

Rotary Club of Rotherham Sitwell - District 1220 Club Bulletin



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Meetings: Thursday evenings
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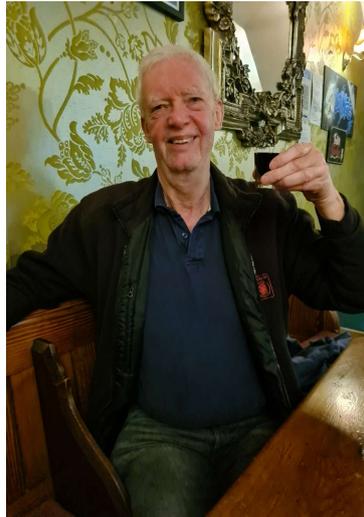
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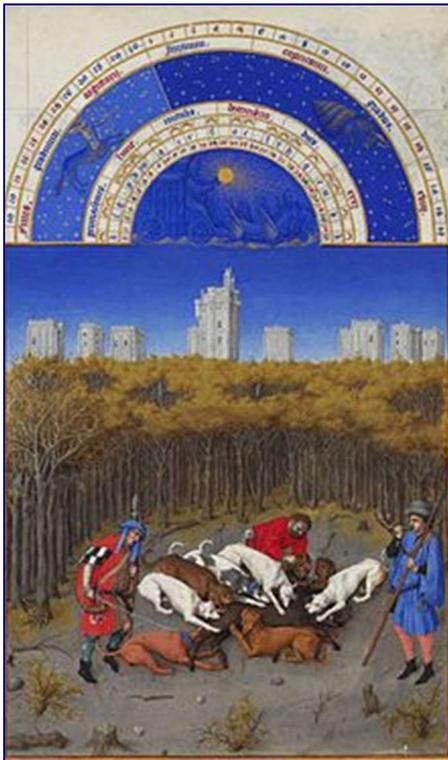
Next Bulletin

The next bulletin is scheduled to be published in early February.
Any contributions will be most welcome, please text, what's app
or email to me by January 28th.

President's Report



December is the twelfth and the final month of the year in the Julian and Gregorian calendars. It is also the last of seven months to have a length of 31 days.



December, from the *Très Riches Heures du duc de Berry*

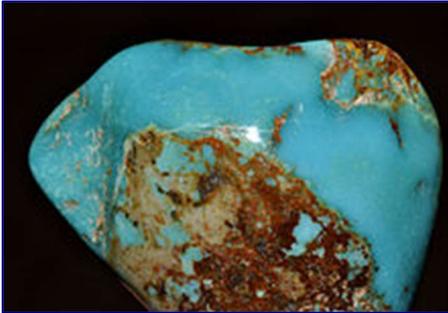
December got its name from the Latin word *decem* (meaning ten) because it was originally the tenth month of the year in the calendar of Romulus c. 750 BC which began in March. The winter days following December were not included as part of any month. Later, the months of January and February were created out of the monthless period and added to the beginning of the calendar, but December retained its name.

President's report (continued)

The Anglo Saxons referred to December–January as Geolamonab (modern English: “Yule month”).

December's birth flower is the narcissus

December's birthstones are the turquoise, zircon and tanzanite.



A slab of turquoise



Zircons

Below: Rough and polished tanzanite



December started off quietly with Individual Committee meetings then Council preceded a Fellowship Meeting on the 9th. At the Council meeting we discussed the future of the Club and identified several themes which I will circulate in January so we can discuss them at a Full Club Business Meeting on 3rd February.

The mobile Christmas float started on Tuesday 14th at Waverley and carried on for eleven nights before Christmas. Everyone from Round Table, Rotary and 41 Club was magnificent and the float was fully staffed every night and an amazing £11,000 was raised. Thanks to both Santas, the drivers and everyone that took part. The people of Rotherham had missed the full float experience and were so generous. On Christmas Eve we took £1,500 in notes alone! As I said at the Charter Night, we are a fellowship of Clubs with common aims and objectives (Round Table pinched ours and 41 Club followed) and this shows what we can achieve for the less fortunate people of Rotherham when we work together. We could and should work together more often. (I've asked Round Table to resurrect the inter Club snooker competition as a start.)

This was closely followed by the static float and again Club rose to the occasion. Every session was fully staffed and over £2,500 was raised. There are too many people to thank and I'd probably miss someone out so many thanks to everyone who transported, set up, staffed, ho ho ho'd and banked for us.

In amongst all this we had a breakfast meeting at the Blue Coat which was well attended. I do like their breakfasts.

I spent Christmas with all the family and eleven adults and three grandchildren sat down to dinner at my son's house. At the end of the day, family is what really matters. On the 26th I went to Whitley Bay with my daughter and the following day we watched Newcastle United outplay Man U but only get a draw. Its tough at the bottom.

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President's report (still)

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This is supremely insignificant when compared with the news I heard yesterday about Roger Green. I understand he is recovering well and we all wish him a speedy recovery.

So, now its 2022. Lets hope its better than last year in many respects and not as one of my friends commented, "I hope its not 2020 too!"

It is in many respects a make or break year for the Club and I agree with Peter Short and his Committee when they said, "If we all remain positive and make Club fun then there's nothing to worry about".

Steve

Happy Birthday

January's Birthdays

1st – Kamal Zaman

20th – Peter Short

Have a wonderful day



Club Meetings for January
All 6.30 for 7.00pm unless otherwise stated. SPGC meetings: Apologies to Nigel.
Sin bins have been and will be applied for absence with no apology.

06 January Not a Christmas Party party
Phoenix Club, Brinsworth

13 January Charity Feedback Night
Your chance to hear an update from each of this year's charities

FRATS: Tom Knight, Martin Davis
GRACE: Judith Grant

20 January Individual committee meetings

27 January No meeting – see below

FRIDAY

28 January President's Party – Burns Night at SPGC.

Frats & Grace – **your** responsibility to find alternates if you cannot attend. *Please advise Nigel of any changes you have agreed.*

Council Meeting

4 January postponed due to level of apologies: To be rearranged
As always, observers welcome

Club Meetings for February
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03 February **FULL CLUB BUSINESS MEETING** to discuss the future of the Club. This is **YOUR** chance to have your say.

FRATS: Yogesh Bhimpuria, Terry English

GRACE: Phil Crutchley

10 February Fellowship at the Dragon's Tap, (micropub) Stag Roundabout. There is a room upstairs where we can meet and food can be purchased and brought in from local eateries.

17 February Individual committee meetings

24 February Speaker Meeting: Venue to be confirmed but tentatively SPGC.

FRATS: Chris Croker, John Sparrow

GRACE: Trevor Johnson

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Council Meeting

7th February, venue tbc:
As always, observers welcome, please ask any Council member for venue if you wish to attend

ADVANCE DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

PRESIDENT'S PARTY – BURNS NIGHT – Friday 28th January 2022 - SPGC



REMEMBER
THIS?

ROTHERHAM MINSTER SOCIAL SUPERMARKET

The Minster Social Supermarket moved into a new home on Corporation Street in November. I have heard recently that they are very short of carrier bags to supply the food in, so if you have any spare bags/bags for life etc please drop them in if you can. I for one have loads, having a husband who is unable/unwilling to remember a carrier bag when he visits little Tesco on Moorgate and frequently supplies me with additional bags for life that I am cannot throw away and end up storing at the top of the cellar steps.....





Fantastic Effort

Well done to everyone involved with our two floats this year, Rotary Members, Round Tablers, Friends and Family who helped to raise over £11,000 on the mobile float, a record, over £2,500 at Asda on the static float, plus the efforts of Rotherham Club, who raised an additional £224 in their two sessions. A brilliant result helping all Clubs to help local people.