



HAVE I GOT NEWS FOR YOU?

(RICHARD PURDON, DG TALKS DIRECT TO YOU)



Helen and I wish that you all will have a Happy New Year. I trust we will all continue to strive to do all we can in our local communities – they need us to be active!!

Let me start this bulletin with a final call to the District Council Meeting on Wednesday 11th at the Gables from 6.45p.m. This is very important as we talk about the future direction of RIBI, and the financial implications of running Rotary in GBI. Tea/Coffee with biscuits is available for you. Please sign members in through Chris Firth.

I will also be talking about a great, fun initiative to help the publicity of our campaign to End Polio Now and forever. We have had donated lime marmalade, and tomato ketchup before from Wilkins – under their Tiptree brand.

This time it is jam to be sold at £2 – normal RSP is £3. Then we hope that as many of the 2000 empty jars we have been allocated will be returned full to the brim of silver or gold coins. Finally, we hope to tie up a deal with Typhoo to supply tea to run an Afternoon event around the Country at precisely 4p.m

on March 8th!! The AGs will have more information on availability as soon as it becomes known. It is expected that all funds generated will be paid into the end polio now pot.

Next I want to wish all the clubs well for the forth coming Youth Competitions. Ceri Pridding and her teams have been working extremely hard on ensuring these are a great success again. It would be great if clubs who have never participated in any of these go along to see how excellent the standard is.

We will keep the District websites up to date with the key days. And, a final reminder for the clubs who would like to send teams into the Youth Technology tournament to apply to Stewart Atkinson at the Rotary Club @ Kingsholm .

And in the same vain, please, please get your thinking caps on for sending candidates for RYLA in the summer. We need to have a bank of 45 names to ensure we have 40 on the day. If clubs which to apply for more than 1 place, please do so. Again see the website for all the details.

I look forward to a full house next Wednesday at the District Meeting.