

The Rothes Rotary Rag

NEWSLETTER OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF GLENROTHES

February 2017

DISTRICT 1010

Presidents Report

It will soon be time for us to get out of hibernation – well the daffodils seem to think so! This week we took delivery of our new toy, so we are looking forward to riding the Harley Davidson very soon. This is also a busy time in the club:-

Swimarathon – we are working with the Dunfermline club to put on the Swimarathon again this year. This year it is on Sunday 19th February. Some of the teams who supported us last year will do so again. The event will raise funds for the End Polio Now campaign. So far, I don't think that there have been any reported cases this year.

Primary School Quiz is approaching and will be on Thursday 23rd February. Help will be required.

Our annual Sportsman's dinner is on Friday 24th March. Please help sell tickets – it is our major fund raiser this year.

Our 60th Anniversary Dinner has been booked at Balbirnie Golf Club for Friday 28th April. I hope to see all Rotarians there, and of course we will also have some guests to celebrate with us.

Our evening meeting in January was a huge success with well over 80 people attending. Entertainment was provided by young people from each of the Glenrothes High Schools. There was music, dancing, piping, drama and poetry. It was a treat to see some of the great talent we have in our local schools. Thanks to all concerned.

We are represented at the local Starter For Ten meetings being held by the Council and we are also still hoping to help with the project to upgrade the garden areas at Glenrothes Hospital, so we are keeping involved with our local communities. Watch this space.

Brian Johnston



Be a gift to the world

Senior Citizens Tea Dance

In December a group of Rotarians attended the annual senior citizens tea dance at Auchmuty High School. This year again our club donated party bags for each of the invitees. We also supported the event by our attendance. Many thanks to Muriel Stenhouse for organising her last senior citizens Christmas party prior to her retiral in the spring of next year. The organisation was superb as the senior citizens and Rotarians were entertained by many talented students.



Pipe Major
Connor Pratt
who has played
at many of our
Rotary Events



SNO Concert

A Great night was had by all who attended the New Year Viennese Concert by The Royal Scottish National Orchestra in the Carnegie Hall in Dunfermline

Royal Marine Christmas Concert

Our Rotarians were also out in force to see the Royal Marines Christmas Concert in Dunfermline Abbey. Another fabulous night of music



Gavel 5s

The Gavel High 5's competition organised by the Rotary Club of Kirkcaldy contested by teams from the Rotary Clubs of Kirkcaldy and Glenrothes (with help from Glenrothes High School Interactors Hannah and Rachel) and students from both Kirkcaldy and St Andrews High Schools was won by Kirkcaldy's Rotary team and Kirkcaldy High School. Great night of fun and thanks to Kirkcaldy High for providing the venue and food and drink.



Rotary Shoebox Appeal

The picture below is a snapshot from our website showing links from our site to other sites of interest. As you can see there is a link directly to the Rotary Shoe box appeal website where all the details of the scheme is laid out and also a link back to our website as we contribute greatly to this wonderful scheme



Young chef district competition

The District 1010 Young Chef of the year competition took place at the Dundee College Campus on Saturday 28th January 2017. Our club representative Jaan Yilmaz carried the flag for Glenrothes. Although not placed in the first three he received fantastic feedback from all the judges for his food, his professional approach in setting up and hygiene standards. There were 12 contestants from District 1010 and as usual the standard was extremely high. This is a fabulous opportunity for these young pupils to experience working in a professional kitchen with professional judges. Jaan was supported by Rotarians Anne and Geoff Sampson and Archie Lawrie.



Upcoming Events

Young Musician
Tuesday 7th February
Glenrothes High School

A busy couple of months coming up in our Rotarian Diary. Please support our events and promote our club

Young Artist
Wednesday 22nd February
Glenwood High School

Primary School Quiz
Thursday 23rd February
Auchmuty High School

Top of the Form
Wednesday 8th March
Auchmuty High School

Young Photographer
Wednesday 15th March
Gilvenbank Hotel

Young Artist Photo Gallery

The winners from our annual Young Artist competition have some of their artwork displayed in the hallways of Rothes Halls until the end of February. This is a superb display of art from very talented pupils from our three local High Schools. The overall winner of the competition in February last year was Olivia Mckendrick Brown from Glenrothes High School who has a few pieces displayed as well as winners of other categories from all the high schools. Four Rotarians community chair Anne Sampson, Wilna Roger, (Gerald Cameron and Geoff Sampson not in the picture) assisting in framing the artwork along with Gillian Parsons Programming and Engaging officer (museum and archiving galleries) ON with Fife cultural trust)



Scots Night -

Moving away from a traditional Burns Supper, on Thursday 26th January we hosted a Scottish night in the Gilvenbank hotel. What a marvellous evening of entertainment from highly gifted students from our three high schools - a most worthwhile "investment in people"! The evening provided a platform for students to display a diverse range of talents and the audience thoroughly enjoyed polished performances. We were entertained by pipers, singers, musicians, a highland dancer and a group performing a short Scottish drama! Thanks to the school staff who so ably supported the students. Special thanks must go to Past President Wilna Roger who organised and coordinated a most enjoyable evening, and to Gilvenbank for providing a hot buffet for the occasion. Much appreciated!



Scots Night cont-

More photos
from the Scottish
night



Handbags and Gladrags

The Interactors from Glenrothes High School with their collection of handbags filled with toiletries etc. Well done girls! These were distributed to Gilven House and Fife Womans Aid



Pupils from Glenrothes High School with Christmas food hampers which were given out to the elderly in the community. Thanks to all who contributed towards the hampers for both Glenwood and Glenrothes High School and to the pupils who



Sportsman's dinner




Glenrothes Rotary Club
2017 Sportsmans Dinner




Speakers:
Doddie Weir
Sandy Strang

Comperer:
Willie Allan

Auction & Raffle
Supporting:

Gilvenbank 
Community Sport Hub

Friday 24
March 2017
7pm at
Gilvenbank
Hotel



MIXED AUDIENCE // £30 PER PERSON

BUY ONLINE @ GLENROTHESCC.CO.UK
OR EMAIL IHAYWOOD@BRADYLEGAL.CO.UK

60th Anniversary!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!



**Our 60th Anniversary celebrations will take place on Friday 28th April at
Balbirnie Golf Club**

Tickets £25 per person

Please let President Brian know as soon as possible if you are available

**Money to Geoff ASAP to book your place as numbers may be
restricted**