



# 1250 Communiqué

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## Welcome to the following new members:

**Horsham** – (2) *Darren Prior and Andrew Bernardi Titsey* - (2) *Jean-Jacques Biquelle (Hon) and Jim Farrell*

**Worthing Steyne** – (1) *David Chapman*

**Chichester Harbour** - (1) *Hilary Riddell*

**Dorking** – (1) *Fred Duffy*

**Shoreham & Southwick** – (2) *Alison Boram and Anne Watson*

**HELP** – can anyone please advise which club won the **District Conference Cup - Club Attendance** award when Jack Bennett was DG? Conference was held at Bournemouth in October 2002.

## Conference Newsletter

Now available on line. Go to

[www.rotary1250.org.uk](http://www.rotary1250.org.uk)



## District 1250 'Silver Celebration' Conference - REMINDER

**Bournemouth 8 – 10<sup>th</sup> September 2006**

Conference Information and Registration Forms now available from Web Site

[www.rotary1250.org.uk](http://www.rotary1250.org.uk)

**Conference Chairman:** PDG Peter Nightingale

Tel: 01483 417543 email: [peterandjoan473@btinternet.com](mailto:peterandjoan473@btinternet.com)

**Conference Registrar:** Rtn Sue Worthington

Tel: 01903 237736 email: [cswort@ntlworld.com](mailto:cswort@ntlworld.com)

**Conference Golf:** Rtn Alan Austin

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**Host Club:** Storrington

The Chairman and Registrar welcome any enquiries regarding Conference, Accommodation, bookings, special needs etc.

## Paul Harris Fellowships awarded to:

**Chichester** - *John Parham and Tim Bastow*

**Chichester Priory** - *John Bumfrey and*

*Ray Richardson*



**Last chance for Club Bulletin Competition. Your best 3 copies to Communications Team by 17<sup>th</sup> June.**

## The Swales Scriblings

(From the District Governor)

The RIBI Conference in Belfast saw a fair sprinkling of Rotarians from 1250, which was good to see. However, I use the word "sprinkling" advisedly – the total registrations only amounted to 2,130 (including day registrations). For a National conference this is sad, and must be sending out a message that, despite reducing the length from three days to two (the same length as our District Conference), the right formula has not been discovered. Belfast was most hospitable, and we all enjoyed the famous Irish sense of fun and marvelled that they can even see humour in their predicament. Despite some trenchant arguments against it, the Marketing Strategy was approved and you will already have seen the new branding. The main purpose of this is to provide consistency of image, as well as being a modern design. I hope you will give the strategy your support because, as I have said before, it is aimed at helping clubs to recruit new members; and there is no more important task than that – is there?

Hot off the press comes advice from Mercy Ships that donations to date from RIBI now total £300,000 – well on the way to the target of £500,000. 17 clubs have made donations, but I firmly believe that many more clubs have still to make them – some even to make additional ones. I don't have the full details for Hearing Dogs for the Deaf but understand the total has reached £200,000. Please turn pledges into payments before the year end to help reach the targets.

Nor must we forget our own charity – the Rotary Foundation. Please ensure that you make your contributions well before the end of June so that they are credited this year and, hence, will benefit our DDF in 2008/9.

Jan and I have already had the pleasure of attending several President's Nights, when we have been royally entertained. A far cry from Frugal Meals! However, this project is very much in my mind and, if any club still intends to make a donation to the Frugal Meal fund, please send your cheque to James Patmore without delay. I shall then arrange to present cheques to the two Children's hospices which are to be the beneficiaries. Finally, as your thoughts are turning to plans for next year, please remember RI President Carl-Wilhelm Stenhammar's plea for continuity, and aim for a seamless transition from one year of service to the next.

Yours in Rotary, **Ian Swales**

**1250 District Web Site** – Go and visit our new Links page providing shortcuts to loads of Rotary sites and Rotary Charity web sites. [www.rotary1250.org.uk](http://www.rotary1250.org.uk)

**SAVE Energy...** *There is a switch on your monitor, so even if CPU remains on, we can put off monitor and yes, remove all Screen Savers on desktop, as that also consume lots of electricity. Let us implement from today. A chance to make a difference, by devoting JUST 10 seconds a day. You don't need to go anywhere, donate money, stage protests, or shout slogans. How? If you use computer to work, just remember to switch off your monitor every time you leave your desk. Very simple, isn't it? What difference does it make?*

*Roughly, normal monitors consume around 150 W. Even if your screen remains ON for 1 hour per day without any use, energy wasted per day is 150 Wh (or 0.15 "units"). This is enough to light a small lamp for 10 hours! If you care to switch off your monitor each time you leave your place, you save electricity enough for basic household needs of a small family! If your monitor remains ON overnight, this figure becomes 10-fold. And supposing that you leave your seat 5 times a day and it takes 1 second to switch the monitor ON/OFF, you spend only 10 seconds a day for this deed which saves LOTS of energy on a long run, reduces CO2 emissions and reduces your electricity bill!!*

### Club Speaker Opportunity...

Members of the Rotary Mission Challenge Team from District 1250 who went to Sierra Leone with Mercy Ships earlier this year and are happy to come to Clubs with a CD presentation and talk about the work they did and projects for the future. If clubs send email a speaker can be arranged from the Team. 25 to 30 minutes should be allowed for the talk, if possible. Email David Hodge [davidhodgerotary@btinternet.com](mailto:davidhodgerotary@btinternet.com)

**Rotary Club of Lewes** recognises the voluntary contribution made by certain people in the local community by giving out annual Citizenship Awards. The ceremony highlighted the immense satisfaction achievable through voluntary work and its importance for a healthy community.

The **Rotary Club of Lewes Castle** is resurrecting the Lewes Carnival on Saturday 17th June 2006 which this year will benefit Lewes Victoria Hospital. Proceedings commence with a procession through the town leaving County Hall at 2p.m. and arriving at Malling Fields by 3 p.m. when a full programme of events will take place along with refreshments, sideshows and Coles Fun Fair.

Reminder of the **Business Fellowship Stand** at District Conference. At £25.00 it's a snip. Same format as last year A/5 Advert & 100 Business cards. Info: [John.Parham@btconnect.com](mailto:John.Parham@btconnect.com)

## Lewes



### CHARITY GOLF DAY

aid of "St. Peter & St. James Hospice", "Talking Newspapers for the Blind" and Rotary Charities on Monday 14th. August 2006 at Lewes Golf Club. Team Stableford Competition: Maximum 40 Teams, Maximum Handicap Allowance for Men 28 and for Ladies 36. Teams of Four – Best Two Scores First 9 Holes and Best Three Scores for Last 9 Holes. Entry fee £160 per team of four, includes coffee on arrival, 18 Hole Golf Competition, Buffet Meal and Prizes. Contact: David Thrush, 95 Grand Avenue, Seaford, East Sussex BN25 2QY [E-Mail damar@trushd.fsnet.co.uk](mailto:damar@trushd.fsnet.co.uk)  
**CLOSING FOR ENTRIES 21st JULY.**

### D1250 Web Site

Please prepare for changeover on 1<sup>st</sup> July - visit [www.rotary1250.org.uk](http://www.rotary1250.org.uk) to check out and maintain your club data and see the new entries included for information/interest.

**Cuckfield & Lindfield Concert was a sell out and raised £6,000**

Following the successful sponsored walk organised by the Rotary Club of the **Sussex Vale**, and raising over £600, a Public Meeting is to be held to discuss how and when Defibrillator can be used.

## Rotary District 1250

### Membership Seminar

For  
Club Presidents  
Club Service Chairmen  
Club Membership Development Officers  
All others interested in Membership Development  
A Seminar on all Aspects of Club Membership Development  
Lead by John Hockin  
RI Zone 17 Membership Co-ordinator

**23rd August 2006**  
**Ardingly 6.30 for 7.00**

Refreshments provided  
Cost for evening £5.00 per head

## 1250 Sports Update

**Snooker Pairs** - Final between Leatherhead & Briton & Hove Bfast club  
**Snooker Singles** - Final is between Tony Bullock Shoreham & Southwick & John Jarrold Titsey & District

**Darts** - Semi Finals being played between Caterham A & Caterham B. Bognor Hotham C & Guildford District C

**Skittles** - Godalming Woolsack are awaiting the Winners from Caterham & Redhill Redstone

**Bridge** = Unfortunately Titsey & District had to withdraw in the semi-final due to bereavement. So the final is a three way contest between Littlehampton, Cuckfield & Lindfield A & Cranleigh B

**Ten Pin Bowling** heats will be from Monday 19<sup>th</sup> to Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> June inclusive with the Final on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2006

Mike Poulter would appreciate the return of trophies from last years' winners Please contact him on 01483 417051

## Steyning & Henfield Golf Day

In aid of St Barnabas and Martlets Hospices. For the 6th year running we are holding our Charity Golf Day at Pyecombe Golf Club on Thursday 1st June 2006 and invite golfers from Rotary Clubs and their guests to participate.

This is an 18 hole stableford competition on an individual basis with generous prizes in two handicap divisions and a special ladies prize. The Entry Fee is £40 to include coffee on arrival and 3 course dinner. Entry Forms available from Charles Beamish on 01798 812911. Early reservation recommended!"

## 1250 Communications Team .... Communications are two way!

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*The next 1250 News will be distributed in 10<sup>th</sup> July at District Council copy deadline to William by 1<sup>st</sup> June 2006.*

*Next 1250 Communiqué planned to be published around 21<sup>st</sup> June, copy by 15<sup>th</sup> June to Doug Price please.*

### D1250 International Committee

#### Andaman & Nicobar Islands

Bill Paine is still looking for Clubs to be involved in this hospital project. Clubs should have details via Assembly & Council meeting. Please let Bill know if you can help. Contact me if you do not know what this is all about.

#### Feedback on Activity 2005/6

Thank you for the 14 Clubs who have so far given me information. You may be one of the Clubs who think "What's the point?". Then quite frankly you are missing the point. The point of the feedback has been discussed fully at many meetings and if your Club was not there then please feel free to contact me personally and I will try to enlighten you. It is my intention to provide a summary of all the feedback forms in due course but perhaps you would agree that I should have a few more reports to make it a representative sample! Check out the electronic format via the 1250 website!

#### Sharing Information

I have details of at least 8 Clubs who are engaged in Matching Grant projects. They are therefore a valuable resource to any Club looking to undertake a Non Project Library Project. If your Club is planning an overseas project why not let me know and perhaps I could put you in touch with a Club who has experience and contacts in that area of the World.

**Neil Hills**, Chairman [neil.hills@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:neil.hills@tiscali.co.uk)  
01342 312272(home) 01737 649900(office)

### D1250 Youth Activities

The Youth Activities Programme for this year has now been successfully completed.

Youth Speaks was again very well supported with a record number of teams entering. For the first time, District 1250 organised the Regional Final. One of our teams, Great Walstead, reached the RIBI Final in the Intermediary section, which they went on to win. So congratulations to them. The Young Chef competition continues to grow, which was highlighted by the running of a District event, for the first time.

Progress was made in Youth Exchange, despite the difficulties in attracting suitable candidates. We are still looking for host families, Rotarian or non-Rotarian, for the 16 year old daughter of a former GSE scholar from Brazil.

RYLA was, as usual, oversubscribed even though we increased the number of places to a record level. We received a letter from the mother of one of the participants and I make two quotes: "My daughter Hannah has come home with wonderful memories and experiences that she will have forever" and "The life skills, experiences and fun that RYLA 2006 have provided will, I am sure, only enrich the lives of each and every young person that was fortunate of your sponsorship."

I would like to express my thanks to all the members of my team for their support and help during the past 12 months.

**Andrew Kolmar**, Youth Activities Chairman  
01 483 274547 [kolmar@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:kolmar@tiscali.co.uk) 12.05.06

**Chichester Challenge**  
Sunday 16th July 2006  
Oaklands Park  
Chichester




15km, 25km and 40km walks  
38km run  
30km and 55km Mountain Bikes

Entries: 01243 527739  
[enquiries@chichester-march.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@chichester-march.org.uk)  
[www.chichester-march.org.uk](http://www.chichester-march.org.uk)

The Rotary Club Storrington

### Rotary Summer Ball

in aid of St Barnabas Hospice & Dreams Come True

**Saturday 1st July 2006**

Dancing to Wille Austen & his band  
3 Course Meal £35 per Ticket 7.30pm for 8pm  
Brinsbury College Pulborough  
Tickets from: Rotarian June Greenyer Camellia Rise  
Chantry Lane Storrington RH20 4BV

### GOLF - 2006

#### DISTRICT 1250 CHAMPIONSHIP – SUMMER CUP

HOLDER: ALAN AUSTIN(Midhurst & Petworth)  
Date: Thursday 13 July 2006  
Venue: Ifield Golf & Country club t: 01293 520222  
Time: 1.00pm for first tee-off at 1.30pm  
Format: Coffee on arrival. 18 holes of golf.  
Individual Stableford off full handicap.  
Please bring hcp certificate.  
Followed by 3 course dinner (deep fried Camembert, Rack of Lamb, choice of sweets inc cheese & biscuits) Cost: £48 per player  
We need to confirm our numbers on 9/7/06.  
Last day for entry is therefore Wed 5th July.  
Please send your Club's entry as soon as possible.  
Cheques payable to 'Rotary District 1250 Golf'  
To : Roger Rose c/o 19 Barlavington Way  
MIDHURST GU29 9TG. Tel.07887 518 840



## COMVOC SNIPPETS

**RIBI Community & Vocational Centennial Awards.** Sadly neither the Rotary Club of Ashtead or Hove was successful in this years awards announced at the RIBI Conference in Belfast. However, the Chairman of RIBI Community & Vocational Services Committee has thanked District 1250 for its support and trusts that clubs will enter their projects in future years.

### Kids Out Chessington 14th June 2006

After some 14 years this will be Brian Cutler's final year as organiser of the Kids Out day held annually at Chessington. So a big thank you to Brian for all his hard work over the years and please give him your support in June.

**Howard Attree Tel 01273 583066**

**Rotary Club of Guildford Chantries** are holding their second charity bike ride. To be held on Sunday 9th July 2006 starting and finishing at Bushy Hill School, Mewow near Guildford. Start time is 10 a.m. The event is to raise funds for The Cedar Centre - Guildford's specialist Diabetes treatment and research unit based at the Royal Surrey County Hospital, Guildford. Three routes are available, for riders of all standards covering 11, 17 and 23 miles. It is a sponsorship event, so important to register to participate not simply turn up on the day. The longest route should take no longer than 3 hours and all routes are through pleasant countryside around Guildford borough's northern boundary. The event has received sponsorship from Allianz-Cornhill to help defray costs. Entry is £5 for adults and £2 for young riders (aged 8 to 13) contact Rotarian Trevor Perrott on 01483 770102 for an application form.

**2 million children** to be reached in Afghan polio immunization drive Major campaign to get underway in wake of new case of virus Kabul 1 May 2006 – More than 2 million children in southern, south-eastern and eastern Afghanistan will be targeted by a new 3-day polio eradication drive, launched on Sunday 7 May. The immunization campaign comes shortly after the country's health authorities reported a sixth case of the polio virus in the south of the country this year. Afghanistan is one of just four countries in the world still affected by the crippling polio virus. Two months ago, Egypt was declared polio-free after successful immunization efforts.

U.S. Air Force is already testing synthetic jet fuel, made from both natural gas and coal. Looks like it will be cost-effective compared to current world oil prices once pilot programs scale up. Since jet fuel is roughly equivalent to diesel or kerosene, you could also probably run planes on old cooking oil - though at about 30 gallons per minute for a fighter plane on full AB, we might need to eat more fries!

**Tony Blair receives award** for UK's fight to create a Polio-Free World. (London, UK – 11 May 2006) UK Prime Minister Tony Blair was today named Polio Eradication Champion by Rotary International. The award, presented by Luis Vicente Gay, Past President of Rotary International, was accepted on the Prime Minister's behalf by Hilary Benn, UK Secretary of State for International Affairs. Rotary established this award in 1995 to recognize governments and world leaders who have made outstanding contributions toward the goal of eradicating polio. "On behalf of Rotary's 1.2 million members worldwide, I am honoured to present this award in recognition of Prime Minister Tony Blair's unwavering support for polio eradication," said Gay.

**Worthing RC** held a Gardeners' Charity Question Time at Haskins Garden Centre, Angmering where members of Worthing Horticultural Society answered queries from the general public at a cost of £1 per question.

**Water tap on Sth Downs Way Grand opening of this celebration of Rotary's Centennial will be on Friday 23rd of June at 2pm** at Amberley...very near to the road entrance to Amberley Castle. The Sth Downs Way team will invite their own guests to the Grand opening and Award. 2. Sturminster Newton, Dorset, England the

The **ROTARY DISTRICT 1250 RYLA2006**, held at the Woodrow High House Residential and Activity Centre near Amersham between 9th and 14th April was attended by forty five 15 to 20 year old young leaders nominated by 27 Rotary Clubs from around the District – it was declared an outstanding success. 18 year old Jo Sharrock, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Guildford District, has written an article about her experiences during the RYLA week go to web site [www.rotary1250.org.uk](http://www.rotary1250.org.uk) for photographs and report.

## Marketing Plan

Two files are now available from the RIBI website (that's at [www.rotary-ribi.org](http://www.rotary-ribi.org)) regarding the Marketing Plan. Could you please circulate this to all your clubs and around your district officers?

**Brighton & Hove Soiree Rotary Club** in association with a local charity, **Target Tuberculosis** is launching a major Song-writing Competition called **TB SONGWRITING AWARDS 2006**. The competition is open to all young people up to the age of thirty who live in the 1250 District. Sir Tim Rice has kindly agreed to be one of the judges. 1st prize is £3,000 worth of recording equipment, which has already been sponsored. All schools in the area are being written to and the entrance fee of £10 goes directly to the charity.