

## **Lions at the National Memorial Arboretum**

Congratulations Lions Clubs of the British Isles and Ireland. The Council of Governors have pleasure in announcing that the Lions Shelter at the National Memorial Arboretum is ready to Serve.

The details of the dedication of the Lions Clubs Shelter at the National Memorial Arboretum, Alrewas can be found below.

<http://www.thenma.org.uk>

The dedication will be performed by our Royal Patron, Her Royal Highness The Countess of Wessex G.C.V.O. on September 14<sup>th</sup>. Her Royal Highness will arrive at 12.30 and depart the shelter site at 13.00.

There will be an area around the shelter for Lions who wish to observe the dedication, but this is open to the elements. A Lion's welcome desk will be situated, from 10.00, at the entrance to the National Memorial Arboretum to assist anyone attending the event. There are mobility scooters and wheelchairs for those of you who have difficulty walking.

The Shelter is situated at the point where the area to be developed in the next five years joins with the existing development.

<http://www.thenma.org.uk/the-nma/vision-nma-future/the-nma-appeal.aspx>

Inside the Shelter there will be displayed two posters, one explaining about Lions Clubs, the other lists the names of Lions who have passed to higher service and were named at MD Convention at Belfast. The second poster will be changed every year at the time of MD Convention.

There are also areas to display the winning Peace poster and winning Poem, which will be changed each year.

All Clubs who have donated to the project will be recognised in the shelter by a small plaque with the Clubs name on it.

This is a very big thankyou to all the Clubs who have donated to this project and as always we rose to the occasion and succeeded. However, as I am sure you will be aware, the shelter will require maintaining to keep it in the pristine condition it is now and so the NMA Shelter Committee would ask you to consider making a small donation each year to the ensure the shelter doesn't fall into disrepair.

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