



# THE CHISLEHURST BULLETIN

## A LETTER FROM AMERICA NOVEMBER 2011

### THE ROTARY CLUB OF CHISLEHURST NOVEMBER 2011 NEWSLETTER

## A Man Enjoying Rotary In the Chislehurst Area



### **CONGRATULATIONS TO PP DAVID BROWN ON HIS PAUL HARRIS FELLOWSHIP AWARD, PRESENTED BY PRESIDENT JAN AT THE MEETING OF 31<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER.**

The presentation was followed by an excellent talk (with Richard Vaughan assisting with the slides) by Grace Burgess, who enthused us with her tales of volunteer working in Tanzania, thanking Rotary for their financial help with the project.

### **A LOT OF SCOFFING FOOD IN BOURNEMOUTH**

The Club attended the RIBI District 1120 annual conference in Bournemouth on the weekend of 28<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> October. It seems they dined well starting in Alresford (the home of watercress and a wonderful steam railway) on the Thursday lunchtime and over the following few days enjoyed Harry Ramsden's fish, a visit and a meal to the Lillie Langtry (Historic Hotel built by Edward VII as a lovenest for his mistress Lillie Langtry) and 'posh' fish and chips at the Gala Dinner on the Saturday night. Around all that they found time to visit the Conference and support President Jan and Past President Roger as they did a presentation on the Whitechapel Mission. A proportion of the Sunday Morning service collection will go to the Mission. Sharp shooter Keith Buckley also came away with the trophy for the clay shoot competition. Another winner was the Wells family who won the Club quiz organised by Ed.

### **RUDOLF THE RED NOSED REINDEER VISITING BROMLEY**

It is planned for the Bromley area Rotary Clubs to be in Bromley Town Centre with some Reindeer for fund raising and PR, pre Christmas. Watch this space.

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### **NEW CUSTOMS CODES?**

EU negotiators are in the final stages of a complete modernization of the customs code which should see a boost for business. The aim is to enable electronic declarations and exchange of data, simplifying procedures, redefining traders and freight forwarders rights and responsibilities and introducing new tools and methods in the customs legislation.

### **LONDON'S LOW EMISSION ZONE.**

From the beginning of 2012, the low emission zone is to include small commercial vans and a FSB survey has shown that many small companies are not ready for this. There could be a penalty of up to £200 a day for not complying with this new rule.

## WINTER TYRES

After last winter's heavy snow and with some forecasters predicting a third harsh winter, some car and tyre companies are advising people to fit winter tyres. But please check first with your insurance company, if you are to change to winter tyres, as some insurance policies consider the fitting of these to be a modification thus warranting an increase of premium, or worse, withdrawal of cover.

## ANY SPARE CLOTHES

...or shaving foam, or razors, or toothpaste, or underpants, especially underpants. Whitechapel Mission needs them. Please bring them along at a business meeting - please bring along what you can

## AGE CONCERN

There has been discussion in the Club about a 'tie in' with the local Age Concern. After discussion at the October business meeting it was approved. PP Roger May is the main contact and he hopes one thing that comes out of this would be a more up to date list for our Rotalink contacts. Any decisions on projects with the Age Concern group will always be put before the Club.

## WHAT'S ON

**DON'T FORGET WE NEED A GOOD TURN OUT THIS SATURDAY (AND EARLY SUNDAY) WITH THE MAJOR FUNDRAISER AND COMMUNITY EVENT OF THE YEAR. REMEMBER REMEMBER THE 5<sup>TH</sup> OF NOVEMBER**

RC of Northfleet with Ebbsfleet, have a special speaker, Guy Lucas, at their Club meeting 17<sup>th</sup> of November. He works with the bomb disposal team in Afghanistan and that is the subject of his talk. PP Janet has details if you wish to go.  
(also we have some of the Club visiting HMS Belfast on the Thames on the 17<sup>th</sup>. Busy times...

PP Janet is attending a Membership services seminar on Saturday 19 November between 09.00 and 12.30. It is in Tenterden. Would anyone like to go with her? She will drive.

**48<sup>th</sup> Churchill Commemoration Dinner – Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2011 Rotary Club of Westerham. President Jan has details.**

Christmas party. This is the one we planned to hold last year but was snowed off! Details are.

**Date : Saturday December 17**

**Place: The Beaverwood Club, Beaverwood Road, off Perry Street, Chislehurst**

**Time: 7:00 for 7:30 Carriages at midnight**

**Music and dancing courtesy of our own Iain Hart / Ian Cognito, the masked DJ!**

**Cost £35pp Three course meal.**

**Bar before and during the evening at regular pub prices Round table seating. Tables can be for 8 or 10**

ROTALINK PARTY AND QUIZ EVENING both take place on the 7<sup>th</sup> January 2012

Friday March 16th 2012 . The Garden Room, Bromley Court. Presidents Evening.

**Iain Hart**