

ROTARY CLUB OF CANTERBURY
CLUB SERVICE COMMITTEE – 27TH JANUARY 2014

Present : VP(Chairman), RD, KB, HC, AF, PW.

Apologies: DB, JB

1. Minutes: The minutes of the meeting held on 20th November were agreed.
2. Matters Arising:

It was noted that Abbotts Barton will be the alternate venue for lunches, when the cricket ground is not available. A number of dates have been identified when the alternative venue will be needed. It was pointed out that, in the past, attendance has generally been lower when meetings were held at Abbotts Barton.
3. Chairman's Remarks
 - a) VP has drawn up a revised list of Rotary widows. Two widows on the previous list have moved out of the area. Copy of latest list will be passed on to some members who may have new information.
 - b) E-mail from Robin Vickers:
Reflecting on the discussion about the structure of the Club Committees at last Tuesday's meeting I have been wondering if it is possible to make an Organogram of the various Committees, sub-committees and individual funds (e.g. Millennium fund) that show clearly what reports to what etc. If this formed a single page accompanied by a second page giving brief detail of each C'ttee's activities, delegated authorities and / or any separate charitable status they could both be posted on the Members area of the website for us all to refer to - and for new members to absorb at their leisure.

Robin has volunteered to assist in preparing organogram. Members agreed it would be a good way forward.
4. Dining: Nothing to report
5. Speakers' Programme:

Discussion on proposal to increase frequency of business meetings and have fewer speakers. General feeling was that, whilst members need to be fully informed, two business meetings a month would be excessive and attendance would likely fall. VP to pass on comments to Club Council.

Arrangements for February agreed.
6. Newsletter:

The February issue has been drafted and will be circulated shortly. Forward programme also agreed. RD wants to include summaries of key decisions from

spending committees in newsletter. Will discuss with Tony Pomeroy to include items on International Committee in newsletter.

7. Training/ Membership:
Special meeting to be held on 28th Jan to discuss membership and training issues.
8. Registrar.
Club attendances were: November 61%, December 59%.
An analysis of individual attendance for July to Dec 2013 showed that 44 members had achieved over 50% attendance. Of the rest, 8 were excused attendance, some were just below 50%. Two members with nil attendance consistently contribute to club activities in other ways. About 6 members had very low attendance and made negligible contribution.
9. Archives:
Items from archives displayed at Christmas dinner had attracted little interest.
10. Next meeting:
24th February 2014.