



Angela Jeal, Geoff Jeal, Tanya and Robert Lewis, the Mayor and Mayoress of Farnham, Jeremy and Debbie Ricketts and Keith and Barbara Harris. FD23-153-14

Lions look back on a highly successful year

FARNHAM Lions recently celebrated its 46th Annual Charter and Presidential Handover lunch in glorious weather at a magnificent private motor museum, hosted by Robert and Tanya Lewis.

One-hundred-and-eighty guests enjoyed the event with a very Spanish theme to match the weather, with five marquees decorated in red and yellow, a sangria reception followed by tapas and paella.

A professional Spanish guitarist and magnificent flamenco dancers provided the excellent entertainment. Guests were able to wander through the four museum collections halls and marvel at the wonderful collection of historic automobiles and assorted motoring memorabilia.

In his annual report, Lions' president Geoff Jeal remarked how the levels of fundraising and community distribution of support had reached new levels.

The Lions' charity golf day receipts of £8,260 took the cumulative support level for the event to over

Winter Fuel Allowance brought in approximately £13,000 to help clear local fuel poverty and debt in Farnham.

This campaign was extended this year to Haslemere for the first time and raised over £5,000. This joint activity received generous plaudits from the mayors of Waverley, Farnham and Haslemere.

This year's Easter Egg campaign, now in its eighth year of support to the Surrey Air Ambulance, brought in a further £6,250 bringing the total raised since 2007 to £60,000, and the recently held Farnham Beerex added almost £36,000 to Lions' funds for local distribution. The last 15 years have raised a massive £400,000 for local community support.

The Lions' community support programme assisted 65 activities, organisations and individuals, and, excluding those organisations already mentioned, distributed approaching £30,000 into the local Farnham area.

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ners, skittles and tours of Farnborough Airport, The Whitechapel Bell Foundry and the Houses of Parliament.

At the same time Lions

by the end of the year.

In closing, Geoff Jeal congratulated the club for its wonderful achievements over the year and remarked how he had

nity for the last 12 months.

He had great pleasure in handing over the presidency to Keith Harris, who he felt sure would continue to bring new levels of achieve-