



The Brecon Rotary Club Newsletter

August 2003

Club Meetings

President Gareth has decided to make the first meeting of each month (lunch) our business meeting when we'll have the minutes of the previous Club Council meeting available and, hopefully, I'll have Bruin ready as well. The second Monday will be our speaker evening and the fourth Monday (dinner) will be reserved for special activities - quizzes, trips and so forth. The fifth Monday (if there is one) will be our ever popular (with some members) breakfast meeting! Club Council will normally meet on the last Thursday of the month. Any Bruins that can't be given out at the first two meetings of each month will be sent by second class post - so if

you want them early come to the meetings! The deadline for this 'dodgy dossier' will be the end of each month so if any of you have anything you want included please make sure I get it in good time otherwise I'll make it all up!



Bottle Rota



11th August - Denzil Hackford 18th August - Howard Hoare

25th August - No Rotary (Bank Holiday)

1st September - John Hopkins

8th September - Peter Jenkins

15th September - Cliff Jones

22nd September - Gerald Jones 29th September - John Mallon

Snowdon Ascent

Denzil is delighted at having raised over £1100 for his epilepsy charity as a result of Brian Newman's walk up Snowdon on the worst day of the year weather-wise. Very impressed by the pics Brian - we'll just have to take your

word for it you were there!

Car Rally

Thanks are due to the half dozen Rotarians who turned out to sell programmes for the car rally on the Eppynt on 28th June. They were (in no particular order!): Bob Wood, John Nancarrow, Cliff Jones, Mike Tompkinson, Mike Oxnard and Hywel Davies. £245 was raised for club funds.

Recent Events

The summer party in the big tent at Aberyscir on 14th July courtesy of Cliff and Barbara was a big success. The twenty or so Rotarians who attended with spouses enjoyed the occasion greatly and the setting on a beautiful summers evening was just perfect. The excellent buffet was provided by Pilgrims and our President even lined up some musical entertainment for us. Many

thanks go to Cliff for putting the idea forward and the Club's good wishes go to Sian and Greg whose wedding the previous weekend made the whole thing possible!

15 year old Angharad Lewis from Christ College came along to our lunch meeting on the previous Monday to tell us all about her trip to Australia with the Guides which we assisted her with financially. She informed us there were 700 Guides staying at the camp near Sydney. She also brought along some of her souvenirs and an excellently produced scrapbook which recorded her close encounters with snakes, kangaroos and other Guides!

Subscriptions

Nick would like to remind us that subscriptions for club membership for the year 2003/4 became due at the beginning of July. The subscription is currently £60 for the year - a mere fiver a month, which I'm sure we all agree represents excellent value for money! Prompt payment is always appreciated as we have

to pay our annual sub to RIBI (that's Rotary International in Britain and Ireland for those of you who don't know!) as well as our district levy and late payment of subs can cause our Administration Account to go into deficit.



What's Brewin'?

On 11th August we shall have the company at our dinner



meeting of about a dozen members of the Rotary Caravan Club and their spouses who will be staying in the area. There will be a speaker for the evening - David Brinn - a former employee of the National Park who is very knowledgeable about the flora and fauna of the Park and a most interesting speaker. Do come along if you can.

This year we shall again be invited to watch the spectacular Beating the Retreat Ceremony at Sennybridge Camp on Thursday 4th September. The

Walk on the Wild Side on the ranges will be taking place on Sunday 14th September and Operation Deerhunter (formerly Operation Firestorm) will be run again on Wednesday 8th October. For all these events Mike Oxnard is the man to contact.

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