

# WORTLEY ROTARY CLUB DISTRICT 1270

## August 2012 NEWSLETTER

**President: Steve Patterson**

**Secretary: David Humberstone**

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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Well a month has gone already, and what a month, cancelled South Yorkshire Festival along with our VVR.

On a more positive note, the MIG survived the weather and a massive thank you to all members who took part. Once again I think we were the most represented club on each night, well done to you all.

Monday 23rd fundraising night (courtesy of Superstar Brenda) was beyond belief once again thanks to all members attending, especially Trevor, for squeezing what he could out of people in the auction. Most of all thanks go to Brenda who put masses of work into making the evening the success it was. Thanks Bren'.

Other things on the agenda are Castleton Camp (folder). Meeting at Abbeydale to meet RIBI president (August) and I have registration forms for conference should anyone want one or two.

Thanks from me to all the members who contributed to the past months activities.

President Steve

### NEWS

#### Meetings

July 2<sup>nd</sup> – Normal Meeting including Handover to the New President, Steve Patterson. Steve's Wife and son were present at the meeting.

VVR - Rtn Stephen D reported that the South Yorkshire Festival had been cancelled due to the Weather and the effect on Car Parking areas. A number of Rotarians had been to Wortley Hall to check the grounds, and the recommendation to the club is that the VVR should be cancelled or postponed. After discussion of the issues involved, regrettably, the club agreed to cancel the event for this year.

The logistics of cancellation were then discussed to ensure that as many people involved in the event (Exhibitors, Stallholders etc) were made aware of the cancellation. To that end, there would be someone at Wortley on the Sunday (from 9am-2pm), to advise any people who turned up that the event was not taking place.

MITG - Music in the Gardens is going ahead, so Rtn Rod asked for help in dismantling the equipment on the Sunday morning from 9am.

#### Other Notices

Rtn David H (Secretary) reported that the Annual subscriptions were now due, and also advised that Rotarians using the website need to update their e-mail account so that message board messages would be sent directly to them.

The Rotary Club of Abbeydale has been asked by DG Robin Mason to host a lunch for RIBI President, John Minihinick. They have extended an invitation to all clubs in the District to the event due on August 15<sup>th</sup>.

Rtn Philip S reported that Keith Addy is continuing to recover slowly after his operation.

#### Presidential Handover

The formality of the Presidential handover then took place. Rtn Anne (Immediate Past President) reflected on her year in office, and then passed the chain to Rtn Steve Patterson. He then passed the President Elect chain to Rtn Howard, who passed the Vice President chain to Rtn John H. Finally, Previous Immediate Past President, Rtn Rod, presented Rtn Anne with the Past President Badge. The meeting was then concluded by President Steve leading the Final Toast.



The Presidency is transferred



President-Elect Chain handed over



Vice-President Chain is Handed over

July 9<sup>th</sup> – Normal meeting – No Speaker

**VVR** - The cancellation of the VVR was discussed, and there is only 1 date available in September should the club decide to reschedule. The South Yorkshire Festival is being moved the year after next to August. After discussion, the consensus in the club is to permanently cancel the VVR for 2012. Next year's event is provisionally booked for 7<sup>th</sup> July. The clash between MITG / South Yorkshire Festival and VVR was discussed, with the option of moving the VVR mentioned after which the club agreed to confirm 7<sup>th</sup> July as the date for the 2013 VVR, and to explore the possibility of moving to September in 2014.

**MITG** – as yet, there is no idea how much money was raised by this event although the money each club will receive will be less than last year as more clubs were involved. Wortley were noted as the best contributor to the event. The bucket collection raised £4,500 for 5 different charities.

**Scholarship** - Rtn Lewis advised that the trustees of the scholarship have decided on 3 recipients for an award if the club approves. This was approved by the club, and the recipients will be notified and invited to attend a presentation night. It is also intended to invite past recipients to see how they are progressing.

#### Other Notices

Thanks from Brian Whitfield were brought to the club for the efforts of all involved at the MITG event. The presentation night is on September 24<sup>th</sup>.

The Rotary Clubs in Lincoln have German Presidents this year, and are organising an Oktoberfest. A leaflet giving details and asking for names will be in the Folder circulated at the weekly meetings.

Next week, there is a presentation about Hospital Radio, and a speaker from the Archer project.

Rtn Brenda advised that she is trying to turn the meeting on July 23<sup>rd</sup> into a mini-fundraiser to help make up the shortfall caused by the loss of the VVR. This is the help raise the money the club intends to give to the Children's Hospital for a special Hoist

(supported by Hallam FM and Barnsley Rockley club.

There was a discussion about extra activity (over and above that detailed above for the Children's Hospital) to make up the shortfall. Rtn Peter P asked if there was interest in a Wine & Wisdom evening – those present indicated that there was.

July 16<sup>th</sup> – There was a presentation of a cheque for £1000 to Hospital Radio represented by James McKennen who said it meant a lot to them as this amounted to a substantial part of their costs to keep broadcasting.



Rtn Philip presents cheque to James McKennen

There was also a presentation by Sheffield Cathedral Archer project by Tracy Viner & Tim Renshaw which enlightened the club to the involvement and scope this worthwhile organisation provides to support the homeless.



Sheffield cathedral Archer Project presentation

#### Other Notices

We have been asked to attend Castleton camp, date set for Tuesday 7th August - volunteers please for a couple of hours in the evening to help out with the usual games / etc

Fundraising meeting with guests Dransfield properties and the Children's Hospital. Therapy Pool Appeal on July 23<sup>rd</sup>.

RIBI president visiting Abbeydale RC on August 15<sup>th</sup>  
- President Steven is going - please join him if possible

An invitation has been received to attend Abbeydale RC on August 29<sup>th</sup> to hear Sheffield author Marina Lewkya's "short history of tractors in Ukrainian", a best selling comedy book

District Seminar at Rotherham Consort Hotel, Thurcroft on "future Vision" of Rotary on September 4<sup>th</sup>.

Abbeydale Golf Day on September 7<sup>th</sup>.

Oktoberfest (beer festival, ) Lincoln RC on October 13<sup>th</sup> - see President Steven

Mock Interviews confirmed for 21<sup>st</sup> November.

July 23<sup>rd</sup> – Fundraising Meeting with Speaker from Ryegate. President Steven introduced guests from The Children's Hospital, organisations involved in the Hydrotherapy project, and other Rotary Clubs.

These included:

Alex Wall (WCEC Architects)  
Charles Linch (WCEC Architects)  
Charlotte Geoghan (Dransfield Properties Ltd)  
Dave Threllfall (Head of Phyiotherapy at Ryegate)  
Nicola Farrell (Cash for Kids)  
Kathy Markwick (Barnsley Rockley RC)

There was an envelope provide for donations to the Cash for Kids charity. Further details are in the Events section of the bulletin.

### Other Notices

President Steven advised that those who are going to Castleton Camp on August 7<sup>th</sup> need to be there by 6:00pm – the meal starts at 6:30pm.

July 30<sup>th</sup> – Normal Meeting (No Speaker). President Steven welcomed guests including Steve Jones from Mexborough RC.

Rtn Lewis advised that the Scholarship cheques are due to be presented on 3<sup>rd</sup> September, when the 3 recipients are due to attend (subject to Grades etc). Rebecca Link (a recipient in 2008) will also be attending to update the club on her progress, and has agreed to present the cheques to this year's winners

There was a discussion regarding the issue of Guests paying for meals, particularly when they accompany the invited speaker. The consensus was that only the speaker should have their meal paid for by the club.

### Other Notices

Castleton Camp on 7<sup>th</sup> August – President Steven reiterated that those who are going need to be there by 6:00pm, and names are needed to ensure that meals will be provided. A number of people volunteered to attend.

There will be a meeting of the full MITG committee on 29<sup>th</sup> August, and the Cheque presentation evening is set for 21<sup>st</sup> September at Niagara Sports Club, Hillsborough.

Following last week's Fundraising event, an email has been received from Kathy Markwick thanking the club for their efforts on the night. President Steven congratulated Brenda on organising the event, which was attended by 56 Rotarians and guests, and raised £1200, which was increased to **£1700** in total with the £500 cheque presented that evening. The breakdown was as follows:-

Raffle	-	£330
Envelope Donations	-	£182
Other Donations	-	£ 18
Auction	-	£670

#### **Broken down as follows:**

<b>Box @ The Arena</b>	<b>£260</b>
<b>Gyrocopter Ride</b>	<b>£120</b>
<b>Lionel Richie Tickets</b>	<b>£160</b>
<b>Decleor Products</b>	<b>£ 80</b>
<b>Whitley Hall Afternoon Tea</b>	<b>£ 50</b>
<b>HSBC / Barnsley Rockley Cheque</b>	<b>£500</b>

Names required for attendance at 'Oktoberfest' in Lincoln - President Steven advised that there would be a sheet in the folder shortly.

Club Memebers were reminded that subs are due if they have not yet paid.

Other dates:

21<sup>st</sup> September – Rotary Conference in Hull.

### Other News

There is a seminar, organised by Rolf Sperr (PDG & District Foundation Chair), concerning the impact of 'Future Vision' on club activities. This is included in the Dates for diary section below. Please note that refreshments will be available.

Thanks for the contribution to MITG have also been received from Hilary Smith. (DAG Group A), and also from Geoff Marston (chair of the Management Committee). Geoff also requested feedback on things done well or not so well.

The club was sad to hear of the death after a long illness of Graham Wright, (Sheffield).

## Events

### **Fundraising Evening for Sheffield Childrens Hospital, Ryegate Therapy Unit.**



**During the Meal prior to the Fundraising and Presentation**

Rtn Brenda introduced the speaker, Alex Wall from WCEC Architects, who described the project to renew the Hydrotherapy Pool at the Children's Hospital, and the fundraising that has been taking place to raise the money for the Project. The presentation showed the current facilities which need upgrading, outlined current and proposed usage, what types of people currently use the facilities, and extra facilities they are hoping to provide such as an Overhead Hoist.

The current building is 50 years old, and needs to be updated to provide help for more children in a modern, and more efficient environment. The project involves Dransfield Properties Ltd, Henry Boot, Wcec Architects and the Children's Hospital (Ryegate).

The fundraising consisted of 2 main parts – a Mini Auction, and a Raffle. The Raffle raised £330, and the Auction of 5 items raised £670 making a total of £1,000. In addition, Barnsley Rockley and HSBC presented a cheque to Rtn Brenda for £500. All in all a good night.



**Raffle Prizes**



**Presentation of the Cheque**

### **Olympic Torch in Wortley Rotary Area**

Following on from last month's article, here's another piccie from June 25th.



**The Torch on Yew Lane, Ecclesfield**

### **Olympic Games memories**

Not quite memory in the traditional sense, but the 1992 Olympics stick in our mind - having taken a phone call from "some salesman", my dad had been told that Sally and I had won a competition to see the Olympics in Barcelona - of course he told him where to go, but a letter arrived confirming it - flights and all included, my (soon to be) wife Sally had entered a competition in the Daily Mirror and won three days trip including events tickets and flights – and accommodation on the Cruise Liners in the harbour - never forget it - the year of Sally Gunnell, I recall, and a marvellous city to visit, especially Gaudi's famous Sagrada Familia Church still being built over 100 years on. (they don't build em like they used to). That year she also won a washer and a combi-boiler, not quite the same but all quite handy at the time!! Just shows you have to be in it to win it.

Rtn David H

I have three more memories to share with you all. One is from Montreal during the Summer Holidays. I used to stay up during the night (2:15am) to watch most of the events, and saw David Wilkie win a Gold Medal in the 200 metres Breaststroke, and breaking the World record at the same time. Final bit of commentary from Alan Weeks stick in my mind – he just simply said “And it’s – Wilkie”. Incidentally, the city has just finished paying for the Games (augers well for London eh!!)

The other two are from Seoul – one good, and one not so good. The not-so-good first – Ben Johnson’s Rocket fuelled “win” in the Men’s 100 metres Final – I actually fell asleep on the settee and woke up 20 minutes after it had happened (4am in the morning) – of course 2 days later the truth came out. The second was the GB Men’s Hockey Team win – this was around 7am in the morning. GB beat Germany 3 – 1, and another immortal piece of commentary – this time from Barry Davies. When the third GB goal went in, he said “And where were the Germans, but with the greatest of respect – WHO CARES?”. Some people complained about that statement – I didn’t though.

Ed.

### Future Duty Roster (Hosts)

August 6 <sup>th</sup>	Visitor	John Haggerty
	Fellowship	Stephen Dobson
August 13 <sup>th</sup>	Visitor	Anne Winnard
	Fellowship	John Evans
August 20 <sup>th</sup>	Visitor	Darryl Hinchcliffe
	Fellowship	Trevor Fletcher
August 27 <sup>th</sup>		NO MEETING
September 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Visitor	John Greaves
	Fellowship	Bob Greaves
September 10 <sup>th</sup>	Visitor	Peter Clarke
	Fellowship	Roger Hirst
September 17 <sup>th</sup>	Visitor	Keith Addy
	Fellowship	Howard Mills
September 24 <sup>th</sup>	Visitor	Peter Appleyard
	Fellowship	Mike Parden

### Dates for the Diary

#### WORTLEY

7 <sup>th</sup> August, 2012	Castleton Camp (evening)
3 <sup>rd</sup> September, 2012	Scholarship presentation evening
21 <sup>st</sup> November, 2012	Mock Interviews

#### DISTRICT / RIBI

September 2011 – July 2012	District 1190 Preston Guild Merchant 2012
15 <sup>th</sup> August, 2012	RIBI President visiting Abbeydale RC
24 <sup>th</sup> -27 <sup>th</sup> August, 2012	Rotaract Banbury Camping Rally
1 <sup>st</sup> -2 <sup>nd</sup> September, 2012	District Trainers

4 <sup>th</sup> September, 2012	Seminar, Alcester, Warwickshire Future Vision on Club activities seminar, (Consort Hotel, Thurcroft) [18:30-20:00pm]
7 <sup>th</sup> September, 2012	Abbeydale Golf Day
10 <sup>th</sup> September, 2012	26 <sup>th</sup> RIBI Rotary Clubs Golf Championship (Coxmoor Golf Club, Sutton-in-Ashfield)
12 <sup>th</sup> September, 2012	Revised RIBI Golf Championship (Leicestershire Golf Club)
15 <sup>th</sup> September, 2012	Coast Along for WaterAid event
21 <sup>st</sup> September, 2012	Pre-District Conference Golf (Hessle Golf Club) – starts 10am
21 <sup>st</sup> -23 <sup>rd</sup> September, 2012	District Conference, Hull
28 <sup>th</sup> -30 <sup>th</sup> September, 2012	Ambassadorial Scholars Link Weekend (Exeter, Devon)
October 2012	Vocational Service Month
13 <sup>th</sup> October, 2012	Oktoberfest (beer festival), Lincoln Rotary Clubs
26 <sup>th</sup> -27 <sup>th</sup> October, 2012	Bradford Peace Seminar (University of Bradford)
25 <sup>th</sup> -27 <sup>th</sup> January, 2013	RIBI Assembly Planning Seminar 2013
22 <sup>nd</sup> -24 <sup>th</sup> February, 2013	RIBI Service Assembly 2013 (Hilton Birmingham Metrole Hotel, NEC)
23 <sup>rd</sup> February, 2013	Rotary Day
15 <sup>th</sup> -17 <sup>th</sup> March, 2013	RIBI AG Admin Assembly 2013 2013 (Hilton Birmingham Metrole Hotel, NEC)
12 <sup>th</sup> -14 <sup>th</sup> April, 2013	RIBI Conference 2013 (Harrogate)
27 <sup>th</sup> April, 2013	RIBI Young Chef 2013 Final
28 <sup>th</sup> April, 2013	RIBI Youth Speaks Final (Hull University)
24 <sup>th</sup> -26 <sup>th</sup> May, 2013	Rotary Club of Londonderry International Peace Conference 2013 (

### 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 5<sup>th</sup> June 1944 in Iver Heath, Buckinghamshire, the son of an Irish parents, and 1 of 8 children. I became interested in the sporting career I chose from an early age after being introduced to it by my older brother, Terence.
- 2) *I combined my work as a bricklayer with training in my chosen sport at the Lavender Hill gym under the tutelage of Freddie Hill. I won the ABA middleweight championship in 1966.*
- 3) *Having been chosen to represent GB at the 1968 Olympic Games, I became the first man for 12 years to win an Olympic Title, and the first since 1924 to win the Middleweight title. I received an MBE in the 1969 New Years Honours List.*
- 4) *After the Games, I turned professional, but after failing to win the European Middleweight title in 1970, I moved up to Light-Heavyweight, winning the European title in February 1972. I then lost a World Title fight later in the same year, and lost twice to John Conteh before retiring in 1975 after winning the British Title and after having an eye operation to repair a detached retina.*
- 5) *I had a brother who was also a boxer, who was the British Middleweight Champion on 3 occasions, and fought Alan Minter and Marvin Hagler. I died on 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2009 aged 64 after suffering from Pneumonia.*

**Answer at the bottom of the newsletter**

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

A minister was completing a temperance sermon. With great emphasis he said, 'If I had all the beer in the world, I'd take it and pour it into the river.'

With even greater emphasis he said, 'And if I had All the wine in the world, I'd take it and pour it into the river.'

And then finally, shaking his fist in the air, he Said, 'And if I had all the whiskey in the world, I'd take it and pour it into the river.'

Sermon complete, he sat down...

The song leader stood very cautiously and announced With a smile, nearly laughing, 'For our closing song, Let us sing Hymn number 365, 'Shall We Gather at the River.'

### Extracts from Children's Essays<sup>1</sup>.

- SCIENCE**::: One of the most important farces is the farce that pulls things to the ground.....This farce is called gravity.
2. **HISTORY**::: Sometimes in the war they take prisners and keep them as ostreges until the war is over...some prisners end up in consterpation camps.
3. **GEOGRAPHY**::: The closest town to Frans is Dova and we can get there by train or you can go by fairy.
4. **MATHS**::: If it is less than 90 degrees it is a cute angel.
5. **R.E.STUDIES**::: If you marry and are already married you are a pigamist, but Morons are allowed to do this.
6. **GEOGRAPHY**::: In geography we learned that countries with sea all round them are called islands and the

**ones with no sea round them are called  
incontinents.**

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This months Who Am I is:-

**Answer: Christopher Martin Finnegan**