



Club Assembly - Draft Record

Tuesday 4th June 2024 -7:30 p.m. at The Bell.

Club assembly is the annual meeting of a Rotary club at which the members discuss the programmes and activities of the club, of Rotary international, of the Association and of the district for the ensuing year and determine in broad terms the objectives for that year.

President-Elect Mike presented his team and programme for the year 2024/25 thus:

1. Officers:

a. President 2024-25 - Mike

- i. A key priority is to improve the profile of the Club through Public Relations both in the community and with a view to attracting new and younger members.
- ii. We should maximise transparency within the Club of what we do, why and how.
- iii. We should ensure members have fun and enjoyment.
- iv. Janette will be both President-elect (looking to continuity) and heads up Membership, supported by Jenifer.

b. Secretary: Neil

- i. Main role is to support Mike, Council and Club with admin issues.
- ii. In line with the byelaws, Neil aims to
 - 1.Keep the records of membership of the club and attendance at meetings.
 - 2.Issue all notices of meetings of the club and council.
 - 3.Be responsible for the proper recording and preserving of the minutes of meetings of the club and council.
 - 4.Within fourteen days of the first days of January and July report the membership of the club, together with changes to the General Secretary of the Association. [i.e. RBI]
 - 5.Within fourteen days of the first days of January and July deliver to each member a written record of the possible and actual attendance of the members at the regular meetings of the club for the previous six months.
 - 6.Make all other reports, proposals and nominations from the club, as required, to the General Secretary of the Association
 - 7.Upon retirement from office hand over to a successor, or

to the president, all information, files and any other club property held.

8. Perform such other duties as usually pertain to the office of club secretary.

c. Treasurer: Bob Carvey

- i. Bob anticipates completing the arrangements to move from banking with TSB, to banking with Nat West t or around the start of July 2024
- ii. Bob will present and discuss the proposed budget and subs for 2024/25 at the AGM on 25th June.

d. President-Elect: Janette

- i. Mike read Janette's report: she would support President Mike in his Rotary year and undertake duties as required for this position.

2. Committee Chairs

a. Foundation & International Service: Gary

1. Gary will keep Members informed about Foundation
- ii. Gary reminded servicec committees that each year we can apply for District Grants of £500 to £1000
- iii. This year we have the right to nominate one scholar to be funded for a year's post-graduate study in Melbourne. Suggestions, please?
- iv. Gary hopes the Club will continue funding Foundation and End Polio. He anticipates making further proposals re NECS (Uganda) and Shelter Box.

b. Community Service: Denise (deputised by Steve)

- i. We often have difficulty finding groups to support locally. Steve hopes that the publicity generated by Charles Chaney will stimulate requests
- ii. He would like there to be more "doing" projects rather than just making donations

c. Youth Service: Martin was absent but sent a written report which Mike read out thus:

i. WINSLOW ROTARY YOUTH - IDEAS FOR COMING YEAR:

1. The "youth" section of Rotary is an attractive aspect of Rotary different from traditional fund raising with emphasis on the service side of our activities. It involves us reaching into our community and raises our profile amongst the young and their teachers which can help lay foundation for future Rotarians.

2. Competitions

- a. RIBI run a number of national competitions. Many are for secondary school children so we are limited as only the Thomas Freemantle School is in our catchment area. However, we can still get involved. Possible competitions are.

- i. Young Chef
- ii. Young musician
- iii. Young writer
- iv. Young photographer

1. All the above are open to young people up to age 17yrs.

2. In addition, we organised and held a successful local music competition in partnership with the Buckingham club in 2019 before Covid intervened and it would be nice to reinstate that if possible.

3. **Kids Out**

- a. This year will be 12th June. Furzedown a possibility but not heard anything so we're probably too late! But could choose another date locally if sufficient interest!

4. **RYLA**

- a. This year 23-26 July, at the Frontera Centre, Irthlingborough Northants. Young people 15 – 17y.o.

5. **Interaction with local schools**

- a. Good fun and a chance to get involved directly with our local schools. Two current events;
 - i. Tech tournament. Organised by Aylesbury Hundreds but we support with a team and contribute financially.
 - ii. Mock interviews. A morning helping out with "mock interviews" for children at local schools to prepare them for sixth form entry and university.

ii. **Funding requirements:**

1. We contribute to the running of the Tech tournament.
2. We contribute to sending a young person to RYLA
3. We contribute sending a young person to kids out
4. There would be funding required if we held our own music comp.

d. **Membership Lead:** Janette – In her absence, Mike read out her report:

- i. To support and attract new members.
- ii. To work closely with Community, PR and Programme leads
- iii. To support current members,
 1. I've kept it brief. I hope this is ok.

e. **Programme Jo:**

- i. Jo wants to try different types of meetings such as Fellowship Nights without a speaker.

f. **Public Relations:** Charles Chaney

- i. The update of the website is continuing
- ii. We need to replace outdated publicity materials and while we can borrow some kit from District, we should replace items with old logos with current ones.

g. **Events** – Graham

- i. The trip to the theatre / restaurant at Sonning on 17th December has a good level of interest and others interested should contact him promptly
- ii. Graham is organising a trip to the Circus at Evenley Gardens

h. **Compliance:** Charles Gardner

- i. Nothing to report
 - i. **Fundraising**
 - i. **Winslow Show.**
 - 1. Frank gave a comprehensive review of Winslow Show and our involvement, which has become less onerous in recent times.
 - 2. More help is needed though, so as many as possible of Members are encouraged to volunteer
 - ii. **Classic Car Run**
 - 1. Paul reported that in 2025 will be on 11th May
 - iii. **Santa float** will be led by Robert McCallion and Bob Curtis
3. **AOB**
 - a. Mike Too-Chung will be organising the organisers of Sunday walks and asks for volunteers and preferred dates.
 - b. Chris Brown supported by Dave will organise the next Walking Holiday in the 1st half of May 2025.

Mike returned the chair to President Peter to close the meeting.

Drafted 14th June 2024. Neil