

# **WORTLEY ROTARY CLUB DISTRICT 1220**

**December 2019 NEWSLETTER**

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## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Back home from the other side of the world where they are in desperate need of the rain that the UK, particularly South Yorkshire in recent weeks, where Jenny & I had a wonderful time with our family.

Keith's funeral took place on the 19th which was well attended by Rotarians, an obituary to Keith is elsewhere in this News Letter.

His family kindly agreed that the donations given at the funeral, £475, is to be given to our club to pass onto the preferred charity NurtureNature, which we are to be closely involved with in 2020.

Whilst in Aussie I visited Kyabram Rotary Club on a evening which they were 'Working Bee's ' at a run down wild life park, (Working Bees - A Group of Volunteers Helping A Charity, similar to what we intend to do with NurtureNature.)

Last evening, 25th, was November's social evening at the Old Red Lion, Grenoside a good turnout 22 members & guests, these evenings appear to be gathering momentum, thankfully.

Next Monday 2nd Dec we will be formally welcoming Derry Mather & Jan Hodgkinson into our club, just in time for the hectic Christmas period.

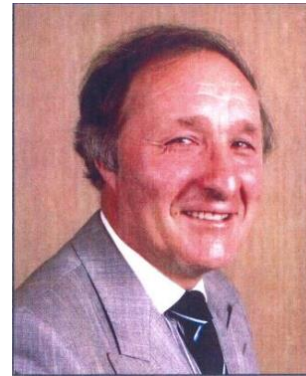
I ask everyone to participate in the activities we have in December, Carol singing at Care Homes, Santa duties & tours and the annual Christmas meal - details of all these are in this News Letter PLEASE play your part.

May I take this opportunity of wishing everyone a Healthy & Happy Christmas.

Philip

## **KEITH ADDY**

**24th April 1934 - 26th October 2019**



Keith was very much a father figure to me having known him for over 60 yrs as a neighbour, close friend, business associate & fellow Rotarian, I admired & respected him tremendously.

From a modest beginning his success & achievements in life are to be admired & maybe envied by some but he remained level headed, was a devoted family man, caring, respected & played his cards close to his chest. He had a reputation of being firm but fair.

He was a member of Chapeltown Round Table until he reached the enforced retirement age & then joined Wortley RC on 29th September 1975.

In both these Service Organizations Keith elected to be a helper rather than a leader, he was probably one of the best presidents our club never had.

He told me the reason he never stepped onto the club officers ladder was because of his involvement with Sheffield Wednesday F.C, where he was a director for 30 yrs, plus his numerous business interests.

In the background Keith had the knack of getting things done, quite active behind the scene & a very generous individual, the current Santa Sleigh being a typical example.

In recent years Keith was embarrassed that due to age & mobility he wasn't able to be as active as he would have liked but his verbal contributions, wit & humour was with him right to the end.

Most people are aware that Keith & I liked a flutter on the horses the stakes were modest but expectations high, I'm missing our Saturday morning chats & the discussions that followed making excuses as to why our ' good things ' were really donkeys wearing thoroughbred pyjamas.

A memory that many of us will remember for many years was experiencing Keith's surprise & emotions when unbeknown to him a group of us turned up at The Denby Care Home almost twelve months ago and serenaded all the residents with Christmas Carols, it was very touching when Keith with help from a carer left his seat and joined the choir.

The past few months was difficult for Keith having lost Pat his wife of 64 years and a quite rapid deterioration of health, he will be sadly missed by family, friends & Rotarians it was a privilege to know him may God bless him.

Philip Sherriff

## NEWS

### Meetings

#### 4<sup>th</sup> November – Normal Meeting followed by Council

President-Elect Steve welcomed Members and Guests to the meeting.

#### Secretary's Notices

1) Hon Rtn Keith A's funeral - Family have requested (via President Philip) a Rotary-based (club) charity to give the collection to. Club suggested NurtureNature - information relayed to President.

2) Correspondence received from District regarding the election of a District rep for the Council on Legislation. Club decided to let the District reps decide who to vote for. Preference passed to Secretary to fill in ballot papers for District reps to take to District Council meeting on November 16<sup>th</sup>.

3) Strategic Review correspondence mentioned - this is being discussed at District Council. (Correspondence placed in Folder for info).

4) Champions of Change / Community Champion email from District mentioned (This is also in the Folder for information)

5) Request received from Community Champion at Morrison's in Hillsborough requesting a Santa and Sleigh for a Christmas Event on 7<sup>th</sup> December. To be discussed.

6) Next Week's Meal - Poached paupiettes of Plaice.

7) Next Week's Hosts - Visitor: Rod, Fellowship: Stephen D

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### Club Business

- 1) Northern Light's Santa Run (18/12) – details of proposed route outlined.
- 2) Fox Valley Light Switch-on (14/11) – organisational details (meeting time / place etc) outlined, and other details discussed.
- 3) Fox Valley Remembrance Sunday details finalised.

### Any Other Business

- 1) Rtn John E asked what was happening with regard to the defibrillators. To be addressed when President is back (in co-operation with Ecclesfield Parish Council)
- 2) Rtn Peter P advised that Millionaires Night is now arranged for 14<sup>th</sup> March at Grenoside Community Centre. May be an opportunity to get a discount on the cost if the club helps out with Car Parking at Grenoside on 20<sup>th</sup> June, 2020.
- 3) Rtn Stephen D confirmed the Christmas Dinner arrangements (there are 2 spaces available).

The meeting closed in the usual way, and was followed by a Council meeting.

#### 11<sup>th</sup> November – Normal Meeting

President-Elect Steve welcomed members, guests and visiting speaker, Janet Stain, to the meeting

#### Secretary's Notices

- 1) Correspondence received from Sheffield Children's Hospital regarding the recent presentation. Certificate enclosed which will be placed in the Folder.
- 2) Meal next week - Beer Battered Coley
- 3) Next Week's Hosts: Visitor: Peter P, Fellowship: Jack S

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### Club Business

- 1) Request from Community Champion at Morrison's Hillsborough was discussed. Unfortunately, the club cannot help out due

to other commitments. Secretary to respond accordingly.

- 2) Fox Valley Light Switch-on – FV are also having a silent switch-on (for Children with Autism) on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup>, and would like the Float to attend then as well. This was agreed to
- 3) PE Steve thanked all those who helped with the FV Car Parking yesterday (Remembrance Sunday)

#### Any Other Business

- 1) Rtn John H mentioned that Radio Sheffield have an appeal raising funds for those who have recently been flooded.
- 2) FV Car Parking details for Thursday Night outlined again.
- 3) Rtn Geoff advised that he will be representing the club at District Foundation Dinner.

Janet Stain was then invited to speak to the club about her work in The Gambia. After a Q&A session, and thanks, the meeting closed in the usual way.

#### 18<sup>th</sup> November – Normal Meeting

President Philip, fresh from his hols down under, welcomed guests Jan Hodgkinson and Derry Mather to the meeting.

Visits to other clubs:-

- 1) A sort of visit – PE Steve attended District Council last week and will update the club later.
- 2) President Philip visited RC of Kyabram whilst in Australia.

#### Secretary's Notices

- 1) Email received regarding NCVO membership for Clubs in England.
- 2) Look Local article re Children's Hospital presentation - Article in Folder.
- 3) Local request for Santa reply read out to members.
- 4) Host required for Fellowship at meeting on 2nd December - Steve K advised that he would do this.

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#### Club Business

- 1) Next Week's Social – agreed to go to Top Red Lion at Grenoside (7pm).

- 2) Carol Singing – to sort out in next week or so (List in Folder). May possibly have a practice for the event on 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec.
- 3) New member induction following 7-day letter will also be on 2<sup>nd</sup> December.
- 4) Christmas Meal – 39 on the list.
- 5) More volunteers required for Christmas Eve Santa run.
- 6) Rtn Steve P thanked all who helped out with FV event last Thursday, and for the Sunday event as well (Derry). He also thanked Rtn Peter P and Andy re the Santa float. He then gave an update regarding the District Council meeting last Saturday.
- 7) Members were reminded that it is Hon Rtn Keith A's funeral tomorrow.

#### Any Other Business

- 1) Rtn Brenda advised that the Light Switch-on at the Children's Hospital will be on December 2<sup>nd</sup>. She will represent the club.
- 2) Hon Rtn Lewis advised that there is a Sheet in the folder to gauge interest for a visit to Aquabox.
- 3) Rtn Steve K mentioned the Visioning Exercise, and we need to discuss how this is handled.
- 4) Rtn Geoff mentioned a message from District Foundation regarding Grants which may be useful re our involvement with NurtureNature. Rtn Peter P advised that he is waiting for a quote from a local nursery regarding plants.

The meeting then closed in the usual way.

#### 25<sup>th</sup> November – Social Week

### EVENTS

#### **Fox Valley Car-Parking / Santa at Light Switch-on \* 2**

Club members attended 3 events at Fox Valley in Stocksbridge as listed above. These were Remembrance Sunday, where we stopped traffic from the centre disrupting the Remembrance Parade, The Fox Valley Centre Light Switch-on which was attended by the Wortley Santa, and the following Sunday, which was a Silent Light Switch-on (for children with Autism). All these events are referenced in the weekly meeting reports above.

### Miscellaneous

## Whitley Hall restaurant 1584 Menu (December 2019)

2nd December, 2019

Soup, Turkey Dinner,  
Christmas Pud

All served with vegetables and potatoes unless otherwise stated

### Rotary rallies behind local communities after floods in Northern England

Following the floods caused by the recent wet weather, Rotary has been heavily involved in supporting local communities. To read more, click on the link here:-  
<https://www.rotarygbi.org/rotary-rallies-floods-northern-england/>

### RC of Skipton Craven 10<sup>th</sup> Great Santa Fun Run a great success

RC of Skipton Craven 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Great Santa Fun Run attracted 1940 participants raising money for a number of charities. To read more about this and see some pictures, click on the link here:-  
<https://www.cravenherald.co.uk/news/18059049.rotary-s10th-great-santa-fun/>

### Rotary Clubs in Lowestoft run event helps children stay safe on-line and at home

Pupil's from 34 schools in Lowestoft and Waveney have been learning skills in how to keep safe thanks to local Rotary Clubs. To read more, click on the link here:-  
<https://www.edp24.co.uk/news/education/crucial-crew-event-lowestoft-waveney-1-200-schoolchildren-1-6386650>

### Other News

Click on the links to read

#### District 1220 News

<http://district.rotary1220.org/we-need-people-and-we-need-projects-we-need-you>

#### AquaBox related (District 1220)

<https://www.aquabox.org/news/205-local-bands-give-their-time-to-support-aquabox.html>

<https://www.aquabox.org/news/206-aquabox-in-kenya.html>

#### World Water Works Charity (District 1200)

<http://www.watersurvivalbox.org/index.html>

#### Shelterbox

<https://www.shelterbox.org/operations-update>

### Rotary in the news this month

<https://www.cravenherald.co.uk/news/18031853.rotary-club-sponsors-young-football-stars/>

<https://www.thewestmorlandgazette.co.uk/news/18025905.new-playground-officially-opened-ambleside/>

<https://www.ilkleygazette.co.uk/news/18060698.rotary-quiz-winners/>

<https://www.ilkleygazette.co.uk/news/18029142.pupils-donate-shoes/>

<https://www.edp24.co.uk/news/west-norfolk-students-take-part-in-downham-market-rotary-technology-tournament-1-6390004>

<https://www.chroniclelive.co.uk/news/north-east-news/children-north-east-charity-minibus-17237278>

### Future Duty Roster (Hosts)

2 <sup>nd</sup> December, 2019	Fellowship Visitor	Bob Greaves David Humberstone
9 <sup>th</sup> December, 2019	Fellowship Visitor	NO MEETING Carol Singing
16 <sup>th</sup> December, 2019	Fellowship Visitor	NO MEETING Christmas Dinner
23 <sup>rd</sup> December, 2019	Fellowship Visitor	NO MEETING
30 <sup>th</sup> December, 2019	Fellowship Visitor	NO MEETING

### Dates for the Diary

#### WORTLEY

9 <sup>th</sup> December, 2019	Carol Singing in the Local Care Homes
14 <sup>th</sup> -15 <sup>th</sup> December, 2019	Santa's Grotto's at Fox Valley
16 <sup>th</sup> December, 2019	Club Christmas Dinner (Le Bistro, Wentworth)[19:30] - <b>£22.50</b>
18 <sup>th</sup> December, 2019	Santa at Woolley Wood School
18 <sup>th</sup> December, 2019 24 <sup>th</sup> December, 2019	Don Valley Santa run Annual Santa Run (Wortley)
6 <sup>th</sup> January, 2020 13 <sup>th</sup> January, 2020	New Year Message Club Visioning Exercise

#### DISTRICT / RGBI

3 <sup>rd</sup> December, 2019	Rotary KidsOut Festive Fun Day
6 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> December, 2020	RC of Etwell and Hilton Christmas Tree Sale (Aldi – Derby Royal Island, DE22 3QH)[9:00-18:00(15:00 on Sunday)]
8 <sup>th</sup> December, 2019	District and IW Carol Service (St Philip Neri Church, Chesterfield Rd

19 <sup>th</sup> December, 2019	South, Mansfield) [16:00] RC of Epworth & Isle of Axholme “Carols in the Pub”(Jinks’y Bar at the Red Lion, Epworth)[20:00]
19 <sup>th</sup> January, 2020	RC of Bingham & Radcliffe 0on-Trent Charter (Ashmore’s Restaurant, Bingham Road, Radcliffe on Trent)[12:30 for 13:00] – £24pp
27 <sup>th</sup> January, 2020	RC of Sherwood Forest Charter (South Forest Leisure Centre, Robin Hood Crossroads, Edwinstowe, Mansfield, NG21 9JF)[12:00 for 12:30] - £25pp
7 <sup>th</sup> February, 2020	RC of Retford 83 <sup>rd</sup> Charter (Ye Olde Bell, Barnby Moor, DN22 8QS) [18:30 for 19:00] - £30pp
15 <sup>th</sup> -18 <sup>th</sup> February, 2020	RYLA Castleton
19 <sup>th</sup> February, 2020	RC of Mexborough & District Charter Dinner (Hickleton Golf Club)[19:00 for 19:30] - £30pp
19 <sup>th</sup> February, 2020	Foundation Seminar – Derbyshire Hotel.
7 <sup>th</sup> March, 2020	District Council (Derbyshire Hotel) – 9:30
20 <sup>th</sup> March, 2020	RC of Burton upon Trent Charter Dinner (Pirelli Stadium, B-o-T)[19:00 for 19:30]
25 <sup>th</sup> April, 2020	District Assembly – Eastwood Hall
1 <sup>st</sup> -3 <sup>rd</sup> May, 2020	RGBI Volunteer EXPO – Birmingham NEC
6 <sup>th</sup> -10 <sup>th</sup> June, 2020	RI International Convention, Honolulu, Hawaii, USA
10 <sup>th</sup> June, 2019	District Council (Derbyshire Hotel) – 19:00
26 <sup>th</sup> June, 2019	District Handover
28 <sup>th</sup> June, 2019	District Thanksgiving Service
2 <sup>nd</sup> -4 <sup>th</sup> October, 2020	District 1220 Conference (Southport)

## 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 24<sup>th</sup> June, 1850 in Ballylongford, County Kerry, Ireland. My father was an Army

Officer, and my mother was the daughter of a Priest. We moved to Switzerland, where I was educated at Montreux before attending the Royal Military Academy in Woolwich. During the Franco-Prussian War, I joined a French field ambulance. I caught pneumonia while ascending in a balloon in order to see the French Army of the Loire in action, after which my father took me back to Britain.

2. I was commissioned into the Royal Engineers on 4<sup>th</sup> January, 1871, and was immediately reprimanded as my service in France had violated British neutrality. Aged 24, I was assigned to a mapping-survey of the Holy Land. Between 1874 and 1877, I and another officer surveyed Palestine. This expedition became known as the Survey of Western Palestine, and collected data on the area (topography, toponymy and local flora and fauna). On completion, in 1878 I was sent to Cyprus to undertake a similar survey. I became vice-consul in Anatolia the following year.
3. In 1883, I became a Freemason, and was promoted to captain in the Army. I went to Egypt to help with the reconstruction of the Egyptian Army. The next year, I was involved in the failed attempt to relieve General Gordon. I rose through the ranks, reaching Major in 1889, and led the Egyptian Cavalry at the Battle of Toski that year. I became Commander in Chief of the Egyptian Army in April 1892. In 1896, I was ordered by the British Prime-Minister (Lord Salisbury) to invade Northern Sudan. Following successes here, I was promoted to Major-General, and achieved further successes in 1898 at Atbara and Omdurman. I became Governor-General of the Sudan in September 1898.
4. During the Boer War, I was in practice, the second-in-command, and was present at the relief of Kimberley. Following the defeat of the conventional Boer forces, I became overall commander in November 1900, and was promoted to Lieutenant-General (and local general) towards the end of the year. I was promoted to General in 1902, and returned to the UK in June that year. Arriving in London, I was met by The Prince of Wales, and received a formal welcome at St James’ Palace. I became a Viscount in July that year. In late 1902, I was appointed C-in-C India, and arrived there in November. My plans for

reorganisation brought me into conflict with the Viceroy, Lord Curzon, who chose to resign.

5. I presided over the Rawalpindi Parade in 1905, founded the Indian Staff College the same year, and had my term as C-in-C extended by a further 2 years in 1907, after which, I was promoted to Field Marshall, and toured Australia and New Zealand. For various reasons, I failed to become Viceroy of India. I returned to Egypt in 1911 as British Agent and Consul-General, and became an Earl in 1914. I became Secretary of State for War when WWI broke out, and remained in post until my death on 5<sup>th</sup> June, 1916 when the ship I was on hit a mine and sank west of Orkney.

**Answers at the bottom of the newsletter**

### This Month's Joke

**Six year old Annie returns home from school and says she had her first family planning lesson at school.**

**Her mother, very interested, asks; "How did it go?"**

**"I nearly died of shame!" she answers.**

**"Sam from over the road, says that the stork brings babies. Sally next door said you can buy babies at the orphanage. Pete in my class says you can buy babies at the hospital."**

**Her mother answers laughingly, "But that's no reason to be ashamed."**

**"No, but I can't tell them that we were so poor that you and daddy had to make me yourselves!"**

### More funnies (Getting Older)

- 1) Aging:  
Eventually you will reach a point when you stop lying about your age and start bragging about it. This is so true. I love to hear them say "you don't look that old."
- 2) The older we get, the fewer things seem worth waiting in line for. (Mostly because we forgot why we were waiting in line in the first place!!)

### **Funny Anagrams**

1. PRESBYTERIAN → BEST IN PRAYER
2. DESPERATION → A ROPE ENDS IT
3. GEORGE BUSH → HE BUGS GORE
4. DORMITORY → DIRTY ROOM
5. ANIMOSITY → IS NO AMITY
6. SNOOZE ALARMS → ALAS! NO MORE Z 'S

### **Anniversaries this Month**

Lady Astor becomes first MP to take a seat (1919)  
Benazir Bhutto first woman to become Pakistan PM (1988)  
Britain's First Motorway {Preston by-pass} opens (1958)  
Benjamin Britten died (1976)  
Apollo 8 launched (1968)  
Worst mining disaster in England {Oaks Colliery}{1866)  
Women over 30 vote in UK General Election(1918)  
Oliver Cromwell becomes Lord Protector (1653)  
Henry II crowned in Westminster Abbey (1154)  
Henri Matisse born (1869)

Who Am I Answer:-

Answer: Horatio Herbert Kitchener (The Earl Kitchener)