

WEEKLY BULLETIN 17

Lochaber Rotary

Wednesday 15 July 2020

As I write this (today) there have been no deaths due to coronavirus for 6 days in Scotland and currently only two cases in intensive care. Hotels, including the Alex, should reopen today although it will likely be a booking-only system for lunchtime meals with strict social distancing and safety measures. Pubs and restaurants also reopen today.

The Scottish Government advise that this is the "riskiest" of the easing of the Lockdown measures and that we still need to practice physical distancing, using hand sanitisers and other enhanced hygiene measures. Hopefully, we'll be back in the Alex soon !!!



.... **today's Zoom meeting**

.... our regular lunchtime meeting will be hosted by Sheana today. President Richard is away for the next two weeks and our weekly Zoom meetings have been set up by Sheana in his place. Secretary John circulated the joining details in an email yesterday. Hope to see you there.

... 9 members joined last Wednesday's zoom meeting. Here is a brief summary

- a video of the presidential handover has been produced and can be accessed via President Richard
- the 2020-21 members' online handbook has been prepared and has been circulated to all members
- speakers - again, dates have been allocated to members to either deliver a short talk themselves or arrange a speaker
- the Grand Christmas Tree project is progressing - led by Sheana
- annual subs became due on 1 July
- sundial on Parade Green - we are funding purchase of geranium plants
- general discussion included improved fishings on the Spean, Flora's birthday (!), David Mee is driving again (well done David), the marina project at the canal basin is underway, golf course is open and a wide range of other topics.

..... late last year the Club agreed to support the start-up and purchase of equipment for a new Brownie Unit in Acharacle ... Press & Publicity Convener John Hutchison brings us up to date

Lochaber Rotary has been granted an Award from the International Fellowship of Scouting Rotarians. Awarded annually, the Fellowship recognises support of the Scout or Guide movement which in this case helped fund new equipment for Acharacle Brownies, the new Unit that covers Ardnamurchan and Moidart.

Rotary is keen to encourage any type of community activity and so was very pleased to be able to help the new Brownie Unit get established. Commenting on the Award, newly appointed Rotary President, Richard Baxter, said; "while we were delighted to help the

Brownies, it is encouraging to have our outreach work recognised within the Rotary movement too. Although Rotary is unable to meet owing to Covid 19 restrictions, we are keen to be open for business as best we can. Probably the best way to contact us at present is through Facebook."





District Governor Club Visit - Date for your Diary

Newly appointed District Governor Angela Samson is visiting our Club via our scheduled zoom meeting on Wednesday 29th July. President Richard has asked that as many members as possible to be there.

It would be great if we had a good turnout on the day !

