

WORTLEY ROTARY CLUB DISTRICT 1270

July 2015 NEWSLETTER

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Secretary: Graham Owen

Website:

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



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

On taking over the reins for the coming year, I believe that we should endeavour to continue the good work that Wortley Rotary Club has been doing over the past few years and hope that I can do as good a job as past presidents.

I would particularly like to promote community projects to encourage people to get involved with Rotary.

Here's to the next 12 months.

President Peter

NEWS

Meetings

1st June – Normal Meeting followed by Council (Thanks to Rtn Graham for extra info)

Secretary's Notice

- 1) The club has received a voting card with regard to the proposal to disband District 1270. The club has 1 vote, and Nil return is a YES.
- 2) Rtn Brenda has broken her leg and is in the NGH with a broken leg. Best wishes to her. Anne is fixing up a card but flowers are not allowed on wards nowadays.

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Further to the meeting last Tuesday re the Redistricting issue, this was attended by Pres-Elect of RIBI and the Secretary. Rtn Steve P outlined the issues discussed, and a brief discussion ensued. This issue will be discussed in more detail at the meeting on the 15th. There is no proxy voting - you must be present to vote.

President John advised that there is a meeting later this week this week at Doncaster Moat

House Hotel for all those interested in the subject and maybe in being on the 'new' committee. A couple of our members are attending to see what exactly is being looked for and what involvement we, as a club, may have in the future.

Rtn Stephen D reported on the current organisational situation re the upcoming VVR. Members were asked whether they had volunteered to help out to confirm their availability. Rtn Peter C gave an update on the current status regarding stallholders and publicity.

Other Business

Rtn Anne W reported that Rtn Ann W and herself had attended Woolley Wood School's end of term play, and it was thoroughly enjoyable. Ed Note – there was a brief report on this in the June Bulletin.

On Sunday it was Steve Patterson's birthday and today (Tuesday) it is Anne Willey's so she now has 'the key to the door'. Anne will also celebrate her wedding anniversary this week. I'm not allowed to say how many years but she's looking at a Caribbean Cruise for her Golden Wedding next year! Editor's Note – It was Hon Rtn Lewis's 81st Birthday last Saturday as well.

The meeting closed with the loyal and final toast, and was followed by Council.

8th June – Normal Meeting (Thanks to Rtn Graham for the information)

By now President John will have digested the elephant's foot sized Yorkshire Pudding he had as a starter on Monday. It was the largest in the room and it managed to keep him quiet for 10 minutes!

Rtns Anne and Ann went to see Brenda. She's out of hospital and has a 'metal device' from her knee to ankle to stop her playing netball until the injury has repaired itself. They took a card and some flowers and gave her everyone's wishes. One member suggested that she is in an ideal position to wrap raffle prizes and put raffle

tickets into straws. I wonder if they will repeat it when the 'metal device' is off her leg and in her hand!

Rtn Anne told us that plans for the club trip to Auschwitz are progressing and she will circulate details in the near future but briefly she thinks we're looking at 4 days/3 nights, 4* B&B in Krakow. Ex East Midlands Friday 11th September at tea time (ish). Home Sunday to East Midlands 11pm (ish) All transfers, two trips to (1) Auschwitz and (2) perhaps the Salt Mines. Price in the region of £370 per person.

Rtn Derek gave a computer aided presentation about Easysearch and Easyfundraising. We've 'earned' about £150 in the last year by a few (very few) members using this facility on their computers.

Every time you do an internet search on the computer you could earn the club .1p. Not much but if we all did it every time we could earn some much needed cash. If we then went to Easyfundraising to purchase on the internet most companies give a donation to the cause ie Wortley Rotary Club.

All you need to do is have easysearch in your favourites or as your front page and use it instead of Google for example. Then when you've found what you want to purchase - if that's what the search was for - click on the link to easyfundraising and buy it. It costs you nothing extra as the vendor eg Amazon, M&S etc make the donation to the club. Simple. Some examples are - Aviva car insurance gives a set sum of £30, M&S usually give 1.5%.

As a bit of fun and to get you in the habit we're having a 'competition'. The member who raises the most by Christmas gets a box of chocolates OR a kiss from Santa. Or was it the member who raises the least gets a kiss from Santa?

Set up easy Search at
<http://wortleyrotary.easysearch.org.uk>
and Easy Fundraising at
<http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk>

Make sure you get the correct Wortley if asked.

Hosts next week - Roger Hirst and Steve Knight and we discuss/vote on the future of District 1270.

15th June – Normal Meeting

President John welcomed guests Darren Crookes (introduced by Rtn Trevor) and soon to be new member Stella Ward.

Secretary's Notices

- 1) We have a Vocational Committee Chair – Rtn David H has volunteered (or didn't step back quick enough).
- 2) RC of Barnsley Rockley are holding a dinner £11 per head. The speaker is Bob Jackson (Ex-Radio Sheffield and Member of RC of Sheffield).

Other Business

President John mentioned that one of RC of Rockley's members who is 80 years old is climbing the tallest mountains in England, Scotland and Wales for charity, and suggested that the club should make a contribution to this.

Rtn Stephen D reported on the latest situation re the organisation of the VVR. People are needed for the setup and dismantling operations, and the large advertising signs go up on Thursday. There was a short discussion regarding volunteers and logistical issues.

MiTG ticket sales are moving on. Rtn Philip advised that Saturday Night is almost sold out, but there are still tickets available for the other 3 nights. He outlined the current situation, and a brief discussion of various issues followed.

The arrangements for another Casino Night at Penistone Church FC are in hand, the date has yet to be arranged. This event will raise money to help a local lady whose children were killed in a house fire instigated by their father.

Rtn Peter C reported on the recent meeting regarding the future of Castleton Camp. After a brief discussion, this matter will be discussed more extensively at a future meeting.

Rtn Philip gave his views on the recent meeting regarding the proposed re-districting. There was a short discussion regarding some of the issues raised, and then in accordance with Rotary rules, there was a vote on the proposal the District 1270 should be disbanded. The club voted NO, and this result will be forwarded by Rtn Graham to RIBI.

Rtn David in his capacity asked for volunteers to join the Vocational Committee – ED I know he got some from the table he and I were sat on.

The business being concluded, the meeting closed with the final and loyal toast.

22nd June – Normal Meeting (Thanks to Rtn Graham for the information)

We had President David and Secretary Ruth from our 'new' club - Rivellin Valley. They gave a brief presentation of how they got the club off the ground and that they now have 20 members as quite a few are away at University. They meet on the first Tuesday of each month in a pub over a pint and a sandwich. They are not as formal as us! Mid month they get together for a social eg 10 pin bowling and iron out any matters that have arisen since the monthly meeting. Their fund raising is aimed at disadvantaged and disabled children in the locality and they are all 'helpers' at Castleton Camp.

Since Monday Ruth has emailed me to say thank you for the warm reception we gave them and to say how much they enjoyed Christmas Dinner in June. We've invited them back, anytime, to sample it again!

Other Business

Rtn Rod raised the point that perhaps we, as a club, should move with the times, especially in these times of austerity, and perhaps meet twice a month on the first and third Monday and hopefully get a better attendance. Those present agreed to give this some thought and discuss it at a later date.

Rtn Stephen D said that he would be emailing VVR duties out to all those concerned. Sadly, there are only 21 of us able to make it this year.

Rtn Rod reminded us that tickets are still available for MitG.

Rtn Anne will be sending out the final details for the Auschwitz trip. She has also issued a three line whip re subs which are due on 1st July.

This August will be the first time in 823 years that there have been 5 Fridays, 5 Saturdays and 5 Sundays in the same month and it will be 823 years before it happens again. No one present could remember how it was celebrated last time but if we were to arrange something this August

as a trial we could iron out any flaws for the next one!

Next week it's Handover so bring a loved one with you. Guests, visitors, potential members are all welcome. We will also induct Stella into the ranks. Book early for a good seat. Those having Jewels of Office don't forget to bring them with you for Handover. Hosts are Anne Willey and Annie R.

29th June – Presidential Handover

President John commenced his last meeting in charge by welcoming Members and Guests to the meeting.

Secretary's Notices

- 1) The result of the vote regarding the future of district 1270 was as follows:- Yes - to disband 24, No - to continue 20. District 1270 will disband accordingly on 30th June next year.
- 2) The new RI president sends best wishes and invites members to attend the RIBI Conference in Bournemouth next April
- 3) The District directories (which in view of 1 above may become collectors items) are being couriered to the secretary for distribution.

President John advised that he and his wife, along with Rtn Rod and his wife had represented the club at Glastonbury, where they were addressed by no less than the Dalai Lama. He then gave his final club address before the handover to the incoming President.

Paul Harris Fellowships were presented to Rtn Steve Patterson and Rtn Peter Clarke for their support and contribution to the club over the past years. President John thanked all members for the support over the past year, and then handed the reins over to the New President, Rtn Peter Clarke.



Paul Harris presentation to Rtn Steve Patterson



Paul Harris Fellowship presentation to Incoming President Peter Clarke

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Presidential Handover

President Peter said he hoped to continue the sterling work of his predecessor. Before giving his opening address, Rtn Rod welcomed Rtn John to membership of the Past President group. President Peter handed over his reins as President-Elect to

Rtn Derek, before outlining his view of what Rotary is, his vision for the work the club does, and how we might go about raising the profile of the club in the local area. Unfortunately, Rtn Anne W was unable to attend to be inaugurated as Vice-President – no doubt this will happen at a future meeting.



President-Elect Derek gets his chain of office

Rtn Annie was asked to introduce the new member, Stella Ward, and how she came to meet her. Stella has attended the last few meetings as a guest. Following a short speech from Stella about how she has enjoyed the meetings and looks forward to getting involved, President Peter formally welcomed her as a full club member. Rtn Graham read out the Objects of Rotary to complete the induction.



New Rotarian Stella is welcomed by President Peter

Other Business

Rtn Stephen Dobson gave an update on the preparation for the VVR next Sunday. He

asked if Rotarians could park in a particular place to avoid using space allocated for Disabled customers. All arrangements are in hand – there was a brief discussion of the logistics for the day.

Rtn Rod gave an update regarding the upcoming MiTG event. He was a little bit perplexed by an issue which had developed between some of those organising the event and RC of Wortley since most of Wortley are intending to go on Thursday – mainly because of the other events at the weekend. **Rtn Philip** also made comment on this issue, and then outlined the latest regarding ticket sales. Saturday is a sellout, Sunday may well be a sellout depending on the weather, Thursday should be 2,000 plus, and Friday may be around 1500. All costs are covered.

Rtn Graham advised on the Hosts for next week.

Rtn Philip talked about the final 1270 District Conference in Harrogate, and advised that he would be going.

President Peter informed the club that the total monies raised so far from the scrap metal initiative since 16th January last year is £2,734.63, and thanked everyone who has supported this. An email will be sent to other local clubs to see if any of them wish to get involved.

Rtn Derek reminded members about the use of Easyfundraising when shopping on the Internet. It is an easy way to raise funds whilst buying goods on-line if you already do this, and it doesn't cost you a penny.

President Peter invited **Rtn Philip** to have the Final Word, after which, the business of the evening concluded with the Final Toast.

EVENTS

Unfortunately, the proposed Litter Pick planned for June 13th had to be cancelled due to holiday commitments.

Miscellaneous

Africa on the brink of Polio Eradication

The Rotary Convention was in Sao Paulo, Brazil, was advised that Nigeria and the Whole continent of Africa is on the verge of becoming polio free. To read more, click on the following link:-

<https://www.rotary.org/en/news-media/africa-brink-polio-eradication>

Rotary helps to knock down Language Barriers

Members of 4 Rotary Clubs are giving support to help support English and other foreign language education in 10 Rural Communitites throughout Poland. To read more, click on the link here:-

<https://www.rotary.org/en/news-media/knocking-down-language-barriers>

Big Lunch hailed as a Big Success

Rotary Clubs across Great Britain and Ireland turned out in force on the weekend of 6/7th June to take part in the Big Lunch. To read more, click on the link here:-

<http://www.rotarygbi.org/big-lunch-big-success/>

Interactors from RC of Long Eaton raise cash for Polio Campaign

Interactors from RC of Long Eaton, local students and swimmers helped raise funds for the Rotary Eradicate Polio campaign.

To read more, click on the link here:-

<http://www.derbytelegraph.co.uk/Long-Eaton-Interactors-raise-cash-Gates-polio/story-26657639-detail/story.html>

RC of Lunesdale First Lune Valley walk hailed as a success

RC of Lunesdale's first Lune Walk was hailed as a success after it raised £2,500 for various charities. To read more, click on the link here:-

<http://www.thewestmorlandgazette.co.uk/n>

[ews/13320594.First Lune Walk hailed a triumph after raising 2.5k for charity/](http://www.warringtonguardian.co.uk/news/13320594.First+Lune+Walk+hailed+a+triumph+after+raising+2+5k+for+charity/)

Public Health Chief attends RC of St Helens health event

Public Health England's boss dropped in at RC of St Helen's recent 'Healthy' event in the town. To read more about this, click on the link here:-

[http://www.warringtonguardian.co.uk/news/13317243.Public health chief drops by for health event/](http://www.warringtonguardian.co.uk/news/13317243.Public+health+chief+drops+by+for+health+event/)

RC of Bishop Auckland raise money for Charity and Hospital Appeal

RC of Bishop Auckland's Annual Golf Day helped raise up to £5,000 for Alzheimer's Research and St James Cook University Hospital Cardiac Scanner Appeal. To read more, click on the link here:-

[http://www.thenorthernecho.co.uk/news/13323607.Bishop Auckland charity golf day success/](http://www.thenorthernecho.co.uk/news/13323607.Bishop+Auckland+charity+golf+day+success/)

RC of Scarborough Cavaliers Dragon Boat Race a success

RC of Scarborough Cavaliers Dragon Boat Race was hailed as a success when 1,400 people attended the popular event. To read more, click on the link here:-

<http://www.thestar.co.uk/news/local/dragon-boat-race-a-roaring-success-1-7299048>

As there has been discussion recently about publicising the work that the club does, I thought it might be useful to include the link below which is the section on Rotary's main site dealing with Public Relations:-

<https://www.rotary.org/myrotary/en/learn-ng-reference/learn-topic/public-relations>

Future Duty Roster (Hosts)

6th July, 2015 Visitor Bev Wade

13 th July, 2015	Fellowship	Barrie Clinton
	Visitor	Brenda Russell
20 th July, 2015	Fellowship	Bob Greaves
	Visitor	Derek Ronksley
27 th July, 2015	Fellowship	David Humberstone
	Visitor	Ifat Hameed
3 rd August, 2015	Fellowship	Geoff Humphreys
	Visitor	Jacob Davis
10 th August, 2015	Fellowship	Jack Slater
	Visitor	John Haggerty
17 th August, 2015	Fellowship	John Evans
	Visitor	Lewis Atkinson
24 th August, 2015	Fellowship	Keith Bailey
	Visitor	Peter Dimelow
31 st August, 2015	Fellowship	Stephen Dobson
	Visitor	No Meeting
7 th September, 2015	Fellowship	
	Visitor	Philip Sherriff
14 th September, 2015	Fellowship	Peter Perry
	Visitor	Roger Hirst
21 st September, 2015	Fellowship	Rod Wadsworth
	Visitor	Steve Patterson
28 th September, 2015	Fellowship	Stephen Knight
	Visitor	Ann Winnard
	Fellowship	Trevor Fletcher

**Dates for the Diary
WORTLEY**

2 nd -5 th July, 2015	Music in the Gardens (Sheffield Botanical Gardens)
5 th July, 2015	Vintage Vehicle Rally (Wortley Hall)
15 th July, 2015	Visit to Bletchley Park
20 th July, 2015	Visit to Club by DG

DISTRICT / RIBI

26 th July, 2015	RC of Lincoln Lindum Classic Car Rally (EH Thorne Ltd)[11.00am-4pm]
26 th July, 2015	James Herriot Country Trail Run (Castle Bolton, Wensleydale)
11 th September, 2015	RC or Scarborough organised Male Voice Choir Concert (The Citadel, Scarborough)
18 th -20 th September, 2015	District 1270 31 st Annual Conference (Majestic Hotel, Harrogate)
11 th November, 2015	RC or Idle & Greengates Jazz Evening (Venue TBA)
4 th December, 2015	Festival of Christmas Trees (RC of Bridlington)
9 th December, 2015	Bradford Rotary Carol Service (Venue TBA)
1 st -3 rd April, 2016	RIBI Annual Conference, Bournemouth

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 22nd February, 1908 in North Elmham, Norfolk. My mother was a theatre box office manager, and my father was a Maths teacher. I grew up in Norfolk and Suffolk. I was educated at Balham Grammar School, Sir John Leman High School in Beccles, and Norwich High School for Boys. On leaving School, I worked as a clerk at a corn merchants in Ipswich before moving on to become a commercial traveller for the Sanitas Disinfectant Company. My older sister went on to become the presenter of "Muffin the Mule" on TV.
2. I was very interested in acting, and made my professional debut at the London Hippodrome in 1929. I also starred in Noel Coward's revue "Words and Music". I made my film debut in 1932, and appeared in the 1939 film "Goodbye, Mr Chips" playing the part of 'Colley' opposite Robert Donat. When War broke out, I enlisted in the Royal Engineers, and was later commissioned as a Second Lieutenant before receiving a medical discharge in 1942 due to a stomach ulcer.
3. The same year, I appeared in Noel Coward's film "In Which We serve". I played the lead in "Great Expectations" in 1946, and over the following decade, was cast in a number of War dramas such as "The Colditz Story (1954)", "Above Us the Waves (1955)", and "Ice Cold in Alex" (1956). I had 3 children by my second wife, and from the end of the

1950's to the mid-1960s appeared in several films alongside one of my daughters.

4. In 1960, I won the best Actor award at the Venice Film Festival. The same year, I was appointed as a CBE. Later, my role as the village idiot in "Ryan's Daughter" in 1970 earned me an Oscar for Best Supporting Actor. I was knighted by the Queen in 1976. I also appeared on TV in "Quatermass" in 1979, and starred as 'Gus: the Theatre Cat' in the film version of "Cats" in 1998. In the year 2000, I released my home cine-film footage in a documentary film, which included interviews with me, my 3 children and Dickie Attenborough.
5. In the years before my death, I appeared on TV only on special occasions as my sight had failed almost totally in 1992. In 2002, I received a BAFTA fellowship, and was named a Disney Legend by the Walt Disney Company. I died on 23rd April, 2005. My second wife died 7 months later, and we are buried in Denham Churchyard in Buckinghamshire.

Answers at the bottom of the newsletter

This Month's Joke / Funny Story

A woman goes into Discount Fishing Supplies to buy a rod and reel for her grandson's birthday.

She doesn't know which one to get, so she just picks one and goes over to the counter.

The salesman is standing there, wearing dark shades.

She says, "Excuse me. Can you tell me anything about this rod and reel?"

He says, "Madam, I'm completely blind; but if you'll drop it on the

counter, I can tell you everything you need to know about it from the sound it makes."

She doesn't believe him but drops it on the counter anyway.

He says, "That's a six-foot Shakespeare graphite rod with a Zebco 404 reel and 10-lb..Test line. It's a good all around combination, and it's actually on sale this week for \$44."

She says, "That's amazing that you can tell all that, just by the sound of it dropping on the counter. I'll take it!"

As she opens her purse, her credit card drops on the floor.

"Oh, that sounds like a Visa card," he says.

As the lady bends down to pick up the card, she accidentally farts..

At first she's really embarrassed, but then realises there is no way the blind salesman would tell exactly who had farted.

The man rings up the sale and says, "That'll be \$58.50 please."

The woman is totally confused by this and asks, "Didn't you tell me it was on sale for \$44. How did you get \$58.50?"

"The Duck Caller is \$11, and the Fish Bait is \$3.50

Another Quick Joke.

During a visit to my doctor, I asked him, "How do you determine whether or not an older person should be put in an old age home?"

"Well," he said, "we fill up a bathtub,

then we offer a teaspoon, a teacup and a bucket to the person to empty the bathtub."

"Oh, I understand," I said. "A normal person would use the bucket because it is bigger than the spoon or the teacup."

"No" he said. "A normal person would pull the plug. Do you want a bed near the window?"

Mother's Wise Words

1. My mother taught me
RELIGION .

"You better pray that will come out of the carpet."

2. My mother taught me MORE
LOGIC .

"If you fall off that swing and break your neck, you're not going to the shops with me."

3. My mother taught me about the
science of OSMOSIS .

"Shut your mouth and eat your tea."

4. My mother taught me about
WEATHER .

"This room of yours looks as if a cyclone went through it."

5. My mother taught me about
BEHAVIOUR MODIFICATION .

"Stop acting like your father!"

6. My mother taught me about
RECEIVING .

"You are going to get it when you get home!"

Contributions to future editions are most
welcome – email them to the editor at
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Who Am I Answer:-

Answer: John Lewis Ernest Watts Mills (Sir John Mills)