

Rotarian



Bramhall and Woodford Rotary Club

# ***Bulletin***

June 2010



***Duck Race success***

***Well done all!  
£1434 on the day,  
and lots more besides!***



## ***BURSTOW'S BULLETIN***

This will be my last Blog before I hand over my Presidency at the end of June. It is with mixed emotions with the Club Membership climbing to the dizzying heights of 40 but with the very sad loss of David Dewhurst. He will be a major loss to our Club. We will not forget his enthusiasm and his major efforts to help Rotary particularly with Bikes for Africa.

President's Night is now in the past. I must thank those responsible particularly those who let me off so lightly. This was a surprise. The venue of the Deanwater Hotel was well received as although the band was very good and not overpowering there was an area where the sound was more muted. One disappointment was the relatively low members present but probably no less than usual. Those that missed the event for whatever reason missed out on a great evening.

Looking forward we have the Duck Race although by the time that you read this Blog it will be in the past. With the amount of effort being put in to get sponsors and to have other sideshows, it should be a great day weather permitting and a reasonable flow of water. However whatever the result on the day I am certain that our profile in Bramhall and to a lesser extent Woodford has been raised.

My last act as President will be the President's Barbecue; really it ought to be renamed as the Past President's Barbecue. I hope that many members and their wives will be able to come and that the weather is favourable.

This year I have tried to keep the Club on an even keel and I think that I have achieved this. We have had interesting meetings with good speakers and the quality of the food provided has been consistently high. The main events such as Charter Night, Christmas Party, President's Drinks and President's Night have gone off well thanks to those organising the event and the member's participation.

One matter that seems to have come around too often and I know that members have grumbled is collecting however good the cause is. Some Clubs are able to have single big events but these can have problems if the weather is not favourable and there can be losses as well as profits. Smaller events have less risk but involve more man and women hours of work and sometimes the money collected would be less than the national minimum wage. This year in particular we seem to have been collecting most weekends although this is not the case. Somehow we need to strike the right balance and this is for my successor Graham to address.

Finally I must thank the Secretary, Treasurer and all committee chairmen for their support. Without their help it would have made my year in office very tedious. I can truthfully say that the year has flown by.

David Burstow

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What's a pirate doing in  
Bramhall Park on a May  
Sunday afternoon?  
Go and ask a duck!



# Secretary's soapbox

From Council Meeting 12/4/10

- Preparations for the Tanzania trip are proceeding. GJ to write funding request
- Subscriptions are set at £95 for next year
- A presidential citation has been requested
- We will consider a David Dewhurst memorial
- Quiz sheet sales were better than expected

From Council Meeting 8/3/10

- We have given Bramhall High School £200 for their Kitivo disaster
- MRI no longer require the netbook computers we offered
- We will replace the advertising banners
- Stroke awareness day is under way
- Sainsbury's are to be contacted to find out why we were not allowed to collect there
- We will hold a St' George's night party
- Handover will be 30<sup>th</sup> June

Hard to believe that this is my last 'soapbox'. I can however, hand over the reins to Brian in the knowledge that he will do a great job. I also hope that we can develop the web site more to present a modern face to the world. I have been changing some of the smaller details month by month to generate interest and it may now be time for a substantial overhaul.

I would like to thank the members for their support for my Tanzania trip. I did think long and hard before approaching the club for funding and I hope I can justify the confidence you have shown in me. I am truly overwhelmed by your generosity.

Attendances have varied over the last two months with the lowest being our open forum (due to member holidays) and the highest being for the speakers from St. John Ambulance. We continue to attract a high calibre of new members with several 'hovering in the wings'.

Gordon

### **David Dewhurst - what a lovely man**

"What a lovely man". This comment is from the nurses and medical staff that treated David this is a sentiment shared by all who knew David well and I feel privileged to be in that number. David was an extraordinary and exceptional man. I am not just talking about his dress sense, which - put politely - was different! The service held at Wooford Parish Church was a celebration of David's life and David was fully involved with Kate and their daughters in the decision that we be happy and wear bright colours at this memorial celebration. Nothing new there then and I have to say that we did pretty well at following those wishes - although we did not see many pairs of bright red or yellow trousers amongst the boys. The girls made their mark - David would have been very proud.

Sandra and I go back quite a way with David and Kate - in fact in the eighties we were the pioneers of Bramhall Round Table skiing in Scotland. Not for the faint hearted - the icicles were horizontal, the slopes icy. Bumpy and unforgiving. However Kate and David overcame all this and became keen skiers sometimes going to the alps two or three times a year. I have sussed out David's motivation for this sport which was the opportunity to wear the most outlandish colours without getting arrested! In Round Table he always 'got stuck in' rock climbing, absailing, potholing and spoons champion (another story), and in Rotary, despite the added years, the same enthusiastic spirit. Such as his two adventures on the square rigged sailing ship 'Tenacious'.

Describing the character and personality of David is not easy - a non conformist, unconventional, a liberal and I don't mean only in the political sense, a humanist, and a free spirit. A man of great social conscience, of great generosity not only in financial ways but in his efforts and the time he gave in helping others. He saw the best in people. He was also a 'green' illustrated in deed as well as word. As we all know he was a devoted and loving husband, father and grandfather. He was very proud of his two wonderful daughters Nicola and Rachel, grateful for two sons in law Steve and Dave, that were more like sons, and of course he was a doting grandfather to his lovely four granddaughters. He had a great sense of humour a great zest for life and a wide range of interests. Too many to list, one of which was motor sport in the eighties. He and Kate were both race marshalls at Oulton park and last year I was pleased to take Kate to Donnington Park in my old E-type jag. David had bid for this in a Rotary District charity auction as a present for Kate. David came over to Donnington with my petrol head Rotary mates and I gave Kate a number of laps in a race prepared Caterham round the Donnington circuit. Despite Kate's protestations that David would struggle with the cornering forces, David's determination prevailed and off we went - it couldn't have been too bad - I looked over at David grinning in his crash helmet, which in hindsight could have been a grimace!

David was a founder member of Bramhall and Woodford Rotary Club, a Paul Harris Fellow and the second President of the Rotary Club in which he had many achievements. Again, these are too many to list, but perhaps one stands out above the others which was his 'Bikes for Africa' project, where he initiated, organised and drove through the whole project. This rates in our Rotary Club as one of our most successful projects ever. The result of all this was to change the lives of hundreds of people in a remote Namibian village. I would like to repeat here a paragraph from one of David's early letters enlisting support from non-Rotary people for the project. In my view it encapsulates the whole project and at the end puts into 'David speak': *the recognition and comparison of those who have nothing to us who have everything!*

The essence of the scheme is that unwanted bikes from the UK are collected and sent to 'Re-Cycle'. They load 400 selected bikes, together with tools and spares in a large container and ship them out to Namibia, where they are unloaded, serviced and distributed. Some are modified and sold at affordable cost to become load-carrying bikes which can provide employment for a man acting as a deliveryman or a courier, water carrier or even with an extended seat and frame, a family transport for a husband, wife and kids - an African MPV!

Kate and David were recognised as intrepid travellers - they make Michael Palin look like a "stay at home". Kindred spirits and adventurers is what describes them so well. No 5 star pampered luxury for them, take their trip to Namibia, Land Rovers and tents were the order of the day and a diversion of a few hundred miles to suss out the "BFA" project firsthand.

David's career as an architect of considerable achievement is well known to us all. His use of space and light was a great talent. This combined with a natural eye for design and as you would expect the occasional unusual use of colour was unique. How best to summarise these talents - Sir Norman Foster with a bit of Zandra Rhodes thrown in! A great architect and designer. Yes, - but no structural engineer. I am not saying his buildings fell down - well not all of them - but I was called in recently on a major domestic project - how can I best describe this - it was a bird feeding station that David had bought for Kate last Christmas. To get the scale of this - think along the lines of the MP's famous duck house but without taxpayer funding. It was a magnificent thing which David fixed himself onto the most flimsy of posts that bent like a banana. So, naturally it was Iron Man to the rescue!

During the last year, and particularly for the past six months or so, David and Kate have had to draw on all their strength and reserves. Approaching 200 trips to the hospital and an intensive treatment programme of the most vigorous nature. They have of course had great help and support from Rachel and Nicola, the rest of the family and their many friends. It is a testament to David's positive attitude, fortitude.

doggedness (and those of you who have engaged with David in a serious discussion or argument will know what I mean by doggedness) and his downright courage. There was no self pity, no why me? No blaming others. These qualities are what the nurses and medical staff must have recognised in making that comment "what a lovely man".

What a lovely man - not a bad legacy to leave is it? David had a good life. Shorter than it could have been. Shorter than it should have been, but certainly he enjoyed a good life and also he led a good life - something. I think to which we all would hope to aspire.

Tony Burch



David on Tenacious



In happier times

# Meeting Reports



## School Governors 10<sup>th</sup> February

A power cut to part of the resident's club put us back into the small room behind the curtains of the lounge bar. Michael Lacey announced the arrival of a grandson – Benjamin Christopher – and said he had hoped to provide wine for a toast but the club had run out of bottles of wine. There were two guests Libby Evans, our speaker, and Ian Dobson who had been invited by Harry Hill. Jim Thomas made an impassioned plea for support for Race Night. He inferred that you could win £4 for every £1 invested (you know what they say about something being too good to be true). David Rose was trying to organise an event to promote “Thanks for Life” with Sainsburys to be held on 26<sup>th</sup>. Vida asked for volunteers for a quiz night in aid of Wellspring. Geoff Hunt suggested that the Shelter Box he had should be lent to Neil Loveland who was currently homeless having sold his house but not yet bought another.

This was followed by the induction of Diana Schofield as our fourth lady member. Apparently of the 1.2 million

Rotarians 188,000 are ladies. Diana then gave one of the most humorous acceptance speeches our club has heard.

Libby said that the Education Act of 1980 made it compulsory for each school in England and Wales to have a governing body. By 1988 power had devolved from councils to school governors. Governors are expected to provide the school with a strategic direction, offer support to its staff and act as the “critical friends” of the head teacher. Representatives come from all walks of life eg councillors, teachers, business people and parents and normally serve for four years. Their first role is to shape the direction of the school by setting aims and objects and then set the policies and targets to achieve these. They also monitor progress and support the head teacher. The head is responsible for the internal management and control of the school on a day to day basis. People become governors for a variety of reasons eg to make a positive contribution to the education of your children/grandchildren, to serve the community or because you have work experience which you would like to utilise in the

voluntary sector. You would attend a meeting each term and also a sub-committee meeting each term. These normally last about two hours. In addition you would be expected to support school events as and when they occur. You could be involved in the appointment of a new head teacher and almost certainly would have responsibility for finance which would involve working with the head to make tough decisions about balancing resources. Stockport has above average results at Keystage 2 and Keystage 4 but

has difficulties in recruiting parent governors in areas of deprivation.

Malcolm was sergeant at arms and in his own smooth style and eloquent use of the English language made most members pay for their misdemeanours. Bob Stevenson insisted on telling a joke which he said was not political but involved Gordon Brown and Ed Balls. As we left United Utilities were still busy in the street trying to restore power.

Ron Malabon

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### **Open Forum – 17 March**

In the absence of El Presidente, Graham Yule chaired the meeting in a trial run for next year. It became evident later that this was very appropriate as the topic for discussion was the future vision for the club.

In place of the normal grace, David Rose read a very thought provoking “Passover Reading” from the works of the late Rabbi Hugo Gryn. Caroline reported apologies from members as far afield as Spain and Vietnam. Neil Loveland was still “homeless”. Bob Batty reported that Mike Palmer was to have heart surgery the following week.

Jim Thomas “read the riot act” about the disappointing support from

members on the planned selling of Quiz Sheets in Bramhall and Woodford. Only 11 out of 44 members had committed to this at the beginning of the meeting. Graham suggested a form of Rotary detention – ie we would get no coffee until there was full sign up for Quiz Sheet sales. This threat and Jim’s appeal had the desired effect. The lists were duly circulated again and by the end of the meeting Jim reported that the rota was much improved (and we got our coffee).

The main part of the meeting was advertised as an open forum. This was led by Bruce Farrow, who started with a short presentation outlining the approach taken by RIBI to strategic planning, which resulted in a (slightly)

revised Mission and Vision for RIBI and a definition of the core value of the organisation. He and Council wanted to take this as context for us to do some strategic planning for this Club.

Bruce provided us with a “strategic planning worksheet” and asked us to split up into pairs to discuss and give our combined views under three main headings:

- The current state of the Club
- The Club’s strengths and weaknesses
- Our vision of the Club in three years time.

This generated heated discussion around the room and the promise of feedback from the exercise at the next meeting of committees. It also provided the opportunity for Malcolm Hurst to give an excellent defence of the value of consultants.

Various updates were provided by Club officers and committee chairs. Bob Batty was Sergeant at Arms and reported a variety of carefully targeted fines. However, David Jenkins - who was collecting the money on his behalf – simply took money from everyone!

David McKeith

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### **A burning topic on 21<sup>st</sup> April**

Tony stood and uttered words of comfort and reassurance “No, there hasn’t been a Palace Coup, and your President and Vice are not buried in the field behind the Club”. He explained that both David and Graham were away and he was standing in!

David Rabone then gave us a ‘Sinners Grace’, which he felt appropriate. Jim ‘The Duckmeister’ Thomas made a final call for Quiz Sheet money and hoped that members would be able to plug some gaping holes in the Duck Sales schedules, pointing out that

Woodford Park have a ‘20% off’ event this weekend and that it should be busy. David Rabone asked for some more support for the Stroke Awareness event, also on this coming weekend. A busy few days for the members, then.

The main event was a talk by our member John Knowles entitled ‘Cremation and Crematoria’. No surprise then, that this was greeted by much irreverence and black humour by the membership. Typical!

John’s opening slide contained a famous Shakespeare quotation (!!)-

*To burn or not to burn, that is the question  
Whether 'tis nobler in the tomb to suffer  
The vile encroachment of prolonged corruption  
Or take fire against a soulless body, and by  
destruction, save it .....*

Such a hot topic needed an injection of humour, which John provided in 'spades'.

*A man was noticed sobbing uncontrollably at the Crematorium Chapel, the vicar asked if he was very close to the deceased, "No" the man replied, "I have just spent three days making that beautiful coffin ...!"*

John went on to tell us that he has been involved in work on funeral practice, for new clergy and that one of the first things an undertaker asks "Is it to be a cremation or burial"? John commented that they were fairly neutral on the subject although the weather plays a part in the recommendation, in that in winter an 'inside job beats an outside one'!

We were given quite some history on the subject, in that in pre Christian times, burning was the norm, but in later years burning was seen as a terrible fate for witches and heretics and so it fell out of favour. In the 1800 churchyards were becoming full and some were set up out of the towns and cities. The Cremation Society was formed in Woking for it had been decided in a legal case that there was actually no law against it.

In 1886 there were 10 cremations, a figure that rose to 440,000 in 2000 and it now accounts for some 80%. This is in sharp contrast with other countries, Italy for instance, the figure is only 4% – 5%.

When it comes to disposal of the ashes, there are many options, from burial, the mantelpiece, made into jewellery, fired into space, fireworks, scatter in a favourite place, the list went on. One chaps aunt ended up in his cousins Dyson, after the urn fell on the floor!

Another excellent talk from John.

Tony commented that he had left instructions as to the disposal of his ashes. They were to be scattered on Lodge Corner at Oulton Park but, after hearing from John that the consistency of 'ashes' is a coarse grit, may have to rethink this request. After all, can't have grit on the racing line can you!

Sid Davies told us of an occasion when Councillor Singer (no friend of his) held an Open Day at the Crematorium. Sid, who was running Roscoe's DIY, advertised in the press to coincide, a 'DIY Cremation Kit' which would be demonstrated by Singis Thing, but be sure not to miss it, as it couldn't be repeated!! The Advertising Standards Authority were not impressed, but dropped the case rather than tangle with Sid. (very wise - Author)

After an unusually large number of questions and anecdotes, Tony stood

and said “Of course it is now time for David Poizer to give the vote of thanks” . Ouch!

A further little story was of the man who when asked what he would like doing with his ashes, he asked that they be put into an envelope and sent to Her Majesties Revenue and Customs, with a note saying “And now you have everything”!

Vida produced one of the ‘kneelers’ that she has been trying to sell, assuring us that it was the perfect thing upon which to kneel when praying for good weather on ‘Duck Race Day’. Several members

purchased them for 10p each, for their wives to use whilst gardening.

An excellent evening finished well, when David McKeith told us of an acquaintance whose business is reading on behalf of the government, all wills to ensure their stipulations are followed. There were some very strange requests, including no less than 12 that had left their money to ‘Dr Bananas’ and the man who left his testicles to the manager of his NatWest Bank, because he obviously didn’t have any of his own!

Chris Monkhouse

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### **St John’s on 28 April**

It was a most unusual start to the evening in that we were deprived of our pastoral members, thus leaving us bereft of a professional to provide a grace. The President was therefore obliged to present us with Rotary Grace and he very nearly got it right! Special and highly vocal greetings were given by the club to our intrepid and long absent world travellers Michael and Bob S. The starting gun was fired and with his own set of starting blocks and a Linford Christie ear for “B for the bang”, Tim made it first to the food queue! I am not sure whether he had “nobbled” Vida or she was just off form that evening.

After the meal we covered a little business including the normal stuff with Jim pushing the sale of Ducks and making special thanks to the efforts of Bruce the elder for the Barclays coup and our newest member Ian who has thrown himself into the PR function for the Duck Race with imagination, gusto and professionalism. Sound judgement was exercised when Gordon was unanimously voted the sum of £1,200 from our charity account to support his trip to Tanzania to train locals to maintain their IT hardware in the health system.

The main event then followed with a very lively presentation by two young (well young to us), knowledgeable and articulate speakers and first aid

demonstrators from “The St. Johns Ambulance Brigade”. Graham and Noel said and did a lot and I made masses of notes including all sorts of medical phrases that now mean little to me, thus convincing me to eliminate any regurgitation of all the technical stuff. As mentioned on the night I do not relish being sued by one of you for missing out a vital step in the sequence of resuscitation when trying to save a fellow member when he has a heart attack. Vida characteristically was a good sport but on this occasion she may have been unwise to volunteer to be the student in saving a heart attack victim. She was far too gentle (yes I know – hard to believe) on the dummy with the thirty vigorous pumping thrusts on the chest of the patient which apparently only works if you break a few ribs! When it came to the mouth to mouth stuff she was even less committed. I can tell you this poor B would have died! Vida, if you see me clutch my chest and fall to the ground -

get me a Doctor – even Harry, if he’s the only one around!

Seriously, the talk and demonstrations were most informative with lots of practical and good advice. Also the insight into the history which goes back to the days of the crusade, the structure with 46,000 volunteers and the emphasis on youngsters getting much out of the organisation enlightened us to the role and scope of this invaluable and respected organisation. Badgers, 5 to 10 year olds, cadet and youth members make up 50% of the Brigade strength. Impressive facts that emerged are many and various, such as the age of member’s ranges from 5 to 80 and the Queen as head of the organisation cements the respect and public affection that prevails. There were lots of questions and comment from our members and the meeting concluded with Ian justly winning the wine and Chris fining us all to raise the funds to pay for it.

Tony

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### **Primary Schools Today**

Its amazing how far members will travel to avoid attending on this Wednesday night (14th April); Cornwall, Spain, America, Turin, Thailand, and France (or is it Thailand,

Bob S?) were all given as reasons for apology.

The remainder of the Club together with 5 guests and one speaker enjoyed the usual excellent meal. Gordon reported that he had spoken with Kate Dewhurst and that she sends her

thanks for all the messages of support she had received. Bob Batty reported that Mike Palmer had successfully received a new heart bypass valve and was progressing well.

Our speaker was George Bulman, Headteacher of Pownall Green Primary School; his subject was 'Primary Schools Today' with an obvious bias to what he was doing at Pownall School.

George put forward the question, "what is the purpose of education today?" the answer being that we are ensuring children are prepared for the future, whatever that may be. Which is where things get interesting as George highlighted that a recent survey had identified that the top 10 "in demand jobs" in 2010 did not exist in 2004. Therefore we are preparing students for jobs that currently do not exist and for using technology that does not currently exist. Difficult.

The approach that Pownall Green School take is to ensure that students have the necessary skill set for the future. These are seen as –individual enquirers, creative thinkers, reflective learners, team workers, self managers and with effective participation, both in

the community as well as at school. Is that what my school taught me all those years ago?

The school has 400 children, 77 staff and an IT suite of 32 PC's; this ensures that with a class size of 31 each child has access to a computer.

George's presentation was followed by a very short presentation by Colin from the Christopher Clarke Cancer Fund, our chosen charity for the Duck Race in May. The fund provides money for research into brain tumours in children; 40% of cancer deaths in children are from brain tumours and there has been very little research into the problem and the problem is getting worse. The aim of the organisation is to raise awareness into the problem as well as financial support. Formed in 2006 they have so far raised £300,000.

With two presentations it was 10.35pm before the Sergeant at Arms, Alan Newsome, was able to extract his 50p; Alan therefore took the quick solution and fined everybody.

John Sykes

Youth would be an ideal state if it came a little later in life.  
*Hubert Henry Asquith*

Committee Night, 5<sup>th</sup> May

We were honoured to have three visitors who may join us if we are nice to them and they like noisy meetings! Proceedings were started off with David Rabone giving us not one but two graces. As it was Election Day on the morrow he gave us a grace for the politicians and then one just for us.

We had a good choice of meals provided for us by Lorraine, which were quickly devoured by those present even when some of them take two or even three helpings! Harry Hill read out a letter from Rebecca Langley, a nurse who is working in Mumbai. We had given her £250 to help with her expenses. We had an amazing number of thirty-two people partaking of the meal and one extra, namely one John Meeus joining us afterwards and all this on a Committee night!

Club Services - Bruce told us that we were to meet on five nights in June even on the fifth Wednesday - unheard of. International had nothing to report. Community Services - David Rabone thanked everyone who had helped on

Stroke Awareness Day with sixty seven people being tested and only one found guilty!

Social - John told us that we can sign up for a Safari Supper on 12 June. Beauty and the Beast trip is on Wednesday next. Ways and Means - Jim needs two more people to work the shifts at Morrisons. We need people to be in Bramhall Park and the Square on the 15<sup>th</sup> May the day prior to the Duck Race. In order to catch the Bramhall runners we are going to waylay them at around 9.15 a.m. in the Park. Graham is E-mailing them to warn them in advance that we are after their money for the Duck Race. Barclays Bank and Imagine FM are sponsoring us reported Ian who is in charge of publicity for said Race with Duck posters appearing all over the place.

David Rose won the raffle and then felt the need to donate as one of the prizes for our great day in the Park.

Sergeant at Arms, Tim, after a few people had been named and shamed he fined everyone else just for being there in the room.

Vida

**Don't forget**

that Alan still collects old spectacles, which are sized and eventually go to Third World countries, and....  
Vida collects used plastics to aid the funds of St John's Ambulance.

## Computer tips 8

Many people have digital cameras now but you can do much more with the pictures than simply take them to Tesco and print them out. You will have received an image manipulation program with your camera that allows you to lighten dark photos (or darken light photos), to remove red-eye and even to remove parts of the image that you don't like. It's well worth investigating these programs or even splashing out and buying one (not a route I normally take but in this case I asked for Photoshop Elements 8 as a Christmas present).



You may be encouraged to connect your camera to the computer and download the photos from it and whilst this is the simplest way of accessing them, I just take the memory card out of the camera and slot it into the card reader which most computers now have (or you can get one for around a fiver and plug it into the USB socket). The card then appears as an extra disc drive and you can drag and drop the pictures to any folder you want. I have folders for weddings, birthdays, Rotary functions, Jenny's crocodile wrestling etc).

I am occasionally asked about Internet providers and there is no hard and fast rule when it comes to choosing one. Dial-up connections are increasingly anachronistic and expensive. The amount of information on modern web pages relies on fast connections at the receiving end if you are not going to be waiting around for six months to look at the news and deals are available that can actually reduce your monthly phone bill by changing to broadband. According to the last statistics I looked at, Virgin is the fastest (if you are on cable) with BT offering perhaps the most comprehensive service.

Another item recently has been the setting up a Bramhall branch of the U3A which encourages retired people to share their knowledge and I have set up two computer groups (beginners and intermediates). These are well under way and have attracted around 17 people in each group.

Gordon

## Job rota

Date	Speaker host	Bulletin	S at A
May 26	B Stevenson	N Loveland	G Jackson
June 2	Committees	H Barker	R Malabon
June 9	S Davies	J Thewlis	B Bissell
June 16	H Hill	B Batty	D McKeith
June 23	J Meeus	A Newsome	B Farrow
June 30	Handover/Assembly		
July 7	Committees	G Fallowfield	J Fallowfield
July 14	D Jenkins	D Rabone	J Sykes
July 21	D Rose	D Poizer	J Knowles
July 28	C Egan	C Monkhouse	T Burch
August 4	Committees	D Schofield	V Chattington
August 11	I Dobson	J Thomas	N Loveland
August 18	M Hurst	G Hunt	B Stevenson
August 25	M Lacey	J Meeus	H Barker
September 1	Committees	G Jackson	S Davies
September 8	R Malabon	D Burstow	J Thewlis
September 15	H Hill	B Bissell	B Batty
September 22	D McKeith	B Farrow	A Newsome
September 29	No meeting: 5th Wednesday		
October 6	Committees	D Allport	D Rabone
October 13	D Jenkins	J Sykes	D Rose
October 20	G Fallowfield	J Fallowfield	D Poizer
October 27	J Knowles	V Chattington	D Schofield
November 3	Committees	I Dobson	J Thomas
November 10	M Hurst	G Hunt	B Stevenson

**If you cannot attend, please find a replacement!**

## BLIND RUN

**Mrs Joan Goodall**, 3 Poise Brook Drive, Offerton

Tel: 456 2076 Pick up 7.15 pm

**Wyn and Harold Lawson**, 170 Ben Davies Court, Romiley

Tel: 406 9213 Pick up at 7.00 pm

**Cathy Denison**, 47 Chester Croft Rd., off Spath Lane East, Grove Lane, Bramhall

Tel: 439 7559

**Stuart Reid**, Abbeyfield House, 120 Moss Lane, Bramhall, SK7 1EE

Tel: House 439 0046, Direct 439 7423

**Mrs Janet Salt**, (possibly also her blind daughter, Andrea) 40 Glossop Rd, Marple Bridge

Tel: 449 8679 Pick up at 7.05 pm.

Ring the above up Sunday or Monday to check that your passengers still need a lift. If you can't get through, go round anyway at the appointed time. Let Bob Batty or John Sykes know if you get stuck. Please swap with someone if you can't do your appointed run. **Mrs Salt will notify us when she wishes to attend.** Ask for directions if you don't know where to go.

Please be at Walthew House by 9.25 for return trips. If possible drivers should have their mobiles and other driver's number in case of any delays.

<b>May 25</b>	<b>J Thomas</b>	<b>G Yule</b>
<b>June 1</b>	<b>J Sykes</b>	<b>B Batty</b>
<b>June 8</b>	<b>B Bissell</b>	<b>D Burstow</b>
<b>June 15</b>	<b>V Chattington</b>	<b>B Farrow</b>
<b>June 22</b>	<b>G Hunt</b>	<b>M Hurst</b>
<b>June 29</b>	<b>J Knowles</b>	<b>M Lacey</b>
<b>July 6</b>	<b>N Loveland</b>	<b>R Malabon</b>
<b>July 13</b>	<b>D McKeith</b>	<b>J Meeus</b>
<b>July 20</b>	<b>C Monkhouse</b>	<b>J Fallowfield</b>
<b>July 27</b>	<b>D Poizer</b>	<b>D Rose</b>
<b>August 6</b>	<b>B Stevenson</b>	<b>J Sykes</b>
<b>August 10</b>	<b>J Thomas</b>	<b>G Yule</b>
<b>August 17</b>	<b>D Allport</b>	<b>B Batty</b>
<b>August 24</b>	<b>B Bissell</b>	<b>D Burstow</b>
<b>August 31</b>	<b>V Chattington</b>	<b>J Fallowfield</b>
<b>September 7</b>	<b>I Dobson</b>	<b>B Farrow</b>
<b>September 14</b>	<b>G Hunt</b>	<b>M Hurst</b>
<b>September 21</b>	<b>J Knowles</b>	<b>M Lacey</b>
<b>September 28</b>	<b>N Loveland</b>	<b>R Malabon</b>
<b>October 5</b>	<b>D McKeith</b>	<b>J Meeus</b>
<b>October 12</b>	<b>C Monkhouse</b>	<b>D Poizer</b>
<b>October 19</b>	<b>D Rose</b>	<b>B Stevenson</b>
<b>October 26</b>	<b>J Sykes</b>	<b>J Thomas</b>

Please note that the rota has been 'shuffled' a bit from the previous one!

# Diary

May	26 <sup>th</sup>	Joanne Dobie, Parkinsons UK (Poizer)
June	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Committees
June	9 <sup>th</sup>	Stockport Samaritans-John Blunden-Ellis
June	16 <sup>th</sup>	Snaphappy Awards
June	23 <sup>rd</sup>	TBA( Scott Thomas Bramhall High??)
June	30 <sup>th</sup>	Club Assembly
July	4 <sup>th</sup>	Rotary Barbeque
July	7 <sup>th</sup>	Committees
July	14 <sup>th</sup>	Schofield/Shepherd
July	21 <sup>st</sup>	Stevenson/Sykes
July	28 <sup>th</sup>	Margaret Hutchinson, District Governor
August	4 <sup>th</sup>	Committees
August	11 <sup>th</sup>	Thewlis/Thomas
August	18 <sup>th</sup>	Yule/Allport.. outdoor evening?
August	25 <sup>th</sup>	Barker/Batty

## Unallocated events:

- 1) Visit to Total Fitness (Meeus)
- 2) Feeding the world (Bissell)
- 3) Job talks (G. Fallowfield)(D.Schofield)(I. Dobson)
- 4) Social Quiz (Meeus)

## Forthcoming events:

29<sup>th</sup> May - Rotary environmental Day



Diane at her Induction to the Club on 10th February.

Duck Race sales at Woodford Park. The pretty lady in the middle is Geoff's niece Victoria, all the way from Barbados.



Plenty of customers on Duck Race day on May 16th.

Who found the treasure on Treasure Island?

