



This Months Programme

6th December Nicki Ross will talk on Eyes for Asia

8th December Bingo at the Parish Hall

11th December Carol Singing at Harriet
Nanscawen and Tyspane

12th December Carol Singing at Cheshire Home

13th December Rotary Christmas Lunch with
Horse Racing

15th Annual Carols on or around the Green

1st January New Year's Day Walk.

New Years Day Walk at Ilfracombe

The walk will start at 100 from the Landmark carpark and proceed around the seaward side of the base of Capstone Hill, taking in a quick look at Ilfracombe Harbour. We will proceed up St James's place passing Wetherspoon's Admiral Collingwood, where we may call in for a coffee/hot chocolate etc. (plenty of seating room) Thereafter, it is just a few minutes' walk to the Landmark car park (the Landmark cafe will be closed), before joining the others at Ilfracombe Golf Club (10 minute drive). We are expected any time after mid-day

The route is easy walking, almost level and the surface is tarmac- walking boots are not essential. It will take around 40 minutes, but can be reduced to 25 if the weather takes a turn for the worse. Excellent sea views of the Bristol Channel and local coastline. Whilst walking I will say something about the history of the area. This provides a healthy way to start 2017 and work up a good appetite for, what I am sure, will be a substantial lunch

G.Dadds

Please note:

The walk is weather dependant, if there is an inclement forecast-heavy rain or strong Northerly winds then we will cancel. In the event of a poor forecast please ring me early Saturday evening on 870 148.

Garry is still trying to arrange a visit to Ilfracombe Lifeboat Station, this will very much depend on numbers attending.

A Buffet Lunch has been arranged at the Golf Club in Ilfracombe. Cost £11.95 per person

Stewards and Graces this Month

6th Ben Crawford

13th Garry Dadds

20th Bill Harvey

27th Alan Jones

All subject to change

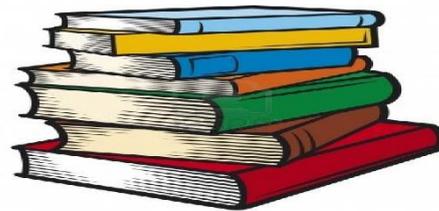
Birthdays this Month

Michael Zeal 7th John Lain 8th

Alan Jones 9th Eddie Chichester 16th

Anniversaries

Dennis and Jenny Watts 19th



Garry's Bookshop

Garry has reported this information about his very successful year on the book selling front.

With only one outlet still open, I wish to thank all those Rotarians who provided books throughout the year. I am aware that some have made a special effort to have helped supply books this year.

The total for the year is £1063.98; this figure will rise very slightly by the year end.



Our total fund since we started in a small way in 2005 is just over £13,000.

Most of the holiday sites are now closed until the end of March 2018, however in the meantime I would welcome more books to build up a stock for next summer.

May I take this opportunity to add my thanks to Glen for doing the sorting which can be a time consuming job

G.D 2017

Guest Speaker in November

At a recent Club Lunch our guest speaker Marie Ash gave an interesting and informative presentation on Mental Health Care in North Devon. She gave a full and detailed description of her own experience with health problems and the way she had overcome these. Since making a full recovery she is now actively involved in promoting and helping with services in the community, working with other organisations and the local hospital to help and benefit others who are experiencing similar issues. A large part of her work now addresses the issue of self-harm and suicidal thoughts and actions. Part of this work has included consultation with various authorities and organisations to ensure that preventative work has been completed on the two North Devon bridges.



Message from Susan at Kira Farm

How are you doing Hope all is well with you. I am doing fine and preparing for my

going home. Time runs so fast it seems like yesterday when I started this journey, yet I have got many skills in this small period. This experience at Kira Farm has taught me that when given the right opportunities they deserve their lives cannot remain the same. Kira Farm was the right

opportunity for me because through it I feel empowered to make it in this challenging world.

I am now planning how to use my skills. Tailoring is my first priority because I feel there is a ready market in my community. I was also encouraged by the business training that we have just concluded, can you believe in just 2 weeks I was able together with my business group to pay back the £8.00 we were given to start our cassava chip selling business and we made a profit of £20.00 That was great.

Thanks a lot for helping me to be in the right place that has transformed my life. Will be sending my last email in a few weeks now as I leave for home.

Yours Susan

Just a reminder that the Club will be holding a recruitment lunch at the end of January 2018, President Ray has arranged for a speaker Mary Holdsworth who will talk on the charity Medecins Sans Frontieres.

Not a lot else to report this month. If anyone has news or photos of the events that will be held in December please pass them on to ian.welsh75@gmail.com, to be included in future newsletters



To you all and of course a very Happy New Year