

# WORTLEY ROTARY CLUB DISTRICT 1270

July 2012 NEWSLETTER

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

And so it begins, my year as president of Wortley Rotary Club. When asked, what seems to be an age ago, if I would consider running for the presidency, my argument against was that I was a relatively new member to the club and so would not be a worthy candidate. After some arm twisting by those who know who they are, I agreed.

During my time as Vice and Elect I feel that I have got more involved with the running of the club and have particularly got involved with the district matters e.g. the RIBI issues.

That said I still feel I have much to learn and look forward, with the help of senior and more experienced members of the club, to carrying out my duties to the best of my abilities. Thank you all for giving me this chance to help the Club on to what I hope will be a successful and rewarding year.

We should carry on doing the things we do well and look for opportunities to experience new and collaborative projects in the future. I wish you all an enjoyable year with me steering from the front but hopefully you all pushing from the rear.

Thank you again for your trust and support.

Steven Patterson

From Immediate Past-President Anne:

I have enjoyed my year in office so much and wish Steve well for the coming year - Anne

## NEWS

### Meetings

June 4<sup>th</sup> – No Meeting (Queen's Diamond Jubilee)

June 11<sup>th</sup> – Normal Meeting with Speaker (Connor Graham). The scheduled Council Meeting was postponed until 25<sup>th</sup> June. The raffle at the Barbecue raised £178.

There was a discussion regarding the upcoming events.

Music in the Gardens – all in hand

South Yorkshire festival / VVR – Rtn Stephen D advised that the proposal was to operate 2 shifts running from 9:30 – 12:30, and 12:30 to 15:30 respectively. The details on this will be confirmed over the next couple of weeks, and it was requested that a minimum of 8 people per shift would be required. The financial commitment to the VVR stands at £1000, and of course the event is weather dependent, so Rtn Lewis was asked to have a word!!!! Attractions and other logistics of the event were also discussed.

The club was advised that Rtn Keith Addy is recovering slowly after his operation. A request was made for a volunteer to take Keith's place representing the club in discussions regarding the Tinsley Park sculpture – Rtn Peter C volunteered to take this on.

Rtn Barrie advised that he will be representing the club at the funeral of Johnny Charlie Allen – Preisident President Anne is also intending to attend.

There will be a speaker later this month from Mountain Rescue.

Connor (Website administrator) then presented a short demonstration of the website with particular reference to the meeting attendance booking section. A number of members had been having issues accessing the members pages, so hopefully this will enable them to do so.

June 18<sup>th</sup> – Normal Meeting

0June 25<sup>th</sup> – Normal meeting followed by Council. The South Yorkshire Car Park Festival is substantially undermanned for Saturday 7th July - to the point that we may need to inform the organisers that we will be unable to do it - therefore if you can spare any time on Saturday (bearing in mind peak times around 11 - 2) can you please let Hon Sec and Stephen Dobson (cc'd above) know asap. Depending on responses, a decision on this will be made by end of this week.

### Events

June 10<sup>th</sup> – Jubilee Barbecue at the George and Dragon, Wentworth.

On a Sunny Afternoon (yes the sun did shine), Rotarians, guests and families attended a Barbecue at the George and Dragon in Wentworth to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. The food and venue were excellent as usual, and the pictures below give a flavour of the afternoon.



**The Afternoon entertainment provide by“Star Struck”**



**The Gatehouse**



**President Anne welcomes guests to the event**

## Other News

### **Olympic Torch travels through Wortley Rotary area**

On June 25<sup>th</sup>, the torch relay passed through our area, and Rtn Lewis and the Bulletin editor went to see it. The torch was carried by John Burkhill amongst others, who is well known in Sheffield for collecting money for MacMillan Nurses (The Pram Charity fundraiser). I have to say I have never seen as many people in the centre of Chapelton as there were that day – upwards of 3-4,000 in total if not more. Here are a few pictures of the procession



**The Food Tent and Bar**



**The Torch procession begins**



**Inside the Food Tent**



**Police Escort from the MET**



The TORCH itself



And the Cheering Crowds

### Memories of Olympics past

As I watched the Olympic Torch on its journey through Chapeltown recently my mind went back to the Tokyo games of 1964. I was having breakfast in the YMCA in Glasgow before a day of searching for missing goods on British Railways. The Hostel had a fairly large (for its day) TV screen and the race in progress was the Women's 800 metres, the British runner being Ann Packer. Her storming finish made a lasting impression on me.

In her heat and semi-final she finished fifth and third, running 2:12.6 and 2:06.0 respectively, being beaten by Frenchwoman Maryvonne Dupureur, clocking 2:04.5 and 2:04.5. She thus started the final the slowest of the eight contestants, having raced at the distance only seven times before. Packer was sixth at 400 m, lying behind Dupureur, she was third at 600 m and took the lead in the final straight, using her sprinting speed to take the gold.

She broke the world record with a time of 2:01.1 minutes. Commenting on her win, Packer said "Middle-distance running for women was still in its infancy and the 800m had only been run in Rome four years earlier for the first time. I knew nothing about the event but being so naive was probably to my advantage; it meant I did not have any limitations in my head regarding what I should or could do. Ignorance proved to be bliss."

Later in the same Games Robbie Brightwell won a silver medal in the 4 x 400 m relay. They later married and had three sons, Gary, a 400 m runner

like his mother, and Ian and David, the latter two becoming footballers with Manchester City. She and Robbie were each awarded the MBE in 1965.

### Rotarian Lewis

My first memory of Olympic Games goes back to 1972 in Munich, where Mary Peters won the Gold in the Pentathlon. I can remember her having to finish close enough to the German to win the Gold, and there was a few minutes whilst the points were added up before she knew she had. And of course, those Olympics were hit by the assassination of a number of Israeli Athletes.

### Editor

The Website Message Board is also now open for use on the website under the Members section (when you log in) please update your email to this account to enable all members to contact everyone via this method.

Subscriptions for the coming year are now due - please pay Roger ASAP

### Future Duty Roster (Hosts)

July 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Visitor Fellowship	Rod Wadsworth Keith Addy
July 9 <sup>th</sup>	Visitor Fellowship	Anne Willey Peter Appleyard
July 16 <sup>th</sup>	Visitor Fellowship	Brenda Russell Barrie Clinton
July 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Visitor Fellowship	Keith Bailey Jacob Davis
July 30 <sup>th</sup>	Visitor Fellowship	Shani Barber Peter Dimelow
August 6 <sup>th</sup>	Visitor Fellowship	John Haggerty Stephen Dobson
August 13 <sup>th</sup>	Visitor Fellowship	Anne Winnard John Evans
August 20 <sup>th</sup>	Visitor Fellowship	Darryl Hinchcliffe Trevor Fletcher
August 27 <sup>th</sup>		NO MEETING
September 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Visitor Fellowship	John Greaves Bob Greaves
September 10 <sup>th</sup>	Visitor Fellowship	Peter Clarke Roger Hirst
September 17 <sup>th</sup>	Visitor Fellowship	Keith Addy Howard Mills
September 24 <sup>th</sup>	Visitor Fellowship	Peter Appleyard Mike Parden

### Dates for the Diary

#### WORTLEY

July 4 <sup>th</sup> -7 <sup>th</sup> , 2012	Music in the Gardens (Sheffield Botanical Gardens)
July 7 <sup>th</sup> , 2012	South Yorkshire Festival, Wortley Hall (Car Parking)
July 8 <sup>th</sup> , 2012	Vintage Vehicle Rally

(Wortley Hall)

## DISTRICT / RIBI

September 2011 – July 2012	District 1190 Preston Guild Merchant 2012
29 <sup>th</sup> June, 2012	Rotarian Garden Party (Hillsborough Castle, NI) [14:00-16:00]
30 <sup>th</sup> June, 2012	District Handover, The Deep, Hull (16:00)
1 <sup>st</sup> July, 2012	RIBI Presidential Handover, Perth Concert Hall
13 <sup>th</sup> July, 2012	Rotary Club of Market Rasen Charity AM/AM Open Golf (Market Rasen & District Golf Club)
20 <sup>th</sup> -22 <sup>nd</sup> July, 2012	Interact Multi District Rally (Morfa Bay Adventure, Pendine, South Wales)
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 Seminar, Alcester, Warwickshire
10 <sup>th</sup> September, 2012	26 <sup>th</sup> RIBI Rotary Clubs Golf Championship (Coxmoor Golf Club, Sutton-in-Ashfield)
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
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 28<sup>th</sup> April 1938 in Bolton, and was named after my uncle. My parents worked at a bleach works, and my mother later worked as a charwoman in a Gas Works.
- 2) As a child, I became interested in the sights and sounds of the local industry, particularly the men I saw on my way to school carrying out work I went on to do in later life.
- 3) When I was 22, I was conscripted into the Army, and worked in the kitchen before persuading the commanding officer to let me repair the regiment's farmhouse, soon becoming a builder and handyman. After my National Service finished, I returned to Bolton and began to look for work. Once I had earned enough, I purchased a set of ladders and began to find work in my greatest area of interest.
- 4) I made a living out of Building work, dismantling chimneys, and pursued my interest in Steam Engines and Industrial heritage. I became a TV personality as a result of an appearance on the local TV

News programme in the North West when I was repairing Bolton Town Hall Clock.

- 5) As the number of chimney's requiring demolition reduced, I was given the chance to indulge myself, presenting TV programmes about Telford, Brunel, and the Stephenson's amongst others. I was married 3 times, having 5 children (3 daughters and 2 sons). The Queen recognised me in 2003 with an MBE, and I went to the Palace in a Road Steam Engine. I died just over a year later in Bolton Hospice after a 3 year fight against Cancer. My catchphrase was "Did yer like that"

*Answer at the bottom of the newsletter*

### OLDER CROWD

- 1) A distraught senior citizen phoned her doctor's office.  
"Is it true," she wanted to know, "that the medication you prescribed has to be taken for the rest of my life?"  
"**Yes, I'm afraid so,**" the doctor told her.  
There was a moment of silence before the senior lady replied,  
"I'm wondering, then,  
just how serious is my condition because this prescription is marked 'NO REFILLS'."
- 2) An older gentleman was on the operating table awaiting surgery and he insisted that his son, a renowned surgeon, perform the operation. As he was about to get the anesthesia, he asked to speak to his son.  
"**Yes, Dad, what is it?**"  
"Don't be nervous, son; do your best, and just remember, if it doesn't go well, if something happens to me, your mother

is going to come and live with you and your wife..."

- 3) You know you are getting old when everything either dries up or leaks.
- 4) Some people try to turn back their odometers. Not me! I want people to know why I look this way. I've travelled a long way and some of the roads weren't paved.

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

**This blonde decides one day that she is sick and tired of all these blonde jokes and how all blondes are perceived as stupid. So, she decides to show her husband that blondes really are smart.**

While her husband is off at work, she decides that she is going to paint a couple of rooms in the house. The next day, right after her husband leaves for work, she gets down to the task at hand. Her husband arrives home at 5:30 and smells the distinctive smell of paint.

He walks into the living room and finds his wife lying on the floor in a pool of sweat. He notices that she is wearing a heavy parka and a leather jacket at the same time. He goes over and asks her if she is OK. She replies yes. He asks what she is doing and she replies that she wanted to prove to him that not all blonde women are dumb, and she wanted to do it by painting in the house.

He then asks her why she has a parka over her leather jacket. She replies that she was reading the directions on the paint can and it said...

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"FOR BEST RESULTS, PUT ON TWO COATS."

Contributions to future editions are most welcome – email them to the editor at [editor@wortleyrotary.org.uk](mailto:editor@wortleyrotary.org.uk)

This months Who Am I is:-

**Answer: Frederick Dihnah**