



Guildford Lions Club

Guildford's Best Kept Secret!

Friends' and Supporters' News

August 2024

President's News

I am now into my second month as President of GLC and have thoroughly enjoyed it so far, especially as you were so kind to me Chairing my first Club meeting! Following on from the Club meeting I attended Dray Court to judge the containers and baskets, then later in July I was at Guildford County School with the Mayor for an evening of German music. I also attended Cranleigh Lions Club Golden Charter Anniversary at Cranleigh Golf and Country Club.

The Golf Day was another successful event in July and I was very happy to donate a decent bottle and a not so decent bottle for the raffle. Well done to the team for running a well organised event despite the typical British weather. Somehow I also came away with Cricket themed items in the auction that really impressed the wife (not)!

Recently Eric and I visited the Fountain Centre. We were given a tour and discussed their volunteers, finances and projects and I would certainly support them as a candidate for Lions fundraising.

Community & Welfare News

Donations this month include -

- £100 for SEN pupil to attend a summer club at their new school, via SCC Support Worker.
- £503 to Guildford & Godalming foodbanks.



Paul Spooner, President of Guildford Lions Club 2024/25 receiving the chain of office from last year's President.

Fundraising News

Music In The Park, Sunday 9th June

With our final figures now confirmed this year's event raised £3,800 for halow. Thank you for your support enabling another successful year for MITP.

Raft Race, Saturday 6th July

The entrants raised £1,279 in sponsorship and we received a donation of £1,000 from the Sandracharitable trust. A full report is on the website. Thanks to Harry Wickens for his photographs - <https://photos.app.goo.gl/vgKSuooZC4M5evMb7>

Charity Golf Day, Thursday 25th July

In total £5,500 was raised for Sensory Services by Sight for Surrey. I would like to thank all the donors and sponsors who supported the event, in particular the event sponsor, P W Mining International Ltd. All are acknowledged on our website. Thank you everyone who supported the event.

Loseley Music Events, 2nd to 4th August

With support from the Oakleaf Enterprise and our XRT friends we managed the car parking at Loseley, acted as ushers and assisted in the box office for the Friday and Saturday evenings. A bucket/contactless collection was held at the end of each performance raising £1,549.61 for Oakleaf.



Firework Fiesta, Saturday 2nd November

Each year the firework event manages to throw up a new problem to solve. This year it's parking. Usually some 500 cars with families going to our event park in the Spectrum car park. Unfortunately we have been advised that won't be possible this year as Guildford Flames are playing Glasgow that night and the car park will be full. Other potential parking sites are now being investigated. The Marketing Plan for the event has been completed with early bird tickets available until 31st August.

Classic Car Display, Sunday 13th April 2025

After a very successful inaugural event this year, the residents of Guildford and Classic Car owners and enthusiasts have asked us to hold it again.

Although it may seem a long way off some background work is going on. The date is booked with GBC as well as the Guildhall. Preliminary enquiries are also being made to include some special cars and appropriate attractions/charities. Next month it will be time to get the Committee started up and put some details together.

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