

Priory Post January



Peter's Prattlings

Happy New Year to you all.

I would like to express my personal and heartfelt thanks to all of you who supported the Haiti Collections at The Cross on Saturday and Waitrose on Saturday and Sunday. We collected £1500 at the Cross in two and a half hours. Chichester and Chichester Harbour clubs collected another £3000 between them. At Waitrose we collected £2510 on Saturday and £1315 on Sunday. A total for this club of £5325. A brilliant effort demonstrating the great generosity of the Chichester people. I know you were all struck by the sincerity and sympathy expressed by the Public at both locations. So many expressed their gratitude for our efforts and their trust in Rotary to get the support to the right places.



Can I also thank Doug and Bernard for their great efforts in organising these collections and a big big Thank You to Waitrose for allowing us to collect at such short notice.



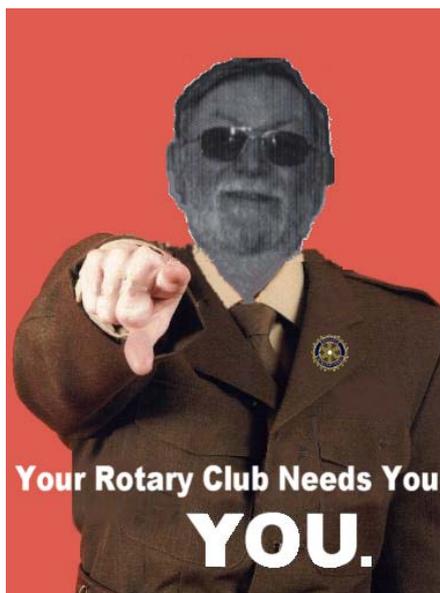
THE BIGGEST FUND RAISING EVENT OF THE YEAR SUNDAY 7TH FEBRUARY 2010

Yes it is time for the CHICHESTER PRIORY 10k again.

And so once again its all hands on deck.

Your race committee have been beavering away since last August to prepare for the event. They have sent out reminders to over 100 running clubs and nearly 50 leisure centres and they have also arranged leaflet drops by club members at various races, but equally as important they have hopefully completed the organising jigsaw to make the event the success that is its hallmark.

The 10k is by far the biggest fund raiser of the year and requires the largest number of helpers. Mugs are being reintroduced by our sponsor which means a further strain on our manpower. Because of chip timing, we require extra people to remove the tags from competitors at the end of the race. Although we do get help from the other two Chichester clubs it is unfortunate



that Chichester Harbour has an away weekend which means that understandably we will lose at least one of

our own members whose wife is a Harbour member.

I am sure that all who have been both chairmen and committee members will realise that the large amounts of money that they have been able to put to various projects has been available because of their hard work and dedication on the day. Last year the race raised over £13000 for the club and this year I will be disappointed if it is less. Costs have increased and at the moment we are slightly over 100 entrants less than last year but with just over 3 weeks to go a further 200 is by no means unobtainable. So come on all of you - not just club members but wives, children, grandchildren, uncles, aunts - and even the neighbours. It can be a most friendly occasion and for most it is by not a very long day.

Diary

| January | Meeting | Venue | Stewards |
|------------------|---------------------------------|---------------|---------------------------------|
| 20 th | Starfish Project Speaker | Pallant Suite | John Watkins, Allen Welles |
| 27 th | Business Meeting | Pallant Suite | Geoff Hardstaff, Malcolm Wells |
| February | | | |
| 1 st | Club Council | Bob Syme's | |
| 3 rd | Fellowship | Pallant Suite | Henry Adams, Tony Hardwick |
| 7 th | 10K Road Race | | |
| 10 th | Speaker night | Pallant Suite | Neil Brame, Mike Harvey |
| 17 th | Business Meeting | Pallant Suite | Clive Balaam, Peter Haydn Jones |
| 23 rd | ROTARY DAY | | |
| 24 th | Presidents Dinner with Partners | TBA | David Bevan Thomas, John Hodge |

Please note your Steward assignments – if you can't attend please arrange an 'exchange',

Where should we meet?

Last October approx. 75% of our members replied to a questionnaire indicating that they would like the Club to investigate alternative venues. For some unknown reason I was asked to form a very small but select committee to take this further! Before doing so however I would appreciate your help. As a comparative newcomer to the area my knowledge of the Chichester "eateries" is very limited so where do you think we should consider? **It is your Club and I need your input.**

I look forward to receiving at least 30 replies especially from those who said "yes"!

Neil

Christmas Collection 2009

For those who read the Priory Post and not their emails can I say THANK YOU once again to everybody who helped with the Christmas Collections.

The final total was £2742 of which £1528 was collected at The Cross, £835 at Tesco and £379 from the sale of "mulled" wine. Whilst this was £450 less than 2008 it was a good result overall.

Tricia did well to get an article in all the local papers who unfortunately changed the heading to "Mulled wine sale raised £2750"! Never mind the text and the name of our Club was correct



Rotary International District 1250

District Governor Simon and Sandy invite you to the Heritage Motor Museum, Gaydon, Warwick for our

District Convention

24th to 26th September 2010

Walberton Players are putting on a "Comedy Thriller" called "A Tomb with a View" on Thursday, Friday and Saturday 18th, 19th and 20th February as always in the Walberton Villkage Hall. Clive Balaam is directing and I have a part - would you believe as the family solicitor? It is good fun and we would all be delighted if members of the club were able to support us as in the past. Very often a party has come on the Friday night, but for any date Madeline will be pleased to accept orders - 553704!



Rotary International



**DISTRICT 1250:
PAUL HARRIS FELLOWSHIP LUNCH**

**CISSWOOD HOUSE HOTEL:
SUNDAY MARCH 7TH 2010.**

DG DAVID HODGE AND THE DISTRICT FOUNDATION TEAM

HAVE MUCH PLEASURE IN INVITING

ALL PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS IN DISTRICT 1250 & THEIR PARTNERS

TO THEIR ANNUAL CELEBRATION LUNCH

(TWO COURSES AT £15.00 PER HEAD)

ON SUNDAY MARCH 7TH AT THE CISSWOOD HOUSE HOTEL HORSHAM

12.30PM FOR 1.00PM

GUEST SPEAKER: SARAH JOUAULT : BRITISH ATHLETE & FUNDRAISER

PAUL HARRIS FELLOW : THE ROTARY CLUB OF BOGNOR HOTHAM

SARAH'S DISTRICT 1250 'CYCLE FOR CHILDREN' RAISED OVER £7,000

Raffle in aid of The Rockinghorse Appeal

FOR THE ROYAL ALEXANDRA CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL BRIGHTON

RSVP: JOHN BECKETT : IPP THE ROTARY CLUB OF STORRINGTON

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PLEASE RESPOND WITH NUMBERS FROM YOUR CLUB BY: 14TH FEBRUARY

**The Rotary Club of
Chichester Harbour**



**Annual Quiz Night
with Fish & Chips and Silent Auction**

On: Fri
At: Lg
Time:
Ticket:



19AB
£t only,

AVAILABLE FROM
Peter Ferris 07740 631423

Bring your own drinks, glasses and some friends!



Letter to Priory Post

I have noticed that "Votes of Thanks" seem to be in the hands of a few members only. Why should this be? Surely all members should have an individual opportunity to thank speakers on our behalf.

There are many advantages - a rota would engage all members in the Speaker evenings. It gives an opportunity to all including newer members to compose and present sentences of thanks.

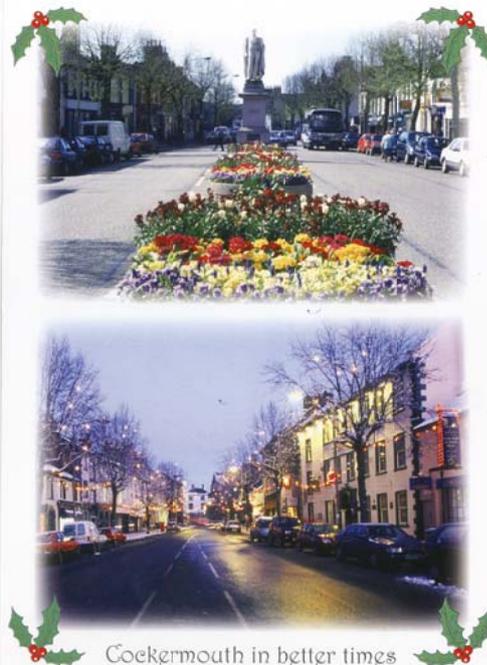
It may also provide some practice in "public speaking" It will also take the load of "few" and makes for good all round sharing within the tasks of the Club.

Perhaps Council might consider constructing a short rota for votes of thanks in the way stewards are selected.

mike harvey



The picturesque and ancient gem market town of Cockermouth lies at the confluence of the rivers Cocker and Derwent. The town was devastated on 18th/19th November 2009 when both rivers burst their banks and flooded the town. The beautiful heart of the town, the main street, with many independent shops, and countless homes were almost destroyed. The town is anxious to support a rebuilding and replacement ethic which retains the unique quality of the town centre. Please make donations payable to Cumbria Flood Recovery, Cumbria Community Foundation Fund, Charity Number 1075120



Cockermouth in better times

MAURICE

THANKS FOR YOUR CARD - WHAT A LOVELY GESTURE FROM YOUR ROTARY CLUB
ALTHOUGH NOT DIRECTLY AFFECTED BY THE FLOODS, EXCEPT FOR THE TRAFFIC QUEUES DUE TO THE LACK OF BRIDGES, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOUR CLUB ON BEHALF OF THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN.
THOUGHT YOU MAY LIKE THIS CARD. THEY WERE SOLD OUT WITHIN DAYS OF PUBLICATION.

Maurice received this card from a friend of his near Cocker-mouth..

We thought you would all like to see it—and share in the sentiments.



THE ROTARY CLUB OF CHICHESTER PRIORY

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I have tried to include as many as possible of the notices coming into the club over the Xmas period. Apologies if I missed anything important.
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RIBI Young Citizen Awards 2010



The achievements of young people are once again being celebrated with the Rotary in Great Britain and Ireland (RIBI) Young Citizen Awards. Young Citizen is a project conceived by RIBI in association with **BBC News** to celebrate the positive citizenship and vital responsibilities assumed by many young people in these islands.

RIBI is again looking for nominations for the RIBI Young Citizen Awards. Launched in association with BBC News in 2007, the awards recognise young people (under the age of 25) who have demonstrated their commitment to citizenship through working with Rotary.

Five awards of a trophy, a cash prize of £500 and a visit to BBC News at TV Centre in London will be made to five Rotary related projects involving young people working in their communities to improve the lot of others. Especially attractive projects will be those involving young people helping young people. The awardees may be an individual or a group.

Successful projects of the past have included:

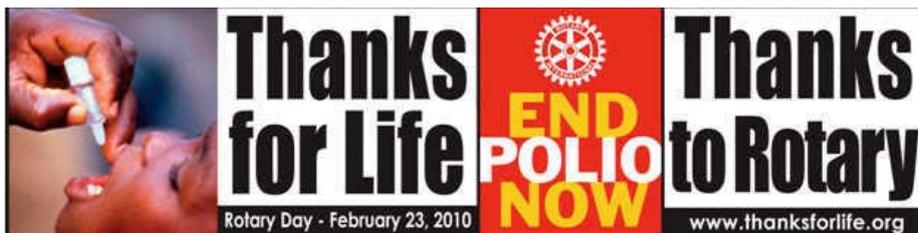
- Interact Clubs in the inner city raising money to buy ingredients & then cook and serve breakfasts for fellow students, whose parents can't afford to give them a proper breakfast
- Young people raising money for the Wheelchair Foundation to supply young people abroad with a wheelchair
- A young disabled person starring at sport or helping other young people
- A youth exchange student doing charitable work abroad
- Award to a school for filling a very large number of shoeboxes or similar.

We are working in conjunction with BBC News for a fourth year and the winning projects will form the basis for a mini-series of reports for television. In addition the awardees will be featured at the Rotary International in Great Britain and Ireland Annual Conference in Bournemouth in April 2010, with a Live Awards programme on BBC News.

Nomination forms are available by ctrl clicking [here](#). Nomination forms should be returned to the Secretariat as soon as possible and before the **deadline of 31st January, 2010**; clearly marked 'RIBI Young Citizen Awards'.

For more information, please contact either:

Lawrie Cooke, RIBI Youth Opportunities on 01487 830 114 lawrence.l.cooke@btinternet.com
Eve Conway, RI Public Image Resource Group Zone 18a Co-ordinator on 07850 357842 eveconway@hotmail.co.uk



Remember: We will be collecting at Tesco's on Saturday 27th February and we hope to arrange an additional collection for the 20th.

Hopefully we will also have a shop in the Town Centre that we can decorate and do some Rotary advertising .

www.rotary-priory.org.uk

A Special Invitation

Thanks for Life END POLIO NOW
Rotary Day - February 23, 2010

Thanks to Rotary
Humanity in Motion

The Rotary Clubs of Bognor Regis and Bognor Hotham invite you to a Charity Dinner in aid of "Thanks for Life" Polio Eradication.

Tuesday 23 February 2010
at Butlins • Bognor Regis • 7.00pm for 7.30pm

Guest Speaker Edwina Currie
"Who will lift the lid on Government?"
Reply by Nick Gibb MP

Join us in this venue to hear Edwina Currie 'dish the dirt' and know you have helped the fight against the terrible disease of polio.

In 1985 Rotary pledged to eradicate polio from the world. At that time there were 1000 new cases every day, but this had fallen to less than 1500 in the whole of last year. In 1985 polio was endemic in 125 countries and now in just four.

Tables of 8/10 are available for this prestigious evening. Cost £40 per head to include three course dinner and coffee. There will be a grand charity raffle. Dress: lounge suits and ties for the men and similarly smart for the ladies.

For ticket sales and all other enquiries, contact Peter Stemp, Bognor Rotary Club
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