



Rotary Club of Canterbury

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

- 2nd – 5th *Weekend in St Quentin – contact Stephen Thompson*
- 6th Tuesday Lunch meeting at the Cricket Ground, 12.30 for 1pm
Business Meeting
Stewards: Vic Banks and Andrew Barchi
- 13th Tuesday Evening meeting at the Cricket Ground, 7 for 7.30pm
Speaker: Flt Lt (Rtd) Paddy Langdown – The Last
Flying Vulcan
Stewards: Jacquie Bartlett and David Barton
- 20th Tuesday Lunch meeting at the Cricket Ground, 12.30 for
Speaker: Rtn Rosemarie Morton – From Kenya to
England – my Life and Job
Stewards: John Beckett and Ken Beere
- 23rd – 25th *District Conference, Bournemouth*
- 27th Tuesday Lunch meeting at the Cricket Club, 12.30 for 1pm
Speaker: Malcolm Wells MBE – Canine Partners:
Opening Doors to Independence
Stewards: Roger Bickerton and John Bobba

Future Dates

Saturday, 14th November - John Ekins concert at St Gregory's centre, CCCU.
Contact Gill Dixon for details.

Saturday, 12th December – Christmas Dinner at Darwin College, UoK

Rotary News

Club Attendance

Attendance in August was 50.83%. Any member planning to be away for more than three weeks should apply to the Secretary for Leave of Absence.

If you are aware that a Rotarian or a member of his/her family is ill, then please let David Lewis know.

Martin Ward

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.**

August and September Birthdays from Ian Wright

The month of August is often the best
Having more sunshine than most of the rest
It also has birthdays that come from me,
but for this month there are only three.
The first one I bring is with warmth and feeling,
to someone who spent his life in milk dealing
Now due to frailty he needs regular care
but still has many Rotary memories to share
I'll now give us a name to remember
It's Ted Abbott our latest Honorary member
He has sold many a piano, trumpet and flute
To customers with a high repute
In more recent years he carried the weight
Of managing the K and C hospital fete
Now he lives the retirement dream
by residing close to the home of Shephard Neame

I'm sure by now that you all know
It's birthday time for Roddy Tyndale- Biscoe
Next one up who can it be
Who worked so hard in Health and safety
She joined the club in two 0 one three
and now chairs the Child Protection Committee
I'll share the name now before I forget
and say Happy Birthday to Jackie Bartlett
The month of September has a very long list
Of birthdays that really shouldn't be missed
In fact it has a total of nine
Eight I will read to you, the other one's mine
After retirement a change of career
Working more closely with wine and beer
Using his skills that are well spent
In managing the bar at top choir Kent
When at home in the lane called Wickham
which forms part of the village of Ickham
He can think about food research, and what used to be
and we'll say happy birthday Alan Holmes OBE
The next one makes it hard for me
as he is a member we rarely see
He appeared just once in the past year
Just don't know when he'll next be here
In the meantime we'll just say
To Mike Bridgeford Happy Birthday
The third one down the September line
Is a Rotarian who regularly donates us wine
For the 100 club he recently asked how he did
and was told that he had just won 100 quid
There's more information I bring to the fore
He's also a member of our club thirty four
Have you yet worked out the name of this man
If not I will tell you it's Geoffrey Goodban
Number four that I bring to you today
Is a Rotarian that came from the U S of A
He's now settled with us, and cut a dash
by taking the chair for raising the cash
I'm sure by now you have worked out
It's Mark Rosen that I'm talking about
The next one to set the wheels in motion
Is a Rotarian that sailed the Antarctic Ocean
On his way penguins and whales he did spot
following behind the explorer Scott
Now back on land he can renew his
role of assistant to treasurer Lewis
I'm sure from this you'll make no mistake
By saying Happy Birthday to Rotarian Jake
He joined the club 3 years ago
And he's number 6 in this month's show

It's an easy name for you to check
When I tell you he once was a chartered sec
If I also tell you next year he will be
once again chair of our VSC
No more clues now I will instead
Say happy birthday to Alan Mepstead
A Rotarian of many years standing
carries the charity management banding
He also ensures that from within
the ducks are counted both out and in
Any new member that joins us this year
Will be mentored and helped by him to settle in here
Well from all of this who can it be
It's now time to reveal that it's Robin V
Evening all was the cry
In those many years gone by
Then what followed beyond belief
He went through the ranks to assistant chief
After the force we did recently see
the roles he undertook on his CV
As well as achieving his retirement wish
of enjoying the ski slopes and catching the fish
Does anyone now feel this is suffice
For him to receive one of his own sugar mice
So I'll now finish with all good intent
and say Happy Birthday to our President