

# **EUROTARY 87 NORTH FYLDE ~ 2009**

**Minutes of Annual General Meeting  
6 September 2009**

## **Roll Call of attending Rotary Clubs and exchange of banners**

Delegates were welcomed to the meeting by Eurotary87 2009 President Brian Ward.

Banners were exchanged with attending Rotary Clubs:

RC Westerloo, Belgium  
RC Burtonwood & District, UK  
RC Kolback, Sweden  
RC Langenhagen-Wedermark, Germany  
RC The Wreake Valley, UK  
RC Goteborg-Save, Sweden  
RC Albrighton & District, UK  
RC Haddenham & District, UK  
RC Gordes, France  
RC Etwall & Hilton, UK  
RC Korsor Nor, Denmark

The meeting was also attended by DG Mike Eady, (District 1190) , from the RC of Millom.

## **Apologies**

No apologies were received.

## **Minutes of the last meeting & Matters Arising**

The minutes of the last AGM at Langenhagen-Wedermark on the 21<sup>st</sup> Sept 2008 were unanimously approved

There were no matters arising.

## **Report from the President of Eurotary 87 2009**

President Brian gave a report on his efforts to attract new clubs to attend this year.

With Rotarian Bryan Fearn he visited the following clubs:-

Gordes

Deux Chateau-Beaucaire-Tarascon

Golfe de FOS

Avignon Fontaine de Vaucluse

Tullamore

Although he was unable to encourage them to attend this year he believes that there was enough interest to possibly encourage them to attend in future years.

Brian also visited the RC Ceuta, [Morocco] RC San Pedro Alcantara and was in contact with the clubs of Bala & Penilyn, Heath Row, Southampton Clausentum and Lauderdale, as well as sending Christmas card invitations to and e-mailing every member club.

It is imperative that contact is maintained with all clubs founded in 1987. It only takes one or two members from these clubs to attend, and they will spread the word of the fun and fellowship experienced at the Assemblies.

## **Presentation of Common Purpose Project**

A presentation of the project in KwaZulu Natal was given by Rotarian John Bamford.

Full details of the project are appended to these minutes.

From the floor £2700-00 was pledged from the following clubs:

RC The Wreake Vallet

RC Burtonwood & District

RC Goteborg-Save

RC Haddenham & District

RC Langenhagen-Wedermark

RC Korsor Nor

A contribution from Westerlo RC was received prior to the AGM.

### **Confirmation of Host Club for the 19<sup>th</sup> Assembly (2010)**

The RC of Westerlo in Belgium confirmed that it was willing to hold the next assembly in 2010. The proposal was unanimously approved.

### **Nominations for Host Club for the 20<sup>th</sup> Assembly (2011)**

Peter Dalton of the RC The Wreake Valley announced that they were willing to host the 2011 assembly.

The event would be based in the ancient Cathedral city of York situated in the County of North Yorkshire England.

This nomination was well received and will be proposed for approval at the next assembly in 2010.

### **Any other Business**

- Gabriel Minder reported the completion of the Matching Grant for the LRBT Free Eye Care Hospital in Lahore Pakistan. The RC Ferney-Voltaire and District 1710 contributed \$17,000 which included contributions from Eurotary87 Clubs.
- The water well project, started at the Fos-sur-Mer assembly has now been completed. The well was situated in the Kutu region of Congo Democratic Republic approximately 600km from Kinshasa. With the help of the RC Vancouver 4 wells have been completed. See appendix for further details.
- Roland Scholl RC Langenhagen-Wedemark advised the meeting that their original Common Purpose Project had to be cancelled and a new project "Marienheim Children's' Home" at Swakopmund was adopted. This project is very similar to the original project both financially and with regards to the equipment needed. Photos of scheme appended.
- Einar Thrap-Olsen RC Gordes followed on President Brian Ward's comments regarding Rotary Clubs in the southern areas of Europe (Latin Europe). We must maintain links with the eight clubs visited. The decline in the popularity of Rotary in Latin Europe is mirrored in France.

### **Handover to 2010 Host Club**

President Brian Ward on behalf of the RC North Fylde formally handed over the Eurotary Presidency to the 2010 club of Westerlo. Paul van Schoonhoven from

RC Westerlo accepted the Eurotary "Ceremonial Baton" and the new Eurotary President's collar and jewel.

### **Presentation and Closing Remarks by Eurotary 87 President 2010**

The RC of Westerlo with the aid of a DVD gave a humorous and interesting presentation on the programme for 2010. Since their presentation at Hanover the club has changed the Saturday excursion - now going to Antwerp.

The weekend will be based at the Aldheim Hotel in Grobbendonk. Each club was given a copy of the DVD and a formal invitation to attend.

Their Common Purposes Project will be based in NW Kenya in collaboration with a local aid worker.

A vote of thanks was given by Rotarian Peter Dalton, RC The Wreake Valley, followed by a word of thanks from DG Mike Eady.

Meeting closed by Rotarian Brian Ward.

### **Postscript**

The Eurotary Committee extend their sympathy to Pam, the widow of Rotarian Garry Pane, RC Burtonwood and District, who sadly died shortly after attending the 2009 Eurotary Assembly.