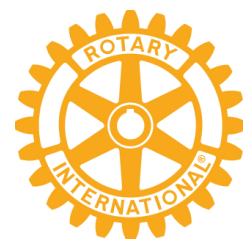


HEADINGLEY ROTARY NEWSLETTER

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Top News

Our Quiz night raised £756 for the five chosen charities:

Theodora's Children's Charity, Carers Leeds, Disaster Aid Uk, St George's Crypt, Wheatfield and Kirkwood Hospices.

Forthcoming events:

23rd January Burns Night

!st February Foundation Dinner

26th March Recruitment Pie Eve.

To book your place please email

headingleyrotaryclub@gmail.com

Welcome to our first Newsletter

We've had a very busy Autumn.

President Patricia took up her post at the beginning of July 2023 and since then we have introduced our ROAD days (Rotary Outreach and Activity Day) and planted crocus bulbs and done a litter pick in Headingley, visited Chester, visited the Rotary Club of Aireborough, celebrated our 50th Anniversary with the annual Charter Dinner and finally tested our brains at our Quiz night.

Still to come is a visit from St Peter's Primary School Choir who will be singing at our Christmas Lunch.



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- in Leeds and beyond**

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ROAD

ROAD days have seen us litter picking, supporting the 'End Polio Now' campaign by planting 2000 purple crocus bulbs and visiting the residents of Headingley Hall.

We meet at the Golden Beam Pub in Headingley and after lunch get busy. Other projects in the pipeline include painting milestones on the A660 to focus on helping the community, but we have to wait for the dry weather.



MARTIN BERGER



Martin Berger sadly passed away in October 2023 at the age of 95. We visited him earlier this year to present him with an Honorary Membership of Headingley. He brought many new members to the club and was a consistent winner of the attendance prize.

CHARTER DINNER

Representatives of the many charities that we've supported were invited to our 50th Anniversary and we donated £100 to each of them. For those of you attending, THANK YOU for coming. We hope you enjoyed the occasion. Thank you also to the organisers for making it such a special occasion.

FRIENDS OF ROTARY

During Covid we set up 'Friends of Rotary' for those people who didn't want to commit to full membership. May be you were one of them? This newsletter is to keep you informed of what we are doing. If you are interested in coming to one of our weekly meetings or other events please email Keith Crowther on headingleyrotary@gmail.com



St Peter's Choir

St Peter's C of E School in Burmantofts, Leeds is always close to our hearts. Many of our members help out there - being Governors, listening to readers and tending the library and garden.

Each year their remarkable choir, ably conducted by Mr John Robertson, come to entertain us with seasonal songs prior to our Christmas lunch. Their performances always end with the school song "We are your brother...." and there's not a dry eye in the house!

HEADINGLEY WALK

Last year we had an excellent walking tour of Headingley Hill. Mr Tony Ray spoke very knowledgeably of the history of the area and its interesting buildings. Next year on 30th January he is doing a follow-up walk on the rest of the area. If you are interested in coming please email Peter Woodhead (address below).

FOUNDATION DINNER

Every year our Foundation and International Committee arrange the speakers for January and February. They also hold a dinner with a special speaker. This year the Foundation Dinner is on 1st February at Sand Moor Golf Club and the speaker is from Disaster Aid UK. The evening promises to be an excellent event with a special 3 course dinner. Tickets are £25 and can be obtained from Peter Woodhead on p.woodhead4@btinternet.com. We do hope you can join us.

... and finally a word from our President



I do hope you have enjoyed reading about our activities and indeed enjoyed our events. We are a friendly club and welcome all. Perhaps something you have read might spur you on to come and join us as a member. You would be very welcome.

Patricia