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President's ramble

Many of you, my friends, have offered commiserations about my having to start this presidential year in the midst of a pandemic. Thank you, but some wiser than I have noted that difficulty often breeds creativity. I am convinced we are finding creative ways to thrive as a club, and as a group of friends who serve in unique ways.

We must not lose sight of priorities and one another. To that end I made my top priority for the club that we take care of one another and, my oh my, how we are succeeding. We are having some fun and doing good work. I have thoroughly enjoyed the clever and irreverent posts on the Rotary WhatsApp, the banter and joking during Zoom meetings as we stare at one another on tiny screens looking to see who managed a haircut and whether Ben is ever going to finish that greenhouse that sits behind him, and thanks to John England for the resurrection of Rotary walks. While I haven't taken part in the Flower Quiz (some of us do not gladly display our ignorance), I know it has been enormous fun, as has the photo competition and as the Satellite Race Night and the FTSE 100 competition will be. Every time I ask about a Rotarian I have not recently seen I discover that you have phoned or visited. For some of us our first attraction to Rotary was not the society but rather the opportunity to do good works, but I have learned over the course of my few short years with you that the camaraderie of the club does good service to all of us. There are so many in the club whom I admire. I am astonished as I learn more about your dedication and commitment over the course of many years

Still, the continuance of our friendship, of our service, of our club depends upon all of us giving even more time and energy to finding new ways to proceed. Change is perhaps the only constant in our lives, and I do not pretend to know of any yellow brick road that will lead us to a wizard who will solve all our concerns. I am certain that we must look hard at ourselves, answer honestly and completely the membership satisfaction surveys and think deeply about what we must do to remain a vibrant club as we prepare our strategic plan. I believe the best recruitment of new members, the smartest ideas for fund raising, the crucial ways to give of our service, lie with each of us.



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Sue and I came to the club because a friend, John Worthy, said it was a good thing. Have we all asked everyone in our families and every one of our friends to join us as a member or a volunteer? Have we all given those few extra hours that make a difference between a well-run event and one that just happens? If every one of us commits to give a few more hours this year than last, goes to one more event or service activity, invites someone new to a Rotary meeting, sends the names of possible volunteers to Kevin Hannon, and suggests one new and different way to provide service and get people outside the club involved, we will enjoy a healthy club in the midst of a pandemic.

There is a sparkling energy in the club right now. Every meeting I attend I hear new ideas, serious discussion of the club's needs, and care for one another. There are plans for creative ways to give the joy of Santa to the community even if we can't have children come to the sleigh, there are discussions of what we individually and as a club can do for the environment, dedication to finding ways to contribute more to Rotary Foundation, and serious discussions of what we must do to continue our help during the coronavirus that has started with contributions to foodbanks and Village by Village. There is a new web site and a thriving Facebook pages. Plans are afoot for the Shoebox appeal, for an event that brings together the entire club with our two Interact Clubs, for Race Nights, and FTSE 100 competitions. We have varied and interesting speakers and plans for social events, and excellent attendance at all our meetings.

As for me, I will give as much time, energy and thought as I can to my job as your president. In Andrew, Angus, John, and Kay, I have a phenomenal team. So should we be for such a phenomenal club

New Paul Harris Fellows

Eric Shaw Phillips

Eric Shaw-Phillips has been an enthusiastic Chair of the International team and has led the organisation of many successful fund-raising events. He has been heavily involved in the Village by Village project in Ghana, which his daughter has now gone out to Africa to work for.



... and the Cyril Weston Award goes to:

Simon Keeling

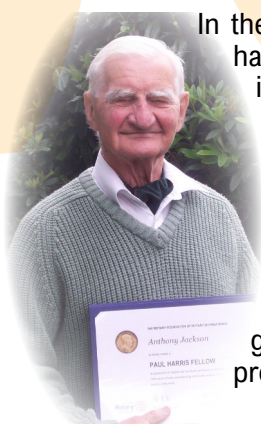
Simon Keeling has been instrumental in raising the profile of Rotary in Derby through development of social media, an example of which is his posting of live information on the Santa's Sleigh runs each year. He has also developed the Club's new website from scratch on the Rotary GB&I template. He has been Chair of our Satellite group in all but one year of its existence and continues in this role.



Club officers 2020/21

Tony Jackson

In the past six years, Tony Jackson has spent many hours of his time in organising, largely on his own, the Christmas tea party for elderly persons living alone at home. He has arranged transport, catering staff and the programming of the event. In most years he has also successfully arranged grant funding for the whole project.



President Elect - Angus Currie



Club Secretary - John Belcher

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International Committee

The International Committee has continued having meetings during lockdown via Zoom. Obviously, we have had to curtail our usual fund-raising events during the COVID 19 pandemic including postponing the Hothouse Orchestra Concert Event which was scheduled for 16th May. We hope to be able to hold that event sometime in 2021. At our next meeting in late August we will make a decision whether or not we can proceed with a face-to-face Quiz and Chips event in late November, and if the view is that is unlikely, we will organise an online quiz in its place.

We are also launching an online FTSE 100 competition in August: See separate piece on page 11.

Update on International Charities we are supporting 2020/2021

Clean Water for a school in AboAbo, Ghana: This project is to provide clean drinking water to a school in AboAbo, a remote village in Ghana. The school already has hand washing facilities provided by Village by Village, (VbyV) as part of their "Clean Hands Saves Lives" initiative. This involved providing the AboAbo Primary School with a polytank for a rain water harvesting system, and instructing the children to use the water for hand washing only. Despite these instructions, VbyV have discovered the children are drinking it regardless, putting themselves at risk of diseases from faecal contaminated of the lizards and birds who live on the roofs. So now VbyV want to provide clean drinking water too. To this end they would like to double the amount of water being harvested, remove faecal contamination, install a Chlorine Filter into the system and fit a push tap (so the kids cannot leave the tap running). The project includes supplying and maintaining the system with replacement filters for 2 years. Apart from installing the chlorine filter into the system, the project is now finished, although it can't be handed over to the school until the school is reopened, hopefully in September (dependent on the state of the Covid epidemic in Ghana). The chlorine filter will be installed once it is safe for VbyV staff to journey into the capital, Accra. The following is a photo of the system installed at the AboAbo school

The first lockdown quarter of donations of lunch and bonus money was split between the Food Bank run by Padley and the Village by Village Covid 19 appeal, according to individual members instructions. The International Committee has recommended that the international portion of the second quarter lockdown quarter is donated to the End Polio Now campaign, which is unfortunately suffering significantly due to the worldwide coronavirus pandemic.

During the 2020/2021 Rotary year we will be making decisions on which other international charities to assist, which support our overall aim of providing education to the least well-off in Africa. With the effects that the coronavirus pandemic is having on all charities helping to provide education to remote parts of Africa, the International Committee has decided to leave this decision until the impact of the pandemic on Africa becomes clearer.



Update on Village by Village (VbyV)

Like many charities, VbyV is suffering the effects of the worldwide coronavirus pandemic. Most of their work is in Ghana but includes some projects in neighbouring Togo, started in 2019. Ghana has closed all borders and their major international airport as well as introducing travel restrictions within the country, and lockdowns in their major cities.

Funding has been lost due to VbyV having to stop taking volunteers, who pay for the privilege. Some of the companies who are regular supporters have had to stop making donations, while their businesses focus their attention on their own economic shortfalls.

The Clean Water project at AboAbo School has been completed by VbyV staff in Ghana apart from the insertion of the chlorine filter which needs to be purchased in Accra. The school is closed (as are all schools in Ghana) so the system couldn't be used at the moment anyway. VbyV are now continuing to focus all their efforts in Ghana on their "Clean Hands Saves Lives" project, which has been running for a number of years and is very appropriate for the current pandemic. The following is a copy of part of their online Covid appeal:



**Covid 19:
Children's
Emergency
Response
Appeal**

"Love in a Box" (our new shoebox scheme)

The shoebox subcommittee, supported by the Media Committee, has recently had 5000 fliers printed about the 2020 shoebox scheme. These will be distributed to schools, churches and other organisations during September. The aim is to increase the number of shoeboxes collected in 2020 above that collected in 2019, which was the first year of the new scheme.

For all our events, which raise money for the international charities we support, we are very dependent on the generosity and support of all our Rotarians, their partners and friends, without whom our events would not be successful. As well as attending events, Rotarians donate excellent raffle prizes and many make donations when they are unable to attend. We are very grateful for all this support.

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Foundation – End Polio Now

Olivia Dean
Foundation Officer



Wild Poliovirus cases as at July 2020

Afghanistan - 29

Pakistan - 58

As of 20 July 2020 the polio vaccination programme in Pakistan re-started. You may recall the temporary halt this year was in order to free the health care workers to face the challenge of the coronavirus pandemic.

Rotary Foundation Activity

Foundation is Rotary's own charity and is rated in the top 5% of all charities world-wide for sound management and effective outcomes.

In 2013-14, when global grants were introduced, the Foundation awarded 868 global grants worth \$47.3 million.

By 2018-19, the number of global grants awarded had risen to 1,403, worth \$86.6 million.

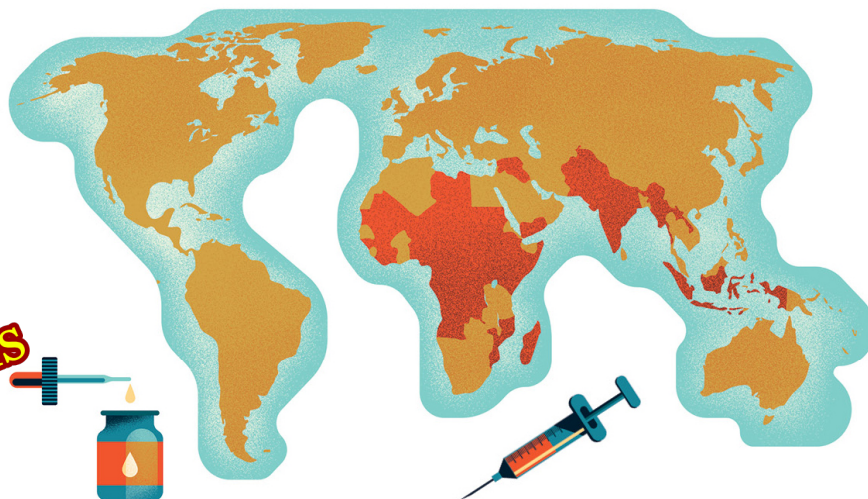
While **demand for global grants shot up by 80%**, corresponding Annual Fund **contributions from members show only a 7% increase** during this same time period.

We have a problem. Demand is exceeding supply.



Demand

Contributions



Please, support your own charity, become a 'sustaining' donor. A £65 donation, with gift aid, equates to \$100 which is all that is needed from every member to allow the Fund to meet demand.

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New faces for 2020/21



New member inducted over Zoom - Peter Woolley

On 25th May we were pleased to induct a new member, Peter Woolley.

Born in Ashbourne he has predominantly lived his life in and around Derby. Peter is a qualified Mechanical Engineer and following a career with International Combustion and its subsequent guises he retired from Alstom in 2004. He then spent a few years working part time for a building contractor in the role of Health and Safety and Project Management. However more recently he worked for a company as Technical Manager in the build of three waste to energy power stations in the UK.

He has now fully retired and hoping to devote his time to his family and holidays and obviously now the Rotary Club of Derby.

New 1220 District Governor - Keep ROTARY 'Staying Alert'

Doctor Jill Bethell MBE has taken over as District 1220 Governor. The retired doctor intends to lead the team ensuring Rotary has fresh vigour to be 'alert' to the needs of communities throughout the East Midlands and South Yorkshire.

Retired Dronfield GP Jill said, "Many lessons have and are being learned during this pandemic. As COVID-19 changes the way we live so it changes how Rotary operates and what we do. Let's all turn our challenges into stepping stones to success in different ways than we've previously enjoyed."

"Rotary needs to keep alert to present very difficult and different circumstances. We need to modernise and move on in the 21st century with younger members enabling Rotary to help address community needs both during and after this pandemic."



Meet the new RI President, Holger Knaack



Holger Knaack is the CEO of Knaack KG, a real estate company. He was previously a partner and general manager of Knaack Enterprises, a 125-year-old family business. He is a founding member of the Civic Foundation of the City of Ratzeburg and served as president of the Golf-Club Gut Grambek. Knaack is also the founder and chair of the Karl Adam Foundation.

A Rotary member since 1992, Knaack has served Rotary as treasurer, director, moderator, member and chair of several committees, representative for the Council on Legislation, zone coordinator, training leader, and district governor.

He is an endowment/major gifts adviser and was co-chair of the Host Organization Committee for the 2019 Rotary International Convention in Hamburg.

Knaack and his wife, Susanne, are Major Donors to The Rotary Foundation and members of the Bequest Society.

Rotary Opens Opportunities

Satellite News

On Friday 31st July our Satellite held a benchmark Online Charity Race Night in aid of local charity Safe and Sound.

Members of the Satellite had been pondering how they could continue supporting their charities in light of the Covid-19 pandemic and following numerous successful meetings and months of participating individually in quiz nights on Zoom they decided to take their previously successful Race Night online, offering something a little different during these turbulent times.

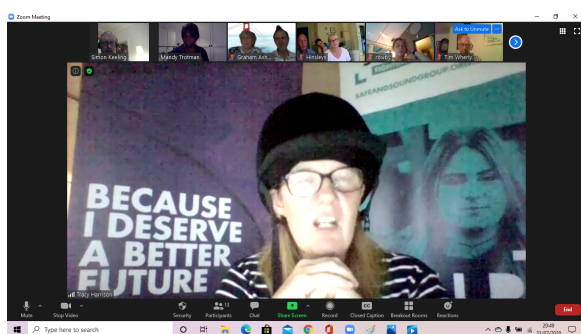
At just £5 per zoom screen, the aim was to offer an affordable night of entertainment, not just for one person, but for couples and family groups too.

There were 24 tickets sold and in total, £248 was raised through ticket sales and donations through the ticket site and more raised on the night as well as Gift Aid donations too.

Satellite member Mandy Trotman, who has since joining Rotary, started working for the Charity was host for the evening, backed up by Tracy Harrison, CEO of Safe and Sound hosting the races and Satellite's Chair, Simon Keeling providing the mini games and competitions.

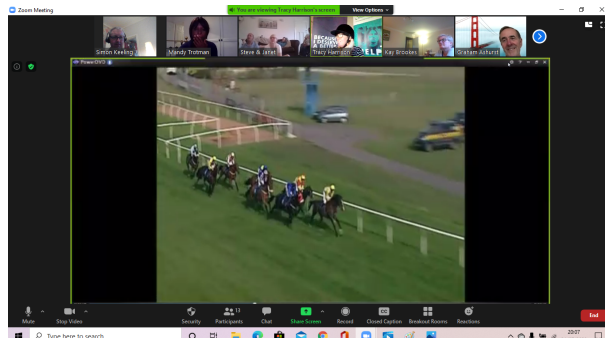
It was a fun evening with eight races and five mini games. Kay Brookes won a hamper in an anagram competition, her knowledge of UK racecourses was amazing and in a Countdown style conundrum, Rotarian Steve Hinsley's son, Joe, solved the 11 letter word in less than a minute.

We would like to thank everyone that took part. Our next online fundraiser will be a Murder Mystery Evening in November, We would love to see you there.



Left is Tracey Harrison complete with jockey helmet introducing each of eight races.

Right is a screenshot of one of the races



ROTARY CLUB OF DERBY - ROTA OF CLUB DUTIES

Date	Host and My Turn Speaker		Topic	Speaker Thanker
03-Aug	John Beswarick	tba	Live-at-Home	Tony Jackson
10-Aug	Peter Branson	Kevin Hannon	New member introduction	Frank Gilbert
17-Aug	Sue Bryan	Cheryle Berry	Hope Community Village	Edward Marshall
24-Aug	Keith Bullock	Ian Holliday	Club Visioning Exercise	Pat Zadora
31-Aug		Bank Holiday - no meeting		
07-Sep	John Cartmell	tba	tba	Simon Scargill
14-Sep	John Cheadle	Kirsty Coxon	Rainbow Children's Hospice	John England
21-Sep	David Crowson	Chris Beswarick	New member introduction	Eric Shaw-Phillips
28-Sep	John Cundy	Ian Holliday	Visioning Exercise	John Fleming
05-Oct	Angus Currie	Tony Wassell	Airworthiness - Part 3	Les Bryan
12-Oct	Olivia Dean	Peter Woolley	New member introduction	Tim Wherly
19-Oct		7pm: District Clubs meeting -	Pirelli Stadium, Burton-on-Trent	
26-Oct	David Edge	tba	KidsOut	Barrie Wood

The 'My Turn' may be an observation, thought, story, prayer, or inoffensive joke. It's YOUR turn.

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I'm sure we have all benefited from using modern technology and different media platforms for keeping in touch with each other but in this light-hearted 'flight of fancy' I wondered what would happen if it got a bit out of hand :-

A Zooming experience

It all started quite innocently really - at the beginning of the lockdown. Someone introduced me to Zoom and I was hooked. I was warned that just one on-line meeting could affect my life but I really wasn't prepared. The first thing I did was to get my own account so I could be in control - but I wasn't. I'm quite social so it didn't take long before I'd found my second and third Zoom group to meet up with. This was great for a while and I started exploring features such as 'hand waving' and 'muting and un-muting' and clicking on different 'views' when people were talking.

Then things started to get really serious. I sometimes meet with friends just to chat and discuss life, philosophy and politics and before I realised it, I'd initiated another three Zoom meetings. Normally we just met monthly but now I talk every week - it's taking over my life and once a meeting is over I log on and book another one straightaway for the following week.

My friends noticed the changes - subtle at first. I'd always taken a pride in my appearance and dressed in a co-ordinated way - the colours of my shirt, trousers and jumpers would complement each other and sometimes I'd even wear matching socks. Slowly, however, people began to notice the distinct mismatch between my upper and lower forms of dress. It was as though it didn't seem to matter what colour trousers I wore, or whether I wore any at all. After all, how do you know in a Zoom meeting.

It got worse when I discovered 'Rooms' in Zoom and the sudden rush of power you had to send people off to different room and then to bring them back was overwhelming.

I was advised to seek help and sought the assistance of a welcoming and accepting group called ZA (Zoom Anonymous). We would sit in a circle and talk about our experiences as and when we felt we wanted to open up. There was a group 'enabler' of course - Tony I think his name was - who gently talked us through our feelings and compulsions. Of course this was all done on Microsoft Teams with each of us staring at part of a circle of video screens. It was an attempt to wean us off Zoom but played to both my strengths and weaknesses - it was a double-edged sword. I began to think that the features in Microsoft Teams might be better. Tony suggested I start to write letters instead!

When things get back to normal, I will try and moderate my behaviour. I can't give up Zoom - it is now part of my life and I will really, really try very hard and keep in contact with people more often. But it's the face-to-face stuff that I like - seeing the whole person, the body language, the expressions that flit across faces and the smiley-eye-wrinkles. I'll try and be better - I will try.

Peter Branson

(all the names have been changed to protect their anonymity!)

Supporting Asylum Seekers



On 24th June members delivered a huge pile of bags of clothes and toys for a project supporting asylum seekers at the Midland Hotel. This is a project organised by Derby Daybreak Rotary Club which our members have been supporting. Pictured are Jane Cryer from Derby Daybreak, Les Bryan and Angus Currie from our club and Simon Keeling from our Satellite.



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Derby Arboretum

Richard Benfield

This year sees the 180th anniversary of the opening of the Derby Arboretum and the Friends group is seeking ways to celebrate it. At this time of year they would normally be organising 'Lark in the Park' but because of this awful state of affairs with CV19 holding a public event is out of the question.



So, instead, they are arranging a series of home made videos to be launched on its own YouTube channel during the week of 13th to 19th September. The films will cover various aspects of the park, its history, the flora and fauna, the buildings, community garden and of course the group itself.



Yours truly has already put together a short film about one of the park's notable characters, the statue of the Florentine Boar. It has a remarkable history and equivalent statues can be found all over the world. I had the opportunity to visit two of it's relations in Florence; one in the Uffizi Gallery and the other in Mercato Nuova, a central square where many tourists gather to rub its snout!

Right: A portrayal of the Arboretum's opening day 16th September 1840



Natalie Bayfield (FDA) and Mick McNaught (Council's Community Parks Officer) during filming of a video focusing on the trees originally planted at the parks opening in 1840.



Building Refurbishment

Thanks to the National Lottery and Garfield Weston Foundation work is now moving at a pace on the old bowls club building. A new gas supply is being installed, electrical first fix is complete, The staircase is being replaced to be more accessible and safe and the all the new pipework for a central heating system is installed.



A new rear door has been fitted which will allow access to the building without the need to travel inside the park. This will also now serve as the postal address off Morleston Street for the Friends of Derby Arboretum. (Note the letterbox!)



New staircase



New balustrade

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Rotary4foodbanks is a Rotary response to the growing demands on foodbanks in the UK. Initially operating in the East Midlands and South Yorkshire, it is attracting interest from Rotary across the UK. Whilst it was launched in response to the Covid-19 crisis, it is actually a long-term initiative to deliver a sustainable, cost-effective food sourcing programme for foodbanks.

Derby Club decided to sponsor Padley to the tune of £1,500 funded by a match funded District grant of £750. This means Padley will receive food up to the value of £1500 funded by ourselves, plus food funded from the general pot – that is money that has been donated from whatever source without it being attached to a specific Food Bank. This first delivery into Derby was funded from the Rotary Disaster Grant so won't count against our £1500, a plus for Padley.

It was agreed that Derby Club would also register the other local food banks (not covered by other Clubs) to the scheme meaning they will get food funded from the general pot but won't have a £1500 reserved amount. These are;

- Alvaston Churches Together
- Hope Centre Food Bank
- Salvation Army with Littleover Churches Food Bank
- Derby Food Forum - who provide for the 6 food banks set up just for Covid-19 at the Pakistan Community Centre, Aspire, Sinfin Community Centre, Mandela Centre, Derby A2C with Lonny Wilsoncroft Community Centre and West End Community Centre

This enabled us to use the Derby Food Forum Central Hub at St Alkmunds Church on Kedleston Road as the drop off delivery point for all deliveries to Food Banks in Derby, which includes all of the above plus, Doorways – sponsored by Derby Daybreak, and Derby City Mission sponsored by Derby South. Starting at the next deliveries it will also include Derby and Burton YMCA's sponsored by Bretby, Burton and Derby Mercia.



Delivery to the Food Forum

All of the food banks then collect their delivery from this central hub.

Padley and the food banks registered by our Club are providing between them in excess of 600 food parcels a week.

Padley and all of the other Food Banks mentioned above will in addition to receiving food from the scheme, be able to take advantage of the Project's buying power and buy food direct at Rotary negotiated prices.

The first delivery into Derby included a pallet of food each for Padley, Derby Food Forum, Alvaston Churches Together and Doorways and Derby City Mission.

Rotary Club of Derby supporting Padley and foodbanks

Padley House, an independent charity based in the centre of Derby, provides a 12-bed hostel for homeless men. Currently, Padley staff and volunteer team have been providing residents with regular, cooked meals, as they do every day of the year. Additionally, during the current crisis, the Padley catering team have been providing a cooked breakfast and lunch for residents of both Milestone House and Centenary House which also support homeless persons. As from 15th June Padley House will be re-opening its drop-in day centre for adult homeless people who are not living in one of Derby's hostels. The day centre provision at Padley House will be constrained by Government restrictions and the safety and welfare of clients, staff and volunteers; a door service for food and hot drinks will be provided. Referrals to Padley from social agencies for the provision of food parcels to homeless persons, or those with no income, continue.

The catering manager, for Padley, Chris McNeil, has expressed his appreciation of the support being given by Rotary which is enabling the service to continue. The charity will receive food to the value of £1500 plus the opportunity to purchase food from a supplier at less than retail costs. In 2019 the Padley House catering team served just under 11,000 meals and provided 2,000+ food parcels.



Vicky taking delivery of food for Padley

Each pallet comprised;

- 48 boxes of 72 Teabags
- 60 4x132g packs of Tinned Tuna Chunks (240 tins)
- 60 420g tins plum halves
- 96 230g packs Classic Coffee
- 216 400g tins Ambrosia Devon Custard
- 360 3x 184g packs Health Harvest Sweetcorn (1080 tins)
- 72 57g packs Oatburst Porridge Original

The determination of what to buy is advised by the Trussell Trust based on the contents of a standard food parcel. Obviously the above are just a few of the items.

You can support Rotary4Foodbanks via our JustGiving page

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Go on.... have a laugh!

(Thanks to Ashbourne and District U3A newsletter for the humour)



Paraprosdokians:

First time I heard about paraprosdokians, I liked them. Paraprosdokians are figures of speech in which the latter part of a sentence or phrase is surprising or unexpected and is frequently humorous. (Winston Churchill loved them).

1. Where there's a will, I want to be in it.
2. The last thing I want to do is hurt you ... but it's still on my list.
3. Since light travels faster than sound, some people appear bright until you hear them speak.
4. If I agreed with you, we'd both be wrong.
5. We never really grow up -- we only learn how to act in public.
6. War does not determine who is right, only who is left.
7. Knowledge is knowing a tomato is a fruit. Wisdom is not putting it in a fruit salad.
8. To steal ideas from one person is plagiarism. To steal from many is research.
9. I didn't say it was your fault, I said I was blaming you.
10. In filling out an application, where it says, "In case of emergency, notify..." I answered, "a doctor."
11. Women will never be equal to men until they can walk down the street with a bald head and a beer gut, and still think they are sexy.
12. You do not need a parachute to skydive. You only need a parachute to skydive twice.
13. I used to be indecisive, but now I'm not so sure.
14. To be sure of hitting the target, shoot first and call whatever you hit the target.
15. Going to church doesn't make you a Christian any more than standing in a garage makes you a car.
16. You're never too old to learn something stupid.
17. I'm supposed to respect my elders, but it's getting harder and harder for me to find one now.



The Trikini



I told my suitcases that there will be no vacation this year. Now I'm dealing with emotional baggage.



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Rotary Ramble Restarts

I am proposing to restart our Rotary walks which we haven't done for some time. It could be difficult to start with as we are only allowed a group of six, but I am hoping that advice will change in the near future.

The first walk will be on Wednesday 5th August starting from Duffield Parish Church public car park (no fee) at 10.00.a.m. I expect the walk will be about 4 miles so we should easily be back at the car park by 12.30.. I propose to have lunch and a drink at The Bridge in and I would let known if you are interested in the walk and if you wish to come for the meal afterwards.

Looking forward to seeing anyone who wishes to join me.

John England



FRIENDS OF DERBY VOLUNTEERING

The Club continues to look for ways to become more active in the community and involve and inform more non-Rotarians. A sub-committee, consisting of Les Bryan, Kevin Hannon and Peter Hutyan, is creating a spreadsheet for the names and contact information of individuals and service organisations. They are The Friends of Derby Volunteering.

The list depends upon members providing Kevin Hannon with names and e mails of anyone who shows an interest in the Club or service projects. Kevin sends an invitation to the potential volunteer explaining our service events and asks if he or she would like to receive information about volunteering opportunities and Rotary events. We also ask for information about service activities that we can advertise for the volunteers.

At least once each month Peter Hutyan sends the list of events needing volunteers, both Rotary and non-Rotary, along with contact names and numbers.

Providing more support to Rotary and other service projects is not the only aim of this endeavour. We hope that as our volunteers become more aware of Rotary and meet more Rotarians they will want to join the club. We also want the Rotary brand and purposes to be more visible and known.

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FTSE100 Investment Competition

You and your family and friends are invited to take part in this Competition, which is designed to give you some fun while raising funds for good causes overseas in the current pandemic. Even if you do not win, you can have a challenge with your friends and family. We want to have as many entries as possible so please take up the challenge and enter (or forward to) as many people as practical as soon as you can.

The object of the Competition is to invest a notional £50,000 in an Investment Portfolio of shares of not more than five companies quoted on the FTSE100 London Stock Exchange, which over a specified period of three months makes the largest gain or smallest loss in total value. Further details are contained in the Rules set out below.

It is intended to circulate interim valuations twice each month during the Competition so that you will know how your Portfolio is doing. These valuations will be emailed to all entrants. This should cause a bit of banter as to who is doing well and badly. It is not a lottery. You will only be making a notional investment based on knowledge of the Companies in the FTSE100 and the current economic crisis.

The cost is only £10 per entry. You can have more than one entry, but each Portfolio must have a unique name. The selection of companies is by reference to its London Stock exchange letter code, and a list of all Companies in the FTSE100 is provided. The amount to be invested should be entered without any comma after the thousands. An email will be sent to each Portfolio owner confirming their notional investment.

The Prizes are first £150, second £75, third £50, fourth £25 and a bottle of champagne as a "wooden spoon" to the competitor with the lowest value Investment Portfolio. The champagne has been given by Brewin Dolphin, Financial Advisers of Nottingham, whose advice is probably most needed by the winner of the spoon.

District 7040 Conference

Here is the link to the District 7040 Conference. The Conference takes place via zoom from October 16th - 18th. Some of our members may be interested in registering for sessions, just click on this link to see the programme,

<https://rotary7040.com/sitepage/discon-2020/program-registration-programme-inscription>

To register for a specific session you just click on the link below the description of the relevant session, in the programme.

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Celebrating 20 years of ShelterBox

Over the last two decades, we've grown from the Rotary Club of Helston Lizard in Cornwall to the international humanitarian organisation that we are today.

Your incredible support over the years has made our work possible. Thanks to you, 1.5 million people have received ShelterBox aid since 2000. That's communities affected by disasters and conflicts in nearly 100 countries.

A message from the SB Chief Executive Sanj Srikanthan

It is remarkable to reflect back on how much you have all accomplished together over the last 20 years. Like me you may not have been there at the start, but you've joined an organisation with that fierce sense of urgency to improve the lives of those made vulnerable by crises wherever they may be. We owe a great deal to the first volunteer Rotarians who formed ShelterBox, and who banded together to do something pragmatic to ease human suffering, rather than leave it to others.

But it is you all who have now helped us overcome our own challenges with coronavirus, and supported our return to our mission in 11 countries, even as we face huge needs around the world made worse by this terrible disease.

I am however hopeful about the future and ShelterBox's important role to make ourselves less necessary to communities, by helping to build back better and stronger. Extreme poverty has reduced virtually uninterrupted year on year for the last 30 years, giving communities more resources to cope in the long term with that vital helping hand from organisations like ours in the short term. We cannot slow down now.

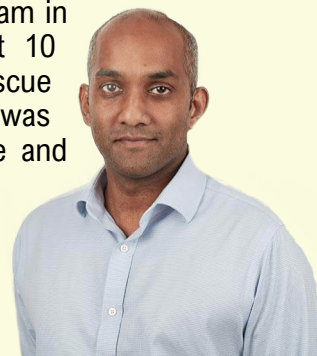
The late UN Secretary General Kofi Annan said "if our hopes of building a better and safer world are to become more than wishful thinking, we will need the engagement of volunteers more than ever". I would therefore like to end by sincerely thanking you all, for your unwavering commitment in helping to make a difference, and providing the vital support to building a better world.



commemorative badge issued to SB reps.



Sanj joined the ShelterBox team in December 2019. Sanj spent 10 years at the International Rescue Committee (IRC), where he was Senior Vice President, Europe and Executive Director, UK.



In a previous role at IRC as Emergency Field Director, Sanj managed responses in Mali, Syria, Liberia, Lebanon and Turkey. Earlier in his career, Sanj worked for UN OCHA (the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs) and was previously a Captain in the British Army.

'It will be a huge privilege to lead ShelterBox, an organisation with such a powerful clarity of mission – to turn despair into hope through shelter provision. Over the course of my career, I have seen first-hand the direct impact that quality emergency shelter can have in helping people begin to recover from disaster.'

A review of 2019 stats

We have just updated our global displacement numbers. In 2019 over 104 million people were forced from their homes by disaster and conflict. That's 79.5 million people displaced by conflict and 24.9 million by other disasters including extreme weather events and earthquakes.

These are the highest numbers ever recorded globally - up from 88 million in 2018. Conflict and violent displacements are up by 9 million, whilst displacement by other disasters including extreme weather events have risen by nearly 8 million.

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