

ROTARY CLUB OF CANTERBURY

CLUB SERVICE COMMITTEE – 16TH OCTOBER 2013

Present: VP(Chairman), SJ, PW, HC, RD, DB

Apology: KB,

1. Minutes. The minutes of the meeting held on 18th September were agreed.
2. Chairman's Remarks. Terms of reference for the committee have been approved by Club Council. VP has spoken with DB about role of the Dining and Entertainment committee and agreed there should be no conflict. The D&E committee will be responsible for managing meetings and event and only refer items to Club Service in cases where advice is sought or anticipate possible problems.
3. Dining and Entertainment. DB advised the committee on debate on how to treat Rotary widows, esp with payment for attendance at the Club Christmas Dinner. Tradition is for D&E account to cover cost of widows, but some views that this is an unfair burden on current members. This is a sensitive issue and requires wider debate. Chairman will refer to President. VP has contacted Roger Power re list of widows of former members of this club. Events Manager system now working and should go fully live very soon.
4. Speakers' Programme. PW set out final list of speakers and hosts for the November meetings. These have been noted for the Newsletter.
5. Newsletter. Need to finalise by the weekend. Suggest include potential evening Channel Hop on 30th November, for members to confirm interest. Check whether to include President at Home on 1st January.
6. Training. VP circulated draft ideas on how to fill the various elements of this role. There was a lively discussion and suggestions. VP will incorporate changes and circulate to Martin Ward and President for further consideration.
7. Membership. Copy of minutes of recent committee meeting passed on by HC. Some debate about Martin Ward's draft paper for Club Council. Short list drawn up of potential 2nd Vice President.
8. District Conference. A few members will be attending. Need to review role of Conference Officer to consider more active approach to encouraging attendance at future conferences, as an important social event.
9. Sports. No report.
10. Health and Safety. VP has spoken briefly with new member Jacquie Bartlett and will set aside more time to discuss in detail role of committee and current policies.
11. Registrar. Attendance for September was 54%.
12. Almoner. No report.
13. Next meeting: 20 November 2013