

# By George

newsletter

March 2008

## Mad March?

It's been a great few weeks for the club. Our Sportsman's Dinner raised £9500 and the many favourable comments from those attending suggest we can expect a good response next year too.

Two of our main service events, the Senior Citizens Ceilidh and the Primary School Quiz, have been delivered with great enjoyment for those attending.

These follow the Quiz Night just last month and still to come we have the International Evening and Mock Interviews. All these activities are the result of hard work by many of our members.

There are good reasons for the dates of these events, but effort stands in contrast to our quiet autumn. What do you think - should we try to do as much in the first half of the year? Or less in the second?

Write to the editor and I'll put your opinions in the next issue of By George.



## Inner Wheel Club of Perth

The Inner Wheel Club of Perth meets on the first Thursday afternoon of each month, from September to June, in the Royal George Hotel, Perth, at 2.15pm. We usually have a short business meeting, followed by a speaker and then afternoon tea.

Membership is open to wives, partners and female relatives of Rotarians. We are a very friendly club, and would be delighted to welcome guests and potential new members to our meetings. If you know someone who would like to come along and meet us, please contact Mrs Wyn Craig: 01738 625269 for more information.

## For Your Diary

Ian Agnew	2 Apr	door
Michael Archibald	9 Apr	door
George Beaton	16 Apr	door
Mark Cairns	23 Apr	door
Stuart Cameron	30 Apr	door
John Fyfe	26 Mar	bottle
John Galbraith	2 Apr	bottle
Graham Harding	23 Apr	bottle
Fergus Harris	16 Apr	bottle
Alex Hay	30 Apr	bottle
Richard Higgs	26 Mar	speaker

Tom Howie	2 Apr	speaker
Michael Jamieson	9 Apr	bottle
Brian Kitching	30 Apr	speaker
Bert Macdonald	9 Apr	speaker
Gail MacKay	2 Apr	door
Alex McLaren	9 Apr	door
Euna Scott	26 Mar	door
Susan Scott	16 Apr	door
Bill Smith	23 Apr	door
Neil Townend	30 Apr	door
Maureen Young	26 Mar	door

## March Council Meeting

Challenge Enterprise: a supervision issue has arisen which may threaten the future of this event; additional Club helpers are being sought

*Council approved an extension of leave of absence for Enrico Frattatoli to 16th April.*

Balances on the Club's accounts at 28 February are:

- 1) Club service account £5,275.94
- 2) Hospitality account £1,917.18
- 3) Charity account £11,290.15

*The Club account will reduce when an invoice for the Christmas Ceilidh is received. The Charity account has been inflated by initial charity dinner receipts.*

*RIBI has been paid the 2nd part of its annual levy - £1,014.63. The only charitable donation in the period was £120 to Plan International.*

The provisional surplus from this year's charity dinner is £9,546.07

*Council agreed that the Treasurer may propose to the AGM unchanged subscription and joining fees for 2008/09 ( £100 and £25 respectively) but with the proviso that the annual gratuity to hotel staff should be paid from the hospitality account; a sum of £300 was recommended.*

Mock interview plans are made; 10 Rotarians have volunteered to help.

*Ian Mutch has attended 2 meetings with the Young Carers' organisation. In principle the 3 Clubs have agreed to organise 3 activity days during the summer. PKVS will provide transport but each club will fund and staff its event. Further meetings will be held with the young people to identify the type of events they would like to take part in. As we appear to have first choice on likely dates we will opt for the week commencing 30 June.*

RYLA planning is ongoing.

*All arrangements for the party visiting Germany are in place and hosts allocated.*

WaterAid collection/fundraiser organised for 22 March at Perth Leisure Pool; no direct Club involvement required on the day but Alexander will be advised of a photo opportunity when monies are passed over to the Club.

*Rona Archibald has been in touch regarding this year's visit by 14 girls from Chernobyl starting on 11 June; assistance is sought from the Club along similar lines to previous years. Council confirmed its support.*

Average attendance for the first 8 weeks of the new year is 71%. 5 members are on leave of absence.

*The speakers programme is in hand to the end of July.*

A board is circulating for hosting evenings. No other outings are proposed meantime.

*'Full Length and Fabulous' is proceeding well; 1 table has been set aside for Rotarians and their partners.*

Following a very successful Sportsmans Dinner, the Lovat Hotel is to be booked again for 27 Feb 2009.

*Curling is progressing well with only 2 or 3 games remaining. We have entered a team for the Rotary Jewel curling competition at Dewars Rinks on 11 March.*

Maureen reported that the PRI Stroke team were extremely disappointed that the hoist would not fit into their treatment area; they are investigating an alternative location.

## Directory

See printed edition.

## Events

22 Mar	Water Aid Day
26 Mar	Mock Interviews
7 Apr 19:30	Council meeting
23 Apr 18:30	Club AGM
25 - 27 Apr	Aschaffenburg visit
27 Apr	District AGM
5 May 19:30	Council meeting
21 May 13:00	Club affairs meeting

## The Editor

Please send news items and contributions to [ByGeorge@perthsjrotary.org.uk](mailto:ByGeorge@perthsjrotary.org.uk) by 14 April.