



Rotary Club of Canterbury

President: Peter Hermitage
President Elect: Martin Ward
Programme for August 2015

- 4th Tuesday Lunch meeting at Abbots Barton, 12.30 for 1pm
Business Meeting
Stewards: Viv Pritchard and Mark Rosen
- 11th Tuesday **6 pm Meetings of Community Services,
International and Vocational Services
Committees** followed by
Evening meeting at Birleys, Kings School Sports
Pavilion, St Stephens, 7 for 7.30pm
Speakers: Millennium Scholars Katie Washington
and Ms S O'Rourke
Host: Leslie Stephenson
Stewards: Alastair Scott and Stephen Thompson
- 18th Tuesday Lunch meeting at the Cricket Club, 12.30 for 1pm
Speaker: Sarah Marsh, Teens Unite to Fight Cancer
Host: Martin Ward
Stewards: Leslie Stephenson and Mike Talbot
- 19th Wed'day Club Service, 6.30pm, Kent & Canterbury Club
- 23rd -
30th August *Mini Group Study Exchange in St Quentin.
Organised by Alastair Scott*
- 25th Tuesday Lunch meeting at the Cricket Club, 12.30 for 1pm
Speaker: TBC
Host:
Stewards: Robin Vickers and Peter Wales
Club Council

Future Dates

1st September – Business meeting attended by District Governor Nominee Peter West

Duck Race – postponed until Sunday 20th September

29th September – Guest Night. See below for details.

Rotary News

Guest Night – 29th September

To celebrate peace in 1945, we will be holding a black tie dinner at the Mess of the Defence Fire and Training Development Centre, Manston. This will include music from the Swing Time Sweethearts who have performed in their WRAF uniforms at places like Buckingham Palace and St James' Palace, together with a history of wartime Manston given by the Centre's commanding officer.

Speakers

If you have any ideas for Speakers - you know someone who has done something Members would be interested in, or have heard of a worthwhile charity – please contact Peter Wales **by email** to let him know. If you think you might have mentioned someone to him in passing, please **email him with the name and contact details of your nominee.**

International Committee

Club Website

Publicising club events and projects is becoming increasingly difficult because there is less space in the local papers and the majority of people now turn to the internet and social media for their news and information. The club is already well prepared to cope with this change not only because it has an established website but it also has a Facebook Page and a Twitter Feed.

As well as publicising events, the club website (www.rotarycanterbury.org.uk) is also actively used as a conduit for the public to contact the club on variety of topics ranging from charitable appeals to membership enquiries via its Contact Page. Dedicated email addresses for the Millennium Scholarship Trust Fund (mstf@rotarycanterbury.org.uk) and Innovation Competition (innovation@rotarycanterbury.org.uk) are already in existence and additional, specialist, addresses can be set up as and when a need arises. A dedicated email address can additionally be set to divert automatically to another address. In the case of our two, the Millennium one diverts to Leslie Stephenson and the Innovation one to Brian Dobinson.

Because of the time it takes to set up and test a web page, or dedicated email address, please provide as much warning as possible – ideally at least a month - to Robin Hendy. In the case of Social Media please speak to Martin Ward - but please do not set up new, separate, Facebook or Twitter feeds. Received wisdom is it takes at least 18 months for new social media feeds to take-off so a project will likely be over before a bespoke feed appears on anybody's radar. Better by far to use the already established club feeds and the networks which are already in existence. Martin can instruct committee chairs / project leaders in how to accomplish this very simple task.

Martin Ward

July Birthdays by Ian Wright

The month of July has a special day
on the 4th of the month in the U S of A
It also has birthdays for me to relate
and in this month there are a total of eight

This new member who joined in May
has an early greeting for his birthday
I'll keep it short and keep it sweet
and say Brian Wheeler it's your birthday we greet

The next one I share will do all that she can
to help with education in the Sudan
She joined the club in two o one two
what is the name I'm finding for you ?

I'm sure you know from names within
to say happy birthday to Margaret Griffin

A long serving member I bring to the fore
to tell you he joined this club in sixty four
For many years he's been ready to take
the records of the attendances we make
quietly spoken sometimes hard to hear
I'll just make sure you all can **Happy Birthday to Ken Beere**

In early years on the Business trail
He searched for the finer detail
now he brings these skills to the fore
with searching questions by the score
Over the past 5 years he has spent
significant time with top choir kent
more recently we were asked to get
a caption when 2 leaders met
There is certainly a great deal more that I could say
Instead Bob Anderson it's Happy Birthday

In his working life I need to mention
He professionally managed others pension
Now in Rotary firmly stead
he happily manages our sailor Ted
but before his name that I tell
You'll need a coin for his wishing well
when you've found it you won't wait long
It will reveal the name of Robert Yonge

Prior to retirement he worked hard until then
at a place that made special tablets for men
If you're not sure what I mean from this
then speak to the person whose birthday it is
another small clue that I have brought
Is that he regularly worked as a Magistrate in court
Now in Rotary no boundaries restrict

He is able to get monies from our District
I'm sure you know now the name I will say
Tony Pomeroy Happy Birthday

He would insure your home, your life, your car
His overall deals were better by far
than the others that the TV show
pointing the finger at Insure and Go
Our Rotary club is a great deal richer
by having its own personal twitcher
Travelling around through marsh and reed
hoping to have sight of the rarest breed
In our club for his involvement across the board
He was deservedly given the Paul Harris award
Gussed his name yet if not I will
say Happy Birthday to John Hill

On his way to work he'd travel
to the land of sand and gravel
Building tunnels and motorways too

from the M20 down to the M2.
Whilst playing golf one day in France
he led us all a merry dance ,
He said will they shut the course for me
I can't go on I've lost my tee.
On another day with Rog Clarke and me
we were told of another game you could play with three
He said It works like this across 3 ways
I've done it before, and know how it plays
When at the end we asked how we did
I've kept the score boys , and you each owe me a quid
Finally before I forget
I'll say Happy Birthday to Tim Brett

