

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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Club Meetings for February

1 Feb	Fellowship Meeting (7.00 for 7.30pm)	Grace: A Holloway Frats: P Short/S Doherty
8 Feb	Business Meeting	Grace: G Hudson Frats: S Smith/T English/N Elmhirst
15 Feb	Fellowship Meeting	Grace: H Hughes Frats: J Sparrow/M Frost
22 Feb	Speaker Meeting (Ian Ward-Fishtail Fund)	Grace: M Hughes Frats: D Taylor/K Gill

Apologies

Apologies for absence are to be sent to Chris Williams.

Council Meetings

1 Feb	6.00pm	Carlton Park Hotel
1 Mar	6.00pm	Carlton Park Hotel
5 April	6.00pm	Carlton Park Hotel
3 May	6.00pm	Carlton Park Hotel
7 June	6.00pm	Carlton Park Hotel
5 July	6.00pm	Carlton Park Hotel

Next Bulletin

The next bulletin is scheduled to be published for the Club Meeting on 1 March 2018. Please send contributions via email to waudbypeter@hotmail.com by 28 January.

Club Meetings for March

1 Mar	Fellowship Meeting (7.00 for 7.30pm)	Grace: T Jackson Frats: J Turner/A Holloway
8 Mar	Business Meeting	Grace: T Johnson Frats: J Walton/G Hudson/R Green
15 Mar	Speaker Meeting – Ann Ogley “Up the Amazon without a Paddle.”	Grace: D Jones Frats: E Varnom/H Hughes
22 Mar	Fellowship Meeting	Grace: P Keary Frats: P Waudby/T Johnson
29 Mar	Curry Night	Grace: T Knight Frats: C Williams/D Jones

Diary Dates

- Thursday 15 March – Our very own Ann Ogley is “Up the Amazon without a Paddle”
- Thursday 29 March – Curry Night – Time and Venue to be confirmed.
- Thursday 19 April – Foundation Quiz Night hosted by Chris Williams – 6.30 for 7.00pm.
- Thursday 10 May – AGM.
- 24 – 28 May – International Trip to Bulgaria – No Meeting on Thursday 24 May.
- 28 June – 1 July – MITG
- 1 July – President’s Party at MITG
- 12 July – Handover

From the President



Dear Sitwell Rotarians,

We hear the title “Homeless” so often that it almost stops meaning much to all but those who find themselves in the position. To us in our comfortable homes and lives, to be without a place to call HOME must be the most desolate state anyone can be in. For 61 years my Mum lived in a rented house and although she took a pride in it, kept it spotless and decorated it herself, there was a limit as to how far she would go. She refused to have central heating installed or any significant works that would have made her life easier. It was not HER house you see? She thought “Why spend money on someone else’s house?” But she regarded it as her home. And therein lies the subtle difference between a house and home. I am undergoing for the first time in my life a sense of “houselessness”. My house has been taken over by builders (self-imposed; so do not weep for me) and all my belongings have gone into storage. I am living out of a suitcase until such time as the basics of water, heating and power have returned. I have only been out 5 days but the effect on me is enormous. The emptiness of not having a base, not having my stuff around me and sleeping in hotels (the closest to “rough” I will volunteer to); it is just

not the same as being on holiday or working away from home. Then, you know you are returning home. And eventually I will indeed be returning home to a modernised house I call my own. So many thousands in this country cannot say that. So many millions around the world who lose everything to war and natural disaster are genuinely homeless. Their plight, their complete sense of the disconnection they must feel has only now just hit home with me.

*Yours in Rotary
Andrew Bates*

Quotes

Marriage is the alliance of two people, one of whom never remembers birthdays and the other who never forgets. (Ogden Nash)

I phoned my dad to tell him I had stopped smoking. He called me a quitter.
(Steven Pearl)

In America any boy may become President and I suppose that’s just one of the risks he takes. (Adlai Stevenson)

It is easier to fight for one’s principles than to live up to them. (Alfred Adler)

A friendship can weather most things and thrive in thin soil; but it needs a little mulch of letters and phone calls and small, silly presents every so often – just to save it from drying out completely. (Pam Brown)

Young Carers at the Pantomime



Once again members of the Club accompanied Bernardo's' Young Carers to the Christmas pantomime at the Civic Theatre.

Speaker Meeting - Gaynor Smith tells us about abuse counselling



She is pictured here with Mel, who introduced her to the Club.

Rotherham Real Ale and Music Festival



This year is the 25th Rotherham Real Ale and Music Festival, once again to be held at Magna on 1st, 2nd and 3rd March. Members of the Club will again be running Rotherham's Chantry Brewery Bar.

End Polio Now Education Pack



Sitwell Rotary Club is approaching all primary schools in the area who offer Key Stage 2, aiming to provide them with a free pack. (See website for more information)

Ten Pin Bowling Evening



Jane displays a fine technique



Trish started well but then had to resort to a Zimmer frame



Three vegetable sellers were spotted displaying their wares!

Social Media

www.sitwellrotary.org.uk

www.facebook.com/RotherhamSitwellRotary

www.linkedin.com

Please note that we have now set up a company page on LinkedIn to help promote ourselves within the business community. Anyone who is on LinkedIn, would you kindly follow us and help promote the club wherever possible? – Mel.