



THE CHISLEHURST BULLETIN

A LETTER FROM AMERICA FEBRUARY 2012

THE ROTARY CLUB OF CHISLEHURST FEBRUARY 2012 NEWSLETTER

A Man Enjoying Rotary In the Chislehurst Area

Going Fishin' ?

You may have seen in the December issue of Rotary South East, some details relating to a District 1120 Sea Angling Competition to be held on Deal Pier on 22nd. April 2012, in aid of the District Governors Charity. If you are interested contact the President of DEAL ROTARY CLUB, David Hannent.

Going Travelin'?

We have had notes, via President Janice, from some local(ish) clubs who have events coming up.

RC of Northfleet with Ebbsfleet have a special speaker on Thursday 9th February.:- **THE MYSTERIES OF AERIAL RECONNAISSANCE IN COMBAT** Speaker: SALLY-ANN REED, for ten years working in the RAF Imagery unit (formerly known as the Photographic Interpretation Unit) now Curator of the Intelligence Corps Museum.

Rotary Club of Strood – **Quiz Night** – Saturday 3 March 2012 Shorne Village Hall, 16 The Street, Shorne DA12 3EA The proceeds from their Quiz last year were contributed to our Tanzanian project. Our President would like to get up a team. Contact President Jan for more details

Message from Ian James on Membership directory etc.

As we are now half-way through the Rotary year and there have been quite a few membership changes, I shall be reprinting the club membership directory shortly. The latest version is on the website in the secure Admin area. Please check it carefully and let me know of any changes that should be made before it is reprinted. I shall also soon be issuing updates to the Club's Fellowship ("International") Directory – which can also be seen in the Admin area – so please let me have any updates that you require in that document also. Please remember that the Fellowship Directory is too expensive to reprint every time, so I will only be supplying new or replacement pages and a list of pages to remove; you will need your existing copy in order to make the update. If you have lost your copy, a replacement can be provided on the payment of £1 to Foundation!

The Club thanks Ian for all his work on the website and our data.

DELFT VRIJHOF

Delft have confirmed they will be coming to us on the weekend of the 12th to 14th October. 2012

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Valentines Dinner Sophies Choice 11th February.
ROTARY DAY 23rd February. Check the purple Crocuses!
CRISP (our schools project) 7th March
Presidents Evening. Bromley Court Hotel 16th March
Queen's Jubilee BBQ at Attwood Place 3rd June

NEWS

CRISP

We have more schools on board this year so Roger asked for the 7th March be kept free in your diaries and the previous day help will be required.

CHISLEHURST SOCIETY

Representatives from our Club have been to a meeting with the above and they are planning various changes to the bi-annual Chislehurst Festival, including the possibility of setting up a Limited Company to run it. More will be forthcoming on this.

SOAP FAN ?

President Jan advised the Club of a Rotary visit to Port Sunlight in late June. Ask her for more details if you are interested.

CHRISTMAS COLLECTIONS

Despite all the financial worries and some iffy weather on a few evenings we collected in excess of £6,000

TANZANIA

The International Committee report we now have four boats ready now and they are awaiting local agreements before any more are progressed.

BLAST FROM THE PAST

I recognised a guest at the Club recently, Tony Wellings, but could not think from where. It wasn't until I spoke that he recognised my voice. (I was ordering a beer at the time!) Tony was with Bromley Hospital Radio, along with me, when we were probably still using cylinders to play the music. Poor chap, having had my vocal chords stored in his memory all these years.

It's leap year. Some do's and don'ts for the one chance in four years of the lady proposing to the feller.....

Dos

Place Pick a proposal scenario that will appeal to him rather than just to you - even if that means choosing to attend a sports event or going to his favourite type of restaurant. Set the stage for romance by using props such as champagne, chocolates, rose petals and soft candlelight.

Time Be sure to pick the right moment – wait until you’ve had a glass of bubbly, just after dessert or when relaxing in the jacuzzi.

Make it fun Write ‘Will you marry me?’ on a piece of card and give it to him to read out aloud. Then say, ‘Oh what a surprise! I’d be delighted!’

Make him pay Remind him of the traditional penalty that a man had to pay for refusing a woman’s proposal on the 29th of February – he should buy you an expensive silk dress!

Be prepared The chances are that he will say ‘yes’, but do be prepared for a ‘no’ or a ‘maybe later’. Either way, it is good to have a response ready. Now we know what the other half have to go through!

Don’ts

Timing The setting and the timing is important, so avoid bringing it up when he’s in a hurry, is tired or if his football team has just lost the match.

Ring If your man doesn’t normally wear rings or you’re unsure whether he will, try to find some other token.

Too soon If you’ve known each other for less than a year it’s probably not a good idea to bring up the idea of marriage – even if it may mean waiting another four years for the opportunity.

Iain Hart