

Newsletter – February 2019

Programme for February 2019*:

Date	Details	Venue	Speaker	Stewards
5/2/19 (Tuesday)	Community Service Committee 11.30	Kent County Cricket Club	-	-
	Lunch Business Meeting 12:30	Kent County Cricket Club	-	Bob Anderson & Andrew Barchi
12/2/19 (Tuesday)	Intl Committee 18.15	Kent County Cricket Club	-	-
	Guest evening 19:00 for 19:30	Kent County Cricket Club	Valentine's dinner, with presentations by Rotarians and their partners.	Graham Bough & Deborah Connolly
19/2/19 (Tuesday)	Club service Ctee 11:30	Kent County Cricket Club	-	
	Lunch Meeting 12:30	Kent County Cricket Club	Chris Holland, Dean – 'The new Kent and Medway Medical School'	David Barton and Ken Beere
26/2/19 (Tuesday)	Lunch Meeting 12:30	Kent County Cricket Club	Trevor Sayer – 'ServKent' (The Blood Runners)	Roger Bickerton & Jon Bobba
	Vocational After lunch	Kent County Cricket Club	-	-
	Club Council 18:00	K&C Club	-	-

*This is a provisional timetable only. TBC – to be confirmed

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 Raj Dasan (new Dining Secretary), Martin Ward (Webmaster) and Julie Reza (PR & Newsletter) of the changes.**

Also coming up:

- **Old Bull & Bush fundraising evening:** Saturday 2 February 2019
- **ESU Public Speaking Competition:** Thursday 7 February 2019
- **President's Guest Evening: Valentine's Dinner:** Tuesday 12 February 2019
- **Book club:** Thursday 21 February 2019
- **(Rotary Sunrise Club golf:** Friday 10 May 2019 (provisional date))
- **Vocational visit: Salvation Army, Denmark Hill:** Thursday 21 March 2019
- **(Rotary Club of Sandwich Golf Challenge:** Thursday 18 April 2019)
- **Pentangular 2019, Saint Quentin:** 17-19 May 2019
- **(Rotary Intl Convention, Hamburg, Germany:** 1-5 June 2019)

See next page for details of some of these events.

Old Bull & Bush fundraising evening: Saturday 2 February 2019

With the Lindley Players at Simon Langton School. See email from Stephen Thompsen on 23/1/19 for details.

ESU Public Speaking Competition: Thursday 7 February 2019

As usual, Members are requested to support this event to be held at the Guildhall, starting at 5pm. See email from **Alan Mepstead** via the Secretary on 13/1/10.

President's Guest Evening: Valentine's Dinner: Tuesday 12 February 2019

See invite sent from **David Barton** via the Secretary on 29/1/19 for details. Note that bookings should be via the events manager and that there will 'changing of places' during the event under the supervision of the Stewards.

Book club: Thursday 21 February 2019

The next book club will be held at Jennifer's house on 21 February at 7.30pm. Brian circulated notes of the last meeting to book club members on 14/1/19; we will try to put these online in the near future. If you wish to join the book club please contact **Brian Dobinson**.

Vocational visit: Salvation Army, Denmark Hill: Thursday 21 March 2019

For earlier details about these please see email from **Alan Mepstead** via Neil Fraser dated 23/6/18

Rotary Club of Sandwich Golf Challenge: Thursday 18 April 2019

See invite sent via the Secretary on 29/1/19. (This is a separate event to the Sunrise one).

Pentangular 2019, Saint Quentin: 17-19 May 2019

See email sent via the Secretary on 23/1/19.

Other information**Newsletter**

Please note that there was no newsletter for Dec 2018/Jan2019.

Club changes

Please note the following recent changes:

- **Raj Dasan** is now Dining Secretary
- **David Barton** is now in charge of Events
- **Gill Dixon's** email has changed to: gilliandixon522@yahoo.com
- **David Naumann's** email has changed to: whudson@diocant.org
- **Maxine Blades** has joined as a new Member

Assistant Governor visit

In December Hilary Brian visited the Club; she mentioned a number of things including a new data management system, a collection of 'ring pulls' for the [Purple Community Fund](#), and a scheme to assist police/emergency services for which they are seeking volunteers.

Funerals

Funerals of Shirley Hodge and Colin McKone were both well attended by Rotarians and the President would like to thank all that attended.

Dining accounts

See email sent via the Secretary on 9/1/19. You are requested to settle your accounts as needed.

Hearing loop

A hearing loop has now been installed at our usual venue (Kent County Cricket Club) to help those who are hard of hearing during meetings.

'The Rotarian' auction

The auction for the cartoon 'The Rotarian' was postponed during the Christmas dinner due to a lack of time. Hopefully there will be an update about plans soon.

RIBI demographic survey

Members may like to complete this survey <https://www.snapsurveys.com/wh/s.asp?k=154505320236> (see email with members' newsletter on 29/1/19 for details)

RIBI - 'Fill your plate for Polio' activity

A new fundraising idea - details [here](#). See RIBI newsletter.

Rotary 100 Club & Sailor Ted

Please contact **Graham Bough** and **Tony Pomeroy** respectively for further details. More will likely be mentioned at the next business meeting.

Attendance stats

October 54.12%; November 63.63%; December 66.66%. Three members had 100% attendance – well done! Many thanks to **Ken Beere** for this information.

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

Stories posted on the website (with many more soon):

Speakers: ([Mavis Hyde](#); [Graham Bough](#); [Sheila Cragg](#); [Richard K-C](#)); Projects we're supporting or have supported with time/donations ([Poppy Appeal](#); [Lord Mayor's Fund](#); [Care leavers' dinner](#); [Rising Sun](#); [Innovation Competition 2019](#)); Rotarian visits and other activities ([Canterbury Archives](#); [The Rotarian](#); [Xmas Dinner](#); [Music Hall event](#); [Valentine's Dinner](#)). We also have a new member: ([Maxine Blades](#)) and the ducks are back out on their [travels](#)! With thanks to those who have helped contribute.

A [review of 2018](#) was published on our website and an abridged version published in issue 21 of [Community Ad magazine](#) (circulation 23,000++). Rotary Radio UK also created and broadcast a jingle about the Music Hall event; they'd previously announced our auction for 'The Rotarian'. Please remember these and other media for publicity about upcoming events. **Nan Miller** sends club news to the Gazette. Please remember to tell **Julie Reza** about events, activities, donations, visits or newsworthy stories.

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:
 - **Raj Dasan** (Dining Secretary) for any issues to do with dining and stewards.
 - **David Barton** (Events) for special event-specific issues
 - **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.