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Community Voice

## The Coalville Belvoir Rotary Club

The Coalville Belvoir Rotary Club held several successful charity collections outside local shops in the period leading up to Christmas and hope you enjoyed seeing Santa and his helpers.



At the time of writing, generous local people had donated over £1500. We will invite our selected charities (Air Ambulance, Enrych and Hospice Hope) along to future meetings to present cheques to them. We know many people were disappointed that we couldn't bring Santa and his sleigh around the streets in December. We

very much hope to be able to resume street visits next December. If you would like to volunteer to help this happen, please get in touch.

The club has recently enlisted three new members with hope of many more joining in the future, enabling us to undertake more community projects. One such project is the new Gardening Club created by the residents of Fairfield Court. Members of the Rotary Club assisted with several activities, including the erection of a polytunnel. Unfortunately, bad weather caused damage to the newly erected polytunnel, but remedial action will be undertaken to both repair it and reduce the chance of it happening again. Another activity was to clear a large amount of garden waste, made easier with the help of a wheelbarrow, kindly donated by the local Buildbase. A special thank you goes to the branch manager, Richard Lee. If you're interested in joining us, getting involved with our projects or simply want to find out more, then please contact us on 07915 908799, email donjbailey@gmail.com or visit our Coalville Belvoir Rotary Club Facebook page.

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Community Voice

## We want you... at Coalville Belvoir Rotary Club



This month we'd like to share some information about one of our newer recruits.

Hello. My name is Karen Moulton. I have lived in Ibstock for 37 years with my husband David. We have one daughter and a grandson. I work at Champneys Springs and have done so for 25 years in June. I am a kitchen assistant. Our friend and neighbour had joined Coalville Belvoir Rotary Club and invited me to go along to an open evening. I went along with an open mind, went to another meeting and was so impressed with how it was all run. The members were so friendly and enthusiastic about what they do. It's only a small club. I've been a member since early December and soon got involved in the clubs Christmas Santa collections around our local supermarkets. I can honestly say I was so overwhelmed by the community's generosity. I got such an amazing buzz from doing this. And to get to our final total of over £2,200! I was so in awe of our achievements as a club. I really look forward to the next chapter of the year helping our local community in whatever way we can. Our Rotary club members are everyday, kind, caring and devoted people who just want to do the best they can for our community. Please just pop along to a meeting to see if you could get the same buzz out of rotary that I have. Kind Regards. Karen Moulton. Coalville Belvoir Rotary Club.



**For more information, please contact Don Bailey on 07915 908799.**

## Coalville Belvoir Rotary Club



**We would like to introduce you to another of our members.**

My name is **Jackie White** and I have lived in Whitwick since 1975 with my family. My working life has been clerical based and dealing with the public. Since I retired, I have worked various part time jobs which have included: night parcel sorter, canteen assistant, home visits to complete benefit forms, home help/respite worker and a cleaner and litter picker. During the pandemic I became a "couch potato" with the tv remote glued to my hand. When the restrictions eased, I read an article in the Community Voice about Coalville Belvoir Rotary Club and it aroused my curiosity to get up from my couch and become active. I telephoned Don Bailey, the president, arranged an informal meeting to learn more about Rotary and was encouraged to sit in on their meetings which I did and I became a member in November '21. The aims of our club are to raise funds for our chosen charities, help other charities with their projects, helping in our local community wherever possible (which has included assisting with aid for Ukraine), book collections which were delivered to local schools and providing help on manual projects. Since joining I have not looked back; the club members are new friends and although small, we hope we will grow in the future. I have totally enjoyed the fund raising, meeting people from other projects and the bonus is having a social life which we encourage.

For further information contact our president **Don Bailey** on 07915 908799 or email [donbailey@gmail.com](mailto:donbailey@gmail.com)



## ROTARIANS RAISE CASH

### FOR UKRAINE

**Rotarians from four local Rotary Clubs raised £1092 (with a further 25% being added by Gift Aid) for the Ukraine Disaster Fund at a virtual horse race meeting at Packington Memorial Hall on Saturday 5 March.**

For Rotary In this country it means that donations can be made to the Rotary Foundation of the UK's Disaster Response Fund. This allows for an addition of 25% Gift Aid on eligible donations means that every £1 donated becomes £1.25.

Members of Ashby de la Zouch, Ashby Hastings, Ashby Castle and Coalville Belvoir Rotary Clubs sponsored individual races and horses before watching the races on a large screen. Bets were placed with 'bookies' and the winning owner won £20 while punters were rewarded with the odds calculated by an adjudicator.

After four races a fish and chip supper was served before the members continued their modest gambling in an attempt to finish the evening at 'evens': a conclusion that few achieved! But the evening's winner was the Ukrainian Disaster Fund.

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Local Community News

# A busy time ahead... at Coalville Belvoir Rotary Club

The guiding principle of Rotary is "Service Above Self" where members seek to assist communities, locally, nationally, and internationally, in making the world a better place. To that end, the club has a busy schedule ahead of it in the coming months.

We are involved in a variety of activities from assisting individuals or local groups and fundraising. Here are some of the forthcoming activities

- Assisting Endorphan Sport at Staunton Harold Hall Triathlon
- Fence painting at local Whitwick school
- Assisting at Ashby Steam Fair
- Laying of a path at a local Coalville Primary School.
- Organising a Tractor Run as part of the Ibstock Country Fair
- Assisting with the Ibstock Horticultural Show
- Organising a Race Night
- Christmas collections for identified charities/ local organisations

We are a committed team, who want to do as much good as we can, whilst also having fun. The amount of work we can do is limited by a number of factors, the most significant is the number of persons that are involved. Thus, we are always looking for people to assist us on our journey. There are minimal requirements to being involved in Rotary, the primary is the desire to want to do things for the community.

If you would like to have an impact on your community, then please contact us to find out more and become involved. If you would like to know more contact us through email ([donjbailey@gmail.com](mailto:donjbailey@gmail.com)) or by phone 07915 908799.



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There are a variety of activities that we are involved in, from assisting individuals or local groups, fundraising, to undertaking longer term projects. Below we will illustrate some of these either recently completed or forthcoming activities.

- *Painting of a local primary school classroom*
- *Fundraising and raising awareness at Emergency Services Open Day*
- *Fundraising with other Ashby Rotary Clubs at Ashby Food Gusto*
- *Fundraising and raising awareness at Jubilee Celebration at Coalville Park*
- *Assisting Endorphan Sport at Staunton Harold Hall Triathlon & Children's Aquathlon*
- *Fence painting at local Whitwick school*
- *Assisting at Ashby Steam Fair*
- *Laying of a path at a local Coalville Primary School*
- *Organising a Tractor Run as part of the Ibstock Country Fair*
- *Assisting with the Ibstock Horticultural Show*
- *Organising a Race Night as both a social event and fundraising*
- *Christmas collections for identified charities/ local organisations – hopefully including street collections this year but dependent on number of volunteers.*



We also in the planning stage for a number of longer terms projects in a variety of areas that include:

- *Starting youth Rotary related organisations*
- *Involving the youth in a variety of competitions such as Young Chef, Young Photographer, Young Writer, etc*
- *Environmental*
- *International – currently looking at ways of assisting a school in Zimbabwe.*

We are a committed team, who want to do as much good as we can, whilst also having fun. The amount of work (or good) that we can do is limited by a number of factors, the most significant is the number of persons we can call upon to be involved. Thus, we are always looking for people to assist us on our journey. There are minimal requirements to being involved in Rotary, the primary is the desire to want to do things for the community. We offer a range of involvement options from full membership to occasional volunteer. We meet regularly on a Wednesday evening to discuss progress, plan future events, along with having occasional speakers. All members can contribute to meetings, and within the club as a whole, to whatever extent they are comfortable with, and we are always open to ideas from all the membership. We also cooperate with other local organisations, assisting them, where we can, to fulfil their activities. If you would like to have an impact on your community, then please contact us to find out more and become involved. Visit our Facebook page to see more of our activities or contact us directly either through email ([donjbailey@gmail.com](mailto:donjbailey@gmail.com)), Facebook Messenger (through our Facebook page) or by phone 07915 908799.





**Local Community News**

## Some upcoming events planned by Coalville Belvoir Rotary Club

We are an active and busy local organisation that are planning some events for the near future that we would like to tell you about. The first is an activity we are planning to link with the Ibstock Country Fair that is taking place on Sunday 21st August. We are organising a Tractor Run, starting off in Heather and then running throughout the local area, finishing off at the Ibstock Country Fair with the tractors circuiting the grounds. Further information will be made available in due course.

We are also organising a race night on Friday 9th September taking place at the Ibstock Palace. The event will include eight horse races where attendees can place bets on the races. Tickets are directly available from the Ibstock Palace at a cost of £11 which includes a meal of either burger and chips or pizza. Further details can be found on the Ibstock Palace website [www.thepalaceibstock.co.uk](http://www.thepalaceibstock.co.uk).

We are also at the very early stages of planning our Santa collections for 2022. Last year, due to our numbers, we were limited to static collections outside various retail sites, although thanks to the kind generosity of the local public we were able to raise over £2000. This year, we would like to also have mobile collections where we bring Santa around the streets. To do this we will need help. Anybody interested in assisting us should contact Don Bailey on 07971 274 845 or [donjbailey@gmail.com](mailto:donjbailey@gmail.com).

**Community Voice**

## Coalville Belvoir Rotary Club – Upcoming Events

**The Coalville Belvoir Rotary Club are proud to announce a couple of events that we are planning in the upcoming months.**

The first is in association with the Ibstock Country Fair that is taking place on Sunday 21st August. We are staging Dave's Tractor Run during the day. The run will start at 11:00 in Heather, taking a journey throughout the local area before finishing at 12:30 in the Ibstock Country Fair arena. A final route will be published soon, and spectators are welcome watch and cheer along the journey. Money raised in staging the event will go to support Air Ambulance and allow the club to undertake work or support groups in the local community.

The second event we are staging is a Race Night taking place at the Ibstock Palace on Friday 9th September. The event will show eight horse races with Tote betting for each race. The cost of entry is £11 which includes a meal of either pizza (Margherita or Pepperoni) or Burger and Chips. A Bar and Refreshments will be available during the night. Tickets can be purchased through the Ibstock Palace booking office or their website.

Although Christmas may seem a long way off yet, but we as a club are starting to plan for our Santa collection in the build-up period prior to Christmas. Last year we were only able to carry out static Santa collections outside several retail establishments throughout the area, although thanks to the generosity of the local people, we still managed to raise over £2,000 which was distributed to a number of local charities. This year, whilst we will still be doing these static Santa collections, we would also like to undertake some mobile collections where we tow Santa on his sleigh through several residential areas, so the kids have chance to see Santa.



However, these Santa street runs are a lot more labour intensive compared to the static collections, and currently we do not have enough members to undertake this activity. We are thus appealing for volunteers to assist us on a number of these street runs. If you would like to know more about being involved or just want to become a volunteer, please contact Don Bailey on **0791 127 4845** or [donjbailey@gmail.com](mailto:donjbailey@gmail.com). We look forward to hearing from you.



## Coalville Belvoir Rotary Club's race night will raise funds for charity that provides winter coats for children in poverty

By The Editor  
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The night will raise money for Coats4kids

Coalville Belvoir Rotary Club is holding a Race Night next month to raise money for a charity which provides winter coats for local children living in poverty.

The event will be held at The Palace in Ibstock on Friday, September 9, in aid of Coats4kids.

And entrance fee of £11 will be made, but this includes a 10-inch Margherita or Pepperoni Pizza or burger and chips.

Tickets available through [The Palace, Ibstock](#), or by calling 01530 262400.

The Rotary Club has explained its chosen charity for the night on its [website](#).

They said: "Did you know that there are more than 1.1 million children living in poverty in the UK?"

"For these families buying a new winter coat for their children is probably not very high on their priorities.

"Not when compared to paying for heating or buying food.

"There are many charities and things that schools can do to help with food and uniforms but not for coats.

"This is where Coats4Kids will step in.

"Coats4Kids will give children a brand new coat.

"We won't do it with a big song and dance we will simply give them a new coat.

"Working with schools throughout the UK we are able to identify the children in need, these are not always those on free school meals.

"We will provide a gift voucher which will allow them to visit our dedicated website, in September and October, where they can purchase a coat for their child, hopefully consulting with them first.

"The coats on offer will be of good quality and produced to last, meaning that their siblings could also use these coats."

There will be several on screen horse races where you can have a little flutter, or you can even buy a horse or sponsor a race.

A short break will take place, where you will have pre-ordered your food, then the fun will re-commence with further races.

There will also be a raffle on the night. Doors and bar open at 7pm, first race at 7.30pm

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**Coalville Belvoir Rotary Club** 

**My name is Ann Clough. I was born in Leicester, moved to Ascot then Hayling Island, before returning to Whitwick in 1971. Most of my working life was office work.**



Why did I join the Rotary Club? The pandemic changed a lot of peoples' lives; I was one of the lucky ones but it did make me wonder what else I could do. My sister had joined Rotary, so I thought I would go along and find out what they were about. I knew they collected for charities like Air Ambulance but I didn't realise just how much else they do.

Since joining in May, we've been involved in painting a school classroom, laying a concrete path with the help of Chris Bond of Home Farm Heritage Ltd. Agricultural Services and Wright Mix, painting a school fence and many other projects. During the next few weeks, we're involved in several events; Ashby Steam Fair, a tractor run in conjunction with Ibstock Country Fair and a Race Night to name a few. By volunteering, we're able to raise funds to enable us to support projects like the Regatta Coats for Kids scheme; for every £25 we raise, they will supply a child in need with a winter coat. We would also like to set up a local junior Rotary club. We have connected with a Rotary Club in Zimbabwe and together, we aim to improve a village school to enrich the lives and futures of children there.

Since joining Rotary I have new friends and a much fuller life!

We're full of ideas but need more members to enable us to fulfil them all. If you'd like to find out more, why not come and meet us? We meet at the Hermitage Park Hotel, Coalville every Wednesday night at 7pm. However, if you would like to join our Rotary "friend" list we would love to add your name. These are people who can't commit to joining but would be willing to help us if we have a large project. Remember that Coalville Belvoir Rotary Club is here to help you and your community.

For more information, please contact us on **07915 908799**, email [donjbailey@gmail.com](mailto:donjbailey@gmail.com) or visit us on Facebook.



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**What is Rotary? What can Rotary do for you? What can you do for Rotary?**

**Here's a view from one of our members.**


*"Hi, Dave here. I joined Rotary almost a year ago now. When I mentioned it to my work colleagues, they asked about funny handshakes etc. I can assure you it's nothing like that at all. When I started, it was Santa season, so I got involved with getting the sleigh ready. We did static collections around local shops, and I got such a buzz seeing the children's faces when they saw Santa. At the start of this year, we had a number of projects to look into, with one being a path at Warren Hills Primary School. We looked into this, and we decided we could do it. We put a plan together with the help of Chris of Home Farm Heritage and we laid the concrete path in July with the help of our rotary members, friends, and family. We had lots of groundwork to do, then lots of barrowing the concrete. It was no mean feat, but we all did it.*

*My other passion is vintage tractors. Rotary asked what I would like to do so I asked if I could do a tractor run. It was a yes, so I put a plan together. I had a brain wave - why not have a gathering of tractors, then a road run around Coalville to end up at Ibstock Country Fair. We got sponsors to pay for food for the drivers and, with the help of my wife Karen, we put adverts out to get tractors to attend. We filled Facebook with the details and on 21st August all this happened. It was a brilliant day and we raised money for Air Ambulance and Rotary. Thanks to all involved to make it happen.*

*Now it's time to start Santa again. We will do static collections and try to do mobile in our community. So, if you think you have a project or would like to get involved helping us, please feel free to contact Coalville Belvoir Rotary Club. We will give you a warm welcome".*



**As Dave says, we are always looking for new members and volunteers. If you're interested, please contact us on 07915 908799 or email [donjbailey@gmail.com](mailto:donjbailey@gmail.com). Finally, why not follow us on Facebook (search Coalville Belvoir Rotary Club) to hear all our news and upcoming activities?**

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# Santa Sleigh Route

**Coalville Belvoir Rotary Club**

**With the help of Santa, Coalville Belvoir Rotary Club undertake collections to support local charities. This year's selected charities are Wishes4Kids, Feed the Need and Canine Partners.**

Mobile collections are planned for four evenings. The four dates we have planned for mobile collections are:

**Tuesday 29th November**  
Hugglescote (Frearson Road Estate & Blackham Road Estate) 6pm - 8pm

**Wednesday 7th December**  
Ibstock (Parkdale & St Denys' Way Estate and Usbourne Way Estate) 6pm - 8pm

**Wednesday 14th December**  
Coalville (Greenhill between Cropston Drive & Bradgate Drive) 6pm - 8pm

**Thursday 15th December**  
Newton Burgoland (based in village centre) 5pm - 7pm

**The finalised routes and timings, as well as details of several static collections, will be available on our Facebook page - [www.facebook.com/CoalvilleRotary](http://www.facebook.com/CoalvilleRotary)**

Community Voice

# CHARITY CHAMPIONS

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## Coalville Belvoir Rotary Club Christmas Activities

Christmas is approaching, and Coalville Belvoir Rotary Club are busy planning. With Santa's help, we undertake collections in support of local charities. This year's charities are Wishes4Kids, Feed the Need and Canine Partners.

We are repainting Santa's sleigh and changing the lights, plus replacing the noisy and polluting generator with a 12-volt leisure battery. We hope Santa will be happy with the refurbishments!

Last year, we undertook static collections only, and whilst these are a major part of this year's campaign, we are delighted that we will have some mobile collections as well. The finalised routes and timings will be available on our Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/CoalvilleRotary>). We are also planning a Santa tracker, so his location can be found on a webpage.

The 4 dates we have planned for mobile collections are:

**Tuesday 29th November 2022** – 18:00 – 20:00  
Hugglescote (Frearson Road Estate & Blackham Road Estate)

**Wednesday 7th December 2022** – 18:00 – 20:00  
Ibstock (Parkdale & St Denys' Way Estate and Usbourne Way Estate)

**Wednesday 14th December 2022** – 18:00 – 20:00  
Coalville (Greenhill between Cropston Drive & Bradgate Drive)

**Thursday 15th December 2022** – 17:00 – 19:00  
Newton Burgoland (based in village centre)

As mentioned, we will also be undertaking on several static collections, and the dates, as they stand at present, are:

Day	Date	Time	Location
Sat	26 Nov	10:00-finish	Coalville Lights Switch On
Sun	27 Nov	11:00-15:00	Morrisons
Sat	3 Dec	10:00-16:00	Belvoir Centre/Newmarket
Sun	4 Dec	11:00-15:00	Co-op Whitwick
Sat	10 Dec	10:00-16:00	Belvoir Centre/Newmarket
Sun	11 Dec	11:00-15:00	Co-op Ibstock
Sat	17 Dec	10:00-16:00	Belvoir Centre/Newmarket
Sun	18 Dec	11:00-15:00	Spar Broom Leys Road
Mon	19 Dec	10:00-13:00	Belvoir Centre
Tue	20 Dec	10:00-16:00	Belvoir Centre/Newmarket
Wed	21 Dec	10:00-16:00	Belvoir Centre
Thu	22 Dec	10:00-16:00	Belvoir Centre/Newmarket
Fri	23 Dec	10:00-16:00	Belvoir Centre/Newmarket

Our Facebook page will be regularly updated to reflect any changes to these dates, so please check this if you are planning to attend at a specific date and time.

Hopefully you can come and meet Santa and, if you can, donate to support this year's charities. If you cannot make to one of the specified dates/times, but would like to donate, then please visit our donation page at <https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/don-bailey>.



**If you have any questions or comments, either about our Santa collections, or the Rotary club in general, then please leave a message on our Facebook page or contact Don Bailey on 07915 908799 or via email [donjbailey@gmail.com](mailto:donjbailey@gmail.com)**

**Coalville Belvoir Rotary Club**

