

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

THURSDAY 2nd FEBRUARY. Islington, Highgate & Muswell Hill Charity Quiz AT WHITTINGTON HOSPITAL MAGDALA AVENUE ARCHWAY N19 5NF at 7.00 for 7.30pm.

Saturday 4th February, Enfield Chase Charity Quiz. 8pm prompt start at Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St George Church Hall, Enfield

Sat March 17th RC of Enfield, Quiz evening at Goffs Oak, Herts

Saturday 24th March Inner Wheel of Southgate Charity Night. Silent Auction, with special guest Harpist Tirzah Mastin. at Christ Church Hall, Waterfall Road, Southgate. Tickets £10 to include Ploughman's supper.

Wednesday 28th March Paul Harris celebration dinner, 7pm for 7.30pm. Venue: The Imperial Hotel, Russell Square, 3-Course Dinner, coffee & mints. Ticket £27.50. PE Alok is taking names.

30th March – 1st April 2012 RIBI Assembly, Hilton Metropole, Birmingham

13th – 15th April 2012 RIBI Conference in Bournemouth. The RIBI Conference is attracting special guests including RI President Kalyan Banerjee, Sir Terry Wogan, John Suchet and Loyd Grossman.

Club "Progressive Supper" date to be agreed during April/May

6th – 9th May 2012, 103rd Annual RI Convention, in Bangkok, Thailand.

19th to 21st October. The London District Conference at Sinah Warren Hotel, Hayling Island.

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



News Bulletin

The Rotary Club of Southgate February 2012

President Peter Fisk
Reach Within to Embrace Humanity.
Programme: February - March 2012



**Each member of a Rotary club makes a difference.
Together, Rotarians make change.**

February	World understanding month
Mon 6th Feb	How to combat modern day slavery by Kevin Bales
Mon 13th Feb	Business and Fellowship meeting
Mon 20th Feb	"My Job/Life Talk" by Rtn. Jill Skalla
22nd Feb.	District Council meeting
	ROTARY AWARENESS DAY - Thursday 23rd February
	Thanks for Life Campaign - Saturday 18th to Saturday 25th February
Mon 27th Feb	Thanks for a life day
March	
Mon 5th March	Business and Fellowship Meeting
Mon 12th March	Special surprise Guest
Mon 19th March	tba
Mon 26th March	tba

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

NB Please give apologies to the attendance Officer, Michael Stennett, 020 8920 3190 if you cannot attend and need to cancel your meal.



January 2012---Rotary awareness and new member's month

New Year's Day parade in London. Jeremy got very wet!

Mon 2nd Jan **Bank Holiday, no meeting.**

5th January. Presentation of *Bill Easton Southgate Rotary Award*, at Kingsmead School, by President Peter to Josh Jordon.

President Peter
presenting the shield



Mon 9th Jan President Peter was in the chair. This was our last meeting at the Jolly Farmers until the refurbishment is completed. There was a brief **Half year review** by Committee Chairs and the Treasurer gave a report on the state of the Club's finances.

10th January. Meeting of Club Council. Eric reported on the Club Finances. President Peter will now make donations to selected charities

Mon 16th Jan President Peter chaired our first meeting at Enfield Golf Club. It was an excellent meeting in a private room and the meal was to a very good standard. As we had been unsure of our surroundings it was a general fellowship and discussion meeting

Mon 23rd Jan Peter introduced Ali, our speaker, who gave a "My Job" talk. Ali came to England as a four month old child in 1948. After completing his schooling in Tottenham he went to Southgate Technical school and at 16 took a five year apprenticeship with a firm of electrical engineers and attained his City and Guilds. His Father was a hairdresser and wanted Ali to join him, which he did and they expanded the business but the business has now been sold. Ali has two sons, one of 22 and the other 30. Member Directories were given out.

Mon 30th Jan. This was a Business and Fellowship Meeting, which included lively discussion on a number of subjects. Members volunteered for the Progressive Supper in the spring. There was also discussion on the proposal by The Rotary Club of Barnet Club, regarding our support for the Rotary Disabled games in Sept or Oct covering 2 aspects: 1) Would we be prepared to support the event financially? 2) Could we nominate someone to be involved with the organisation making up a committee? It was agreed to consider after further enquiries and vote at next meeting.

News in brief

The result of the recent online **election for RIBI President in 2014/15** is as follows: Elected on the first count by a majority vote, **Peter King from the Rotary Club of Kew Gardens**. There was a voting turnout of over 50% with 0 invalid votes.

Rotary beats \$200m polio fundraising target

Rotary clubs in Great Britain and Ireland, and the rest of the world, have succeeded in raising USD\$200 million in new funding for polio eradication.

The fundraising milestone was reached in response to a USD\$355 million grant from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation set in 2007, which would be given if Rotary had raised USD\$200m by June this year. All funds have been earmarked to support polio immunisation activities in affected countries where this vaccine-preventable disease continues to paralyse children.

Rotary members in Great Britain and Ireland and across the world are cautiously celebrating a major milestone in the global effort to eradicate the crippling disease polio. India, until recently an epicentre of the wild poliovirus, has completed a full calendar year without recording a new case since January 13th 2011. The last reported case was a two-year-old girl in West Bengal.

Two years ago today, an earthquake measuring 7.0 on the Richter scale hit Haiti, claiming thousands of people and destroying communities. The tremors hit Port-au-Prince and surrounding areas. Rotary clubs in Great Britain and Ireland leapt into action, resulting in one of the largest fundraising responses. Thanks to the generosity of the public, Rotarians raised an incredible £3m in the first three months of 2010 for Rotary-supported boxes including ShelterBox, WaterAid Survival Box and Aquabox. The Tent village is still being used.