

Newsletter – February 2018

Programme for February 2018:

Date	Details	Venue	Speaker	Stewards
6/2/18 (Tuesday)	Community Service Committee 11.30	Kent County Cricket Club	-	-
	Lunch Business Meeting 12:30	Kent County Cricket Club	None	Sidney Denham, Harry Cragg
13/2/18 (Tuesday)	Intl Committee 18.00	Kent County Cricket Club	-	-
	Guest Evening 19:00	Kent County Cricket Club	Rosie Duffield MP, "First Impressions of Westminster" Host: Alan Forrest	Robin Vickers, Kailash Maunick
20/2/18 (Tuesday)	Club Service Committee 11.30 (TBC)	Kent County Cricket Club	-	-
	Lunch Meeting 12:30	Kent County Cricket Club	Malcom Wagget, "Indian Rural Health Studies" Host: Mark Rosen	Andrew Barchi, Jake Davies
	Vocational Committee After lunch mtg	Kent County Cricket Club	-	-
27/2/18 (Tuesday)	Lunch Meeting 12:30	Kent County Cricket Club	Raj Dasan: Job talk	Alan Forrest, Brian Dobinson
	Club Council 18:00	K&C Club	-	-

Please note: if you have not received an email advising you of the date(s) of when you are required to be a steward, then check the website programme as this now give details of stewards for the next few meetings. If you cannot do a date that you have been assigned, it is your responsibility to find a substitute. **You are also required to advise Wendy Jones (Dining Secretary), Martin Ward (interim Webmaster) and Julie Reza (PR & Newsletter) of the changes.**

Also coming up:

- **Book club:** Thursday 1 February 2018.
- **ESU public speaking competition final** at Guildhall: Thursday 8 February 2018 (starting at 5.00pm for 5.30).
- **(Lady Mayoress event) Astronomy lecture:** Saturday 10 February 2018.
- **Rotary Day:** Friday 23 February 2018.
- **(Lady Mayoress event) Evening of antiques:** Friday 9 March 2018.
- **(Minster-on-Sea Rotary Club, 10th Charter Celebration):** 24 March 2018.
- **93rd Annual Rotary Conference:** 6-8 April 2018.
- **Rotary International Convention,** Toronto, Canada: 23-27 June 2018.

Roles within the Club:

Neil Fraser has taken over the role of Club Secretary from Peter Hodge. Martin Ward has agreed to serve as interim Webmaster.

Business meeting agenda:

Club Council will set the agenda for Business Meetings. The provisional agenda for the Business Meeting on 6 February can be found within the latest Club Council minutes (see members area of website).

Dining accounts:

If you are due to make a payment to the club (see email from Roger Power on 2/1/18) please do so asap.

Guest night (Tuesday 13 February with guest speaker Rosie Duffield MP):

Members planning to bring guests should book guests on the member's own account; they should also tell Wendy of special dietary needs – see Wendy Jones' email of 27/1/19 for details.

Top Choir Kent:

A decision has been taken not to proceed with Top Choir Kent in 2018 (see email from Stephen Thompson 8/1/18 for details).

Rotary Club of Canterbury, 100 Club:

The next draws will be in February, June and October. Contact **Graham Bough** for further details.

Schools charity concerts:

President Sharon would like to hear from anyone who would like to chair an event committee for the above. Please see her email dated 24/1/18; deadline of 30/1/18 has just passed, but please contact **Sharon** asap if you are interested.

News stories:

Stories added (or soon to be added) to the website include articles about speakers and visitors (RYLA, Christopher Nickols, PCSA Kent, Catching Lives) and projects that we've supported with donations/our time (Fifth Trust, Lend With Care, Yemen, Rachel Hanagan/Olympic hopeful), visits (Archbishop's School), more duck travels (Barbados) – plus an article about Peter Hodge's induction at his new club.

Remember to tell Julie Reza about any other events, visits or newsworthy stories ... or if you wish to take a duck on travels with you!

Attendance stats:

November 2017 - 60.48%; December 2017 - 55.9%. Note: 27 members have less than 50% attendance for Jul-Dec 2018, of whom only eight were excused attendance or have Leave of Absence.

Reminders:

- Any member planning to be away for **more than three weeks** should apply to the Secretary (**Neil Fraser**) for Leave of Absence or to be excused from attendance as appropriate.
- Please contact:
 - **Wendy Jones** (Dining Secretary) for any issues to do with dining and stewards.
 - **Mark Rosen** (Speaker's Secretary) with suggestions for interesting speakers.
 - **Martin Ward** (Interim Webmaster) for posting minutes and for web/EMS issues.
 - **Julie Reza** (PR & Newsletter) with relevant news and articles.
 - **David Lewis** (Almoner/Health report) if a Rotarian or a member of his/her family is ill.

Please refer to the Club Directory for other contacts within the club.