

WORTLEY ROTARY CLUB DISTRICT 1270

March 2016 NEWSLETTER

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NEWS

Meetings

1st February– Normal Meeting followed Council

President-elect Derek welcomed members to the meeting. There is a need for a Vice-President for next year (who will be President in 2018-19). Members were asked to think about this.

Secretary's Notices

- 1) RIBI President in 2018-19 will be Rtn Debbie Hodge of RC of Ware.
- 2) We are receiving invites to a number of Charter of evenings, including some from our new District 1220, and these are listed below for those who may wish to go:-

RC of Thorne (2/3)
RC of Kirkby-in-Ashfield (8/3)
RC of Warsop, Shirebrook and District (4/4)
- 3) The DG would like any photos of activities on Rotary Day to be submitted for the 1270 Archive.
- 4) We have a speaker on 15/2 who will be talking about Cystic Fibrosis. After that date, however, there is very little in the diary in terms of invited speakers. Any suggestions for potential speakers should submit ideas for invites etc.

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Any Other Business

Rtn Stephen D advised that he has brought the surplus wine from the Millionaires Night (12 bottles), and anyone owed some from the Raffle draws can collect it at their leisure. He also advised that there has been no discussion regarding the VVR due to key people being

missing from the meeting. He will raise the business of the bridge at Council.

Rtn Stephen K reported that a letter of thanks has been received in relation to the donation the club sent to Wateraid

Hon Rtn Lewis advised that the trip to Beamish is now fully booked.

Rtn Barrie asked what RIBI have done regarding the recent flooding. The club donation to Woodhead Mountain Rescue was made as part of our clubs' contribution in view of the Rescue Team being involved in the operation during the floods.

The meeting was closed in the usual way.

8th February – Normal Meeting

15th February– Normal Meeting

President Peter welcomed members and guest to the meeting.

President Peter and Rtn Ann W attended a meeting at Wortley Hall to talk about the VVR and other related matters. Rtn Ann W gave an update on the discussions.

Julian gave an update on the current situation regarding Castleton Camp.

Music in the City Hall runs from 17th-20th March 2016. The itinerary is as follows (*from the City Hall website*):-

March 17 th , 2016	Big Country, Midge Ure, Nick Heyward and Curiosity Killed The Cat
March 18 th , 2016	Courtney Pine
March 19 th , 2016	China Crisis plus support from Alvarez Kings
March 20 th , 2016	The Keith Peters' Big Band, the Unite the Union Brass

	Band and Abbeylea Singers
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President Peter invited guest Andrea to talk to the club about Cystic Fibrosis and the unit at the Northern General Hospital. On a personal note, I found this very interesting as one of my cousins had two daughters who both had the condition – Alison only lived for a year, Julie lived to 29 and had a daughter. I saw the effect it had on my relatives, and still does, so it is a cause well worth supporting. Thanks to Rtn Bey for organising the talk. Here are a few links you can look at to get more ideas of what the talk was about:-

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Cystic-Fibrosis-Ward-Northern-General-Hospital-Sheffield/444694722208120>

<http://www.sth.nhs.uk/services/a-z-of-services?id=4>

After questions, the business being concluded, the meeting closed in the normal way.

22nd February – Normal Meeting

The main topic of conversation at the meeting was connected to the menu choices for food at meetings. This has been discussed at length, and a decision will be made at a EGM which will be held on Monday 14th March during the normal meeting.

29th February – Normal Meeting (Thanks to Rtn Graham for extra information)

President Peter gave an update to the club on the current situation regarding Castleton Camp.

Secretary’s Notices

- 1) Rtn Muhammad has tendered his resignation from the club.
- 2) Speakers have been arranged as follows:-

21/3 Maureen Greaves
11/4 Natalie Yarrow (PACES)
18/4 Katie Parsons from Hallam FM (Help a Hallam Child)
- 3) An invite has been received from District 1220 to the Paul Harris Lunch on 20th March

- 4) RC of Heanor are having a Charter on 10th April.

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President Peter and Rtn Anne W gave an update on the current situation re VVR organisation

Rtn Rod advised that he has resigned from the MiTG Organising Committee.

Rtn Philip reported that the first 3 nights of the Music at the City Hall have been cancelled so the only date still being held is the March 20th Big Band event.

Rtn Barrie reported on his son's 50th birthday bash to which his son had invited everyone he grew up with and worked with. In the hundreds that turned up was a chap (last a lad when Barrie saw him) from Hong Kong who had been in Wortley's Interact Club many years with Barrie's son. The chap thanked Barrie for all the help and confidence that being in Rotary's Interact had given him. The chap, as an Interacter, had spoken at one of Rotary's 'Youth Speaks' gatherings which again helped with his confidence and he is now well up in a well known banking firm in Hong Kong.

The business being concluded, the meeting closed in the usual way.

Miscellaneous

Team of Rotarians grapple with the “Eggheads”

Members of RC of Beckenham have appeared on the BBC Two quiz show “Eggheads” recently. Click on the link here to read more:-
<http://www.rotarygbi.org/rotarians-take-eggheads/>

Great-Niece of RI Founder competes in Rotary Athletics Championship

A Great-Niece of RI Founder, Paul Harris, competed in the recent Scottish Schools Athletic Association Championships, which are sponsored by Rotary. To read more, click on the link here:- <http://www.rotarygbi.org/a-family-connection/>

Letter from DG re Rotary Fundraiser

Dear Members

Following the District Conference in Harrogate last September many members asked if it would be possible for me to get Clare Langan back to the district to perform again.



She is a very busy lady, but between cruises she has very kindly agreed to visit us once again and support Rotary.

The event will be held on MAY 21st 2016 – 7.00
7.30 at The Tennyson Suite,

**THE BRACKENBOROUGH ARMS HOTEL at
LOUTH.**

The event will be a three course dinner followed by Clare's performance and the band Regency. It will be a "Dress up and Dance for Rotary" with all proceeds going to Macmillan- which is my chosen charity this year.

Tickets are now on sale at £25 a head and will be sold on a first-come first-served basis

Lucy Hawley has agreed to act as the point of contact so all bookings should be via Lucy lhawley@sky.com.

Tickets will not be released until Lucy has received your payment. Please make cheques payable to The Rotary Club of Skegness and notify any special diets to Lucy at the time of booking.

There will be a sponsored head shave- Thank you Martin Robinson from Brigg, a sponsored beard shave -Thank you Ady Stennett Skegness. No such event will be complete without a customary raffle for the charity.

Dress code- Black tie or smart casual - its "Dress up "

This will be a wonderful opportunity to listen to this amazing International flautist and to support Macmillan Nurses.

I look forward to seeing you at Louth on May 21st 2016

Margaret Taylor

RC of Holmes Chapel helping local Scouts to raise money for new Hut and Youth Centre

RC of Holmes Chapel have donated money from their Santa Sleigh Run to Goostrey Scouts to take the fundraising beyond halfway to target. To read more, click on the link here:-

http://www.warringtonguardian.co.uk/news/14260872.Goostrey_Scouts_are_halfway_to_having_a_new_HQ/

RC of Skegness organised auction raises funds for Family Support charity

RC of Skegness organised an auction to raise money for a Lincolnshire Family Support Charity. To read more, click on the link here:-

<http://www.lincolnshireecho.co.uk/Lincolnshire-families-benefit-thousands-raised/story-28693304-detail/story.html>

Neston Rotakids raise £500 for fight against polio

Rotakids in the Neston area have raised around £500 to help beat polio. To read more, click on the link here:-

<http://www.chesterchronicle.co.uk/news/local-news/neston-rotakids-raise-500-fight-10928393>

Record Numbers at Rotary Party

A record number of pensioners attended a party organised by RC of Northwich Vale Royal. To read more, click on the link here:-

http://www.warringtonguardian.co.uk/news/14275699.Record_numbers_at_Rotary_party/

Aquabox Update from the Philippines

As we as a club continue to support Aquabox, see the following link for an update from one of the areas being helped by the aid work:-
<http://www.aquabox.org/news/2016/02/16/update-from-the-philippines/>

District 1220

In the build up to the club's move to District 1220, links to information pages on the district website will be included for you to have a look at. This month relates to District Projects:-

<http://district.rotary1220.org/service-committees/district-projects>

Future Duty Roster (Hosts)

29 th February, 2016	Visitor	Jacob Davis
	Fellowship	John Evans
7 th March, 2016	Visitor	John Haggerty
	Fellowship	Keith Bailey
14 th March, 2016	Visitor	Lewis Atkinson
	Fellowship	David Atkinson
21 st March, 2016	Visitor	Muhammad Zahur
	Fellowship	Peter Dimelow
28 th March, 2016	Visitor	No Meeting
	Fellowship	
4 th April, 2016	Visitor	Peter Perry
	Fellowship	Philip Sherriff
11 th April, 2016	Visitor	Rod Wadsworth
	Fellowship	Roger Hirst
18 th April, 2016	Visitor	Stephen Knight
	Fellowship	Steve Patterson
25 th April, 2016	Visitor	Trevor Fletcher
	Fellowship	Stephen Dobson
2 nd May, 2016	Visitor	No Meeting
	Fellowship	
9 th May, 2016	Visitor	Robert Godber
	Fellowship	Anne Willey
16 th May, 2016	Visitor	Ann Winnard
	Fellowship	Barrie Clinton
23 rd May, 2016	Visitor	Stella Ward
	Fellowship	Annie Rouxville
30 th May, 2016	Visitor	Bev Wade
	Fellowship	Bob Greaves
6 th June, 2016	Visitor	David Humberstone
	Fellowship	Derek Ronksley
13 th June, 2016	Visitor	Geoff Humphreys
	Fellowship	Iffat Hameed
20 th June, 2016	Visitor	Jack Slater
	Fellowship	Jacob Davis
27 th June, 2016	Visitor	John Evans
	Fellowship	John Haggerty

Dates for the Diary WORTLEY

14 th March, 2016	Extra-Ordinary General Meeting
3 rd July, 2016	Vintage & Classic Vehicle Rally (Wortley Hall)
13 th July, 2016	Trip to Beamish Museum

DISTRICT / RIBI

2 nd March, 2016	RC of Thorne Charter Night.
3 rd March, 2016	RC of Long Eaton Charter (Trent Lock Golf and Country Club){19:00 for 19:30}
8 th March, 2016	RC of Kirkby-in-Ashfield Charter (Hostess Restaurant, Sookholme Road, Mansfield) [19:30]
8 th March, 2016	RC of Newark Castle Charter (Cedric Ford Pavilion, Newark Showground, Newark) [19:00]
14 th March, 2016	RC of Matlock Charter (Matlock Golf Club) [19:00]
17 th March, 2016	RC of Spilby Charter (venue TBA)
18 th March, 2016	RC of Burton upon Trent Charter (Pirelli Stadium, Princess Way, Burton upon Trent) [19:30]
20 th March, 2016	District 1220 Paul Harris Lunch
1 st -3 rd April, 2016	RIBI Annual Conference, Bournemouth
4 th April, 2016	RC of Warsop, Shirebrook and District Charter (Hostess Restaurant, Sookholme Road, Mansfield) [19:00 for 19:30]
10 th April, 2016	RC of Scunthorpe Pentagon Charter Evening (Holme Hall Golf Club)
10 th April, 2016	RC of Heanor (The Pavilion Suite, Morley Hayes Hotel & Golf Club, Morley) [12:00 for 12:30]
15 th April, 2016	RC of Church Wilne Charter (Trent Lock Golf Club, Sawley) [19:00 for 19:30]
17 th April, 2016	District 1270 Disability Games (The Pods, Scunthorpe)
23 rd April, 2016	RC of Cleethorpes 50 th Anniversary Charter Ball
23 rd April, 2016	Know your Blood Pressure Day 2016
23 rd April, 2016	RC of Etwell & Hilton Charter (Hilton House Hotel)[19:30]
5 th May, 2016	RC of Vale of Belvoir Charter (Nottinghamshire Golf & Country Club, Cotgrave){19:15 for 19:30}
13 th May, 2016	Charity Open AM-AM Golf (Grimsby Golf

21 st May, 2016	Club) Rotary Fundraiser at The Tennyson Suite, THE BRACKENBOROUGH ARMS HOTEL at LOUTH.) [19:00 fro 19:30]
22 nd May, 2016	RC of Lincoln Colonia Charter (Afternoon tea at Doddington Hall)
2 nd June, 2016	RC of Scunthorpe Pentagon Annual Charity Golf Day (Grange Park Golf Club)
12 th June, 2016	Lincoln Bike Fest (Lincoln Brayford)
14 th June, 2016	RC of Hope Valley Charter (Hassop Hall, Hassop) [19:30]
18 th -19 th June, 2016	Rotary Ride 2016 (for Prostate Cancer)
29 th June, 2016	RC of Ravenshead & Blidworth Charter Evening
15 th September, 2016	RC of Southwell Charter (Southwell racecourse) [19:00 for 19:30]
30 th September to 2 nd October 2016	District 1220 Conference (Scarborough Spa Theatre and Conference Centre)
7 th March, 2017	RC of Kirkby-in-Ashfield Charter (Hostess Restaurant, Sookholme Road, Mansfield) [19:30]
7 th -9 th April, 2017	RIBI Annual Conference, Manchester

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 3rd March, 1918 in Kenmare, County Kerry, the only child of the resident magistrate at Killarney. My parents separated in the early 1920s, and I was brought up in Surrey by my maternal grandparents. I was educated at Hawtreys, Charterhouse, and College Alpin International Beau Soleil in Switzerland.

2. As a youth, I suffered from poor health, including a disfiguring facial skin ailment. I also suffered from asthma and bronchitis, and this led to me being turned down for Military Service in WWII. Instead, I served much of the war serving in the Chelsea Civil Defence rescue team. In December 1944, I applied for a job as a racing subeditor at the Press Association news agency, and this led to me being employed as an “outside” man being responsible for race descriptions.

3) At This point, I met Peter Dimmock, who employed me a race-reader. As a result of this, I was given a Broadcasting Trial in autumn 1947. I then did my first live commentary two months later, and the following year, commentated on the Grand National for BBC Radio. In 1950, I left the Press Association and joined the Daily Express. I married a year later to a former model. I also became a racehorse owner, and by 1960, I had owned over 20 horses.

4) In 1960, when the BBC began covering the Grand National on TV, I was appointed as the lead commentator and did this for the next 38 Grand Nationals. In 1965, I bought a yearling colt for 2,800 guineas and called it “Be Friendly”. This horse became the Champion Sprinter of Europe winning 12 races. I was awarded an OBE in 1977, and a CBE in 1991. I was elected a member of the Jockey Club in 1986.

5) As my career in journalism drew to a close, I involved myself in charitable work, notably in horse welfare. This culminated in 1999 when I established my own charitable trust, raising over £3m for six animal-related charities. I retired from broadcasting in 1997, and was awarded a knighthood. I

died, after a battle with cancer, on 29th July, 2015.

Answers at the bottom of the newsletter

This Month's Joke

An elderly couple was celebrating their sixtieth anniversary. The couple had married as childhood sweethearts and had returned to their old neighbourhood after they retired.

Holding hands, they walked back to their old school. It was not locked, so they entered, and found the old desk they'd shared, where Andy had carved "I love you, Sally."

On their way back home, a bag of money fell out of an armoured car, practically landing at their feet. Sally quickly picked it up and, not sure what to do with it, they took it home. There, she counted the money - fifty thousand dollars!

Andy said, "We've got to give it back."

Sally said, "Finders keepers."

She put the money back in the bag and hid it in their attic.

The next day, two police officers were canvassing the neighbourhood looking for the money, and knocked on their door.

"Pardon me, did either of you find a bag that fell out of an armoured car yesterday?"

Sally said, "No".

Andy said, "She's lying. She hid it up in the attic.

Sally said, "Don't believe him, he's getting senile"

The agents turned to Andy and began to question him.

One said: "Tell us the story from the beginning."

Andy said, "Well, when Sally and I were walking home from school yesterday

The first police officer turned to his partner and said, "We're outta here!"

Another Quick joke

Couple in their nineties are both having problems remembering things. During a check-up, the doctor tells them that they're physically okay, but they might want to start writing things down to help them remember. Later that night, while watching TV, the old man gets up from his chair.

'Want anything while I'm in the kitchen?' he asks.

'Will you get me a bowl of ice cream?'

'Sure.'

'Don't you think you should write it down so you can remember it?' she asks.

'No, I can remember it.'

'Well, I'd like some strawberries on top, too. Maybe you should write it down, so as not to forget it?'

He says, 'I can remember that. You want a bowl of ice cream with strawberries.'

'I'd also like whipped cream. I'm certain you'll forget that, write it down?' she asks..

Irritated, he says, 'I don't need to write it down, I can remember it! Ice cream with strawberries and whipped cream - I got it, for goodness sake!'

Then he toddles into the kitchen. After about 20 minutes, the old man returns from the kitchen and hands his wife a plate of bacon and eggs. She stares at the plate for a moment.

'Where's my toast?'

Old Cemetery Quotes

A truly Happy Person is one who can enjoy the scenery on a detour. And, one who can enjoy browsing old cemeteries... Some fascinating things are to be found on old tombstones!

1. Harry Edsel Smith of Albany, New York:
Born 1903--Died 1942.
Looked up the elevator shaft to see if the car was on the way down. It was.

2. On the grave of Ezekial Aikle in East Dalhousie Cemetery, Nova Scotia:
Here lies Ezekial Aikle, Age 102.
Only the good die young.
3. In a Ribbesford, England, cemetery:
Anna Wallace
The children of Israel wanted bread,
And the Lord sent them manna.
Clark Wallace wanted a wife,
And the Devil sent him Anna.
4. In a Uniontown, Pennsylvania ,
cemetery:
Here lies the body of Jonathan Blake,
Stepped on the gas instead of the
brake.
5. A lawyer's epitaph in England:
Sir John Strange.
Here lies an honest lawyer,
and that is Strange.

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Who Am I Answer:-

Answer: Sir Peter O'Sullivan CBE