

Club Assembly Meeting Minutes  
Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2019

Present: Ian Robinson – Chair  
Lorraine Sloane, Denis Murphy, Reg Nield, Phil Robinson,  
Jill Scotney, Phil Dilks, Brian Hogan, James Pace, John Gauld, Jean Crawford,  
Rod Goodier, Andrew Bott, Kathi Bott, Alan Parton, Graeme Cook,  
and Douglas Parker

Apologies: Maggi Walker, Stew Price, David Worth, Eric Capper, Eric Westwood, Kevin  
Thompson and Mike Brown

1. Treasurer's Report.

There is £7381 still available to donate

DW via his report proposed that subs should remain at £25 per qtr., which would leave a shortfall of about £1100 which would have to be raised with fund raising initiatives.

A vote of thanks was proposed to the Treasurer for all his efforts this year in sorting out the budget.

2. Club Assembly

The President Elect, Rod Goodier took over the meeting and outlined his plans and objectives for the coming year: -

Rod opened his overview for the coming year by showing a video from RI President Mark Maloney who emphasised the need to recruit new members, promote the family and working with the United Nations.

Rod thanked Ian for the fantastic year that we have enjoyed under his excellent leadership. his calming influence and professional approach coupled with his unique style of leadership has been inspirational.

Objectives 2019-20

- To further develop the club's public image and standing within the community.
- To increase membership and appeal to all age groups and genders.
- To support our town whether it be through manpower or monetary donations.
- To support Foundation and other worthy causes worldwide.
- To support and involve local schools and youth groups through Youth Competitions.
- To ensure we have a family fun-filled year with much fellowship for all members.

3. Membership Services Committee – Phil Robinson

The fantastic work on the development of the website was emphasised as was the continuing work on promoting the Club via various mediums.

The success of the Swimathon was praised as was our contacts with local schools and the number of enjoyable social events that took place throughout the year

#### 4. Foundation – Ian Robinson

It was mentioned that we are asked to contribute to two funds End Polio Now, with an objective of contributing £44 per member; and secondly Every Rotarian Every Year.

Efforts will be made to contribute the full amount to the funds, if necessary via fund raising

#### 5. International – Lorraine Sloane

Lend with Care has continued to work well throughout the year and we shall continue to support this worthy cause.

Members were reminded that the Swimathon next year takes place on the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> February 2020 and we should all make ourselves available for this event.

The Ester Egg fund raiser goes from strength to strength and will continue next year.

Whilst Dictionaries4Life will be supplied to all Year 6 school leavers in 2020 with a cost of £1,600.

#### 6. Youth Services – John Gauld

Young Artist – 13 schools have confirmed that they will participate which will take place on the 10<sup>th</sup> October and is being supported by a number of sponsors

#### 7. Charity Lunch – Stew Price

Stew was on holiday, but, it was noted on his behalf that the Charity Lunch - is on the 18<sup>th</sup> August at Glebe Farm, whilst Astonbury is on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July at Glebe Farm

Prizes confirmed to date are:

Week's holiday in a chalet on Anglesey Off road driving experience

Hot Air balloon ride

Magnum of Champagne

Dan Toft, guitarist and accompanied by female singer will provide entertainment

#### 8. Youth Projects – Eric Westwood

Eric was on holiday, but, his plans for Youth Projects included supporting local youth projects in schools, organisations, clubs and amongst individuals.

The projects being supported and promoted included: -

Congleton Youth Orchestra Spring 20 Concert

Young Chef Competition:

Young Artist Competition:

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Young Photographer Competition

Youth Speaks:

Young Writer:

#### 9. Community Services - Alan Parton

During the coming year we hope to support the following events again: -

Easter Treats Day, a Litter Pick, the Christmas Lights Switch On and a collection at the local Supermarket for Macmillan Nurses. Sponsoring the open air 'Jazz in the Park'

Concert at the end of July and taking the opportunity to showcase Rotary to the spectators.

The food and Drink Festival was well supported by members and a great success.

#### 10. Bonfire and Fireworks Display – Brian Hogan

Arrangements for this year's bonfire are well in hand with most suppliers already booked as is the Park.

Costs this year are expected to be circa £k11.5, however income as always is very weather dependent and can vary from £k15 to £k27.

It was mentioned that the Tourist Information Centre is a very important source of income for the event as they sell 50% of our tickets. TIC's are always under pressure from Cheshire East with a number threatened with closure, therefore it is important that members take every opportunity to support this very important facility for the Town

#### 11. District Governor Elect – Patrick Tyrrell

The DGE thanked the President Elect for his plan for 2019 -20 and thanked the President for his great year.

The DGE reminded members that both the District and RIBI have lots of expertise available and can help with the production of leaflets etc. He also pointed out that there is a need to be careful when and where Rotary symbols are used, as they are all registered trademarks.

He thought the Club was doing a great job in the amount of support we were giving to the Community and requested the Club to continue to support End Polio Now.

As far as raising funds to support the Club is concerned, this can be done, provided that it is made clear that fundraising is to support local good causes as well as Club funds. For example: Bonfire posters & tickets are to state wording along the lines of: "Proceeds to xyz charity and club funds."

#### 12. Any Other Business

The President thanked all the officers of the Club for their support during his year in particular Maggi and David.

On Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July the Lions have organised a concert in the Park in aid of the Congleton Talking Newspaper, members were asked to help and support this event.

Brass on the Grass is taking place on the 16<sup>th</sup> June and again members are requested to support this event by helping the organisers set it up or as acting as stewards. The event takes place from 1.30pm to 5.30pm

#### 13. Date of Next Meeting

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June at Glebe Farm - Segway

6 30 pm start. Street food £5 per head. Cheap bar. Provision for bad weather catered for, other games possible.

BH. 11.06.19