

# **Guildford Lions Club**

## **Guildford's Best Kept Secret!**

## Friends' and Supporters' News

**April 2024** 

#### **President's News**

I was invited to represent the Club at the opening of a new state of the art Boots Hearing Centre. There was a very impressive array of diagnostic equipment. I think I was invited because of the link with the Specs Collecting operation.

I attended Jim McKie's funeral with Trish together with a good contingent of those club members that remembered him. The family recognised his 50 year association with Lions.

I was given a conducted tour of the Space Research factory on the Surrey Business Park. It was utterly fascinating seeing satellites close up and personal. My friend has offered to do a tour for Guildford Lions.

#### **Community & Welfare News**

- £1,000 donation towards provision of new primary kit bags for Kent, Surrey, Sussex Air Ambulance.
- £400 donation for therapy sessions with horses for child, via SENDCo of Merrow Schools Federation.
- £250 donation to Dyscover, a local charity providing speech and language support groups for local stroke victims.
- £150 donation for double bed from Furniture Link for local resident, via Adult Mental Health Services.
- £630 to Guildford and Godalming Food Banks.
- Last month we donated £200 to a local junior skier. Her mother has recently been in touch to tell us that Molly won the British National Junior Championships at the end of March in Val d'Isere. She took the overall win at the Giant Slalom, plus the U18 win. In the slalom she came 1<sup>st</sup> in the U18 British and also the U18 International section, finishing the week with 6 cups and 2 salvers.



### **Social News**

#### Sunday 23rd June, Bramley Golf Club, 12.15 for 1pm

Lion President Brian and Trish are looking forward to our 57<sup>th</sup> Charter Anniversary at Bramley Golf Club.

If you would like to join us, or for more information see the other attachments to this email.

#### **Fundraising News**

#### Survival Football

We have a winner - well, two actually. After ten weeks Craig and James each achieved 29 points out of a possible 30. They have agreed to share the prize of £355 and a similar amount has gone into GLC funds. Many thanks to Graham for running the challenge.

#### Classic Car Display, Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> April



Although it was very blowy, which precluded the use of the gazebos, the rain stayed away and everyone seemed to have a really good time, including the Mayor. There was a good response from the public and the car owners want us to do it again, even as often as monthly.



My thanks to everyone involved. When all the figures are in we'll be able to publish to the amount raised.

#### Music In The Park, Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June

Planning continues and our box office is now open for you to buy your tickets. Click on the link on the GLC website, or enter the link - https://thelittleboxoffice.com/ guildfordlions/ to view the event details and to book your tickets for a very entertaining evening.





#### Raft Race, Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July

We have already had a few enquiries from prospective entrants. Surrey Care Trust and Zero Carbon Guildford are keen to be involved again. The duck races will again be an associated event.

#### Charity Golf Day, Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> July

Planning is progressing well. If you wish to play, as an individual or a team, please reply to this email. All raffle prizes are welcome, particularly golf related.



Website: https://guildfordlions.com

Firework Fiesta, Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> November Planning continues. Save the date.

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