

WORTLEY ROTARY CLUB DISTRICT 1220

September 2020 NEWSLETTER

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Secretary: David Atkinson

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy September to you all. What happened to the summer.

I trust you are all keeping well. I have not heard if any of our clan has succumbed to the dreaded virus which is an excellent position for us to be in. I am also looking forward to the socially distanced get together for the litter pick, one Saturday in September, tba. Well done to Lewis for his 50k sprint to raise funds for the club, I am sure those that can will donate to the cause. At the time of writing this I am still awaiting notification from Nurture Nature if we can get involved in some way in the near future. Watch this space or your inbox.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank John Evans for his brilliant efforts in getting the word out in the press about the club and of course, thanks again to Lewis for his mask and visor endeavours. Well done both.

Keep an eye out for the litter pick information, either 12th 19th or 26th All Saturdays 10 am for a couple of hours.

Keep safe and well

Steve P

NEWS

Meetings

3rd August – NO MEETING (Pandemic Restrictions)

10th August – Club ZOOM Meeting

President Steve welcomed 11 members and 1 guest to the On-line meeting.

Secretary's Notices

- 1) Members reminded to vote for the Children's Hospital in the Persimmon Award as per email.
- 2) Email launching District 1220 e-club mentioned.
- 3) Email received from Brain Tumour Research. Invite to be extended to organisation to attend a future meeting.
- 4) Email received from DG congratulating club on Monthly Bulletin.
- 5) Email received from Tom Hunt re EPN / Crocus Corms. Invite to be extended to future meeting.

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Club Business

- 1) President expressed thanks to the following members:-
 - a) Rtn John E for the ongoing publicity efforts. An update re latest was given.
 - b) Hon Rtn Lewis for the Masks / Shield project. Latest update given (3170 shields, 7150m masks).
 - c) IPP Philip for the recent cheque presentations (Sheffield Art House / Sheffield Children's Hospital)
- 2) Recent PDG email regarding school in India suggesting each club consider giving £100 to this cause. Suggestion proposed by Rtn Geoff and Seconded by President Steve. Those in attendance supported the motion.
- 3) NurtureNature – no contact as yet. Rtn Philip suggested that we make email contact to work out what the options are to progress. Rtn Geoff mentioned Sensory Gardens (may have been mentioned in Rotary Magazine).

Any Other Business

- 1) Hon Rtn Lewis is still doing his 1.1km per day should anyone wish to sponsor him for club funds / Rotary Charities.
- 2) Rtn Anne advised that 2 members had still not paid their subs.

- 3) **Rtn Steve K** advised that he had visited the Blue Ball last week but hadn't been able to see the owners re their membership enquiry as the place was quite busy.
- 4) **Rtn Philip** gave an update re the MiTG meeting held the previous week (Socially distanced of course).

The business was concluded and the meeting was closed.

17th August – NO MEETING (Pandemic Restrictions)

24th August – Club ZOOM Meeting

President Steve welcomed 11 members to the On-line meeting.

Secretary's Notices

- 1) Email received from Club member tendering resignation from the club was read out.
- 2) Following receipt of emails listed in the last meetings notices, details are now being finalised for talks at future club meetings from "Brain Tumour Research" and "End Polio Now".

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Club Business

- 1) No reply has been received yet from NurtureNature.
- 2) President has emailed local MP regarding a potential Litter Pick in the Wortley Village area. A Saturday in September has been suggested, and other details were discussed.
- 3) **Rtn Geoff** advised that there is nothing more to report re the Foodbanks.
- 4) **Rtn John E** gave an update on the latest Media Officer activities.

Any Other Business

- 1) **Rtn Steve K** advised that his Grand-daughter's donation of hair to the Princess Trust (to make wigs for Cancer patients) has now taken place (lockdown enabled her to donate more hair). He also advised that club members had donated £100 before lockdown for this cause and this had enabled her to raise £500.
- 2) **Hon Rtn Lewis** updated the club on the Masks / Face Shields project. This has now been extended to contacting and providing supplies to Foodbanks. Current Totals now stand at 3,500 shields and c7,400 masks.

Rtn John E advised that he is currently trying to get contacts for Community Groups in the Barnsley Area.

- 3) **Rtn Philip** gave an update regarding the enquiry received regarding potential membership from Wortley (Deborah Ellway-Lunn).
- 4) **Rtn Steve K** updated the club regarding potential membership enquiry from the Licences of the Blue Ball in Worrall.
- 5) President advised that New Member form has been completed and will be delivered to the Secretary asap.

The business concluded with the "last word" from Rtn Philip, and the meeting was then closed.

31st August - NO MEETING (Pandemic Restrictions)

Miscellaneous

Whitley Hall restaurant 1584 Menu (May 2020)

No Meetings Likely – Pandemic Restrictions

When the World stopped, they didn't

Click on the link below to access the stories of 10 workers and Rotarians who put Service above Self during the pandemic:-

<https://www.rotary.org/en/world-stopped-they-didnt>

Rotary Clubs continue to serve the Community during the Pandemic

Rotary Clubs have found inventive ways to continue to serve the local communities during the pandemic. To read more about some of these, click on the link here:-

<https://www.rotarygbi.org/inventive-rotary-clubs-continue-to-thrive-during-the-pandemic/>

Socially Distanced Rotary "hit squad" helps transform school gardens

RC of Darlington recently helped transform a local school garden which had become overgrown during lockdown. To read more about this, click on the link here:- <https://www.rotarygbi.org/socially-distanced-rotary-hit-squad-rescues-school-gardens/>

Other News

Click on the links to read

District 1220 News

<https://district.rotary1220.org/rotherham-pulls-together-to-combat-growing-hunger-crisis>

<https://district.rotary1220.org/mansfield-high-flyer-at-heart-of-foodbank-charity-scheme>

<https://district.rotary1220.org/rotary4foodbanks-featured-in-national-magazine>

<https://district.rotary1220.org/radio-nottingham-covers-rotary4foodbanks>

<https://district.rotary1220.org/former-drug-addict-comes-clean-to-help-feed-the-hungry-through-covid>

<https://district.rotary1220.org/it-is-official-who-has-declared-the-africa-region-polio-free>

AquaBox related (District 1220)

<https://www.aquabox.org/news/224-aquabox-and-beirut.html>

<https://www.aquabox.org/news/225-recent-aquabox-activities.html>

<https://www.aquabox.org/news/226-latest-shipment-to-yemen.html>

<https://www.aquabox.org/news/227-nepal-landslips-our-aid-will-get-through.html>

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/18630530.rotary-clubs-litter-pick-keep-cumbrian-coastline-beautiful/>

<https://www.messengernewspapers.co.uk/news/18626321.donation-cause/>

<https://www.thetelegraphandargus.co.uk/news/18633070.bingley-food-bank-among-get-rotary-club-help/>

<https://www.edp24.co.uk/news/sophie-wilson-wins-award-for-work-at-st-peters-church-in-brandon-1-6803372>

<https://www.edp24.co.uk/news/lowestoft-duo-honoured-rotary-award-1-6791800>

<http://www.richmondshiretoday.co.uk/wensleydale-rotary-club-launches-charity-online-auction/>

<https://www.thestar.co.uk/news/people/useful-addition-train-station-courtesy-rotary-club-2954472>

<https://www.thenorthernecho.co.uk/news/18624942.rotary-club-plans-install-defibrillators-throughout-region-unveiled-durham/>

Dates for the Diary

WORTLEY

**Subject to Current Health Lockdown
(where cancellation is known, Event is marked as such)**

September 2020

Litterpick (Location and date to be finalised)

TBA

*NurtureNature
Collaboration*

DISTRICT / RGBI

**Subject to Current Health Lockdown
(where cancellation is known, Event is marked as such)**

2nd-4th October, 2020

~~District 1220
Conference (Southport)~~
CANCELLED
RYLA (Castleton)

13th-16th February,
2021
Spring 2021

District End Polio Now
Sponsored Walk
(postponed from 6/9/20)
Volunteer EXPO (NEC)
Buxton RYLA
RI Convention (Taipei,
Taiwan)

7th-9th May, 2021
21st-23rd May, 2021
6th-10th June, 2021

Rotary & Inner Wheel
Thanksgiving Service
(15:00)

June 20th, 2021

District Handover
Dinner (19:00 for 19:30)

June 25th, 2021

District 1220
Conference (Southport)

1st – 3rd October 2021

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 15th June, 1926 in Willesden, North London, the eldest son of a plasterer. I was educated at Kilburn Grammar School and Peterhouse, Cambridge where I studied

History and Modern Languages. My undergraduate years were interrupted by War Service in the Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve. I served on a minesweeper protecting Allied Arctic convoys to the USSR.

2. After graduating from Cambridge, I worked for a while as an actor and teacher. I wrote to the BBC to ask if they were recruiting, and was given a job presenting classical music on the BBC Third programme. I introduced the first BBC TV News broadcast in 1954, although the bulletin itself was read by John Snagge. I was also an competent pianist, which led to a lot of work throughout my career.
3. In 1961, I married and we had 2 sons. My career continued to grow – I presented Radio Shows on Radio Four and became one of the regular BBC New Readers for many years. I was also the main presenter for the Annual “Last Night of the Proms” broadcast for 32 years. I also narrated the popular Children’s TV Programme “Mary, Mungo and Midge” in 1969 and “Teddy Edward” in 1973. I also made cameo appearances in 3 episodes of “Monty Python’s Flying Circus” and appeared on the 1977 Morecambe and Wise Christmas Show. I continued to present the New Bulletins until 1982
4. I continued to work for the BBC, presenting “Melodies for You” on Radio 2 from 1986-1995 and 1999-2003, and then “Your Hundred Best Tunes” from 2003-2007. In 1995, I presented “Classic Countdown” and Evening Concert programmes on Classic FM. I wrote a Biography of Vice-Admiral Sir Gilbert Stephenson, who I served under.
5. Aged 90, I was living with my wife in a retirement village in Oxfordshire. When I died on 17th November 2018, my fellow journalist, John Sipson, referred to me as “one of the finest newsreaders of modern times, highly intelligent, thoughtful, gentle, yet tough in defence of his principles”.

Answers at the bottom of the newsletter

This Month’s Joke

Getting Married

Jack, age 92, and Gill, age 89, are all excited about their decision to get married. They go for a stroll to

discuss the wedding, and on the way they pass a chemist shop and Jack suggests they go in.

Jack addresses the man behind the counter:

"Are you the owner?"

The pharmacist answers, "Yes."

Jack: "We're about to get married. Do you sell heart medication?"

Pharmacist: "Of course we do."

Jack: "How about medicine for circulation?"

Pharmacist: "All kinds"

Jack: "Medicine for rheumatism?"

Pharmacist: "Definitely."

Jack: "How about suppositories?"

Pharmacist: "Yes"

Jack: "Medicine for memory problems, arthritis, and Alzheimer's?"

Pharmacist: "Yes, a large variety. The works."

Jack: "What about vitamins, sleeping pills, antidotes for Parkinson's disease?"

Pharmacist: "Absolutely."

Jack: "Everything for heartburn and indigestion?"

Pharmacist: "We do..."

Jack: "You sell wheelchairs and walkers and canes?"

Pharmacist: "All speeds and sizes."

Jack: "Adult incontinence pants?"

Pharmacist: "Yes."

Jack: "Then we'd like to use this store for our wedding presents list.."

Another Short Joke

Just before the funeral services, the undertaker came up to the very elderly widow and asked, 'How old was your husband?' '98,' she replied 'Two years older than me' 'So you're 96,' the undertaker commented. She responded, 'Hardly worth going home, is it?'

Grandparents (by 8-year olds)

1. A grandfather is a man & a grandmother is a lady!
2. When they take us for walks, they slow down past things like pretty leaves and caterpillars
3. They don't say, 'Hurry up.'
4. They can take their teeth and gums out.
5. They have to answer questions like 'Why isn't God married?' and 'How come dogs chase cats?'
6. Everybody should try to have a grandmother, especially if you don't have television

because they are the only grownups who like to spend time with us.

- 7. GRANDPA IS THE SMARTEST MAN ON EARTH! HE TEACHES ME GOOD THINGS, BUT I DON'T GET TO SEE HIM ENOUGH TO GET AS SMART AS HIM!**

Anniversaries this Month

- 1) Muammar Gaddafi led a coup d'état in Libya (1969).
- 2) A large fire begins in Pudding Lane and burns for 5 days in London (1666).
- 3) Parliamentarian Forces win the Battle of Worcester to end the English Civil War (1651).
- 4) 25th US President William McKinley fatally wounded (1901).
- 5) Chaim Topol (Israeli actor) born 1935.
- 6) Abebe Bikila becomes first sub-Saharan African to win an Olympic Gold Medal (1960).
- 7) JFK makes his "We choose to go to the Moon" speech (1962).
- 8) Daniel Gabriel Fahrenheit (inventor of first widely used thermometer) dies 1736.
- 9) Initial version of the "Firefox" web browser released by Mozilla (2002).

Who Am I Answer:-

ANSWER: Richard Douglas James Baker OBE RD