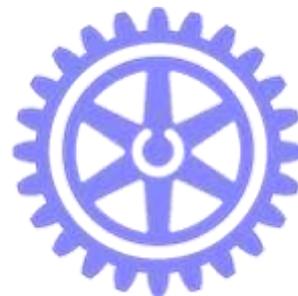


THE Bulletin

November 2018

Rotary North East



A MONTHLY CHRONICLE OF EVENTS IN ROTARY DISTRICT 1030

From the District Governor...

October is traditionally a busy month for DGs. It is conference season and in addition to our own event in Harrogate, I represented Rotary North East at the D 1040 conference in Scarborough. At the time of writing I have the Peace Seminar in Bradford to look forward to.

Harrogate was quite an event. Many thanks to those Rotarians who congratulated me on the quality of speakers. I am so pleased they were well received.

We had a balance of international service, regional culture, personal challenges and achievements in our communities. They were all truly inspiring. One regret is that the surroundings and service did not come up to expectations.

Christine and I were guests of DG Nigel Arthurs and Margaret in Scarborough, and while their format was very different to our own (with 500+ attending), the underlying theme of service and inspiration was there to see. Closing the event, former jockey Bob Champion epitomised true inspiration.

Our community projects, be they memory cafes, remembrance performances, stewarding or simply running fundraisers are all opportunities for Rotary to demonstrate how relevant it is and what it adds to society in towns and villages throughout our district. People need to see us as a force for good and we need to publicise what we do and be ready to welcome those who are inspired to want to know more.

Stewart Atkin
District Governor



Dates for your Diaries ~ District & RIBI

2018
District Council ~ November 15th 1815 for 1845, Federation Brewery
Secretaries meeting prior to District Council, starting 1730
RI Zones 17 & 18a, 2018 Rotary Institute & Foundation Seminar, Crown Plaza Hotel, Stratford upon Avon CV37 6Y0R, 23 to 25th November 2018
Foundation Seminar, 29 November, Hallgarth Manor.
2019
AG Workshop, 5th January
Inner Wheel Day ~ 24th January 2019
DOTS, 3rd February
Multi District Leadership Development Forum, 16th & 17th February
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Technology Tournament, Argyle House, Sunderland, 22 March.

PETS ~ 24th March 2019, Seaburn Marriott (now the Grand Hotel)

District Council, Tuesday 9th April, Federation Brewery.
Secretaries meeting prior to District Council, starting 1730

District Assembly, Thursday 2nd May, Dryden Centre, Gateshead.

Rotary in Great Britain & Ireland Conference and Showcase 2019, Friday 10th – Sunday 12th May 2019, Nottingham, at the Royal Concert Hall

District Handover, Sunday 30th June 2019, Beamish Hall Hotel.

Games for the Disabled, Sunday 14th July 2019, Eston Leisure Centre.

Rotary Ride 2019, Date and venue to be Arranged

Compliance Seminar, Date to be arranged.

2 Membership Workshops to be arranged in 2019

Dates for your Diaries ~ RI

November 2018

Rotary Foundation Month

5-11 November – World Interact Week

10 November – Rotary Day at the United Nations

December 2018

Disease Prevention and Treatment Month

15 December – Early registration discount ends for the Rotary International Convention

January 2019

Vocational Service Month

13-19 January – International Assembly, San Diego, California, USA

February 2019

Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution Month

23 February – Rotary's anniversary

March 2019

Water and Sanitation Month

11-17 March – World Rotaract Week

31 March – Preregistration discount ends for the Rotary International Convention

April 2019

Maternal and Child Health Month

30 April – Rotary International Convention registrations and ticket cancellations are due

May 2019

Youth Service Month

June 2019

Rotary Fellowships Month

1-5 June – Rotary International Convention, Hamburg, Germany

30 June – Rotary Citation for Rotary Clubs Award nominations are due

A look ahead to international events in 2020 and 2021. All dates are tentative.

2020

19-25 January – International Assembly, San Diego, California, USA

6-10 June – Rotary International Convention, Honolulu, Hawaii, USA

2021

12-16 June – Rotary International Convention, Taipei, Taiwan

Dates and information will be updated as received

Rotary Friendship Exchange

The dates of our return RFE visit to District 7430 SE Pennsylvania are confirmed as 30 April to 11 May 2019 (12 days) and this message is the last "Call for Interest" for Rotarians and partners in our District to apply for places on the visit.

We expect to be home hosted by North Penn Rotary first, then to attend the District 7430 Conference for two nights (spending 3 & 4 May at the host hotel, which would be fully paid for by their District). This would be followed by home stays hosted by Allentown Rotary and finally by Emmaus Rotary.

Our hosts recommend flying to Newark airport, where the visiting team will be collected in a minibus, which will transport the whole group throughout our stay in Pennsylvania. All activities will include the whole group, and at the District Conference (attended by around 400 Rotarians and guests) each member of our group will be required to make a short presentation (2-3 minutes, supported by 1 or 2 Powerpoint slides) describing their Rotary experience and their family.



Members of the exchange are welcome to extend their stay in the US before and/or after the RFE, but they must join the other members of the RFE group to be collected at a hotel near Newark airport on 30 April and must remain with the group until 11 May 2019, when they will be returned to Newark airport or a local hotel. All members of the team will require a US tourist visa or ESTA for the whole period of their stay in the US.

You can apply now by emailing PDG Peter Chandler, whose contact details are below, for an application form. Each member of the team will require the approval of their Club, but you can apply now, as a period of two weeks will be allowed after the application has been made to confirm Club approval.

The principal cost of the trip will be the return air-fare from Newcastle (or Edinburgh) to New York Newark airport, which is currently available at around £400 including taxes. All local accommodation, car/minibus travel are covered by the Rotarians who are hosting us, though there will also be some local expenses, of course. It should be noted that District 1030 does not provide funding for members wishing to travel. More details of the likely costs are available on request from RFE Coordinator Peter Chandler, on (cemantix0@gmail.com).

Peter Chandler

COPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILTY IN GATESHEAD

Corporate social responsibility (CSR) is a concept whereby businesses can benefit society generally through philanthropy and volunteer efforts.

Many organisations have voluntary programmes whereby employees can use a proportion of employed hours to carry out community projects.

When the Rotary North East Foundation team were planning the Young Carers programme they visited numerous schools and colleges around the District. Those who were interested and had teaching kitchens quoted a cost for providing a teacher and facilities to run the courses. These were typically £50 to £60 per hour plus the cost of food.

Then Gateshead College was visited.

Gateshead was very interested and suggested 12 hours of training spread over 6 weeks or over just two days at half-term.

They then offered to deliver 6 courses of the Foundation team's choice, each with a cohort of 10 students free of charge. The College was even happy to provide the food ingredients. It was explained that the College was committed to serving the Gateshead community and this project would fit ideally into their CSR programme.

The training offered was estimated at a total of £6000 across all the courses.

With the Gateshead Young Carers project the Foundation team came across a CSR project by chance. There will be many organisations in the North East running CSR programmes and they could present Clubs with an excellent opportunity to partner businesses.

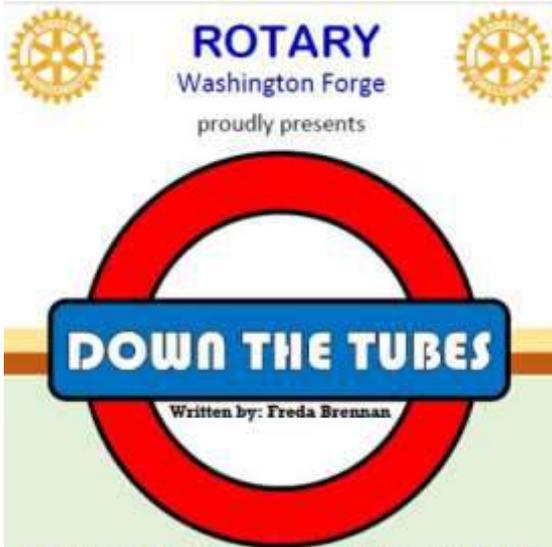
The questions which follow however are:
Do Clubs have the drive to seek them out?
Do Clubs have the sort of community involvement which would be attractive enough for companies to partner them in CSR programmes

John McLoughlin
CPI

DEADLINE

The deadline for any article or information for publication in the December 2018 issue of The Bulletin should be received by the Editor at brianshaw6@sky.com no later than 28 November, 2018.

COMING SOON



Washington Forge Rotary has joined with members and former members of The Rainbow Youth Theatre and Fatfield Musical Stage Society to present '**Down The Tubes**'. This is a story of families in London during World War two who faced the horrors of 'The Blitz' and who experienced the shortages of food and clothing that war can bring. It shows how people bonded together to keep up morale and the determination of all those who kept 'The home fires burning'.

The production contains many songs that you will recognise, including some originally from the time of WW1, which is appropriate during this year of commemoration of the centenary of the end of 'The Great War'. Come and join the singalong!

Shows will be held at The Harraton Community Centre, Washington on Sunday 18 November 2018, at 2.00pm and 6.30pm.

Tickets, priced at £7.00, are available from Freda Brennan on 0191 4163454 or alternatively by email at washingtonforgerotary@hotmail.co.uk

Phil Hopps

Rotary Washington Forge



Rotary Houghton roast the ox!

The tradition of Roasting the Ox dates back to the 16th Century when Bernard Gilpin, Rector of St Michaels and All Saints fed the poor in the town during the religious Festival of Michaelmas

The event involves the whole Club starting with all the form filling, risk assessment etc. and negotiating with local suppliers. On the Saturday, Rotarians work with Pipers the butchers to assemble the massive blocks of beef (230 kilogram's around the spit and then the mammoth task of transporting it to the site is undertaken by George Vardy a local haulage firm.

The Council assemble the gas burners around the spit and local scaffolder's assemble protective covering around the site in the Rectory field in Houghton. In the 24 hours leading up to the carving of the first sandwich, pairs of Rotarians watch the Ox Roasting during the night, turning the spit regularly.



Ashley Burland, Derek Moss next to Mayor of Sunderland Lynda Scanlan and President Graham McGrath at the OX Roast

Edinburgh bakers supply 1200 buns and prepare the sandwiches ready for the Club members to serve them. The Mayor cuts the first sandwich and serves it to the first person in the long queue which starts forming hours before. Teams of Rotarians transfer the prepared sandwiches across to the front where 3 members place them into bags. 2 Rotarians man the till so that they do not handle the food. Orders for 10 sandwiches are not unusual.

It is a slick operation with all the sandwiches being sold. The Ox Roast is a central part of the 10 day Houghton Feast Festival and President Graham McGrath is proud that Rotary is keeping this tradition going. As well as playing an important part in the community which supports Rotary, the event raises funds for Rotary Charities.

Rotary Houghton le Spring

Rotary Derwentside - PAVILION NIGHT

Wednesday, 14 November, at the Pavilion Cantonese Restaurant, Iveston Lane, Consett. DH8 7TE. 7.00p.m. Tickets, £27.00. *One of Derwentside's most popular events.*

Club Activities

If your club is organising an event, why not advertise it on the pages of The Bulletin, where it will receive maximum publicity. Just email details of your event to The Editor at brianshaw6@sky.com, and he will do the rest. We look forward to hearing from you.

Macmillan's Worlds Biggest Coffee Day at Rotary Washington

Rotary Washington and The Black Bush public house last month got together to organise Macmillan's Worlds Biggest Coffee Day, in the village of Washington, supported by many stallholders, all eager to sell their wares.

Commencing at 9.00a.m. and ending at 4.00p.m., Clairvoyant Allyson was kept busy throughout the day. The event was a resounding success. with landlady Clare ensuring there was lots of freshly made food to eat. Also present were local care home residents, and Jade, the Black Bush Events Manager, organised a raffle. The whole day was a resounding success, with much interest from the public.

The Macmillan banner outside was designed and drawn by St Johns Primary School pupils

Community Service Cup Award

The Community Service Cup Award is given annually to recognise a club which has established a project or scheme in its Community for the benefit of that Community.

The award will recognise a new innovation or existing project with a pedigree of success.

Eligibility: Any Rotary Club.

Deadline: All entries to be with the RIBI Home Team Chair/Leader by no later than **31 December, 2018**.

Email: marshall.lynne@gmail.com

You can find more information and a nomination form by going on the RIBI Website to Awards in the Members Area or alternatively contact Lynne by email at marshall.lynne@gmail.com

Len Smith Cup for Vocational Service

Vocational Service is a major avenue of Rotary Service and is focused on fostering and supporting the application of the ideal of service in the pursuit of all vocations. Vocational Service is at the heart of the Rotary movement. This award is to recognise annually a Club whose vocational activity has encouraged and fostered 'The Four Way Test'

The award will recognise a new innovation or a project that is already established and has a pedigree of success.

Eligibility: Any Club, District or Rotary Action Group project involving UK & Ireland Rotarians.

Deadline: All entries to be with Geri Parlby, the Vocational Lead within the Home Committee, by no later than **31 December, 2018**. Email: geri@theparlbys.uk.

You can find more information by going on the RIBI Website to Awards in the Members Area.

Nominations for District Service Committee Chairs 2019 - 2020

Nominations for the following should be returned to the District Constitutions Chairman, Michael Dynes, preferably by email - michaeldynesis@gmail.com by Monday, **12 November, 2018**.

Communications & Public Image (CPI)

Home

International Service

Membership Development & Retention (MDR)

Youth Service

SEABURN SPONSORSHIP



Rotary Seaburn have sponsored a Sunderland youth football team, Farringdon Detached Under 10s. The team are currently near the top of their division in the Russell Forster League and are aiming to test their skills in a North of England tournament to be held at Flamingo Land.

Seaburns sponsorship will assist with the team's football skills and individual development. Seaburn's President, Tony Wortman, sees the link with the Farringdon team as a great way to link up with the next generation.

The photograph shows Tony Wortman with the Farringdon team and their manager Ian Stewart

John Mcloughlin

Kids Out to the Pantomime

If any clubs are arranging an outing to the Pantomime for underprivileged kids in their area - remember you can get a contribution of £5 a head from Kids Out. The application form is here:

<http://www.kidsout.org.uk/forms/festive-fun-day/>. The 'target' date is December 4th but don't worry if you can't arrange something on that day, you can still get the subsidy.

Every little helps to make our money go further!

HELPING THE RED CROSS

Following a recent discussion with Red Cross I was informed about this scheme and their need for more volunteers.

Part of the emergency response aspect of British Red Cross in the UK is for volunteers to respond in times of crisis, whether it is in response to major incident, flooding, fire etc. Sometimes the requirements for extra pairs of hands is paramount. The general public tend to turn out as what are termed "spontaneous volunteers" in great numbers, but are very difficult for the blue light agencies to organise.

British Red Cross has a quick system to enrol people as a Crisis response volunteer.

In this capacity, a person's details are obtained as a willing pair of hands if required. They are held on a database and at the time Of an incident, a radical catchment area is created around the origin, and all registered volunteer postcodes falling into that area would be contacted. If the person is available (i.e. fit, healthy and sober!) they are invited to respond yes/no. If a Yes, then they are given a rendezvous place and time, when BRC would issue a a tabard, lanyard and wristband such that they come under the BRC insurance when deployed. No training is required.

For people to consider this, we ask them to visit

<https://reserves.redcross.org.uk/>

This is a sign up page with a short introductory explanation and you can view this without commitment.

I have done this – will you??

Jacqui Molyneux DGE

Origins of the Red Cross Movement

The International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement started in 1863 and was inspired by Swiss businessman Henry Dunant. The suffering of thousands of men on both sides of the Battle of Solferino in 1859 upset Dunant. Many were left to die due to lack of care.

He proposed creating national relief societies, made up of volunteers, trained in peacetime to provide neutral and impartial help to relieve suffering in times of war. In response

To these ideas, a committee (which later became The International Committee of the Red Cross) Was established in Geneva. The founding charter Of the Red Cross was drawn up in 1863.

Dunant also proposed that countries adopt an international agreement, which would recognise the status of medical services and of the wounded on the battlefield. This agreement – the original Geneva Convention was adopted in 1864.

The formation of the British Red Cross

When war broke out between France and Prussia in July 1870,

Colonel Loyd-Lindsay Wantage of wrote a letter to The Times calling for a National Society to be formed in Britain just like in other European nations. Dunant also proposed that

countries adopt an International agreement, which would recognise the status of medical services and of the wounded on the battlefield. This agreement, the original Geneva Convention, was adopted in 1864.

When war broke out between France and Prussia In July 1870, a public meeting was held in London, And a resolution passed that a national society be Formed in this country for aiding sick and Wounded soldiers in time of war, and that the said Society be formed upon the rules laid down by the Geneva Convention of 1864. The British Red

Cross was born.



Bulletin Quiz ~ November



Send your answers to Keith Peacock (rotary.washington@virginmedia.com) with a chance to win £50 for your club to forward to the Rotary Foundation. If there are more than one correct entry, then your entry will go into the hat for the DG to pull out at the District Council on 15 November.

Winner and club to be notified by email and in the December Bulletin. Entries to be in by 14 November.

Best of luck.

1. Name the US States: Most Northerly, Most Easterly, Most Southerly, Most Westerly.
2. Who was the 4th wife of Henry 8.
3. How many feet in an average nautical mile
4. In which direction does the River Nile flow.
5. Which chemical formula represents Ice.
6. What is the name of Tintin's Dog.
7. What is a male fox called
8. Which ABBA album had a French title.
9. Where in London is the Lutine Bell.
10. Who invented the Chronometer.
11. How long did the 100 year war last
12. Sitting Bull belonged to which tribe.
13. If you were to spell out numbers, how far would you have to go before finding the letter 'A' in the number.
14. What was the name of Wellington's horse
15. Who was the last British PM not to have a wife
16. What does 72 divide by 1/2 equal
17. What is the angle between the hands of a clock at one o'clock.
18. Air force one is the President of USA plane, what is Marine One
19. What was John Lennons middle name.
20. In which country is Waterloo, where the battle took place

Get in touch

This Bulletin is devoted to giving you the opportunity to have your say. Whether you want to advertise an event, praise or complain, suggest or advise, add information or correct it, or just get something off your chest, we'd love to hear from you. Contact the Editor at brianshaw6@sky.com

Rotary Washington tumbling to success

Rotary Washington have, for many years, supported Washington Gymnastics, "Tumbler" Shanice Davidson, both morally and financially. She and her family recently sent a big thank you to Rotary Washington, for their support and sponsorship from an early age till now. At 18 years, Shanice has now been selected to represent Great Britain in the Senior Team, which means that, in November, she will be travelling to Russia to compete in the World Championships.



Shanice has also been to Azerbaijan, where she was part of a team which won Team Gold Medal. In her first Senior British Championship, she won the Bronze Medal, whilst now as a senior gymnast, Shanice gets everything paid for by British Gymnastics. She is also now employed at her Gym Club full time as a gymnastics coach.

Rotary Washington are delighted to have been involved in Shanice's journey, and will be keeping a watchful eye on her progress.

Neil Mconie
Rotary Washington

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District Governor's Visits - November 2018

Thursday, 1st	Tyneside	Evening
Tuesday, 6th	North Shields	Lunchtime
Wednesday, 7th	Houghton le Spring	Evening
Thursday, 8th	Middlesbrough	Lunchtime
Tuesday, 13th	Cleveland	Lunchtime
Tuesday, 20th	Durham Bede	Lunchtime
Wednesday, 21st	Sedgefield	Evening
Thursday, 22nd	Sunderland	Lunchtime

To confirm - SR1

Rotary Washington at the Memory Café

Rotary Washington recently staged another "Memory Café" at Barmston Village. Miss Tina, the café manager, kindly allows this get together every second Thursday of the month, from 2.30p.m. to 4.00p.m.

Participants are treated to a musical afternoon by Rita on keyboards, accompanied by Mary, who knows all the old Geordie songs.

Miss Tina's Café caters for mothers and fathers, along with their children, and includes a play area both inside and outside, where the children can play safely. Also present were guests from Washington Grange Care Home, who were delighted with the afternoon.

The Memory Café is also open to the local community, and for more information email Neil Mconie on neilmconie@talktalk.net.

District Conference 2019 Friday 4 October - Sunday 6 October The Rendezvous Hotel, Skipton



Bookings open - January 2019



**Don't miss out! - book early
Friday is Casino Night
Saturday features Abba
What more could you wish for!**

RIBI TECHNOLOGY TOURNAMENT

The North East Rotary Clubs (District 1030) are working together in partnership to offer secondary schools from across the region the opportunity to enter teams for the North East Regional Technology Tournament to be held on Friday 22 March 2019 in Sunderland.

The aims of the Technology Tournament are:

- To offer students a new opportunity to develop their skills in design and technology
- To encourage students to develop interpersonal skills such as team-working, problem solving and communication
- To encourage closer relationships between our Rotary clubs and their local schools

The main features of this one-day Technology Tournament are:

- Rotary clubs will fund the event and provide all materials for the task
- There will be no charge for teams to take part
- Schools can send up to three teams (four students per team) ; one each for Key stage 3, 4 and 5
- The best team solution to the task in each age group will win a trophy
- All students will receive a personalised achievement certificate.

Many of our Clubs have already offered some financial support for this event. We believe that we now have enough funding to run the event, but we would like to make it better by encouraging companies in the region to show the entrants what technology companies in the North East can do.

Some companies may wish to become event sponsors, but more importantly, we would like companies in the region to have a display area in the hall so that the youngsters can experience the range of technology that exists "on our doorstep". We especially welcome those who can offer "hands on" experience at the event, such as 3D Printers, robotics, and micro-electronics.

Already five schools registered and we will be limiting attendance to 24 teams, so we expect that all of the remaining places will soon be filled. If your local school has not yet applied, please encourage them to do so.

Some Rotary clubs may wish to support the travel costs of their local schools to and from Sunderland to ensure that all schools may take part.

Every secondary school in our District has been invited to take part, whether large or small, state-funded or private.

Peter Chandler