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Community Voice



## Coalville Belvoir Rotary Club

**Firstly, the Coalville Belvoir Rotary Club would like to wish everyone a Very Happy New Year and that you had a good time at Christmas.**

As we write this early December, we are all very busy doing our Santa collections, so we are afraid that we cannot give you figures on the collection, although donations are going well even in the cold wet weather. Thank you to all those who have donated, your contribution helps others enormously. When we have the final figure of donations made, we will be letting you know.

So, what have we got planned for 2024? Already there are several fundraising events planned which follow on from events in 2023, they being the Fun Run taking place at Snibston Colliery Park on Sunday 9th June, and Dave's Tractor Run in August 2024. We are always looking out for opportunities to raise money for worthy causes, so if you have any ideas please get in touch with us, or better still come along to our meetings and join us. Options we are considering are a Race Night, and Children's Treasure Hunt. Keep watching this space or our website and Facebook page, details of which can be found below. There are other events that we usually have a presence at including the Coalville Picnic in the Park, the Emergency Services Day, and Ibstock Country Fair which is linked in with Dave's Tractor Run, plus of course our Santa collection for 2024. In addition to fundraising events, we have several service projects in the planning stage including work at several local schools, some gardening projects at various locations in the area and decorating projects.

All in all, we are going to be busy throughout the coming year. We would dearly love to be able to take on more projects, either fundraising or service projects in the local community. The one thing holding us back is resources as we are limited in numbers. We are very proud of what we do given the number of us, just think what we could do with more members. Being in Rotary is not all work, we have fun doing most of the projects, although some have definitely stretched us. We also are all good friends and often meet up socially. So, if you are at a loose end, want to do something for the local community, or meet up with like-minded people, then please get in touch with us.

Please go onto our website (<https://www.coalvillebelvoirrotary.org/>) or Facebook page ([www.facebook.com/CoalvilleRotary](https://www.facebook.com/CoalvilleRotary)) where you find more information about the work that we have done and our plans. Alternatively, contact us via email at [suerotay1@gmail.com](mailto:suerotay1@gmail.com).



Nub News

### Coalville Belvoir Rotary Club smashes previous year's best after raising impressive sum from Santa Sleigh trips

By Coalville Nub News Reporter  
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Santa toured Coalville in his sleigh in the weeks before Christmas. Photos: Supplied

Coalville Belvoir Rotary Club has announced it has raised £3,600 from its Christmas fundraising activities.

The money will be used to help local charities - and has beaten last year's total.

There are three local charities, which will get £1,200 each - they are Brown Dog Cancer Charity, Love4Life, and LAMP.

[The Brown Dog Cancer Charity](#), based in Coalville, raises money to purchase vital equipment and infrastructure to improve the detection and treatment of cancer.

Every year, the charity selects projects aimed at improving the lives of individuals, both young and old, grappling with cancer and the challenges it poses for them and their families.

[Love4Life](#) provides fantastic support to empower young people aged 11-18 to build confidence and make positive choices in their health, relationships and education. Set up in 2008, Love4Life has grown to work across multiple areas of deprivation in Leicestershire, Leicester and Derby, supporting hundreds of young people every year.

LAMP, which stands for [Leicestershire Action for Mental Health Project](#), is all about supporting people in our community who need help with mental health. They're independent, which means they can focus on what each person really needs—whether it's care and support, questioning decisions about their care, taking care of someone with mental health issues, or just being worried about a family member, colleague, or friend.



Coalville Belvoir Rotary Club raised £3,600 for three charities

A Rotary spokesperson said: "This isn't just about giving money; it's about making people happy, especially children - and adults - who got to meet Santa. A big thank you to everyone who donated money or just stopped by to say hello to our collectors."

Rotary thanked Co-op, Morrisons, Spar, Belvoir Shopping Centre, Champneys, Mini Explorers, North West Leicestershire District Council and Wrights of Twycross supporting Santa and his sleigh - along with special thanks also to Mydentist in Coalville, who provided facilities and gave Santa a dental check-up for free.

Rotary volunteers Emma, Fran, Hayley, Joan, Katie, Lorraine, Phil, Rachel, Sally-Ann, Sarah, Steve and Trevor have also been thanked.

The club added: "This year, Louise, Lara, Tilly, Harriet and Rich from our chosen charities also turned out in person to collect and to move Santa's sleigh from The North Pole. Thank you all - we couldn't have done it without you.

"We thank those from the Cropston Drive area of Coalville and who came out to see us on a cold Sunday afternoon, and especially to Jean and her family for once again showing kind hospitality with sherry and mince pies.

"We really want to visit more places next time, but for that, we need more helping hands. So, if you want to join Santa in spreading joy in 2024, let us know.

"Let's make 2024 even better together! We are excited to see how much more joy we can spread with the help of our community and new friends.

"If you're interested in being a part of our friendly club, reach out to us. We do lots of different things, and we meet up socially at least once a month. Email us at [suerotary@gmail.com](mailto:suerotary@gmail.com)."

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## Coalville Belvoir Rotary Club Brings Smiles and Raises £3600 for Local Charities

**Coalville Belvoir Rotary Club recently did something amazing, raising £3600 to help local charities and smashing the total from last year!**

This isn't just about giving money; it's about making people happy, especially children (and adults) who got to meet Santa. A big thank you to everyone who donated money or just stopped by to say hello to our collectors. The three local charities, getting £1200 each, are Brown Dog Cancer Charity, Love4Life, and LAMP. Let's find out a bit more about them.



**The Brown Dog Cancer Charity**, based in Coalville, raise money to purchase vital equipment and infrastructure to improve the detection and treatment of cancer. Every year, the charity selects projects aimed at improving the lives of individuals, both young and old, grappling with cancer and the challenges it poses for them and their families. **Love4Life** provide fantastic support to empower young people aged 11-18 to build confidence and make positive choices in their health, relationships and education. Set up in 2008, Love4Life has grown to work across multiple areas of deprivation in Leicestershire, Leicester and Derby, supporting hundreds of young people every year. **LAMP**, which stands for Leicestershire Action for Mental Health Project, is all about supporting people in our community who need help with mental health. They're independent, which means they can focus on what each person really needs—whether it's care and support, questioning decisions about their care, taking care of someone with mental health issues, or just being worried about a family member, colleague, or friend.



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## Coalville Belvoir Rotary

**My name is Helen Jepson. I live in Ibstock. I'm married and I've been a full-time dental nurse for 38 years.**

I first heard about Rotary from my father, who was a member in Sheffield for several years. He was very involved, so I heard a lot about what they did. Dad invited me along to some of his clubs' events; meals and presentations by charities they supported, car treasure hunts, music events and carol singing. Dad's passion for Rotary rubbed off on me and I would have joined his club, but I met my husband and moved from Sheffield to Coalville. I wondered if Coalville had a Rotary club; then one day I noticed the Rotary clock outside the council offices and my question was answered.

In December 2019, I was doing my shopping when I heard Christmas music floating across Morrison's carpark and saw Santa's sleigh. I realised it was Rotary and had a chat with Santa and asked him where and when they met and how I could join. At the beginning of 2020, I was invited along to a meeting and had a very warm welcome. Everyone was really friendly and I felt like I belonged. I was just about to become a full member when Covid hit. Lockdown followed, so my joining night was cancelled and all meetings went to Zoom. Unfortunately, the club folded during Covid, but two of us decided that we weren't finished with Rotary and in 2021, we relaunched the club with a new name and became known as Coalville Belvoir Rotary. I was secretary of the club for our first 2 years which improved my communication skills and put me in touch with many members in different clubs. At the start we had only 3 members, but our club flourished and we now have 8 active members. I am now also a member of the District Membership Team. The last three years have been an amazing journey! I've done so much and made many good friends. I've been involved in Ibstock Horticultural Show, Ibstock Country Fair, Picnics in the Park in Coalville and Bradgate Park, race nights, gardening, painted benches at a local school, organised tombolas, helped lay a path, donated books to local schools, helped with our Santa collections, been to lots of social evenings and attended conferences, black tie dinners, and so much more! I've also volunteered at Ashby Steam and Conkers fireworks display. Along with other Rotary Clubs, we have helped provide funds to build a science laboratory at a school in Ghana, and provided underwear for children in Kenya. Variety really is the spice of life!

If you'd like to give something back to your local community (or further afield), why not get in touch? Got questions about Rotary? Ask us! Want to make new friends? Join us! We have no funny handshakes; just lots of fun, friendship and the joy and fulfilment of helping others.

Visit our website at [www.coalvillebelvoirrotary.org/](https://www.coalvillebelvoirrotary.org/) or follow us on Facebook.



## Coalville Belvoir Rotary Club

Want to have more fun? Need a new hobby? Want to make new friends? Like to support charities and other good causes? Want to give something back to the community? Like to learn new skills and share your skills with others? If the answer is 'yes' to any of the above questions then Coalville Belvoir Rotary Club may be the solution. They are always keen to welcome new people to support the club, either as a volunteer or a member. To find out more email [suerotary1@gmail.com](mailto:suerotary1@gmail.com) or see [www.coalvillebelvoirrotary.org/individuals](http://www.coalvillebelvoirrotary.org/individuals)

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Back for a second year  
**Coalville Community Fun Run 2024**  
10.30 am Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June  
Snibston Colliery Park  
5k or 2k course

Raising funds for  
  

Any remaining profits will go to other charities supported by Rotary

All abilities welcome including families with small children, pushchairs, wheelchair users, and well-behaved dogs

Entry tickets for 5k or 2k course  
13 years and over - £10  
5 to 12 years - £5  
4 years and under - Free

Visit our website for tickets, event information and list of sponsors  
[www.coalvillebelvoirrotary.org/coalville-community-fun-run-2024](http://www.coalvillebelvoirrotary.org/coalville-community-fun-run-2024)

Organised by Coalville Belvoir Rotary Club with support from Snibston Colliery Park



## Coalville Community Fun Run Sunday 9th June

Coalville Belvoir Rotary Club are organising this event for the second year, at Snibston Colliery Park, and are hoping to build on the success of last year's Fun Run.

With the support of our sponsors and participants we were able to donate money to two local charities and everyone agreed it had been a great success in bringing the community together. This year we are supporting three local charities: Bright Hope House, Wishes4Kids and Love4Life who all provide support and assistance to people in our local community. We can only do this with your help, so how can you help? It's easy, this event is open to all and you can choose to walk or run either the 5k course or the 2k course. The 2k course is suitable for buggies and wheelchairs and dogs are welcome on either course. So, dig out those running/walking shoes and come together with the community and helps us make it another memorable day.

There will be representatives from each of the charities there so you will be able to find out more about what they do and how your support of this event will assist and help them in the work they do. A big thank you to Snibston Colliery Park for their support for us in organising this event. If you feel this is something you or your company can support through sponsorship we would love to hear from you. Just email [suerotary1@gmail.com](mailto:suerotary1@gmail.com) for more information.

Simply visit our website for further information and to enter online:

[www.coalvillebelvoirrotary.org](http://www.coalvillebelvoirrotary.org) or scan the QR code on the poster.

We look forward to welcoming you all on Sunday 9th June.

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## Coalville Belvoir Rotary News and Events

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In April we provided support at the District Disability Games held at Ratcliffe College. These games are an opportunity for competitors with disabilities from throughout the East Midlands to compete against each other in a series of activities including swimming, table tennis, darts, curling and bocca. The club was responsible for running the Basketball Shooting activity and had great pleasure in presenting the Junior and Senior Trophies. We had a great time seeing the joy and enthusiasm of all the competitors taking part. On 19th May we will be at the Picnic in The Park at Bradgate where we will be entertaining children with games, including our famous 'Hook a Duck'. So why not come along, bring a picnic and join in the fun.

Our first major fund raiser of 2024 will be the Fun Run on 9th June. This is the 2nd year we have organised this event and we are hoping to build on last year's success when we raised over £800 for local charities. This year we are raising funds for Wishes4Kids, Love4Life and Bright Hope and if you would like to support this event and enter, please visit our website: [www.coalvillebelvoirrotary.org](http://www.coalvillebelvoirrotary.org) Thank you to our sponsors MQP, Ibstock Brick, Hermitage Dental Practice and PPL PRS for your generous donations and support. If this event is something you could sponsor, please email [suerotary1@gmail.com](mailto:suerotary1@gmail.com) The Ashby Steam Fair takes place on the 22nd and 23rd June where we will be assisting the organisers to help with the smooth running of the event. 30th June is the Summer Event at Coalville Park. Once again, we will be running a tombola and games for the children. So come along and support us, we look forward to seeing you there. We will be at the Ibstock Country Fair with our tombola and games on 18th August. This is where we hold our second major fund raiser of the year.

This will be the 3rd 'Dave's Tractor Run' we have organised, and once again we want to build on last year's success. If you have a tractor, why not enter? Further information on this event will be posted on our website so please keep an eye out. We will be holding a Race Night on September 21st. This will take place at Lingdale Golf Club and the proceeds will be used for Coats4Kids. This charity provides warm winter coats for children in need.

**As a club we would like to welcome new members who are interested in the work we do and if you are interested come and visit us at any event or find out more information from our website. Email us at [suerotary1@gmail.com](mailto:suerotary1@gmail.com) + Check out our website at [www.coalvillebelvoirrotary.org](http://www.coalvillebelvoirrotary.org) Connect with us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/CoalvilleRotary](http://www.facebook.com/CoalvilleRotary)**

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## Local Community News



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