



Despatches

CLUB EVENING – OCTOBER

Chris Edwards...

entertained the assembled members with details about what information accountants want in order for them to deal effectively with our financial matters. Since qualifying in 1969, Chris has worked in an engineering firm and then worked for KPMG for about 18 years before going self-employed in 1991. He currently has 66 business clients plus 30 tax clients.

Generally, whichever tax category you are in, the better the book-keeping, the lower the costs. He then went through his detailed hand-out to indicate what is needed under which circumstances and threw in a few anecdotal and amusing comments.

There is a set number of tax enquiries (ie investigations) per year and anyone can be randomly selected for this, so accurate records are a must.

If you run a car paid for by the firm, you must record its private and business mileage.

When tax returns are completed, it is essential to notify any changes that affect tax. Chris would be delighted to send you his handout – call him on 01543 263915.

CLUB MATTERS

Sandra Booth ...

has officially joined our committee and we welcome her as a nominated replacement for Ann Doughty, a former Chair and Vice-Chair. Ann is just recovering from an operation and we all wish her well and thank her wholeheartedly for a fine service to the Club.

Sandra works at the University and is very active among businesses in the area; she is therefore in tune with the local business environment and has contact with lots of business people. We are sure that she will make a valid and valuable contribution to the smooth running of your Club.

Xmas Party...

Club members have voted to use a local restaurant – TBA.

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EVENTS DIARY

2002 Club Program

6th November

AGM plus Robin Jones, recently of Rotary (locally and Internationally)

4th December

Christmas Party

Menu options will be circulated in November once the venue has been finalized; firm bookings will be taken following the AGM

2003 Programme

8th January – We are awaiting confirmation from the winner this year's Staffs Business of the Year award

5th February – Alan Finn of WinShark regarding software for Customer Relationship Management

5th March - TBA

Club Meeting ...

Club evening in November is our short AGM and then we shall hear about the world of Rotary both locally and internationally. Do come along on 6th - we look forward to seeing you at SULC at 7.30pm.