

## Presentation of a Robotic Cat to Haven Lodge Care Home



At one of the recent meetings of the Rotary Club of Normanton, Rotarian Sheila Wainwright a member of the Rotary Club of Wakefield gave a presentation on Robotic Comfort Cats, the use of which she has pioneered in this country. These amazingly life-like cats are designed to aid in the therapy of dementia sufferers and have a remarkably soothing effect when stroked as they react by producing purring noises and making gentle lifelike movements. Following Sheila's presentation, the Club has purchased three of these cats and on Tuesday the 6th of August, presented one of them to Haven Lodge Care Home in Normanton. The arrangements were made by Rotarian Keith Wilson JP, who made the presentation along with President Ian James and Rotarian Jennifer James. The staff of Haven Lodge were delighted to receive the cat, which has been christened Georgina and the beneficial effects were immediately plain to see. We are sure that Georgina (or Georgie) will continue to delight the residents for many years to come. (Report by President Ian James. Photographs by Rotarian Jenny James)

