



Club Assembly 17 June 2019

Programmes, Activities and Objectives for 2019-2020

President's Overview – Adrienne Holland.

It is an honour to be President again and I hope that I will be successful in my ambition to build on the strengths and innovations of previous Presidents with a year that is fun and productive, full of laughter, fellowship, friendship and team work to help others.

I would like our club to use its considerable influence in the community and amongst friends and families to build our knowledge and awareness of Climate Change and our environment. I plan to invite good speakers to tell us how we can have a positive impact as individuals and as a whole group.

The relationship with our Satellite Group has developed well and its members are increasingly supportive of the Club's fund raising and social events. This must be reciprocated so the Satellite Group members feel valued and effective members of the club.

I am very conscious that some Rotarians are unlikely to be actively involved in events and I respect that. However, I would appreciate everyone being willing to support all activities in some way. I plan to slightly revamp our team membership with each team having only a small nucleus of members who are prepared to attend meetings. Other Rotarians who are not attached to a particular team will be asked take on specific tasks or offer their support-as appropriate. Although some fund-raising events are for an identified project, many are whole club concerns and I hope that all members will support them.

I plan to organise occasional walks which start and end in a pub! These would be purely for fellowship, open to any member and their friends and family. I would also like to explore the possibility of a theatre trip to see either a play or an opera – and hope that Richard will continue to organise a thoroughly enjoyable visit to a concert in Birmingham.

Other events that we are likely to enjoy include the Vintage and Classic Car show, Santa Fun Run, the Duck Race, concerts in the Church, Charter Night, quizzes, Contact Teas and, I very much hope, Burns Night. The Youth Committee will, I am sure, with our support, continue to provide many opportunities for young people to develop skills and be acknowledged for their efforts. Our International work may change focus but will support communities in real need. I hope that Interact will not only continue but develop this year and that they will, in the future, move into Rotaract and then Rotary.

I will encourage all events to be organised and delivered by teams rather than by just one or two people; with responsibilities and tasks shared by as many as is practicable.

I am by nature collaborative and I intend to work closely with and support every member of our club and also with other clubs in Melton and the local area, as well as the wider District.

I will remind all Rotarians on a very regular basis that we are a team and it is the strength of our team work that will determine our success and ability to achieve all that it is expected.

Adrienne Holland
President 2019-2020

Club Service – Malcolm Britton

The committee will continue to be to strengthen the bonds of fellowship within the club, friendship between the families of members and extending outreach into the community and wider world.

To this end we will:

- Continue to provide a programme of speakers at our weekly meetings who provide enlightenment and/or entertainment
- Organise, and support other members who organise, social events including the Christmas Party, Burns Night Supper and Quizzes
- Celebrate and promote the club with a high quality, cost-effective Charter Dinner
- Review and revise the other principal meetings of the Rotary year
- Continue involvement in social action including CPR training with Heartwize, tree-planting, distributing and collecting shoeboxes, support for Birchwood Special School and seek new initiatives
- With the goodwill and support of the club membership, raise funds to support club and foundation initiatives with the Classic Car and Vintage Vehicle Day, the Santa Fun Run and the Duck Race - and actively seek new opportunities
- With the support of the whole club, organise and run a Duck Race, raising funds for our charities and specifically to provide a day out for disadvantaged local children.
- Encourage and support the Satellite Club and Interact Club in all their endeavours
- Actively participate in District 1070 and national Rotary events
- Review club communications and recommend clear, simple, effective procedures for implementation
- Ensure the club effectively uses social media appropriate to our target population

Community and Environment Service – Helen Bett

Our aim is to bring Rotary more into our community and encourage local people to support Rotary projects. To this end we will balance funding, time, effort and commitment. Work in the community needs to be seen as our core and we will encourage all members to become involved to make our work effective.

We will aim to:

- Enhance the environment of Melton by selling crocus corms to members and friends and by donating to local schools for planting.
- Continue to provide a Contact Tea Party for local elderly people at Burton Lazars Village Hall in October. Due to the support of members and Ladies in Rotary who generously provide the food, the only cost is £50 for the hall.
- Continue to enhance our local environment by planting a further 105 trees on 23 November 2019 in Melton Mowbray Play Park. The trees will be maintained by Melton Mowbray Town Estate. The planting event will include a Brunch for members and appropriate publicity. There are no costs to the Club.
- Despite serious doubts about the continuation of the Christmas Parcel Collection, as Lions will no longer organise it, we will endeavour to investigate other ways to support needy families and possibly to run our own collection. Budget £500.
- Continue to support Stroke Awareness blood pressure testing. This allows Rotarians to engage with members of the public while offering a useful service that can save lives. This is a joint venture with Melton Belvoir Club. No cost.
- Continue to support Leicestershire Life Education which enables children in all local schools to receive quality Personal, Social & Health Education and Life Skills. This year Helen has monitored this activity and members can read her reports. Budget £1000.

- Have a tree in the Melton Christmas Tree Festival. This event provides an excellent opportunity to promote the work of the Club, and hopefully encourage new members. Budget <£75
- Arrange a big Christmas Card to be made by one of our local schools for us all to sign and give a donation. Funds raised from this and the raffle of a Christmas cake at the Christmas Party will go towards charities supported by the Community and Environmental committee.

International Service – John Redwood

We will aim to:

- See through to completion the unfinished project in the Philippines to provide two toilets with washing facilities.
- Investigate and assess a new project or projects either in the Philippines where we already have knowledge of some requirements and contacts, or suitable projects elsewhere in the world.
- Continue to provide help for organisations generally abroad with the collection of spectacles and cartridges.
- Find the level of funding required on a matched funding basis and start to ring fence monies to access the new Rotary Disaster Fund
- Investigate the possibility of a three club effort in Melton to plant purple crocuses to present a colourful reminder that Rotary is deeply involved in the eradication of polio worldwide.

Youth Service – Alan Odom

We work with RC Melton Belvoir and RC Melton Aurora on youth projects.

We will aim to:

- Review our long-term funding of the Rotary Young Leaders' Award with the aim of enabling less privileged young people to benefit. Currently we are supporting Young RYLA at a much lower cost.
- Support a suitable participant for the Rotary Youth Exchange.
- Offer Rotary Star Awards to primary schools in Melton and surrounding villages. We intend to continue the encouragement of wider participation.
- Offer local competitions for Young Chef, Writer, Designer, Artist, Citizen, Photographer and Youth Speaks.
- Attract the greatest involvement of our young people in Youth Speaks and therefore raise with District 1070 the damage their stance on the competition could have.
- Continue to investigate Slam Jam and Young Scientist.
- Continue discussions aimed at developing a new music-based competition. Meanwhile continue to promote the Young Musician event.
- Hold a joint evening on Monday 30 September of Melton Rotary Clubs at which David Wilson will outline the setting-up of the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme at Melton Vale 6th Form College.
- Investigate the possibility of supporting MV16 in purchasing equipment required to include welding in its curriculum.
- Discuss with the Principal and staff of MV16 about costed licences for CAD and 3D modelling.
- Consider how members (including Satellite members) can pass on their experiences and knowledge from their working lives to young people.
- Encourage and support the Interact Club at MV16 in all their endeavours

The Rotary Foundation – Alison Blythe

The Club aims to make a full donation to Foundation of \$4900 / £3877 ie \$100 per member. This will be achieved by

- A levy of 10% from all fund-raising activity within the Club
- A repeat of the May Foundation Dinner
- *Donations from the Open Gardens scheme.*
- Other fundraising activities for Foundation to be identified or agreed.
- A donation to Polio prevention will be made by selling crocus corms (see Community & Environmental Service)

Satellite Group – Andrea Fiford

The Satellite Enterprise Group will aim to:

- Continue to meet fortnightly for 1½ hours on Tuesday evenings at Tresillian House
- Continue to grow our membership; to at least 16 active members by 30 June 2020.
- Continue with our Forum network events, hosting three Forums in the town for local small businesses. These present relevant guest speakers and network opportunities.
- Raise funds to support our Bursary Scheme. Our goal is to raise a further £1500 by April 2020. We will achieve this through the sale of our 2020 Calendar, having ticket sales on the Community Lottery scheme and hosting at least two local fundraising events.
- Promote and facilitate support to at least three more small businesses in the area via our Bursary support scheme by April 2020.
- Continue to enjoy the contact we have with one another, supporting and encouraging one another in our own developments as well as supporting the local business community to flourish and the activities of the main Melton Rotary Club

Membership – Ian Neale

Members Get Members – Ongoing

The Aim of the membership committee is to enrol at least six new members across the Club in 2019-20 and to retain existing members.

To recruit members we will:

- Hold two membership interest meetings at Lunch time with the same format as in 2018-19 – when various members talk about their involvement in Rotary
- Consider greater flexibility of membership with associate membership (a good starting point for satellite members, where they can be involved for 12 months and get a taste of Rotary at a reduced cost and at no expense to the club) , corporate partners, Friends of Rotary
- Enhance recruitment opportunities at Club events with revised information leaflets, business cards, and the purchase of a dedicated Rotary Gazebo. [Business Cards £75, Gazebo £150]

To retain members we will:

- Circulate a questionnaire to existing members, to enquire of their needs and what they feel we should be doing.
- Ensure the mentoring process is fully in place and used effectively
- Encourage members to respect all other members. We are all individuals and have differing views that should be respected.