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"I am so grateful for all the support I have received, if it wasn't for The Haven I wouldn't be alive today, you believed in me, thank you so much for everything"



# Good News for the Haven

Last week saw the end of our big give campaign Christmas campaign that was live from the 30<sup>th</sup> November. I am absolutely delighted to share that – thanks to our pledgers... i.e. YOU!! – we were able to absolutely smash our challenge target. So in the week long period that the campaign was live, we raised

a staggering £8,150!! This was only possible thanks to you supporting with your pledge – honestly thank you so much!

Every penny raised will make huge differences to the women and children at The Haven over the festive period and into 2021. This project was all about making our refugees feel a little more like home – many of those we support often flee abusive homes at a moment's notice and often with nothing. Therefore arriving to a refuge that is equipped with all the little essentials is vital for women choosing to stay where they can be safe. We are SO grateful!

So, what's next? You pledged an amazing amount of £200. (which thanks to this campaign has become £800. As soon as it is all received we will of course send you an official thank you letter and receipt – giving you a bit more detail into the true, positive impact your support has had and will have over Christmas. and of course all of your previous ongoing care for those we support too.

If you have any questions please do let me know – and THANK YOU so much again. Best wishes Hayley

## Brian Fellows.

Brian's cousin, Mrs Dot Fellows has made a donation of £50 to the club in memory of Brian and has agreed with my suggestion that we can use it towards the cost of staging the Wolverhampton area round of the Rotary Young Musicians competition, which is due to take place at the Wolverhampton Music School on Sunday, February 13th 2022. Costs are incurred for trophies and adjudicators' fees.

Brian served for many years as a steward at this event and was a keen supported of youth activities generally. I have now received the message below from Brian's niece. The club was represented at the funeral by myself, Sylvia and Derek Morgan, Richard Horrell and Robin Tyler-Morris, President Richard.

**Young Musicians Competition (Geoff will be adding this to the official diary)- Sunday, Feb 22nd 2022, Wolverhampton Music School. (Time is to be confirmed, depending on how many entrants we have.)**

## Column Fillers

*I don't believe that one grows older. I think that what happens early on in life is that at a certain age one stands still and stagnates. T S Elliot.*

*People are always blaming their circumstances for what they are . I don't believe in circumstances . The people who get on in this world are the people who look for the circumstances they want, and if they can't find them , make them. George Bernard Shaw*

**My pleasure and privilege to serve as the Rotary Foundation cadre technical advisor on an \$114,000 project to construct a new school at Adadease Junction, Ghana in partnership with several clubs across the USA**



and the Rotary club of Sunyani Central.

The school was handed over to the Education Office on 17th. December and the pupils will start in the new term, January 2022.

Another great project made possible by the Rotary Foundation and a large number of clubs working together. President Richard





# Seasonal Quiz

Have a go and let me have your answers

1. What colour are mistletoe berries?
2. How many tips do traditional snowflakes have?
3. By when should Christmas decorations come down, according to UK traditions?
4. What popular Christmas toy is actually based on a 20th-century political caricature?
5. What words follow 'Silent Night' in the song?
6. In the song 'Twelve Days of Christmas', what is given on the 7th day?
7. What were the first eight reindeers?
8. What is Santa called in France?
9. What is the name of Ebenezer Scrooge's partner in A Christmas Carol?
10. Which actor got the starring role for Jingle All the Way?
11. Who wants to steal the Christmas?
12. Who wrote A Christmas Carol?
13. Which Hans Christian Andersen fairy tale inspired the movie Frozen?
14. Why was the Grinch so mean?
15. What is the biggest selling Christmas song?
16. Who said "God bless us, every one!"?
17. What sort of spirit is Clarence in It's a Wonderful Life?
18. Where are the stockings hung in The Night before Christmas?
19. Who recorded Blue Christmas?
20. What reindeer is never mentioned in The Night before Christmas?
21. What 1990 movie tells the story of a boy whose house is robbed at Christmas?
22. What carol has the words fa-la-la-la-la-la-la-la-la?
23. Which carol brings you tidings of comfort and joy?
24. What carol is best sung when "the weather outside is frightful"?
25. What is wassailing?
26. What was the first carol broadcasted from space?
27. What were mince pies made with, in Victorian times?
28. What fruit is usually placed in stockings?
29. In which Ocean would you find Christmas Island?
30. What time is the Queen's speech traditionally broadcast on Christmas Day?



A grid of 14 emoji puzzles for Christmas songs. Each puzzle consists of a number followed by several emojis that represent the lyrics of a song. For example, puzzle 1 shows a guitar, the word 'I', 'NG', a circular arrow, and a Christmas tree, representing the song 'I Wanna Dance Around Christmas'.

## Xmas songs emoji quiz

(Answers to both quizzes on page 6)

**A thought for the Future.** Some 5 years ago we had a reality check regarding the future of the club, indeed its very survival. After much careful thought we embraced the idea of change and the result is a vibrant and expanding club ( notwithstanding Covid!). I have been thinking about another problem which needs addressing and wondered what your views are. Many, indeed most, of the club officers and committee chairs are in the age range 75 to 85 and are doing a sterling job. It must be fairly obvious that this is not a sustainable position long term. What preparations should we make if any or will we allow ourselves to slide into a future where we cannot staff these vital positions? If you have any views on this issue perhaps you will let me know and I will put them in next months HUB. ED.