



# MIDLANDS NEWS

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## September 2015



During the Cabinet meeting 16 August we were informed that Lion John Gray had to resign as 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor as a result of health and family reasons. Barbara also resigned as District Officer in charge of Young leaders in service. We were all shocked hearing this news and we all sent our best wishes to John and Barbara. But, we have to continue and Heather has asked for nominations for these positions. When you get this newsletter, there is still time, so please have a think and let Heather know if you feel you are suited for one of these jobs. Heather's motto is: "Reach out to serve." This is your opportunity to reach out and serve.

Raise money for your club. Register your club using this [link](#) and tell your members, family, friends about it and every time they buy online (Amazon, ebay, booking.com etc.) through this site, a small percentage goes to the club.

If members want to advertise, for only £10, we can place small advertisements. All funds raised for the district charity account. Over 1,000 lions will see your advert. An excellent place to advertise your holiday home, camper, old bike etc. Please contact us for details.

Last but not least, please send reports, news about forthcoming events, charter dates, newspaper clippings and anything else you think we should know about.

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### Malvern Bed and Breakfast Consortium Raise Money for Malvern Hills Lions Club and ChildLine.

The members of Malvern Bed and Breakfast Consortium recently organised and ran a Cheese and Wine evening at the local Lovells Vineyard at Welland to raise money for both Malvern Hills Lions Club and the Friends of Malvern ChildLine. The wine of course being supplied by the vineyard and the cheeses being provide by Croome Cuisine. The evening was hosted by the vineyard owners, Cathie and John Rolinson



and include a tour of the vineyard and a talk on the cheeses on offer from Nick Hodgetts of Croome Cuisine. Both Malvern Hills Lions Club president Dave Jeavons and Friends of Malvern ChildLine chairman Colin Butler thanks the chairman of the Malvern Bed and Breakfast Consortium Liz Fisher and her committee for organising a very enjoyable and successful evening. Liz Fisher thanked all of those that had attended and particularly those that had help organise the event and had provided raffle prizes and the gorgeous pudding that had been on offer.

The £540 raised from the event has been divide equally between Malvern Hills Lions Club and Friends of Malvern ChildLine and presented to the representatives

of the benefiting organisation at later date.

The picture shows from left to right: Liz Fisher Chairman of Malvern Bed and Breakfast Consortium, Cathie Rolinson of Lovells Vineyard, Malvern Hills Lions Club president Dave Jeavons, Ruth Jinks, Malvern Bed and Breakfast Consortium committee member and Friends of Malvern ChildLine chairman Colin Butler during the later presentation of cheques for £270.

## True Yorkshire Grit Triumphs on 'End to End' Walk

Keith Ogley, a member of Kettering & District Lions Club, found an unusual way to celebrate his 72<sup>nd</sup> birthday. He decided to take on the challenge of walking the 1,113 miles from Land's End to John O'Groats! He did this to raise funds for Lions Clubs International Charities and Cransley Hospice in Kettering which had cared for his late wife, Joan.

Despite several members of his own Lions Club expressing severe reservations due to the scale of the challenge, with the help of a small team from Kettering Lions detailed routes were planned, overnight accommodation sorted, some sponsorship gained and the necessary risk assessment completed.

It was clear that help would be needed from other sources and this was provided at various stages by Lions Clubs, friends and family. Seven Lions' District Governors with Clubs near to Keith's route were contacted and asked if they could provide support with transport and accommodation, where necessary. In true Lions fashion all responded positively! Some even invited Keith to Club meetings, made donations to his appeal and provided him with a good meal, hot bath or a bed!

Morpeth and Teesdale Lions Clubs even ensured he could celebrate his birthday with them!

Keith was also featured in District 105NE and 105M's District Governor's newsletters. If this has happened in other Districts please accept our apology for not mentioning you and send a copy to [vdg-1st@lions105m.org.uk](mailto:vdg-1st@lions105m.org.uk) for our records.

When the route did not go near enough to a Lions Club members of Keith's own family and friends stepped in to provide support and arranged an emotional surprise welcome at John O'Groats.

1st Vice District Governor 105M, John Gray, sends his most sincere and grateful thanks to all Lions Clubs and members for their efforts in support of the 'End to End' Charity Walk. Without your help and encouragement Lion Keith's challenge would not have been completed on schedule – yes he actually finished on the day planned!

**To date over £8,000 has been raised and you can still donate at:**

[www.JustGiving.com/keith-ogley1](http://www.JustGiving.com/keith-ogley1)



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**13<sup>th</sup> May - 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2015**

## District Golf Competition 4/8

The district golf took place on the 4th August at a very sunny Bromsgrove Golf club golf centre with 15 Lions, 11 taking part.

The golfers came from Wolverhampton, Solihull, Knowle & Dorridge, Shirley, Kingswinford & Stourbridge and Thurnby.

In such super conditions we had a few very good scores. The winners were

Mens open -	Rob Warner -	37 points	Kingswinford & Stourbridge Lions Club
Ladies open -	Maureen Whitmore		Kingswinford & Stourbridge Lions Club
Past DG's -	John Poole	33 points	Wolverhampton Lions Club

A very enjoyable afternoon was had by all those who took part.

Please remember to come next year provisionally booked for early August 4th 2016.

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## Re-naming of Kenilworth Lions Furniture Store as John Price House

The building which houses the Kenilworth Lions Furniture Store has been renamed 'John Price House', in honour of the man who over the last 25 years had been the main driving force behind its success.



In a ceremony attended by his widow Kathleen, his daughters Caroline and Alison, his granddaughter Rebecca and many Lions and members of the public, Lion President Paddy Murphy unveiled the new name over the entrance.

He spoke of how the idea for the store grew out of the very popular bi-annual jumble sale, where the queues 'stretched the imagination'. Its success took the Lions along the path of recycling and, in the late eighties, the ambitious idea to start a Furniture Store was conceived. After humble beginnings, the store was established in Farmer Ward Road in 1990.

Whilst the Furniture Store relies on the support of all Lions members, it was one man, Lion John Price,

who had the imagination and dedication to make it the great success it is today. John was a 'hands on' man and worked tirelessly to make the Store an important part of the community, not only raising funds approaching half a million pounds for local good causes, but also taking direct action in supplying furniture to those in need. John died in July, aged 78.

Kathleen said "I am very touched that so many have turned out to honour the memory of John. He would have been very proud."

One of the regular customers Jo Bloom said "I've been coming to the Furniture Store for over eight years, and in that time got to know John very well. He was a great character, very kind, generous and fair. He built a very impressive operation here at the Store, and what he did for the local community was wonderful."

The Chairman of the Furniture Store Lion Ted Curtis said "John made the Store what it is today. It is very fitting that it now carries his name, a memorial to a remarkable man, one we miss dearly."

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## Corner of the Competitions Officer, Ken Barker

Deadlines for the Lions competitions

- Environment Competition – Entries to be submitted to District Competitions Officer by 28.2.2016
- Environmental Photo Competition – Entries to be submitted to D C O by 1.12.2015
- Essay Competition – Entries to D C O by 15.2.2016
- Music Competition – Entries to D C O by 28.2.2016



- Peace Poster Competition – Purchase packs from MDHQ by 1.10.2015. Entries to D C O by 15.11.2015
  - Photographic Competition – Entries to D C O by 31.10.2015
  - Press and PR Competition – Entries to D C O by 19.3.2016
  - Roy White Competition – Entries to D C O by 21.2.2016
  - Scrapbook Competition – Entries to D C O by 19.3.2016
  - Skittles Competition – Zone stage to be completed by 31.10.2015, Region stage by 31.1.2016 and District stage by 28.2.2016
  - Travelling Lion Competition – Visits made during period 1.3.2015 and 28.2.2016 with final cards to the D C O by 13.3.2016
  - Website Competition – All Clubs having a website will be assessed throughout the year.
- Any queries to the District Competitions Officer Lion Ken Barker at [competitions@lions105.org.uk](mailto:competitions@lions105.org.uk)

## Corner of the PR Officer, Claire de Jonge-Vors



As the new PR officer I would like to introduce myself. Only a relative new member of Shirley Lions, I was very honoured to be asked to join the cabinet this year on the communications committee. My aim is to inform you about the opportunities that are out there for PR which do not cost money. Of course you expect me to start talking about websites, Facebook, Twitter and the like, but no, not yet. Think about **PAPER!** The old fashioned certificates, thank you notes to establishments that have given us money, or allowed us to collect on their premises. Remember, those Thank You Notes can help **us** as well, as this certificate from Knowle and Dorridge Lions shows in the local supermarket. Hand them out, also to those that do not expect/require them. Think always how you would feel. A thank you is always nice. Perhaps the majority go into the bin, but the occasional one in the shop window can do a lot for us.



## Obituaries

Here we pay respects to our fellow Lions who have passed to higher service. We wish their families and friends strength during these difficult times.

### Lion Mike Smith, Birmingham Acocks Green Club

It is with sadness that Birmingham Acocks Green Club reports the death of Lion Mike Smith. He was 68, Lion Mike joined the Lions in 1980 and held many posts in the Club. He was President in 1988-89 and again in 2009-10 and since then has been the Chairman of our Committee Services Committee.

Mike took great pride in the organisation of events that we ran such as the senior citizens trips, Christmas meals, afternoon teas, carnivals (where the Club did a tea tent) and more recently the annual rambles run by the Club in Earlswood.

Mike will be sadly missed by the Club.

## Advertising

### **VILLA RENTAL in Croatia**

3 bedroom stone cottage near Porec.  
Pool, Wifi, and full facilities.  
[www.villatolet.co.uk](http://www.villatolet.co.uk)

### **VILLA RENTAL in Pembrokeshire**

Seaside Holiday Home. Sleeps 8, takes dogs. 2 minutes from beach.  
[www.broadhavenholidaycottage.co.uk](http://www.broadhavenholidaycottage.co.uk)

**Tel: 01858 432325/07714 522100**

**Email: lionjohnbush@aol.com**

## Forthcoming Events

### Charity Clay Shoot

Rushden and District Lions  
54 Avenue Road, Rushden, NN10 0SJ

5<sup>th</sup> September 2015 / 1-4pm

£15 per ticket

(25 shots, Inc. cartridges and barbecue)

Additional rounds £10.00 each

### **IN AID OF A BRAIN TUMOUR CHARITY**

For more info. call Marian  
01933 355281, 079 211 92 905

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## The Village Fête comes to the city



2015 sees the 47<sup>th</sup> consecutive Coventry Donkey Derby in Coventry's War Memorial Park. This family

orientated event brings the village fete to the City with an emphasis on entertainment for all ages. The organisers, Coventry Leofric Lions Club supported by Phoenix Lions Clubs, aim to raise as much money as possible for local charities by providing a village of stalls, a fun fair, donkey rides, story telling, a jazz band, circus skills, Wolly the Clown, hot dogs, burgers, asian delights, a tea tent, a beer tent and much more. The centre arena will see five Donkey Races and two Sulky Races that will give everyone a chance to have a flutter on the Tote.



The big event take will take place this year on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> September, which is a change from tradition. The organisers are hoping for better weather and more families free from holidays and able to attend. The fun takes place from 12.00 noon until 5.00pm and entry is free. Last year saw an attendance of between 6,000 and 8,000 people from all over Coventry and Warwickshire and with the blessing of fine weather many of these will return for another family day out in Coventry's beautiful park. Coventry Leofric Lions invite you to put this date in your diary and hope to see you there enjoying yourselves and helping the needy of Coventry and Warwickshire.

More details about the Donkey Derby can be found on the club's website [www.leofriclions.org.uk](http://www.leofriclions.org.uk)

## Northampton 80 Lions Club Annual Am Am Golf Tournament

COLD ASHBY GOLF CLUB, NORTHAMPTON  
10th. SEPTEMBER 2015, Shotgun start 12.30 pm.

ENTRANCE FEE £200 PER TEAM OF FOUR, INCLUDES:  
18 Hole Am-Am Tournament (best 2 of 4 scores count)

Coffee and biscuits on arrival. Superb 3 course evening meal.  
Prizes for first three teams. Longest Drive and Nearest Pin.

*HELP THE LIONS TO HELP THOSE LESS FORTUNATE!*

BENEFICIARY NORTHAMPTON MENCAP YOUTH CLUB

Contact: LION TREVOR HARRISON Tel: 01604 752731  
or LION JIM FORD, [jimford@btinternet.com](mailto:jimford@btinternet.com)

## North Sea Lions Board meeting and Festive Dinner 12 September



Lions are invited to visit the NSL board meeting on 12/9 at 09.00 in Solihull. The meeting comes once every 11 years to 105M and this is your chance to see them in action



35 years since NSL started also means a festive dinner at £27.50 (3 course).

If you would like to join these activities, please contact 105M NSL officer Jaap de Jonge as places must be reserved as they are very limited.

Tel: 0121-7453026, email: [pti@globalnet.co.uk](mailto:pti@globalnet.co.uk)

## Shirley Lions Duathlon at Blythe Valley Business Park 13/9

For 2015 due to popular demand we are changing our annual Fun Run to a "Duathlon".

This is a twofold event on Sunday 13th September with a 10 mile cycling element added to the normal 5K and 10K runs.

The run will as usual be around Blythe Valley Park and the cycle element will take place on the static cycles within Virgin Active on the Park. For those not wishing to cycle entrants may continue to do just the run as in previous years.

To enter please click [here](#) and download an entry form.



Please note that this year all competitors must pre-register in order to help manage the event. There will be NO registration on the day.

The beneficiary of the funds raised from this year's event will be the Marie Curie Hospice in Solihull.

## 13/9 Redditch Lions 2.5 or 5K FUN RUN / WALK

13 SEPT PROMPT 11 AM START

**MANY THANKS TO OUR SPONSORS**

<b>DURA FOREST</b>	<b>PROAXIOM</b>
<b>MONARCH</b> Subcontractors & Tiles	<b>Abacus</b>
<b>ARROW VALLEY</b> Health Club	<b>HYUNDAI</b>
<b>ARROW VALLEY</b> Health Club	Find us on <b>Facebook</b>
<b>INDIAN BIRDS</b>	www.redditchlions.org.uk
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<b>TAYLORS</b>	<b>STUDLEY</b>

**Redditch Lions**  
**5 K / 2.5 K**  
**FUN RUN / WALK**  
**ARROW VALLEY LAKE**  
September 13, 2015  
**11 AM START**

WEAR SOMETHING BLUE  
FANCY DRESS

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WEAR SOMETHING BLUE  
FANCY DRESS

PROSTATE CANCER UK



Supporting "Prostate Cancer UK" and the "Rory the Robot" surgical appeal at the Alexandra hospital.

Redditch Lions 2.5 or 5k fun run / Walk  
Arrow Valley Countryside Park  
Battens Drive, South Moons Moat -  
Redditch B98 0LJ

event - warm-up starts at 10:45 am,  
starting time is at 11:00

for more information contact the  
Redditch Lions

e-mail: [redditchlionsfunrun@gmail.com](mailto:redditchlionsfunrun@gmail.com)

web [www.redditchlions.org.uk](http://www.redditchlions.org.uk),

[www.facebook.com/redditchlions.com](http://www.facebook.com/redditchlions.com)

register online at

<https://mydonate.bt.com/events/redditchlionsfunrun2015/229763>

come in fancy dress - prize's awarded! Get your own personal fundraiser organised! Bring your friends!

**Southam & District Lions Club**

# The Ken Graham extravaganza

**over 60's only**

at Southam College, Southam  
**Saturday**  
**19th September**



**FREE to all ... and it all starts at 2pm**  
Entertainment by  
**Band 60Plus • all-round entertainer Bill McKechnie**  
**• dance act Secret Garden Musical Theatre School**

To reserve a seat or 3, and book a lift -  
please contact **Lion Malcolm** on 01926 814294.

*Come along and have some fun, it's not just Sherry and Cakes!*

**www.southamlions.org.uk**



## Castle Bromwich Lions Club

in support of Acorns Children's Hospice  
Quiz Night with Fish and Chips Supper  
*Friday 25th September 2015*

7.00pm for 7.30pm

*at*

The Family Tree Club  
Clopton Crescent, Chelmsley Wood B37 6QT  
Tickets £6.50 (includes hot supper), max 6 per team  
*Pay Bar*

For Tickets Ring Lion Steve Else  
07754950290 or email [stephen-else@hotmail.com](mailto:stephen-else@hotmail.com)

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## Worcester Lions Quiz Night

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> September 2015 7.30pm

The Blue Bell

35 Upton Road, Callow End, Nr Worcester, WR2 4TY

Raising funds for  
CLIC Sargent, Supporting children and young people with cancer

Come along and test your knowledge at our fun quiz night.  
Teams of up to 6 people can be made up on the night.

£8 per person to include a meal.

Choose your menu from:

Fish, chips and peas

Faggots, chips and peas

Vegetable Kiev

Book your place by email: [worcester@lions105m.org.uk](mailto:worcester@lions105m.org.uk)  
Or ringing Ian on 0845 8335926 / 01905 21587 / 07703034625

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## Sponsored Nature Ramble 21 Items to Collect

Birmingham Acocks Green Lions

Birmingham Clubs for Young People

invite you to join them on

Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2015

Near Earlswood Lakes.

The monies you/ your team raises will be split three ways between

- a charity or organisation of your choice 1/3rd
- Birmingham Clubs for Young People 1/3rd
- and Acocks Green Lions' club Charities 1/3rd

Start your ramble between 10am and 11am.  
Return to some countryside entertainment on site.

Refreshments available, picnic area and parking. '

News that a founder organiser of this event Lion Mike Smith has passed to higher service means this event takes on an even greater significance as this event helps to support the Birmingham Clubs for Young People which was the organisation Mike worked for and it is their facility we use for the event. Please help us to make this the best one yet.

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THERE'S A LION  
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BIRMINGHAM  
LIONS CLUB

伯明翰华埠狮子会  
BCLC  
Birmingham Chinatown Lions Club  
Mid Autumn Festival Dinner

**Celebrate this traditional Chinese Festival with BCLC**  
**26th Sep 2015 7.00pm**  
**£30 per person**

**Ming Moon Restaurant & Karaoke Bar**  
8 Wrottesley Street Chinatown Southside B5 4RT  
[www.chinatownlions.com/events](http://www.chinatownlions.com/events)

**RSVP : me@sbateman.com**  
**Contacts : Mike 07753585276 (English)**  
**Louis 07870759249 (廣東話)**  
**Wei 07877441077 (普通话)**

**In Aid of RSYV**  
rape & sexual violence project

**@Birmingham Chinatown Lions**  
**@BCTLCL** **@BCTLCL**

## Bromsgrove Lions Club Fashion Show

@ M&Co, Bromsgrove High Street (B61 8ES)

Thursday October 1st at 7.00pm

Tickets @ £5 pp from M&Co Bromsgrove & Ann Jackson on 0121 743 5041.

All welcome, even the men, as long as you have your credit cards with you!! Bring a friend!



**Northampton Lions**

# *Fundraising Dinner*

Delicious Malaysian cuisine in a warm and friendly atmosphere

Wednesday 30 September 2015 at 7pm

**£20 per person**

Venue:

Baba Nyonya Malaysian Restaurant  
18 Kingsley Park Terrace  
Northampton  
NN2 7HG

For info

email: [northamptonlions@gmail.com](mailto:northamptonlions@gmail.com)

web: [www.northamptonlionsclub.uk](http://www.northamptonlionsclub.uk)

FB: [facebook.com/northampton.lions](https://facebook.com/northampton.lions)

***Fundraising for local and international causes***

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## Balsall Common Lions Club

*present*

A Charity Evening with  
Malc Stent  
*Friday 2nd October 2015*

7.30pm for 8.00pm at

St Peters Church Hall  
Balsall Common CV7 7EA  
Tickets £12.50 (includes hot supper)

*Pay Bar*

For Tickets Ring Lion Ross Collins, 07813 937921

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## Kidderminster & District Lions Club Quiz

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> October  
8pm

Teams of 4

£7.50 per person including food

Sausage & Chips or Fish & Chips

Venue Running Horse Bewdley DY12 2QP

Contact Lion Linda Cross 01299 825230 Or email [linda.cross@uwclub.net](mailto:linda.cross@uwclub.net)

With teams & food choices

# WELLINGBOROUGH & DISTRICT LIONS CLUB

QUIZ NIGHT

SATURDAY 10th OCTOBER 2015

at GREAT DODDINGTON MEMORIAL HALL

7.30pm start

TICKETS £10 including Ploughman's supper

Teams of up to 6

Tickets available from:

Jayne Hancock on 01933 273770, Wendy McKean on 01933 403411

Proceeds to Wellingborough & District Lions Charities  
RUGBY (ROKEBY) LIONS CLUB ARE PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THEIR  
Twentieth Annual Duplicate Pairs Bridge Competition  
for

**The "Salt Cellars" and a purse of £100**

at

London Midland Railwayman's Association Club,  
Hillmorton Road, Rugby CV22 5AL

Starting at **1.30 pm** on **Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2015**

This is a two session competition with a break for supper, it is anticipated to finish at approximately 10 p.m.

Profits will be donated to the Coventry Wheelchair Basketball Association.

EBU Black Points Will Be Awarded At District Scale

**£14 per person including supper**

Contact Chris Malthouse on Rugby (01788) 561779 for further details.  
e-Mail [chrismalthouse@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:chrismalthouse@tiscali.co.uk)

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## Bromsgrove Lions

October 16<sup>th</sup> 2015, Abba Tribute Night

Longbridge Social & Working Men's Club & Institute,

1012, Bristol Road South, Birmingham, B31 2QU

Castle Bromwich Barn Dance

Castle Bromwich and District Lions Club invites you to a Barn Dance at the Grounds Farm, Wishaw, Sutton Coldfield on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2015. £16.00 dinner and dance includes our popular 2 Course hot meal.

To register, please contact Lion Phil White on: 01217850392 or 07969621256 or e-mail:  
[philpwhite@talktalk.net](mailto:philpwhite@talktalk.net).



**Northampton Lions**

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# COMMUNITY DAY

**Proceeds to help Oncology Centre,  
Northampton General Hospital**

**Saturday 17 October 2015 10am to 4pm**

**A Day Of Fun & Entertainment  
For The Whole Family!**

Crafts & collectibles  
Book Fair  
Games & magic shows  
Bouncy Castle  
Raffle prizes  
Story telling & more....

**£2 for adults  
£5 for 2 adults and 3 children  
Children under 2 free**

Stalls £10 (advance booking)



For info:  
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E: northamptonlions@gmail.com  
E: lion.jmwillkinson@gmail.com  
W: www.northamptonlionsclub.uk  
F/b: facebook.com/northampton.lions

**Venue: Bee Hive, Harborough Road North, Northampton, NN2 8LL**



**Balsall Common Lions Club**



## Charity Evening

Present

**The Priory Players**

In

# "A Chorus of Disapproval"

*By Alan Ayckbourn*

**At the Priory Theatre Kenilworth**

On

**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2015 @ 7.30pm**

*Doors open at 7.00pm*

**Tickets £16**

To include

**A Buffet Supper and a Glass of Red/White wine, Beer, Lager or fruit juice**

**In aid of the Lions District Charity Appeal  
Hologram Scanner for Birmingham Children's Hospital**

### Contacts

Ray Stephens - 01676 532539. Mobile 07946 456 325

Lynda Dandy - 01676 532159. Mobile 07543 276 633

Marie-Louise Marsden - 01675 443519. Mobile 07747065315

[www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/balsall](http://www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/balsall)



Droitwich Lion's Charity Concert Friday 13th November  
Live at Droitwich Working Men's Club

Special Charity Concert featuring

The Dublin Jacks & David Bartley, black country poet & comedian

Friday November 13th 2015

doors open 7.00pm for 7.30pm start

tickets £10 available from

Carole Moseley 01905 796565/ [c.moseley25@googlemail.com](mailto:c.moseley25@googlemail.com), or Lions number 0845 833 5879

**“a *Music* Extravaganza”**  
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**THE *Leicester* BIG BAND**

Singing along with the best music from the **60's & 70's**



with **Don Maclean** supported by **The Belles of Three Spires**

In aid of Coventry Foodbank  
Coventry Resource Centre for the Blind  
Local charities and good causes



**Saturday 28th November 2015 - 7.30pm**  
The Albany Theatre, Butts, Coventry

**Tickets £12.00**

Available from The Albany Theatre Box Office: **024 7699 8964**  
or online @: [www.albanytheatre.co.uk](http://www.albanytheatre.co.uk)

For further information email: [concert@leofrictions.org.uk](mailto:concert@leofrictions.org.uk)  
PARKING @ Coventry Rugby Club Butts Park

## DROITWICH LIONS CLUB

**Are pleased to announce that they have hired the Norbury Theatre**  
in Droitwich for a special performance by The Norbury Players of:

" Beauty and the Beast " The Pantomime

We have 176 seats available at the special price of only £3 each (normally £10)

**For one night only.**

This is a special concession by Droitwich Lions & The Norbury Players  
for disadvantaged youngsters and the elderly or disabled.

At 7:30pm Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2016

The Norbury Theatre, Friar Street, Droitwich. WR9 8ED

Ample car parking opposite the theatre, off The Saltway

(parking is free after 6:00pm)

If you or your club would like to take advantage of this special offer, please contact ASAP: Lion President  
Dave Jepson of Droitwich Lions Club. Tel. 01527 821019 or email: [jeppo179@hotmail.com](mailto:jeppo179@hotmail.com)

First come, first served! – Offer closes November 30<sup>th</sup> 2015

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This special production of Beauty and the Beast has all the traditional Pantomime ingredients !

Oh yes it does !

With a subtle French feel, there is a suit of armour that walks, Gigi the horse and of course the traditional  
Pantomime Dame in the guise of Madame Dolores Lilly, and the panto baddie, Countess Cruella.

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### Charters

#### SHAKESPEARE LIONS CLUB

Invite you to attend their 48<sup>th</sup> Charter Night

On

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2015

At

The Riverside, Hawthorne Suite

Tiddington, CV37 7AB

19.00 for 19.30 until midnight

Dress code: Black Tie Optional

Price £30

There will be music and dancing.

Please contact Lion Richard Gee to book your place,

[richgeeuk@aol.com](mailto:richgeeuk@aol.com)

01789 261852

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#### WOLVERHAMPTON LIONS CLUB CHARTER NIGHT

At Linden House, 211 Tettenhall Road, Wolverhampton, WV6 0DD

10th October 2015, 19:00 For 19:30

Cost £23

Please return booking forms to

Lion Lawrence Darby, 18 Greenfield View, Sedgley, DY3 3NG

or email [clubcharter@wolverhamptonlions.org.uk](mailto:clubcharter@wolverhamptonlions.org.uk)

Please return forms by Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2015

## Marston Green and District Lions Club 38<sup>th</sup> Charter Anniversary

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2015

7.00 p.m. for 7.30 p.m.

At

The Arden Hotel, Coventry Road, Bickenhill, Solihull, B92 0EH

Four course dinner with vegetarian options

Dress: Dinner jacket or lounge suit

Music and dancing with Darren Blenkiron

£25 per person – payable on the evening

Menu and booking form attached

Contact: Geoff Matthews on 07980 661870 or [g.matthews@sky.com](mailto:g.matthews@sky.com)

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### SUTTON COLDFIELD AND ERDINGTON LIONS CLUB

We would like to invite you to our Charter Lunch

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2015

at

GROUNDS FARM, WISHAW

12:30 – 1.00PM

Adults £22.00 Children £12.00

contact

Lion Derek Brown

On 0121 2180342 or [Derek.elgar2@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:Derek.elgar2@hotmail.co.uk)

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### Northampton 80 Lions Club

Charter Anniversary Dinner

at

The Marriot Hotel

Eagle Drive Northampton NN4 7HW

On Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2015

At 7.00 for 7.30 p.m.

Menu choices to be advised

Cost £25.00

Dress formal or dark lounge suit

Contact Doug Cooper on

Tel: 01604 847534

Email: [01604847534@uwclub.net](mailto:01604847534@uwclub.net)

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### 51<sup>st</sup> Charter Anniversary Evening

You are cordially invited to attend the Shrewsbury Lions 51<sup>st</sup> Charter Anniversary evening at the Corbet Arms, Church Road, Uffington, Shrewsbury SY4 4SN on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> October.

The time is 7.00p.m. for 7.30p.m. and it is a formal evening (black tie or lounge suits).

The cost per person is £22.50

Lion President Brian Branch, Shrewsbury Lions Club Tel: 01939 235533, Mobile: 0794 126 5812

Email: [enquiries@shrewsburylions.com](mailto:enquiries@shrewsburylions.com)

WELLINGBOROUGH AND DISTRICT LIONS CLUB  
42nd Anniversary Charter Lunch

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2015

La Rocca, Tithe Barn Road, Wellingborough, NN8 1AH

Cost: £25 Arrival: 12.30pm for 1pm

Numbers will be limited so please respond asap but at the latest by 10th October 2015

Replies and choices to be sent to: Lion Wendy McKean - e-mail: [wendyamckean@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:wendyamckean@hotmail.co.uk)

Lion President Joy and the Members of Worcester Lions Club would like to invite you to their 46<sup>th</sup> Charter Dinner.

Venue: The Bank House Hotel, Bransford, Worcester, WR6 5JD <http://www.bankhouseworcester.com/>

Date: Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2015

Time: 7.00pm for 7.30pm

Cost: £25.00

Dress Code: Men - Dinner Jacket/Lounge Suit - Ladies - Posh Frock

For anyone wishing to stay over there are special room rates including breakfast available.

Music provided by Lion Darren Blenkiron

Please return the attached Booking Form along with your choices and payment (cheques made payable to Worcester Lions Club) to:

IPDG Ian Haffner, 3 Cartwright Avenue, Harley-Whitefort, Warndon Villages, Worcester, WR4 0NZ  
ASAP please but no later than 10<sup>th</sup> November.

## In the papers

The Observer, Thursday August 13, 2015

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A group of athletes training in preparation for the 12th Blythe Valley Park Charity Duathlon.

## Runners and riders

RUNNERS and Cyclists are invited to turn out in force and take part in the annual Blythe Valley Park Charity Duathlon, in aid of Marie Curie Hospice.

Now in its 12th year, the event will be in partnership with on-site gym Virgin Active and organised by Shirley Lions Club.

Taking place on Sunday, September 13, the day will include 5k and 10k challenges for runners and cyclists, as well as a family fun run.

Entry costs £10 for adults and £5 for

children under 12 years, with family tickets available for £20.

All entry fees will be donated to the Marsh Lane Hospice which provides care and support to more than 2,000 patients and their families.

Amy McNaughton-Brown, Community Fundraiser at Marie Curie, said: "We offer quality care and clinical support to all our patients by providing excellent day services to those in our hospice and outpatient facilities which enable as many patients as possible to remain at home with loved ones."

"We would like to thank Blythe Valley Business Park, Shirley Lions, Virgin Active and all this year's duathlon competitors for their support which will enable us to continue providing the best possible care to all our patients and their families."

To enter, visit [www.runnersworld.co.uk/blythevalley10k](http://www.runnersworld.co.uk/blythevalley10k) or for sponsorship forms and opportunities, please contact Deborah Fennell on 0121 701 5583.

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## KENILWORTH LIONS

# Renamed in honour of stalwart

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**The Kenilworth Lions Furniture Store has been renamed John Price House in honour of the man who worked tirelessly to make it a prominent part of the community.**

At a well-attended public ceremony that took place on Saturday, the President of the Lions, Patrick Murphy, unveiled the new name over the entrance.

Mr Price's wife Kathleen, with whom he had two daughters, Caroline and Allison, said: "I am very touched that so many have turned out to honour the memory of John.

"He would have been very proud."

Mr Price, who died in July aged 78, helped establish the Farmer Ward Road store in 1990 after seeing the popu-

larity of the Lions' biannual jumble sale.

Although considered ambitious when the idea for the store was first mooted, his hands-on approach took it from strength to strength.

The store's success meant almost half a million pounds was raised for good causes across the community and enabled furniture to be supplied to many people in need.

Just four months ago he was presented with a certificate of appreciation by his fellow Lions for all the work he had put into the store in those 25 years.

At the time, Mr Price remained modest about the store's success: "In a large part, the huge success of the store is down to the incredibly generous people of Kenilworth.

"Without their donations and purchases there would be no store and we thank them very much."

He added: "It has been the Kenilworth Lions' good fortune to have been involved with such a successful project.

"It is hard work, but also a lot of fun and through our donors and customers we have made many good friends in the local community."

Store regular Jo Bloom paid tribute to Mr Price's personality.

She said: "I've been coming to the furniture store for over eight years, and in that time got to know John very well.

"He was a great character, very kind, generous and fair."

Although the store relies on the support of every Lions member, fellow Lion Ted Curtis made it clear that Mr Price played the biggest role in its success.

He said: "John made the store what it is today.

"It is fitting that it now carries his name, a memorial to a remarkable man, one we miss dearly."



Members of the Lions and John Price's relations at the official renaming of the furniture store.