

WORTLEY ROTARY CLUB DISTRICT 1270

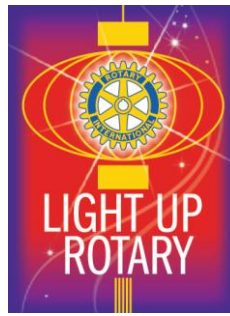
January 2015 NEWSLETTER

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Team Wortley performed very well to cap a Very good year for the club.

December Projects

- 1 Providing Santa and his Elves to run the grotto for 2 Sundays at Wortley Hall
- 2 Carol Singing at 6 care homes 2 teams of members
- 3 Santa visited Woolley Wood School giving the presents to the children
- 4 Northern Lights Santa Sleigh Tour
- 5 Christmas Eve Santa Sleigh Tour

Many Thanks to all members and Helpers, who gave their time and support in a very busy month.

Please remember that our Millionaires Night takes place on Saturday 17th January 2015. Let's kick off the New Year strongly, a large turnout of members is required to run this event, plenty of tickets still to be sold and raffle prizes still needed. Please get involved and help make this project a successful start to 2015.

May I wish all our members and their loved ones a VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR

President John

NEWS

Meetings

1st December – Normal Meeting followed by Council

President John welcomed guests Julia Massey, Pat Jackson, Paul Goodlad and Mike Jackson from RC of Abbeydale. Greetings were exchanged.

Secretary's Notices

- 1) RC of Barnsley Rockley are having a Sportsman's Dinner on 20th March 2015.
- 2) The District Disability Games are being held on 26th April 2015 in Scunthorpe.
- 3) Santa's Sleigh is going to Woolley Wood School on 18th December at 1pm.
- 4) Question about food after the Carol Singing – Rtn Peter C suggested a location which the club agreed to ask him to take forward.
- 5) Christmas Dinner on 22nd December – Whitley Hall are prepared to do a 3-course meal for £16.50. Meeting agreed to proceed on this basis, and names are required with any dietary requirements (Fruit instead of Pud, Vegetarian etc).

President John mentioned the Ebola update in the Link Magazine – there was a discussion regarding the issues raised.

Other Business

Rtn Lewis broached the idea of a trip next year to Bletchley Park. Will research and raise again in the new year.

Rtn Geoff advised that he has a number of toiletries from hotels and asked if members could suggest a suitable use for them.

Raffle prizes for the Millionaires Night were mentioned – there was a brief discussion over issues raised. Rtn Steve P asked about the situation with tickets for the event – this will be checked with Rtn Peter P.

Rtn Phillip advised that both the Santa suits are ready for the runs later in the month, but that 7 collecting cans have not been located as yet.

Rtn David H thanked members who took part in the Mock Interview day at Yewlands School.

Rtn Anne W advised that she had received an e-mail from the Sheffield Diabetes Centre thanking the club for the donation handed over at last week's meeting. Rtn Graham advised he has received a similar message from FABLE.

At the MiTG meeting last week, President John advised that he submitted the Diabetes Charity, and Alzheimers as prospective recipients of monies from Next Year's event.

The SGM was held, and all appointments for next year were ratified, and the meeting closed with the final and loyal toast.

The meeting was followed by a Council meeting.

8th December – Normal Meeting (many thanks to Rtn Graham for the following update)

The numbers were spot on again last night. Thanks very much. Also, we seem to have come to the end of the 15 feet long pig that we get a couple of slices of regularly! Last night was roast beef and Yorkshires with lashings of thick gravy. It was superb so Ho Ho Ho to all those who weren't there. Let's hope this beast is 25 feet long!!

We were visited by the local Explorer Scouts who told us of their forthcoming Jamboree to Japan in 2015. There was a leader and two 17 year olds - a boy and a girl - so the question from a certain member who asked if girls could be? was handled well by the Sgt At Arms who invited the Rtn to look at the scout on the right hand side. The same member was fined for insulting a lady hotel guest in the hotel bar. It wasn't his best night!

I now have the numbers for the Xmas Dinner on 22nd. Over 50 are attending and it will be great to see so many friends and family members visiting us. We are even thinking of a 'teenagers table'. This will be identifiable as there will be numerous electronic things on view and youngsters with wires in their ears and perhaps looking a little like Mc Busted. (That's a group of entertainers similar to the Joe Loss Orchestra).

If you want to invite more to the Xmas Dinner let me know asap. I have given the provisional numbers so chef knows how many extra turkeys to order but we can still fit a few more in. The

final date to order is Wednesday 17th December. Please remember if your extra guests want fresh fruit salad I need to know. The default pudding is Christmas Pud.

I mentioned to those present last night that RC Of Abbeydale has had an extraordinary general meeting and agreed to ask the DG if they can leave District 1270 and join District 1220 (Notts/Derby). The process to do this is that our DG has to ask the other DG and then a vote has to take place. Every club in each district gets a single vote and we must cast ours by mid January. The vote must raise the support of 50% in each district for the move to take place. If it doesn't then that's it.

Abbeydale say they are more 'connected' to Notts/Derby because of the M1 connecting both and that being cities they have more in common and they are doing joint things with Drone Valley RC. Conversely, the PDGs of 1270 have had a meeting and believe this is the thin edge of the wedge and will split the district up as RIBI has put redistricting on the back burner for the time being.

Everyone of course has a view and last evening we decided that this should be debated by the whole club followed by a vote. Due to Xmas commitments the date has been arranged for 5th January 2015 After the New Year Message from the Assistant Bishop of Sheffield so if you have a view to share be there.

We're busy now until Santa arrives so here's a reminder of what's happening:

14th Santa at Wortley Hall at lunchtime.

15th Carols at Aged Persons Homes followed by Indian meal in Ecclesfield.

17th Theatre trip - 'Anything Goes'.

18th 1.30pm Santa at Woolley Wood School then he does his Stocksbridge run. His flight path is marked and approved.

21st Santa at Wortley Hall at lunchtime.

22nd Christmas Dinner at WHH. Hosts: Brenda Russell and Jack Slater.

24th Santa's 2nd sleigh run. Flight path marked with magic dust by our pathfinders who went out earlier. Take off from Wortley Post office at 4pm.

29th No meeting.

5th January 2015. Club meeting. New Year Message. Discussion re Abbeydale. Club council.

One last thing - if you're shopping on t'interweb please use Easyfundraising for the club.

Rtn Graham

15th December – Carol Singing (See Events)

22nd December – Christmas Lunch (see Events)

Events

Santa at Wortley Hall

Wortley Santa Sleigh, compete with Santa were at Wortley Hall on 14th and 21st December at the request of the Hall, to hand out presents to children at lunchtime. The pictures below shows Santa in his Grotto, with his helpers.



Santa and his helpers – 14th December



Santa visits again – 21st December

Carol Singing at Local Care Homes

On the evening of December 15th, members, family and friends forming 2 groups of singers

visited 6 local residential Care Homes to sing a number of Christmas Carols to and with the residents and staff of the homes. Each group visited 3 homes and sang carols for around 20-25 minutes at each. The bulk of the group then retired to the Jumeirah Spice Restaurant for a buffet meal.

To quote our Secretary – “we enjoyed a fabulous curry in Ecclesfield. There are curries and there are curries and this was a **curry**. Three courses, the last being a buffet style accompanied by ginormous naans for a total of £11.95.

Well done to Lewis for organising phase one and to Peter C for phase two. I propose the same next year!”



Group 1 after singing at the second home



Group 2 in full flow

“Anything Goes” at the Crucible

On the 17th December Rotarians with family and friends were transported back to the 1930s as they enjoyed “Anything Goes” at the Crucible Theatre, thanks to the organising power of Rotarian

Derek. It was a sparkling and energetic presentation with outstanding acting, dancing and singing. It is difficult to single out any particular performance but mention must be made of the versatile dancing by Debbie Kurup as Reno Sweeney and Stephen Matthews (Lord Evelyn Oakleigh) as he showed another side to his character in the song ‘The Gypsy in me’. The number of well known songs in the show prompted one Rotarian to say, ‘I’ve known that song for so long but didn’t realise where it came from’. That goes for most of us - we place in our memory box one very enjoyable evening.

Visit to Woolley Wood School

Santa visited Woolley Wood School on 18th December, ably helped out by a number of Club Members & family (see picture below)



Santa poses with his entourage

Christmas Dinner

Club Members, family and friends gathered on 22nd December at Whitley Hall for a 3-course Dinner to celebrate Christmas. A good time appeared to be had by all. After the meal, President John quickly notified club members of the following:-

- i) The club has received a letter thanking members for their contribution re Mock Interviews at Yewlands School last month

- ii) The 2 Santa Days at Wortley Hall were a success, and may well be repeated in the future.

Rtn Derek then did a Christmas quiz with a twist – the winners being the team who gained the number of points selected by a randomly chosen member (Rtn Lewis).

There was a raffle held to raise funds for the club – this raised £90, and the winner was Rtn David’s daughter – she is pictured with her prize below. There was also a surprise birthday cake for one of the guest, and the singing of Happy Birthday.



Club Christmas Dinner



Raffle Winners and their winnings

The evening was closed with the usual toast, and the singing of “We wish you a merry Christmas”

Santa Sleigh Runs (18th & 24th December)

The club ran 2 sleigh runs (the first on December 18th in the Don Valley [Stocksbridge / Deepcar]), and the second on Christmas Eve in the Wortley / Chapelton / Ecclesfield areas). The money raised by both events totalled just under £1500.

Miscellaneous

Club Member honoured by the Queen

Congratulations to Rtn Muhammad on his award of an MBE in the New Year’s Honours

RC of Padiham help with hospital fundraiser

Members of RC of Padiham teamed up with Pendleside Hospital on 6th December to raise funds for the hospital. To read more, click on the following link:-
http://www.thewestmorlandgazette.co.uk/archive/2014/12/09/11655144.Festive_walkers_step_out_in_style_to_raise_Pendleside_Hospital_spice_funds/

Major Country Star joins RC of Cleethorpes

Country Music Legend Dolly Parton has accepted an invitation to join RC of Cleethorpes. To read the details, click on the following links:-
<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-humber-30409800>
 &
<http://www.rotarygbi.org/dolly-becomes-honorary-member/>

Rotary Members in York take over care of a garden at York Hospital

Rotary Members in York are helping to maintain a garden designed to help patients suffering from cancer at York Hospital. To read more about this, click on the following link:-

http://www.yorkpress.co.uk/news/11644493.Volunteers_take_over_special_garden_for_cancer_patients/

Organisers of Lincoln Santa Run hope to raise over £80k for local charities

RC of Lincoln Colonia, who organise the Santa Run, hope to raise over £80,000 for local charities from this event which was held on Sunday 14th December. To read more, and watch a video, click on the following link:-

<http://www.lincolnshireecho.co.uk/VIDEO-Lincoln-Santa-Fun-Run-2014/story-25708610-detail/story.html>

Rotary partners YouTube group to raise money for “End Polio Now”

RC of Reading Matins has helped raise money for “End Polio Now” by partnering YouTube Group called ‘The Yogscast’. To read more, click on the following link:-
<http://www.rotarygbi.org/rotarian-live-online-polio-fundraiser/>

Future Duty Roster (Hosts)

5 th January, 2015	Visitor	John Evans
	Fellowship	Ken Brown
12 th January, 2015	Visitor	John Greaves
	Fellowship	Lewis Atkinson
19 th January, 2015	Visitor	Keith Addy
	Fellowship	Muhammad Zahur
26 th January, 2015	Visitor	Keith Bailey
	Fellowship	Peter Boler
2 nd February, 2015	Visitor	Peter Clarke
	Fellowship	Rod Wadsworth
9 th February, 2015	Visitor	Peter Dimelow
	Fellowship	Roger Hirst
16 th February, 2015	Visitor	Peter Perry
	Fellowship	Stephen Dobson
23 rd February, 2015	Visitor	Philip Sherriff
	Fellowship	Stephen Knight

Dates for the Diary WORTLEY

5 th January, 2015	New Year Message (Rt Rev Dr Tim Ellis)
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17th January, 2015 Millionaires Night
(Grenoside)

scholarship by coming 7th out of 110
in the entrance exam.

DISTRICT / RIBI

4th February, 2015 RC of Doncaster 93rd
Charter Dinner (The
Mansion House,
Doncaster) [19:00 for
19:30]

20th – 22nd February,
2015 RIBI Service Assembly
(Hilton Birmingham
Metropole Hotel, NEC)

28th February, 2015 RC of Scunthorpe
Pentagon Charity Night
with Richard Digance
(The Wortley House
Hotel,
Scunthorpe)[19:00]

2nd-8th March, 2015 Climate Week

March, 2015 Earth Hour

21st March, 2015 RIBI Regional Assembly
(Manchester)

22nd March, 2015 RIBI Regional Assembly
(Birmingham)

10th-12th April, 2015 RIBI Annual Conference
(Belfast Waterfront
Conference Centre)

26th April, 2015 District Disability Games
(Scunthorpe)

21st June, 2015 RC of Hull Paragon 21st
Charter celebration
(Staff House, Univ, of
Hull)

18th-20th September, 2015 District 1270 31st Annual
Conference (Majestic
Hotel, Harrogate)

1st-3rd April, 2016 RIBI Annual
Conference,
Bournemouth

- 2) I was a natural at English, Mathematics and Science, and by the end of my education, had decided I wanted to be an engineer. I got my first job aged 17 at Thames Engineering Works, where ship engines were made. By 1908, I decided to transfer to a shipyard on the Isle of Wight. 5 years later, I got a job with Vickers and began to learn about airships and air travel. I married my step-cousin on 23rd April, 1295, and we had 4 children
- 3) During WWI, I tried to join the services, but failed the eye test. I got in by memorising the test card, but then the War Office recalled me to help with Airship design. After the war, I continued to work on Air development, being involved in the design of the R100 airship. I then moved on to work at the Aircraft factory at Brooklands, where my designs were used in the Wellesley and Wellington aircraft.
- 4) When WWII broke out, I worked on the strategic bombing strategy, designing Aircraft and Bombs used extensively by the RAF – these included The Wellington Bomber, and the bouncing bomb which destroyed the dams in 1943. I became a fellow of the Royal Society in 1945. After the war, I worked on until I was 83 being head of Vickers R&D department until the early 70s.
- 5) I received a Knighthood in 1968 and was presented with a £10k Government Award which I gave to my old school. I also became an honorary fellow of the Royal Aeronautical Society. I died on 30th October, 1979 and my funeral was held at St Lawrence, Effingham on 3rd November, with a memorial service

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 26th September, 1887 in Ripley, Derbyshire, one of 4 children (3 boys and 1 girl). When I was two, the family moved to New Cross Road in London where my father was a doctor. I was educated at Christ's Hospital in Horsham having received a

being held in 1980 at St Paul's Cathedral.

Answers at the bottom of the newsletter

This Month's Joke

A frog goes into a bank and approaches the teller. He can see from her nameplate that her name is Patricia Whack.

"Miss Whack, I'd like to get a £30,000 loan to take a holiday."

Patty looks at the frog in disbelief and asks his name. The frog says his name is Kermit Jagger, his dad is Mick Jagger, and that it's okay, he knows the bank manager.

Patty explains that he will need to secure the loan with some collateral. The frog says, "Sure. I have this," and produces a tiny porcelain elephant, about an inch tall, bright pink and perfectly formed.

Very confused, Patty explains that she'll have to consult with the bank manager and disappears into a back office.

She finds the manager and says, "There's a frog called Kermit Jagger out there who claims to know you and wants to borrow £30,000, and he wants to use this as collateral."

She holds up the tiny pink elephant. "I mean, what in the world is this?"

The bank manager looks back at her and says.

"It's a knickknack, Patty Whack. Give the frog a loan, His old man's a Rolling Stone."

You can't make this up





How Modern Computing and Other Terms really came about

In ancient Israel, it came to pass that a trader by the name of Abraham Com did take unto himself a healthy young wife by the name of Dorothy. Dot Com was a comely woman, broad of shoulder and long of leg. Indeed, she was often called Amazon Dot Com.

And she said unto Abraham, her husband, "Why dost thou travel so far from town to town with thy goods when thou can'st trade without ever leaving thy tent?" Abraham did look at her as though she were several saddle bags short of a camel load, but simply said, "How, dear?" Dot replied, "I will place drums in all the towns and drums in between to send messages saying what you have for sale and they will reply telling you who hath the best price. The sale can be made on the drums and delivery made by Uriah's Pony Stable (UPS)."

Abraham thought long and decided he would let Dot have her way with the drums. The drums rang out and were an immediate success.

Abraham sold all the goods he had at the top price, without ever having to move from his tent. To prevent neighbouring countries from overhearing what the drums were saying, Dot devised a system that only she and the drummers knew. It was known as Must Send Drum Over Sound (MSDOS), and she also

developed a language to transmit ideas and pictures - Hebrew To The People (HTTP).

And the young men did take to Dot Com's trading as doth the greedy horsefly take to camel dung. They were called Nomadic Ecclesiastical Rich Dominican Sybarites, or NERDS.

And lo, the land was so feverish with joy at the new riches and the deafening sound of drums that no one noticed that the real riches were going to that enterprising drum dealer, Brother William of Gates, who bought off every drum maker in the land.

Indeed he did insist on drums to be made that would work only with Brother Gates' own drumheads and drumsticks. And Dot did say, "Oh, Abraham, what we have started is being taken over by others."

And Abraham looked out over the Bay of Ezekiel, or eBay as it came to be known. He said, "We need a name that reflects what we are."

And Dot replied, "Young Ambitious Hebrew Owner Operators." "YAHOO," said Abraham. And because it was Dot's idea, they named it YAHOO Dot Com.

Abraham's cousin, Joshua, being the young Gregarious Energetic Educated Kid (GEEK) that he was, soon started using Dot's drums to locate things around the countryside.

It soon became known as God's Own Official Guide to Locating Everything (GOOGLE).

That is how it all began.

And that's the truth!

(Many Thanks to our former President, Malcolm Webb for this)

Contributions to future editions are most welcome – email them to the editor at dma170162@hotmail.com

Who Am I Answer:-

ANSWER: Sir Barnes Neville Wallis, CBET[1] FRS, RDI, FRAES