

# The Rothes Rotary Rag

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NEWSLETTER OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF  
GLENROTHES

October

## Presidents Report

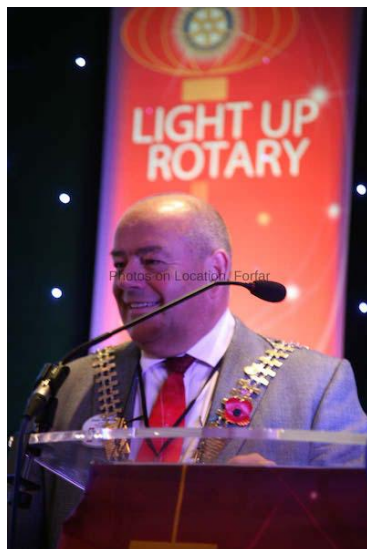


How quickly the months are passing by!! Now a regular event in our calendar, our first community project takes place in a few weeks' time, with all of the Glenrothes High Schools taking part - the Young Chef Competition. Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> November is Armistice Day, and I will be laying a wreath on behalf of our Rotary Club at the War Memorial. All members are welcome to attend.

Once again, I am asking for your continued support for all events and projects organised by members of your Club.

## The District 1010 conference

Over 520 Rotarians, Interactors and their friends came to the Doubletree Hilton (the Hydro) for a fantastic weekend of conference business lit up by world class speakers and Beatlemania entertainment while pampered by the superb staff and service of the hotel—on our first visit to that venue in over 30 years



## District Conference

The Annual Rotary Conference took place at Dunblane Hydro from Friday 31<sup>st</sup> October to Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> November and was well supported by 400 Rotarians from District 1010 - a full house. DG Keith Hopkins welcomed everyone to the opening concert on Friday evening. We were entertained by Highland dancers, comedians, talented Young Musicians, and our own Rotary 1010 Big Choir. Saturday conference opened with the theme 'Youth and Vocational', followed by Foundation and International. The theme on Sunday was 'Working with Business and Worldwide Education' and 'Environment'. Inspirational speakers including Nigel Risner, Olivia Giles and Sarah Brown spoke to the delegates along with some of our own Rotary 1010 speakers from various clubs. The dinner on Saturday evening, followed by 'Beatles for Sale' was a great success. Both the venue and the varied programme made this conference informative, thought provoking and the fellowship was first class. Keith says 'The conference was a good opportunity to learn from others, be inspired by enthusiastic speakers and make new, and renew, friendships'. For more information on the conference see our Facebook page or the Rotary district 1010 website at <http://www.rotary-ribi.org/districts/homepage.php?DistrictNo=1010>



## Rotary Shoebox Appeal

It is time to help others again, by filling a Rotary Shoebox. Boxes can be collected any Thursday from Rotary. The gift of a shoebox that contains toys, toiletries, educational items or household goods is a drop of happiness to the people of Eastern Europe who live in a world of poverty. For many,



it will be the first present that they have ever received and it lets them know that somebody, somewhere cares. If you would like to take part, we would love to hear from you. Filled boxes must be returned by Thursday 20th November

## Festive Fellowship

SNOW WHITE & THE 7 DWARFS - Written by Alan McHugh  
with Music by Karen McIver and Directed by Jonathan Stone



Snow White promises to be the perfect Christmas outing - full of the traditional Carnegie Hall festive cheer and guaranteed to make you laugh and sing-a-long. Complete with dazzling sets, exquisite costumes and a brilliant cast, Join Snow White on her fairytale adventure where she meets seven very special little friends!! Come along with family and friends [young and not so young] on Thursday 18th December at 7pm in the Carnegie Hall Dunfermline. Names and numbers to Tracy, book early to avoid disappointment.et Prices **ADULTS £13 CHILD £10.30 OVER 60 £11**

## Glenrothes Walk for Peace

As you know the theme for Rotary this year revolves around the concept of light-- Light up Rotary and Light up the Community . This has been the catalyst for the Peace Walk which is taking place on the evening of Thursday 6th November. Pupils from each school , carrying torches or similar, will walk to the war memorial in Glenrothes arriving



there around 7 pm where a short programme of appropriate music and poetry will be given by pupils and white wreaths will be laid . The gathering at the war memorial will last no longer than one hour. Please give this important event your support by joining the Rotary group of walkers. Rotarians to congregate at their local school at 6pm. Jim Leishman will give Vote

## Interact News

Now in its 3rd year the Interact club at Auchmuty HS has taken on a completely new look having joined forces with the very successful charities committee. There are now some 30 members from all year groups guided by several enthusiastic teachers headed by Depute Colin Bird. The pupils working in groups have already taken part in a non uniform day in October , themed "Red to Remember" which raised £750 for the Scottish Poppy Appeal. They are now planning to support Children in Need. The Interactors will help organise the Shoe Box Appeal and collections for the Food Bank-- it is hoped to have Food Bank Friday each month and also to collect at parents meetings and similar events . Later they will organise activities to support Little Princess Trust which makes real hair wigs for children with cancer as well as Fife Young Carers and internationally Mary' s Meals.

## Rotary Gavel Season Continues

The Rotary Club of Stirling hosted a gavel evening at the Sports centre in Bridge of Allen on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> October. This time Glenrothes were not so lucky. With three women members in our team, mouths dropped open on seeing both a snooker table and a table tennis table! More used to Jenga and Connect Four this was a bit more challenging! Stirling may have won the points but it was an enjoyable night of fellowship and fun,



finished off with a bowl of soup and sandwiches.

The final Gavel evening of the year was hosted by The Rotary Club of Cowdenbeath in the local bowling club. Carpet Bowling was on the agenda for the evening along with putting, dominoes and Connect Four, no pool this time! This did not however help our score as yet again the opposition claimed the most points. Another very enjoyable evening to end the season with our team hoping for more points next year!



## Christmas Festivities

The Inner Wheel Christmas Party is being held on Saturday 13th December at Balbirnie Golf Club. 7 for 7.15 start. Cost £22.50 for a two course buffet supper and coffee. Dancing to duo 'Kickback'. Numbers required by Friday 14th November.



A Christmas Concert presented by the Rotary Club of Dunfermline. Will be held in Dunfermline Abbey on Wednesday 17th and Thursday 18th December from 7.30 to 9pm featuring The Band of Her Majesty's Royal Marines Scotland Tickets £12. Number by the end of November, please



Would you like to add your own Christmas greeting or message to the Rag? Eg Anne and Geoff would like to wish all Rotarians and friends a happy Christmas. Send details to me at [geoannie@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:geoannie@tiscali.co.uk) or just write on a piece of paper and give it to me. This will be published in the next edition which will be the Christmas edition



Falkland Palace have invited the club, along with other businesses and clubs in the area, to decorate a Christmas tree to promote Rotary during the Christmas season. President Chris asks Rotarians to bring along to a lunch meeting a gold or bright blue bauble or tinsel (rotary colours) to decorate the tree. There will also be small information leaflets hanging on the tree with our club details so anyone interested can take a leaflet home and contact us

## Easy Fund Raising

With the festive season almost upon us our minds will be on shopping and buying presents. Remember when buying on line to use the Easy Fundraising. With Easy fundraising you can donate to our rotary Club every time you purchase anything online You only need to register at [easyfundraising.org.uk](http://easyfundraising.org.uk). Once registered you can install the easy fundraising toolbar to your browser so you never forget your donation. If this sounds like double Dutch to you please speak to me. I am happy to come along and set it up for anyone who buys online

**easyfundraising**  
.org.uk

Supporting Glenrothes Rotary Club

Total to date £697.21

## End Polio Now

A very successful coffee morning was held on Saturday October 25<sup>th</sup> to raise funds for end Polio. A total of £245 was raised and attended by Rotarians and friends

## Afternoon Tea at the Victoria

An enjoyable afternoon of food ,fellowship and chat with Rotarians and friends at the Victoria Hotel in Kirkcaldy

Young Chef Competition –  
Glenwood  
High School Thursday 27<sup>th</sup>  
November



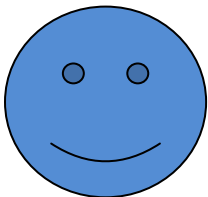
Date	Speaker	VOT	Sign in and Grace	Take Money	Visitor Host
6 <sup>th</sup> November	Michael Longstaffe, CEO Smith Anderson	Iain Haywood	Stuart Morris	Edgar Shields	David Ritchie
13 <sup>th</sup> November	Council reports		Wilna Roger	Lindsay Roy	Hamish Rothnie
20 <sup>th</sup> November	Keith Hopkins - District Governor	Archie Lawrie	Geoff Sampson	Wilna Roger	Edgar Shields
27 <sup>th</sup> November	Julie Mac Dougall	Anne Sampson	Alan Strath	Gerald Cameron	Tracy Thomson
4 <sup>th</sup> December	Ross Fisher Community Policing	Wilna Roger	John Wood	Will Wishart	Bill Wooton

**Wife: "How would you describe me?"**

**Husband: "ABCDEFGH IJK."**

**Wife: "What does that mean?"**

**Husband: "Adorable, beautiful, cute, delightful, elegant, fashionable, gorgeous, and hot."**



**Wife: "Aw, thank you, but what about IJK?"**

**Husband: "I'm just kidding!"**

