

WORTLEY ROTARY CLUB DISTRICT 1220

March 2018 NEWSLETTER

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Many thanks to the Rotary Club of Wortley who donated £500 to "NANNA MOON". As you know, I organised a charity event for both her and the brain tumour charity. We had plenty of raffle prizes which were all donated and auction prizes. The star prize at auction was a bouquet of roses designed and created by a local blacksmith and donated to "Nanna". On the night we collected around £6500, which I am sure will go a long way to making the time "Nanna" has comfortable.

Many thanks to RTN PHILLIP and Jenny, RTN ANNE and RTN PETER PERRY for attending the night.

Anyway, I have not got long left as President this year, and look forward to handing over to Rtn STEPHEN and hope that during 2018/2019, you support him as much as you supported me through 2017/2018

President Trevor

NEWS

Meetings

5th February – Normal Meeting followed by Council

President Trevor welcomed members to the meeting. No visits to other clubs were reported.

Secretary's Notices

Letter from Laura, Paul and Ian Clarkson circulated round the table for members to read thanking the club for best wishes following the recent death of former member Eric (see the February bulletin for club tribute).

Rtn David H advised that contact from Rotherham Council via their Neighbourhood unit had been received regarding the Santa Sleigh. They were wanting info about how the event is run etc. Together with President Trevor, they had attended a meeting at Rotherham Town Hall today, and the upshot is that we may be asked to run the Sleigh into Keppel Ward, and a proposal from the council is likely to be received for consideration shortly.

President Trevor updated the club regarding the Defibrillators and the partnership with Ecclesfield Parish Council. Following a visit by himself and Rtn Anne, it appears that the funds will cover 6-8 Defibs. The council will be handling the maintenance.

President Trevor advised that he is organising a Race Night to raise funds to support a friend's friend who has cancer. He asked if the club would like to support this either individually, corporately, or both. The event is at the Wharnecliffe Arms on 24th February.

Any Other Business

Rtn Anne reminded members about the talk on 19th March about the Oaks Colliery disaster, and to try and get as many people there as possible.

Question was asked as to whether anyone knew how Rtn Mike P is. President, Rtn Philip and Rtn Jacob are planning to visit him later this week, and will report back.

The meeting closed in the usual way, and was followed by a Council meeting.

12th February – Normal Meeting

President Trevor welcomed members to the meeting.

Visits to other clubs – Rtn Steve P reported that himself and 3 other members visited Abbeydale for the recent Quiz. Rtn Robert G, in his capacity of being "Team Captain" reported that it was a "Celebration of Mediocrity". Rtn Steve P added his own comments. See Events for a further report.

Rtn Steve K advised that he has a number of positions to fill in preparation for his year as President, and asked that members consider what they would be prepared to do. He also asked whether the club wished to have a Christmas party this year, and what members would like to do. There was a discussion, and the issue will be progressed and discussed again.

Rtn Geoff mentioned 2 projects he has received via International:-

- i) The DG is looking for clubs to provide financial support for SAND DAMS, and pledges are required. If pledge is greater than £500, the club's name will appear on the plaque. The process requires £9k to qualify for a global grant. The feeling in the club was that it warrants supporting, and the issue will be pursued.
- ii) RC of Rotherham Sitwell support a small charity "People in Need" which provides support in Romania. They want to know whether we would like to help them support this cause, and someone from the charity would be available to come and talk to the club if necessary. This will also be pursued.
- iii) There is a VVR committee meeting tomorrow.

Rtn Anne reminded members about the talk on 19th March (Oaks Colliery Disaster).

Rtn Peter P advised that our VVR is listed in Morgan's year Book, and asked if any member would like him to get a copy of it. He also advised that the wheel he mentioned at a previous meeting is now on the Santa Trailer.

Hon Rtn Lewis advised that there are only 2 seats left for the Whitby trip in July.

Rtn John E advised that he will be unavailable in March when he is down for duties on the rota. Alternatives were arranged.

Rtn Philip advised re the following:-

- i) 8 members of the club are going to attend RC of Lincoln Charter on 2nd March.
- ii) MiTG – days are now finalised (see last month's bulletin or the MiTG website for details. The Friday Night is earmarked for President Trevor's farewell to his year, and a Gazebo has been hired for the night.

President Trevor gave an update on the Race Night on 24th February as mentioned at last week's meeting. **Rtn Barrie** asked if the club donation had been sorted – this was confirmed.

The meeting closed in the usual way.

19th February – Normal Meeting

President Trevor welcomed members to the meeting – no visitors this week, and no visits to other clubs were reported.

Secretary's Notices

- 1) Note circulated asking if anyone knows a pianist who would be prepared to help with a group in Ecclesfield.
- 2) Various Charter Nights / Presidents Evenings coming up:-
 - a) 17/3 RC of Rotherham President's Evening
 - b) 13/4 Abbeydale
- 3) There is a speaker next week from RC of Sitwell's supported Charity "People in Need" as mentioned at last week's meeting.
- 4) 19/3 Speaker reminder – Oaks Colliery Disaster (Bring guests if poss).
- 5) Next weeks hosts – Jacob (Visitor) and Geoff (Fellowship).

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President Trevor updated members regarding the Charity event to raise funds for the local lady who has cancer, and thanked the club and members for supporting the event.

Any Other Business

Rtn Steve K reminded members to consider the vacant posts underpinning his year as President, and asked that consideration is given toward filling them.

President Trevor advised that he and Pres-Elect Steve are going to Fox Valley to try and drum up some prospective new members. **Rtn Barrie** asked about what advertising may be used – there are some pull-up advertising signs detailing what Rotary is all about that will be taken.

Defibrillators – **Rtn Steve K** advised that it may be possible to get some funding from District for this in addition to the funding we have committed. There is now a device installed outside the conveniences in Chapeltown (unsure as to whether

it is live yet). Progress on this rollout will be checked with the council.

Rtn Stephen D reported that the VVR committee met last week, and the organisation of the event is moving on. There was a meeting with Wortley Hall at which some outstanding issues were raised and resolved.

Rtn Peter P asked who has the photo published in Look Local re the partnership with the council – President has it and will send it to him. He also asked for any old spectacles to be brought to him as they can be recycled for use in Africa.

Rtn Philip gave an update on the organisation for this years' MiTG event.

The meeting then closed in the usual way.

26th February – Normal Meeting

President-Elect Steve welcomed members and guests Rtns Roger Green & Paul Daniels from RC of Rotherham Sitwell and Danny Thompson and Joseph Walker from “People in Need” Worldwide.

No visits to other clubs were reported.

Secretary's Notices

- 1) District correspondence will be circulated rather than listed at meetings
- 2) Saturday's Fundraiser made £6,900 for the local lady who has cancer.

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The meeting was then given over to the visiting speakers Danny and Joseph from “People in Need” Worldwide. They gave an interesting insight into the charity illustrated with a number of pictures, and there was a Q&A session after their presentation. If you wish to read more, click on the link here:- <http://peopleinneedworldwide.com/>

Any Other Business

Rtn Anne reminded members about the upcoming speaker night on 19th March (Oaks Colliery Disaster). She also updated the club on the partnership with Ecclesfield Parish Council to supply Defibrillators in the area. The current situation is as follows:-

4 are up and running – these are at:-

Parish Council Offices, High Green
Grenoside Community Centre

Public Toilet Building in Chapeltown
Near Angram Bank School

2 are currently in negotiation or awaiting permission to install:-

Ecclesfield Library
Acorn Pub, Burncross

There being no further business, the meeting closed in the usual way.

EVENTS

District Quiz – Round 1

Question Time

The opening round of the District Quiz was held at Abbeydale Sports Club on 7th February, and Wortley's team (Trevor, Steve K, Steve P and Robert G) joined over twenty other clubs in a charmless upstairs room to decide which three (the bar set high!) would go through to the district final.

Somebody once said that ‘a little learning is a dangerous thing’; well, it is if you're in a quiz set by this quizmaster. No, we didn't know what was the national animal of Albania, nor were we aware that a nidologist studied birds' nests; but we knew all about xenophobia and who shot Mrs Ghandi. This balanced approach earned us 67 points (never mind out of what) and ensured some sort of respectability. As Julius Caesar never said, we came, we saw, we didn't quite conquer!

Many thanks to Abbeydale Club for hosting the event, Trevor for driving the team there and back, and the Sports Club kitchen which eventually saved Steve P from starvation. Congratulations to Abbeydale (them again!). Bakewell and Matlock on moving forward to higher things.

Team	1st Rd	Pic Rd.	2nd Rd	Total
Abbeydale	36	22	42	100
Bakewell	35	18	43	96
Matlock	36	20	36	92
Hope Valley 'Wednesday'	34	20	36	90
Sheffield Vulcan 'Bombers'	33	12	43	88
Barnsley Rockley	33	8	42	83
Clay Cross	34	12	36	82
Chesterfield	27	14	40	81
Sheffield Vulcan 'Hammers'	28	12	37	77
Hope Valley 'United'	29	16	30	75
Sheffield	29	10	32	71
Doncaster	28	10	30	68
Wortley	25	14	28	67
Epworth & Isle of Axholme	24	16	26	66
Eckington & Dist	27	14	23	64
C'field Scarsdale	27	14	17	58
Dronfield	25	12	21	58

Rtn Robert

For those who are interested, Robert's never said quote above would be "Venimus, vidimus nos vinci minus" - ED

http://www.thewestmorlandgazette.co.uk/news/16046858.Win_win_situation_after_second_hand_hospital_equipment_collected/

Miscellaneous

Oaks Colliery Disaster Talk

I have booked Joan and Prof Mel Jones who are no strangers to our club to give us a talk on a remarkably interesting subject close to many hearts on **19th March 2018**. This talk will explore evidence relating to the Oaks Colliery disaster of 1866 (and the death of the rescuer, Parkin Jeffcock of Cowley Manor and the building of the new church at Mortomley in his memory) the Westwood pit explosion, the Westwood Riots etc.

Please invite Inner Wheel Ladies, Friends of Rotary, wives, husbands, partners and friends - a night of fellowship and friendship - make a diary entry! -
Rtn Anne

RI President at forefront of UK celebrations of Rotary's 113th birthday

Ian Riseley, RI President joined Rotarians from across England at the recent Presidential Peace Conference in Coventry, which coincided with Rotary's 113th birthday. To read more, click on the link here:-
<https://www.rotarygbi.org/celebrating-rotarys-113th-birthday/>

7 things you don't know about Rotaract

Here are 7 things your probably didn't know about Rotaract. Click here to read about them:-
<https://www.rotary.org/en/7-things-you-did-not-know-about-rotaract>

RC of Northwich Vale Royal host Annual Pensioner Party

RC of Northwich Vale Royal recently hosted their Annual Pensioner Party for 90 guests. To read more about this, and to view pictures, click on the link here:-
http://www.warringtonguardian.co.uk/news/15997621.Rotary_Northwich_Vale_Royal_hosts_annual_Pensioner_Party_for_90_guests/

RC of Leigh project helps recover Hospital equipment from local residents

RC of Leigh invited local residents to donate unused hospital equipment in their possession for refurbishment and reuse. To read more about this scheme, click on the lick here:-

Children at Primary School in York raise money for Rotary Polio eradication project

Children at a Primary School in York have raised over £200 for Rotary's Polio eradication project. To read more, click on the link here:-

http://www.yorkpress.co.uk/news/15909617.York_primary_helps_give_polio_boost_to_children_around_globe/

Future Duty Roster (Hosts)

5 th March, 2018	Visitor	David Atkinson
	Fellowship	Lewis Atkinson
12 th March, 2018	Visitor	Keith Bailey
	Fellowship	John Evans
19 th March, 2018	Visitor	John Haggerty
	Fellowship	Rod Wadsworth
26 th March, 2018	Visitor	Stephen Dobson
	Fellowship	Peter Perry
2 nd April, 2018	Visitor	NO MEETING
	Fellowship	
9 th April, 2018	Visitor	Anne Willey
	Fellowship	Philip Sherriff
16 th April, 2018	Visitor	Roger Hirst
	Fellowship	Stephen Knight
23 rd April, 2018	Visitor	Steve Patterson
	Fellowship	Peter Boler
30 th April, 2018	Visitor	Barrie Clinton
	Fellowship	Robert Godber
7 th May, 2018	Visitor	NO MEETING
	Fellowship	
14 th May, 2018	Visitor	Lewis Atkinson
	Fellowship	David Atkinson
21 st May, 2018	Visitor	John Evans
	Fellowship	Keith Bailey
29 th May, 2018	Visitor	NO MEETING
	Fellowship	
4 th June, 2018	Visitor	Rod Wadsworth
	Fellowship	John Haggerty
11 th June, 2018	Visitor	Peter Perry
	Fellowship	Stephen Dobson
18 th June, 2018	Visitor	Philip Sherriff
	Fellowship	Anne Willey
25 th June, 2018	Visitor	Stephen Knight
	Fellowship	Roger Hirst

Dates for the Diary

WORTLEY

19 th March 2018	Talk on Oaks Colliery disaster (Joan and Prof Mel Jones)
29 th June-1 st July, 2018	Music in the Gardens (Sheffield Botanical Gardens)
5 th July, 2018	Club Trip (Whitby / NYMR)
8 th July, 2018	Vintage & Classic car Rally (Wortley Hall)[12:00-16:00]
2 nd March, 2019	Millionaires Night (Grenoside Community Centre)

DISTRICT / RIBI

1 st March, 2018	RC of Long Eaton 91 st Charter Celebration (Trent Lock Golf & Country Club)[19:00 for 19:30]	13 th April, 2018	South, Sheffield)[19:00 for 19:30] RC of Barnsley Rockley Charter (No details available)
2 nd March, 2018	RC of Ripley Charter (No details available)	22 nd April, 2018	Earth Day
2 nd March, 2018	RC of Lincoln 96 th Charter (County Assembly Rooms, Bailgate, Lincoln)[19:00 for 19:30]	23 rd April, 2018	RC of Bretby 15 th St George's Day Dinner (The Pavilion, Branston Golf & Country Club, Burton upon Trent)[18:45 for 19:15]
6 th March, 2018	RC of Newark Castle Charter The Ram, Newark (No further details)	28 th April & 29 th April, 2018	Arts & Crafts Fair organised by RCs of Bingham & Radcliffe-on-Trent, and The Vale of Belvoir (Grange Hall, R-o-T)[10:00-17:00 {16:00 on 29 th }]
10 th March, 2018	RC of Sherwood Sunrisers Swimathon 2018 (Nottingham High School)[13:00-18:30]	29 th April, 2018	Paul Harris Lunch (Derbyshire Hotel, Carter Lane East, South Normanton)[12:30 for 13:00]
10 th March, 2018	RC of Stainborough Mother's Day Afternoon Tea (Cawthorne Village Hall)[15:00]	3 rd May, 2018	RC of Vale of Belvoir Charter (Nottinghamshire Golf and Country Club)[19:20-22:30]
15 th March, 2018	RC of Carlton 41 st Charter Dinner (Park Inn Hotel, Mansfield Road, Nottingham)[18:45 for 19:15]	4 th May, 2018	RC of Sherwood Forest Charity Am/Am Golf Day (Rufford Park Golf & Country Club)[10:00]
16 th March, 2018	RC of Epworth & Isle of Axholme (No details available)	11 th May, 2018	RC of Dronfield Charter (No Details available)
16 th March, 2018	RC of Stainborough 23 rd Annual Charter Dinner (The Fairway Hotel, Dodworth, Barnsley)]19:00 for 19:30]	13 th May, 2018	RC of Bakewell Charter (No Details available)
17 th March, 2018	RC of Rotherham President's Charter Dinner (Carlton Park Hotel, Moorgate, Rotherham)[19:30-23:30]	14 th May, 2018	Paul Harris National Golf Championship (Notts Golf Club, Holinwell)
19 th March, 2018	RC of Matlock 90 th Charter Anniversary (Matlock Golf Club)[19:00 for 19:30]	16 th May, 2018	RC of Mapperley & Arnold Charter (No Details available)
23 rd March, 2018	RC of Burton upon Trent Charter (No details available)	16 th May, 2018	RC of Beeston Charity Golf Day (Beeston Fields Golf Club)
26 th March, 2018	RC of Warsop, Shirebrook & District 48 th Charter (No details available)	17 th May, 2018	RC of Castle Donington Charter (No Details available)
6 th -8 th April, 2018	93 rd Annual RIBI Rotary Conference (Torquay)	21 st -24 th May, 2018	Rotary Purple4Polio Grand Tour
12 th April, 2018	RC of Derby Centenary Charter (Derby County Football Club Toyota Suite)[19:00-23:30]	23 rd May, 2018	RC of Long Eaton Golf Day (Erewash Valley Golf Club)
13 th April, 2018	RC of Church Wilne 33 rd Charter Night (Trent Lock Golf Club)[TBC]	12 th June, 2018	RC of Trent Bridge Charter (No Details available)
13 th April, 2018	RC of Abbeydale 60 th Anniversary Banquet (Double Tree By Hilton Hotel Sheffield Park, Chesterfield Road)	12 th June, 2018	RC of Hope Valley Charter
		16 th June, 2018	RC of Nottingham / Derby Co-centennial event (Elvaston castle)[10:00-18:00]
		16 th -17 th June, 2018	Rotary Ride 2018 for Prostate Cancer
		22 nd June, 2018	RC of Chesterfield Scarsdale 26 th Annual Charity Golf Day (Chesterfield Golf Club)
		23 rd -27 th June, 2018	RI Convention – (Toronto, Canada)

29 th June, 2018	RC of Ashbourne Charity Golf Day (Ashbourne Golf Club)[10:00-14:00 Tee Off times]
6 th July, 2018	RC of Market Rasen 8 th Annual Charity Golf Day (Market Rasen Golf Club)
6 th July, 2018	RC of Wollaton Park 12 th Annual Charity Golf Day (Wollaton Park Golf Club)
5 th August, 2018	Dovedale Dipper (RC of Matlock)
5 th -7 th October, 2018	Rotary District 1220 47 th Annual Conference (Scarborough)
1 st -5 th June, 2019	RI Convention (Hamburg, Germany)

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 27th June, 1880 in West Tuscumbia, Alabama. I had 2 siblings and 2 Half-brothers from my father's previous marriage. My father served as a captain in the Confederate Army and my paternal lineage was traced to Switzerland, where one of my ancestors was the first person to teach the deaf in Zurich.
2. When I was 19 months old, I contracted an unknown illness which led to me becoming both deaf and blind. I was able to communicate using sign language by the time I was 7. A year later, I began attending an Institute for the Blind, and 6 years later, aged 14, began attending a school for the Deaf. During this time, I was introduced to a former student, Anne Sullivan, who was visually impaired, who became my instructor, then governess, and eventually companion. By 1900, I gained admittance to Radcliffe College, Harvard. I was introduced to the Oil Magnate Henry Huddleston Rogers, who funded my education. I graduated in 1904 with a Bachelor of Arts degree.
3. I learned to speak, and learned to "hear" people's speech by reading their lips with my hands. I became proficient at using Braille, and reading sign language with my hands as

well. I also found that I could "hear" music by putting my fingertips on a resonant tabletop. I began delivering lectures and speeches on aspects of my life, which I continued to do for the rest of my life. Anne's health deteriorated from around 1914, and Polly Thomson, a young Scottish woman, was hired to keep house. Anne died in 1936, and Polly and I moved to Connecticut and began travelling worldwide raising funds for the blind.

4. I gradually became a world-famous speaker and author, and an advocate for people with disabilities. I met every President from Grover Cleveland to LBJ, and was friends with Alexander Graham Bell and Mark Twain amongst others. I wrote 12 published books and a number of articles. I was a socialist, supporting Dubs in his failed attempts to win the Presidency, a suffragette, pacifist, and a birth control supporter. In 1920, I helped found the American Civil Liberties Union. I joined the newly formed American Foundation for the Blind as an adviser and fundraiser in 1924, helping them to get donations from the likes of Henry Ford and John D Rockefeller. A play based on my life, "The Miracle Worker" opened in 1959, and was made into a film in 1962.
5. In 1957, Polly suffered a stroke, and was unable to care for me. She died in 1960. I suffered a series of strokes in 1961, and developed diabetes, which led to me spending the remaining years of my life at my home. In 1964, I was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom, and a year later, was elected to the National Women's Hall of Fame. I died on 1st June, 1968 aged 87. A service was held at the National Cathedral in Washington DC, where my ashes are buried. Since my death, a number of posthumous honours have been awarded, one of which is the naming of a hospital in Sheffield, Alabama in my honour.

Answers at the bottom of the newsletter

This Month's Joke

Two businessmen were sitting down for a break in their soon-to-be new shop...

As yet, the shop wasn't ready, with only a few shelves set up.

One said to the other, "I bet any minute now some pensioner is going to walk by, put their face to the

window, and ask what we're selling."

No sooner were the words out of his mouth when, sure enough, a curious old woman walked to the window, had a peek, and in a soft voice asked,

"What are you selling here?"

One of the men replied sarcastically, "We're selling ass-holes."

Without skipping a beat, the old dear said, "Must be doing well...Only two left."

Another quick joke

A couple of Humerous Anecdotes from Westmorland in 1840

- 1) A Kensington man is said to be making a handsome living now by advertising for a wife, and requiring all applicants to enclose stamps for reply. His letters have to be sent up in a wheelbarrow.
- 2) An accepted suitor one day, walking with the object of his affections hanging upon his arm, and describing the ardency of his affections, said: "How transported I am to have you hanging on my arm."
"Upon my word," said the lady, "you makes us out a very respectable couple, when one is transported, and the other hanging !"

Paraprosdokians (figures of speech in which the latter part of a sentence or phrase is surprising or unexpected; frequently humorous

1. I used to be indecisive. Now I'm not so sure
2. To be certain of hitting a target, shoot first, then call whatever you hit "the target."
3. Going to church doesn't make you a Christian any more than standing in a garage makes you a car.
4. You're never too old to learn something stupid.

5. I'm supposed to respect my elders, but it's getting harder and harder for me to find one now.

Contributions to future editions are most welcome – email them to the editor at dma170162@hotmail.com

Who Am I Answer:-

Answer:- Helen Adams Keller