



humanity in motion

# club bulletin

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rotary club of Locks Heath / district 1110

Apr 1 -	Zoom	Business Meeting
Apr 15 -	Zoom	
Apr 29 -	Zoom	
May 6 -	Zoom	
May 20 -	Zoom	Business Meeting & AGM

## Forthcoming Events

May 15 – District Assembly

Jul 18 – Jazz at the Vineyard

## Birthdays this Month. Happy Birthday to: -

David Creal, Jan Haskell, Paul Scarbro & Elaine Conniff

## March 2021 Review

At the 4<sup>th</sup> March meeting, we had a talk presented by Phil Godfrey, a Rotarian from the Rotary Club of Solihull, in aid of Antiphospholipid Syndrome – APS. Apparently, a Professor Hughes in the West Indies discovered this syndrome in the 1970's. Phil's wife unfortunately died of APS.

It is a life threatening autoimmune condition that can cause, amongst other things blood clots and heart attacks and is a major cause of miscarriages. It is not yet known why people develop APS but it is preventable and treatable if discovered in time. Phil said that it is under diagnosed and under recognised by the medical profession. Early diagnosis is paramount.

Phil set off in March 2017 with the intention of raising money for APS by walking from Lands End to the Shetland Isles. His original starting point was to be the Scilly Isles but when he got to Penzance, he could not get to the Scilly Isles as all planes were grounded. However, after he started his walk his journey was curtailed by an injury to his knee so he had a change of tactics and decided instead to travel the coast of the British Isles by railway! In the end, Phil travelled 42,000 miles around the country. Fortunately, Phil had worked for the railways for many years and was given a free railway ticket for all his travels!

Locks Heath was the 288<sup>th</sup> Rotary Club that Phil has visited, either in person or via Zoom with this talk.

## A New Member for Locks Heath Rotary

At the March 18<sup>th</sup> meeting, President John inducted our newest member to the Club, Steve Orriss. We welcome Steve to the worldwide Rotary family but more importantly to the Rotary Club of Locks Heath. This was our first 'virtual' induction to Rotary and hopefully it will not be too long before we can meet up for fellowship.

## Interesting Facts

- 29 of the 52 spacecraft sent to Mars never made it.
- Saturn's newest moon is called Peggy.
- In the 17<sup>th</sup> Century, migrating birds were thought to go the moon for winter.
- Your lips are 100 times more sensitive than your fingertips.
- *Schnapsidee* is German for an ingenious masterplan concocted whilst drunk!!

Locks Heath Rotary Presents



**Jazz**  
at The  
**Vineyard**



4pm Sunday 18th July 2021

Southampton All Stars  
**Bee Gees**  
Tribute  
Sarisbury Big Band

Brownwich Lane  
Titchfield PO14 4NZ  
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***Have you joined the Locks Heath Lottery? Do you know friends who would like to join?***

**In a more light hearted way:-**

**\*WIFE VS. HUSBAND\***

A couple drove down a country road for several miles, not saying a word.

An earlier discussion had led to an argument and neither of them wanted to concede their position. As they passed a barnyard of mules, goats, and pigs, the husband asked sarcastically, "Relatives of yours?"

"Yep," the wife replied, "in-laws."

**\*W O R D S\***

A husband read an article to his wife about how many words women use a day... 30,000 to a man's 15,000.

The wife replied, "The reason has to be because we have to repeat everything to men..."

The husband then turned to his wife and asked, "What?"

**\*CREATION\***

A man said to his wife one day, "I don't know how you can be so stupid and so beautiful all at the same time." The wife responded, "Allow me to explain. God made me beautiful so you would be attracted to me;

God made me stupid so I would be attracted to you!"

*Thank you David Creal for the above. (More next month)*

**\*An Obituary printed in "The Times"**

Today we mourn the passing of a beloved old friend, Common Sense, who has been with us for many years. No one knows for sure how old he was, since his birth, records were long ago lost in bureaucratic red tape. He will be remembered as having cultivated such valuable lessons as:

- Knowing when to come in out of the rain;
- Why the early bird gets the worm;
- Life isn't always fair;
- And maybe it was my fault.

Common Sense lived by simple, sound financial policies (don't spend more than you can earn) and reliable strategies (adults, not children, are in charge).

His health began to deteriorate rapidly when well-intentioned but overbearing regulations were set in place. Reports of a 6-year-old boy charged with sexual harassment for kissing a classmate; teens suspended from school for using mouthwash after lunch; and a teacher fired for reprimanding an unruly student, only worsened his condition.

Common Sense lost ground when parents attacked teachers for doing the job that they themselves had failed to do in disciplining their unruly children.

It declined even further when schools were required to get parental consent to administer sun lotion or an aspirin to a student; but could not inform parents when a student became pregnant and wanted to have an abortion.

Common Sense lost the will to live as the churches became businesses; and criminals received better treatment than their victims.

Common Sense took a beating when you couldn't defend yourself from a burglar in your own home and the burglar could sue you for assault.

Common Sense finally gave up the will to live, after a woman failed to realize that a steaming cup of coffee was hot. She spilled a little in her lap, and was promptly awarded a huge settlement.

Common Sense was preceded in death,  
-by his parents, Truth and Trust,  
-by his wife, Discretion,  
-by his daughter, Responsibility,  
-and by his son, Reason.

He is survived by his 5 stepbrothers;

- I Know My Rights
- I Want It Now
- Someone Else Is To Blame
- I'm A Victim
- Pay me for Doing Nothing

Not many attended his funeral because so few realized he was gone.

If you still remember him, pass this on. If not, join the majority and do nothing.



**John Walton**

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**BREAKING NEWS :** Yorkshire holds it breath as main shipping route of pork pies is blocked !! Fred Slathwaite , Captain of the vessel, said " One minute we were fine , then a gust of wind caught us !!"

"Yorkshire is expected to loose as much as £3.45 a day until the carnage can be cleared , which could potentially take weeks to clear " a spokesman said .



Courtesy of my Rotarian brother who happens to live in Yorkshire!

**Please do stay safe and keep well.**

*The Editor is always grateful for any interesting articles for the Bulletin.*