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The Weekly Newsletter of The Rotary Club of Ipswich East
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Charity Number: 1088961

CLUB OFFICERS—2019/20

President: Liz Harsant

President Elect: David Chittick

Vice President: Jo Banthorpe

Secretary: Tony Baker

Asst Secretary: Martin Westlake

Treasurer: Neil Hewitt



August

Toby Pound

George Woodward

September

John Button

Geoff Watson

Roger Gilles

Lunchtime Meeting at Greshams bell rings at 12.55pm

Edward Jackson—“Save our Swifts”

Duty Rotarians: John Barbour & John Clements



Pub Night Success

It happens often that we are too caught up with work and projects to enjoy the simple things, so in an effort to promote more Club activities focused on camaraderie, a casual pub night was held at ‘The Thomas Wolsey’ last Wednesday.

The weather was a bit too much on the damp side to even consider sitting outside, but the 15 of us certainly made a good crowd inside, with a few drinks, jokes and even some brainstorming about future projects.

After a while, some very rumbly tummies began expressing a desire for some proper food, so a group of us crossed the street to indulge in some nice curries at ‘Gandhi’, which was a tasty way of ending a lovely evening.

A shout out to Jo and the 5-year-development Plan Committee for coming up with this wonderful idea; and if you missed it, don't worry, as you will have a chance to go to the next one, which will be on Friday September 20th at ‘The Dove’ (St Helen's Street), so hopefully we'll see you there! *Eva Alcérreca*

David Chittick adds: With the high spirits of those who got together at The Thomas Wolsey for a drink and banter, the 14 or so people who came were obviously looking to have a good time. We made a lot of noise and brought plenty of custom. There were those who are rarely able to come to our lunch time meetings, for example Karen Finch and Roger and Liz Gilles, who were able to catch up on news of what was happening in the Club.

The informal way that people came and went, some with their partners, worked out fine. We were delighted that Lewis could make it; he was as cheerful as ever! The organisers of the meeting, Jo and Eva are to be congratulated on a very successful evening. Another get together is planned for September.

Not pictured: Sarah Waterson, Lewis Tyler, Bill Pipe, and Matt Drown (Eva's husband), as they either had to leave early or arrived after the photo's were taken.





The Inner Wheel Club of Ipswich East

President 2018/19 Ruth Goodship handed over to President 2019/20 Judy Walters at the club's meeting on Tuesday 2nd July at Ipswich & Suffolk Club.



On Sunday last week, the club had a Walking Treasure Hunt through Ipswich culminating in a meal at the home of Theresa and George McLellan.



Mandy & Des, "Quick, before the others get here!" — Ray & Judi, "It's up there!" — Ruth finds a clue.— Liz says, "It's OK, we're not being followed."



The winners were Liz and Tony Baker who won a "treasure chest" filled with gold chocolate coins and chocolate gold bars and a good time was had by all.

SAINSBURY'S FOOD COLLECTION FOR FIND

Friday 27th, Saturday 28th, Sunday 29th September
Sainsbury's Warren Heath
10am - 6pm (4pm on Sunday)

- Front of House :** A total of five 2-hour shifts, three volunteers per shift please.
Engaging with the public; giving out leaflets; receiving donated goods.
Please wear Rotary T-shirts/sweatshirts and hi-vis jackets (I can provide some)
- Shifts :** 10am—12noon; 12noon—2pm; 2pm—4pm; 4pm—6pm
- Sorting :** Volunteers needed to sort donations into boxes from 4pm Friday and Saturday (from 2pm Sunday) for temporary storage in Sainsbury's Click & Collect area.
Volunteers must be able to lift heavy boxes.
- Transporting :** Volunteers needed on Friday and Saturday from 5pm (Sunday from 3pm) at Sainsbury's to load donations into FIND van and then travel to FIND HQ to unload van.
Volunteers must be able to lift heavy boxes.



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JO BANTHORPE WITH YOUR OFFER
BY EMAIL
OR CALL HER ON 07918 145399



Rotary exchange visit from our link Club Bad Salzuflen

We are delighted to be hosting 18 Rotarian visitors from Germany from Friday 13th to Sunday 15th September.
There are two main events which are open to club members.

A Club BBQ will be hosted by Bill and Monica Pipe on the evening of Friday 13th. A maximum of 80 participants can be accommodated. 52 places have been reserved for our German guests, their Ipswich East Rotarian hosts and members of the Ipswich East International Committee. Therefore, there are places for 28 club members and their partners. There will be a Rotary Club bar at the BBQ.

If you are not hosting or a member of the International Committee and would like to attend the BBQ, please contact David Atkins, ASAP, [BY CLICKING HERE](#) with "**German BBQ**" as the subject. David will keep club members informed regarding attendance.

A Formal Dinner, including a drink on arrival, will be held at the Ipswich and Suffolk Club on the evening of Saturday 14th. The cost of this event will be £30 per person and maximum numbers are limited to 66. Again, initially, 52 places will be reserved. Therefore, initially, 14 places can be offered to the wider club membership.

As above, if you wish to attend, please email David Atkins, ASAP, [BY CLICKING HERE](#) with "**German I&S Meal**" as the subject. David will keep club members informed regarding attendance.



Ipswich East Tuesday Rotary Meeting Programme

(lunchtime meetings start 12.55pm)

(Duty Rotarians are requested to make their own swaps and inform the Secretary and Newsletter Editor)

*Widows of former members are welcome to all evening and additional events
please book through the Hon Secretary Tony Baker*

NEXT WEEK 27th August	"Creative Computing Club" - BAFTA winner Matthew Applegate <i>(Sarah Waterson & Geoff Watson)</i>
3rd September	Ipswich East Rotary Club 5-Year Plan Update—Jo Banthorpe <i>(Martin Whitworth & Russell Wiles)</i>
10th September	Business Meeting—no guest speaker <i>(Clifford Smith & Lucy Trenchard)</i>
17th September	tba <i>(George Woodward & Juliette Adams)</i>
24th September	tba <i>(Eva Alcerecca & David Atkins)</i>
1st October	tba <i>(Alison Baldry & Chris Banham)</i>
8th October	Business Meeting—no guest speaker <i>(Jo Banthorpe & John Barbour)</i>
15th October	tba <i>(Eric Barnett & Michelle Bevan-Margetts)</i>
22nd October	tba <i>(Graham Bickers & John Button)</i>
29th October	tba <i>(fifth Tuesday)</i>
5th November	tba <i>(Ray Walters & Stuart Cooper)</i>
12th November	Business Meeting—no guest speaker <i>(Des Cunningham & Colin Davies)</i>
19th November	tba <i>(Janet Dillaway & Robin Dillaway)</i>

Ipswich East Rotary Club Rolling Diary

This table shows events other than regular weekly meetings.
The name of the lead Rotarian for each event is shown in brackets.

(Inner Wheel Events are shown in black italic type on a pale blue background)

Wednesday 20th September	Club Pub Night—Thomas Wolsey PH 6pm <i>(see advertisement on p6)</i> <i>(Jo Banthorpe)</i>
Wednesday 11th September	Morning Ramble—full details from John Clements <i>(John Clements)</i>
Fri 13th—Sun 15th September	German Exchange Visitors are with our club <i>(organiser: Liz Harsant)</i>
Wednesday 20th September	Club Pub Night—Thomas Wolsey PH 6pm <i>(see advertisement on p6)</i> <i>(Jo Banthorpe)</i>
Fri, Sat, Sun 27th, 28th, 29th September	Sainsbury's/FIND Collection <i>(organiser: Jo Banthorpe)</i>
Wednesday 25th September	Senior Citizens' Concert—Copleston School <i>(organiser: Andy Lewis)</i>
Thursday 17th October	Inner Wheel Club of Ipswich East Charity Bridge Drive <i>(full details on p7)</i>
Wednesday 11th December	Pantomime at New Wolsey Theatre <i>(organiser: David Atkins)</i>



COMPUTER CLUB

Are you getting the most out of your computer / iPhone / iPad / tablet?

Would you like to know more about what you can do?

If so, why not join the Rotary Computer Club, which has Rotarians from both Ipswich East and Ipswich Wolsey Clubs.

We meet on the first Thursday of each month, starting with coffee at 9.45 am until 1pm at Brundish Village Hall. Some of us then go to a local Pub for lunch but that's optional.

The Hall has a dedicated room set up with twelve computers. Our tutor is Ro Williams who can solve most of our queries.

We start the morning with a questions and answers session followed by coffee or tea and then she will go into greater detail of a suitable subject which may have arisen from the earlier session.

The cost for four meetings is just £40 : the new series of meeting starts on Thursday 5th September.

For further details please contact Richard Porter.

Ipswich East RC wants your money!



No change there I hear you say (and apologies for the pun).

However, this time it will not cost you a penny - maybe a Euro or Dollar, or even an old Peseta - but not a penny (although see below regarding pre-decimal coins).

Like me I am sure that many of you have a quantity of foreign currency at home that you have brought back from holidays and do not know what to do with it. Some of it will still be legal tender, some will not. Either way it has a value, and if you would like to donate it to the Club it could help one of our deserving local charities, rather than it festering in a cupboard or drawer at home.

After a bit of research I came across a company called **Coins For Cash** and if you [click here](#) the link below will take you directly to their website and full details of how they operate.

You will see that amongst their clients are several large retailers (Boots, Sainsbury's, M&S), many banks, and a number of major charities including MacMillan, British Red Cross - and Rotary! So, over the next few months I am asking you to let me have any coins or notes that you no longer have a use for. You don't have to sort them, just bring them along to any Tuesday lunch meeting and I will start filling a bucket!

I mentioned pre-decimal British coins. Did you know we can still get 75% of their original value? If like me you still have any old £1 notes, we can get 75p for them and it will not take too many of those to build a reasonable sum of money. Old shillings, sixpences, thrupenny bits - if you don't want them bring them in. There is much more detail on the website, so please take a few minutes to read through it.

This is not going to raise a vast amount of money, and we probably won't be able to repeat the exercise every year, but if you are going abroad in the near future don't just surrender your spare currency to the airline cabin crew, donate it to Ipswich East. If we only hand over one cheque to a deserving local cause it will have been worthwhile.

Many thanks, *Martin Westlake*

Good Stewardship of Club Funds

Neil Hewitt, club treasurer, presented on two separate issues at lunch last week both of which may impact on the each other. Neil has been able to complete a thorough review of the club budget which dictates our monthly subs. The monthly subs are currently set at £47.

The budget indicates that in order to cover all club ongoing costs these should be £58. The club is therefore subsidising our lunches but is able to do so thanks to the healthy surplus balance in the members club bank account. Neil was not proposing these are to be increased but merely making all aware of his situation as at some point in the future the subs will need to be increased.

A suggested put forward has been that we as members donate this surplus (which is not really achieving anything) by moving part to the Benevolent Fund, to be grossed up with Gift Aid and so be put to a good cause.

Neil has completed a cashflow forecast of the account. This shows that, after covering the club's ongoing commitments, this surplus varies each month from £5,300 to £10,300. Therefore we could consider donating up to £5,300 to the Benevolent Fund without a negative impact on the club account. However this feels to much so Neil suggested that we perhaps consider donating 50% of this (approx. £2,662, £35 per member) which could be grossed up to £3,327. This action would still leave a healthy surplus in the account.

The impact of this course of action is that whilst the subsidy of lunches can continue, it will be for a shorter time and the need to increase monthly subs will arise sooner. Three suggestions were raised at the meeting by members:

- 1 We should increase subs and stop the subsidy with the increases phased in next July 2020 and in July 2021 with a £5 increase each time
- 2 That any donation to the Benevolent fund should be ring fenced for a special project
- 3 If it is to be for a special project it could be for buying further gazebos for Orwell Challenge and upgrading toilet tents etc.

It was agreed that this information should be forwarded to all members for consideration and a vote taken at the next business meeting.

Suggested proposals for voting may be

- 1 Monthly subs remain same subsidised by club or and phased increase implemented
- 2 Club funds be donated to benevolent funds. If so how much and should this be for general distribution or a special project.
- 3 If a special project, should this be perhaps for equipment for the Orwell Challenge (e.g. gazebos) or opened to members to put forward proposals and there be a later vote?



PUB NIGHT!

Invitation to all Ipswich East Rotarians, partners and friends for informal early evening/ after work drinks.

**Friday 20th September, 6.00 pm onwards, at
The Dove (dog friendly)**
St Helen's Street, Ipswich

No agenda, no food, no sign up - just chat and chill!
Stay as long as you like.

See you there!

Pub Night

In an attempt to ensure that all members have the opportunity to maintain connections and links with the Club, especially those who are unable to make it to the lunch meetings, the 5YDP Committee have decided to try this new initiative.

The intention is to hold these informal meet ups every 6-8 weeks, to vary the day, location and time of day and to intersperse with morning coffee or afternoon tea.

Hopefully this will mean that the tastes and needs of most members will be met at some point.

Ideas for venues and dates very welcome - please feel free to contact me directly.

I look forward to seeing you!

Jo Banthorpe

HEARING CARE CENTRE

Pudding Club CHARITY NIGHT

Thursday 22nd August - 7pm

Fynn Valley Cafe Terrace, Ipswich

A special evening dedicated to delicious desserts - what more could you ask for?

Round up some friends, be a bit naughty and treat yourselves to a night full of indulgence. All in aid of **Hearing Dogs for Deaf People!**

£22 per person

Tickets include a selection of stone-baked pizzas followed by an array of tasty desserts.

Book your place early to avoid disappointment!

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To purchase tickets call 01473 230330 or visit: hearingcarecentre.co.uk/puddings



Inner Wheel Club of Ipswich East

Charity Bridge Drive



Thursday 17th October 2019
Playford Village Hall, 2-5pm

Tickets £10 per person, including delicious afternoon tea
To book, please email rosey.watson@sky.com or call Rosey on 01473 430404

All proceeds will be donated to the charity "Teenage Cancer trust & other Inner Wheel Charities"

Rotarian Alfred Reeves
President



Rotary Club of Ipswich

Lunch Meeting 12th September 2019

Speaker: Tim Passmore – Police & Crime Commissioner for Suffolk

You are invited to attend this lunch which will be held at:

The Holiday Inn, London Road, IP2 0UA

Please arrive anytime from 12.30 pm. Lunch will be served from 1pm.

The cost is GBP 11 for a one course meal plus Coffee and mints.

Partners are welcome.

Please contact David West, dwest35@mail.com 07710368690 so we can advise the Chef re numbers and any dietary requirements.

Cut off time for advice is 5pm Monday 9th September at the latest.

The Holiday Inn, London Road, Ipswich, IP2 0UA
email: rotary@ipswich@gmail.com



I'm appealing for your support to advertise this year's Free Concert for Senior Citizens.

We would love 350 guests on the night!

**The Concert is entirely free.
In the past everyone who has joined us has had a great evening.**

This poster has been emailed to everyone in the club. Please forward it any person or organisation that may be interested in attending, or print a few copies and put up on any noticeboards to which you have access to maximise publicity for our event.

The start has been brought forward by half an hour to 7.00pm in the hope this will attract a larger audience.

Thanking you in advance of your support.

**Best regards,
Andy Lewis**

FREE Concert

ROTARY CLUB OF IPSWICH EAST

ANNUAL CONCERT

WEDNESDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER 2019
7PM - 9.30PM
COPELSTON HIGH SCHOOL, IPSWICH

Featuring:
Live music from Ipswich over 50's Brass Band
Live comedy from Richard Whymark
Hot & cold refreshments, Raffle

FREE tickets for over 60's - call 01473 298683 to reserve your place.

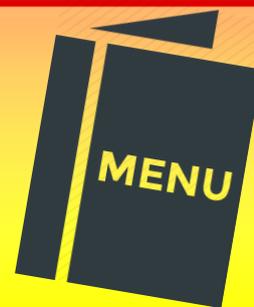
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LUNCHTIME MENU (verified by Greshams)

20th August Cod Mornay, sautéed potatoes and vegetables

27th August Chicken, Ham and Asparagus Pie,
potatoes and vegetables



ROTARY APOLOGIES

Send apologies by 2pm each Monday by email, to
tracey.clay@ews.co.uk

Alternatively, text 07990 573258—as a last resort,
telephone 07990573258.

Were you on welcome duty when we had a guest speaker?

If you didn't give the vote of thanks, it's your
privilege to provide a short write-up of the speaker
for this newsletter.

Copy for write-ups and anything else needs to be
sent to Editor by the Saturday night preceding
publication day (Monday).

Email preferred please, to
alan.forsdike@gmail.com

The Rotary Club of Ipswich Wolsey
Walk through the beautiful scenic Fynn Valley, Suffolk
In aid of
East Anglian
Air Ambulance
Meet up
between
10.00 am
- 12 noon
FAMILY FRIENDLY
Cost: £10.00
includes T-shirt
Dogs on leads
WELCOME
**WOLSEY
PUB
WALK**
Saturday 28th September 2019
An 8 mile circular walk (also 6 mile option),
starting in Westerfield > Witlesham > Tuddenham, then return to Westerfield.
Registration via our website: www.wolseypubwalk.org.uk
Email: wolseyrotary@btinternet.com
for more information tel: 07545 854801 (Terry)

Clipboards in Circulation

***Make sure you've seen the current clipboards in
circulation so that you don't miss any events.***

Christmas Pantomime Wednesday 11th December at New
Wolsey Theatre. Board will close on 31st August. (*Organiser:
David Atkins*)



CLUB EVENT PHOTOGRAPHS

You can view club photographs
on-line by
[clicking this link](#)

