

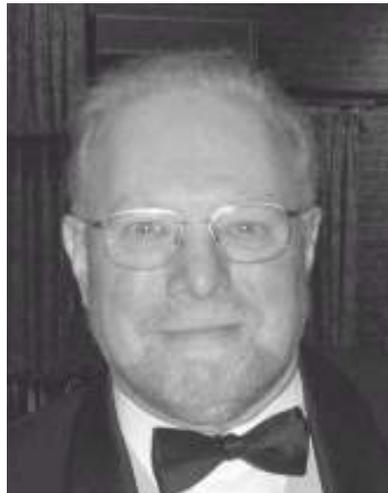
Rotarian



**Bramhall and Woodford Rotary Club**

# ***Bulletin***

August 2006



**A new Rotary year  
- a new President!**

# Gordon's gossip



To paraphrase the thoughts of past president John in his first epistle to the Rotarians – ‘Some have the presidency thrust upon them’. It seems that my elevation to high office has been rapid and I regard it as a singular honour to be asked to lead such a distinguished body of people. I am taking over a healthy and active club from John with a membership second to none. Every meeting I attend at District only confirms my belief that we are getting it right.

OK, that's the creeping bit out of the way, now on to next year. I hope to increase the practical involvement of the International committee by introducing a ‘Bicycles for the world’ scheme in which we will form links with a group called ‘Re-cycle’ who collect and restore old bikes and send them off; mainly to Africa. I would also like to include some form of tool collection with this as well. David Dewhurst has bravely offered to take this forward and I know he can rely on your support.

One of the challenges that we face in this Rotary year is to replace the grotto that brought in so much income and allowed us to donate a substantial amount to our chosen charities. Ideas are already being thrown into the ring about this including a link with Round Table in the precinct. No doubt Ron will keep us up to date with developments.

The fun run, despite the awful weather, raised a very respectable amount and any disappointment felt by those who worked so hard to see it succeed can only be due to the fact that we are so good at this kind of thing that we do expect great things of every event.

Ron and his committee are also considering a Swimathon. An event that used to raise a considerable sum for the Denton and Audenshaw club. An extra prize will be awarded to the Rotarian who can survive more than one length of the baths without stopping for a glass of wine.

Henry and I went to the District Handover on the 30<sup>th</sup> June at which our new governor, Michael Barker handed over a lot of gongs and slapped a lot of

backs. Many people work extremely hard in Rotary and it is good that their efforts are recognised in this way. He stressed the goals of his year which are increasing membership, Water Aid, health and literacy. These are all worthy aims that we can get behind.

The District web site has been revamped and is well worth a visit at [www.rotary1050.org](http://www.rotary1050.org).

Michael has introduced a simple e-mail address that enables all members to contact everyone in our club without having to maintain their own address book. We have already experienced how much easier this makes communication within the club and better communications can only help us.

I have already received many messages of support from the membership and am most grateful to those who have advised me in my first faltering steps. I hope my year will be marked by new projects and a lively programme of fellowship.

Thank you all.

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A warm Bramhall and Woodford welcome to **Vida Chatterton** - our first lady member! Vida comes with plenty of Rotary experience, having been President in RC Cheadle. We hope that she has an enjoyable and fulfilling time in our Club.

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Are you hoarding an old mobile? Did you know that the Royal Society for the Deaf and Communication Disorders (RSDCD) gets cash if you send your mobile to **ShP Solutions, Lancaster by FREEPOST**. Just pop it into an envelope and post it! Write 'Royal Society for the Deaf & Communication Disorders' on the envelope, or inside, and their charity number 526091. The RSDCD gets about £120 per month from this and they aim to increase it substantially. Can you help? Include your name, address and make/model of phone. Free envelopes available. Dennis has more details.



## View from the trenches

ramblings from below the salt \_\_\_\_\_ by Bob Batty

when our new president was installed i offered to help him in any way i could. will i never learn? he asked for an article from a rotary foot soldier in the trenches. as this was at variance with our toast .....and peace the world over... i went back to a more formal title.

if you find this odd to read i am trying to follow the new rotary house style of limited punctuation and no upper case letters. personally i dont think it is very modern and frankly ignorant. (i cant produce the wavy lines - at least not intentionally) deutchland, u s of a, france? le general would have parle NON !!1

after many years on council and a few off it i have found that despite the best efforts of those involved there is a communications gap. council capers in the bulletin are good but inevitably delayed and that is why i was happy to see a page of council decisions in the white book. can we go one stage further and e-mail that info to members after each meeting ?

i see we are changing the accounting year to 30th June like national. does this mean we shall see them at the next agm when they are between 9 and 21 months out of date and events long since forgotten? and what happened to my query about an item not included in our last accounts ? incidentally the committee chairs (ugh!) reports at the agm for 9 months are a bit pointless and perhaps would make more sense at the meeting ahead of assembly and handover.

when the early bulletins were written they often included short biographies of members. with many not knowing each other well these were useful and informative. with the welcome influx of new members over the recent years should we start them again ?

our 20th charter night is in september. i know it is informal and i believe with the ladies but are we inviting guests, particularly former members and their wives ?

so those are my thoughts after 20 years - so now lets hear from a newer member

We are a great club because we have always struck a happy balance of formality in organisation and informality in meetings. Let's keep it that way for the next 20 years

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Vida reveals (nearly) all!

Thank you for inviting me to join your Club. I understand that this is strictly on the basis that I find some more ladies to add to my number - I hope that I can achieve this end but don't hold your collective breath!

I have always lived in the Stockport area ( so boring) I went to Fylde Lodge High School for Girls - now no more but with an increasing membership of our Old Girls Association which is most strange as the school ceased to be in the early seventies - nineteen seventies! At the moment I am Chairman of the Old Girls Association known as FLOGS. When we put an item about the association on the internet we had some rather indecent replies!

I help, hopefully, to improve Bramall Hall and Park and if any of you would like to participate in our gardening activities which take place once a month on a Saturday morning please let me know. You can become a Friend of the Hall and Park for a mere £5.00 a year and come to some interesting talks in the Hall on a variety of subjects during the winter months.

As I mentioned at the last meeting I am collecting plastic bottle tops and plastic containers to help the St. John's Ambulance Service so you can bring them along to the meetings and I store them until I have a reasonable amount for onward transmission.



## Secretary's soapbox

### **Booklets**

I have copies of the RIBI and RI directories (lists of clubs with details of where they meet, who is the President etc).

I also have the RIBI and club constitutions and the "Insurance and the Rotary Club" booklets.

### **New/current Stuff (goes in the white book)**

Club Programme

Email from James McGurk (exchange student 1986-87)

District Governor's newsletter July 2006

Council meeting decisions

Invite to Foundation Scholar's Welcome evening 27th Sep

Order form for History of RIBI Book (1975-2005)

Heartstart training sessions (up to 19th Dec 2006)

Entertainment at District conference (6th – 8th Oct 2006)

### **Council Meeting decisions**

- The charity account low level (i.e. for emergencies) will be raised to £1000
- The charity account will repay the long-standing £500 loan back to the general account
- President's Night will be on 9-3-2007 at the County Hotel, Bramhall
- Charter Night will be on 20-9-2006, Social Committee to organise
- If the fun run does not raise £3000 for Childline then the club will top up to this amount.
- Kidscan will be the year's main nominated charity.
- John Thewlis will co-ordinate the blind run (Thanks to Geoff for doing this for so long).
- Xmas party will be on 13-12-2006
- Year end to be 30th June in line with Rotary year. Charity account to stay on a cash basis but club accounting to move to accrual basis
- Dennis Allport's request to be excused attendance was approved
- We will not adopt Graham Vine's creative idea (younger member to arrive after meal) – too divisive.
- We will adopt the new image style for club stationery

## Attendance

Just a reminder that the club policy is to be totally relaxed when members cannot attend, but to ask that members do attend when they can!

Percentages	Q2 2005	Q3 2005	Q4 200	Q1 2006	Q2 2006
Excluding make ups	64.1	62.7	68.4	67.0	57.7
With make ups	69.2	69.5	76.1	73.1	62.1

Attendance of our members at our meetings for the first 4 weeks of this Rotary year were 19,24 26 and 20 (average 66%). One member excused attendance recording and 4 on leave of absence.

Michael

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## House account 2005/6

We collected for meals (mostly £10s)		£9,770
We provided 23 free meals		
We paid for meals (mostly £8s)	-£8,122	
We paid room charges (mostly £12s)	-£488	
We tipped	-£497	
So we paid Ladybridge		-£9,107
We bought wine	-£194	
And had other costs (speaker fees etc)	-£50	
Offset by occasional retention of SatA money		£30
And fines of non apologisers		£155

**Making a total contribution of £604**

**Or an effective subs reduction (37.5 members) of £16**

In cash terms:

We paid into club funds	£478
We started with a float of £24	-£24
And the year end float was £150	<u>£150</u>
	£604

# Meeting Reports

## Fun Run briefing

President John decided to start the evening slightly differently on 10<sup>th</sup> May by welcoming Rotarian David Burstow as a Member of the Club on Transfer from Poynton & District. This was possibly because the visitor's book was being filled up with one name.

This was followed by a meal which was usual up to the anticipated high standard.

Following the meal David Dewhurst enthused in his usual humble, proud and nervous manner (his words not that of the narrator) about the forthcoming Fun Run on the 21 May 2006 explaining that he had invested many hours in contacting the local schools and the Citizen Newspaper and for Corporate Sponsorship. His Committee had learnt a lot from the initial Fun Run in 2005 and the subsequent debriefing.

It was going to require a major commitment from the Club particularly in marshalling the event as it was run on the same roads as last year where there would be traffic although this time it would be on a

Sunday rather than a Saturday. This route had been cleared with the local police. He was hoping that many more runners would participate compared to the 300 people who came last year

Some 55 people would be required to assist which was in excess of the numbers in the Club and therefore he asked that members bring along wives and friends.

David Rabone offered to chaperone the wives in his harem (the Registration Tent) and was most reluctant to allow any one of these to escape to carry out other minor functions such as marshalling!

Water would be required for the runners and printed certificates for those that completed the run.

The evening ended on a lighter note with the Sergeant at Arms extracting 50 pence from most of the members at the meeting including its newest member.

David Burstow

## Report of Medical Officer to the Fun Run.

It was my pleasant duty to inhabit the First Aid tent during this year's Fun Run. I had carefully prepared my supplies: a flask of hot chocolate and a few sticking plasters, and of course my camera for capturing any interesting pathology. I unfortunately neglected to bring a chair, but as things turned out, I think I was more comfortable squatting on the floor than any other member could claim to be, with or without a seat.

The reason for my relative comfort was that the First Aid tent had walls, a feature sadly lacking in all the other temporary erections. Only in situations such as this does one realise that rain rarely falls vertically from the sky; it is far more likely to be moving somewhat sideways. Thus, the pergolas provided to shelter our lady volunteers may have kept their hair dry, but their nethers were to be quite soaked by the end of the morning.

Despite this potentially morale-sapping problem, it was heartening to see the ladies remaining cheerful, particularly after the "Balloon Lady"

provided each of them with what she described as an Indian headdress, but which to a casual observer looked far more like an inflated condom.

As for the runners, those hardy souls who turned up seemed unconcerned with the inclement weather, with several electing to run the course twice. I did have a pang of concern for the chicken, who looked quite damp at the end of the course. I realised that I had neglected to bring anything to treat Bird Flu, and I feared I might regret that oversight. Fortunately he appeared to recover somewhat after winning the fancy dress first prize.

My medical skills were, in fact, to be reserved for members and volunteers: three cases of hypothermia, two pneumonias, a frostbite, and a few examples of trench foot, were the only illnesses to trouble me. The stalwart runners remained upright throughout and I was grateful to be able to pack all my sticking plasters away for next year.

Signed

Dr. Harry F Hill

## Long case clocks

This week's meeting was enlivened by the presence of Vida who may shortly be joining us from the Cheadle group. Their loss is most certainly our gain. Also made welcome were members of Stockport club on a scatter night. All in all, a full evening of good company.

Whilst announcing guests, visitors and absences, Michael informed us of his DIY dental practice that he is thinking of starting up. With all the difficulties of obtaining a dentist these days, Michael found that you can now buy a kit with all the bits needed to fill any gaping holes in your gob. Quite how you hold the mirror to see what you are doing, was a question left unanswered. Later on, Michael interrupted the meal to invite people to a whining cheese evening (or something like that) in aid of cancer research. Anything involving food and alcohol gets my vote.

I then interrupted the meal by exhorting people to distribute the Rotary Times newspaper which has been printed at no cost to us (advertising covered the cost). This is the first stage in the attempt to increase public awareness of our activities and even if we do not increase our membership as a result, the publicity it gains could go a long way to generating public sympathy for our

causes when they see us rattling tins and demanding money.

The speaker was Mike Berry of the Antiquarian Horological Society on the subject of long case clocks although he did manage to cover quite a few different types as well in a most interesting fashion. I had no idea that restoring a clock was fraught with such danger for the uninitiated. It seems that extensive background knowledge of the subject is mandatory if damage is to be avoided. The incredibly detailed skills required must take years to attain.

Mike expected a low turnout and seemed surprised that so many had come to hear his talk but I suspect that a few of us have at least one clock of historic interest and so found the subject very informative. Anyone wishing to use his expert services should contact him at [mike@longcaseclock.co.uk](mailto:mike@longcaseclock.co.uk).

David Dewhurst was browbeaten into being Sergeant at Arms and fined President John for being 'lugubrious', three synonyms of which are gloomy, depressing and cheerless. We expect president John to attend next week in a jester's outfit to compensate.

Gordon Jackson

## Meeting 24 May – Chelsea Flower Show

The dining room was full due to the fact that our wives had been invited to join the meeting. Michael announced he was nearly 60 and provided wine for all. Dennis Allport was reported to be poorly following a series of root fillings. (*Ed: extractions, actually - even worse!*).

Harry Hill's mother had died recently and had provided a £5000 bequest to our charity account.

The sad news was that Chris O'Dwyer announced she was leaving the club and was soon to undergo an operation. The good news was she was made an honorary member and hoped to attend meetings after her recuperation.

Our speaker was Tony Matthews from the National Council for the Conservation for Plants and Gardens. The Cheshire Branch meets in Knutsford and has 65 members. He told the story of setting up their first stand at Chelsea which was an area of 400 sq ft in a 5 1/4 acre marquee. They showed 83 varieties of plants and had great difficulty controlling the opening of some of the flowers. For instance, the clematis grew 3 ft per day. The reward for all their efforts was a silver medal.

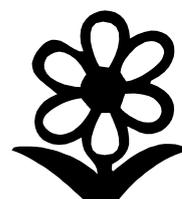
Bob Batty gave the vote of thanks.

In conversation with Tony it transpired that he had worked at Courtauld's in Coventry round about the time I worked there but our paths did not cross. With 5000 people on site it was impossible to know everyone.

Malcolm Hurst said there had been 150 runners for the Fun Run and their £1800 would help towards a possible final figure of £4000 when all the sponsorship money had been collected. Michael announced his new email address. The raffle was won by President John who obviously was not keen on the wine label and asked for a re-draw; the bottle finally being taken home by Olive Hunt.

Harry Hill rounded off the evening with some humorous comments as sergeant at arms.

Ron Malabon



## **Committees, 7 June**

Despite it being a very warm Summer evening and Committee Night 28 members and guests attended.

Bob Batty, as the branch archivist, brought to everybody's attention that, 20 years ago that evening, was the branch's inaugural meeting. Six members who attended that meeting 20 years ago and were present this evening and toasted the remaining sprogs.

An excellent buffet by the new chef was followed by a talk from Adrian Blocks regarding the launch of Rotary Times. He explained that Districts 1050 & 1280 had organised a pilot scheme in October 2005, which resulted in the recent launch of 50,000 copies of the paper. The paper had cost Rotary nothing, printing etc costs being covered by the advertising revenue. The publication was, to his mind, Rotary's best and cheapest PR and it is hoped to circulate the next issue in August/September with an increased circulation of 500,000 copies. The expectation is that in due course Rotary Times will have a National circulation but his resources are limited and help is needed. As there was no speaker's host the President responded.

Brief reports were requested by the President.

Treasurer – The charities account has a healthy £11,000 balance and the general account £1,63. Subscriptions will be £90 due in July and 9 members were reminded they have not completed their Gift Aid declarations.

Ways & Means – All will be revealed on the 28<sup>th</sup>! Bob Stevenson mentioned the Sportsman's Dinner @ £30 a ticket, £10 of which will go to ways & means.

International – Mike Payne will be presented with a cheque.

Social – A good programme is being organised. More information after the Council meeting.

PR - Up to date with sending information to the local papers.

Any Other business – Graham Vine mentioned the visit to the Lakes on 9 July for breakfast and other activities. Graham Yule mentioned the following weeks visit to Alderley Edge Mines at a cost of £5 per head. The prospect of local fish & chips persuaded 19 members to confirm they will attend. John Meeus mentioned the Poynton Park visit on 24 June with picnics from 5.30pm and a gazebo needing to be organised.

A very enjoyable evening was closed by the Vice President winning the raffle and Tony Burch, as Sergeant At Arms, swelling his coffers by £14 by fining every member and guest present.

Mike Palmer

## Alderley Edge Mines

June 14<sup>th</sup> and 12 brave souls decided to explore the mines of copper mines of Alderley Edge. The problem with this is that the 12 brave souls did not know they were being brave. As we stood outside and got kitted out with tin hats and lamps with big battery kits strapped around your midriff it seemed quite a giggle. I had been down the mines many years ago and knew it was just large caverns with slightly lower bits between.

I started to realise that all was not right as we progressed down a fairly low narrow passageway. After some time the leader from the Derbyshire Cavers said “this way” and started to crawl along a passageway to a more open area. Thank goodness that’s over. He then went down an even lower and longer tunnel on hands and knees.

Now once you have gone this far you would like to kill the leader but – he is the only one who knows the way out, so you start to worry about his health, at least for the next hour. The leader was also a sadist and insisted off our lamps to experience total darkness. Experiencing total darkness 85 feet under Alderley Edge was never really high on my want list

One thing you do is listen intently to the leader. Not that I want to be an expert on copper mining in Alderley Edge but I don’t want to upset the leader – who knows he may be easily upset and run away.

Let me impart the main finding of the trip without you needing to crawl under rocks.

Carbon Dating has discovered that some mining started in the area in 2500BC. In later years they got cheeky and used dynamite. This was OK except they didn’t have a slow fuse and if you didn’t move sharpish you got a backside of rocks. To make a fuse they packed a straw and damped it down. Then one of Tony Burch’s ancestors came up with the idea of packing it down a goose quill. As it had a lot of fat it burned quite slowly and then if he was an early Burch he sold it to the other poor sods.

You may have noticed there is no Pub at the top of Alderley Edge. Gather around and I will tell you why. Next to The Wizard there was a Pub called The Miners Arms but one night there was a big punch-up and Lord Stanley who owned everything closed The Miners Arms and took the license from The Wizard. The Wizard only got a license many years later. Oh and by the way (not a lot of people know this), all those trees are not native to Alderley Edge. They have been planted and as recently as 1950 no one wanted to live there so they pulled down the existing houses. What a clever decision.

At last our Derbyshire Cavers leader said something that made sense. He said “I wont take you on the LONG CRAWL as I planned so we will go out now”

If, however, you are keen you can go for a FULL DAY CRAWL on a Saturday.

What a shame I lost his phone number.

Herb

## **Model boats and a new member on 12 July 2006**

The meeting got off to a good start with the 25 members in attendance finding bottles of wine on every table, courtesy of John Sykes in celebration of a significant birthday.

Mindful of the main theme of the evening, Graham Yule presented the customary report on absences and guests with the assertion that all was 'ship shape'. However, one member suggested that perhaps it had been rigged whilst another felt that he was 'sailing close to the wind'. These contributions were, inevitably, greeted in the appropriate manner.

The secretary informed us that he had three piles – yellow, multi-coloured and red and as they were getting heavy, he encouraged members to take from them. This was more detail than many members wished to know until it was pointed out that he was referring to various items of paperwork.

When (or if ever) the history of the club should come to be written, Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2006 will be acknowledged as a landmark with the induction of the first lady member. In proposing Vida Chattington, Vice President Geoff recounted some story about walking along the beach in Douglas but the import of this was lost on your chronicler. Vida's first

remarks as a member indicate some disappointment at not being given a new badge and some prophecies for the future: "I intend to cause lots of trouble..... you'll be so sorry..." etc.

The last time Tony Coupe visited the club he was speaking about art. For his return visit, it was model boats. He recalled as a child visiting Liverpool docks with his father. He remembered too his father trying to build a model boat from a kit but to no avail despite regular injections of whisky and tobacco.

Tony now travels the country meeting amateur model makers and visiting auction houses. We were to rid our minds of Airfix kits, for a good model will cost at least £500 without paint or motors. There is still a strong market for static models particularly amongst those living in redeveloped sea areas who want to capture the spirit of the past. Tony brought a number of very fine examples with him, showing that models can display the boat in pristine condition or with simulated rust flowing from the portholes. One model even had working radar, lights and very realistic digitalised sound. At the other end was a very fine model of HMS Victory mounted on a piece of timber from the boat itself. "These are not just big boys' toys" but a memory of our recent past as an island nation, keeping alive the debt we owe to the Royal and Merchant navies. A number of interesting questions

indicated that members had enjoyed the talk very much. In his vote of thanks Tony Burch paid tribute to the speaker as being “like an onion – not that he smells but he has many layers.” As his other interests include breeding bull terriers and dealing in antiques. It is hoped Tony coupe will return to the club before too long to unveil one of his other specialities.

There was little in the way of committee business. The treasurer urged prompt payment of

subscriptions. David Rose announced that there was to be a pathway clearing on Sunday July 30<sup>th</sup> and that it was to be eco-friendly – i.e. no strimmer. Chris Monkhouse in his first outing as Sergeant-at-arms treated us to the origins of the role in 1279 and the title’s derivation from the Latin. All this made no difference – he still prised money from members in the standard way.

John Knowles

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### **Club Assembly, June 28**

Presidents come and presidents go, (some even come back again!) some incoming and some outgoing presidents give a long address and some a short address. The fashion at this time seems to be more on the short side. Although this year the Presidents hand over to the new President exceeded last years handover by 1000% in so far it lasted one and half minutes. This I take to be a sign of the times and the usage of brevity in Internet communication. It goes therefore that if little is said there is little on which to report! I could leave it there but I won’t.

I think the Asst DG made two very good points. One he really expressed a wish to come to Bramhall’s handover because it had been highly recommended and two to see how IT,

the execution of the years programme, can be done without too much fuss but with a lot of foresight and ingenuity. He certainly did not go away disappointed. That is the way we have always done IT and I hope, and it certainly looks as if it will, continue that way in the coming year under the leadership of Pres Gordon. Amongst many pertinent points Pres Gordon made was one in particular, given the support of the members, we can continue with the success which the Club has enjoyed and for which it has become renowned over the past twenty years.

The committee chairmen, two of which have been recycled, gave reports which can be seen in the handout and the website. (Brevity again you see Mr Editor) The Sgt at Arms, whose name escapes me at the moment, extracted a goodly sum of

money. Vida was nearly made a member; this happy occasion took place two weeks later. (*Previous report*). Welcome Vida. Greetings were received from Stephen Day from Kyrenia where is shortly to become a member. I won the raffle and I think it realistic that the raffle should be held

at the beginning of the evening so that it can be consumed with members immediately about the winner. The Rev David whole-heartedly agreed with me.

John Meeus

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### **Oh, to be a coroner**

A small (but select) band of members gathered on another hot July evening (26<sup>th</sup> July) to hear Chris Welton A.D.G., who in his spare time is senior partner of his law firm, tell us about his role as a Coroner. A coroner has to be either a solicitor or doctor of at least five years standing and is responsible for enquiries into suspicious, unusual or unnatural deaths.

Chris prefaced his talk by saying he had been employed as deputy to an experienced coroner, John Pollard, on the Shipman enquiry and he works between 15 and 20 hours a week without pay. The coroner's department is the responsibility of the local authority and is under-funded as a consequence.

Nowadays, Coroners only deal with deceased people ... and treasure trove. Chris does have access to a coroner's robe (dark purple with piping) but prefers "civvies" as this helps to put witnesses at ease. Sometimes he sits with a jury and there is no right of

appeal ... a bit like the president at a Rotary council meeting!

Chris clearly enjoys his coroner's duties. He gave us a very interesting, informative and anecdotal insight concerning a role about which most of us knew very little. He finished by saying that if we ever came before a coroner's court – make sure we are only a witness and not the client!

Harry Hill then gave his own speech on the subject of post-mortems (yet another job talk Harry?) and Jim Thomas gave Chris a vote of thanks in his own relaxed, easy and inimitable style. Gordon Jackson won the raffle and handed himself a good bottle of Sauvignon Blanc. A fix do I hear you say ... and Vida Chattington was a novel and entertaining Sgt. At Arms –and she has not yet got to grips with all the members – figuratively speaking of course. Finally, we should not forget to record the wide variety of Graces with which John Knowles begins our meetings. Treasure trove indeed.

Geoff. Hunt

## Diary

2.08.06*	Committees
9.08.06*	John Knowles - My Job
7.08.06	Council Meeting
16.08.06*	Yogi Sharma - Bicycles for Africa
23.08.06*	Visit to Robin Hood Pub, Rainow
30.08.06	NO MEETING (5th Wed).
6.09.06	Committees and Auction of goodies by sales officer
11.09.06	Council Meeting
13.09.06*	Loveland/Malabon
20.09.06	Charter Night: Cruise Evening!
27.09.06*	Club Services
4.10.06	Committees and DG visit
6-8.10.06	District Conference in Scarborough
9.10.06	Council Meeting
11.10.06*	McKeith/McLeod
18.11.06	Meeus/Monkhouse
25.11.06*	Club Services
1.11.06	Committees
6.11.06	Council Meeting
8.11.06*	Mould/Newsome
15.11.06	Palmer/Poizer
22.11.06*	Club Services
29.11.06	NO MEETING (5 <sup>th</sup> Wednesday)
6.12.06	Committees and SGM to elect club officers
11.12.06	Council Meeting
13.12.06*	Xmas Party
20.12.06	NO MEETING
27.12.06	NO MEETING
3.01.07	Committees
10.01.07*	Rabone/Rose
17.01.07	Sheard/Sheppard
24.01.07*	Club Services
31.01.07	NO MEETING (5th Wednesday)
9.03.07	President's Evening at County Hotel, Bramhall
13-15.4.07	RIBI Conference, Bournemouth
23.05.07*	AGM
27.06.07*	Handover and Club Assembly

**Please note that the programme above is subject to change. Please keep Geoff Hunt informed of intended speakers and visits.**

**\* indicates that we have the function room.**

## Job rota

<b>Date</b>	<b>Speaker host</b>	<b>Bulletin</b>	<b>S at A</b>
August 2	Committees	G Vine	B Stevenson
August 9	D Dev	M Lacey	H Barker
August 16	S Davies	D Allport	R Malabon
August 23	J Thewlis	H Hill	M Palmer
August 30	No meeting: 5th Wednesday		
September 6	Committees	D McKeith	B Batty
September 13	H Boyes	T Burch	D Dewhurst
September 20	A Newsome	D Rabone	J Meeus
September 27	J Sykes	D Rose	D Poizer
October 4	Committees	C Monkhouse	T Sheppard
October 11	J Knowles	G Yule	N Loveland
October 18	M Hurst	J Thomas	G Hunt
October 25	B Stevenson	M Lacey	D Dev
November 1	Committees	H Barker	S Davies
November 8	D Allport	J Mould	D Burstow
November 15	R Malabon	J Thewlis	H Hill
November 22	M Palmer	D McKeith	B Batty
November 29	No meeting: 5th Wednesday		
December 6	Committees	H Boyes	A Newsome
December 13	Christmas party		
December 20	No meeting		
December 27	No meeting		
2007			
January 3	Committees	J Meeus	J Sykes
January 10	D Rabone	D Rose	J Sheard
January 17	J Knowles	D Poizer	C Monkhouse

**If you cannot attend, please find a replacement!**

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### Request for information.....

1. I would like to update the list of tradesmen that I publish from time to time. If you can recommend a tradesman let me know and I will include the details.

2. President Gordon has suggested that we also have a list of recommended restaurants and hotels. Now this could be a 'biggy'! Send me details please - local and non-local. If the list is too big, I will circulate by e-mail.

Dennis

## BLIND RUN

**Mrs Joan Goodall**, 3 Poise Brook Drive, Offerton  
Tel: 456 2076 Pick up 7.15 pm

**Wyn and Harold Lawson**, 170 Ben Davies Court, Romiley  
Tel: 406 9213 Pick up at 7.00 pm

**Mrs Dorothy Birch**, 53 Mill Lane, Woodley  
Tel: 355 3252 Pick up 7.10 pm

**Bernard Sharp and Edith Fidler no longer wish to go to Walthew House on Tuesday evenings.** Ring the four above up Sunday or Monday to check that your passengers still need a lift. If you can't get through, go round anyway at the appointed time. Let John Thewlist know if you get stuck. Please swap with someone if you can't do your appointed run. During holiday periods, Walthew House may be closed. Cancellations will be announced at club meetings. To reach the Lawsons from Stockport go under the railway bridge by Romily railway station. The first on the left is Guywood Lane. Go up and take the second left. There is a passage leading to Ben Davies Court; they live in the downstairs flat.

**It is not yet clear if the Blind Run is to be suspended - details as they emerge at Club meetings.**

August	no Blind Run during August	
September 5	no Blind Run	
September 12	D Dewhurst	G Hunt
September 19	M Hurst	G Jackson
September 26	J Knowles	M Lacey
October 3	N Loveland	R Malabon
October 10	D McKeith	J Meeus
October 17	C Monkhouse	J Mould
October 24	A Newsome	D Poizer
October 31	D Rabone	D Rose
November 7	J Sheard	T Sheppard
November 14	B Stevenson	J Sykes
November 21	J Thomas	G Vine
November 28	G Yule	D Burstow
December 5	V Chattington	H Boyes
December 12	H Barker	B Batty
December 19	D Allport	D Dewhurst



***SERVICE Above Self***

**Meal Apologies**

Don't forget that all meal apologies must be made either

by phoning 07005 964 624

or

emailing to

[Apologies@bramhall-woodford-rotary.org.uk](mailto:Apologies@bramhall-woodford-rotary.org.uk)

**before midday on Tuesday**

**We meet at the the Ladybridge Park Resident's Club,  
Edenbridge Road, Cheadle Hulme.**

Please send all copy for the bulletin to Dennis Allport, preferably as an attachment to an e-mail **in Rich Text Format (not Word)** - more resistant to virus attack.

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