

WORTLEY ROTARY CLUB DISTRICT 1220

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It is with a sad heart that I offer the final News Sheet message for this Rotary Year, sad because although I have enjoyed being your president once again, circumstances beyond my or anyone's control mean I have not been able to put into practice a number of things I intended to.

Probably the main one is our proposed involvement with the local charity NurtureNature @ Wortley, which would be a proper hands on involvement as 'Working Bee's' rather than just handing over a financial contribution as is the case with the majority of the charities we donate to. Dr Helena Davis, who founded the charity, is a lovely person, as most people who were at the meeting just over twelve months ago will agree. I hope we will try and fulfil our pledge of support when we are able.

We have regretfully lost two of our senior members and a honorary member this year in Barrie, Keith and Mike - may they rest in peace, but we have inducted Jan & Derry with Trevor coming back on board in a few days' time.

I am pleased to say that St Saviours Food Bank in High Green will have received their first food consignment from ourselves via the Rotary 4 Food Bank project. Geoff has done a sterling job on this venture; so has Lewis with his organising skills who reported to council on Monday 25th May, that he had organised delivery of 685 Face Shields & 1170 cloth Face Masks to local care homes, unfortunately I'm not sure the wider community are aware of this hence the need for an active club media officer.

Trevor, even before he had agreed to re-join us, decided that there is more than one way to skin a cat and, as the VVR couldn't go ahead, agreed to organise a virtual raffle to raise funds for Sheffield Children's Hospital, suggesting a target of £1000 as being a feasible sum to raise, I am pleased to say that earlier this week that target had more than doubled and, as he was awaiting calls or emails from over 50% of club members informing him of the number of tickets they wanted, both he & I are hoping our donation to the charity will be substantial plus worthy of yet further media

coverage. Please contact Trevor if you already haven't.

Can I request that everyone joins in for the three general club ZOOM meetings in June particularly on the 15th when it is both the AGM & Club Assembly.

I want to thank sec David Atkinson for being an absolutely fantastic club secretary. I know through experience what a time consuming job this is, more so when you are doing it efficiently as well as coping with the abnormal pressure brought about with the Covid 19 pandemic. He is a true TIGER, a Totally, Interested, Generous, Enthusiastic, Rotarian. Thank you once again David.

Finally I wish Steve Patterson all the very best for his year of office and hope it's less disruptive than this past year.

Thank you all for putting up with me as Club President 2019 – 2020 .

Stay safe and God Bless

Philip

NEWS

Meetings

1st May – Club ZOOM Meeting

President Philip welcomed members to the meeting – which took place in 2 parts due to the 40 minute time limitation on meetings.

Secretary's Notices

- 1) The 2 speakers who had been arranged to speak to the club have been postponed. One has been provisionally re-arranged for September, and the other will be rearranged when the Lockdown conditions allow.

- 2) Correspondence with Mask Makers in Dronfield area – to be expanded on later.

- 4) Next Club Meeting will be 15th May at 19:00 via ZOOM.

Club Business

- 1) District Foodbank project – Rtn Geoff and President co-ordinating this. Foodbank Grant from district has been obtained. The contact in Foodbank has changed this week, and the project is now being run from the Church. Awaiting District reply re project and President has asked AG to find out what the procedures at the warehouse (Sheffield HUB) are likely to be in view of Social Distancing measures and club volunteers.
- 2) Face Shields / Masks – Hon Rtn Lewis co-ordinating this. Masks – 2 Care Homes have already received some, and another 4 will be delivered in the coming days. More to be ordered for next week. Some club members have already supported this financially. Other issues were discussed, particularly other potential outlets for both the shields and masks. (Totals so far – 220 shields / 230 Masks).
- 3) NurtureNature – President emailed Helena, and received reply from the Gardener / Trustee. Looking forward to working with us at some point. All OK.
- 4) AGM / Club Assembly – These have to be arranged. Officers to be finalised. Suggestion is some form of shared Presidency next year as we have no President-Elect. For further discussion.
- 5) Millionaires Night – Figures are now finalised. Event made a profit of £931.40, thanks to the effort of the scouts with the food. Club agreed to donate our share of the profits to the Scouts (£465.15).
- 6) Media Officer – Club needs to try and find someone to do this job, and opinions were sought. Rtn Steve P will try to contact the Star / Look Local re our current COVID19 efforts.

Any Other Business

- 1) Hon Rtn Lewis asked if we could find out what other clubs are doing re Face Shield / Mask provision to avoid duplication of effort. He will check with Seth re the Shields.
- 2) VVR Raffle – Trevor advised that he has around £420 of pledges for tickets. Other requirements discussed – Prizes etc. RR to be sent to all club members with details.
- 3) Hon Rtn Lewis asked members to send details of any places who might benefit from the Shields / Masks as previously discussed.

There being no more business, the meeting closed.

4th May – NO MEETING (Pandemic Restrictions)

11th May – NO MEETING (Pandemic Restrictions)

18th May – Club ZOOM Meeting

President Philip welcomed members to the meeting, which again was in two parts (due to Zoom Free limitations), and the technical difficulties on the day.

Club Business

- 1) President and Rtn Steve P updated the club re Hearing Ambassadors.
- 2) We have now received the money from the Millionaires Night (£465.15). As decided at a previous meeting, this will be donated back to the Scouts for their Hut Renovations / upgrades.
- 3) The AGM and Club Assembly will be combined, and will be held at the on-line meeting on 15th June. We are still looking for a President-Elect, and other officers need to be in place.
- 4) The Presidential Handover will take place on June 29th at the On-line meeting.
- 5) Raffle Date will be 1st June at the next On-line meeting. A brief General Discussion followed.
- 6) Council Meeting will be next Monday (25th May).
- 7) The Food Bank Project was briefly discussed at the end of the first part of the meeting, and then Rtn Geoff updated members on the discussions recently held on-line at District Level. Secretary asked to circulate a Message to members to gauge opinion about creating a fund using money not spent on the meals at Club Meetings.
- 8) Hon Rtn Lewis gave an update on the Face Shields and Face Mask projects.

Rtn Robert then gave a short talk covering some of the humorous and creative comments school pupils have used over the years in examinations.

Any Other Business

1. Rtn Steve P advised that he had attended an On-line District Meeting at the weekend, and had voted on 11 items.

2. Club was updated regarding members who have not attended any of the on-line meetings.

The meeting then closed. Hopefully the technical issues will resolve themselves over the next few days.

25th May NO MEETING (BANK HOLIDAY)

EVENTS

Non due to Pandemic Restrictions

Miscellaneous

Whitley Hall restaurant 1584 Menu (May 2020)

No Meetings Likely – Pandemic Restrictions

ROTARY LIVE Events Online

A Virtual Rotary Convention "Now More than Ever, Rotary Connects the World: The 2020 Rotary Virtual Convention" from 20-26 June can be accessed from the following link:-

<https://www.riconvention.org/en/current-convention>

Rotary Clubs in East Africa forging partnerships to help prevent the spread of COVID-19

Rotary Clubs in East Africa are forging partnerships to help prevent COVID-19 in areas where social distancing is difficult. To read more about this, click on the link here:- <https://www.rotary.org/en/kenyan-rotarians-take-action-prevent-spread-covid-19>

Coronavirus helps Rotary-led Bird Project in Sutherland

The Coronavirus Pandemic and the ensuing reduction in Tourism has been good news for a Ornithological project which East Sutherland Rotary has been involved in. To read more about this, click on the link here:- <https://www.rotarygbi.org/coronavirus-proving-a-bonus-for-rotary-led-bird-project-in-scotland/>

RGBI Statement regarding 2020/21 Competitions

RGBI have put out a statement regarding the above, and this can be read here:-

<https://district.rotary1220.org/service-committees/district-projects/youth-services/2020-21-youth-competitions>

Eckington Classic Car and Bike Show 2020 (Virtual)

RC of Chesterfield and the Satellite Club are running this event on-line this year. It can be accessed via the following link:-

<https://virtualcarshow2020.wordpress.com/>

IT'S GROWING LIKE TOPSY

To elaborate a little on what President Philip says in his letter; since early April, when I was asked by Council to contact the Nursing Homes we visit at Christmas to establish their needs for Personal protection Equipment during the Coronavirus pandemic, we have been working with Shelagh's Sewing Ladies, Dronfield for Face Masks and Seth Lilleker in Rotherham for Face Shields. We have been contacting Care Homes, Doctors Surgeries and other Caring Groups in the Sheffield, Rotherham and Barnsley areas and starting with the 8 Homes we have, to date be in touch with 99 Homes.

It is ongoing, and has resulted in 785 shields and 1420 masks being delivered to where they are needed at this critical time. We have yet to contact more Homes over the coming days and weeks. We have also been able to have 8 ladies joining the sewing group. We do thank the Dronfield ladies and Seth for the high quality goods they are producing. If anyone reading this knows of Nursing/Care/Residential Homes in their area please let me know.

Hon. Rtn Lewis.

Other News

Click on the links to read

District 1220 News

<https://district.rotary1220.org/pgd-recognised-by-two-separate-organisations-for-humanitarian-work>

<https://district.rotary1220.org/cherlye-completes-a-garden-marathon>

<https://district.rotary1220.org/the-virtual-show-must-go-on>

<https://district.rotary1220.org/clubs-virtually-induct-new-members>

AquaBox related (District 1220)

Activities currently suspended due to Pandemic restrictions

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/18432969.skip-ton-rotarians-help-provide-vital-equipment-south-african-hospital/>

<https://www.derbytelegraph.co.uk/burton/bed-ridden-brownie-leader-girls-4095065>

<https://www.thewestmorlandgazette.co.uk/news/18426412.3m-coronavirus-response-fund-target-talks-kendal-club/>

https://www.ilkeygazette.co.uk/news/community_news/18442483.aireborough-rotary-club/

<https://www.keighleynews.co.uk/news/18424235.close-shave-rotary-members-raise-cash-manorlands/>

<https://www.newarkadvertiser.co.uk/news/six-charities-receive-250-each-thanks-to-rotary-9109502/>

<https://www.lancs.live/news/lancashire-news/generous-donations-helping-hyndburn-hub-18266929>

<https://www.stamfordmercury.co.uk/news/groups-renovate-charity-s-community-area-9109344/>

<https://www.edp24.co.uk/news/lowestoft-rotary-club-scrubs-nhs-1-6652543>

<https://www.lynnnews.co.uk/news/major-fundraising-event-cancelled-due-to-coronavirus-but-funds-still-offered-to-main-charity-9110730/>

https://www.wharfedaleobserver.co.uk/news/community_news/18474721.aireborough-rotary-club/

<https://www.barnsleychronicle.com/article/club-donates-cash-to-charity>

<https://www.thenorthernecho.co.uk/news/local/darlington/18435346.darlington-rotary-donates-6-500-good-causes-lockdown/>

Future Duty Roster (Hosts) Subject to Current Health Lockdown

1 st June, 2020	Fellowship	Dean Clarke
	Visitor	John Evans
8 th June, 2020	Fellowship	Rod Wadsworth

15 th June, 2020	Visitor	Stephen Dobson
	Fellowship	Peter Perry
22 nd June, 2020	Visitor	Jack Slater
29 th June, 2020	SOCIAL	WEEK
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Dates for the Diary

WORTLEY

**Subject to Current Health Lockdown
(where cancellation is known, Event is marked as such)**

1 st June, 2020	VVR Virtual Raffle during ZOOM Meeting for Sheffield Children's Hospital
15 th June, 2020	Club AGM / Assembly (ZOOM)
29 th June, 2020	Virtual Presidential Handover (ZOOM)
9 th July, 2020	Club Social Trip (Space Centre, Leicester)
12 th July, 2020	23rd Vintage and Classic Car Rally (Wortley Hall) CANCELLED

DISTRICT / RGBI

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Until June 10 th	RC of Chesterfield Virtual Classic Car and Bike Show – Website details above.
6 th -10 th June, 2020	RI International Convention, Honolulu, Hawaii, USA (CANCELLED)
10 th June, 2019	District Council ONLINE using ZOOM – 19:00
12 th June, 2020	RC of Chesterfield Searsdale 28th Annual Charity Golf Day (Chesterfield Golf Club) – £37.50pp - £150 per Team (CANCELLED)
12 th June, 2020	RC of Ashbourne Charity Golf Day (Ashbourne Golf Club) [Tee off 10:00 to 14:30] - £150 per Team
12 th June, 2020	RC of Alfreton Charity Golf Day (Alfreton Golf Club, Wingfield Road, Alfreton, DE55 7LH) [Teams of 4 – Tee off 13:00] - £160 per Team
20 th -26 th June, 2020	Rotary Virtual Conference
26 th June, 2020	District Handover using ZOOM
28 th June, 2020	District Thanksgiving Service using ZOOM
3 rd July, 2020	RC of Market Rasen Open Charity Stableford AM/AM Golf

- 2nd-4th October, 2020 (Market Rasen Golf Club, Legsby Road, Market Rasen) – Visitors £35pp / £140 Team (book by 13/6/20) District 1220 Conference (Southport) **CANCELLED**
- 7th-9th February, 2021 Spring 2021 RYLA (Castleton) District End Polio Now Sponsored Walk (postponed from 6/9/20)
- 6th-10th June, 2021 RI Convention (Taipei, Taiwan)
- 1st – 3rd October 2021 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 2nd June, 1922 in Toronto, Canada. My father was Jamaican, well known as a flat-green bowler. We moved to Coventry, Warwickshire in 1924. My Grandfather took me to Warwick Racecourse when I was 6 years old, and bet on a horse called "Light of Love" which won at 7-1. After this, my father got me to pick his horses.
2. When World War II started, I was evacuated to Montreal, and would have been on a liner that was sunk, but luckily did not travel at that time because the ship had its full complement of children. Whilst in Canada, I took Ballet Classes and appeared in 3 of their productions. On my return to the UK, I went to the London Academy of Music and Dramatic Art, and then went into repertory theatre. I married in 1949, but we divorced after losing a baby.
3. Having gained experience, I came to prominence in the 1960s, when I appeared on Z-Cars, and went on to appear in "Compact" from 1964-5 as Camilla Hope. I played 3 different parts in a Dr Who story, and also appeared in an episode of Dad's Army in 1970, playing a love interest of Captain Mainwaring. Other TV works included "Beggar My Neighbour", "Within These Walls" and "The Gentle Touch".

4. In 1982, I began to play the role that I am probably most well know for, that being the wife of Café Owner Rene Artois in "Allo Allo". This series ran for 11 years. In 1991, I was the subject of a "This Is Your Life" programme. In 1997, I appeared in a Jammy Perry Stage Musical "That's Showbiz" at New Wimbledon Theatre. I also appeared in productions on the West End Stage alongside Ingrid Bergman, and Penelope Keith.
5. I did charity work for the Grand Order of Lady Ratlings, becoming Queen Ratling in 1997. I retired in 2001, and following a battle with Lung Cancer (I was a Heavy smoker), died on 3rd August 2002 at a retirement home for actors.

Answers at the bottom of the newsletter

This Month's Joke

A senior citizen said to his eighty-year old buddy: 'So I hear you're getting married?'
'Yep!'
 'Do I know her?' **'Nope!'**
 'This woman, is she good looking?' 'Not really.'
 'Is she a good cook?' **'Naw, she can't cook too well.'**
 'Does she have lots of money?' **'Nope! Poor as a church mouse.'**
 'Well, then, is she good in bed?' **'I don't know.'**
 'Why in the world do you want to marry her then?'
'Because she can still drive!'

Another Short Joke

A teddy bear is working on a building site. He goes for a tea break and when he returns he notices his pick has been stolen.

The bear is angry and reports the theft to the foreman. The foreman grins at the bear and says "Oh, I forgot to tell you,

today's the day the teddy bears have their pick nicked"

One and Two Liners

1. I start a new job in Seoul next week. I thought it was a good Korea move.
2. Statistically, 6 out of 7 dwarves are not Happy.
3. A wife says to her husband you're always pushing me around and talking behind my back. He says what do you expect? You're in a wheelchair.
4. Bought some 'rocket salad' yesterday but it went off before I could eat it!
5. The wife was counting all the 5 and 10 pence coins out on the kitchen table when she suddenly got very angry and started shouting and crying for no reason. I thought to myself, "She's going through the change."
6. I saw a poor old lady fall over today on the ice!! At least I presume she was poor - she only had £1.20 in her purse.
7. My neighbour knocked on my door at 2:30 a.m.. Can you believe that? 2:30 a.m?! Luckily for him I was still up playing my bagpipes.

Anniversaries this Month

1. Heimlich manoeuvre concept introduced to the world in a medical journal (1974)
2. Rome sacked by Vandals (455)
3. Last known pair of Auks killed on Eldey, off the coast of Iceland (1844)
4. Emily Davison killed by the King's Horse at the Epsom Derby (1913)
5. D-Day begins (1944)
6. Catherine of Aragon married Henry VIII (1509)
7. Billy Butlin died (1980)
8. Alcock and Brown complete first Trans-Atlantic flight (1919)
9. Douglas Haig born (1861)

Who Am I Answer:-