

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

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Wilfrid J. Wilkinson
President, 2007-08

To the members of the
Rotary Club of Largs

Dear Fellow Rotarians:

Congratulations to you on your club's 50th anniversary.

Fifty years ago, your club's charter members felt that Rotary's ideal of service to the community was worthy and credible, and for this reason they laid the foundation for a Rotary club in Strathclyde. Your club is part of an amazing organization full of people who want to reduce suffering in this world through fellowship and service. **Rotary Shares** the things that should be shared with humanity: kindness, time, and resources.

As your club looks to the future, I ask you to remember that we must share Rotary if we want it to survive. Without new members, Rotary will disappear in only a few decades; and without Rotary, so many needs in our communities will go unmet. This is why I am asking everyone who loves Rotary to share that love and commitment by inviting other qualified women and men to join a Rotary club. This is the single most important thing you can do to ensure Rotary's second century of service.

As you celebrate this important milestone in your club's history, remember that service is at the heart of Rotary. It is through service that **Rotary Shares** its tools and resources with those who need help in communities all over the world. Service is the true magic of Rotary.

Please join me this year and share Rotary by bringing new members into the fellowship of Rotary and putting Service Above Self in everything you do.

Sincerely,

Wilfrid J. Wilkinson
President RI, 2007-08