

## DIARY DATES - SPEAKERS

### JULY

- 4th** Handover Day—No Speaker
- 11th** **Caroline Roberts**, Leicester Blue Badge Guide  
'Murder Most Foul'
- 18th** **Michael Kapur Esq OBE, Her Majesty's  
Lord-Lieutenant of Leicestershire**
- 25th** **Meriel Buxton**— 'An Introduction to Cure  
Parkinson's'

## UKRAINE APPEAL

Diana Esho's friend Grace attended the Tea Party in March, and was inspired to raise money to help Ukraine orphans in Lodz, Poland. Diana has been in contact with the president of Rotary in Lodz and they will oversee the distribution of the funds raised. So far she has raised over £15,000, an amazing figure. If you want to donate please do so by BACS or cheque. Mark and donation as "Ukraine Appeal"

## CHETNA'S VISIT TO TANZANIA

Will feature in next month's Newsletter due to lack of space this month.

## ITEMS FOR THE NEXT ISSUE

Please submit to Bulletin Editor, David Brunton,  
by 22nd June 2022

## SUBSCRIPTIONS 2022/3

Subscriptions fall due on 1 July. If you do not pay by Direct Debit please can you pay by bank transfer. Individual and corporate membership rate is £150. Account: Rotary Club Leicester, Sort Code: 30 94 97, Account No: 02721817

If you would rather pay by cheque please see me at a meeting or post it to me. 522 Bradgate Road, Newtown Linford, LE6 0HB.

*David Brunton*

### ROTARY CLUB OF LEICESTER

Meetings at the Grand commencing at 12.25  
Apologies: Telephone 0116 2233950 or e-mail :  
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Immediate Past President:	Scott Gallacher
President Elect:	Tara Pankhania
Junior Vice-President:	Ed Cufflin
Honorary Treasurer:	David Brunton
Honorary Secretary:	Barry Davies
Honorary Assistant Secretary:	Babs Marson

#### Elected Council Members

Mark Simpson, Babs Marson, Richard Power, Clive Smith,  
Patrick Boylan, Diana Esho

#### Other Contacts:

District Council Representatives: Moira Bartlett,  
John Saunders and Rodney Spokes  
Bulletin Editor: David Brunton  
Club Protection Officer: Mick Marvell

### LEAD COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

Club Service	Gordon Arthur
Membership	Parmdeeo Vadesha
Service Projects	Moira Bartlett
Rotary Foundation/Benevolent	David Howard
Communications	Diana Esho

**PRESIDENT - NICK THOMSON**

**BULLETIN - JULY 2022**

### MY YEAR AS PRESIDENT 2021-22

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

It has been an absolute honour and delight to serve as your President.

Although we have sadly lost some great Rotarians during the year, who will be sorely missed, we finish the year with a higher membership. In particular, our new Satellite group gives us an additional way to serve our community.

I am pleased that we were not only able to continue with many of our traditional Rotary activities. These include events such as KidsOut and the Age UK Christmas lunch. And also, newer projects such as the Christmas Hamper and Easter Egg appeals. These make a real difference to local people and are an excellent opportunity for us all to volunteer our time or make donations for the benefit of our community.

I was delighted with the success of our new Books4Home appeal. This provided disadvantaged children with hundreds of books and gave us additional opportunities to engage with the local community. Sadly, the Rotary Bags4TheHomeless project, providing emergency bags, including sleeping bags, never gained any traction. However, at least we did pass several bags to a local charity for the homeless.

With the pandemic ending, we held some great social events, including the curry evening and afternoon tea party. These were not only fabulous social events but also great fundraisers.

I ended my year as President with the wonderful Music in the Park in the grounds of Wistow Hall. Credit goes to past president Chris Saul who first agreed that we should help organise this event and specially to Rob and Tim, who joined us from Wigston, for all their hard work ensuring that this event continued to be a success. The concert proved to be a fantastic social event with an attendance of around 1,000 that raised approximately £10,000 for charity.

I'm also delighted that we raised approximately £10,000 for my chosen Presidential charity, the Ectodermal Dysplasia Society. This will make a real difference to this small charity.

There are too many people to thank personally. But I would like to thank everyone for their Service above Self during my year and for their help and support. It was very much appreciated.

Our club is in great hands with Nick as our new President, and I wish him all the best.

*Scott Gallacher*

### District Council Report

A District Council meeting was held on Tuesday 14 June 2020 at Greetham Valley Golf Club on a face to face basis only owing to technical issues which had been advised in advance. On behalf of Leicester, Richard Power, Moira Bartlett and I attended and all voted in favour of the various motions.

The meeting included a live link with a Rotary District in the Ukraine which with financial support from Rotary clubs and the Rotary Foundation is building housing units at about £10,000 each for those made homeless in a village temporarily occupied by Russian forces.

The Rotary Foundation has received over \$15 million in donations for Ukraine of which the majority is still available for Club matching grant projects.

It was agreed that the next District 1070 Conference will be a one-day event on Saturday 6 May 2023 at Drayton Manor, Staffordshire (about an hour's drive from Leicester) at a registration fee including tea, coffee and lunch of only £34.00. For those who wish to make it a "weekend" Friday entertainment will be live jazz music at the conference hotel and dinner on the Saturday available at £35. Conferences pre Covid were held in September which is believed to be better. In order to move back to this it is proposed that a combined conference covering the Rotary years 2023/24 and 2024/25 is held at on 28-30 June 2024. This would also include celebration of our District's Centenary and the District Governor handover. The following conference would then be held in September 2025.

The Assistant Governor, Foundation, Project Team and Support Team reports are available at [www.rotary1070.org](http://www.rotary1070.org)

Simon Kalson (Lindum Lincoln) reported on a successful Disability Games. The next is on Sunday 15 April 2023 and an organising club is needed for 2024.

Val Howe (E-Club of District 1070) advised of a new project set up by her Club "Coats4Kids". This is to supply winter coats for children of low income families which are only supplied with funding sufficient for school uniform and shoes.

The next District Council Meeting which is open to all Rotarians to attend will be on Wednesday 7 September 2022 at Greetham Valley and it is planned that this will also be available online.

*Rodney B. Spokes.*

### CURRY NIGHT

We have our **meal planned for the 3rd of August at 5.30** at Mirch Masala, the cost per person is £16 (a portion of this going to our fundraising efforts for the Ukrainian Orphans Support ) - 160 Belgrave Rd, Leicester LE4 5AU, there is parking outside which is chargeable so bring some coins :)

The planned menu is as follows for each person:-  
Starter: Aloo Tikki, spring roll, samosa and chili paneer.  
Main: Thali(Set Meal) includes two curries, dal, puris (bread), rice, salad, and papadam.  
Dessert: Gulab Jambu, Ice cream and chocolate samosa.

**Please confirm the following to Diana Esho-**

1. If you will be attending
2. If you have any allergies or special dietary requirements
3. If you will be bringing along a friend/friends.
4. Please pay by bank transfer using the following reference:- SATELITTEMEAL
5. Deadline for payment is 31 July.

### News from the Rotary Evening Club

Congratulations to Rtn Dr Annette Kenningham on her award from The High Sheriff of Leicestershire Ian Mattioli, in recognition of her services to the community.