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The Newsletter of The Rotary Club of Ipswich East

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Club Speaker Meeting
Tuesday 10th August starting at 7.30pm

Speaker Susan Ryan of the Anne Robson Trust
'Butterfly Volunteers' at Ipswich Hospital

Duty Rotarians : Martin Westlake (VoT) Russell Wiles (notes)

COMING UP SOON...

First Face-to-Face Meeting this Rotary
Year - Tuesday 14th September

The organiser (Dave Atkins) will assume you will be there.

If you cannot attend , you must **OPT OUT** by emailing
Dave using the new email address
rcieattendance@gmail.com

The deadline is 12th September or you will be charged.



If you are not attending, you must OPT OUT



President's Tea Party at Ufford Park
Hotel - Sunday 3rd October

Afternoon tea will be served at 3.30pm.

For this event, you need to **OPT IN**.

Please email Dave Atkins using the new email
address rcieattendance@gmail.com

When you opt in, please also advise Dave the name(s) of any guest(s) you will be taking and any particular dietary needs.

The deadline is Sunday 5th September.

If you are attending, you must OPT IN

Rotary Road-map to Recovery

Club Council has agreed that, subject to no further changes in government restrictions, meetings in the immediate future will be held on...

SECOND TUESDAY OF THE MONTH

A lunchtime meeting in person at 'Venue 16' (formerly 'The Box Tree')

Lunch will be two courses and coffee at £16 per head
The meeting will not include a guest speaker meetings as the emphasis will be on resuming/ building fellowship. All being well, Lunch Speakers will resume in September.

FOURTH TUESDAY OF THE MONTH

An evening meeting on Zoom at 7.30pm with a guest speaker.

**Business meetings will remain once every TWO MONTHS
and held via evening Zoom gatherings.**

Fifth Tuesday meetings will be suspended for the time being.

Arrangements will be under regular review since we will need to respond to future government announcements and also feedback from members.

Notifying non-attendance [or extra meals] at Lunchtime Meetings

As in pre-pandemic times, **you will need to opt out of lunch** because the club will assume you will attend when placing the order for lunch.

If you cannot attend, you must give your apologies via email to Dave Atkins by the Sunday midnight before the physical lunch meeting.

Email: rcieattendance@gmail.com

If you fail to give notice that you are not attending, **you will be charged** the full cost of the meal. The Club pays for all lunches ordered regardless of who attends.

If you need an additional places at lunch (for a guest or a speaker you have arranged) the same rules apply: you must notify Dave using the same email address by midnight of the Sunday ahead of the meeting.

Role of 'Duty Rotarian' on the day.

Dave Atkins will send a list of expected attendees to one of the Duty Rotarians for the lunch. That Rotarian will be responsible for checking the attendees and agreeing these numbers with the 'Venue 16' staff at the lunch.

Ipswich East / Ipswich Mass Twinning

The International Committee announce that the revised confirmed dates for **Ipswich East** to visit **Ipswich Mass** are **Wednesday 31st August to the 7th September 2022.**



Members are asked to email George McLellan with their 'expressions of interest' as soon as possible and those who are 'thinking about it', should make a diary note now.

How about making this the trip of a lifetime?

The famous Cunard Liner 'Queen Mary 2' leaves Southampton on 21st August to cross to New York and arrives 28th August. One member has already booked to go!
[Talk to Lewis Tyler.]



WARNING FOR BLUE BADGE HOLDERS

*If you park at Ipswich Hospital and display your Blue Badge for free parking in your car, you **MUST** go to 'South Wards Reception' before moving to your clinic to register the fact you have parked.*

If you don't you risk receiving a fine.

Commemorative Lapel Pins

The club has commissioned commemorative lapel pins for each member and favoured persons to celebrate the 50th Birthday of the club. Designed by Alan Forsdike they are high quality enamel and will be distributed on 14th September when we meet in person.



Working with the Rotary Club of Ipswich Mass.

'Saving Our Local Watershed - Lifeblood of Our Communities'

District 7930 Global Grant Proposal - How Ipswich East could help.

President Jo writes:

'Three weeks ago I was approached by Joan Arsenault of our twin Club Ipswich Massachusetts to ask if we would support their 'Saving the Ipswich River' project. Details of the project can be found on their webpage. <https://arcg.is/04CvqG0>'

[Editor Alan has reproduced the bulk of that information on the following two pages.]

'Ipswich Massachusetts are intending to apply for a Global Grant to fund the project. RI terms state that 15% of funding, some £3700, must come from outside of the host nation, hence the request for funding from Ipswich East.

'Those of you who attended the last Business Meeting will remember that members voted to support the project in principle, pending further information. As our twin club, we hope Ipswich Massachusetts may in turn support one of our future projects.

'Ipswich Massachusetts would like to have funding in place so that the project can commence this Autumn. There is a deadline of 10th August for this application to be submitted so our club is limited as to how this request can be addressed.

'Unfortunately with such short notice we cannot accommodate such a request within our normal grant making distribution process from the Benevolent Fund.

'At the meeting on 10th August, I am going to ask members to consider the size of the donation from the General Fund.

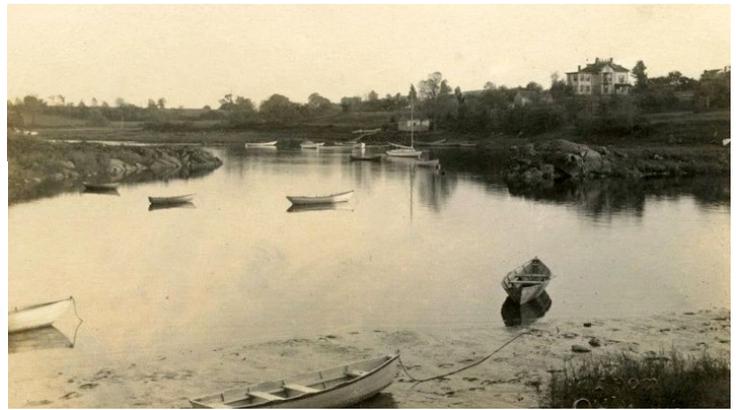
'That donation would be in lieu of the gift which we would normally make at next year's exchange visit. Our twin club have made some generous gifts to us over the years.

'If you are unable to attend this meeting and you would wish to state your thoughts, or you would like some more information, then please feel free to email me.

'David Chittick has contacted the three other Ipswich Rotary clubs to enlist their support for the project.'



This article is extracted from the website of the project.



The Ipswich River Project

The Ipswich Mass water sources, the Ipswich River and adjacent watersheds of the Parker and the Essex Rivers, are threatened and may disappear if action is not taken. But, through the work of Rotarians, Ipswich River Watershed Association (IRWA), and Youth partners, we can support a process preventing the current loss of water, and advocate for conservation efforts insuring a water supply for future generations

Grant Sponsors

Joan Arsenault, Ingrid Miles, Ann Witzig - Ipswich Club, District 7930; and Johanna Banthorpe, Ipswich East Club, District 1080.

Background

The Ipswich River is a small coastal river just north of Boston that flows through communities, forests, and farms before reaching the Atlantic Ocean. The river is the lifeblood of the region providing drinking water to 350,000 people and businesses daily.

The two adjacent watersheds, the Parker River as well as the Essex River, combined with the Ipswich River, provide critical water resources to our area.

Endangered Status

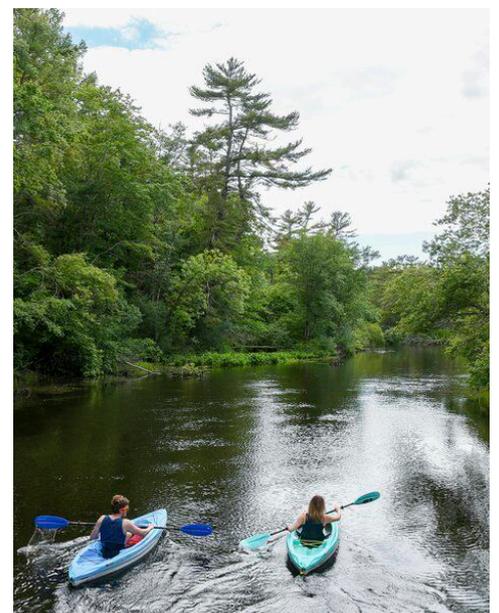
Unfortunately, our three rivers are at risk due to both overuse and the impacts of climate change. Even in non-drought years, stretches of the Ipswich and Parker Rivers and their tributaries run dry, not only threatening the region's water supply, but resulting in fish kills, ecological damage to aquatic habitats and loss of recreational opportunities.

One of Ten Most Endangered US Rivers

The Ipswich River was declared one of the 10 most endangered rivers in the United States in 2021 due to these threats. Groundwater withdrawal for municipal and private use was a major driving factor for low flows in both the Ipswich and the Parker Rivers. These watersheds are critical natural resources for our communities, including 30 within our own Rotary District 7930.

Inefficient Use and Outdated Allocations of Water

Local water advocates determined that as much as 50% of water used from the river during droughts was wasted, due to inefficient and discretionary water use.



Since the river is already over taxed and the State has determined that the river's Safe Yield calculation for water withdrawals has been exceeded, local communities live within outdated allocations.

Despite these failures, all communities must be encouraged to further reduce their water consumption in order to meet current and future needs.

Our Goals

This project proposes to provide training, networking, and training resources to District 7930 Rotary clubs and Youth Activist groups to encourage individuals, communities, and our state government to conserve water.

Our youth, in particular, are among the North Shore's leading influencers and advocates. They effectively work to educate, mobilize and activate our community leaders as well as the general public to make the societal level changes necessary to significantly reduce water use throughout the region.



Climate Change and the Ipswich River

Local goals, actions, and advocacy create the essential foundation critical to both our national and even international responses to climate change.

Our Community Partnership

Why did we choose IRWA as our community partner and what role will it play in the grant?

The IRWA is an excellent partner for our Rotary Global Grant. The Rotarian community-centered advocacy work is in conjunction with the IRWA's SAVE THE RIVER campaign. This includes a comprehensive suite of practical measures identified to address threatened water supplies on a long-term basis.

Rotarians at Work

Rotarians will participate in training activities, supportive of water protection and conservation. These activities and trainings will be inclusive of IRWA membership and affiliated groups to understand and act upon the critical need for water conservation by individuals, by our local communities, and by our state government.



Mentors to Youth

Rotarians will also serve as youth mentors, helping students to develop basic (as well as more sophisticated) "democratic dialog skills". This includes understanding of "we" and sparking generative thinking.

Rotarians with the youth groups will convene "Climate Cafes" in all shapes and sizes so youth can hone their skills by engaging in "conversations that matter" with peers and adults.

International Rotarians will also have a role

International Rotarians will be visiting Ipswich, MA in the fall of 2022. They will meet with IRWA staff to learn about the current water conservation efforts within the watersheds.

The International Rotarians will also participate in a training program, conducted by District 7930 Rotarians, on creating and monitoring local and watershed-level water conservation efforts of local citizens, businesses, and town structures. The International Rotarians will take these training skills in advocacy and youth empowerment to their own community, Ipswich, England.

Photographic Memories from an evening with the Rotary Associates 2014







After Brexit there was great concern amongst the members of RC Bröckedde over the future of Rotarian relationships between German and British clubs. “We need a British Partner Club”, announced an enthusiastic President Pröpke.

The President’s suggestion was met with great interest although most of RC Bröckedde’s 80 members had their own personal favourite spots in UK. For example, Bröckedde’s master baker, Friend Boppert, turned out to be a Jane Austen fan and recommended finding a club in the Peaks or Lake District. Investment banker Munzinger said there could be no alternative to the City of London club, whilst RC Bröckedde’s intellectual, Professor Krümelein pushed for Oxford or Cambridge.

Discussion continued and there were plenty of other opinions; golf fanatic Friend Schwarmnagel held out for St Andrews as the cradle of the noble sport whilst Treasurer Knödler, a Rosamunde Pilcher addict with the complete collection of her novels and box sets, stipulated it had to be a Cornish club. Bröckedde’s Mayor, Friend Totholz-Gümbel was rather partial to a good single malt at the end of her long working days so supported Edinburgh and there were also many other fans of Wales and Ireland.

“But are our British Rotarian friends at all interested in us?” asked President Pröpke. To find out, he and Treasurer Knödler, RC Bröckedde’s “éminence grise”, set out on a virtual reconnaissance tour of British Rotary Clubs. To their total astonishment, every British club knew all about RC Bröckedde and were delighted with the prospect of a partnership. The reason for the club’s renown was due to the recent and extraordinary find of the minutes of a certain meeting in Chicago on the 23rd February 1905, when Paul P. Harris, Gustavus Loehr, Silvester Schiele and Hiram E. Shorey met in Loehr’s office; now famous as the first Rotary meeting. “We will grow and have representation all over the world” announced Paul P. Harris. “Particularly in Germany”, added Gustavus Loehr. “Therefore, start in Bröckedde”, Silvester Schiel had suggested. “Every Wednesday at 1:00 pm in the Bröckedder Hof hotel”, confirmed Hiram E. Shorey decisively. Paul P. Harris then summarised; “RC Bröckedde will pick up the torch and make reality of our Rotary values, amongst friends united in selfless commitment, angelically harmonious and a gift to humanity”.

Treasurer Knödler’s Rotary contact in London explained that Rotary Central in Evanston had recently declared Bröckedde to be the mother of all clubs and any new member could do no better than spending a week there as an induction into Rotary values.

President Pröpke was both delighted and rather baffled. With so many contenders, which British club should be chosen without causing offence? At the next meeting in the Salon Hindenburg there was a long and passionate debate with a surprisingly simple conclusion; RC Bröckedde would have 50 British partner clubs.

Treasurer Knödler was rather concerned, “Isn’t that a little bit over the top?”

“Not at all”, replied the delighted President Pröpke and quoted Chancellor Merkel’s famous reply to the 2015 immigration crisis, “Wir schaffen das!”*

* “We can do this.”

Theatre is back at Aldeburgh

Many of our readers used to enjoy the Jill Freud Summer Season at Aldeburgh. That ceased some years ago and was replaced by something similar. Of course last year it all had to be suspended but IT IS BACK and here are the details.

Seats are appropriately socially distanced - Alan and Catherine booked for all four and thoroughly enjoyed their first show. They said,

“We were very happy with the arrangements and yes, the bar is open!”

2021 SUMMER SEASON at Aldeburgh Jubilee Hall

Noël Coward's
Fallen Angels
19th-31st July

It Could Be Any One of Us
By Alan Ayckbourn
2nd-14th August

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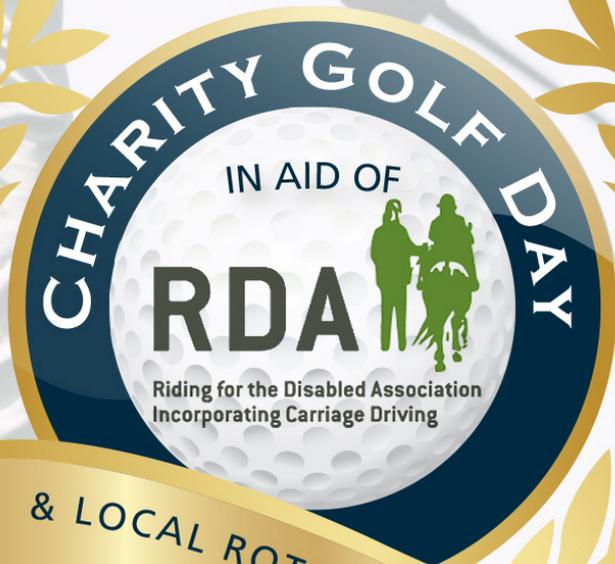
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