

WORTLEY ROTARY CLUB DISTRICT 1270

May 2014 NEWSLETTER

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Secretary: Graham Owen

Website:

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



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The last few weeks have seen us getting preparations under way for the 2014 VVR and I would urge everyone to get involved and assist where possible.

We have the Disability Games at the end of March to referee, and hopefully by the beginning of April the Wortley Boater Project will be under full sail. These are the type of things that Rotary is all about, helping the community and putting something back in, so if you can help, even in providing moral support it all goes a long way to showing what we can achieve.

Peter Perry is hoping to organise a Wine & Wisdom in May, so as well as exercising muscles we can tax our minds!

Keep an eye on the Gallery on our website for progress of these projects.

Music in the Gardens tickets are now on sale. Please start thinking about the dates you can get involved and represent Wortley by putting names in the file. If your name's not down, you won't get in!

President David

NEWS

Meetings

7th April – Annual General Meeting

The Club AGM was held today, and was attended by 25 members with 4 apologies. There were reports from the Treasurer, and the Committees (International, Vocational, and Foundation). There then followed an election for 6 Ordinary members of the Council for 2014/15, and the following members were elected:-

- Rtn Annie Rouxville
- Rtn Steve Patterson
- Rtn Rod Wadsworth
- Rtn Philip Sherriff
- Rtn Peter Perry

- Rtn Ann Winnard

The following members were confirmed and accepted unanimously as Committee Chairs for 2014/15, as chosen by President-Elect Rtn John Haggerty:-

International: Rtn Stephen Knight
Vocational: Rtn Anne Willey
Community: Rtn Peter Perry
Foundation: Rtn Geoff Humphreys

The following were re-affirmed as Honorary Members of the club, and will receive notification of this in writing from the secretary, Rtn Graham Owen:-

- Lewis Atkinson
- Ken Brown
- Mike Parden

The following were also proposed, seconded and unanimously accepted by club members:-

Examination of the Accounts Rtn Muhammad Zahur

District Council } Rtn John Haggerty
Representatives } Rtn Steve Patterson

President David closed the meeting with a resume of the year so far, and extending thanks to members and friends who have supported the club and him personally throughout the year.

14th April – Normal Meeting with Speaker

In the absence of President David who is on holiday in Cyprus, President-elect John welcomed former Wortley President Rtn Malcolm Webb (PDG), 6 members of Birstall Luddites RC (District 1040) and former Club Members Mark and Emma Cooke from Australia to the meeting.

Other Business

Rtn Phillip advised that he has been in conversation with Whitley Hall Directors regarding the menu choice over recent months. The details of the discussion and agreement

reached will be sent out to members, and discussed at a future meeting, but were outlined at tonight's meeting.

Rtn Peter P reminded members regarding the Wine and Wisdom evening at Grenoside Scout Hut on May 17th - raising funds for Friends of Grenoside Park to make the area ready for the Grande Depart. (See Miscellaneous section for details).

There being no further business, Mark and Emma gave us a presentation around the bush fires of a few years ago as they nearly engulfed their home. It was an eye opening presentation of no matter how much we complain about the UK we do not suffer such fires which Mark described as 'killers'. Such killer fires are ranked with Mark's description of how they live in a country of killers....(no not the former convicts!). Of the 10 most deadly snakes in the world, three of them live on Mark and Emma's farm. Then there's the killer spiders and if you go for a swim there's the sharks and four types of jelly fish that kill. On a recent holiday they discovered 'stinging trees'. These sting like a nettle but the sting last a couple of years and the only known way of trying to remove the 'stings' is to be waxed (if you're brave enough!). After the presentation, they took questions from members and visitors on their experiences.

The meeting concluded, as usual, with the final toast.

21st April – No Meeting (Easter Monday)

28th April– Normal Meeting

In the absence of President David, President Elect John took the Chair. There were no visits to other clubs reported. President-elect John reported that he had attended a District meeting on Saturday

Secretary's Notices

Rtn Graham advised that £1,000 was sent to RC of Bridgewater as discussed at an earlier meeting, and thanks had been received from that club for the donation and sending greetings from their president in the usual manner.

The Secretary announced that the President of Rotherham Sitwell is doing his own bike ride to raise funds for "Marie Curie" in this time of the 'Tour De Yorkshire' by cycling around the South Yorks clubs followed by an open top bus

on which Presidents and their spouses are invited to join in. (on the bus that is!) This will tour all the SY club venues - a total of 101 miles - and end up at the Carlton Park Hotel, where all other RtNs can join the bikers and bussers for a French Theme meal (Oh la la). One extra bit - the email said every Rtn would be encouraged to donate ten Euros (approx £8.64) however, PE John has heard an amendment to that of 100 Euros per club.

Now, you're wondering when this takes place and whether an open top bus can get to WHH!! Not sure about the bus access but the date is a secret as it's not on the email. There is talk of a final meal to end the Rotary year on 28th June so perhaps that's the bike ride day. If you want to be involved then the secret date can be revealed by the Pres of Rotherham Sitwell.

It was announced that Rtn Lewis has emailed the club thanking them for renewing his Honorary membership.

There's a lot coming through re redistricting - one email per day on average so when they slow down I'll get the gist of it and announce it.

RIBI President Nan McCreadie is visiting district on 15th and 16th May.

15th May - lunch at Rotherham Sitwell, evening at Hull Paragon

16th May - lunch at Market Rasen, evening at Skegness Charter.

There are some visits to Rotaract projects in the non-eating times.

If you want costs and dress codes let me know.

The next meeting will be the Club Assembly (12th May).

Rtn Lewis advised that there have been 20 applications for the Annual Scholarship. Information is now being studied and a short-list for the award(s) will be formulated over the next few weeks.

Rtn Peter P reminded members about the upcoming Wine & Wisdom evening scheduled for the 17th May.

PE John said that RC Barnsley had cancelled its Vintage Car Show for this year and every other

year due to financial cost being placed on the club by the land owners of the venue (BMBC). The club would have had a large financial outlay before the event and if a cancellation was necessary due to weather or the Plague for example there would be no way to recoup the loss. One good thing has come out of Barnsley's decision and that is that the club is to give us its data base of the vehicle owners who usually enter. P-E John advised that everything seems to in order with regard to our own VVR (there was a meeting at 6pm today prior to tonight's Club Meeting), and there will be a folder at the next meeting asking for volunteers for the day.

PE John also announced that he had been asked that we do a Millionaires' Night at Penistone on Saturday 14th June. This would be a 'charity do' with the proceeds going to modernisation and upgrading of toilets to include disable access and toilets to the community centre. All agreed. We will get the publicity.

He also said that Wortley Golf Club want the same with proceeds going to charity (Yorkshire Air Ambulance). The club agreed to both.

There is also a possibility of running another evening for a Chesterfield Company nearer to Christmas as part of their Christmas Works do. Any developments will be reported to the club.

Rtn Trevor suggested that as we are beginning to get requests to run these 'fund-raising' evenings more often, we should spend a bit of money ensuring that the equipment looks the part – this is an issue which is in hand.

Rtn Philip was asked to read out his email that was circulated earlier regarding meals. A discussion ensued and it was decided that Friday morning was too early to get an attendance order into WHH so we will 'stay as we are' re meals and hopefully Philip can persuade the chef to find another beast to pork or turkey. The 'new rule' re not ordering and just turning up still applies. It is a common courtesy to inform the Secretary before 10.30am on Monday. Most members believe that this is not too much to ask. Also the hotel will not accept 'private' bookings or cancellations from members. Please let the Sec know - preferably on the web site (it's not hard), secondly by text or thirdly by phone.

The meeting then concluded with the final toast.

EVENTS

Das Boot installation

Thanks to all the crew who responded to the draft for the Boat Project at Montenev Primary School

Credits to Peter C for the safe harbour and along with Rod and Peter D for "paying the devil" and Cuan and Alex for scrubbing the decks, to Steven P for Bosun duties manning the helm and with First Lieutenant Stephen Knight for bracing the mast, to Master Trev for organising the mini-digger and Quartermaster Stephen D for hauling a half ton of ballast around, to "Pirate Black" Bob and Midshipman Blake for splicing the mainbrace (and fingers) and Peter P for the finishing touch of the Rotary plaque. Thanks to Stuart the caretaker for his help and to teacher Claire Slinn for the refreshments.



The Boat in Final position

More photos on the website gallery -
Putting the Boat in Rotary

President David

PS (anybody want a trailer ? - suitable for a boat).

Miscellaneous

Wine and Wisdom Evening
In aid of The Friends of Grenoside Park
Saturday 17th May at 7:30pm
Grenoside Scout Hut
See Rtn Peter P for more details

Message received from John Dunkley

Dear fellow Rotarians

Following the flurry of activity in phoning round you all in February, I now have the 15,000 books printed and stored in Dronfield. The launch event took place on March 7th, when I was sadly on site in Korea. However, the first few roadshows have now taken place and a steady stream of books is going into schools. In Sheffield, thanks to sterling work by Wortley RC, Vulcan and Abbeydale, we have now got most schools lined up with contacts. Sadly the situation in Barnsley, Rotherham and Doncaster is not nearly so far advanced and I would be most grateful if you could all update me on progress over the last month so that we can plan how to proceed.

Best regards

John J Dunkley

Sustainability Trust

This was formed in 2007 by Rotarians from 12 clubs in six continents led by Sheffield Club coming together to pool ideas through a website to put resources on-line to help clubs devise relevant projects for a sustainable future. Click on the link below to read more:-

<http://www.thesustainabilitytrust.org/> or click here to read the May 2014 Environment newsletter:-

http://www.ribi.org/assets/files/documents/apr14/hm_1398251856_Environment_Newsletter_May_201.pdf

Young Citizen awards

These were presented at the 89th RIBI Annual Conference in Birmingham. The ceremony was broadcast live on the BBC News Channel, and the recipients also received a donation of £500 to spend on their project. To see more information, click on the following link:-

<http://www.ribi.org/what-we-do/youth-competitions-and-awards/ribi-young-citizen-awards>

Appeal for unwanted hearing aids

Rotarian Paul Wood of RC of Birmingham has collected over 21,000 redundant hearing aids to help children in developing countries who suffer from impaired hearing. To read more about this, click on the following link:-

<http://www.ribi.org/news/ribi-news/appeal-for-unwanted-hearing-aids>

Extract from Grenoside News

MILLIONAIRE'S NIGHT

The Rotary Club of Wortley would like to thank everyone who came to support the event on Sat. 18th Jan. and helped to raise over £2000, all of which is going to local charities. Next year's Millionaire's Night will be on Sat. 17th Jan.

JESSICA HARMAN FUND - FASHION SHOW

Wednesday 4th June
7.30pm

Wadsley Bridge Working Men's Club

Tickets £5 each, please contact Kirsty on 2450511.

We would also like to thank everyone who took part in / supported The Angel Bike Ride on 5th October last year. £3,004.50 was raised. Also thank you to everyone who supported the Millionaires night in January with Wortley Rotary Club. £1,510.00 was raised. So far our grand total is £9955. We still continue to be amazed by people's kindness.
Best wishes,
Kirsty & Jessica.

Future Duty Roster (Hosts)

5 th May, 2014	NO	MEETING
12 th May, 2014	Visitor	Brenda Russell
	Fellowship	Peter Dimelow
19 th May, 2014	Visitor	Derek Ronksley
	Fellowship	Peter Perry
26 th May, 2014	NO	MEETING
2 nd June, 2014	Visitor	Geoff Humphreys
	Fellowship	Phillip Sherriff
9 th June, 2014	Visitor	Howard Mills
	Fellowship	Rod Wadsworth
16 th June, 2014	Visitor	Iffat Hameed
	Fellowship	Muhammad Zahur
23 rd June, 2014	Visitor	Jack Slater
	Fellowship	Roger Hirst
30 th June, 2014	Visitor	Jacob Davis
	Fellowship	Stephen Knight
7 th July, 2014	Visitor	John Evans
	Fellowship	Steven Patterson
14 th July, 2014	Visitor	John Greaves
	Fellowship	Trevor Fletcher
21 st July, 2014	Visitor	Keith Addy
	Fellowship	Anne Willey
28 th July, 2014	Visitor	Keith Bailey
	Fellowship	Annie Rouxeville

Dates for the Diary

WORTLEY

12th May, 2014	Club Assembly (Whitley Hall)
17 th May, 2014	Wine & Wisdom, Grenoside Scout Hut (19:30pm)
19 th May, 2014	Visit to Sheffield Mosque and Meal
2 nd June, 2014	Guest Night – Virtual Tour of Hardwick Hall
29 th June, 2014	Vintage Vehicle Rally (Wortley Hall)
30 th June, 2014	Presidential Handover (Whitley Hall)

17th-20th July, 2014 Music in the Gardens
(Sheffield Botanical
Gardens)

DISTRICT / RIBI

28th April-2nd May, 2014 Live below the Line
1st May, 2014 Action on Stroke Month
begins
3rd May, 2014 RIBI National Young
Musician Final (Truro)
10th May, 2014 RIBI Youth Speaks Final
(Maidstone)
1st-4th June, 2014 RI International
Convention (Sydney,
Australia)
8th-12th June, 2014 RC of St Andrews 60th
International Golf
Tournament (St
Andrews)
5th July, 2014 RIBI Presidential
Handover (The
Elizabethan, River
Thames Cruise,
Waterloo {London
Eye})[11:45-16:00]
25th-27th July, 2014 RIBI Interact Rally
(Rock UK,
Irthlingborough)
24th October, 2014 World Polio Day
20th – 22nd February, RIBI Service Assembly
2015 (Hilton Birmingham
Metropole Hotel, NEC)
2nd-8th March, 2015 Climate Week
March, 2015 Earth Hour
10th-12th April, 2015 RIBI Annual Conference
(Belfast Waterfront
Conference Centre)

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 20th September 1914, in Gerrards Cross, Buckinghamshire. My father was an RNAS Pilot, and my mother was the daughter of a Cardiff solicitor. Most of my childhood was spent in the Channel Islands as my father was the general manager of the Jersey Eastern Railway. On leaving school, I began training as a civil engineer, before leaving to work at Sainsbury's. My father died when I

was 17, and I applied to join the RAF, but failed the medical.

- 2) I went to Canada, but didn't have the right immigration papers, so was sent back. A family friend took me on as assistant manager at the Windmill Theatre. I was soon promoted to plying straight man in the comedy sketches after appearing in my first one in 1935, and after playing there for a year, began to get regular work in repertory. This continued up until the outbreak of WWII.
- 3) I was commissioned as a lieutenant in the Royal Navy, and served on board HMS Aurora and the aircraft carrier HMS Victorious. After the war, I resumed my repertory, began to appear in a number of films – the first being a small role in "Scott of the Antarctic" – I was paid £500 for this. I achieved a stage success in "The Way Things Go" in 1950, and in 1952 received critical acclaim for my role as Freddie in "The Deep Blue Sea".
- 4) My career now took off. I was offered one of the lead roles in the film "Genevieve" in 1953, and a year later appeared in "Doctor in the House", for which I received a BAFTA for best newcomer. After "The Deep Blue Sea" was adapted for TV in 1954, I signed a 5 year contract with Sir Alexander Korda. Over the next few years, I appeared in a number of films including "Raising a Riot" (1955), "Reach for the Sky" (1956), and "North West Frontier" (1959), and "Sink the Bismarck" (1960). I was the subject of "This is your Life" on TV in 1959.
- 5) After losing the proposed role in "The Guns of Navarone", my career slowly declined and film parts getting smaller, I made cameo appearances in "The Longest Day" and "Battle of Britain" in the 1960s. My popularity

recovered a little through West End and TV performances, such as "The Forsyte Saga" (1967) and "Father Brown" (1974). I also appeared as the Ghost of Christmas present in the 1970 musical adaptation of "A Christmas Carol". I was married 3 times, having 2 daughters. After being separated from my 3rd wife during the 1970s, we were re-united when I was diagnosed with Parkinson's Disease. I died on 12th July 1982, and was cremated at Putney Vale Crematorium. I have a Theatre named after me in Ilford, Essex.

Answers at the bottom of the newsletter

This Month's Joke

A teenage boy had just passed his driving test and inquired of his father as to when they could discuss his use of the car. His father said he'd make a deal with his son: 'You bring your grades up from a C to a B average, study your Bible a little, and get your hair cut. Then we'll talk about the car.'

The boy thought about that for a moment, decided he'd settle for the offer, and they agreed on it. After about six weeks his father said, 'Son, you've brought your grades up and I've observed that you have been studying your Bible, but I'm disappointed you haven't had your hair cut.'

The boy said, 'You know, Dad, I've been thinking about that, and I've noticed in my studies of the Bible that Samson had long hair, John the Baptist had long hair, Moses had long hair...and there's even strong evidence that Jesus had long hair.'

To this his father replied, 'Did you also notice they walked everywhere they went?'

Another Short Joke

Earl and Bubba are quietly sitting in a boat fishing, chewing tobacco and drinking beer when suddenly Bubba says, "Think I'm gonna divorce the wife – she ain't spoke to me in over 2 months."

Earl spits overboard, takes a long, slow sip of beer and says, "Better think it over.....women like that are hard to find."

A Comedy of Errors from School Essays

- 1. MATHS::::: The total is when you add up all the numbers and a remainder is an animal which pulls Santa's sledge.**
- 2. R.E.Studies::::: I asked my Mom why we always said old men at the end of prayers at skool. I don't know any old men apart from Grandpa.**
- 3. MATHS::::: I would love to be an accountant but you have to know a lot about moths.**
- 4. THE ARTS::::: In last years Christmas concert our Linzi played the main prat. I played one of the smaller prats but I would have loved to have been a bigger prat this year.**

5. NATURAL HISTORY::::
Crabs and creatures
like them all belong
to a family of
crushed asians.

6. HISTORY:::: Sir
Walter Rali
circumsised the world
with a big clipper.

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Who Am I Answer:-

Answer: Kenneth Gilbert More