

Rotary Club of Rotherham Sitwell District 1220

Club Bulletin

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Meetings: Thursday evenings
See Club Meetings for more information

Officers & Committee Chairs 2023-24

President	Peter Short
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Vice President	Vacant
Secretary	Paul Daniels
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Admin/Club Service	Nigel Elmhirst
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Community	Trish Lister
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Other Officers

Assistant Secretary	Steve Burns
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Council Members

Peter Short, Martin Davis, Paul Daniels, Jackie Saunders,
Steve Burns, Nigel Elmhirst, Trish Lister, Chris Croker,
Peter Waudby

Trustees of Benevolent Fund

Alan Holloway, Trevor Johnson, Peter Keary



Club Meetings for March
All 6.30 for 7.00pm at SPGC,
cost £20, unless otherwise
stated.

**Apologies to Phil Crutchley,
unless otherwise stated.**

**Sin bins will be applied for
absence with no apology.**

7 March Fellowship meeting

FRATS: Martin Davis
GRACE: John Sparrow

14 March Speaker meeting
Ann Ogle on her recent trek
in Peru

FRATS: Phil Crutchley
GRACE: Tony Eden

21 March Committee meetings

28 March Business meeting

FRATS: Gurnam Basran
GRACE: Kamal Zaman

Frats & Grace – **your** responsibility to find
alternates if you cannot attend. *Please advise
Nigel of any changes you have agreed.*

Council Meeting
Thursday 7th March at 5.30pm
Venue: SPGC
Observers welcome

Club Meetings for April
All 6.30 for 7.00pm at SPGC,
cost £20, unless otherwise
stated.

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4 April Speaker meeting
Catriona Bremer (Croker) on
Wakefield Prison

FRATS: Alan Holloway
GRACE: Trish Lister

11 April Fellowship meeting

FRATS: Trevor Johnson
GRACE: Tom Knight

18 April Committee meetings

25 April Business meeting

FRATS: John Sparrow
GRACE: Peter Waudby

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Council Meeting
Thursday 4th April at 5.30pm
Venue: SPGC
Observers welcome

Another District Grant

The Rotary Foundation has just approved funding for Rotherham Sitwell Rotary's project at Swinton Lock Activity Centre for its **Men in Sheds** initiative. Together with a donation through our Framework for Giving, a District Rotary Foundation Grant will enable the Centre to extend the working space for this new initiative.

Currently, up to 25 men aged between 18 and 76 years old meet twice a week to learn new craft skills such as woodworking and blacksmithing. Those attending have a range of physical and mental health issues but are benefitting from companionship and a sense of purpose.

There are three key objectives for this Rotary supported project.

Clear and fence off an area of 36 sq. metres adjoining the South Yorkshire Navigation Canal. This will increase the area of the **Men in Sheds** compound from 109 sq.m. to 145sq.m.

Construct a covered shelter of approximately 6 sq. metres to allow the men to meet, learn and apply their new skills for the benefit of the Centre and the Community all year round.

Extend the average attendance of the **Men in Sheds** programme from 15 to 30.

Now that the funding has been secured, work will begin as soon as possible.

Informal meal at the Golf Club

A mixture of Rotarians and friends met up to have a meal with Vanu and her daughter, Sapna, their first visit to Rotherham since Vinod's funeral. Below are some photographs from the evening, kindly supplied by Dot Crutchley.





Crossroads



The photograph shows the latest delivery of goods to Crossroads for fundraising in their Charity Coffee Shop. They are happy to accept bric-a-brac and unwanted gifts.

Many thanks for members' contributions so far, Crossroads are very grateful.

if you have any further donations, please contact Trish Lister to arrange for her to accept them at a club meeting.

Next Bulletin

The next bulletin is scheduled to be published in early April. Any contributions will be most welcome, please email to me by 29th March.

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