

Rotary Club of Hythe



Flying Hesperus

The Boxing Day Run

The annual run in Saltwood attracted nearly 1000 runners. The day was dry and sunny although the temperature was no more than 2 degrees. The race was dedicated to Mickey Wire who died during the year. Mickey was one of the organisers of the run and his daughter was there to start the runners precisely at noon. The race is run for the benefit of sufferers of Motor Neurone disease.

The first runner home covered the 3 and a bit miles over roads and fields in some 17 minutes. It was pleasing to see that the winner of our own Round the Houses came third and the first lady home occupied the same position in our race. However the highlight of the event was yet to come and round the corner came a familiar figure in an unusual guise, one Derek Hancock. Yes, Derek completed the race in the middle of the field and was the only Rotarian to be seen in running kit. Well done Derek.



Christmas Collection by the Rotary Club

Rotary organised the Christmas collection in Hythe High Street. The collection took place during the week running up to Christmas and was split into hourly slots with two Rotarians or Rotarian and spouse standing in the cold, sometimes singing and dancing depending on the music.



The general feedback from the public was that the event was one of the very best. It was noticed by all who took part that the donations this year were of higher denominations.

The younger people found the Sleigh very magical and managed to persuade the parents to be "more generous".



This year Rotary had collected a record amount of around £3000.00 pounds.

A very big thank you to the Rotarians who helped with the Sleigh every morning and evening.

CLUB SERVICE REPORT TO COUNCIL

19th. January 2006

INCREASE IN MEAL PRICES AT STADE COURT HOTEL

Luncheon price to increase to £10.00 per person as from the 14th February 2006

Rotary Ladies Nights on the 28th March 2006 and the 30th May 2006 Which is a 2 Course Meal Plus Coffe and Mints and a Glass of Wine £13.00 per Person. After which the price increases to £14.50.

Rotary Evening Booked for Liz Dearded on the 21st February Still £11.00 per Person

INCREASE IN MEAL PRICES AT ETCHINGHILL

Nothing official as yet but expect news of an increase in February

CHRISTMAS ACTIVITIES

Lunch Time Meeting at the Globe was well supported

The Ladies Evening went well with 85 attending. Nine of the Widows wish to be included in the £10.00 Christmas Greeting in the Hesperus.

18 Members supported the Lunch for the Bereaved.

The Club has been asked to appoint a Health And Safety Officer. John Batten has been asked and has accepted the job to run in tandem with his duties as Club Protection Officer.

"DESERT ISLAND DISCS" was on 3rd February at the Bowling Club where Charles was interviewed by Peter Simmonds.

Aid Memoire Working Committee has met and a draft working paper is well on the way. The last meeting is was for February 9th.

RAIDS

The Raid on Romney Marsh on the 12th January went well with 16 Members going.

The Raid on Poperinge is in the hands of John Wren.

A coach provided by Cross Keys has been booked for the visit to Doetinchem for the Weekend of 19th-21st May 2006. The cost of the 49 seater will be £1470.00

David Cole the driver has asked if Carol his wife could come on the visit as their old Friends Goos and Hanneka Zetsma who will host David have asked if she can come. Carol of course will pay for her coach fare.

I have agreed in principle for Carol to go but I would like it endorsed by Council. David understands I have to do this.

A GOLF day in St. Omer has been arranged for March 16th 2006.

FLOWER GARDEN IN BANK STREET

The flower bed has been cleared but not planted. As Rotarians are either unable or unwilling to do the work Club Service recommend we should negotiate a price with Shepway to maintain it and we will pay the bill. There is still no plaque to Costas and the Club. If this can't be done the whole thing should be handed back to Shepway.

EVENT BOARDS

Attention was drawn to board circulation at meetings. Many of the members do not see the board and miss putting there name down for events. Could the President ask for the boards to be kept moving.

GAMES EVENING IN THE SUMMER

e.g Bat and Trap Boules ect. Watch this space

SPEAKERS SECRETARY

Failure to find a more suitable member Doug will continue next year.

Collen Hill

Club Service Chairman

TELEPHONE CHEAT CODES FOR MAJOR COMPANIES

We have all been there.

We want to talk to someone and not go through the stupid menus pressing 1, *, # etc....

Well here is the guide on what to press to get through to an actual person!

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Capital One 0800 9525150

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Dell 0870 152 4699

DHL 0870 1100300

DVLA 0870 240009

Egg 0845 1233233

Goldfish 0141 2049005

Halifax 0845 7203040

HSBC 0845 7404404

Lloyds TSB 0800 0969779

NatWest 0870 3331993

NHS Direct 0845 4647

O2 0870 2410202

PC World 0870 2420444

Royal Mail 0845 7740740

Sainsbury's Bank 0845 3055888

Sky 0870 2404040

Tesco 0845 6040409

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Carphone Warehouse 0870 111 7400

Onetel 0800 957 0523

P&O 08705 212121

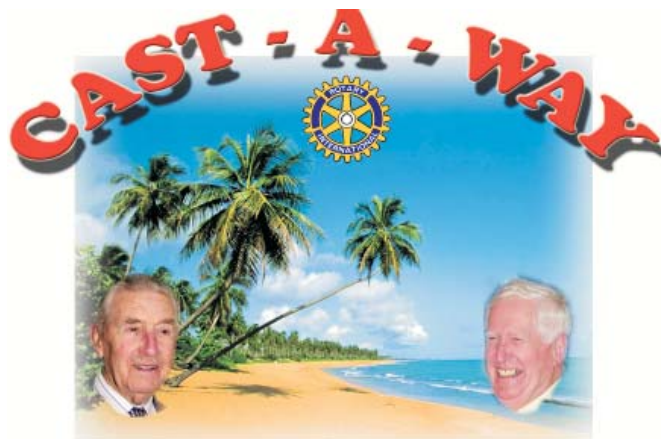
Southern Electric 0845 7444555

Southern Water 0845 2720845

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Desert Island Pilot Scheme



BOWLS CLUB



The Rotary held it's first Desert Island Disks which was a thoroughly good evening and enjoyed by everybody.

Charles Cole was interviewed by Peter Simmonds. Charles gave a brief account of his life and at times he had the audience rocking with laughter at his stories.

Everybody brought something to eat, in fact there was a great deal of food left over.

There was a raffle which raised some £250.00.

A great event well organised by John Wren among others.

Doctors in Hythe

Doctor High Street Surgery, 116-118 High Street
CT21 5LE 01303 266652
fax: 01303 261711

Manor Clinic, 31 Manor Road 01303 851122
fax: 01303 220914

Sun Lane Surgery, Sun Lane 01303 267131/02

Craft and Table Sale

On Saturday March 11 from 10.30am-2pm there will be a craft and table sale at **Age Concern**, Sanford House. Tables are £10 each and to book or for more information phone 01303 269602. Refreshments and a raffle will also feature.

A NEW clinic is opening in Hythe High Street.

It will specialise in treatments for anything from backache and sciatica to headache and irritable bowel syndrome.

Introductory offers are available for staff of companies that are members of the Channel Chamber, arranged by Charles Bruford, the clinic's owner. Appointments will be available all week and initial consultations cost from £30.

For further information you can log on to the website www.manipulateit.co.uk or call in to the clinic.

On Sunday February 26 in the primary school, members of the Shepway Gospel Choir will rehearse at 6pm. The choir is open to all aged between 11 and about 25, no previous singing experience needed, just turn up. For details phone 01303 268577.

14th March 2006 Ladies Luncheon at Truffles Restaurant in Hythe at 1.00pm

28th March 2006 Ladies Evening at Stade Court Hotel 7.0pm for 7.30 pm. Cost £13.00p.p. (Board will go round at a later date)

19th - 21st May 2005 Club visit to Doetinchem Holland. (Board will be sent round on 31/1/06 onwards.) First come First served.

Extra cash means more Police Support Officers

THERE will be an extra 474 new police community support officers on Kent's streets over the next two years, thanks to a police budget increase agreed this week.

Members of the Kent Police Authority unanimously voted the 4.95 per cent increase for the coming year at their meeting on Wednesday.

The increase, which makes up 10 per cent of the overall council tax bill, will give a policing budget of £247.3m for the next year. It will mean just over 10p a week extra for a Band D householder.

Members agreed the rise saying it would help fund extra officers and because they had agreed smaller increases in recent years.

As a result, during the next two years the authority and the Government are jointly funding an extra 474 new PCSOs.

There will also be increased staffing for Kent Police's protective services to combat organised terrorism, major crime and policing roads.

The Whiskey Run

John Batten is organising another whiskey run. If you want very good quality whiskey at very low prices see John who will take orders and give details on prices and delivery.

Some Useful Phone Numbers

Electricity 0345 708090
Gas (escapes) 0800 111999
Police, Hythe 023 80 845511
Southern Water 01962 714585
Hythe Hospital 023 80 846046
Hythe Medical Centre 023 80 845955
Waterfront Garden Surgery 023 80 841841

