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### **Golfers brave the elements for Rotary Charities**

Despite awful weather, 42 dedicated golfers braved the elements last Thursday to play in the increasingly popular Newbury Rotary Golf Tournament Day held at Donnington Valley Golf Club.

This was the 5<sup>th</sup> year of holding this event and this year it was sponsored by Newbury Honda Car Dealership. Year on year this is a growing attraction and competition.

The event organizer, Trevor Gibbons said “I have nothing but admiration and praise for the 42 very wet players who turned out and competed today to raise around £1450 for this years chosen charities, McMillan Cancer Support and Parkinson’s UK.

The winning team, comprising Peter Sidell, Peter Ramsey, Keith Angus and Robin Snell, won by 4 points with a total of 83 Stableford points. Tom Reseigh took the prize for longest drive for men and Tom Chester won nearest the pin on the 9<sup>th</sup> hole. Lorna Gibbons laid claim to both the longest drive and nearest the pin for the ladies.

After the soaking, a nice hot meal was enjoyed in the Clubhouse. All competitors reported that despite the rain, an enjoyable day had been had raising funds for those far less fortunate than themselves. All looked forward to returning next year with hopefully next time, some sunshine!

Trevor Gibbons added “This event is now an important feature in our Rotary year and we plan to hold this event again in May 2016 so check out our website for more information and an entry form. The day is open to all golfers.”

Photographs from this year’s event will be also be added to our website at <http://www.newburyrotary.org>

Rotary runs countless humanitarian projects both locally, nationally and internationally, and also partners with many charities worldwide. By combining our skills and resources, we are able to make a real contribution to the lives of others. Our next calendar event is our Boules competition in the Market Place on Sunday , 28<sup>th</sup> June – why not give it a go!

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**Winning team on 1<sup>st</sup> tee**



**Winning team after presentation of their Donnington Valley shirts**

**Rotary International**

Rotary's main objective is service in the community, in the workplace, and around the globe. There are 1.2 million Rotarians who make up more than 34,000 Rotary clubs in nearly every country in the world who all share a dedication to the ideal of "Service Above Self".

In local communities alone, each club raises many thousands of pounds for community projects and local charities. Members also volunteer their time - supervising community events, running a host of projects aimed at promoting the achievements of young people, coordinating educational programmes, and supporting local businesses.

Rotary clubs are open to men and women who are business, professional or community leaders who want to use their experience for the benefit of others.

Rotary initiates local and global projects to promote world understanding and peace and improve life conditions for people of all ages and cultures. To find out more, visit [www.ribi.org](http://www.ribi.org).

**Rotary Club of Newbury**

The Rotary Club of Newbury is one of 1,850 clubs within *Rotary International in Great Britain and Ireland* (RIBI) which has in total over 53,000 members. It in turn, is an integral part of Rotary International, the world's first service organisation.

There are currently some 42 members meeting on a weekly basis at Donnington Valley Hotel and following the Rotary ideal of "Service above Self" to support both local and international projects. To find out more about the club visit <http://www.newburyrotary.org> or email [secretary@newburyrotary.org](mailto:secretary@newburyrotary.org)