



Friends of Bradford on Avon Lions Club

Newsletter No 55 July 2024

Introduction.

Dear 'Friends'. This Newsletter covers the period from the beginning of May 2024 until the end of July 2024.

From July 1st our President for the next 12 months will be Lion Mike Sullivan.

Our Membership now stands at 18. This month, Member Richard Bloom M. J..F. decided to call time on being a Member of Lions International after nearly 40 years service with Bradford on Avon Lions Club. Throughout this time, Richard has been our President on more than one occasion, Club Treasurer for many years, organiser of both our Christmas Float and Fun Day for years, and Chairman of a number Club Committees. We thank him for all his effort. He will be sadly missed, however, I am pleased to report that he and his wife Sally have decided to become Friends of, so thankfully we will be seeing them from time to time as "helpers" at our Fund Raising events.

We are always seeking new Members. Thus, if you know of anybody who would like to join us, then please contact our Membership Secretary Phil Courage on Tel. No. 01225/864154.

We have moved our Club Meeting place from Cumberwell Park Golf Club to the Village Hall at Holt. Our Meetings are now held on the first Monday of the month commencing at 07.30.

Without the assistance of partners and friends such as yourself, we would not be able to put on some of our Fund Raising events. Our thanks go to those of you who have assisted in the past. Should you know of any people who would like to become one of our 'Friends' then please contact me on Tel. No 01225/865851 or by Email judy.hersee@btinternet.com

Remember you are always welcome to attend our Social events. We hope that if you attended any of our past events, you found them welcoming and enjoyable.

Community Service.

The Club purchased

6 copies of "Wild Life" books at £40/set, to cover the 6 Primary Schools in our area. This publication is sponsored by Lions and is suitable for years 1 & 2 (5-11).

We continue to collect used spectacles from 4 collection points within the Town as part of Lion's "Spectrek" campaign. For more info on this subject, or if you wish to donate used spectacles, please contact our "Spectrek" officer Lion Mike Sullivan on Tel. No. 01225/519857.

Fund Raising.

Fun Day and Car Boot Sale.

This was held on 27th May in the Victory and Culver Close Fields. Again, despite the weather being mixed on the day, it was well supported by the Public. As a result, after expenses, we were able to show a profit of over £4k for our Charity Account.

Promotion of Local Charities.

This was held in St Margaret's Hall on 7th June. The Club were able to show a profit of £112 from our Stall for our Charity Account.

Coffee and Cakes & Choirs.

This was held in Trinity Church on 13th July. After expenses we made a profit of £768 for our Charity Account.

Social.

The Club Handover.

This was held at The Boathouse Bradford Marina on Sunday 30th June. 25 Members and Friends attended for lunch. Afterwards our outgoing President Lion Phil Courage thanked Members for the support he has received during his time as President and then passed The Chain of Office over to our incoming President Lion Mike Sullivan. President Mike said a few words and then passed a "Year Book" to Lion Phil as a record of his time in office.

Coffee Mornings. Members have held a number of coffee mornings at local restaurants.

Donations.

The following Donation was made over this period from our Charity Account :-
£100 L.C.I.F. Mexican Appeal.

Future Events.

1. Fund Raising.

5K Fun Run and 1K Toddler Walk.

This was planned for early September in the Culver Close Field. Unfortunately, this will not now take place.

Christmas Float.

Our Float will again tour the Town and local villages throughout December.

2. Social.

Charter Lunch.

This will take place on Sunday 3rd November at Cumberwell Park Golf Club. 12 for 12.30. More details to follow.

Christmas Meal.

This is being planned for 12th December at a local hostelry. More details to follow.

Contacts

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Regards,
Brian Hersee