

Rotary Club of Melton Mowbray Belvoir

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Haiti - earthquake disaster

The two Rotary Clubs of Melton are giving their support to the victims of the Haiti earthquake disaster.

The Rotary Club of Melton Mowbray Belvoir have agreed to donate £500 towards a shelter box, helping to replenish the stocks.

Shelter boxes in a warehouse ready to go to Haiti, and over 3000+ have already been sent.

Each shelter box contains a disaster relief tent for up to 10 people, a stove, blankets and other essential items.



Leukemia Research by Alison Smith

A presentation was given to the club on Leukemia Research, which is one of the leading research establishments in the world. Most of the funding comes from corporate bodies and has met the necessary funding for research until 2009 when the leukemia research had to reduce its programme.

Alison did indicate that corporates want immediate results such as capital expenditure on scanners and clinical buildings to which they can put their name. Alison is on the committee for leukemia research one of her roles is to engage with the corporates and encourage them to fund the research. An important reason why Alison is dedicated to see the research funding is a priority, her daughter at two and half years old was diagnosed with leukemia. Alison explained the horrendous treatment her daughter had for three years. She had many blood transfusions, chemotherapy and a what the children named a wriggly into the heart. Alison got her lively daughter back when she was six years old. If it was not for leukemia research the treatment would not have been possible and her daughter would have died.

The Rotary Club of Melton Belvoir gave a donation £250 to Leukemia Research.

Youths have their say

The annual public speaking competition, Youth Speaks, organised by the two Melton Rotary clubs took place on Saturday 21 November at John Ferneley College. Teams from Melton Young Farmers, John Ferneley College and King Edward VII School impressed the adjudicators with their confident, persuasive and often humorous presentations. Topics ranged from Generation Y and Archie's menagerie to freedom and the right to vote and the image of young people in today's society.

The winners in the senior competition were the John Ferneley College team of Antony Walker, Kimberly Anderson and Aimee Barratt. The runners-up

representing the Interact team from King Edward VII were Jessica Wing, Natalie Grindey and Ralph Hardisty.

In the intermediate section the winners were the Melton Young Farmers team of Sarah Lovegrove, Archie Herrick and Charlotte Hammond.

The teams now go forward to the next round of the competition to be held early in the new year.



Young Farmers Team
 Archie Herrick
 Charlotte Hammond Sarah Lovegrove

Scouts in Melton

Alison Thomson, Melton District Commissioner, Lucy Sparling from Explorer Scouts and Sam Thompson from a Scout group, gave a presentation on their involvement in scouting.

Lucy Sparling - Explorer Scout with the 4th Melton Scout Group, put herself forward as a candidate to go to a Jamboree in Sweden in July 2011 and she has been selected to attend the Jamboree. She joins the contingent of 54 from Leicestershire. It will cost each scout attending nearly £2000. Lucy with her own initiative has started to raise the money doing various projects. Lucy will be attending many training sessions and camps with the contingent before going to the Jamboree.

Sam Thompson - Is a Scout with the 4th Melton Scout Group. He gave a report on the visit last August to a triad activities camp at Lochgoilhead, Scotland. There were Scout groups from Scotland, Poland and the Melton Scouts. Adam explained all activities with the power point presentation he had put together. Well done Adam! This presentation has gone towards getting his public speaking badge.

Alison Thompson - Melton District Commissioner is also a member of the 4th Melton group. Alison clarified how many Scout groups are in Melton. There are Waltham, Old Dalby, 4th Melton, 5th Melton, 36th Melton. Each group has 4 sections, Beaver Scouts, Cub Scouts and Scouts. The District runs the Explorer Scouts.

The 4th Melton HQ is being rebuilt and is very near to completion. The group is looking forward to moving in to this purpose built building, which will benefit all Melton Scouts.

The 4th Melton receiving a donation of £100 from the Rotary Club of Melton Mowbray Belvoir "Make it Happen" 25th Anniversary grant.



President Tony Wallis from the left Lucy Sparling, (Explorer Scout), Alison Thompson (District Commissioner) and Sam Thompson (Scout)



The above photograph was taken on the presentation by Rtn David Sharp, Vice President Elect, to the Sportability Group as part of the Make it Happen 25th Anniversary grants.

The group is made up of predominantly autistic children and has a coach to help them train and reach their full potential.

This money has come at a very opportune moment as Venture House is no longer available, due to problems with the ceiling tiles. They have now booked in for time at the Leisure Centre Sports Hall and the money will help to cover the costs of the hire.

Some more "Make it Happen" donations:



5th Melton Guides



103 The Eye - Community Radio



Thanks for Life

Rotary Day - February 23, 2010



END POLIO NOW

Thanks to Rotary

Humanity In Motion

The two Melton Mowbray clubs have agreed to work together on the following:

1. Organise a 'Window of Opportunity' by utilising a town centre empty shop front to display Thanks for Life posters.
2. Man a market stall on Tuesday 23rd February for polio eradication fund raising
3. A similar fund raising opportunity inside Tesco's on Saturday 27th February
4. Working with Interact at King Edward VII and other schools on fund raising ideas such as 'Purple Pinkie'

Events and speakers for February - March 2010

8th February	Rotary Club's Business Meeting
15th February	Col. MacDonald. Defence Animal Centre
22nd February	Tony Donovan. Age Concern
23rd February Tuesday	"Rotary Day" Thanks for Life and End Polio Now
27th February Saturday	Rotary Young Musican 2010. The Northern District Semi- final at the Melton Baptist Church
1st March	Rotary Information Night
8th March	Inspector John Gray. Melton Police
15th March	Belvoir Brewery Visit
22nd March	Rotary Club of Melton Mowbray Charter
29th March	Headway. The brain injury association

Please note: If you would like to attend a meeting as a guest, please speak to either a Rotarian or the secretary, Rtn Gordon Wells on 01949 842804. All meetings are on a Monday Evening 7pm for 7-30pm meal. Other venues and visits will be indicated in the programme.



This is a photo of Maggie and Sandy Saunders on their wedding day. They are planning to go to Zambia in April to help at the Itala project and we look forward to their report on this visit.

Monday 17 May has been booked into the club programme for the presentation.

Albert Mwansa will be in this country in May and we hope he can attend the 17 May meeting. Albert is one of the original teachers of the school. The Itala Foundation has developed and improved the site and its community and has been working with Albert since 2001.



The Town Centre Partnership

Management team Lisa Hammond and Shelagh Core gave a presentation to the club on the role of Town Centre Partnership.

The partnership is a non-political body led by local business representatives for the benefit of the town centre, supported by both Borough and County Councils, the Police and Town Estate

Some of the events the partnership is promoting for 2010 are:

February	Continental Market - Frost Fair
April	The British Pie Festival
May	French Food Market - Melton Show
July	Pork Pie Potholes and Cycle Challenge - Melton by the Sea
August	Firework Competition
September	Beer Festival
October	Pork Pie Street Fair
November	Bonfire Spectacular - Christmas Market
December	Victorian Christmas Fair

Please go to the web site for more details.
(www.meltonbusiness.co.uk)



Reminder - Please use and help fill the Rotary Paper Banks !!

Inner Wheel Club of Melton Mowbray Belvoir

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Inter Club Games Competition 2009/10

On Monday 25 January we met with I.W.C. of Sleaford Kesteven in the semi final of the Green Zone Inter Club Games Competition. We played a variety of games which included beetle, draughts, dominoes, Connect 4, card game and Shove 1/2. It proved to be a close call with both presidents playing each other at draughts to see who was going to be overall winner. In the end they called it a draw and one point was awarded to each club. This gave us a winning total by the margin of one point.



We now meet with Corby in the final of our zone. The finalists will then play the other zone winners to see who is the overall champion.

We have never reached this far before and have usually lost at the first round, so this is rather surprising to us all. Good though!



Inner Wheel Day - 10 January

To mark Inner Wheel day a group of members provided lunch on Monday 11 January for the Headway Project in Leicester. We served soup and cakes to about 22 clients, plus volunteers and staff. The group consisted of Ros Sylt, Gill Sharp, Christine Wallis and Wendy Whit.

