**Rotary Club of Canterbury**

**Minutes of meeting of the Club Council held on Monday, 19th February 2024**

**at Rosemary’s home at 17:00**

**Agenda**

1. Rosemary Doyle, Tony Loughran, Neil Fraser, Martin Ward, Peter Hermitage, Maxine Blades, Brian Dobinson.
2. Apologies: Jim Gascoyne
3. Minutes of meeting held on 15th January 2024 had previously been circulated and agreed.
   1. Matters arising (not listed below)
      1. Archive review tba. PH noted that current archive at the Kent & Canterbury is very messy and will need clearing out soon.
      2. Neil suggested that the relevant items be digitised for future reference.
      3. Meeting of MSTF Trustees held and agreed no change in Trust Deed at present time.
      4. SGM – still need Financial Team member and secretary.
4. Correspondence
   1. Maxine’s List (to follow)
5. Secretary’s Business –
   1. RGB&I database showing 47 members & 1 honorary members as of end of December 2023
6. President’s Business
   1. The Point update: Stephen Thompson still waiting for licences & Rotary Insurance confirmation.
   2. Report from District Meeting – Rosemary attended 20th January.
      1. District magazine – RD suggested making it more social media. Meeting voted to produce the magazine on a quarterly basis from July 2024
      2. Nikki Scott video addressed the meeting via Zoom.
      3. Subscription increased to £20 per member from July 2024.
      4. New types of membership are being developed including Direct Membership.
      5. Conference in Eastbourne 18/20th October with London District
      6. Next meeting 4th May
   3. Report from Cluster Meeting - Maxine
      1. Several clubs were present at the meeting and shared programme outlines.
      2. District has set up a Hub for Direct Members who can be called on to help with Club activities.
   4. Cooperation with Local Clubs
      1. Sunrise – Maxine attended meeting 14/2/24 where a number of PHF’s were awarded. Maxine talked about the cooperation between RCC and the other Canterbury Clubs. She will let Sunrise and FoB know when the date of the Duck Race is confirmed.
      2. Maxine took the opportunity to talk to the manager at the Abbotts Barton Hotel as a possible alternative venue details to follow..
      3. Forest of Blean – Brian noted that four members are helping with interviews at Canterbury Academy.
      4. Inner Wheel – Quiz & Chip Night 6th April poster. Maxine is organising a table
   5. Pentangular St Quentin Visit
      1. Booking forms out to members
      2. ‘Central’ payments for individual and hotel fees,
      3. Returns to Maxine by 26th March.
   6. District Fundraising – Bingo project – Rosemary to write to say we will join in.
7. Mini Group Study Exchange – Martin
   1. MGSE 2024 – dates confirmed as Sun 18th August to Sun 25th August.  Martin confirmed the process of selecting the delegate from our club to accompany the already selected Mikhail Koubanakis.
   2. Martin to look at travel arrangements.
   3. Talk to universities for candidates.
   4. MGSE 2025 is about starting the ball rolling regarding our plans when Canterbury hosts the event next year.  I would like us to confirm dates fairly soon (I suggest Sunday 17th August 2025 to Sunday 24th August 2025) and I proposed getting a small working party together to start planning.
8. President Elect Report – Maxine
   1. CS&V update - tba
   2. ISC update- tba
9. Treasurer’s Report – Jim tba.
   1. Finance reports – January 2024 Please can they add in Dining account numbers.
   2. Bank Mandate update.
10. Club Regeneration Strategy/Plans – Peter to update on discussions.
    1. V3 paper passed around to members. Proposals 1,2 3.
    2. Discussions and updated version to be circulated.
    3. Proposals agreed to send to BM.
11. 10 Fundraising
    1. 2024 Duck Race – Club planning meeting held 6/2.
    2. Maxine to attend CCC Stour River Festival planning meeting on 26th Feb.
       1. Neil - Fergal Sharkey invite?
    3. Bluebell walk in April – Neil to confirm date.

1. Recruitment – Martin nothing.
   1. Resignations/leavers
   2. New Members potential members – Hakin & Clare
2. Club Programme Update February & March 2024

February

20th February Lunch – ISC Speaker

27th February Pub evening – Speaker from Porchlight - Helen Rushton-Langworthy

March

5th March lunch Business Meeting

12th March evening meeting - Jim Gascoyne: Churchill’s Secret Army at Cricket Ground

19th March lunch – Alison Hicks CAT at Cricket Ground

26thMarch Pub evening - tba

April

2nd April lunch Business Meeting venue TBA

9th April evening meeting - MGSE Students at the Cricket Ground

16th April lunch – Lord Mayor of Canterbury at the Cricket Ground

23rd April 11 am Blue Bell Walk Elham (weather permitting)

30th April Dinner – Speaker from the Canterbury Festival at the Cricket Ground

May

7th May lunch Business Meeting & AGM

14th May lunch – Farrukh Hussain talking on Hypnotherapy at the Cricket Ground

21st May lunch - The Dean of Canterbury at the Cricket Ground.

28th May Evening meeting tba.

June

4th Club lunch Assembly at the Cricket Ground

11th June evening – Speaker from Canterbury Christ University at Cricket Ground

18th June lunch – Peter Hermitage, Operation Pedestal at Cricket Ground

25th June lunch Handover meeting venue tba.

1. AOB