

# NEWS IN 22

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The Objectives of INNER WHEEL

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



*District Chairman 2024 -25*

*Lyn Copper*



Inner Wheel at the Heart of  
the Community for over 100 years



Nottinghamshire  
Carers Association  
(NCA)

*A Message from  
D.C Lyn*



Dear Friends.

It's like being a child on Christmas Day. Preparations are done and the run up to the celebrations and Santa arriving seems an age away. Then all of a sudden, Christmas Day (Induction Day) arrives and time is flying by, that every minute needs to be savoured before July is in the dim and distant past. My first month in office has flown!

Life is like this at the moment but I can't begin to explain and say how thrilled I was with Induction Day as a whole. The members, family and friends came out and attended in huge numbers, that it makes me so humble being your District Chairman this year. The buzz around the room was electric and all the seminars during the morning, I am told "went very well". I thank each and every one of you who attended and helped to make the day so special. Now as we look forward and as I said in my speech on Induction Day, Membership is on everyone's lips and high up on all agendas this year.

By the time you receive your magazine, Mary and Elaine will have been working hard and delivered the new Association Toolkit for the Membership & Development Information meeting on 21st September and I hope many of you who attended found the evening very informative.

I make no apologies for continually mentioning membership. We all need to be proactive in recruitment and set ourselves a challenge, to get our membership in District 22 back up to 500 strong this year, so when we celebrate membership in June next year, it will certainly be a day worth celebrating.

Good luck with your challenge.

*In friendship. D.C. Lyn*

*Bolsover—President Erika Keyworth*



**O**ur year began with outgoing President Maureen Holmes passing on the chain of office to Erika Keyworth, when we enjoyed watching not very tall Maureen trying to fasten the chain's clasp whilst Erika crouched down and got the giggles! A fun way to start the year.

*The long and the short and a fit of the giggles.*

A number of us manned a stall at Bolsover's Annual Gala, running a bottle stall and selling cake made by one of our members. Despite a somewhat cold and damp start the weather improved significantly and overall attendance was very good. The highlight of the year had to be the inauguration of our member Lyn Copper as new District Chairman, at Eastwood Hall, where we had a lovely afternoon which included manning the Tombola and Raffle stalls, with proceeds going to Lyn's chosen charity, Young Carers Support. Lyn attended our last meeting and entertained us with a talk about her very interesting and varied life. We wish her a very happy and successful year.



*District Chairman Lyn and the Bolsover team*

*Club Correspondent—Bea Bowskill*



## News in 22

### Letter from Editor Yvette

As I write this the nights are drawing in and Autumn is just around the corner. As you read it fireworks are lighting up the skies. District Chairman Lyn is dashing all over the district visiting clubs and attending charters, well settled into her year. It certainly was a very busy start to the year. The second and third July saw the executive at the Association Assembly at Yarnfield. A good opportunity for us to have meetings with our peer groups. I certainly enjoyed meeting with and learning from fellow Editors. It was also good to meet the Association team. We were impressed by the work that has been done to help us all promote Inner Wheel to encourage others to join our organisation. Association President Heather Sheering is this year supporting Arthritis Action and her theme is Friendship and Membership. District Chairman Lyn adds to that theme Growth and Enthusiasm, which she has in spades.



The theme for International Inner Wheel is Heartbeat of Humanity-every beat counts. Every Action Matters and the International IW three year social project is Reach and Inspire for a better world.



*My project is to move up a notch to a rather elderly typewriter*

Yvette xxx



### NEW MEMBERS

A very warm welcome to all our new members joining or returning to District 22

Karen Arnold	Keyworth & Ruddington
Susan O'Donoghue	Keyworth & Ruddington
Doreen Fisher	Kirkby-in-Ashfield
Myrna Hannett	Kirkby-in-Ashfield
Alison Thistlethwaite	Mansfield
Karena Harrison	Mansfield
Joyce Capps	Ravenshead
Magaret Pritchard	Warsop
Zena Sisson	Warsop
Carole Graham	Warsop
Judith Elliott	Warsop
Sheila Chambers	Wollaton Parrk

### Afternoon tea with the Members at Large

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September saw members of the Executive team, Di Hylton the secretary to the Members at Large and five M@L meet together at Brookfields Garden Centre Mapperley for afternoon tea. The food and company were very good with much laughter. Anything left over was quickly gathered up to be taken home.



*L-R Karen Sutton, Barbara Hickman, Sue Curtis, DC Lyn, Marilyn Moulton and Vicky Moss*

## NEW MEMBERS

**A very warm welcome to all the founder members forming the  
Inner Wheel Club of Hucknall and District  
In District 22**

Cheryl Williams President

Trigania Smith

Rhiannon Ball

Marcia Petcher

Debs Butler

Kirsten Bingham-Searle

Estelle Coy

Anita Richards

Lyn Parker

Lisa Bird

Lisa Poole

Tracey Woodward

Yvonne Campbell

Susan Williamson

Emma Gillott

## *Hucknall & District—President Cheryl Williams*

A whirlwind first few months. Our first meeting took place on the 9th July, with help from Elaine Hopkins MBE, Gloria Humphrey and Guests Sita and Jean from Kirkby-In-Ashfield.

After a post from our President Cheryl was blown up on Facebook, we had gathered a wonderful group of women to set us up and get chartered.

On the 28th August our president Cheryl, Vice Anita and member Trigania met up with Marjorie Eyre who had set up the original Hucknall group back in the 60's. She was full of fascinating stories about her life and at 103 she had a lot to share!



*Three new founder members honouring an original founder member.*



On the 7th September we had our first community event at Hucknall market place. We did a bottle raffle and a bean bag game for the kids that all enjoyed. Even with the weather the ladies had a fantastic day!

Next step the Charter evening with fellow new Club Mapperley and District. Lots more fun and friendship in the pipeline.

*Club Correspondent—Kirsten Bingham-Searle*

## NEW MEMBERS

**A very warm welcome to all the founder members forming the  
Inner Wheel Club of Mapperley and District  
In District 22**

Sharon Watson

Rosemary Bolton

Liz Reid

Catherine Attaway

Sally Lord

Susan Gregory

Abigail Greenwood

Lee Harrison

Caroline Perrell

Madeline Hopkins

### *Mapperley & District—President Sharon Watson*

*Inspired by their Mums*

Two of the Club's members came to Inner Wheel in memory of their mums, both of whom passed away this year.

Abi's mum, Mary Ireland was a lifelong active member of Inner Wheel Club of Letchworth Garden City (District 26). She joined in 1993 (31 years) and was a very supportive and active member. Her

### *Mapperley & District Continued>*

dad, Neville was a very active Rotarian with Letchworth Howard Club. Mum was club President five times and was club International Service Officer several times. She attended District meetings and annual Conference. Abi remembers when Mary would be busy cooking food and her famous Pavlovas ready for any events they held including the annual International Supper and Summer Lunch. Abi once was a guest speaker at her mum's club and talked to them about "my Cochlear Implant journey" which they all enjoyed hearing.

Liz's mum, Sheila Reid, was a member of the Inner Wheel Club of Musselburgh, near Edinburgh (District 2) for over 50 years and held offices including secretary and president. She was District Chairman twice and was secretary of the Association Conference Committee when she had the honour of welcoming Princess Anne to the conference in Glasgow in 1999. She had Inner Wheel friends everywhere. Liz's first Inner Wheel event was the District 2 Rally in 1995 when mum was District Chairman. When mum passed away Liz was remembering the good times she had with Inner Wheel and decided it was something she'd like to be part of.

Little did Liz and Abi know that they'd become founding members of Mapperley and District. They are both keen to serve in the way their mums did and celebrate their mums' memories.



*Left: Liz Reid*

*Right: Abigail Greenwood*

*Thank you Abi and Liz. You completed this tribute at my request. A lovely way of honouring both Mums. District Editor Yvette.*

*Club Correspondent and Secretary—Liz Reid*

*The first District event of the new Inner Wheel year  
the Induction of the District Chairman and her team*

Arranged slightly differently this year the day started with the officers meetings divided into two sessions. With some starting at 10 o'clock and others at 11 it gave members a chance to catch up with friends between meetings and the lunch. The meetings gave officers from all Clubs a chance to meet with their Executive Officer and find out about their programme for the year from Association with everyone firmly concentrating on membership.

Following welcomes, introductions and then lunch, IPDC Mary Hind presented cheques to her two charities—the Women's Centres in both Nottingham and Derby. With thanks to outgoing executive officers and the presentation of badges, Mary then passed on the chain of office to DC Lyn to induct her as our new District Chairman.

After welcoming and acknowledging her new executive officers, the circa 150 members and guests settled down to listen to Lyn's first address to the meeting as District Chairman.

She explained to us the themes for this Inner Wheel year from International Inner Wheel, about the three year Social Project and Association President Heather's Theme and charity Arthritis UK. Most importantly she told us about her theme which is

**“Fun, Friendship and Membership”**

because all friends have fun! There are three words that she would like us to remember today, and they are

**“FRIENDSHIP, GROWTH and ENTHUSIASM”**

Lyn's charities provide support for “young carers” in both Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire, a charity close to her heart as she was a young carer. Jo Askew from the charity explained the support that the service offers to carers and in particular for children who may be supporting a parent often taking on responsibilities way beyond their years. All their work is funded by donations and Jo is very busy as the main fund raiser.

*Induction continued*

Lyn told us of her journey to becoming District Chairman and about her passion for the organisation. Membership is very important to her and she was delighted to see members at the meeting from the two new Clubs of Mapperley and District and Hucknall and District which will bring the total up to 21 Clubs. She acknowledged that is a tough ask but officers are not “one-man bands” and encouraged us to ask for help and advice from both your own Club and District. The more you put in, the more you get out of Inner Wheel.

*Expect a roller-coaster of a year with lots of fun and*



*Alfreton—President Kay Ramsbottom*

President Kay began her year by inviting Alfreton Rotarian Fred Leighton to talk about his time with the Army fighting in Korea," the forgotten war" in the early 1950's. It was quite emotional but very informative especially for the younger members. We were very pleased he came.

A lovely photo of 2nd VC Joy Fox enjoying a drink with her friend PP Doreen Staton relaxing before her busy year next year.



In Alfreton we are very proud to have a highly respected Special Education Needs (SEN) school, The Park. It takes children with special needs from the local area aged 4+18yrs. They are taught by teachers in many subjects including music, cooking, gardening and PE in the new swimming pool. It also has a superb sensory room. (see photos below) I have a friend with a severely autistic non verbal son who has been there from 4+,now aged 6 who has made real progress and loves school. Alfreton Inner Wheel, Rotary and many other local organisations fund raise for the school. We have donated towards pool equipment, gardening and many other projects over the years.



*Club Correspondent- Penny Riggott*

*District Secretary Anne Jackson sets herself a challenge*

District Secretary Anne Jackson decided to recover after attending the Association Assembly at Yarnfield in July by going with some of her Club, Kirkby in Ashfield, to Potters Resort Norfolk. She did not go to relax but to put herself outside her comfort zone on a machine that rather resembles a collection of elastic bands which are lifted as high as possible and swung forward at speed. Sort of a curving and swinging bungee jump.

She did this to raise funds for her Club President's Charity John Eastwood Hospice showing Inner Wheel at its best "at the heart of the community" She was aided and abetted in her endeavour by Clair of Clair's buses who probably thought she was just driving!



← *Waiting for the off*

*President Barbara rewards with a G and T*



*Heanor—President Georgina Clark*



*DC Mary and President Denise*

Our 78th Charter Anniversary was celebrated at Horsley Lodge. President Denise Vitalie welcomed DC Mary and several clubs from around the district. A delicious Afternoon Tea was enjoyed. Throughout the meal, Ryan Noon, a talented pianist, played music from the shows.

At the June meeting money raised throughout the year was distributed by PP Denise to local charities. High risk domestic abuse advisers accepted a cheque from Salcare. Representatives from Christchurch, accepted cheques for their Warm Space Project & Christmas hampers and Rebecca Patrick from Infinite Wellbeing, who provide help and support to all age groups. In June we held an International lunch. Representatives from Derby Refugee Solidarity attended. Goods and a cheque were presented by Carolynne Craven on behalf of her mother June Gaunt MBE.

Georgina Clark was inducted as the 79th President at the July meeting. Her nominated charity for the year is Air Ambulance. After outlining her

programme for the year, strawberries and cream were enjoyed, with a glass of wine to celebrate. To start the fundraising for the year a Safari Supper was enjoyed. A three course meal prepared and served at three different members homes was enjoyed.

It was with great sadness that we learned of the death of two of our very valued members. Jan Walker MBE in July and PDC June Gaunt MBE in August

*Club Correspondent—Suzanna Mukherjee*



*IPP Denise and President Georgina*

*Clay Cross—President Julie Marshall*

**A**t the AGM, President Cheryl Berry MBE was delighted to present cheques for £500 to the Derbyshire, Leicester and Rutland Air Ambulance representative Tracy Jones and £100 to Kay Adlington from the Trussell Trust in Clay Cross and £250 also to the Alzheimer's Society.



*Clay Cross members with D.C. Mary Hind at the Carnarvon Arms Charter Party*

Club Members celebrated our 54<sup>th</sup> Birthday Charter together with District Chair Mary Hind and Rotary President Sharon Reynolds with an especially nice meal at the Carnarvon Arms. Several members enjoyed the Celebration of Membership evening.



July Handover saw our youngest Club member Julie Marshall become our President for the fifth time. Her charities for the year are the Trussell Trust Food Bank in Clay Cross and Ashgate Hospice. Some fun events are already planned.

*IPP Cheryl passing on the chain of office to President Julie*

(Correction from Edition 156 page 14) **Photograph** of all nine completed "100 for 100" Blankets which eventually went to The Old Vicarage Care Home in Clay Cross, who would like more for their Dementia Patients.

*Club Correspondent—Angie Dawson*

*Wollaton Park—President Debbie Pink*

Blood Bikes were a major recipient of our last year's fundraising. We were delighted to welcome their representatives, along with fully liveried BIKE and CAR, to the official handover of the cheque at our July meeting. President Debbie took the opportunity to try out the huge motorbike, though fortunately she didn't press the 'Start' button!

*Is President Debbie ready to drive off with this cheque!*



The an-

*No, the day is saved by the ladies of Wollaton Park  
L-R Mary Goodwin, Shelagh Howard, Catherine Green, Joy Groves, Jean Earnshaw, Glen Taylor and Jane Hayes*

Annual Summer Party at President Debbie's home was a lovely opportunity to 'eat and chat'. We welcomed Sheila Chambers, a former member of Beeston and M@L and acknowledged retiring member, Anne Parker's valuable contribution to the Club with a plant presentation. Anne had been a member for many years, we will miss her but send our best wishes to Anne and Alan in their new home.

We have chosen to support the charity 'Pulp Friction' this year. They help young people with disabilities to realise their worth and get into the workplace. Earlier this year their clients helped to build a garden for the RHS Chelsea Flower Show, now installed at Stockhill Fire Station, Nottingham for public benefit. A September visit to the garden is planned

*Club Correspondent—Gillian Huddleston*

*Sutton-in-Ashfield—President Dodo Pearce*

Members and friends celebrated the end of the Inner Wheel year with a visit to the Hope Costume Museum, Derbyshire and listened to an interesting talk from Notty Hornblower who runs the museum. This was followed by a delicious afternoon tea served in her home next door.



*President Dodo Pearce with members before heading for home*

We started the new Inner Wheel year with our "carry on" President, Dodo, welcoming the incoming District Chairman Lyn Copper to our July meeting. After entertaining us with a resume of her life Lyn then presented Long Service Awards to three of our Club members.

*( L to R ) members Cindy Carter, Judith Holmes, District Chairman Lyn and member Janice King.*



*Club Correspondent—Sue Fensome*

*Keyworth & Ruddington—President Sharon Broadbent*



In May on a beautiful sunny morning, 20 members and supporters of Keyworth and Ruddington Inner Wheel took part in the Rushcliffe 5km Park Run. Inner Wheel members got lots of encouragement along the way and everyone finished the course so this is our 100 for 100

In June Anne Jones, once again, generously opened her fabulous garden for a coffee morning and plant sale. This was a great success and raised a lot of funds for President Karen's Charities. The following week our Charter was held at the Carriage Hall in Plumtree, expertly organised by Ruffy as usual, after and during lunch we were entertained and mesmerised by a very slick magician.

Also in June eleven members paid a visit to the Maggie's cancer care centre in Nottingham. This is one of President Karen's main Charities and the group are pictured with the presentation cheque



At our July handover meeting Liz Thornton was presented with her 35 years membership certificate, although most club members think she must have joined when she was about 12! President Karen also showed the Club the glass achievement award we have received for inducting the most new members in District 22, 2023-24

Finally President Karen handed over her Chain to Sharon Broadbent our new President, who is taking office for the third time! President Sharon then outlined the programme for her year and confirmed her Charities as Medical Detection Dogs and Nottingham Central Women's Aid

*Club Correspondent—Yvonne Rix*

*Retford—President Judith Roberts*

A warm welcome to our new President Judith Roberts and a huge thank you to our outgoing President Carol Lawrenson.

What a year we have had supporting many charities including MND, Firefly patient transport, Papyrus and the Bassetlaw Hospice as well as NPAC and InterCare.

Local author Jill Berry came to one of our meetings - after a thirty year career in teaching and leadership consultancy, Jill has written a series of three novellas which are published in one book: The Dresser. The stories focus on families and friends, relationships and human frailty and are set locally.



*IPP Judith with President Carol*



Members of our club their families and friends, have supported NPAC recently when a guided tractor and trailer ride round a local strawberry farm was followed by a delicious strawberry cream tea. It was a fascinating and interesting tour round the farm and an insight into growing strawberries and raspberries. We are all still enjoying our monthly walk and coffee morning around Idle Valley Nature reserve – whatever the weather!

*Fun on the farm. The son and grandchildren of CC Heather having a fun time riding on the tractor. Permission for the photograph in the magazine was given by their father.*



*Club Correspondent—Heather Reid*

*Melbourne—President Rachel Cooper*

Our meeting with a local journalist resulted in an article in the local paper, "The Inner workings of the Wheel", but the highlight of our IW year was the celebration of Noreen Smith's 100<sup>th</sup> birthday.



*Noreen looks amazing and is enjoying every minute. Well done Melbourne for keeping everything a surprise.*

What a joyous occasion it was to celebrate at Melbourne Tea Rooms. It was a big surprise for her, with balloons, flowers, cake and the attendance of IPDC Elaine Hopkins MBE and 1<sup>st</sup> VC Lyn Copper who presented her with flowers and her certificate of 42 Years service to IW.



*1st VC Lyn Copper presents Noreen with her membership certificate.  
The cake looks tempting.*

Dressed in blue and gold, recovering at home from her hip operation, President Diann attended by video call!

Four members enjoyed the Manchester Convention, with Sunitha Gorrepati the member I hosted from India. Sunitha is promoting, and funding, sanitary protection for girls in her own area, so a meeting was arranged with Marion Tasker to learn how she can do this on a commercial basis. Marion was Melbourne's speaker in July, and we all learned how period protection was developed and made now.

*Club Correspondent—Diana Eley*

*Kirkby-in-Ashfield—President Barbara Williams*

Members have again been busy filling Joy and Roy bags which have been collected by The National Police Aid Charity and sent to Africa. Thanks to Judi Parkinson and Freda Smith for making the colourful bags.



Jacquie Chapman hosted a garden party attended by members from Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire. Lots of homemade sandwiches, scones and cakes were enjoyed along with endless pots of tea!



A visit to The National Memorial Arboretum in Staffordshire, Jean Matthews cleaned the gates (which she had helped to buy) leading to The Inner Wheel Garden. Everybody first enjoyed a land train trip round the extensive grounds. A trip well worth repeating.

Fast becoming a tradition, a fish and chip supper was served at Linda Moor's home.



*Thank you to the K-in-A members for these delightful photographs. Editor Yvette*

*Club Correspondent—Sally Hill*

*Ravenshead—President Sue Evans*

First meeting back after the summer with new President Sue Evans.

We had a return visit from John Mcfadden Chairman of Blood Bikes Nottinghamshire and John Curtis with the latest vehicle they managed to purchase after we gave our donation to them at the end of last year. This was President Kathy King's chosen charity. Blood bikes have recently been able to buy four new vehicles



*The members of Ravenshead- with the vehicle that they helped to buy.*

and eight motorcycles, six being replaced. Someone from Brighton who was going overseas donated his Bike at a heavily discounted price so it would be used in helping the charity.

President Sue's charities this year are St. John Ambulance and Rainbows Hospice for children and young person. We are having a visit and tour to Rainbows soon with our Rotary President Dave Lewis as he has also chosen to support this fantastic hospice.

President Sue also had the pleasure of welcoming and inducting a new member, Joyce Capps into the club, I'm sure Joyce will enjoy being part of our Inner Wheel club.

Besides our meeting once a month, we have arranged to meet up for coffee each month at Brookfield Garden centre. You just turn up if you are free.



*President Sue and Joyce*

*Club Correspondent—Susie Parry-Williams*

*Matlock—President Sylvia Netley*

Last year I wrote about the Matlock Club and how we were struggling with attendance at meetings. So we changed the format and became more informal. Unfortunately this did not work. Attendance was still low and the result of this is that we began the year with eight members. I think this is Matlock's swan song as we are all the wrong side of 80 and have lost the will to do anything. It just shows you need younger members to keep your Club going. So keep recruiting!

We now meet for a drop in coffee morning on the 3rd Thursday of the month and this gives us the opportunity to keep in touch and deal with any matters in hand.

Two members attended the Induction Meeting and we would all like to wish Lyn and her committee a happy and successful year



*Matlock's AGM and handover on a beautiful sunny day. The Prosecco and strawberries were just the right thing Much enjoyed.*

*Club Correspondent—Sylvia Netley*

*Long Eaton—President Marion Atkins*

This new Inner Wheel year began with our July meeting at the home of Marion Atkins. Claudia handed over the presidential chain of office to Marion and wished her well for the coming year. Members enjoyed a faith lunch with much fun and laughter.



*IPP Claudia Jeffrey with President Marion*

To celebrate the 100 years of IW we collected medicine blister packs for recycling as well as discarded spectacles. We will continue to do this. It is amazing how many pills we take!

On 7<sup>th</sup> September we had a Charity Fundraiser at President Marion's home. It was meant to be a Garden Party, but British weather intervened, and it became an Indoor Party. District Chairman Lyn and several officers of the District Committee attended, plus members from other clubs and all turned out well. What could be better than cake and coffee and Inner Wheel friends?

*Editor comment—I was there and nothing can be better, lots of Inner Wheel fun.*

*Club Correspondent—Judith Power*

*Chesterfield Scarsdale—President Pat Willmot*



On 19<sup>th</sup> June at Chesterfield Golf Club Pat Willmot took over from Carol Hull as our caretaker President.

*IPP Carol with President Pat*

On 18<sup>th</sup> July a presentation of a cheque for the amount raised at this years Fashion Show .

*On the left is Linda Robbins and on the right Liz Day, who organised the event.*



On 21<sup>st</sup> July we had our usual Bottle stall at Ashover Car Rally, it was organised very successfully by Liz Cromwell.

*From left to right Caroline Enoch, Chris Heathcote, Liz Cromwell, Coleen Beadsley and Pat Willmot.*

*Club Correspondent—Liz Outram*

*Mansfield—President Jennifer Burroughes*



What a very busy summer since the start of our Inner Wheel year and new President Jenny Burroughes.

At our July meeting, we had the great pleasure of formally Inducting Karena Harrison and Alison Thistlethwaite into membership of our wonderful club.

*L to R: Karena, President Jenny and Alison*

The highlight of our Inner Wheel summer was a fabulous garden party we had on 14th July. Well over 70 people attended and it was kindly hosted by Elaine and Andy Campin. There were lots of helpers, both younger and older, assisting with food and fund raising! Although it did rain, we were sheltered under gazebos. We also had the pleasure of welcoming our District Chairman Lyn Copper to give a long service award to Norma Shore who has been a member for 60 years.

In addition to all the fun and friendship £1800 was raised for Young Lives versus Cancer.

Other social events in August raised £720 for Teenage Cancer Trust



*DC Lyn with Norma*

*Club Correspondent—Claire Parsons*

*West Ashfield—President Brenda Renshaw*

This year is different for us as we're all taking it in turns to run the meetings, so far it's working very well.

In July we had our change over from Linda E to Brenda and a fun evening followed.

We met at The Lotus Lounge in Alfreton for our August meeting and those there enjoyed an excellent Chinese meal with lots of chatter taking place.

In September Margaret L invited Barbara Spybey to talk to us. She told us a bit about her background and how she got to be a volunteer guide at Hardwick Hall. She told us about Bess of Hardwick and her four husbands, a very interesting evening.

We're still meeting up for coffee on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month where we put the world to rights!! So we're keeping up our motto of Food, Fun and Friendship.

One of our members visited Romania, more next time...



*Editor: Is this a clue to what comes next!!*

*Acting Club Correspondent—Alison Redshaw*

### *Warsop—President Jean Mountain*

From Bras to Celebrations, Warsop do it all!

Eight members went to Convention. For the gala evening everyone donned 1920's outfits for the fun and friendship.



*From glamour to bras the ladies of Warsop do it all with style*



Later in May five members braved the camera in their bras to highlight the charity Janice Rose Lingerie in Gambia who they are supporting by collecting donated bras.



In June President Sharlotte presented cheques to her chosen local charities.

An afternoon tea and quiz saw the winning team receive a trophy and accepted it with cheers and laughter.

*The happy winners*

Six members met at Warsop's beautiful church to plant rose bushes to conclude the celebration of our centenary.



### *Warsop continued:*

July saw President Jean taking the reins and hosting the tea and cake marquee at the Warsop carnival. President Jean is looking forwards to a wonderful year of friendship and fun.



In August the club was visited by our new District Chairman, who inducted two new members and welcomed back a past member. She also presented long service certificates to six members.

*L-R: President Jean Mountain, Mags Prichard, District Chairman Lyn Copper, Zena Sisson and returning member Carole Graham*

The September evening was a crafty night with members making some beautiful paper flowers.

### *Club Correspondent—Sharlotte Somerville*

#### *A snippet from Retford Club.*

Intrepid Globe Trotter and past International Committee Chairman Marion Tasker has been on her travels again. A little taster, two photos of her with members of the Inner Wheel Club of Lusaka. She meet some of these ladies at the International Convention in Manchester in May.

*Thank you Retford I look forward to hearing more Yvette*



*Church Wilne-President Margaret Abbott*



In 1999 Rosemary Watson as President of Church Wilne received a knitted blanket from her son's Dutch Mother-in-Law - Tilly. Tilly continued to knit for Inner Wheel over the years. Sadly she recently died and a large bag was discovered in her home. It contained a large number of knitted squares which have been made into two lovely blankets that are waiting to be taken for International. The photo shows Rosemary, a founder Member of Church Wilne and an active member still, wrapped in one of the blankets holding a photo from a press article dated 1999 with Monica Welbourne another founding member. A lovely example of International understanding and co-operation. Thank you Rosemary for sharing this with us.

*District Editor Yvette*

**Rest in Peace And Rise in Glory**

Jan Walker MBE	Heanor
Jean Craig	Retford
June Gaunt MBE (PDC)	Heanor
Greta Thornton	Alfreton
Kathleen Hogg	Keyworth and Ruddington

*Celebrations around the District*



*Special birthdays with a "0"*

Joan Smith. - Mansfield  
 Kate Garrity - Matlock  
 Sue Lunn - Warsop  
 Barbara Marshall MBE  
 Clay Cross  
 Cath Green Wollaton Park  
  
 Sandra Warznaska  
 Wollaton Park  
  
 Glen Taylor Wollaton Park

*Congratulations*



**Church Wilne**  
 Golden Wedding Anniversary  
 Chris and Alan Talbot

**Heanor**  
 Golden Wedding Anniversary  
 Kathleen and John Hill

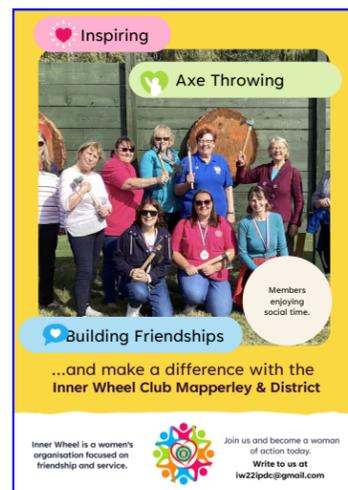
**Wollaton Park**  
 Golden Wedding Anniversary  
 Mary and Peter Goodwin

**Clay Cross**  
 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary  
 Margaret and Rtn Norman  
 Andrews

*My apologies for error in Edition 156 to :  
 Iris Cole special birthday Club Swadlincote and  
 Julie and Graham Nicholls special anniversary Club Swadlincote*

*District 22 Membership & Development meeting —  
Saturday 21st September 2024*

38 members from 13 clubs in District 22 met at the United Reform Church at Marpool for an introduction to the new toolkit to help clubs recruit new members. Members were shown how to access the Association website and find the various templates that can be used to advertise and celebrate Inner Wheel. All the assets were colourful and appealing, members were encouraged to add pictures of their own club showing women in Action.



Each club went home with two personalised posters to display in their community.

*The finished article for Mapperley and District . Striking and full of action.*

The morning was facilitated by District M&D officer Mary Hind and MOC Elaine Hopkins

The morning came to a close after sharing lunch together, made with love by the ladies of the Inner Wheel club of Heanor.

*District 22 M & D meeting continued*

Plans are being made to have further workshops on preparing the posters and putting them on Facebook to assist members to be able to prepare them for themselves.

*Mary in full flow and everyone engrossed.*



*International Service Committee Chairman Lynda  
and her team's fund raiser 23rd May 2024*

71 Inner Wheel members including husbands, families and the Past Association Presidents Liz Thomas and Pam McConnell enjoyed a delicious meal at the Slice of India Restaurant, Derby where there was an incredible choice of Indian, Chinese, Italian pizzas and English starters, main courses and desserts.

It was a delight to watch the chefs using fresh ingredients whilst cooking special Chinese dishes and Indian Mysore Pak, Dosa and Gulgappa.

The restaurant manager kindly gave us a three course meal voucher for two people as our main raffle prize and along with the other nine prizes that had been donated by clubs, the raffle raised an amazing £353!

An International quiz kept everyone busy after the meal and was won by Sue Mukerjee and a new member from Heanor club on a tie break question.

Huge thanks must go to our International West Zone Leader Pat Churnside for suggesting the venue and to Maureen Tunney and Pat for selling raffle tickets.

Also, to my husband Rob for leading the quiz because his voice was louder than mine!

A wonderful evening of fun and friendship that raised a fantastic £708 for the Book Bus.

*Thank you Lynda. You must have been off form if Rob was louder than you. A brilliant effort for the final push for the Book Bus. This didn't make Edition 156 as the event fell at the time of publication. You can see from the photos that everyone had a fabulous time.  
Editor Yvette*



*International Information Lunch 25th September 2024*



58 members from 18 clubs met at The Hostess Restaurant where guest speaker Clare Porter the Regional Manager from Samaritan's Purse International spoke to us of the work that they do and in particular their Operation Christmas Child Shoe Boxes. For more information search for: Samaritans-purse.org.uk. Thanks to Paul Copper for technical support.

*Lynda with Clare and an example of a Christmas Shoe Box*

### *Church Wilne—President Margaret Abbott*

At the end of her first year as President Margaret, with members Jane Groves, Shirley Walker and Yvette Thomas met with Jo Askew at Derbyshire Carers Association to present a big cheque for the monies raised during the year (£2800). Jo explained to us that this would be used for local projects to give carers support. Derbyshire Carers will again be President Margaret's charity this year. We are grateful to Margaret for holding office again



*A very cold day in Ripley  
L-R : Shirley, Jo,  
Margaret, Jane and  
Yvette*

Inner Wheel Moonlight Walkers. Four of our intrepid Inner Wheel ladies joined 350 other brave walkers on the Treetops Moonlight Walk on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> September. It was a beautiful warm sunny evening, but as we collected our t-shirts the sun went down and we were glad of our blue feather boas to keep out the chill. We were dressed to impress in Inner Wheel colours of blue and yellow.

As the clock rolled around to 8pm the band started playing The Proclaimers 'I Will walk 500 miles' and we crossed the start line with slightly less miles in our sights. We walked up St Peter's Street to the Cathedral in a brightly illuminated procession of people in their best fancy dress, continuing all the way to Chester Green before turning back around.

At Cathedral Green, we were treated to street performers; a fire breathing woman, a stilt walker and a neon dancer. Great fun! Then we were off again, past the bus station and on to the finish line! Jane P and Diane collected their 5k medals, and we waved

### *Church Wilne continued*

Jane G off as she continued on into the dark, around Pride Park before finishing the 10k and collecting her medal.

It was a wonderful evening with lots of great support from other walkers, and Treetops volunteers.

On Sunday evening, when our legs were less sore, and our necks less blue we assessed the funds raised and were proud to have contributed towards the Treetops grand total of £35k, so far!



*The intrepid walkers  
L-R Jane Page, Diane  
Fleming, Liz Howard and  
Jane Groves*

### *Club Correspondent— Liz Howard*

*These made me smile and I hope they make you smile too. From D4.*

#### CHILDREN'S BIBLICAL QUOTES

1. Adam & Eve were created from an apple tree.
2. Noah's wife was Joan of Ark.
3. Noah built the ark and the animals came on in pears.
4. Solomon, one of David's sons, had 300 wives and 700 porcupines.
5. The seventh commandment is, that thou shall not admit adultery.
6. Christians have only one spouse. This is called monotony.

*Thank you D4 for letting me use these. As someone who has problems with spelling these children have my sympathy. District Editor Yvette*

### *District 22—A tale of a journey and two Inaugural Charters*

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2024 will be long remembered in District 22 as this was the date that two new clubs, Hucknall and District and Mapperley and District were Chartered. The first new clubs in the District since West Ashfield in 1989.

The journey for the new clubs started sadly with two closures and happily two house moves. The closure of Hucknall and Carlton and the house moves of Elaine and Pete Hopkins and Sharon Watson.

Losing Hucknall and Carlton was a blow as this left a big hole in the District. So Elaine, as Membership Officer with her team of Lyn Copper, Di Sardesai and Sylvia Netley and the full support of DC Mary and the rest of the executive team, began the process of canvassing to form the new Club which has become Mapperley & District.

Some six months after the initial approaches and after many meetings ten ladies have become the founder members of this Club with Sharon Watson being the first President. Sharon, formerly with Warsop Inner Wheel, is joined by Rosie Bolton who was previously with Carlton club, then a Member@Large, bring experience to the Club.

Then rather like buses along came the second Club from a chance meeting at a Rotary event attended by DC Mary and a comment the new Inner Wheel club of Hucknall and District came into being Formed by 15 former Rotarians the Club was Chartered in less than three months.

It was an exciting moment for District 22 when Elaine as our Member of Council opened the Inaugural Charter Event commenting:

“These new clubs are our future taking Inner Wheel into its second 100 years and we look forward to seeing them flourish, spreading the word of fun, friendship and service.

Some of us will see them doing things differently from what we are used to.

They will be keeping within our constitution, however, life has changed dramatically in the last hundred years, and we need to adapt to a different way of life to keep this wonderful organisation fit for purpose for those that follow us.

Both Mapperley and District and Hucknall and District members are already making an impact within their communities, with donations to

### *Inaugural Charters continued:*

foodbanks, attending community events and also social events such as axe throwing and a carnival evening. Well done girls keep up the good work and getting the name of Inner Wheel out there.”

All the new members present were welcomed by name and then Liz Norris the Membership and Development Committee Chairman for the Association of Inner Wheel GB&I presented the Charters with District Chairman Lyn presenting the regalia and a memento to each of the members.

Liz explained the significance of the Charter and their positions as Founder members whose names and signatures will be on the back of the Charters. She encouraged both Clubs to attend Conference and the AGM if they were able to do so and to publish what they are doing.

Both new Presidents, Sharon of the Mapperley Club and Cheryl of the Hucknall brought messages from their members. There was a presentation of a beautiful bouquet by the Clubs to Elaine for her support over many months.

The formalities completed the two new clubs with their guests settled down to a lovely hot buffet, dancing, singing and celebrations. Like the beat of the music you could feel the energy and excitement in the room.



*Charters and regalia waiting to be presented. Editor Yvette.*



*Above: Hucknall with DC  
Lyn*



*President Sharon,  
MoC Elaine and President  
Cheryl*

*Below: Mapperley with  
DC Lyn*

