

# WORTLEY ROTARY CLUB DISTRICT 1270

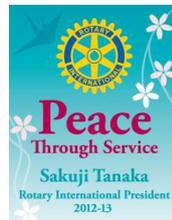
**December 2012 NEWSLETTER**

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Didn't we do well in the district quiz, or did we? After being declared joint second with Abbeydale a recount ensued only to be relegated to third place. Congratulations to Stainborough on their deserved win and best of luck in Cleethorpes. (A fun night there then!) There seems to be a pattern forming here. First the VVR had to be cancelled, MIG almost a wash out, third in the quiz and now Bassetts have closed their doors to cheap chocolates for Santa. What is it they say? Things can only get better, I am hoping so.

On a more positive note we welcome two new members to the fold, Derek Ronksley and Graham Owen, formerly of Hallam who decided our food was better (Joke). Welcome and get stuck in.

Redistricting version 3 came along keeping the district of 1270 almost intact with the exception of Selby being banished to another district (another joke). As previously discussed we as a club decided to stick with 1270 rather than break away to pastures new.

Carol singing on the 10th December looks to be well supported by the club (thanks to Phillip for Buffet) and it has been confirmed that we as a club have been chosen to host the Millionaires night at the Grenoside Community Centre in January 2014, lots of helpers/learners required on the 19th January 2013 so we know what we will be doing.

Santa will be coming out to play on 13th December around Stocksbridge etc. and then again on Christmas Eve, all hands to the Sleigh as you might say. Christmas Dinner is on a club night 17th and is at the very, very reasonable price of £12 + raffle no excuses for non-attendance then.

That's about all I have to say this month except **THINGS HAVE GOT TO GET BETTER** (haven't they?)

Thanks to all those that have done their bit over the past few weeks

Steve Patterson

## NEWS

### Meetings

5<sup>th</sup> November – Normal Meeting followed by Council.

President Steve welcomed a guest from Hallam Rotary Club who brought greetings from their President and Club, and was asked to convey the same back.

There was no vote on the proposed District Re-organisation at the District meeting last week.

The Millionaires night, which the club is getting involved in (January 2013), was mentioned – there is a need for as many people as possible to get involved.

Further to the discussions last month regarding Abi (Bradfield School) and the donation for her trip next year, a donation has been made for the purposes of allowing the club to help fund the trip.

### Ryegate Children's Hospital Appeal

Rtn Brenda reported that the project has now started. Recent contributions to the fund include £500 from Barnsley Rockley, Brenda held a Home Candle event which raised a£100. The total raised now stands at £2,620. We had intended to raise £6,000 this year, but the VVR cancellation affected this quite dramatically. Brenda advised that there is a Box at the Arena for the One Direction concert which will be auctioned off at the HSBC Ball.

### Other Business

District Quiz Night (19<sup>th</sup> November) – The following numbers have been confirmed by the other clubs taking part in the quiz:-

Rotherham Club	- no team
Hallam	- numbers to be confirmed
Stainborough	- 7 people (incl team)
Abbeydale	- 7 people (incl team)
Sheffield	- 4 people (incl team)

Wortley Rotarians were asked to firmly commit to attending by next Monday so that the numbers can be provided to Whitley Hall.

Rtn Peter P advised that the visit to Hospital Radio had been very interesting, if a little tiring (lots of stairs apparently). There was a brief discussion about the investment the club had made and where it had been spent. Rtn Peter also asked about the cost of the Christmas Dinner (this is not known at this stage).

Rtn Barrie reminded members of the Investment Club that the next meeting will be after the meeting next week.

Rtn Philip reported that he had received a phone call regarding the Home Alone Christmas lunch, which the club were involved in last year, enquiring whether we could help this year. After a discussion, it was decided that we would be unable to be involved.

The Remembrance Day Services are now covered with wreaths being laid at Chapeltown, Wortley and Stocksbridge.

Thought for the day – Senakot is very moving (President Steve)

#### 12<sup>th</sup> November – Normal Meeting (No Speaker)

#### 19<sup>th</sup> November – District Quiz Hosting

There were 41 attendees as Wortley hosted the District Quiz first round. The club came 3<sup>rd</sup> out of 5, and the winners were Stainborough club (congratulations to them).

#### 26<sup>th</sup> November – Normal meeting with Speaker

The Santa Tour on Christmas Eve was discussed with various duties handed out. There is a problem this year regarding the choc's as we can no longer have access to the Cadbury's Staff Shop which has been a tremendous help in the

past we need another outlet if any one has any ideas please liaise with Rtn Philip. The number of members down to participate this year needs to be increased we need the body's on the night, please don't make the excuse that you are doing the Stocksbridge run instead as only three or four people including Santa and driver are required on that evening.

Please make the effort on the 24th and don't leave it to the 'hardy half dozen' we have been doing this for the past forty years and this is how we are most recognised for in the community.

Rtns Derek Ronksley and Graham Owen both attended the meeting and are hoping to join our club very soon.

The speaker at the meeting was Fay Wilson the fund raising manager of TCAA (The Children's Air Ambulance). She told us the organisation was brand new, launched only last month and will be operational early 2013. The TCAA is the first dedicated service of its kind in the UK and is expected to be in high demand from the very start. It is a free service that relies totally on voluntary donations.

The Air Ambulance will be based at Coventry airport and will be able to respond very quickly to emergencies for example Coventry to say Barnsley in 15 minutes! Its main aim is to transfer children from hospital to a dedicated Paediatric Centre in a fraction of the time it would take by road and hopefully save lives.

A vote of thanks was given by the President.

### Miscellaneous

Carol Singing - There is an open invitation once again at the George and Dragon. Wentworth immediately following the carol singing when the usual buffet will be put on it would be appreciated if the people attending could say put a tick after your name in the folder to give me a clue of the buffet numbers. Rtn Philip.

Kids Out Charity was established with the help of Rotary back in 1989, and

raises money to enable disabled or disadvantaged children to be taken on a day out. To read more about this charity was formed click on the following link:-

<http://www.kidsout.org.uk/who-we-are/where-we-came-from>

*International Yachting fellowship of Rotarians* – if anyone is interested in ‘messing about in boats’, this may be of interest to you. Click on either of the links below to read more:-

<http://www.ivfr.net/t1/index.php> or <http://www.ivfrgbi.org/index.php>

*Get Ready for Winter* – RIBI in partnership with the Government, Met Office and other organisations are promoting the Get Ready for Winter campaign. To read more, click on the following link:-

<http://www.ribi.org/committees/communitiy-service/get-ready-for-winter>

#### Future Duty Roster (Hosts)

December 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Visitor Fellowship	Roger Hirst John Greaves
December 10 <sup>th</sup>	Visitor Fellowship	Stephen Dobson John Haggerty
December 17 <sup>th</sup>	Visitor Fellowship	Trevor Fletcher Keith Bailey
December 24 <sup>th</sup>	NO	MEETING
December 31 <sup>st</sup>	NO	MEETING

#### Dates for the Diary

##### WORTLEY

10 <sup>th</sup> December, 2012	Carol Singing
24 <sup>th</sup> December, 2012	Santa's Sleigh
January 2013	Millionaire's Night
28 <sup>th</sup> January 2013	Burn's Night

##### DISTRICT / RIBI

4 <sup>th</sup> December, 2012	Rotary Club of Alford & Mablethorpe – ‘The Year of Peace through Service’ – Speaker Chelsea Keyser (District Peace Fellow), The Bacchus Hotel, Sutton on Sea [19:00]
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25 <sup>th</sup> -27 <sup>th</sup> January, 2013	RIBI Assembly Planning Seminar 2013
26 <sup>th</sup> January, 2013	Hull Paragon Rotary Club Chinese New Year Banquet (Mr Chus's, Hull)
16 <sup>th</sup> February, 2013	Rotary Club of Rotherham 91 <sup>st</sup> President's Dinner and Dance (Consort Hotel, Thurcroft) [19:00 for 19:30]
22 <sup>nd</sup> -24 <sup>th</sup> February, 2013	RIBI Service Assembly 2013 (Hilton Birmingham Metrole Hotel, NEC)
24 <sup>th</sup> February, 2013	National Immunisation Day INDIA
23 <sup>rd</sup> February, 2013	Rotary Day
4 <sup>th</sup> -10 <sup>th</sup> March, 2013	Climate Week for Schools
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)
20 <sup>th</sup> April, 2013	Know your Blood Pressure day
27 <sup>th</sup> April, 2013	RIBI Young Chef 2013 Final
28 <sup>th</sup> April, 2013	RIBI Youth Speaks Final (Hull University)
4 <sup>th</sup> May, 2013	RIBI Young Musician Final (Longfield Academy, Kent)
24 <sup>th</sup> -26 <sup>th</sup> May, 2013	Rotary Club of Londonderry International Peace Conference 2013 (Derry-Londonderry)
9 <sup>th</sup> June, 2013	Rotary Club of Hull Paragon Charter Lunch (details to follow)
27 <sup>th</sup> -28 <sup>th</sup> September, 2013	District Conference 2013 (Lincoln)

#### 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 6<sup>th</sup> February 1933 in West Bridgford, Nottingham – the son of an actor from his second

marriage. When I was 11 years old, my parents moved to London, but I was then evacuated to Bute until the war ended.

2. As a youngster, I showed promise as a pianist and won a scholarship to the Royal Academy of Music. I attended the Cone-Ripman Drama School where I met my future wife. Aged 16, I appeared on Radio Luxembourg as a member of the Oultineys Concert Party. My parents died within 5 years of each other, my father's death in 1955 occurring 10 days after being hit by a car.
3. The year before my Dad's death, I married my wife, and we had 5 children (1 Son, AND 4 Daughters). During the 50s and 60s I worked on stage and Radio including Variety Playhouse, and Oultine Radio programmes. At the same time, my TV career was beginning to take off, as I presented programmes such as The Billy Cotton Band Show, and Crackerjack for most of the 1960s. I supported West Bromwich Albion Football Club.
4. I then graduated in Gameshows, being the original host of "The Price is Right" with the catchphrase 'Come on Down'. In 1990, after the axing of TPIR, I was chosen to be the host of "Stars in their Eyes". I was an Alcoholic, like my father, and after turning up at a gala in Glastonbury in a drunken stupor, received treatment and never drank again.
5. My showbusiness career was effectively ended by a car crash on the M5 in October 1992, and I was in a coma for 17 days afterwards. I was awarded a CBE in the 1993 New

Year's Honours List, and appeared on the Royal Variety Performance later that year, but retired from Showbusiness in November 1994. I died from Heart failure on 29<sup>th</sup> September 1996.

*Answers at the bottom of the newsletter*

*Answers from a CATHOLIC  
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TEST about  
the Bible*

1. **THE JEWS WERE A PROUD PEOPLE AND THROUGHOUT HISTORY THEY HAD TROUBLE WITH UNSYMPATHETIC GENITALS**
2. **THE EGYPTIANS WERE ALL DROWNED IN THE DESERT. AFTERWARDS, MOSES WENT UP TO MOUNTCYANIDE TO GET THE TEN COMMANDMENTS**
3. **DAVID WAS A HEBREW KING WHO WAS SKILLED AT PLAYING THE LIAR. HE FOUGHT THE FINKELSTEINS, A RACE OF PEOPLE WHO LIVED IN BIBLICAL TIMES**
4. **WHEN THE THREE WISE GUYS FROM THE EAST SIDE ARRIVED THEY FOUND JESUS IN THE MANAGER.**
5. **THE PEOPLE WHO FOLLOWED THE LORD WERE CALLED THE 12 DECIBELS**
6. **CHRISTIANS HAVE ONLY ONE SPOUSE. THIS IS CALLED MONOTONY**

This Month's Joke

*A little old lady was walking down the street dragging two large plastic garbage bags behind her. One of the bags was*

*ripped and every once in a while a \$20 fell out onto the sidewalk.*

*Noticing this, a policeman stopped her, and said, "Ma'am, there are \$20 bills falling out of that bag."*

*"Oh, really? Darn it!" said the little old lady. "I'd better go back and see if I can find them. Thanks for telling me officer."*

*"Well, now, not so fast," said the cop. "Where did you get all that money? You didn't steal it, did you?"*

*"Oh, no, no", said the old lady. "You see, my back yard is right next to a Golf course."*

*A lot of Golfers come and pee through a knot hole in my fence, right into my flower garden. It used to really tick me off. Kills the flowers, you know. Then I thought, 'why not make the best of it?'*

*So, now, I stand behind the fence by the knot hole, real quiet, with my hedge clippers.*

*Every time some guy sticks his thing through my fence, I surprise him, grab hold of it and say, 'O.K., buddy! Give me \$20, or off it comes.'*

*"Well, that seems only fair," said the cop, laughing. "OK. Good luck! Oh, by the way, what's in the other bag?"*

*"Not everybody pays."*

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Who Am I Answer:-

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