



The New Centurion

The newsletter of The Rotary Club of Aylesbury Hundreds

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Programme

Forthcoming events

Friday 30 September

MacMillan Coffee

Morning

Foxhills Bowls Club

9.30-12 noon

Monday 3 October

Ten Pin Bowling at

Jardines.

Could be your last chance to bowl here

Monday 7 November

Bonfire and fireworks in Jenny's field Aston Clinton

Monday 14th November

Aylesbury Hundreds

District Darts Marathon

Tilsworth Golf Club

Saturday 19 November

Aylesbury Hundreds

Young Chef

Sat/Sun 10/11 December

Week-end in Lille

Ask Roger King for details

Look out for the dates of other important events

Meetings at Foxhills

Monday 10 October

District Governor John

Bromley visits the club

Monday 17 October

Fellowship

All meetings 7.15 for a

7.30 pm start

Dinner £10 is standard.

Apologies to

Stella Haylett

Come and join us!

I am grateful to Roger King for producing and editing the Centurion, which among other things enables me as President of the Rotary Club of Aylesbury Hundreds to convey my thoughts to our members, their families and friends and to prospective members.

Indeed if you are reading this having attended our Introduction to Rotary evening – thanks very much for coming along and I hope you found the evening stimulating. Sadly I have been unable to attend but I am always happy to speak to anyone about our Club, what we do and how you can become involved. You can ring me on 01296 431806 any evening (except Mondays) or at weekends. I don't guarantee to be there but if you leave a voicemail message I will get back to you.

If you haven't already visited, please take a look at our website at www.aylesbury100srotary.org. Here you will find lots of information about the Club and our activities and latest details of our programme.

It's now two months since I took over as President and I'm becoming used to the idea and enjoying the role! We've had some interesting events – a treasure hunt in Chesham, a visit to the Trenchard Museum at RAF Halton and speakers



Our latest new member Robin Elliott is inducted into the club in September by President Jon Mullins

from several local and national charities. And there's more in the near future including our major Darts Marathon fundraiser for Diabetes UK and a firework and bonfire party.

We have just purchased a water box that is going out to Pakistan to help people in urgent need of clean water after the recent flooding – over 5 million people half of them children have been affected.

I was very pleased last week to induct and welcome to the Club the first new member of my presidency – Robin Elliott. Robin has organised our first 'World's Biggest Coffee

Morning' to raise funds for the Macmillan Cancer Support. Do come along and tell your family and friends – details are in the forthcoming events.

I'm also looking forward to inducting Stephen Fitzpatrick in a few weeks time, and hopefully a few more new Rotarians in the coming months – perhaps you'll be one of them!

As always if you have an idea for contributing to our local community or for a fundraiser or club social, please share it. To prospective members please come and join us.

We're going to have a busy year – I hope you all enjoy it.

**Jon Mullins
Club President**



The Rotary Club of Aylesbury Hundreds are District Darts Champions 2011.

We defeated Flitwick Vale by 3 legs to 1 in the final held at Tilsworth Golf Centre. The competition which is open to all 52 Rotary clubs in the District has been won by Aylesbury Hundreds three times, the first being in 1998. We have also been losing finalists on two other occasions. The photo shows the winning team l to r Charles Chaney (captain) Roger King, Kim Dixon and John Badmin.



Wild Ones rampage in the High Street!

Not the visit of club members to Margate in September but s a headline in the Daily Mirror following Mods v Rockers battles at Whitsun in 1964. The local museum was

running an exhibition showing what went on during that weekend nearly 50 years ago. Today members found Margate a little more gentile as the picture shows on the right (members and friends



enjoying a pub lurch on the sea front). It also appears that our President has secretly opened his own brasserie. (see picture at the top). Photos courtesy of Charles Chaney

Wanted

- **Three more people to join us in Lille on 10/11 December. I need 28 to break even on this trip. Contact Roger.**
- **Brian needs a Deputy to learn the ropes with the organisation of our Annual Young Chef competition. Contact Brian Billinghurst**
- **Kim would like a member to take over from him helping to organise the Technology Tournament. He has run it since its inception over 10 years ago.**

ROTARY AROUND THE COUNTRY

As seen through the lens of the Editor's camera



A plaque seen in Shrewsbury during a coach trip there in July



A blue Heritage plaque in Torquay spotted during a long week-end stay in the summer.