

WORTLEY ROTARY CLUB DISTRICT 1270

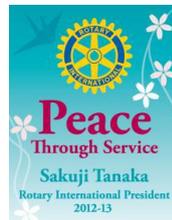
January 2013 NEWSLETTER

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year to you all, I trust you have had a jolly Christmas. Thanks to all that put in the effort to make the Santa runs a success. I think the amount raised is in the region of £1300. Thanks especially to Trevor and the lads at Crown Cars for getting the sleigh ready to go and Philip for counting up the cash. Thanks also go to Brenda who has done so much for the club re the Rygate project. Next event is the Millionaires Night on the 19th January, plenty of support please, we need to find out how it's done so that we can continue, and hopefully improve, on this long standing event. Now let's look forward to the new year with optimism, after all the old one was a bit of a wash out. Health and Happiness to you all.

Steve

NEWS

Meetings

3rd December – Normal Meeting (No Speaker)

President Steve welcomed members and guests to the meeting. Steve Jones from Mexborough Club brought greetings from his president, and will return greetings from Wortley.

There was supposed to be a speaker tonight who were coming to talk about the Safe@Last charity, but unfortunately they have been involved in a crash so unable to make it.

Santa Sleigh

Sweeties – there is an issue regarding the supply of items to hand out during the Christmas Sleigh runs. Several ideas were suggested. President Steve requested that members have a think about this, and it will be discussed after the Carol Singing next week.

Dates of the runs are December 13th (Stocksbridge), and December 24th.

Carol Singing

Rtn Anne Willey has supplied Carol Sheets (these are on-loan, and must be returned). Rtn's Lewis, Peter P, and Anne are charged with collecting the sheets in from their respective groups after the singing.

Christmas Dinner

President Steve asked that everyone who is intending to come on 17th December ensures that they have recorded this on the sheet in the folder.

The next Normal meeting will be held on 7th January, 2013, where Rtn Lewis will give the New Year message.

Other Business

Rtn David H thanked the club for their support during that last few months, and gave a brief outline of the issues which had led to him being absent from club meetings over the last few weeks.

Rtn Barrie asked if there was a Council Meeting after the Normal meeting – the answer to this was no. He then suggested that the club give a gratuity to the Whitley Hall Staff as has been the case in previous years – this was agreed to.

Rtn Rod reported that he and Rtn Philip had attended an MITG meeting last week, and he will continue to report back on any developments as they occur in the build up to next year's event. However, he believes that the event is unlikely to raise as much as it did in 2011 and that amount raised may be a 'one-off'.

He also advised that he went to Matlock on Sunday, and attended a Market. He met members of the local Rotary Club there who a) were disappointed that the re-districting of 1270 was not likely to take place as they were hoping most of the South Yorkshire clubs would join them, and b) they were serving Mulled Wine to visitors to the market over the course of the 3 days, and expected to raise £3,000. Might be an idea for a future fund raiser.

The meeting then closed with the loyal toast.

10th December – Carol Singing (See Events)

17th December – Christmas Dinner

The Club's Christmas Dinner was held at Whitley Hall. It appears that it was an enjoyable evening (Ed – I was unable to attend due to other commitments). Rtn Brenda reported that the meal was very good - my guests - all ladies thoroughly enjoyed it. Our 2 new members were there with their respective partners.

24th December – No Meeting (Christmas Eve)

The Santa Sleigh run took place – mentioned in President Steve's message above.

31st December – No Meeting (New Year's Eve)

Events

10th December – Rotarians, Family and friends visited a number of local Care Homes to sing Christmas Carols. There were 3 groups led by Rtn Lewis, Rtn Anne Willey, and Rtn Stephen Dobson. Each group was to sing at 3 different Homes at 18:30, 19:15, and 20:00 – however, 1 home cancelled due to illness. After the singing, Rtn Philip laid on some excellent food at the George & Dragon. A nice end to a worthwhile evening. Pictures below were taken at the wind-down.



The Singers relax



The Room with the Grub



El Presidente with Rtn Philip

Miscellaneous



Rtn Howard carries the Rotary Wreath to the Cenotaph at Stocksbridge in November 2012

Ryegate Children's Hospital Appeal

You may recall that in June 2012 Kathy Markwick - from Barnsley Rockley Rotary approached me and asked if our Club would help raise funds for the Ryegate Pool Project. I, Kathy and John Haggerty went along to the Ryegate Centre to see a presentation from Dransfield Properties who were raising funds for A New Hydrotherapy Pool for the Ryegate Therapy Block (which is part of the Sheffield Children's Hospital) at Sandygate, Sheffield.

Mark Holmes, the MD of Dransfield Properties challenged Barnsley Rockley and Wortley Rotary to raise £6,000 for an Electronic Hoist - which if the Vintage Vehicle Rally had gone ahead would have been no problem. However, as we all know the VVR was cancelled and that meant the £3,000 our Club usually donated to the Sheffield Children's Hospital was not to be. Therefore, at 2 weeks notice I decided to arrange a Fundraising Evening which was simply turning our usual meeting on 23 July 2012 into a fund raising evening. We sat 54 people down and raised £1,700. It was a great evening as it was a "barmy summers evening" so everyone could go into the gardens before the official proceedings. I think this helped with the mood of the evening and everyone gave generously.

As well as the Fundraising Evening - Peter Perry - organised a Wine & Wisdom evening in October which raised £360. Unfortunately, I was unable to attend this as it was the same night as my son's leaving party before he went off to Australia but I believe it was a good evening.

Kathy and I have also organised several Breakfast Meetings.

Cheryl Ridge from the Children's Hospital came around 9pm for me and Kathy Markwick to present her with a cheque in the sum of £2,204.00 which is the amount of money Wortley Club have contributed towards the purchase of the Electronic Hoist for the Ryegate Project.

£2,204.00	Wortley Rotary Club
£ 500.00	A Private Donation from an attendee at a Breakfast Meeting
£ 150.00	Donation from me
£ 1,700.00	From auction of a Corporate Box at Motorpoint Arena for One Direction
£ 170.00	HSBC Breakfast Meeting
£ 300.00	Breakfast Meeting at Holiday Inn - Barnsley
£ 80.00	Script Concert Tickets
£ 5,104.00	Total Raised



Kathy Markwick, Cheryl Ridge, and Brenda with the Cheque

However, we have a Corporate Box for Olly Murs to auction off which I hope will raise £500 and we are also running a raffle to be drawn on 7 January – Prize List as follows:-

2 Night Stay (including breakfast and Dinner for 1 night) at the fabulous Hunday Manor Hotel in Cumbria (worth £340)
Interim Service – Halfords Autocentre – Barnsley/Sheffield (worth £115)
Voucher for the wonderful Wortley Arms
Hamper
PartyLite Amaretto Swirl Hurricane With T-Light Tree & T-Lights (worth £90)
Bottle of Vodka & Teddy
Bottle of Martini
Thorntons Chocolates
Celebrations

I would like to thank our Club for supporting me 100% with this project

Brenda

Lifeline Radios – Clubs in District 1160 are suppling solar and wind-up radios to remote parts of Africa to enable children to access educational programmes – click on link to read more:- <http://www.lifelineenergy.org/>

Rotary Jaipur Limb – This project was established in 1985 to provide hard-wearing artificial legs. They provide support in India, and have established centres in Africa and other countries, where they provide support such as technician training, materials and equipment – click on link to read more:-

<http://www.rotaryjaipurlimb.co.uk/>

Twinning – many clubs have engaged in a twinning with Rotary Clubs from other countries. Thorne RC has recently twinned with the Rotary Club of Daska in Pakistan. Have we considered this???

Extracted from RIBI Updates for members:-

A number of potentially harmful spam messages have been received by Rotarians recently, some of which name Rotary specifically in their content. Rotarians are advised to be wary of emails and social media messages that seem unusual and should take the following precautions:-

- Do not click on links or open attachments that come from somebody who is not known to you.
- Be careful when receiving Direct Messages on social networks such as Twitter or Facebook, even from people you know. If they are asking you to click a mystery link or the message seems out of character, always check with the person first, as their account may be being used to send out spam.

You can also take measures to keep your own accounts secure. On the whole, most email and social networks are fairly safe, but you should do the following to make sure the security of your account is not compromised:

1. Do not use one password for all of your accounts.
2. Always use a mixture of capital letters, numbers and characters in your passwords where possible to make them more secure.
3. Change your passwords every couple of months.

Most of the guidelines are common sense, and if something seems unusual then always check before clicking a link or opening an attachment

Reminder - (Sat 19th Jan) Rtn Peter P has asked me to remind all members involved with the forthcoming millionaires charity evening to please bring payment if possible on Monday (£10 pp) – there are apparently 200 tickets already sold so this looks to be a good fundraising sum to put in the pipeline.

Future Duty Roster (Hosts)

(Info should be available via Website shortly)

January 7 th	?	?
January 14 th	?	?
January 21 st	?	?
January 28 th	?	?

Dates for the Diary

WORTLEY

7 th January 2013	<i>New Year Message</i>
19 th January 2013	<i>Millionaire's Night</i>
28 th January 2013	<i>Burn's Night</i>

DISTRICT / RIBI

25 th -27 th January, 2013	RIBI Assembly Planning Seminar 2013
26 th January, 2013	Hull Paragon Rotary Club Chinese New Year Banquet (Mr Chus's, Hull)
16 th February, 2013	Rotary Club of Rotherham 91 st President's Dinner and Dance (Consort Hotel, Thurcroft) [19:00 for 19:30]
22 nd -24 th February, 2013	RIBI Service Assembly 2013 (Hilton Birmingham Metrole Hotel, NEC)
24 th February, 2013	National Immunisation Day INDIA
23 rd February, 2013	Rotary Day
4 th -10 th March, 2013	Climate Week for Schools
15 th -17 th March, 2013	RIBI AG Admin Assembly 2013 2013 (Hilton Birmingham Metrole Hotel, NEC)
12 th -14 th April, 2013	RIBI Conference 2013 (Harrogate)
20 th April, 2013	Know your Blood Pressure day
27 th April, 2013	RIBI Young Chef 2013 Final
28 th April, 2013	RIBI Youth Speaks Final

4 th May, 2013	(Hull University) RIBI Young Musician Final (Longfield Academy, Kent)
24 th -26 th May, 2013	Rotary Club of Londonderry International Peace Conference 2013 (Derry-Londonderry)
9 th June, 2013	Rotary Club of Hull Paragon Charter Lunch (details to follow)
9 th -13 th June, 2013	Rotary Club of St Andrew's International Golf Tournament (Old Course, St Andrew's)
27 th -28 th 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 2nd June 1857 in Lower Broadheath, near Worcester. My father was a piano tuner, and I was the fourth of their seven children. As my mother had converted to Catholicism, I was brought up as a Catholic, which my father did not approve of.
2. As my father was very musical, I, along with my siblings, received a musical upbringing – by the age of 8, I was taking piano and violin lessons. I received my general education at Lyttleton House School, near Worcester.
3. After working for a few months in a local solicitor's office, I left to start a musical career, accompanying singers, playing the violin before becoming a conductor. When I was 29, I met my future wife, marrying in

1889 – she then became my business manager until her death in 1922. By now I was turning my hand to composing music, and during the 1890s, began to build up a reputation as a composer. My works at this time included King Olaf (1896), and Bavarian Dances (1897).

4. In 1899, I wrote perhaps my most well-known piece of music, which premiered in London – under the title of “Variations on an Original Theme” – the best one of these being known as ‘NIMROD’. I was knighted in 1904.
5. Following on from this success, I wrote music which has become connected with the Annual Promenade concerts, written between 1901 and 1930 –“Five Pomp and Circumstance Marches” I was diagnosed with Inoperable Cancer in 1933, and died on 23rd February 1934. I was buried next to my wife in Little Malvern.

Answers at the bottom of the newsletter

This Month’s Joke

On a recent trip to the United States , David Cameron, the prime minister of the UK , addressed a major gathering of Native American Indians. He spoke for almost an hour on his plans for a Carbon Trading Tax for the UK and Europe.

At the conclusion of his speech, the crowd presented him with a plaque inscribed with his new Indian name - Walking Eagle. A very chuffed David then departed in his motorcade, waving to the crowds.

A news reporter later asked one of the Indians how they came to select the new name given to David Cameron, They explained that Walking Eagle is the name given to a bird so full of shit that it can no longer fly.

Bonus Joke (Don’t groan)

What's the difference between a fish and a piano?

Answer:- You can't TUNA FISH!!!!

UK Church Signs





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Who Am I Answer:-

Answer: Sir Edward William Elgar

