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## **Incoming officers workshop**

SUNDAY, 27 MAY 2012 9.00 for 9.30 am – 1.30 pm NORTHWOOD COLLEGE Maxwell Road, Northwood, Middlesex, HA6 2YE

The Incoming Officers Workshop is open to all Lions and Leos. Whilst the focus is for Incoming Officers, present and past Officers are also invited to attend and contribute their expertise and to learn new policies and procedures. In addition, any Lion who would like to learn more about a specific Officer's roles and responsibilities are encouraged to attend. The sessions will be informative and interactive. You will be encouraged to share your ideas, comments and suggestions.

If you require additional information, please contact PDG Elliot Shubert, GLT Chair, email: e.shubert@sky.com or mobile: 07764 611 401.





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## **Tacade Closing**

We have been informed that Tacade will be closing their business and making all staff redundant.

On 14th June Tacade noted in their accounts that future trading was dependent upon the continuing support of their banks. Whilst this has been forthcoming since June, and cash flow forecasts provided to us have been positive, their banks have now decided to withdraw support and consequently the directors of Tacade have decided to close the business.

We have little facts at the moment but are trying to get clarification on the situation.

It would be prudent at this time to advise your District Officer and Clubs not to commit any further orders for materials or donations to Tacade.

## **URGENT APPEAL**

The District Environment Project, in conjunction with Woodland Trust, is to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee by sponsoring the planting of acre of brand new woodland within the heart of our district 105A at Heartwood Forest, Sandridge, Hertfordshire.

We require £10,000 to cover the planting of 700-1000 trees, their maintenance and the installing of a commemorative Lions plaque. The cost per tree is roughly £10. We are requesting contributions of £100+ per club. We still need your urgent support to complete this special project.

Lion Vijay Arora

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# **DG Andrew's Anecdote**



sat in front of my PC pondering the next PoL issue and was having a 'mental block' – not unusual! . But, then I remembered that yesterday I had to attend a Driving/Speeding Awareness Course. Instead of having 3 points on my driving licence and a £60 fine, the course costs £95... I'd like to say that I was caught on Lionistic duties but that was not so... it was on a dual carriage way in Milton Keynes, which is a 30mph zone and I was caught going 37mph.

The real point is that excessive speeding does cause accidents. The course, which lasted four hours, goes back to the Highway Code and most drivers have not kept up to date with the changes to that book, ignoring the adverts that have been relayed to all.

Could I ask you all to take a few moments to consider the following:

#### COAST

Concentrate	we are guilty of lack of concentration, listening to
	the radio passengers and thinking of other
	matters
Observation	road conditions/signs are often missed/not
	understood
Anticipation	we should treat other road users as incompetent
	and try and out think them
Space	give yourself enough space to react to conditions
	and events
Time	to react to what is happening around you
	In the meantime keep safe

An English Lady, Clare Ruby, is in training for a special swim to raise funds for the Lions Clubs International, **The Measles Initiative, 'One Shot One Life' in conjunction with the Gates Foundation**. She will fly to San Francisco from London and then, on Friday 29 June, starting at around breakfast time – 09:00(!) swim from Alcatraz to the coastline of San Francisco. The swim is 2.5km – 1.5 miles – through water that is around 14 degrees Centigrade. Contrary to myth though, the water may be cold, but there are no sharks in it!

Clare has always been a keen swimmer, and is half way through her training to become a qualified swimming instructor.

Her next swim is the Great London Swim at the end of May, in London's Docklands, and her training schedule has begun in earnest for both planned swims... more details being sought as I type as to how we can support Clare in monetary terms through the **Justgiving** website and indeed our District Treasurer.

In a previous swim Clare raised the Euro equivalent of  $\pounds$ 10,000 for a local hospice by swimming across a lake at the RAI exhibition centre in Amsterdam so she is familiar with the rigours of distance swimming.

Clare will set up the page for us on the **Justgiving** website and keep it updated with details of her training etc. together with pictures and links into social networking sites.

It is hoped that there will be a launch event in central London in June but at the time of typing details have yet to be finalised.

Andrew

### **DISTRICT 105A Golf Day** RAM JAGGI & ELLIOT SHUBERT TROPHIES

on FRIDAY 1st JUNE 2012 at STANMORE GOLF CLUB, Gordon Avenue, Stanmore, Middx HA7 2RL

#### **EVENING FUNCTION:**

Join Stanmore Golf Club's BOLLYWOOD NIGHT 3 course Indian Dinner and Entertainment by JAY KUMAR & Party from 8 pm – till late

#### Cost :

Breakfast, 18 hole golf, light lunch and evening function - £60 Breakfast, 18 hole golf & light lunch - £35 Light lunch only - £10 Evening function only: £25 Contact: Lion Ramesh Parmar, Lions Club of Edgware.

#### My Diary May 2012

Tue 8	0V	Bedford
Wed 9	<b>0V</b>	Chipping Barnet
Fri 11	CA	Hemel Hempstead
Sun 13	СА	Ampthill
Mon 14	<b>0V</b>	Hitchin
Wed 16	<b>0V</b>	Acton
Sat 19	CA	Wantage & Grove
Sun 20		<b>District Cabinet Meeting</b>
Wed 23	<b>0V</b>	Hayes & H
Fri 25		Quiz Tilsworth
Sun 27		Incoming Officers

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