

# The Rotary Club of Alresford - Press Release



## **BOATING DUO TAKE ON ROTARY**

Gary and Hilary Ellis are committed to a life on the ocean wave with their love of boating and scuba diving around the world. But this year their feet will also be planted on terra firma with Gary becoming the 2011/12 President of the Rotary Club of Alresford on 27 June.

Meanwhile Hilary, a founder member of the newly formed Rotary Club of Four Marks and Medstead, is also stepping up to the mark this year helping keep its club accounts in order.

Gary was introduced to Rotary in 1961 because his father was a member in London but it was not until a move to Hampshire that he actually joined. The couple have lived in Medstead since 2006 leaving business interests in London, although both Gary and Hilary have both retained some connections with the business world – even when they are away on their global travels, maintained via the world wide web.

Gary is clear that his leadership of Alresford Rotary will be all about the club re-affirming its commitment to the Alresford Community and Youth, something which it already does well with the annual fireworks, Christmas tree sale, a number of initiatives with Perins school and giving help locally wherever it is needed.

Commenting Gary said “It is going to be a challenging year, I have made a commitment to the club and Rotary and shall ensure we deliver on all fronts. Our club has great support from local people and they deserve to hear and see more of the things we do locally which help our community and assist those who need some extra support.”

Notes to Editors:

Alresford Rotary Club was chartered in 1997 and has 37 members. The Club organises numerous events for the town including the Annual Fireworks, a Christmas Tree sale, the 10k run, annual Quiz night and much more, all monies raised are distributed to support local needs and international causes for example, disaster relief and the eradication of polio. The Club is a registered charity and is within Rotary Wessex District. The Club President is Gary Ellis.

Further information at [www.alresfordrotary.co.uk](http://www.alresfordrotary.co.uk)