

We warmly welcome  
**Jennifer James**  
as a member of the  
**Rotary Club of Normanton**



**President Derek Searby CBE TD**

**Jennifer James**

**Past President Trevor Astbury**

Wednesday 10.1.2018 is a memorable date in the history of the Rotary Club of Normanton. Three “Firsts” celebrated at one meeting. At the **first** club meeting in 2018 we welcomed for the **first** time a new lady member – Jennifer James and for the **first** time, a proposed increase in the price of our meals was approved without a single protest.

Jennifer, who prefers to be called Jenny, has been a stalwart supporter of the club for many years and finally succumbed to the approaches of her sponsor, Past President Trevor Astbury, to become our first lady member.

After the induction, carried out by our president Derek Searby CBE TD and when we were seated, our president drew our attention by tapping his gavel and uttered what sounded to be – JayJayJay-JayJay – JayJay and when asked for an explanation, proffered – “Jolly January Jubilation – Jenny James – Just Joined”, for which he was duly applauded.

Interestingly, one of our members and a Past President, Bass Ikoku, was District Governor of District 1040 when Rotary International passed the resolution to welcome ladies into Rotary. Bass had enthusiastically supported the motion.