NEWSLETTER Autumn 2024



Welcome to our latest Newsletter - aimed to update our group of "Friends of Carlton Rotary" with activities undertaken, and those planned. We hope you enjoy!

We are always keen to welcome new members, so please pass this on to any friends or family who might be interested in joining Rotary—to have fun and make a difference to our world. Do contact us, too, if you have a community project or particular need you feel we could help with.

Two Fundraising Events this Autumn

Fundraiser for EndPolioNow—Instead of our normal weekly meeting we are going to enjoy a meal at Chungs Restaurant on Mapperley Plains on Thursday 17th October. Cost of the meal (£25) will include a donation to World Polio Day which is celebrated on October 24th each year to highlight the global efforts to end polio and the importance of vaccination. Polio is a life-threatening disease caused by the poliovirus. Rotary was a founding partner of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative started in 1988 and has reduced polio cases by 99.9%, but there are still some cases



reported every year—and this year in Gaza—so the initiative must continue. The colour purple is a symbol of Rotary's campaign, with the colour representing the purple dye used to mark the finger of

a child to indicate they have received their life saving oral polio vaccine. Purple Colin Gell is looking for sponsorship to have his hair dyed purple! He is asking that those who attend embrace the purple theme and come asking that those who attend embrace the purple theme and come dressed in anything purple, with a prize for the best.

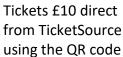
Come along and join us. Please send booking details and any dietary requirements to Rtn Colin Gell colinrotary10@gmail.com or 07771 867527 by 14 October.

Fundraiser for our Defibrillator project: Fashion Show on THURSDAY 28 NOVEMBER at



Richard Herrod Centre, Foxhill Rd, NG4 1RL

Come along, relax, enjoy the show and you will then have time to try any of the clothes you like and enjoy the discounts available.





OR from any Rotary member OR email carltonrotary@gmail.com



Three Trips enabled by Carlton Rotary

In the summer we gave a donation to "Support for Survivors" charity enabling a group to go on a trip. We received the following "thank you":

Dear Rotarians, Wednesday last week, I had the pleasure of taking men and women who are service users of my Charity to their chosen place "Skegness" for the day, we set off from Nottingham train station at 8:15 in the morning, arriving back in Nottingham at 9:30pm. It was a fantastic day for everyone, to see them all so happy was extraordinary and we would like to say a great big thank you Carlton Rotary for making this truly possible. Yours Maxi x



We have supported local drama group Flying High Young

Company in the past, and this year we gave a donation to enable a **wheelchair user** to attend the Edinburgh Fringe. She was part of the production of The Wizard of Oz and needed to take family carers with her to enable her to perform. She is coming in January to tell us about her experience. We were also delighted to hear that Flying High were awarded the Derek Award for the best Children's Show at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival. Many congratulations to the Young Company.

A further donation was given to **Age Concern Carlton** which went towards their annual holiday to Llandudno.

Fun at the Lowdham Show

David Falkner writes: We again had a stand at the Lowdham Horticultural Show on Bank Holiday Monday 26th August.



We had great enthusiasm from our members, who gave good support in donating bottles for our stall for this wonderful varied annual community event, which also proved to be a success for us, and our participants. Our most popular game was the 'bottle tombola', with a 1 in 5 chance of winning either a bottle of wine, washing up liquid or even a bottle of fizzy water! The 'smack the rat' was popular with the children and Charlotte's 'Higher-or-Lower' card game came in handy, attracting people to our 'Rotary' stall.

One of our initiatives at the show is to indicate that 'Rotary' is now a modern group of people, having fun whilst helping those less fortunate than ourselves, mostly in our local community. We were ever ready, and keen to engage with anybody who showed an interest in Rotary.

The show comprises flower and vegetable competitions, a brass band, a Punch and Judy along with a

clown giving most decorative 'face-painting' for the youngsters. Many other varied stalls but the high-light of the afternoon was a dual show of the 'Dako Flying Angels' with a fantastic performance exhibiting their skills. They are still wearing tee shirts bearing our name, that we donated some years ago. The lead gymnast came over to thank us for attending this year's activities, also for our donations over the years.





David Falkner represented Carlton Rotary at the 1st Gedling Scouts AGM in September. He writes: This local group of enthusiastic youngsters and parents have built up some great

friendships, through their regular evening meetings, as well as the many outdoor pursuits during their camping experiences, including laser tag, axe throwing, archery, rock climbing, air rifle shooting and much more, especially during their stays at the Walesby scout activity centre during the year.

The scout group are hoping to attract more young people from local new housing developments, to build up a greater membership involving



these skills for life. We have been fortunate in forming a good partnership with the group, donating 3 tents, enabling more people to attend their outside activities. In return many parents are excited to assist with our popular Santa Sleigh, during our Christmas fundraising.

Santa's Sleigh



Santa's
Sleigh has
had a re-fit!
Martyn and
Tony
stripped out
the old, repainted it
and replaced

the lights with led strings, powered by 2 leisure batteries.

We are grateful to Lindley's for enabling this

and for providing us with a tow car for the month of December.



Plannng is well underway for our Christmas collections. If you can help by towing the sleigh or acting as Santa or one of his collectors, please get in touch.

Float Co-ordinator Colin Gell would be pleased to hear from you. Contact him at: colinrotary10@gmail.com



Carlton's sponsored girl in India

In early August Val Leivers came to update us on the "empowering girls" initiative and progress at the

Sri Sai Vidyarthi School. We were pleased to sponsor another girl, Harshika, who is now benefitting from a 3 year tailoring course at the school. Val reported that the tailoring course has expanded and become a popular addition to the curriculum. Just £300 per girl provides salaries for the 2 qualified staff and a sewing machine which can be taken home at the end of the academic studies, should that be the career path a girl chooses. Val brought photos of the continual improvements to the school, such as solar panels and clean drinking water on site.



All members continue to be so impressed by the work undertaken in this poor corner of India. Keep up the good work, Val and Terry!

Our previously sponsored girl, Annie has now left school with good educational and vocational skills.

An OPEN INVITATION to join in with any of the meetings or activities below.

Meetings are 6.30pm at Mapperley Golf Club with a meal.

Day	Date	Venue	Торіс
Thursday	03-Oct	MGC	Business Meeting—specifically for the Sleigh preparations
Thursday	10-Oct	MGC	SPEAKER: Dr Mark Paul-Clark—My studies at Nottm Trent University
Thursday	17-Oct	Chungs	Social Meal as fundraiser for World Polio Day—all invited
Thursday	24-Oct	MGC	Fun Quiz Evening
Thursday	31-Oct	MGC	SPEAKER: Grace Davies—Life as a young Gymnast
Thursday	07-Nov	MGC	SGM & Business Meeting
Thursday	14-Nov	MGC	SPEAKER: Bob Massey—Goose Fair
Thursday	21-Nov	MGC	SPEAKER: Edmund Malinowski—Lindleys Autocentres
Thursday	28-Nov	RHC	FASHION SHOW at Richard Herrod Centre as a fundraiser for our Defib Project
Thursday	05-Dec	MGC	Business Meeting
Thursday	12-Dec	MGC	SPEAKER: Charlotte Mitchell—Adoption and Me
Thursday	19-Dec	W Hall	CHRISTMAS MEAL at Woodborough Hall

If you are interested in joining in with any of the above, email carltonrotary@gmail.com to book in.

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