



DISTRICT SECRETARY'S UPDATE

DISTRICT 1080

31 January 2016

RIBI President and RI Director

The following Election results have been released :

Elected Candidates:

Debbie Hodge D1260 Rotary Club of Ware is duly elected as RIBI President 2018/19

Brian Stoyel D1175 Rotary Club of Saltash is duly elected as RI Director 2017/19

Niall Blair D1090 Rotary Club of Marlow is elected (unopposed) as RIBI Hon. Treasurer 2017/18

The calculation is based on weighted votes for each eligible club with a total of 44% of clubs choosing to participate in this year's elections.

The full detail is on the attached documents.

Flying the Flag for District 1080

At the behest of Gt Yarmouth Haven RC. District 1080 is about to acquire two flagpoles and drops for major Outdoor Events.

These portable flag poles are easily broken down and transported in a family car. The design is Health and Safety approved and is secured by a water-base tank. The flag is 1 metre x 2.5 metres drop on a swing arm, it exhibits 'ROTARY in EAST ANGLIA' royal blue with gold roundel and lettering and can be raised to 5 metres.

This will be available to major outdoor events but we need two points of storage ideally in the East and West of the District. Any Club able to store this equipment please contact Rtn. Malcolm Goodson at 07970 127682 or E Mail malcolm@goodsons.force9.co.uk.

Foundation—Grants Fair 16th April from Steve Munns

Dear Club Secretaries

At the workshops in November, we said that we intend to have a Grants Fair on **Saturday, 16th April**.

This is the opportunity for your Club to promote any projects that you wish to undertake in the coming Rotary Year.

By "selling" your schemes and attracting funding from other Clubs and the New Grant system, you will be able to build larger projects for your local and international communities.

Conversely, if your Club has a surplus of funds in your charity account, you will be able to help support other Clubs' projects.

That's not as silly as it may seem, as even small sums can add up – especially when either of the grant matches are taken into consideration.

The Grants Fair is **open to all members of your Club**, although it would be good to have your President-Elect and any member prepared to undertake grant applications.

This is also the opportunity for you to invite your friends from corporate organisations, and for them to see how Rotarians support communities in need.

Increasingly, businesses want to be involved in **Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR)** programmes that point to how their company has made a difference to social problems.

Businesses want CSR programmes to move away from old-fashioned philanthropy towards "strategic philanthropy" or "social investment".

That means they want to be able to point to how their company has made a difference to social problems.

It's Rotary's job to facilitate that ambition, and your Club is in the best position to offer businesses the opportunity to support our projects.

If you don't show them what projects Rotarians are involved with, they won't know that we are able to get the best return for their contributions.

Attached you will find a **registration booking form** - it has spaces for eight attendees, but we are not restricting attendance to this number.

You may not have a project or spare funds, but if you attend the event, you may come away with ideas that your Club could utilise in the future.

Please note that this form along with cheque payments, must be posted to Grants Chairman Ian Graham - details are on the form.

Also attached, there is a **Grants Fair Leaflet** which should be viewed as a reference document to explain how the Grants Fair event will run.

This also gives more background to the New Grant Model of the Rotary Foundation

The third attachment is the **GF Proposal** document - this is to be completed and **submitted by email to me**, if your Club has a project to promote during the session.

The "fields" will expand as you type the details into them, so please complete the form on your computer - then "save as" with your Club name.

regards

Steve Munns
District Rotary Foundation Chairman - D1080
Tele: 01953 887889

Attachments : Grants Fair Proposal
Grants Fair Registration
Grants Fair Leaflet
RIBI President Election result
RI Director Election result