet more food, I think we will have to have book into a Health Clinic after this year of food.

Ann Hodgkinson

Retford

President: Maureen Lilley

President Elect: Natalie Perry

Our first challenge of the year was to eat smarties and fill the tubes with 20p pieces for Dani's appeal for Canine Partners Puppy training. Inner Wheel Day was celebrated by inducting a new member, Mel Eden. Marion made a great presentation about her work in Africa to members and the "knitting lady" guests. A fund-raising Sunday Lunch was held at the end of January. It was well attended and raised money for The Bluebell Wood Hospice and Women's Aid.

February's meeting had many guests and Adrian Grey spoke enthusiastically about the origins of various Christian Separatist movements from our area. Members attended the Rotary Charter and later in the month Joan, Leah and Gwen were part of the District Quiz, coming in at third place. Our club is active in the support of the Retford Food Bank, taking part in their Lenten effort and collecting for them.

Our March meeting fell on International Women's Day, a fitting day to welcome another new member, Jenny Bailey. A trip was arranged in March to see Lady Windermere's Fan in London, starring Jennifer Saunders and proved to be a great fun event.

Eleven members attended Conference and thought it excellent. Wendy, Gwen, Lesley and Lindsey took part in the annual Rotary Swimathon. They were given their medals at our April meeting and funds raised will go to 'Breast Cancer Now'.

Some members attended a Hoedown run by Retford Rotary in support of the purchase and transport of ten treadle sewing machines for Marion's project.

Jocelyne McGarvey



Sheena & Philip Clarke 45 years - Alfreton
Kath & John Woodhouse 55 years Wollaton



Put on your wellies and join forces with your local Rotary Club for a "Tree-mendous Challenge"

Within Rotary District 1220 we are determined to surpass the Rotary goal, set by Rotary International President Ian Riseley, where every Rotarian plants at least one tree and in turn helps to change the environment for the better.

To help Rotary GB&I, the President of RIBI Denis Spiller has secured the valuable help of our good friends at the Woodland Trust, the UK's largest conservation charity who will not only supply the saplings but also offer advice giving the saplings the best chance of survival.

If all the Rotary members here in Great Britain and Ireland take part, over 47,000 trees will be planted. That is the equivalent of a forest the size of a hundred football pitches springing up. Within District 1220 we have planted many trees of a wide variety including Oak, Birch, Elm and many other species. We will not know the full amount planted until all the Clubs involved have returned their numbers.

Worldwide there could be in excess of 1.2 million trees placed in forests some of which are under threat from disappearing, some trees are being planted to help stop coastal erosion in far off tropical Islands. With the help of Inner Wheel we could dramatically increase this figure, working together we could achieve so much more and make a difference.

This challenge is a lovely way to improve communities and by taking part in this activity we will be able to enhance parks and open spaces for the benefit of our local communities. If you are able to help, thank you, you will be helping a major environmental Rotary campaign which will restore habitats for wild-life, replenish forests and give you a hugely satisfying day out with friends.

Yours in Fellowship and Friendship

Michael Longdon

District Governor 2017 - 2018

Leave A Lasting Legacy

Wendy's Wood

Wendy North was a much loved and respected founder member of West Ashfield Club. When she lost her battle with cancer late last year it was agreed that a fitting tribute to her contribution to her Inner Wheel Club and the associated Rotary Club's tree planting initiative would be to name the area of trees planted as 'Wendy's Wood'. On a fine afternoon a few weeks ago members of West Ashfield Inner Wheel club, Inner Wheel friends, associated Rotarian partners and members of Wendy's family went to the wood to put up a commemorative plaque. It was a happy day tinged with sadness but represents a true Lasting Legacy.





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Empower and Evolve*



Clay Cross

President: Julie Marshall

President Elect: Joan Hodgson

In January, members enjoyed a lovely Sunday Lunch at The Hardwick Inn and later in the month, members attended The Burns Night, organised by Rotary. The Haggis was truly piped in, with bagpipes. Some members took part in The District Quiz and attended The District Meeting and AGM.

In March, International Service Organiser, Angie Dawson, arranged a Beetle Drive, where there was much fun and enjoyment, as we tried to complete our beetles in the shortest possible time.

The money raised at this event was given to Rotarian John Dolan of The Rotary Club of Wirksworth, who came to speak about Aquaboxes at our April meeting.

We have much to look forward to; a Pea and Pie Supper and our Club’s Birthday Lunch at Hassop Hall.

Sue Glover



Ashbourne

President and President Elect: Dinah Archer

The Winter and various illnesses have dampened spirits this year but the Club met in January for lunch followed by another lunch combined with a Business meeting in February. The Club was represented at the District Quiz. Unfortunately the March meeting, which was to have been a visit to hear a talk at Ilam, had to be cancelled due to a bereavement, although some members were able to meet informally for sandwiches and coffee at a local hostelry.

We were back meeting in the evening in April and were highly entertained by friends Sue Cockeram and David Locker who talked about their experiences on Bargain Hunt. The May meeting will take the form of an outing to Thornbridge Hall Gardens near Ashford in the Water. Several members enjoyed the Association Conference in Bournemouth.

Celia Yates



Hucknall

President: Inez Radnell

President Elect: Eileen Brown

Our Inner Wheel day was held at the home of Karen Sutton and was the usual fun filled occasion. In February we had a “Valentine Reflection” at the home of President Inez where many of us took our historic photos. Amazing! Some of the memories – and hairstyles. District Chairman Vera came to our monthly meeting and gave us an insight into her life. The District Quiz turned out to be a brilliant night for us. Two of our members plus two members from Sherwood Forest = great night of laughter and fellowship. We were visited by a member of our Rotary Club who spoke about her visit to India as part of the Polio vaccination team. April saw us meeting our Ravenshead neighbours for our annual challenge. Hucknall were the hosts this year and we had devised a kind of Blockbusters quiz. Scrupulously judged, Hucknall won by .5 of a point(!) and so recovered the much sought after trophy.

Vicky Moss



Diary 2018 - 2018

July

3rd-5th Leicester Assembly
10th Sutton in Ashfield Club Visit
16th Induction Day - Nottingham
Belfry Hotel

August

1st Warsop Club Visit
8th Bolsover Club Visit

September

7th Chesterfield Club Visit
12th Mansfield Club Visit
13th Retford Club Visit
20th Dronfield Club Visit

October

4th Alfreton Club Visit
5th-7th Rotary Conference - Scarborough
9th Wollaton Park Charter
10th Carlton Club Visit
10th Matlock Charter
11th Ravenshead Charter
14th Bingham Charter
15th Beeston Club Visit
17th Dronfield Charter
18th Retford Charter
19th Melbourne Charter
24th Kirkby in Ashfield Charter
30th International Rally - Ye Olde Bell

November

1st Clay Cross Club Visit
3rd District Meeting - The Postmill Centre
5th Long Eaton Club Visit
7th Warsop Charter
12th Heanor Club Visit
14th Ashbourne Club Visit
16th Bolsover Charter
18th Chesterfield Scarsdale Charter
20th Sherwood Forest Club Visit

December

2nd Inner Wheel and Rotary Carol
Service - St Thomas's, Somercotes
10th Kirkby Club Visit
12th West Ashfield Club Visit