

Important Dates for your diary: (Please check for changed dates)

18th February the next meeting of **District Council** will be held at 6.30pm at International Students House (ISH), 229 Great Portland Street, London, W1W 5PN

23rd Feb 2010 (Purple Pinkie Day) Our Club will be manning a stand in Palace Gardens, Enfield Town in the morning from 9am to 1pm
Saturday 27th Feb also at Tesco Colney Hatch Lane

6th March Inner Wheel Club of Southgate Charity Quiz/Supper at the Walker Hall. (Proceeds to the Ruth Winston Centre Reg. Charity)

The RIBI Assembly will be held Saturday 27th to Sunday 28th March 2010 at the Hilton Birmingham Metropole Hotel,

Saturday 10th April. Our Club's Stroke Awareness Day at St Andrews Hall in Southgate

Club AGM 19th April commencing 12 noon.

29th April There will be a Water Survival Box Awareness Evening at 6 York Gate. A speaker from the Charity will show us what a Water-Survival Box is and how it is used. Refreshments will be served prior to the meeting at a cost of £5. Please inform the District International Service Specialist Chairman by 22nd April 2010 if you wish to attend.
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Wednesday 9th June. KidsOut Day

This year's RI Convention takes place in Montreal, Québec, Canada on the **20th to 23rd June 2010.**

The Woodman Inn Visits: For Homebound will take place in 4th May & 3rd June



Don't forget to bring in your empty printer cartridges, old spectacles, mobile phones & stamps to raise funds



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February World understanding month

Mon 1st Feb Business and Fellowship meeting. Half year report from International committee and House Committee

Mon 8th Feb Speaker PRI Dir. Rtn. Tony St Dalmas

Mon 15th Feb Ambassadorial scholar, Maria Haupenthal from Germany, and studying piano at the Royal Academy of Music

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Mon 22nd Feb Business & Fellowship

Tues 23rd Feb. Thanks for a life day. Stand in Palace Gdns Enfield

March

Mon 1st March Speaker. PDG Rtn Alan Coleman - WaterAid.

Mon 8th March Speaker: Neville Robinson and the topic will be hypnosis

Mon 15th March Business meeting

Mon 22nd March Speaker: Rtn. Richard Selby will talk about being a Registrar of Births, Deaths and Marriages

Mon 29th March Fifth Monday

Please remember that drinks before lunch must be purchased in main bar.

NB Please give apologies to the attendance Officer, Iris Macer, if you cannot attend and need to cancel your meal.



January --- --Rotary awareness month and new members month

New Year's Day parade in London

Mon 4th Jan Half year review for Club Sec, Hon Treasurer and Community service. 2nd Half year subs due. We had one visitor Rtn. Shalley Moman PP of the Winter Garden club in the USA near Orlando.

Mon 11th Jan The meeting was cancelled due to snow and ice and our Speaker Rtn. Richard Selby RC of Golders Green will be invited on another occasion tell us about being a Registrar of Births, Deaths and Marriages

Mon 18th Jan. Business meeting. Discussion then took place about the tragic events in Haiti. Two It was unanimously agreed to fund two Shelter Boxes immediately but with donations received on our Website £763.63 would go towards the purchase of another making three and it is hoped that a fourth will be possible. PE Peter reported that Walker school were also raising money.

Mon 25th Jan Speaker: Rtn. David Cohen PP of RC of Golders Green showed a number of slides of the First World War depicting the horrors of life and death in the trenches. PP Peter spoke of the magnificent response from The Walker School. Their collections had raised sufficient money to purchase four Boxes.



NOMINATIONS FOR THE ELECTION OF DISTRICT OFFICERS FOR 2010-2011

Nominations are invited for the offices of Assistant District Secretary and Assistant District Treasurer to serve for the Rotary year 2010-2011.

UPDATE FROM SHELTERBOX 25 JANUARY

Nearly 100 tonnes of additional aid is being flown to Haiti this week as thousands of people who lost their homes in the devastating earthquake are being given the chance to start rebuilding their lives in ShelterBox tents. Emergency shelter for more than 20,000 people is now in Port au Prince and surrounding areas with small camps already set up in Delmas, Petion-Ville, Carrefour and Leogane.

Hundreds more ShelterBoxes containing disaster relief tents and other life-saving supplies are being sent to the city in the next few days from Miami, Curacao and France, meaning another 11,000 people will be given emergency shelter. On Friday, ShelterBox is chartering a 747 aircraft with 1,800 boxes to fly from Stansted Airport to the Dominican Republic where they will be taken overland to neighbouring Haiti.

It is the second flight chartered by the international disaster relief charity for the Haiti response after a plane loaded with 700 ShelterBoxes and 100 tents flew out of Newquay Cornwall Airport last week. ShelterBox Response Team members Jane Nash (UK) and Gary McCafferty (UK) travelled overland from Santa Domingo with an aid convoy to ensure the ShelterBoxes reached Port au Prince at the weekend.

John Leach, Head of Operations for ShelterBox, said: 'The need in Haiti is massive. Our team in Port au Prince is working with Dutch marines to ensure the safe and effective delivery of disaster relief tents and hundreds of these are already being used in four different locations. 'Distribution of aid by our highly-trained ShelterBox Response Team members is underway but the need for emergency shelter is still desperate.' A number of ShelterBoxes have also been used at an orphanage and at two hospitals in Port au Prince where tents are being erected to help save lives.