



ROTARY CLUB OF ST. MARYLEBONE

THE BULLETIN

6 August 2011

“Friendship is a natural and willing servant... There is no reason... why the great power of friendship should not be harnessed to do its part in the world’s work.”

Report of the President, 1912 Rotary Convention, Duluth, Minnesota, USA.

Meeting 4 August 2011

(reported by your footloose reporter Peter Schweiger)

1. In the absence of President Mike, Past President Robert Rosenthal opened the meeting with Rotary Grace.

2. Kevin Coyne announced that David Becket, a former member of the club had died. Those who had been in the club during his time grieved at the news.

3. Speaker

Robert Rosenthal then introduced our speaker, Shirley Kirk, who is the District New Generations Chairman. She had been asked to speak at the last minute and was able to give a very full account of all 19 different youth activities that Rotary has running in the district. She was accompanied by Adrian Faiers.

Our club has been involved through the efforts of some of our members, notably Barry Karsberg, in several of the areas she talked about for example Youth Speaks. This year London District then went on to provide the RIBI national winner.

The Olympics are coming to London next year, in case anyone did not know, and permission has been granted to use the logo on some of the activities for New Generations web site and promotional material. After all the Olympic spirit is about fair play, equality, peace, international spirit, personal challenge, and all things

laudable with which Rotarians generally would agree. Shirley noted that Young Chef is a popular competition because we all have to eat, so that goes down well.

Suraiya Kassamally from our Club, is involved with the Technology Tournament. Children from different schools come for a day to design and build a device capable of performing a basic task. Youth Makes Music is held biannually in the Albert Hall and is a fabulous event with outstanding talent often displayed. Rotarians can come and listen and see it. The next one will be in 2013. Our District provided the eventual winner last time.

Dulwich and Peckham Rotary club organized the Schools Athletics Competitions held at Crystal Palace. It involved large numbers of children so that many became aware of Rotary.

Other topics mentioned were, Rota Kids, Young Photographer, Excitement of Science, Rotaract clubs, RYLA, Interact, and many more. You can find out more detail on www.youthribi.org

Shirley stopped speaking when our meal of beef pie with piped mashed potatoes was brought in. This was followed by rhubarb crumble and ice cream. It is good for those who missed the meeting to know what the menu was.

Shirley then answered questions and we heard about a new competition called Young Food Server with the winner being allowed to have work experience at the Ivy Restaurant.

Robert Ghazi was surprised to be asked to give the vote of thanks, which he did in a good traditional manner.

3. Visitors



Nick Damji introduced our guests. As well as Shirley and Adrian from Dulwich and Peckham. Bukky Ajomo, who exchanged banners with Past President Robert, stuck an exotic note having come from the Rotary club of Ikeja, Lagos, Nigeria. We also had a prospective new member Peter German. They were all welcomed.



4. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Matthew Lawson, David Leuw, Margaret Pollock, Mike Stonham, Paul Daley, Neville Brick and Bettie Politi.

5. Clubs Visited

Greetings from clubs visited were brought by Tim Raath, Suraiya Kassamally, and Robert Ghazi who had been to the London club's Centenary dinner. Over a hundred guests and also the RI president had attended. In fact there had been a chance that the RI president could come to our meeting, but he was not detected at the Sherlock Holmes.

6. Sport

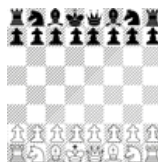
John Bash told Fellows that he and Paul Daley had lost the match against Paddington, although Paul had scored an Eagle on the 10th – the eagle survived!



Past President Robert Rosenthal reported that entry was now open for various sports for Winter 2011-

Winter 2011-2012

- ♦ BACKGAMMON PAIRS
- ♦ BACKGAMMON SINGLES
- ♦ BADMINTON DOUBLES
- ♦ BADMINTON SINGLES
- ♦ BILLIARDS
- ♦ CLUB DUPLICATE CONTRACT BRIDGE
- ♦ CHESS
- ♦ CRIBBAGE PAIRS
- ♦ DARTS
- ♦ POOL 6th NOVEMBER 2011
- ♦ SCRABBLE PAIRS
- ♦ SCRABBLE SINGLES
- ♦ SNOOKER PAIRS
- ♦ SNOOKER SINGLES
- ♦ SQUASH SINGLES
- ♦ TABLE TENNIS TEAM
- ♦ TEN PIN BOWLING 15TH & 22nd JANUARY 2012



Please contact Robert about taking part.

7. Garden Party

The Bryanston Square Garden Party is on Wednesday 7th September - 6pm-9pm-tickets (£25) can be purchased at Majestic 103 Crawford Street W1 (020 7724 0933) from 20th August. The ticket price includes an excellent buffet provided by the

Churchill Hotel and wine by Majestic. Raffle tickets will be available on the night for approximately 15 outstanding prizes.

8. Sergeant at Arms

.Kevin Coyne pursued Fellows in a gentlemanly way to extract funds for our collection box.

Future Speakers

25 August	Ruth Flanagan	The Forgotten Children of Burma
19 September	Turly Humphreys	Circle Sports - Getting Westminster young people into sports and jobs

REMINDERS

Greeting Cards – End Polio Now Campaign

Cards will be available at each meeting only £2.00 for a pack of 2.



FUTURE DUTIES 2011

Note next week's duties and check on changes:

After consulting with our President it has been requested that all active members of the club fully participate in the future duty rotas and a list has been produced as follows:-

Meetings	Host	Fellowship	Bulletin	Sgt at Arms
11 Aug	Paul Daly	John Green Gerald Hughes	Robert Rosenthal	Kevin Coyne
18 Aug	David Leuw	Paul Daly Bettie Politi	Lorraine Dance	Nick Damji
25 Aug	Bettie Politi	Robert Ghazi Noordin Kassam	John Bash	Kevin Coyne
1 Sept	Margaret Pollock	John Green Laura Piredue	John Harris	Nick Damji

8 Sept	Peter Schweiger	Suraiya Kassamally Margaret Pollock	Matthew Lawson	Kevin Coyne
15 Sept	Matthew Lawson	Peggy Gunst John Harris	David Leuw	Nick Damji
22 Sept	John Harris	John Green David Leuw	Nick Damji	Kevin Coyne
29 Sept	Shyam Chatrath	Matthew Lawson Neville Brick	Kevin Coyne	NickDamji

The Host will look after, introduce and thank the speaker after the speech.

On **Fellowship** duties, the first named will mainly deal with financial matters and will be assisted by the second named to act as greeters and also to Maintain the visitors' and guests' attendance records.

The **Bulletin** nominee will take notes of the meeting and pass them to the Bulletin Editor.

The Sergeant At Arms will devise new and clever ways of filling the collection box.

If you are unable to take care of the duty allocated to you, please make alternative arrangements personally. (Unfortunately, this approach has not worked well recently.) **Kindly let Keith Stuart-Smith and John Green know of any changes you make to the list.**

NOTE FOR FELLOWSHIP: The Hotel has agreed to hold the weekly collection box in their vault; it will not be necessary for them to issue a receipt. The person in charge of Fellowship should collect the box from the Hotel Reception at the beginning of the meeting, and return it to the Reception at the end of the meeting.

Meetings: Thursdays, 12:45 for 1:00pm, The Sherlock Holmes Hotel, Baker Street, London

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