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# club bulletin

rotary club of Locks Heath / district 1110

Mtg Date	<b>Duty Rotarian</b>	<u>Activity</u>
Mar 3 - Mar 17 - Mar 31 - Apr 7 -	Clive Chambers David Creal Jan Haskell Stephen Kirby	Normal Meeting Business Meeting Normal Meeting Normal meeting
Apr 21 - May 5 -	Lee Lawrence Chris Milburn	Speaker: James Keen talk on "Undertakers" fact or fiction Business Meeting & AGM
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# **Forthcoming Events**

May 5 – Annual General Meeting Jun 6 – Club Assembly

July 9 – Warsash Festival July 17 – Jazz at the Vineyard

Birthdays this Month. Happy Birthday to: - Chris Milburn and Roger Baker

#### **February Review**

We had our first speakers at our 3<sup>rd</sup> February meeting since well before the lockdown and this time we had two! Stuart Parker-Tyremen, who has spoken to us before when he was the head at Lord Wilson Academy and Chris Berry, who is the current head at Lord Wilson Academy. Stuart is now an Executive Director at the Gosport & Fareham Multi-Academy Trust, which consists of 5 schools including the Lord Wilson Academy as a founder member. Stuart and Chris brought us up to date on the changes brought about through forming the Academy and what they see happening in the future. One aspect where Rotaraisn may be able to asist the Academy is through Rotarians giving their time to pass on skills and knowledge that they have acquired through many years in industry and commerce to the pupils who are setting off on their own journey of work.

This meeting also gave us the opportunity for our new Vice President, David Creal, to chair his first meeting in the President's absence, since being elected this year.

Regarding the meals at the Holiday Inn, Steve Orriss has been giving the impression that we are getting predictable on what we order!

February is Rotary Awareness Month to celebrate the founding of the world's first service club on 23 February 1905 – 117 years ago.

### Meeting at the Holiday Inn

As a reminder to the new arrangements you need to confirm your attendance at a meeting and your meal choice by **midday on the Monday preceding a meeting.** Steve Orriss will send out the reminder and you should reply direct to him.

Do not forget that the deal we have with the Holiday inn includes a 20% discount on all drinks purchased at the bar. You may have to ask for the discount and do not forget your Rotary Name badge.

Also please do not forget to enter your car registration number on either the screen located on the Reception Desk or the one on the Bar when you arrive.

#### **End Polio Now**

The Inner Wheel Club of Locks Heath took one of our End Polio Now crocus collection boxes to their February meeting with the result that they raised £35 at their meeting, which with the Gates Foundation adding double whatever is raised means a further donation of £105 to End Polio Now. The average cost to fully protect a child against Polio is now £2.25, so that is 46 children who can be saved from Polio. Polio is currently only endemic in Afganistan and Pakistan.

Our other End Polio Now crocus collection boxes have been on several of the tills at the local Garsons Garden Centre during February. More next month.

### **Duty Rotarians**

Just a reminder that now we are getting back into a routine of 'normal' meetings there will be a Duty Rotarian at each meeting. The rota is fairly straight forward as the Secretary goes down the list of names so that we all get a turn except the President. The front page of this Bulletin identifies the Duty Rotarian for a particular meeting. The Duty Rotarian is there to collect the meal money for that day. If you are unable to attend on the day that you are designated as the Duty Rotarian would you please let the Secretary know as soon as possible.

#### **Update on Brian Russell**

Brian has been at home for a few weeks now and is improving but slowly, still suffering from broken ribs. We wish him all the very best and also Maureen.

#### **Interesting Facts**

- Scientists in Massachusetts have developed an AI machine that can see two seconds into the future.
- Beijing has three million hens that are looked after by Robot nannies.
- Dubai Police have a Robocop.
- The US Department of Defence still used 8-inch floppy disks.
- The first aircraft carriers were designed to carry hot-air balloons.
- You can buy cologne that smells of Play-Doh
- Eating garlic improves your body odour
- The thorny devil lizard drinks through its skin

Have you joined the Locks Heath Lottery? Do you know friends who would like to join?

Visit our web site : www.locksheathrotary.org.uk and look for the link to One Lottery



Where is this? Rotary has been there!

## In a more light hearted way:-



Thanks go to Rosemary McCormack for this!

## Please do stay safe and keep well.

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