

# LOOKS EAST

The Newsletter of The Rotary Club of Ipswich East Edition 09-2022: 24th May 2022

## Club Lunchtime Meeting at 'Venue 16'

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2022 at 12.55pm Business Meeting

Duty Rotarians: Alison Baldry & Chris Banham

[NB: no meeting Fifth Tuesday, 31st May]

# CLUB OFFICERS 2021/22 President: Jo Banthorpe Sen V. President: Steve Runnacles Jun V President: George Woodward Secretary: Tony Baker Asst Secretary: Bill Robinson Treasurer: Neil Hewitt



*May*Catherine Forsdike

June
Dave Atkins
Norman Haines
Jeremy Doncaster
Graham Bickers
John Hutton

#### Jeremy Doncaster, our newest member, treated us to his My Job Talk at our meeting on Tuesday 10th May.

Jeremy, or Jem as he's more commonly known, for many years had the "job" of being, World-famous motorcycle speedway rider.

While he spent most of his career with the Ipswich Witches speedway team, he also rode for Reading Racers and in the Swedish league for Bysarna.

Jeremy won the European Grass track Championship in 1982 but his presentation concentrated on the prestigious Golden Helmet of Pardubice speedway competition, hosted annually in Pardubice, the Czech Republic. It is one of the oldest motorcycle speedway races in the world. Competing against German, Polish and other Western European riders through qualifying and elimination rounds to get to the final, a gruelling six lap race. It would have been a fantastic achievement to have won this competition, but Jeremy won the "Golden Helmet" on two occasions in 1989 and again in 1990.



We were journeyed though the trials and tribulations of participating in international speedway, where you often compete in three or four different countries in the same week. Bikes being transported across borders with the correct paperwork and UK tax authorities' compliance, where apparently photo opportunities and autographs had to be part of this procedure. Sleepless, arduous journeys grabbing sustenance where you could and often not what you'd like. Making it to deadlines, often with police escorts and be expected to perform at the highest level, fatigued and aching all over. It was all worth it though as Jeremy proudly displayed on screen his trophies and of course, both Golden Helmets. Congratulations again Jem. [cont'd]

Eventually, and towards the end of this first career Jem decided I needed a skill trade so trained as an electrician in the last few seasons and qualified in 2000. However, having broken his leg while still racing meant he worked in the office while recuperating. He never left it but carried on learning.

Jeremy now works on the FDIS (Future Defence Infrastructure Services) contract based at Wattisham Flying Station, covering Rock Barracks Woodbridge and MCTC (Military correction training centre) Colchester. His responsibility is heading up the maintenance team to achieve Mandatory and Statutory compliance for the sites.

Following Jeremy's presentation, his sister, our President Jo Banthorpe, gave a very emotional vote of thanks where she shared how proud she was of Jeremy and his achievements.

George McLellan



This year's Orwell Challenge on Sunday 19th June is rapidly approaching, we need to give the numbers a real boost. One of the ways you can help to do that is for those of you on 'socials' to give the social media posts on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram a like and or a share to your followers. Just search for /OrwellChallenge on FB and /theorwellchallenge on Insta(gram) and @OrwellChallenge on Twitter - if you can also follow those accounts from your own individual accounts that will also help.

We still have leaflets and posters you can hand out and banners if you have a great place to put them. So let's do what we as a club do brilliantly and spread the word to have another awesome fundraiser for 2022. (Steph Mackentyre)

Numbers as of 13th May:

Marathon: 42 Half-marathon: 28
Adult walkers: 252 Child walkers: 8

## **Duty Rotarians**

If you are unable to be the Duty Rotarian for the week shown, please arrange your own swaps and notify the Hon Secretary and the Newsletter Editor.

As a reminder, when you receive your invitation-to-attend email, the information is repeated.

7<sup>th</sup> June - Michelle Bevan-Margetts & Graham Bickers (evening meeting at I&SC)

14<sup>th</sup> June - John Button & David Chittick

21st June - John Clements & Stuart Cooper

28<sup>th</sup> June - Des Cunningham & Ewan Dodds

5<sup>th</sup> July - Jeremy Doncaster & Jack Earwaker

12<sup>th</sup> July - Nigel Farthing & Karen Finch

19<sup>th</sup> July - Steve Flory & Francis Fobbie

#### Remembrance of Things Pasta

She blew her fusilli, my pretty penne, when she found me watching daytime tagliatelle.

Je ne spaghetti rien, I responded in song, but she did not linguini for long,

just walked out without further retort: a hard lesson to be tortellini, orzo I thought.

And so here I am, on my macaroni, and now my days feel cannelloni.

Brian Bilston

# What's On

#### 24th May - Business Meeting

[There is no Fifth Tuesday on meeting Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> May]

> 7<sup>th</sup> June (7.30pm!!) Club Assembly The Ipswich & Suffolk Club

14th June - Graham Miles, Agricultural Chaplain

21st June - Hannah Bloom, St Elizabeth Hospice

12th July - Handover

# Lunch Menu

**24<sup>th</sup> May** - Fresh salmon infused with soya sauce & honey, served with a lime and coriander crab cake and an Asian slaw

I 4th June - Chunky beef lasagne served with garlic bread, topped with grated cheese and served with fresh salad

21st June - Minted lamb steak served with ratatouille, fat chips and a rocket and mozzarella salad

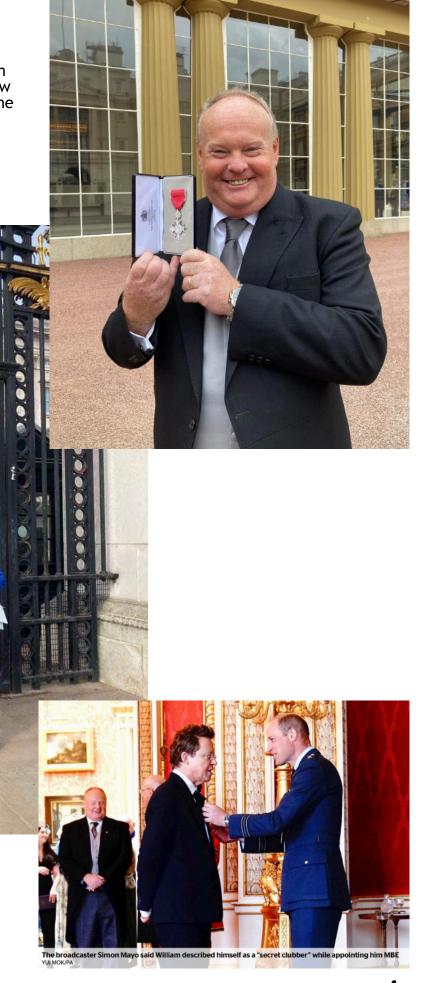
**28<sup>th</sup> June** - Shepherd's Pie topped with cheesy mash.

Alternatives are available each week but must be notified in advance

## Congratulations Mark Murphy MBE

Lovely pictures of Mark, accompanied by Lesley receiving his honour at Buckingham Palace. In the lower picture we see fellow broadcaster Simon Mayo receiving from the Duke of Cambridge with Mark standing in line to be next.

Have we ever seen Mark so smart and smiley?!



#### Yarnbombing in Aldeburgh

The knitted seagulls which have been decorating the Saxmundham Road Post Box in Aldeburgh have been replaced with Morris dancing mice for the May Bank Holiday weekend and the box outside the Library has a May Pole dancers. There is another in Linden Road but I didn't have time to go there. It's nothing to do with Rotary but they are such fun and I had a corner to fill so I thought I would share the joy.





# **TMS**

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#### GOING WITH THE GRAIN

Martin Seeley, the Bishop of St Edmundsbury and Ipswich, made his maiden speech in the Lords on Monday and said he is growing 478 trees from seed, one for each church in his diocese, as part of the Jubilee celebrations. Seeley is also a carpenter and tells *The House* magazine that working at his lathe is a kind of therapy. As a boy, he took woodwork for O-level but tried to switch to religious education midway through. "My father very swiftly said no," he says. "Woodwork would be more useful."

The bishop's first outing was welcomed by Lord Callanan, a business minister, who said he always liked to look up the football affiliations of new peers. When he realised that the nickname of Ipswich Town was Tractor Boys, however, he decided it was best not to go there in light of recent browsing habits in the Commons.

Honorary Rotary Member Bishop Martin gave his maiden speech in The House of Lords last week (Mon 16th). I contacted him to josh about this and he replied that he was really talking about climate change - we can see the link. (Editor)

above: screenshot from The Times



#### **Rotary Aristocracy**

Bröckedde is located in the heart of Germany - where the Rhine and Danube flow into the beautiful Bröckeddesee. This is where RC Bröckedde meets in the Bröckedder Hof - every Wednesday at 1 pm in the Salon Hindenburg.

Alexander Hoffmann 01.05.2022



Recently, genealogy has become ever more popular amongst the members of RC Bröckedde, particularly as the internet makes research so much easier. The whole topic of family trees has also become quite competitive, with Count von Wolkenklau-Oderbruch enjoying both huge advantage and prestige by being able to trace his lineage back to the crusades.

That rather irritated the Club's intellectual and committed republican, Professor Dr Krümelein. He had recently given a talk on the fourth crusade, whose nadir in 1204 was the sacking of Constantinople by the so-called Christian knights. The good Count claimed historical proof that his ancestor at the time had suffered something like burnout syndrome and remained at home in Bröckedde's castle becoming a great patron of medieval German love poetry now famous as "Minnesang". However, the remainder of the Club seemed rather sceptical.

Taking the sting out of the atmosphere as ever, President Pröpke suggested a different tack, "Let's concentrate on Rotarian aristocracy; who amongst us can look back on a family tradition of Rotary membership?"

Several members were second generation Rotarians but Club Treasurer Knödler's father and grandfather had been members of RC Bröckedde, "On my tenth birthday, I remember my grandfather making me promise that one day I would also take over as treasurer. I don't think any other club could claim a similar pedigree!"

That sparked further interest amongst the family tree fans, to the extent the Professor formed a historical commission to research the Club's history. In fact, compared to the earliest German speaking clubs such as RC Vienna 1925 or RC Hamburg 1927, RC Bröckedde was really quite "nouveau". The Professor seemed disappointed until President Pröpke made an aside "Well one year in RC Bröckedde should count as five years in a normal club and I should know."

Professor Dr Krümelein went off feeling rather happier and drafted the foreword to the Club's next chronicle; "Ideally, RC Bröckedde could be regarded as the oldest Rotary Club in Germany if not the whole of Europe".

"Isn't that rather audacious?" asked President Pröpke.

"Not a bit" replied the Professor, "it's an enhanced historical view - remember those long lost Chicago minutes from February 1905!"

#### Collections for Good Causes that cost you (virtually) nothing

Ray Walters is collecting unwanted mobile mobile telephones in aid of Water Aid. Contact Ray is happy to help you dispose of any old phones 'mobiles' that are sitting in drawers or cupboards gathering dust.





**John Button** is collecting used **postage stamps** in aid of St Elizabeth Hospice.

Contact John to hand over your used stamps.

Andy Lewis has a good home for your used **printer ink cartridges** please (raising money for Rotary funds)

**Andy** will also take any **drinks can ring pulls** for jewellery making by Philippino families in poverty.





**Des Cunningham** is no longer collecting used spectacles for use overseas.

It appears that such collections are no longer sought, unless you know better.

Do you collect items for a charity or good cause?

If so, send the details to the Newsletter Editor Alan Forsdike
and he'll advertise it here.



#### Inner Wheel Club of Ipswich East

President: Catherine Forsdike Secretary: Margaret Woodward Treasurer: Rosey Watson



Club Correspondent: Anne Riches - International Service Organiser: Monica Pipe Membership and Welfare: Ruth Goodship - Social: VACANT Fund Raising: Judi Walters - Community Service: Anne NG

### **PROGRAMME**

(All subject to change)

## Tuesday 7th June 7:15pm - Speaker Meeting (tba)

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> June - District Committee Meeting and AGM - Brome Grange

**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> July 7:15pm - Handover meeting - Prosecco and Strawberries** 





Visit of District Chairman Coral - a very happy evening was spent around a long table in President Catherine's garden room at our 3<sup>rd</sup> May meeting.

Catherine presented Coral with a book of local interest.

Catherine's Alan was kept busy in the kitchen.





#### Paying for events using WildApricot

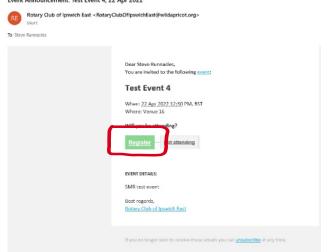
As members now know, the Club uses software which belongs to a Company called Wild Apricot. This software allows us to schedule meetings and send emails to all members that can be responded to by clicking on the email responses boxes.

The software has many more features and this instruction sheet sets out to show you how you can log on to your member section of the website and both register and pay for forthcoming events and lunches.

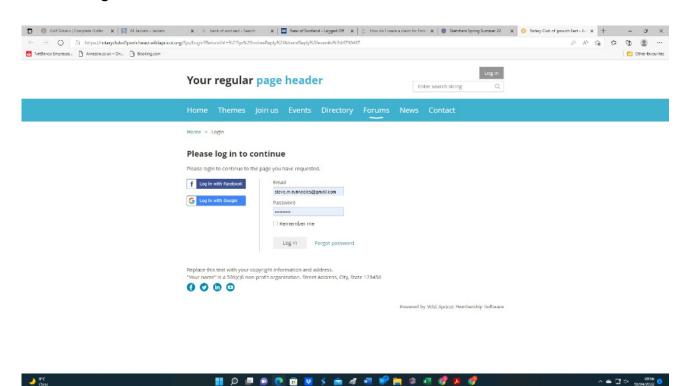
#### How do you log onto the website?

Using the email you received inviting you to the relevant event just click on the green button outlined in red as shown here:

Event Announcement: Test Event 4, 22 Apr 2022



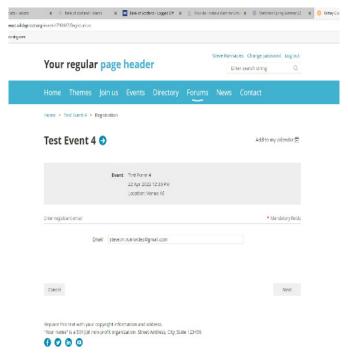
That will bring a screen which looks like this:



If you haven't logged in before just type your usual email address into the box marked "Email \*" followed by a password into the box marked "Password\*" - also make sure you click in the box that says "Remember me"

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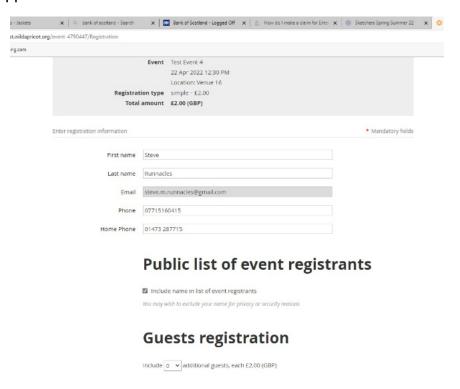
Once you've logged in, a screen will come up looking like the one below (but obviously showing the relevant event that you are logging into...)



If you want register, hit "Next". The screen that next appears will give you the option to add any guests that you may wish to bring.

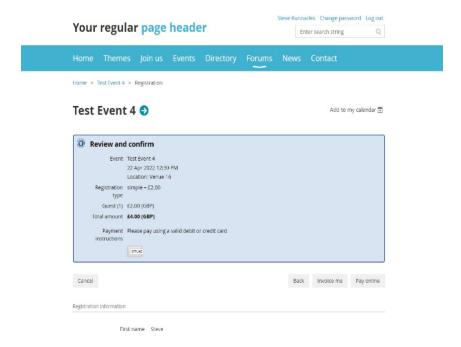
[Please remember that if you are bringing a potential member, you do not register a guest. Instead, email rcieattendance@gmail.com and inform the attendance officer who is coming as a potential member.]

The screen that appears looks like this:



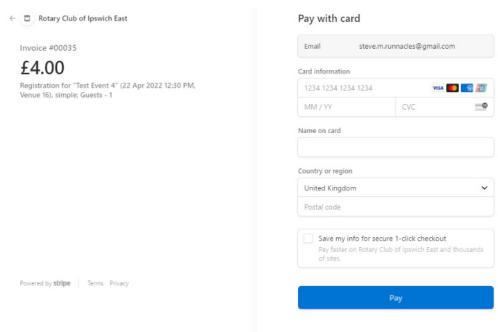
If you wish to bring a guest (not a potential new member) please add the relevant number of guest by clicking on the box under "Guests Registration".

When you are happy with this page click "Next" which will bring up the payment screen that looks like this...



If you added a guest(s), the total amount due will include their fee. If you are unhappy with this screen (ie the total amount due) then press "Back" to go to the previous screen and make the adjustment.

Once you are happy to carry on, lick the "Pay Online" button which will take you through to the payment screen which looks like this:

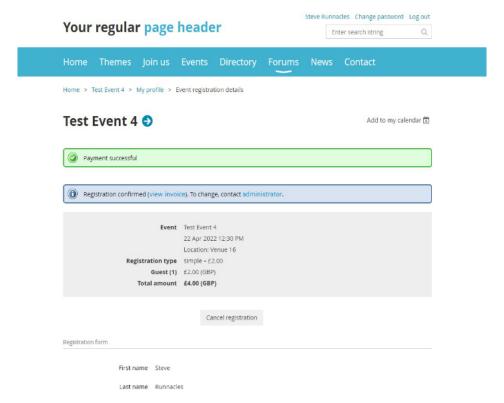


Check the amount due and fill in the card details requested which are:

- 1) Card Number
- 2) Card Expiry Date
- 3) CVC Number (the 3 digit security number on the signature strip on the back of the card)
- 4) The Name on the card
- 5) Postcode

[You can elect click the box to retain your card details - this a personal choice.] Click the Blue Box marked "Pay".

The process will then go through and you will see a screen like this:

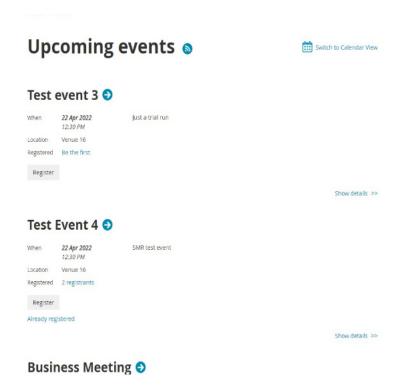


You have then registered and paid for the event. Result!

How to cancel a registration for an event using the website

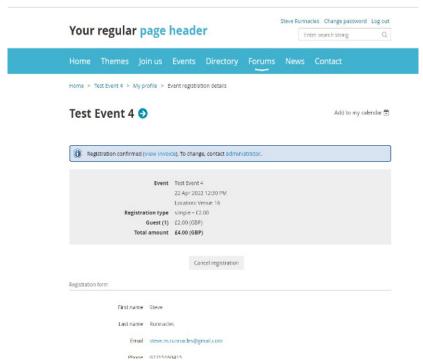
First log into the website as before, then click on the "Events" item in the Blue Bar towards the top of the screen.

The screen will look like this:



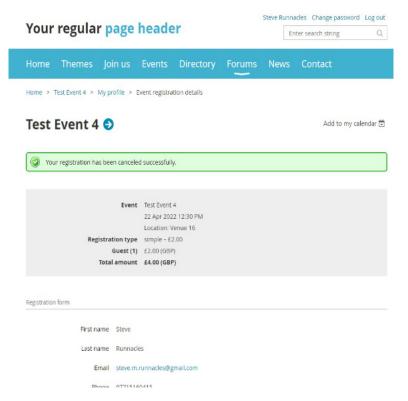
In this instance a registration for Test Event 4 will be cancelled.

Looking at the entries for the Event, you will see that it says "Already Registered" in light blue - Click on this link and the following screen will appear:



If this is the event you've registered for and you now wish to cancel, hit the "Cancel registration" link in grey.

You'll then see a screen that looks like this:



All that's left to do is to email the attendance office [rcieattendance@gmail.com] and ask him for a refund.

(it won't be immediate so don't panic!)

Please remember, if you get stuck or need help, contact:

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Dave Atkins : atcofam@ntlworld.com