Lynda and I extend a very warm welcome to you all to come and Celebrate Rotary “Together we Can” at the Barton Grange Hotel, on Saturday 4th April 2020.

The hotel is situated just a few minutes drive from the M6 motorway and surrounded by beautiful gardens and lawns, and is owned by the Topping Family that so generously advertise in the District magazine.

The Conference team have put together an interesting and informative programme of speakers which will promote the themes of Rotary.

Accommodation is available on both Friday and Saturday, and there will be great entertainment on both evenings.

The programme will be aimed at everyone who enjoys Rotary fellowship and friendship and is proud of what we achieve in our communities and internationally. Please join us for an entertaining and fun-filled weekend.

We look forward to seeing you all there.

Best wishes

Miles
Barton Grange was built in the closing years of Queen Victoria’s reign when Preston still enjoyed the prosperity born of its manufacturing prowess. The stylish house embraced all the panache and elegance of the ‘Arts and Crafts’ movement so fashionable at the time.

The house remained in private ownership, although there was a change of ownership a number of times, until the Second World war when the War Ministry decided it would make a perfect officers’ mess for the Women’s Auxillary Air Force who were manning an early warning station set up at nearby Barton Hall.

After the war the house remained empty until Edward and Ada Topping together with son Eddie moved in.

In 1951 Barton Grange was opened as a six bedroom bed and breakfast. Barton Grange is still owned by the Topping family and along with a landscaping, nursery and garden centre forms one of Preston’s best known companies The Barton Grange Group.
District Governor David Hood of District 1220 is a Trustee of Aquabox and joined Rotary in 1996.

Aquabox saves lives by providing people in disaster areas with the means to produce drinkable water. As a volunteer-led Rotary charity founded in 1992, it has operated right across the globe, responding to many humanitarian crises. In recognition of its work, Aquabox was awarded the Queen’s Award for Voluntary Service in 2016.

David Ellis joined Rotary in 1994 and is a member and Past President of the Rotary Club of Salford with Swinton, a MPHF and served as District Governor for District 1280 in 2011/12 and was elected to serve as the first Chairman of Rotary in Great Britain & Ireland in the Rotary year 2021-2022.

Pam Holgate is a retired police officer. In 2016 when Pam’s mum was diagnosed with Lewy Body Dementia Pam became a Dementia Champion through the Alzheimer’s Society and has made a commitment to share her knowledge with as many people as possible in order to dispel many myths that surround the disease and show how we can all help people with dementia to live well.
Jon Meech, CEO, HandsOn London

Jon joined HandsOn London in 2015 after almost 20 years in the charitable sector. Jon is passionate about volunteering and the impact it can make to people’s lives.

Since joining HandsOn London, Jon has lead the charity from a small local organisation to one that is delivering some of the largest projects in the city. Jon has spoken widely about flexible volunteering on TV, Radio, and at International Conferences on Volunteer Engagement.

Paul Whittaker OBE, ‘Music to your Ears’

Born in Huddersfield in 1964, Paul has been deaf from birth. A pianist and organist, he read music at Wadham College, Oxford, and gained a Postgraduate Diploma from the Royal Northern College of Music before founding a charity “Music and the Deaf” in 1988. He ran this for 27 years, leaving in 2015 to pursue a freelance career.

RYLA Students

This District is fortunate to have one of the field centres which facilitate the RYLA course for students sponsored by our Clubs. Two of the students who have been on the course will be telling us of their experiences, and how it has helped them develop their leadership skills. Castle Head Field Centre at Grange-over-Sands is the chosen project for this year’s District charity appeal.
Why not join us on Friday evening - settle in early for the weekend, enjoy a relaxed meal and catch up with old friends whilst enjoying your favourite tipple from the bar!!!!!!

The finest brains are currently working on your evening’s entertainment!!!!!!

More on this later.

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

Gavin Young

Back by popular demand

Gavin is a singer, host and entertainer. Quite simply he loves singing and entertaining.

Gavin has been singing and entertaining professionally since he was 18, performing at every type of family occasion; hosting corporate award ceremonies and events. He entertained Conference at Grange last year on the Saturday night making it a night to remember.
Barton Grange Hotel
Barton (Preston), Lancashire
PR3 5AA

DAY DELEGATES: Cost for attending the Saturday Conference is **£35.00 per person**
to include coffees & teas, hot/cold buffet lunch and all speakers

Optional Evening Meal for Day Delegates on Friday is **£25 pp** Saturday is **£30 pp**

Accommodation at Barton Grange Hotel,
if required, **MUST** be booked on the attached form
and returned to the Registration Secretary, at the address below.

Friday night rate is **£200.00** per room to include Registration, Dinner, Bed and Breakfast.
Based on two people sharing
**£135.00** for single occupancy

Saturday night rate is **£220.00** per room to include Registration, Dinner & Entertainment,
B & B based on two people sharing
**£145.00** for single occupancy

Saturday and Sunday **£370.00** per room to include Registration, Dinner, Bed and Breakfast
plus entertainment on Saturday night, based on two people sharing
**£255.00** for single occupancy

All Payment for registration, accommodation at Barton Grange Hotel
and any optional dinners must be sent with your registration form to:-

Rtn. Brian Pollitt (Conference Registration Secretary)
32 Lothian Avenue, Fleetwood, FY7 8BY
or paid by BACS (details on Registration Form)

Tel: 01253 871014 Mob: 07711256856
Email: b.pollitt23@sky.com

Rotary

Cancellations
If cancellation made up to 15th Dec 2019 you will be charged 50% of the booking
Cancellation up to 15th Feb 2020 you will be charged 75% of the booking
and after 15th Feb 2020 you will be liable for 100% of the booking.

Please consider taking out holiday insurance to cover any loss due to cancellation.
Please indicate the type of room required e.g. (D) Double (T) Twin

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Day Delegate
£35 per person

Optional Evening Meal for Day Delegates per person FRI. £25 SAT. £30

Option 1
Friday Night D B & B inc. registration £200 per room (2 persons) D/T *
Single occupancy £135 per room

Option 2
Saturday Night D B & B inc. registration £220 per room (2 persons) D/T *
Single occupancy £145 per room

Option 3
Friday & Saturday D B & B inc. registration £370 per room (2 persons) D/T *
Single occupancy £225 per room

Total Amount Payable £

Dietary Needs

Mobility Needs

Please send your cheque for registration and any Optional Dinners payable to “RIBI District 1190” to:- Rtn. Brian Pollitt, Treasurer/Registration Secretary, 32 Lothian Ave, Fleetwood, FY7 8BY. Payments may also be made by BACS.

A/c Name: RIBI DISTRICT 1190 CONFERENCE ACCOUNT
A/c No.: 51367676 - Sort Code: 40-32-08
Please use your Name and Club (abbreviated) as the Reference