

## Newsletter – August 2018

### Programme for August 2018:

Date	Details	Venue	Speaker	Stewards
7/8/18 (Tuesday)	Community Service Committee/Web Committee 11.30* Vocational Committee – time TBC	Kent County Cricket Club	-	-
	<b>Lunch Business Meeting</b> <b>12:30</b>	Kent County Cricket Club	-	Roger Bickerton, Tim Brett
14/8/18 (Tuesday)	Intl Committee 18.00	Kent County Cricket Club	-	-
	<b>Evening Meeting</b> <b>19:00</b>	Kent County Cricket Club	Marjorie Lyle, Canterbury before the Unis	Roger Clarke, Deborah Connolly
21/8/18 (Tuesday)	Club Service Committee - TBC			
	<b>Lunch Meeting</b> <b>12:30</b>	Kent County Cricket Club	Raj Dasan "My job" talk	Harry Cragg, Jake Davies
28/8/18 (Tuesday)	<b>Lunch Meeting</b> <b>12:30</b>	Kent County Cricket Club	Rachel van Hoven, Porchlight: accomplishments and goals	Sidney Denham, Gill Dixon
	Club Council 18:00*	K&C Club	-	-

TBC – to be confirmed. \*Please confirm with Chair.

**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 (Webmaster) and Julie Reza (PR & Newsletter) of the changes.**

### Also coming up:

- **Vocational visit to Fire Station:** 3 August 2018.
- **(Rotary District Bowls Competition):** 9 August 2018.
- **Mini Group Study Exchange 2018:** 12-19 August 2018 (Canterbury hosting).
- **K&C Hospital League of Friends Fete, Rotary BBQ:** 18 August 2018.
- **Rotary District Conference 2018 'Engage'/Duck Race 2018:** 7-9 September 2018 (Duck Race 8 Sept.) – in Canterbury.
- **Vocational visit to W Malling:** 12 September 2018 – TBC.
- **St Quentin visit:** 6-7 October 2018 (Canterbury hosting).

### **Mini Group Study Exchange 2018**

**Martin Ward**, **Alan Mepstead** (accommodation coordinator), **Viv Pritchard** (transport coordinator) and **Alastair Scott** (hospitality coordinator) have been busy making arrangements for this. Please see email via the Secretary on 19 July with draft programme.

### **K&C Hospital League of Friends Fete, Rotary BBQ**

The club has assembled a team each year to run the BBQ. Volunteers are needed to order and deliver the food, set up the BBQ, decide on pricing, cook burgers, hot dogs and onions, serve and take payment and to clear up. Please contact **Viv Pritchard** if able to help. The fair will be open between 11am and 2pm. Please go along with family and friends!

### **Rotary District Conference 2018/'Engage'**

Please see the email from ADG Hilary Brian sent via the Secretary on 1 August requesting volunteers for Meet & Greet duties at the Conference.

### **Duck Race 2018**

Thankfully, issues regarding the Duck Race have been resolved and it will go ahead as planned at 2.30 on 8 September 2018 at Westgate Gardens. Publicity has already kicked off with the Gazette; it's already on our social media and website.

We have some 1500 new ducks this year. Duck sales have started (see website) and a Facebook event will be set up soon – please share that with friends and family so that we get as much publicity as possible. Leaflets are available.

Please let **Raj Dasan** know if you can help with duck selling and let **Robin Vickers** know if you can help with counting in or out (see email on 30 June). (Special shout out to **Tim Brett** who's been wearing the duck costume at Whitefriars, despite the extreme heat.)

### **Open Farm Day, Lenham**

The International Committee event, held at **Robert Boyd Howell's** farm on 8 July 2018, was very successful and raised over £1000 for Juba. Many thanks to all who came or contributed to its success.

### **Guest evening ('Music for a summer evening')**

President **Margaret Griffin's** first guest evening was held on 31 July 2018. More about this next month.

### **Directory – 2018-2019**

The Directory is now available and **Lewis Norris** has been handing these out to members. Please note amendment: Compliance & Safety Officer is **Raj Dasan** (not Viv).

### **The Event Management System (EMS)/dining**

EMS has had some problems; both **Wendy Jones/ Martin Ward** are aware that some members didn't get notifications while others got duplicated ones. Extradigital is also aware of the problem. Signing in sheets are used for attendance. Note: the meal on 18 September will be a buffet because of other bookings.

### **Subscriptions & dining payments**

Attention is drawn to emails from **Lewis Norris** (24 July via the Secretary) and **Roger Power** (12 July) regarding these. Please pay outstanding accounts as soon as possible.

### **JPP3/Juba**

Please see emails from President Margaret Griffin and Tony Pomeroy via the Secretary on 4 July regarding this.

### Book club

Members wishing to join the book club should contact **Brian Dobinson**. Notes from previous book clubs are on the Members' Area of the website.

### Rotary 100 Club

The next draw is scheduled during the first meeting of October. Contact **Graham Bough** if you or your spouse wish to join.

### Sailor Ted

Alastair Scott was presented a cheque for £80 - the nautical millage travelled by members was 23,686 (Alastair's guess was 23,750). (The winner gets 20% of the money raised by the competition; the rest goes into our Charity Account. Sailor Ted has a rest from 31st of March to the 1st of October- he needs to recuperate after all that travelling. So he starts again on the 1st of October 2108.) Please contact **Tony Pomeroy** if you have queries about Sailor Ted.

### Rotary in Great Britain and Ireland

Rotary GBI have re-launched their website ([rotarygbi.org](http://rotarygbi.org)) – see their email of 18 July. New President: Debbie Hodge. Registration now open for November 2019 Conference in Nottingham.

### Rotary branding

If you are developing any publicity materials for the club, such as leaflets or banners, please visit the Brand Center of Rotary Intl. You have to sign in with your MyRotary details.

### Attendance stats

June: 59.16% (vs 59.23% last year and 53.6% for May). Only 39 or so people had attendance records of 50% or more. Many thanks to **Ken Beere** for this information.

### New articles (<http://www.rotarycanterbury.org.uk/canterbury-rotary-news/>)

Stories about the following have been posted to the website: Speakers (Hilary Brian, Munya Badze, David Evans); projects we're supporting or have supported with time/donations (POWYC Boxing, TFSR, St Nicholas School, Mustard Seed Singers); Open Farm day, Safari Supper, Leiden Pentagular trip...plus more 'duck travels' and publicity about the duck race. Please remember to tell **Julie Reza** about events, activities, visits or newsworthy stories.

Many thanks to all who've helped contribute to articles and to **Nan Miller** who sends Club News to the Gazette. The Gazette has also published stories about the Open Farm Day, Duck Race and the Innovation Competition. Many thanks to **Simon Edridge** and **Brian Dobinson**. One of our twitter tweets was retweeted by Lemn Sissay, Canterbury Poet Laureate. He has over 34,000 followers!

### Reminders

- Any member planning to be away for **more than three weeks** should apply to the Secretary (**Robert Boyd-Howell**) 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.
  - **Alan Forrest** (Speaker's Secretary) with suggestions for interesting speakers.
  - **Martin Ward** (Webmaster) 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.