

## Rotary Club of Canterbury

### Minutes for the Club's Business Meeting held on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2023 at the Cricket Ground

1. Rosemary welcomed everyone to the meeting.
2. Almoner/Health Report – David: Rosemarie Morton now at home at the Red House and improving. Jim back after Covid. President Rosemary visited Rosemarie M. Visitors welcome but please contact her daughter.
3. Minutes of last Business Meeting – 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2023 agreed.
4. President's Matters
  - a. Cooperation with local Clubs, joint calendars available and link circulated.
    - i. World Polio Day 24<sup>th</sup> October – lighting up of St Dunstons – members attended, and some followed on to join the Sunrise quiz at Monument.
    - ii. Interact Club at Archbishops School – Maxine reported that the club is up and running.
    - iii. Rosemary mooted a possible Inter-Club Bridge Tournament as a winter activity.
    - iv. Trustees to confirm Mini Group Study Exchange to be funded by MSTF.
    - v. Rotary District Conference – Rosemary, Roger and Irina attended. Rosemary found meeting other members useful.
    - vi. Santa Sleigh – more volunteers needed – Maxine to recirculate sign-up sheet.
  - b. The Point – Update ST. Draft leases still awaited.
  - c. Other points from Club Council meeting on 30<sup>th</sup> October
    - i. SGM 5<sup>th</sup> December – volunteers for President Elect and Secretary, Dining & Speaker secretary's roles needed – please consider standing for these.
    - ii. Pentangular
      - i) Presidents' meeting to be done via Zoom.
      - ii) Following up on Christmas Carols event.
    - iii. Fundraising
      - i) David Tadd evening – fully booked. Thanks to Neil & Stephen.
      - ii) Club calendar not being pursued.
      - iii) Julie's Black and White Quiz – very enjoyable and thanks to Julie.
    - iv. EMS meal booking protocols to be followed – list of current member preferences has been circulated by Maxine. Members are asked to check that their preferences are correct and sign in/apologise for each meeting by the preceding Sunday evening.
    - v. Gill Dixon asked if we can try place settings without using the table number tiles, and this was agreed.
  - d. Treasurer's report – Jim
    - i. Club accounts to 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2023 had been circulated with the agenda.
    - ii. Allocation of monies from Duck Race to C&SV Committee is £2500.
    - iii. RC Trust fund may fund majority of International Service Committee spending as this is mainly for the relief of poverty.
    - iv. Other grants made:
      - i) Rotary Kids Out Xmas Toy Box Appeal - £500
      - ii) Canterbury Voices Scholarship Fundraising Concert -£500

- e. Archive review and storage
  - i. Volunteers to help Jim review the Club Archive at Kent & Canterbury. Date to be confirmed probably, in the New Year.
- f. Updated Club programme – November to December events has been circulated.
  - i. 16<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Dinner at The Granville, Lower Hardres, £35 for 3 Course Dinner (drinks extra), planned for 60 people. Dress code – black tie preferred. Invitations emailed out 1<sup>st</sup> November. Menu choices/Booking forms back to Rosemary by 30<sup>th</sup> November. Guests very welcome. All payments via members dining accounts.

## 5. Committee Updates

- a. Community & Vocational – R-KC
  - i. John Hill in chair.
    - i) Primary Schools Writing Competition – letters out and some replies
    - ii) Concern as to clarity on funding available. Committee felt unable to confirm ‘promised’ expenditure.
    - iii) Irina working at Rising Sun to help develop ‘one-stop-shop’ strategy for victims of domestic abuse.
    - iv) Innovation Competition being supported by CCCU STEM group.
    - v) Cooking competition suspended.
    - vi) Thank to Brian for visit to Royal Courts of Justice
    - vii) QEGS Faversham exhibition (flyer circulated).
- b. International SC-
  - i. Raj next meeting on December 5<sup>th</sup>.
  - ii. Thank you letter from ShelterBox circulated.

## 6. AOB

- a. Agreed CC minutes to be circulated to Council members and then posted on the Club website within two weeks of the meeting.
- b. Roger has agreed to help District 1120 with fundraising across the Clubs in District.
- c. A survey of how District Council Meetings can be developed is being sent out by DG.
- d. Rosemary compiling report on Club’s activities for Cluster Group.

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