

WORTLEY ROTARY CLUB DISTRICT 1220

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Hello everyone, I trust we and our families are all safe & well ?

We have now successfully had our first club and council ZOOM meetings within the last couple of weeks and this Friday 1st May will be the second club one @ 7pm - can everyone PLEASE join in, David will email you the formal meeting invitation please ask him if you have not already received one.

Our Matching Grant application from District for the Rotary 4 Food Banks Project has been accepted so shortly our nominated food bank, St Savours, as mentioned in the recent intermediate news sheet , will be able to access £1500 worth of food from Rotary 4 Food Banks. Our nearest hub will be at Uppertorpe, Sheffield and volunteers will be needed to help out there for approx. half day per week. I have asked for further details and confirmation that everyone can work at safe distances during the present situation. Thank you Geoff for your input on the grant application.

Our other current involvement during this quiet time is with Seth Lilleker and his Face Shields Project. If anyone hasn't viewed his link, this has been sent at least a couple of times by David, please do so as he is doing a fantastic job working from his front room in Rotherham. The link is Here:-
<https://www.gofundme.com/f/ywptu4-3d-printed-face-shields-for-the-nhs>

I asked Lewis if he would act as the clubs ' link ' with Seth dealing with the requirements of the Care Homes, medical centres etc that we have had dealings with that are within our catchment, as of yesterday, 27th April, he has manufactured & delivered circa 220 Face Shields and this number is ongoing.

I understand Seth had provided over 1100 so far in the area to the NHS, Police and Care Homes, other than the ones we have requested.

Lewis is spending a lot of time on the telephone with the Care Homes, GP's surgery's etc enquiring as to whether they need any, believe you me he is doing a sterling job, thanks once again Lewis.

The club has made a donation to Seth's GoFundMe page so has a number of our members plus other Rotarians, one of these being a District officer, which is brilliant. I can't ask you to make a personal donation but would appreciate you doing so, perhaps using some of the money saved by not having Rotary meals ; this I understand is what is happening at other clubs.

You will be aware that the VVR & South York's Festival are both cancelled, two of the clubs major fund earners so club funds will be in short supply short term at least.

I have contacted Dr Helena at NurtureNature to say that it is still our intention to be involved with the charity as soon as we are able.

Finally can I remind everyone that we still need someone to volunteer for the Pres Elect role which means being in the 'hot seat' July 21 – June 22 (the clubs 50th anniversary year) No pressure then !!

Hopefully see you all Friday.

Best wishes & stay safe

Philip

NEWS

Meetings

6th April – No Meeting (Pandemic Restrictions)

13th April – NO MEETING (Bank Holiday)

17th April – Club ZOOM Meeting

The club held a meeting via ZOOM from the comfort of our own homes. There were 12 members and 1 guest in virtual attendance.

Club Business

- 1) District Foodbank Project – Rtn Geoff has been leading with this process. The proposal is that the club donate £750, and

then we apply for a District grant to double the funds available from the Sheffield hub. Trevor has offered to provide any necessary transport to get the food to the foodbank. Finances have been checked and the club can cover the donation – action agreed, and the grant will be applied for.

- 2) Seth Lilleker Face Shield project – Some members have already donated to this project. Club asked if we would be prepared to contribute - £250 suggested and approved. Also suggested that we should try and source some for the care homes we visit to sing carols at Christmas – to be investigated further. Rtn Derry offered to transport to local care homes as required.
- 3) Any other suggestions for projects to support – Rtn Peter P had advised via Sec that we should not forget the organisations we regularly support (ie Sheffield Children’s Hospital for one).
- 4) VVR – Committee received a message from Rtn Brenda advising that Wortley Hall have cancelled the event, and they have also cancelled the South Yorkshire Festival as well. Suggestion made to arrange the Raffle to raise funds for Sheffield Children’s Hospital (Trevor offered to take this forward).
- 5) Following the success of over half the club meeting via electronic wizardry, we will arrange bi-weekly meetings whilst the lockdown continues, and the next meeting will be on Friday 1st May.

Any Other Business

- 1) Scholarship – there have been a number of applicants this year, but due to the current lockdown, and potential difficulties following the re-arrangement of the school year, the Committee suggested that the bursary be suspended for this year.
- 2) Club Social has been provisionally moved to September
- 3) Easter Eggs went to Woolley Wood School before the Easter break (taken by Rtn Steve P). Although the club was unable to hand them over to the children, they were appreciated. Letter of thanks will be sent to Peter Clarke for the purchase of the Eggs.
- 4) MiTG is still pencilled in to go ahead, and will be until the authorities instruct otherwise.

The meeting concluded, and we all ZOOMed off.

20th April – No Meeting (Pandemic Restrictions)

27th April – SOCIAL WEEK (Not held due to Pandemic Restrictions)

EVENTS

Non due to Pandemic Restrictions

Miscellaneous

Whitley Hall restaurant 1584 Menu (May 2020)

No Meetings Likely – Pandemic Restrictions

Rotary Clubs in GB and Ireland supporting communities during the current crisis

Rotary Clubs in Great Britain and Ireland have been providing support for the local communities in many varied ways. We know what we as a club are getting involved in, but you can see what other clubs in RGBI are doing by clicking on the link here:-

<https://www.rotarygbi.org/rotary-responds-with-magnificent-support-to-its-communities-during-pandemic/>

Rotary Clubs in Lowestoft unite to help homeless

The 3 Rotary Clubs in Lowestoft have united to support the most vulnerable at this time of crisis. To read more about this, click on the link here:-

<https://www.edp24.co.uk/news/rotarians-boost-homelessness-charity-lowestoft-1-6597015>

Two upcoming ROTARY LIVE Events Online announced

There have been two events announced in the last week by RI, which are now in the calendar below. The first is this Saturday (May 2nd), which is an On-Line Telethon called COVID-19 #RotaryResponds – Link here:-

<https://www.facebook.com/rotary/posts/10159773823964552>

The second is a Virtual Convention from 20th to 26th June – more details will be available from the following link shortly:-

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

Other News

Click on the links to read

District 1220 News

<https://district.rotary1220.org/speakers-for-virtual-talks>

<https://district.rotary1220.org/virtual-quiz-night-in-aid-of-epworth-food-bank>

<https://district.rotary1220.org/member-laps-it-up>

<https://district.rotary1220.org/virtual-car-show>

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.thewestmorlandgazette.co.uk/news/18372746.kendal-rotary-club-donated-1000-age-uk-south-lakeland/>

<https://www.thewestmorlandgazette.co.uk/news/18391348.kendal-rotarians-donate-coronavirus-fund/>

<https://www.ilkeygazette.co.uk/news/18393626.impressive-springtime-display-otley/>

<https://www.newarkadvertiser.co.uk/news/charity-tuk-tuk-hits-the-road-9106034/>

9th July, 2020

Club Social Trip (Space Centre, Leicester)

12th July, 2020

POSTPONED
23rd Vintage and Classic Car Rally (Wortley Hall) **CANCELLED**

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1st-3rd May, 2020

~~RGBI Volunteer EXPO – Birmingham NEC (CANCELLED)~~

1st May, 2020

RC of Sherwood Forest Charity AM-AM Golf Day (Rufford Park Golf and Country Club)[First Tee off 10:00] – £35pp (book by 18/4/20)

1st May, 2020

~~RC of Chesterfield & Satellite Rotary Club Celebration Charter Evening (The Proact Stadium, Chesterfield)[19:00 for 19:30] – £35pp (Rotarian & guests), £40pp (Other guests)~~

2nd May, 2020

~~RC of Church Wilne 35th Charter Celebration (Erewash Valley Golf Club, Golf Rd, Stanton by Dale, Ilkeston, DE7 4QR) [19:00 for 19:30]~~

2nd May, 2020

~~£37.50pp (book by 24/4/20) (POSTPONED)~~
Rotary COVID-19 #RotaryResponds Telethon (16:00 ONLINE – FACEBOOK LIVE)

13th May, 2020

RC of Beeston 24th Annual Charity Golf Day (Beeston Fields Golf Club, NG9 3DD) [Tee off 10:00 to 15:00] - £200 per Team of 4 (book by 8/4/20)

15th May, 2020

Walk with the District Rotary Starlight Strut – 21:00

15th May, 2020

~~RC of Long Eaton 93rd Charter Celebration (Trent Lock Golf Club, Lock Lane, Long Eaton, NG10 2FY)[19:00 for 19:30] – £32pp (book by 1/5/20)~~

20th May, 2020

~~RC of Long Eaton Charity AM-AM Golf Competition (Erewash Valley Golf Club, Stanton by Dale, Derbyshire)[10:00-14:00 Tee off times] – £180 per team of 4 (book by 24/4/20) (CANCELLED)~~

Future Duty Roster (Hosts) Subject to Current Health Lockdown

4 th May, 2020	Fellowship	
	Visitor	
11 th May, 2020	Fellowship	Robert Godber
	Visitor	Lewis Atkinson
18 th May, 2020	Fellowship	John Haggerty
	Visitor	Keith Bailey
25 th May, 2020	NO	MEETING
1 st June, 2020	Fellowship	Dean Clarke
	Visitor	John Evans
8 th June, 2020	Fellowship	Rod Wadsworth
	Visitor	Stephen Dobson
15 th June, 2020	Fellowship	Peter Perry
	Visitor	Jack Slater
22 nd June, 2020	SOCIAL	WEEK
29 th June, 2020	SOCIAL	WEEK

Dates for the Diary

WORTLEY

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6 th -10 th June, 2020	RI International Convention, Honolulu, Hawaii, USA (CANCELLED)
10 th June, 2019	District Council (Derbyshire Hotel) – 19:00
12 th June, 2020	RC of Chesterfield Seardsdale 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
28 th June, 2020	District Thanksgiving Service
3 rd July, 2020	RC of Market Rasen Open Charity Stableford AM/AM Golf (Market Rasen Golf Club, Legsby Road, Market Rasen) – Visitors £35pp / £140 Team (book by 13/6/20)
2 nd -4 th October, 2020	District 1220 Conference (Southport) CANCELLED
6 th -10 th June, 2021	RI Convention (Taipei, Taiwan)
1 st – 3 rd 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 30th January 1915 in Kensington, London. My father was a Barrister. I attended Harrow and Brasenose College, Oxford reading Law, and I was also a member of the Bullingdon Club – I shared digs with the Duke of Wellington. Whilst at University, I developed an interest in Amateur Dramatics, and this interest continued during the War – I even wrote and produced a musical for ENSA.
2. In July 1939, I was commissioned into the Royal Armoured Corps as a 2nd Lieutenant,

having previously been a member of the Officer Training Corps and Cadet Sergeant whilst at Harrow. I served in North Africa with the Northamptonshire Yeomanry as a Captain (acting Major), and was mentioned in despatches. I landed in Normandy on D-Day, and attained the rank of brigadier. On 21st December, 1944, I was appointed an Officer of the Order of the British Empire (OBE)(military) specifically for my service on Field Marshall Alexander's staff commanding the 15th Army Group. I was awarded the Bronze Star Medal by the US in 1947.

3. In 1940, I was elected to the House of Commons, and shortly afterwards, voted against the government in the debate following the British defeat at Narvik. At the election in 1945, I lost my seat in the Labour landslide, and became chief of staff to the British Mission to Japan. I was re-elected to Parliament in 1950 as MP for Stratford-on-Avon. Following the Conservative Election victory in 1951, I rose through the ranks, and became Secretary of State for War in 1960 and joined the Privy Council.
4. My Parliamentary Career came to an abrupt end, in June 1963, when my involvement with a 19 year old model, which started 2 years previously hit the press. I was forced to resign from office, as an MP and from the Privy Council as I had lied to the House earlier in the year. I never talked about this again. I was invited to work as a volunteer at Toynbee Hall shortly afterwards, and did so for the rest of my life, becoming the chief fundraiser. I was able to live off my inherited wealth, as my father passed on the family baronial title (conferred by the Kingdom of Sardinia).
5. In 1975, I was appointed as a CBE, and received the award from the Queen. I was invited to Margaret Thatcher's 70th birthday dinner, where I sat next to the Queen. My last public appearance was at the memorial service for Sir Edward Heath in 2005. On 7th March 2006, I suffered a stroke and was admitted to hospital in London, where I died 2 days later. I was married for 44 years to Valerie Hobson, who was an actress in the 30s, 40s and 50s. She died in 1998.

Answers at the bottom of the newsletter

This Month's Joke

Traffic Camera

A man was driving when he saw the flash of a traffic camera. He figured that his picture had been taken for exceeding the limit, even though he knew that he was not speeding... Just to be sure, he went around the block and passed the same spot, driving even more slowly, but again the camera flashed.

Now he began to think that this was quite funny, so he drove even slower as he passed the area again, but the traffic camera again flashed. He tried a fourth time with the same result. He did this a fifth time and was now laughing when the camera flashed as he rolled past, this time at a snail's pace...

Two weeks later, he got five tickets in the mail for driving without a seat belt..

Another Short Joke

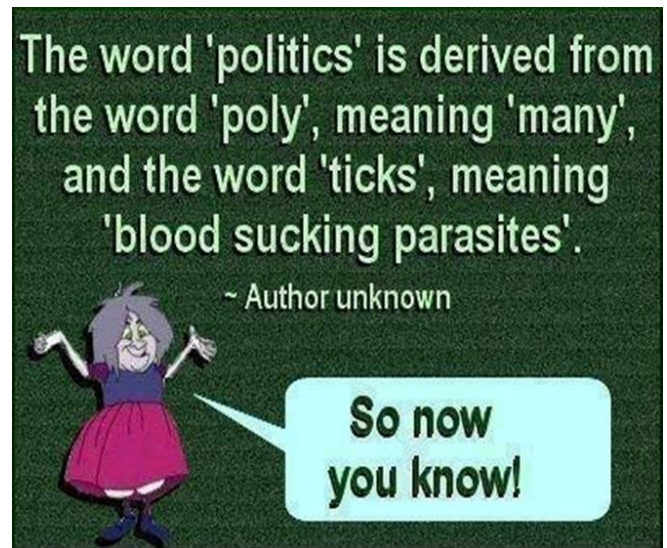
Hospital regulations require a wheel chair for patients being discharged. However, while working as a student nurse, I found one elderly gentleman already dressed and sitting on the bed with a suitcase at his feet, who insisted he did not need my help to leave the hospital. After a chat about rules being rules, he reluctantly let me wheel him to the elevator. On the way down I asked him if his wife was meeting him.

'I don't know,' he said. 'She's still upstairs in the bathroom changing out of her hospital gown.'

Politics

1. **I offered my opponents a deal: "if they stop telling lies about me, I will stop telling the truth about them"** - Adlai Stevenson, campaign speech, 1952..
2. **I have come to the conclusion that politics is too serious a matter to be left to the politicians** - Charles de Gaulle, French soldier & statesman
3. **We hang petty thieves and appoint the bigger thieves to public office** - Aesop, Greek slave & fable author
4. **Politicians are the same all over. They promise to build a bridge even where there is no river** - Nikita Khrushchev, Russian Soviet politician

5. **Politicians are people who, when they see light at the end of the tunnel, go out and buy some more tunnel** - John Quinton, American actor/writer



Anniversaries this Month

1. Empire State Building opened (1931).
2. Ayrton Senna killed at San Marino GP (1994).
3. Arthur Wellesley (1st Duke of Wellington) born 1769.
4. Audrey Hepburn born 1929.
5. Roger Bannister ran first Mile in under 4 minutes (1954).
6. Kermit the frog makes TV debut (1955)
7. Winston Churchill becomes PM (1940)
8. Manchester Ship Canal officially opened (1894).
9. Messerschmitt Bf 109 made its first flight (1935).

Who Am I Answer:-

Answer: John Dennis Profumo CBE