

# Rotary Club of Rotherham Sitwell - District 1220



## Club Bulletin

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Meetings: Thursday – 6:30 for 7:00 p.m.  
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### 2017 – 2018

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### Club Meetings for December

7 Dec	No Meeting (Christmas Concert)
14 Dec	Breakfast Meeting ( 7.30am ) <i>Grace: TBA</i> <i>Frats: TBA</i>
21 Dec	No Meeting
28 Dec	No Meeting

### Apologies

Apologies for absence are to be sent to Chris Williams.

### Council Meetings

2 Nov	6.00pm	Carlton Park Hotel
4 Jan	6.00pm	Carlton Park Hotel
1 Feb	6.00pm	Carlton Park Hotel
1 Mar	6.00pm	Carlton Park Hotel

### Next Bulletin

The next bulletin is scheduled to be published for the Club Meeting on 7 December 2017. Please send contributions via email to [waudbypeter@hotmail.com](mailto:waudbypeter@hotmail.com) by 3 December.

### Club Meetings for November

2 Nov	Fellowship Meeting (7.00 for 7.30pm) <i>Grace: D Cheetham</i> <i>Frats: H Hughes/J Walton</i>
9 Nov	Business Meeting/Special General Meeting <i>Grace: C Croker</i> <i>Frats: T Johnson/C Williams/P Waudby</i>
16 Nov	Thank You Meeting for Newman School Project <i>Grace: P Crutchley</i> <i>Frats: D Jones/J Woffenden</i>
23 Nov	Wine Tasting Evening <i>Grace: P Daniels</i> <i>Frats: P Keary/K Zaman</i>
30 Nov	Partners' Evening-Christmas Dinner <i>Grace: S Doherty</i> <i>Frats: T Knight/G Basran</i>

### Diary Dates

- Saturday 11 November – Variety Evening – 7.00 for 7.30pm
- Friday 24 November – Ultimate Quiz Party at Magna.
- Saturday 25 November – Wickersley lights switch on.
- Thursday 30 November – Christmas Dinner.
- Thursday 7 December Christmas Concert
- Thursday 14 December – Breakfast Meeting.
- 25 January 2018 – 10 Pin Bowling.

## From the President



*Dear Sitwell Rotarians,*

A third of the way through the Rotary year and still no new members! With upwards of 17 apologies and x-equals at each meeting, it is not as though we do not have space for them! Of the few new potentials we have had through the door, we have obviously not sparked their interest. Part of November's agenda will be to examine, 12 months on, what progress if any has been made since the Visioning meeting.

An emphasis this year has been particularly to develop a busier calendar with a wider range of interests and activities.

November sees the long awaited and much heralded Variety Evening which is the culmination of a lot of effort. What is evident is the enthusiasm this has generated amongst the performers. Having been on stage myself – only one thing is certain, the audience reaction can never be predicted. But this event is amongst friends and for Sitwell will be something unique and special.

14 have signed up for the wine tasting. This is just a bit of fun and is a way to sample a range of some of the best, affordable wines, from the

supermarkets. There will be a competitive element to it. If you have a relation, friend etc. who likes their wine, why not bring them along? It is only £8 on top of the meal.

We then have the Magna Quiz for Start a Heart. It is heartening (excuse the pun) that the event is so popular and such a successful fundraiser. It is another way to introduce new people to the work and activities of Rotary and our club. Let us not waste the opportunity.

At the lights switch-on at Wickersley we have a great opportunity to fund-raise. We will be using the float and Santa will be giving photo opportunities to parents for a donation. We are being given a charity stall so perhaps we can roll out the popular pull a string game? Last year over 3,000 attended – for a couple of hours, this offers good Rotary visibility.

The end of the month is the Christmas dinner with partners and we have an excellent menu arranged to launch us into the spirit of Christmas

Phew... and then there is December... when things kick-up gear and get really busy during our most intensive bout of fund-raising in the Rotary calendar.

*Yours in Rotary  
Andrew Bates*

## District 1220 Conference 2017 - Lessons Remembered

This year, the Conference for District 1220 was held in Llandudno, Clwyd. One of the unremarkable but significant aspects of the Conference was how natural it felt to be 1220 rather than 1270. There was a unity to the whole event even though District 1270 had been disbanded just over a year ago in 2016.

Rather than give a full account of the Conference, I am taking this opportunity to go through what I still remember I learned that may be of use to the Club. It is quite likely that other people attending will have a completely different list to this one. It is also possible that some of what I identify as striking might leave others cold and uninspired. Hopefully, these notes - and in particular lessons 6, 3, 1, 5, 2, and 4 - will provoke some response.

Remembered lesson 1: "Traditions aren't rules" – Dennis Spiller, RIBI President

Remembered lesson 2: "The only cure for doubt is action" Barney Callaghan, Speaker

Remembered lesson 3: "Create a *to be list* rather than a *to do list*. Be yourself on a consistent basis" – Andy Cope, Speaker

Remembered lesson 4: "Don't reserve happiness, quit waiting" Andy Cope, Speaker

Remembered lesson 5: "Keep younger people by your side but then let them lead the way". Molly Youd and Fiona Bassett on starting a new club.

Remembered lesson 6: Kids Out is much more than one day out to the seaside a year. <http://www.kidsout.org.uk/>

Paul G Daniels. October 2017



**Peter tries to turn water into wine – a very rare sight**



**Emma at the Bowling Alley presenting a cheque to the National Autistic Society**



**Visit to Toyota – Boarding the coach – No chance of being lost in the dark!**



**Cheque presentation to Safe @ Last**



**Graham presents a cheque to Joe Walker of People in Need Worldwide**



**Toyota Visit – Lunch in the pub**

## Christmas Programme 2017 ( Rev3 )

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2017

16.30 – 18.30 Lights and market, Rotherham Town Centre *(same evening as celebration event for Woodland Path, Newman School. Plan in place to ensure that this can work!)*

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2017

17.30 – 19.30 Wickersley Lights Turn on

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2017

Firbeck: Venue, Time and details to be confirmed David Taylor/Mike Frost.

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December 7<sup>th</sup> 2017

19.15 Christmas Concert, Talbot Lane Methodist Church (doors open 18.30)

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2017

Time? Victorian Market, Rotherham Town Centre

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2017

16.30 – 17.30 Mobile Float at Toby Carvery, Eastwood Trading Estate. *To be confirmed*

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2017

From 18.00 Mobile Float (Rotherham Sitwell Rotary Club) *Five shifts – one more than previous two years. To include Waverley Estate, Todwick, Kimberworth, Treeton and East Dene: order to be confirmed.*

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> December 2017

From 18.00 Mobile Float (With Round Table/ Continuity) *Ten shifts – pattern as in previous years.*

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> December 2017

10.00 – 20.00 Static Float at Asda: *Ten days – 43 / 44 shifts: pattern as in previous years)*

### Social Media

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