

# WORTLEY ROTARY CLUB DISTRICT 1270

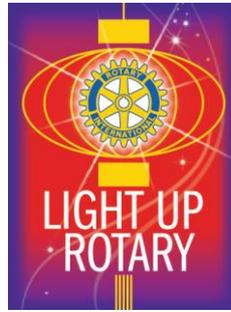
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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

FEBRUARY was a quiet month after a couple of busy months so we should be rested and ready for our next challenges.

We know what will be coming up in July and maybe a new project or two can be fitted in in the next 4 months.

President JOHN

## NEWS

### Meetings

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> February – Normal Meeting

President John opened the meeting. There were no Secretary's notices as Rtn Graham was indisposed.

#### Other Business

Rtn Lewis asked the meeting of behalf of the Scholarship trustees to spend up to £1000 as in previous years should the standard of applicants be of the usual standard. The meeting agreed to this after a discussion.

He also outlined the latest situation with the proposed visit to Bletchley Park in July --> 28 people with all bar 1 going on the coach. Prices will be reported back to the club when the arrangements are in place.

Rtn Muhammed asked about the list of people wishing to attend the celebration meal at Arooj on Friday. Sec has details.

Rtn Derek advised re the next visit to the theatre (November 5<sup>th</sup>) to see "The Bodyguard". Anyone else who is interested – speak to Derek.

Rtn Peter P brought up the VVR. Wortley Hall literature says it is on 4<sup>th</sup> July which is a Saturday – this is something to do with a Weekend of events and the date is 5<sup>th</sup>. There followed a discussion regarding things such as

tables and Chairs. He then dropped the bombshell that he will be away on the day.

Rtn Philip advised that he still has some drink remaining after the Millionaires Night should anyone be interested. He also advised that the event is likely to make £2,200.

He also advised that following the recent meeting of the organising committee, the MiTG organisers are happy for the club to run a Pimms / Strawberries and Cream tent at this years event. There followed a discussion regarding the logistics as the last night clashes with the VVR. This is to be discussed further.

The meeting then closed with the final and loyal toast.

#### 9<sup>th</sup> February – Normal Meeting (Thanks to Rtn Graham for the outline below)

In the absence of the President and President Elect last evening Vice President Derek sat in the big chair.

Rtn Jacob did the honours with the blood pressure checks, No ambulances needed but Rtn Peter Dimelow was cautioned re being in the lounge in vest and braces! Lashings of beef and gravy with seconds if wanted!

Rtn Annie returned from her holiday in Cambodia but despite 14 hours resting on Air Malaysia she was too tired to eat the lemon and ginger sponge and custard.

A board went round to get the feel of interest for the trip to Auschwitz. About a dozen are interested so far.

Rtn Bev told us that she had spent the weekend in London and with 'her choir' - the South Yorks division of 'Rock Choir', she had been to the famous Abbey Road Studios to record three tracks of a CD. The Rock Choirs from around the country will go in turn to 'lay down their tracks' (getting technical) and hopefully we'll see the finished article in due course. Her South Yorks. gang comprised 154 singers so when you

consider 4 Beatles and a drum kit filled the place they were able to keep each other warm. Of course she had the photo on the famous zebra crossing and was nearly taken out by a bike. Apparently, drivers don't stop because everyday there's one million tourists trying to have their photo taken in the middle of the crossing. She wouldn't sing for us so I reckon that's a fine next week.

No speaker next week but on 23rd we have Andy Highland from 'Safe at Last' and looking ahead on 23rd March we have Rtn Kath Hayes from RC of Alford and Mablethorpe (or as I once heard someone at RI call the club - Al Ford and Mable Thorpe) speaking about the Guilford Rotary Eye Project.

Last but not least - I'm on holiday next week so those who usually text, email or phone me please get in touch with Rtn Derek who will be holding the fort.

Rtn Graham

#### 16<sup>th</sup> February – Normal Meeting

President John welcomed members to the meeting. There were no major notices other than the South Yorkshire Festival is on 16<sup>th</sup> August at Wortley Hall, and those dates which were incorrect on their calendar have now been corrected.

#### Other Business

Rtn Philip gave an update on the MiTG Management Committee last week. One of the club's nominations "Diabetes" has been accepted and will be a joint beneficiary on the Saturday night. The acts for each evening have now been confirmed as follows:-

Thursday	Paul Carrack
Friday	ABC
Saturday	The Proclaimers
Sunday	Last Night of the Proms

Further to the discussions at previous meetings, the club will now be responsible for the Strawberries and Cream tent – Pimms will be looked after by Bradfield Brewery who have increased their financial contribution to the event as a result. The organisation for the event seems to be going well, with some good sponsorship deals in place. Philip also outlined other issues relating to the event organisation – staging etc.

Rtn Lewis advised that the coach for the Bletchley Park trip has now been booked. There are 29 going, and 4 seats are available at the time of the meeting. There was a discussion regarding the pick-up points and the total cost of the trip.

Rtn Philip reported on the current status of the Santa Sleigh, and the need to find a permanent home for it. He now has the measurements, so may have found a home, subject to confirmation.

There being no other business, the meeting closed in the usual manner.

#### 23<sup>rd</sup> February – Normal Meeting (Thanks to Rtn Graham for the outline below)

Last night saw us entertained by Andy Highland from the Charity - 'Safe @ Last'. This is a children's charity set up to deal with kids up to 16 who run away from home for whatever reason. It is Rotherham based but serves all South Yorks with its Freephone number. Andy spoke of how the charity was founded by Hilary Massarella MBE, how many 'clients' and 'repeat clients' it deals with yearly and how much it costs to keep the service going. It was suggested that the charity have a stall at our VVR. This will be discussed in council next Monday.

Andy was invited to speak by Pres. Elect Peter who unfortunately could be present. He's not well. Rumour has it he has a snake bite but the rumour wasn't clear as to whether he is learning exotic dancing with snakes to give us a special Handover night show when he takes the chair as President or whether it was a wild one in his warehouse! Get well soon Peter.

#### Other Bits:

On 14th February the DG Chartered a new club in the District. It's Rivelin Valley. (I would have called it Rivelin Valentine, being chartered on 14th February.) The club has 20 members and will meet at The Norfolk Arms, Ringinglow. No times or date were given in the circulation but I'll find those out.

There's a Rotary Cycle Ride throughout the UK on 21st June (Father's Day) in aid of Prostate Cancer. I don't think you have to ride all the way around the UK but if you feel up to joining in part of it let me know and I'll get more details..... 'The Wortley Grand Depart!'

RC Stainbro - 20th Charter 18th April £25.  
Black Tie (or a clean suit).

**RC Barnsley Rockley - Sportsman's Dinner (but no sportsman - a comedian this year) - 20th March. £35.**

**MitG - ABC are not appearing. Replaced by 'Lindisfarne' but, believed the tickets for that night will still be priced at £25.**

**Next week (2nd March) is council. Council members please bring your own copy of the minutes. Hosts for that meeting are: Rtns Steve Patterson and Barrie Clinton.**

**Rtn Graham**

### Miscellaneous

#### **Schools in Wensleydale take part in Rotary Challenge enterprise competition**

RC of Wensleydale's Rotary Challenge competition between 6 local schools benefitted local charities and pupils alike. To read more, click on the following link:-

[http://www.thenorthernecho.co.uk/archive/2015/02/13/11792843.Wensleydale\\_schools\\_take\\_part\\_in\\_enterprise\\_challenge/](http://www.thenorthernecho.co.uk/archive/2015/02/13/11792843.Wensleydale_schools_take_part_in_enterprise_challenge/)

#### **RC of York Ainsty help support a project to restore sight of impoverished local people in Tanzania**

RC of York Ainsty provided support to a York optometrist who is helping impoverished people in Tanzania to regain their sight. To read more, click on the following link:-

[http://www.yorkpress.co.uk/news/11793465.Optomtrist\\_restores\\_sight\\_of\\_people\\_in\\_poverty/](http://www.yorkpress.co.uk/news/11793465.Optomtrist_restores_sight_of_people_in_poverty/)

#### **RC of Church Oswaldtwistle help tidy up local Railway Station**

RC of Church Oswaldtwistle launched a program to clean up the local Railway Station aimed at making it the best one on the line. They have been helped by Northern Rail and other local groups. To

read more, click on the following links:-  
[http://www.thewestmorlandgazette.co.uk/archive/2015/02/14/11794396.First\\_phase\\_finished\\_in\\_volunteers\\_bid\\_to\\_make\\_train\\_station\\_best\\_in\\_East\\_Lancashire/](http://www.thewestmorlandgazette.co.uk/archive/2015/02/14/11794396.First_phase_finished_in_volunteers_bid_to_make_train_station_best_in_East_Lancashire/) or  
<https://www.facebook.com/church.oswaldtwistlerotary>

#### **Rotarians sign up to become Dementia Friends**

Members of RC of Astley took part in an information session to become Dementia Friends. To read more about this, click on the following links:-

[http://www.warringtonguardian.co.uk/archive/2015/02/18/11801085.Rotarians\\_sign\\_up\\_to\\_become\\_Dementia\\_Friends/](http://www.warringtonguardian.co.uk/archive/2015/02/18/11801085.Rotarians_sign_up_to_become_Dementia_Friends/)  
Or  
[http://www.alzheimers.org.uk/site/scripts/documents\\_info.php?documentID=2070](http://www.alzheimers.org.uk/site/scripts/documents_info.php?documentID=2070)

#### **New home found for 'World Pooh Sticks' Championships**

**RC of Oxford Spires organises this event, raising funds for many charities. Having outgrown the original venue, they have now announced the new location. To read more about this and the event, click on the following link and the link within the article:-**

<http://www.rotarygbi.org/new-oxfordshire-home-found-world-pooh-sticks-championships/>

#### **Rotarian honoured with prestigious British Citizen Award**

A member of RC of Dagenham has been honoured with an award in recognition of his charity work for the charity 'Polio Children'. To read more, click on the following link:-

<http://www.rotarygbi.org/rotarian-honoured-prestigious-british-citizen-award/>

## Indian Rotary Racetrack event raises \$350,000 for Club Service Projects

An event at a racecourse in Mumbai promoting Rotary to thousands of Racing fans raised over \$350k for various club service projects. To read more, click on the following link:-

<https://www.rotary.org/en/news-features/news/event-indian-racetrack-nets-350000-service-projects>

### Future Duty Roster (Hosts)

2 <sup>nd</sup> March, 2015	Visitor	Steve Patterson
	Fellowship	Barrie Clinton
9 <sup>th</sup> March, 2015	Visitor	Trevor Fletcher
	Fellowship	Bev Wade
16 <sup>th</sup> March, 2015	Visitor	Anne Willey
	Fellowship	Bob Greaves
23 <sup>rd</sup> March, 2015	Visitor	Annie Rouxeville
	Fellowship	Brenda Russell
30 <sup>th</sup> March, 2015	Visitor	Ann Winnard
	Fellowship	David Humberstone
6 <sup>th</sup> April, 2015	Visitor	<i>No Meeting</i>
	Fellowship	
13 <sup>th</sup> April, 2015	Visitor	Derek Ronksley
	Fellowship	Geoff Humphreys
20 <sup>th</sup> April, 2015	Visitor	Iffat Hameed
	Fellowship	Jack Slater
27 <sup>th</sup> April, 2015	Visitor	Jacob Davis
	Fellowship	John Evans

### Dates for the Diary WORTLEY

2 <sup>nd</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup> July, 2015	Music in the Gardens (Sheffield Botanical Gardens)
5 <sup>th</sup> July, 2015	Vintage Vehicle Rally (Wortley Hall)
15 <sup>th</sup> July, 2015	Visit to Bletchley Park

### DISTRICT / RIBI

2 <sup>nd</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> March, 2015	Climate Week
7 <sup>th</sup> March, 2015	RC of South Cave & Wolds (Golden Fleece Walk) – helping Scout Group
March, 2015	Earth Hour
14 <sup>th</sup> March, 2015	RC of Doncaster present The Yorkshire Volunteers Band and Corps of Drums in support of YAAS (Doncaster Minster)[7:30pm]
20 <sup>th</sup> March, 2015	RC of Barnsley Rockley Sportsman's Dinner

21 <sup>st</sup> March, 2015	RIBI Regional Assembly (Manchester)
22 <sup>nd</sup> March, 2015	RIBI Regional Assembly (Birmingham)
10 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> April, 2015	RIBI Annual Conference (Belfast Waterfront Conference Centre)
18 <sup>th</sup> April, 2015	RC of Stainborough 20 <sup>th</sup> Charter Dinner
26 <sup>th</sup> April, 2015	District Disability Games (Scunthorpe)
7 <sup>th</sup> June, 2015	RC of Lincoln Lindum - Lincoln Bikefest (Brayford Waterfront)
7 <sup>th</sup> -11 <sup>th</sup> June, 2015	RC of St Andrews 61 <sup>st</sup> International Golf Tournament
21 <sup>st</sup> June, 2015	RC of Hull Paragon 21 <sup>st</sup> Charter celebration (Staff House, Univ, of Hull)
21 <sup>st</sup> June, 2015	Rotary Ride for Prostate Cancer
25 <sup>th</sup> June, 2015	RC of Lindum Lincoln Slam Jam Finals (Drill Hall, Lincoln)
26 <sup>th</sup> July, 2015	RC of Lincoln Lindum Classic Car Rally (EH Thorne Ltd)[11.00am-4pm]
18 <sup>th</sup> -20 <sup>th</sup> September, 2015	District 1270 31 <sup>st</sup> Annual Conference (Majestic Hotel, Harrogate)
1 <sup>st</sup> -3 <sup>rd</sup> 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 8<sup>th</sup> may, 1884 in Lamar, Missouri. The eldest of 3 children. My father was a farmer and livestock dealer, so we moved about a bit. I was interested in music, reading and history. After graduating from Independence High School in 1901, I worked on the railroad. A year prior to this, I was a page at the 1900 Democratic National Convention.

2. From 1901 to 1917, I worked in a number of Clerical jobs, briefly working in the mailroom of the Kansas City Star. I lived on my parents farm until WWI broke out, when I entered the army. I ended up as a Captain of an artillery regiment in France, providing support for George Patton's tank brigade. Under my command, the battery did not lose a single man.
3. On my return from the war, I married Bess Wallace on June 28<sup>th</sup>, 191, and we had 1 child. With the help of Kansas City Democratic machinery, I was elected as a County Court Judge in Jackson County, but lost this position during the Coolidge Republican landslide of 1924. For the next 2 years, I sold Automobile Club Memberships, before being elected Presiding Judge of the County Court, to which I was re-elected in 1930. Four years later, I was elected to Senate as member for Missouri.
4. In my first term, I spoke out against corporate greed and the dangers of Wall Street speculators, but was largely ignored by the President. In 1940, I was re-elected to the Senate. Over the next four years, my political profile rose, and I ended up chairing a committee to investigate abuses during the preparations for war. This led to me being nominated as Vice-Presidential candidate in 1944. Following the election, I became VP to Franklin D Roosevelt. After 82 days as VP, FDR died, and I became the 33<sup>rd</sup> President of the United States.
5. My first term began with end of WWII, dropping of the Atom Bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki, Other major events included the beginning of the Cold War, Recognition of the State of Israel and the Berlin Airlift. Despite home issues, I won the 1948 Presidential Election. Things

continued to get worse on the home front, and I decided not to stand again in 1952. I lived the rest on my life out back in Missouri, mainly without financial support from the state, writing my memoirs, arranging the construction of my presidential library, and taking long walks. In 1964, my health began to deteriorate after a fall at home, and 8 years later, I died in Kansas City's Research Hospital aged 88. I am buried with my wife at the Library and Museum in Independence that bears my name..

### ***Answers at the bottom of the newsletter***

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

**A mature lady gets pulled over for speeding...**

**Older Woman:** Is there a problem, Officer?

**Officer:** Ma'am, you were speeding.

**Older Woman:** Oh, I see.

**Officer:** Can I see your license please?

**Older Woman:** I'd give it to you but I don't have one.

**Officer:** Don't have one?

**Older Woman:** Lost it, 4 years ago for drunk driving.

**Officer:** I see...Can I see your vehicle registration papers please.

**Older Woman:** I can't do that.

**Officer:** Why not?

**Older Woman:** I stole this car.

**Officer:** Stole it?

**Older Woman:** Yes, and I killed and hacked up the owner.

**Officer:** You what?

**Older Woman:** His body parts are in plastic bags in the trunk if you want to see

**The Officer looks at the woman and slowly backs away to his car and calls for back up. Within minutes 5 police cars circle the car. A senior officer slowly**

approaches the car, clasping his half drawn gun.

**Officer 2:** Ma'am, could you step out of your vehicle please! The woman steps out of her vehicle.

**Older woman:** Is there a problem sir?

**Officer 2:** One of my officers told me that you have stolen this car and murdered the owner.

**Older Woman:** Murdered the owner?

**Officer 2:** Yes, could you please open the trunk of your car, please.

The woman opens the trunk, revealing nothing but an empty trunk.

**Officer 2:** Is this your car, ma'am?

**Older Woman:** Yes, here are the registration papers.

The officer is quite stunned.

**Officer 2:** One of my officers claims that you do not have a driving license.

The woman digs into her handbag and pulls out a clutch purse and hands it to the officer.

The officer examines the license. He looks quite puzzled.

**Officer 2:** Thank you ma'am, one of my officers told me you didn't have a license, that you stole this car, and that you murdered and hacked up the owner.

**Older Woman:** Bet the liar told you I was speeding, too.

**Moral is - Don't Mess With Mature Ladies**

Another quick joke

Our ice cream man was found lying on the floor of his van covered with hundreds and thousands. Police say that he topped himself.

**Irish Medical Dictionary**

The Irish have the lowest stress rate because they do not take medical terminology seriously

Medical Term	Irish Definition
Barium	What doctors do when patients die
Cat scan	Searching for Kitty
Coma	A punctuation mark
Fester	Quicker than someone else
Labour Pain	Getting hurt at work
Nitrates	Rates of Pay for Working at Night, Normally more money than Days
Pelvis	Second cousin to Elvis
Rectum	Nearly killed him
Tablet	A small table
Urine	Opposite of you're out

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Who Am I Answer:-

Answer: Harry S. Truman