

# **WORTLEY ROTARY CLUB**

## **DISTRICT 1270**

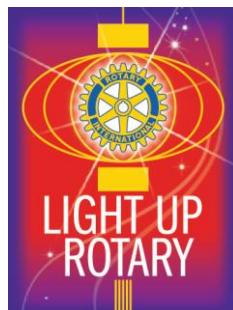
### **July 2014 NEWSLETTER**

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**<http://www.wortleyrotary.co.uk/>**



#### **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Fellow Rotarians

I am looking forward to a great Rotary year with you all with plenty of projects and good fellowship. I would like to give our grateful thanks to David for his efforts in his presidential Year with the challenges he was faced with. **Well done you**

President John

#### **NEWS**

##### **Meetings**

###### **2<sup>nd</sup> June – Normal Meeting with Speaker**

The speaker tonight was Maureen Taylor, who gave an interesting talk / Virtual Tour of Hardwick Hall.

###### **9<sup>th</sup> June – Normal Meeting**

President David opened the meeting and introduced Andy Bates from RC of Rotherham Sitwell, who showed a short film of the 2013 MiTG event, and then gave a talk about how the organisation for this years' event is going.

Following the presentation / talk, in the absence of the Secretary, President David mentioned that there will be a speaker at next week's meeting from Ecclesfield School to talk about the possible involvement of the club in doing Mock Interviews as we currently do with Yewlands School.

###### **Other Members Notices**

**Rtn John H** advised that 270 books had been delivered to Penistone Grammar School.

He also asked for more volunteers to help with the Casino Night at Penistone Church FC (7pm). They have asked us to help them raise money to provide facilities for the disabled at the club.

We still need more volunteers for the upcoming VVR. There is a meeting tomorrow at Wortley Hall and the large adverts have now been set up so things are progressing. Some of the equipment for the event is now with Rtn Peter C. At the meeting the car Parking for the South Yorkshire festival in August will also be discussed.

**Rtn Peter P** asked if a letter had been sent to Malcolm and Sheila Webb thanking them for the Wine & Wisdom evening. Rtn Anne W agreed to take this on.

**Rtn John H** suggested that the Club Assembly should be held on July 23<sup>rd</sup> – this was agreed.

**Rtn Peter P** asked if the club would like a speaker on June 30<sup>th</sup> – this was declined as it is the Presidential handover night and there are also interview for the Scholarship being held prior to the meeting as well.

**Rtn John H** advised that the Mountain Rescue people are OK for the VVR, and that the club need to set up a date to visit and present the cheque.

**Rtn Steve P** asked whether his proposal last month that the club take on the cleaning at Castleton camp as a project prior to the children arriving had been discussed. Those present agreed that it would be taken on, and agreed to do it on a Monday and hold the meeting there rather than Whitley Hall that evening. Agreed that this would happen on 21<sup>st</sup> July commencing at 12:00.

The meeting then closed with the final toast.

###### **16<sup>th</sup> June – Normal Meeting with speaker**

Just over 20 members enjoyed Monday's meeting. Our speaker was Lesley Cassell, the Careers Advisor at Ecclesfield School. She spoke about her role and asked us, as a club, for some help.

In each year group she has 450 pupils for whom she has to find work experience placements

when they reach a certain age. At the moment she has found a place for 446 who start in a week's time. She is also arranging job interview for the year group who will leave next year. That's 450 interviews which will be held on 22/23 October at the school. Any member who can assist with short, sharp interviews on those days please let me know. The days run as full days but if you can only offer a couple of hours or so it will help. Lesley explained how in today's society many children do not talk to other people - all communication is by text or Facebook. It comes as a shock to many pupils to speak to an 'unknown' adult without checking their Facebook account whilst speaking! Many do not appreciate punctuality at a meeting and have difficulty answering questions unaided or 'off the cuff'. They are in a nutshell unprepared for the world out there. A mock interview may waken them up!

The Treasurer remind those present that 1st July is just around the corner. With a new President comes a bill for £90 to be in his hand for the year. Cheques to the Treasurer please by 1st July or it's a visit from a couple of big lads assisted by baseball bats.

I've been asked to remind you that next week (23rd) we are having Club Assembly irrespective of whether anyone from District turns up. So, Committee Chairs, please have you plans for next year ready to advise the club next week.

Finally, Stewards for next week are that dynamic duo: Rtns Jack Slater and Roger Hirst.

Graham

PS: Just a reminder that Handover is 30th June .... if you need to get your medals polished.

#### 23<sup>rd</sup> June—Normal Meeting (Club Assembly)

Well last night we were lucky to be fed. My food order email didn't get to the right person(s) and chef had to whip something up in 75 minutes. I was asked whilst driving to WHH how many meals we wanted. I gave the order over the phone for the 15 that had ordered but found that 24 turned up. I was told by management that we were lucky - (I believe we got someone else's order).- but was also told that the numbers ordered by me on Monday mornings are nowhere near the numbers turning up and it will not be very long before the number ordered will be the number provided.

Let's see if we can get President John's year off on a 'good meal ordering footing'. If 15 can do it then so can 30.

I told those present that the subject of Redistricting was reaching its finale (that e has an accent on it!). RIBI have said it will happen. We just have to wait now until 3th/4th August when the matter has been before General Council. So will we be Derbyshireites or Seasiders? Apparently, to do away with 10 districts will save RI and RIBI £400K ...but.... because districts will be bigger there will be more expenses paid to DGs and other District Staff to get around bigger areas. So, to combat this we could get a visit from a District Member, not in the flesh as we did last night for the Club Assembly, but by 'webinar'.

For the non-electronic that means that the district person stays at home sipping Pinot Grigiot on his/her patio and appears on a screen on the wall of our meeting. Their loss; they'll miss the pork or turkey!

Next question ..... who buys the Audio Visual Aid equipment for each club to make these links?

There is still trouble at t'mill re it all but we'll soon know where we're going!

The Club agreed to send 100 Euros/Pounds to President Tom Knight at Rotherham Sitwell for his cycle 'Tour de Sarth Yorks'. All proceeds to charity.

All that sorted the Club Assembly took place under the watchful eye of ADG Peter Shaw of RC Rotherham. Our new ADG Teresa Jackson is on hols. President David handed over to Pres Elect John who started the ball rolling with his hopes and aspirations for 'his year'.

He wants all projects eg VVR, Millionaires Night , to have an Operational Manual on how that project works and is run just in case the member with all the knowledge is kidnapped by terrorists and we refuse to pay the ransom.

He wants more projects. On average we do 6 per 12 month period and John would like to see more eg 4 Millionaires' Nights each year at set intervals. Some to raise money for us, some to assist the community.

We've had a request (last week) to do Mock Interviews at Ecclesfield School as well as our

usual Yewlands. PE John sees this as an ideal opportunity to work in the field of education and help youngsters about to go out into the big wide world. Ecclesfield would like us over a couple of days in October and a board will go round nearer the date.

**PE John** would like July to become Christmas - as far as planning for Santa's Sleigh is concerned. He would like committees to get that planned and ready to roll on the usual dates without the need for a last minute approach.

He mentioned New Members and Corporate Membership. A new club is 'opening', and I use that word carefully, in the Rivelin Valley (average age 28). The club will have flexi meetings at different venues and will be 'mothered' by Abbeydale. A 'Costa Coffee' Rotary Club exists where the members meet in different Costa Coffee Cafes (there's an accent on that e as well) without chicken or turkey so why not another. John asks, 'would we be interested in looking after a new club?'

Finally, he would like the web site to be updated with more pictures of Santa' Sleigh and bright, colourful and meaningful pictures and stories of us, Wortley Members, doing great, fun, community linked projects.

Club Chairs then addressed the meeting:

**Rtn Steve Knight** - International said that his committee would continue to fund raise for the day when we WILL need more Shelter Boxes and AquaBoxes. The collection of children's books for the Zulu schools will continue. Collection of Yorkshire Tea box bar codes for the Wheelchair Foundation will continue.

**Rtn Anne Willey** - Vocational will continue to arrange outings (any excuse for a new hat!) and speakers to maintain the friendship in the club. So, any ideas to Anne please then I can diary them.

**Rtn Peter Perry** - Community Service will be identifying ways in which we can be of use to the local community. he also wants to expand the Millionaires' Nights - being a millionaire himself he feels at home there!!!! Carol singing will continue at the aged persons homes. As well as entertaining the old folks it gives us the opportunity to chose our next port of call. Some singing lessons from Hon Rtn Lewis has been suggested. Santa's Sleigh, VVR and Wine and Wisdom will continue.

**Foundation:** Rtn Geoff is away in Spain but it was pointed out to the ADG that Geoff is getting to grips with the changes to Foundation and then arranging his plan of attack.

ADG Rtn Peter spoke briefly saying that the fight against polio was still ongoing through Foundation and wondered whether we would ever get 100% clear in the world. He spoke about membership saying we are still losing Rotarians and emphasised the need for mentors for new members and mentioned all the opportunities with young people eg Young Chef/Musician/Painter/Poet and Youth Speaks and RYLA.

Next meeting is Handover. See Immediate Past President David de-stress as the night goes on. Read new President John's face - has he made the right decision to be a President.

All washed, polished AND booked in. Feel free to bring a guest - but order meals.

(Courtesy of Rtn Graham [Sec])

#### 30<sup>th</sup> June – Presidential Handover

President David welcomed all Rotarians and guests (Sharon Haggerty – Incoming President John's wife and Jean Bloodworth from RC Barnsley Rockley). There were no visits to other clubs reported and no Secretary's notices (they are apparently being saved for John next week).

#### Other Business

**Rtn John H** thanked everyone who helped with the VVR yesterday. Various issues were discussed and will be discussed during the coming weeks once the final amount raised is known. At this time, this is unknown so will be reported in next month's newsletter. From this 'airing of views' the VVR Committee will then meet and John intends that a 'VVR Operational Manual' will be put together from which everyone can work. The document will be built on Best Practice and will be a dynamic document because as circumstances change so our procedures will have to eg how many chairs and tables do we need to hire. If we do not go 'back to back' with the South Yorkshire Festival' we need to pay for the scaffolding bridge. The phrase: 'What happens if', will feature a great deal as we are at the mercy of Mother Nature and in some respects at the mercy of others.

An evening will be arranged and circulated to give everyone the opportunity to attend.

Rtn Rod asked for contact details for members who have not responded regarding helping at the upcoming MiTG event. He also outlined the progress regarding this year's event. President David asked that a Round Robin be circulated.

President David then summed up his year, thanking the club for its support. He spoke of how proud he was to have lead the Club for the year and proud of the 'new' areas in which we had 'Engaged Rotary and Changed Lives' - the new Millionaires' Nights which raised a great deal of monies towards equipment for a disabled young lady in the community, the Boatary Project and the financial assistance given to two young people to travel to Nepal to do community work. David saw this as not only changing the lives of the recipients but also changing our lives as Rotarians.

He then presented 3 awards. These were as follows:-

Rotary Service - Rtn Steve Patterson  
Recognition

Paul Harris Fellowship - Rtn Peter Perry

Paul Harris Fellowship - Rtn Anne Willey



Award Winners with President David

Following this, he then handed over the reins to the new president, Rtn John H, who thanked Rtn David for his year in office, and looked forward to a good year and promised 'good customer service' to us. Rtn Rod presented IPP David with his Past Presidents Badge. The VP handover will take place next week.



Ex-President David hands over to President John



.. and then scarper

That concluded the business, and the meeting was closed by President John with the final and loyal toast.

## EVENTS

### Millionaires Evening at Penistone Church FC

Members of the club ran a Millionaires evening for Penistone Church FC to help them raise funds to provide facilities for Disabled people. Some pictures from the evening are shown below.



### Penistone Church FC Clubhouse



Attending Rotarians (where is Steve P?)



Found him



Having a Flutter

### Vintage Vehicle Rally

The Club's major annual fundraiser was held at Wortley Hall on 29<sup>th</sup> June, 2014 commencing at 12pm. Some pictures from the event can be found below – as yet, the amount raised has not been announced. Many thanks to all who helped make the event happen.



Entrance gate



Exhibitors Entrance



Directing those attending to the Car Parks



Rtns Steve P and John Greaves

### Main Vehicle Area

#### The Entertainers



#### Car Park Area



Overall Winner collects the prize

#### Miscellaneous



View of the Top Garden (Entertainment)

#### Polo Shirts still available

There are 8 Rotary Polo Shirts still available for purchase at £10 each. contact Rtn Anne Willey to check what sizes are available if you are interested.

#### Card received following the Wine & Wisdom evening

To Peter Perry and all members of the Wortley Rotary Club

Friends of Grenoside Park would like to thank you for a brilliant night at the Wine & Wisdom night. We were made very welcome by all, and what a fantastic fundraising event it was. We are very grateful for the £460 raised on the night and for all your hard work for organising the event. We will let you



know when the grand unveiling is and would love to see you all there.

Many Thanks again

Cheryl Atherton & Friends of Grenoside Park Committee.

### **Song to help in the fight to eradicate Polio**

Foundation Chair in District 1120 advises that a brand new song is available for download which is all about Rotary and the fight to eradicate the illness. To watch a video of the song, click on the link below:-  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AgA7FGct3uw>

Visit to the Theatre in December (As at 25<sup>th</sup> June)

Dear All,

For those who have not yet decided if they are going with us or not, I have only 5 tickets left, out of 30 I purchased, from The Crucible. I am away for the month of July, so if you wish to go, please let me know asap.

For those who have already bought, the cost is £22, instead of the normal £26. I have to pay by 1st week of September, so all monies please during August.

Regards

Derek

From DG Simon Kalson

### **DISTRICT 1200 (INCLUDES SOMERSET LEVELS) FLOOD RELIEF UPDATE**

#### Organisation

We now have two flood committees within the District.

We have the supervisory committee, overseeing objective and strategy. They approve expenditure recommended by the operational committee.

We have the operational committee - organising aid at field level.

Thus we have a constituted structure: it is important to maintain objectivity and correct governance by separating the function of approval from recommendation.

We also have an audit trail - which of course Rory would insist upon, anyway.

#### Update

We still have a sum close to £100k in the flood relief fund.

We have been active, and funds are now moving as we identify more families in need.

We have purchased, with Somerset Community Fund, a mobility scooter to replace one lost in the waters.

We have paid out for small help gestures to families in distress.

We are having a ceiling replaced this weekend with our funds, and we have just purchased carpeting for 66 homes where carpets were ruined.

Our Rotarians are working in gardens, replanting hedges, rebuilding paths.

Andrew Sweet (WsM RC) printed new brochures for us (and refused to charge us). Rotarians have circulated them and they are gleaned responses.

We have paid for 6 professional surveys to provide homeowners with a road map for restoration.

Inner Wheelers have put a huge effort into assembling boxes of cleaning materials, yet to be issued.

We have provided advocacy and a new case of advocacy opens today - many of the more senior or very stressed victims feel unable to cope with the paperwork, and in some cases need help in negotiation with the less responsive insurance companies (who, in my view should be named and shamed).

We have provided transport via Rotarians and have provided hired transport to victims who wish to help themselves but lack the necessary vehicles.

We are using our hired storage capacity to help families to store their possessions while restoration work continues.

We have equipment on hire from hire companies installed in homes to accelerate the drying process.

The Lyme Regis Club members have demonstrated their generosity and their negotiating skills by arranging free respite accommodation in the Jurassic coast area. We currently have four families for whom this is being arranged.

## Our Access

We access & identify potential clients by touring the villages and talking. The Village Agents, Jill Shortland OBE and the Somerset Community Fund are an excellent source of information and assist us with vetting. We have only refused (or rather we did not submit to our approvals group) two claims - one for a luxury and one for a lady who was just too difficult for us (and others, we subsequently discovered) to help.

When one talks to our clients one can sense the underlying tension and stress - many are still not in their homes and many are in caravans to stay close while they engage with repairs. They feel abandoned by the authorities and in many cases by the insurance companies (those who were insured). They are quite emotional in their response to our offers of assistance - all the more gratifying.

To summarise:

You have good reason to be proud to be Rotarians & Inner Wheelers. You have raised a huge sum of money which we are determined to use in a well-governed and well-judged dispensation of aid. There are many Rotarians & Inner Wheelers who have and are continuing to put many hours of work into the effort. Above all, our clients need us and show their gratitude.

**David Welch**  
Flood Relief Coordinator  
District 1200

## Church Wilne Rotary Club Barn Dance raises more than £1,000

Family barn dance attended by more than 150 people raised more than £1,000 on 7<sup>th</sup> June at Ockbrook. To read more, click on the following link:-

<http://www.derbytelegraph.co.uk/Church-Wilne-Rotary-Club-barn-dance-raises-pound/story-21267710-detail/story.html>

## Derby Daybreak Rotary Club hold Charity Ball

Derby Daybreak RC held its 1<sup>st</sup> Charity Ball to raise money for an incubator at the Royal Derby Hospital. To read more, click on the following link:-

<http://www.derbytelegraph.co.uk/undefined-headline/story-21224723-detail/story.html>

## Museum launches book made by local youngsters

The Heritage Book, sponsored by Richmond RC was launched in June. It uses images and words provided by local children. To read more, click on the following link:-

<http://www.thenorthernecho.co.uk/news/11293070.Museum launches book made by youngsters celebrating local heritage/>

## Community Garden starting to branch out

York Ainsty RC have been supporting the Sprouts Community Garden in Copmanthorpe, York. To read more about this, click on the following link:-  
<http://www.yorkpress.co.uk/news/11273274.Community garden is starting to branch out/>

## Future Duty Roster (Hosts)

30 <sup>th</sup> June, 2014	Visitor	Jacob Davis
	Fellowship	Stephen Knight
7 <sup>th</sup> July, 2014	Visitor	John Evans
	Fellowship	Steven Patterson
14 <sup>th</sup> July, 2014	Visitor	John Greaves
	Fellowship	Trevor Fletcher
21 <sup>st</sup> July, 2014	Visitor	Keith Addy
	Fellowship	Anne Willey
28 <sup>th</sup> July, 2014	Visitor	Keith Bailey
	Fellowship	Annie Rouxeville

## Dates for the Diary WORTLEY

30th June, 2014	Presidential Handover (Whitley Hall)
17 <sup>th</sup> -20 <sup>th</sup> July, 2014	Music in the Gardens (Sheffield Botanical Gardens)

## DISTRICT / RIBI

5 <sup>th</sup> July, 2014	RIBI Presidential Handover (The Elizabethan, River Thames Cruise, Waterloo {London Eye})[11:45-16:00]
25th-27th July, 2014	RIBI Interact Rally (Rock UK, Irthlingborough)
24 <sup>th</sup> October, 2014 20th – 22nd February,	World Polio Day RIBI Service Assembly

<b>2015</b>	<b>(Hilton Birmingham Metropole Hotel, NEC)</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> March, 2015</b>	<b>Climate Week</b>
<b>March, 2015</b>	<b>Earth Hour</b>
<b>10th-12th April, 2015</b>	<b>RIBI Annual Conference (Belfast Waterfront Conference Centre)</b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> April, 2016</b>	<b>RIBI Annual Conference, Bournemouth</b>

## **REMEMBER THE 4-WAY TEST**

- 1) Is it the TRUTH?**
- 2) Is it fair to all concerned?**
- 3) Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?**
- 4) Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?**

### **Who Am I**

- 1) I was born on 20<sup>th</sup> January 1914 in Kingston upon Thames, the son of a Pharmacist. I was educated at King's College School in Wimbledon. After leaving, I briefly worked for an estate agent, for an advertising agency and in publishing. I wanted to be an actor, but after getting a number of minor parts, I drifted into broadcasting.
- 2) I came to public notice as an announcer, and then producer, for the International Broadcasting Company, beginning with Radio Normandy in 1936. By the end of the year, I was working in Paris, and up until late 1939, was involved in writing and production. During this time, I presented a show called "Radio Normandy Calling", which regularly beat the BBC in audience ratings.
- 3) This part of my career came to a shuddering halt with the outbreak of WWII. Having recently married, I stayed on in Paris, and only managed to escape back to England as the Germans marched on the capital in June 1940. In 1941, I came up with an idea for a radio show, and wrote
- 4) As well as the above show, I also compiled and presented a number of feature shows. I was the chairman of the Radio game show "Many a Slip" from 1964 to 1979, and was a participant in "Does the Team Think" which was also in BBC Radio. I also anchored "Round Britain Quiz" in 1961. On TV, I produced "Dinner Date with Death" in 1949, and chaired "We Beg to Differ" firstly on Radio, and then on TV in 1951.
- 5) In 1975, I was awarded the OBE. I was voted BBC Radio Personality of the Year in 1979 and I also published 16 Stage plays. One of these, "Cold Turkey" was performed in the West End. I was married once and had 1 daughter. I died on 28<sup>th</sup> May 1985 from Pleurisy, and am buried at Putney Vale Cemetery in London. The Radio Show I created is the second longest-running radio programme, and is currently presented by Kirsty Young. Other presenters have been Michael Parkinson and Sue Lawley.

***Answers at the bottom of the newsletter***

### **This Month's Joke**

**A woman walked into the kitchen to find her husband stalking around with a fly swatter**

**"What are you doing?" She asked.**

**"Hunting Flies" He responded.**

to the BBC who responded favourably. This show was to be broadcast weekly, and in January 1942, the first show went out. Each show was a mixture of music and interviews with a celebrity guest, and after the run of 8 initial programmes had passed, the BBC renewed the contract for another 15. I continued to present this show for another 432 years.

"Oh! Killing any?" She asked.

"Yep, three males, two females," he replied.

Intrigued, she asked "How can you tell them apart?"

He responded, "Three were on a beer can, and two were on the phone.

**In honour of Stupid people  
(Actual label instructions on consumer goods)**

1. On a Japanese food processor - **"Not to be used for the other use."**
2. On an American Airlines packet of nuts -- **"Instructions: Open packet, eat nuts."**
3. On a child's Superman costume -- **"Wearing of this garment does not enable you to fly."**
4. On a Swedish Chainsaw -- **"Do not attempt to stop chain with your hands or genitals."**

**Non-living Objects - Male or Female**

1. **PHOTOCOPIERS:** These are female..... They are an effective reproductive device if the right buttons are pushed...but can also wreak havoc if you push the wrong Buttons.
2. **SPONGES:** These are female...because they are soft.....squeezable and retain water.
3. **HAMMERS:** Male.... Because in the last 5000 years.....they've hardly

changed at all...and are occasionally handy to have around.

4. **TRAINs:** Definitely male... Because they always use the same old lines for picking up people.
5. **EGG TIMERS:** Egg timers are female because....over time...all the weight shifts to the bottom.
6. **TYRES:** Tyres are male, because they go bald easily and are often over inflated

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Who Am I Answer:-

Answer: **Francis Roy Plomley**