

DIARY DATES - SPEAKERS

SEPTEMBER 2023

- 4th** Peter Gardner, Cocoa Amore
'The Story of Cocoa Amore'
Vote of thanks: Ed Cufflin
- 11th** Rtn Sue McEniff
'Update from Charity Link'
- 18th** Chris Sturgess
'A History of Sturgess'
- 25th** Sham Singh, Director
'Development of CRX Matrix'

OCTOBER 2023

- 2nd** Nick Brown, Volunteer Technician
'Mercy Ships'
- 9th** To be advised
- 16th** To be advised
- 23rd** To be advised
- 30th** To be advised

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www.rotarygbi.org/listen-rotary-magazine/ and don't waste your hardcopy magazine—pass it on, it is a great tool for recruitment!

ITEMS FOR THE NEXT ISSUE

Please submit to Bulletin Editor, David Brunton,
by 22nd September 2023

ROTARY CLUB OF LEICESTER

Meetings at the Grand commencing at 12.25
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IMPACT GROUP NEWS

Love4Life

Lara Best the charity community fundraiser at Love4Life spoke to the Impact group not only about the charity, but where the funds from the quiz night will be spent. The group learnt how the charity is expanding it's services and how it now supports over 400 vulnerable young girls across the county. Lara also spoke about the other fundraising opportunities, which included an abseil in the Peak District on the 1st of October.



Support for Babies in Gambia

Following our previous meeting in July Sim Vadesha, a 12 year old young lady, decided to support our group's efforts in supplying powdered milk to families in The Gambia. Sim has been raising funds throughout August by selling plants and rabbit petting sessions from her home in Leicester. She kindly took her rabbits to our meeting where members and guests were able to thank her for her support.

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Abseil in the Peak District

As a group we decided it would be a great idea to support the charity further by putting a team of (amateur) abseilers together. You join the team or, if you are not that brave, you can help to support our efforts by donating via our JustGiving page

[justgiving.com/campaign/rotaryleicesterimpactabseil](https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/rotaryleicesterimpactabseil)



Support for Young People in Gambia

At the start of August the group heard about 15 disabled children in The Gambia who were looking for additional support at school. Following a call out for laptops, magnifying glasses and torches on the Rotary Club of Leicester LinkedIn page we received 6 laptops from PFK, magnifying glasses and torches from Impact Air Systems, and Edmonds and Slatter Eyecare. The children all have a variety of visual impairments, so the torches and magnifying glasses will allow them to see text easier. The Impact Group also decided to buy school uniforms for each child for the start of the new school year. We hope to send all the equipment and clothes at the end of August and it will take 12 weeks to arrive at the school.

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August Meeting at the CFW Allotment

Finally, the Impact Group had it's last meeting in August at the CFW allotment. It was great evening with not only lovely warm weather, but we were surrounded by wonderful people. We spent the evening chatting and picking fruit from the various fruit trees. There was so much fruit a couple of members decided to make jam which will be sold at the end of the month to generate funding for future projects.



QUIZ NIGHT

There will be another quiz on 27th September around the Literacy Theme, raising funds for Love4Life & other Rotary projects which are supporting literacy. The tickets are now on sale at:

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/charity-quiz-night-tickets-680076957487?_eboa=924787474.1684493893

To be held at Shoe Zone Ltd, Humberston Road, Leicester LE1 2LH at 7.30 pm.

Please come along to support us, we look forward to seeing you for a fun night out!

Diana Esho

HELP NEEDED – LIFE CHARITY

Life Charity is a UK pregnancy support charity. They help more than 45,000 people each year meet pregnancy or pregnancy loss with courage and dignity so they can flourish. Their services include:

- Free emotional help, counselling, and skilled listening via phone for anyone affected by pregnancy or pregnancy loss.
- Housing and community support around the country for mums and their babies, housing mums and babies who have nowhere else to go
- Free pregnancy tests and baby supplies
- Educating the public about pregnancy and pregnancy loss

They have secured a supermarket collection to help raise money for this appeal at Thurmaston Asda from Monday 25 September until Sunday 1 October. They really need some support with this collection and wondered if any of the Leicester Rotary members could support it? Wreake Valley Rotary are kindly covering one day (Friday 29) but as they are only a small club they cannot cover more than that. If any member wishes to help then please contact Carrie Seaton, Head of Community and Events on 07515 578579. If enough members wish to help so we can cover a whole day then please co-ordinate this with Carrie.

HELP NEEDED – BARK IN THE PARK

On Sunday 10th September Bradgate Rotary Club are holding a charity Dog Show at Bradgate Park between 10am and 4 pm. They are looking for additional help on the day so if anyone would like to be involved (doesn't necessarily mean the whole day) please could you contact Alan Rockey (President Elect Bradgate Rotary Club) on 07584 683022.