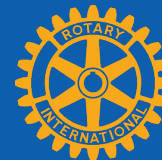


# ROTARY CLUB OF MANCHESTER

NEWSLETTER



JAN/FEB 2020



## *From our President Sarah Withington*

Happy New Year!

Well after a very busy December, it's great to back into our normal club routine again in January, and I was delighted to welcome the Lord Mayor of Manchester to our Club and hear him speak about the role of the Lord Mayor and get an update on the multi million pound works taking place at our glorious Town Hall!

We are already into February!!!! February's designated RI theme is **Peace Building and Conflict Prevention Month**. We hope to have one of the Peace scholars come and speak to us which will be really interesting, so please keep an eye out for the date.

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## Manchester Rotary Christmas Dinner 2019



*PP George Osundiya, President Sarah Withington, PP Julie Chapman*

The December 2019 Christmas Dinner took place on December 5<sup>th</sup> at Hough End Centre.

One of the highlights of the evening was the awarding of the Paul Harris Award to PP George Osundiya and PP Julie Chapman.







Thanks to Roger Walker for organising the event.

Please come and join us at our next fellowship event.

Presentation of PP Jewel to PP Julie Chapman by President Sarah Withington



## Francis House Collection Saturday December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019



The Rotary Club of Manchester for Francis House took place on December 7<sup>th</sup> at the Arndale Centre.





This year's collection at the Arndale Centre for Francis House Children's Hospice successfully resulted in nearly £600, which included donations from some members who were unable to volunteer on the day, and Lizzie and Bella; Barbara's daughters.

A big thank you to; Ernie, Derek, Susan, Robin, Peter, Alia, Sarah, Helen, Andrea, and his girlfriend Eileen, Giulia and Laura from Rotaract who all helped on the day, and, of course, Greater Manchester Police Male Voice Choir without whom, the total collected would have been significantly less. When the choir are singing, people stop, get in a really good festive spirit and *DONATE!!!*

I also want to thank the Arndale for their generous support, in particular, Sonya, Di, Azele, Derek in the permit office and Gareth from security, without this support we would not be able to hold this fantastic event.

If any other members who were unable to help on the day, would like to make a small donation, that would be great! and would increase the amount we can donate to Francis House early in the New Year, hope you all have a very happy and peaceful festive season.

***Barbara Rosenthal, 11<sup>th</sup> December 2019***



## ROTARY WANDERINGS – ROYSTON FLUDE



**Sarah and Royston**

**Royston Flude** presented to the club at our meeting on Thursday December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

Royston has a strong history with the Rotary Club. Starting off as a Rotaractor in Lymm in 1974, he then went on to join the Rotary Club of Lymm, becoming President in 1987-88, joined the Rotary Club of Manchester and was President 2000-01. Work took him to Switzerland where he became a Charter member of the Genève International Club in 2015, Fellowship Chair of Rotary International Educators 2019-20, and has recently re-joined the Rotary Club of Manchester.

Royston's achievements are truly an inspiration and it was motivational for us to look towards a vision that contributes to the betterment of the world.

| Health  | Education   | Enterprise   |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Member of the British Institute of Radiology (Flude Prize)</li> <li>Member of the Institute for Nanotechnology</li> <li>Member of the British Association for Counselling and Psychotherapy</li> <li>Governor of the British Association for Counselling and Psychotherapy (BACP)</li> <li>Member of American Psychological Association</li> <li>Member of the British Psychological Society</li> <li>Fellow of the Royal Society of Medicine</li> <li>Member of Steering Group of UNECE (representing 55 countries) for Corporate Governance &amp; Social Responsibility</li> <li>Silva Graduate</li> <li>Reiki Master</li> <li>Qigong Practitioner</li> <li>Theta Healer</li> <li>Authorised Safety Inspector (Shell)</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chartered Physicist</li> <li>European and Chartered Measurement &amp; Control Engineer</li> <li>Member of the Institute of Measurement and Control</li> <li>Member Institute of Physics</li> <li>Member Institute of Management</li> <li>Member of the Chartered Institute of Journalists</li> <li>UK Parliamentary Information Technology Committee (PITCOM)</li> <li>Senior Fellow at Manchester Business School</li> <li>Fellow in Education University of Manchester</li> <li>Member of General Assembly of the University of Manchester</li> <li>Rotarian – Paul Harris Fellow</li> <li>Chair – Disaster Relief: Rotarian Action Group</li> <li>Alumni</li> <li>Manchester Business School</li> <li>London Business School</li> <li>Glion Hotel Management</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Companion of the British Computer Society</li> <li>Chartered Fellow of the Institute of Personnel and Development</li> <li>Fellow of Institute of Directors</li> <li>Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts</li> <li>Member of the European Corporate Governance Institute</li> <li>Member of the Strategic Planning Society</li> <li>Member of the Asymmetric Threats Contingency Alliance (ATCA) and the Philanthropia Trinity</li> <li>Member of the Worshipful Company of Management Consultants (Freeman-London)</li> <li>Member of British Academy of Management</li> <li>Member of the Family Business Network</li> <li>Member Chartered Institute of Journalists</li> <li>Senior Management</li> </ul> |

**Some of Royston's many achievements.**



**Barbara Rosenthal – the first woman member of the Rotary Club of Manchester was inducted by then President Royston in 2000-01**

## THE TOAST – QUEEN, DUKE OF LANCASTER

### THE LOYAL TOAST IN LANCASHIRE

Henry of Grosmont, the Earl of Lancaster was, in 1351, rewarded by King Edward III for his great services in the French Wars by the conferment of the second Dukedom in English history and by the elevation of Lancashire into a County Palatine on the model of Chester.

When, in 1399, the grandson of Henry of Grosmont became King of England as Henry IV, the Duchy and its rights remained a separate entity under the Crown. This arrangement was maintained by Edward IV in 1461 when the House of Lancaster had lost the throne and has continued ever since. As in peerage law a woman could not exercise the full rights to a Dukedom (e.g. sitting in Parliament) and since the Sovereign could not by definition be limited in the exercise of the rights of any of its appanages (e.g. Duchy of Lancaster, Duchy of Cornwall) a Queen Regnant has to be described as Duke and not Duchess of Lancaster.

As Lancashire is still a County Palatine, it is, therefore, appropriate in this Shire to recall the fact that the Duchy of Lancaster has still a separate entity not merged in the Crown, by the form of the loyal toast –

**“The Queen, Duke of Lancaster”**

*Thanks to Peter Hartley for sourcing this piece of history.*

## New Member Induction and Council Meeting

Our lunch meeting on January 9<sup>th</sup>, was decided to be a council meeting. Along with the business conducted at the meeting, we were introduced to and witnessed the induction of our newest member, **Helen Roberts**.

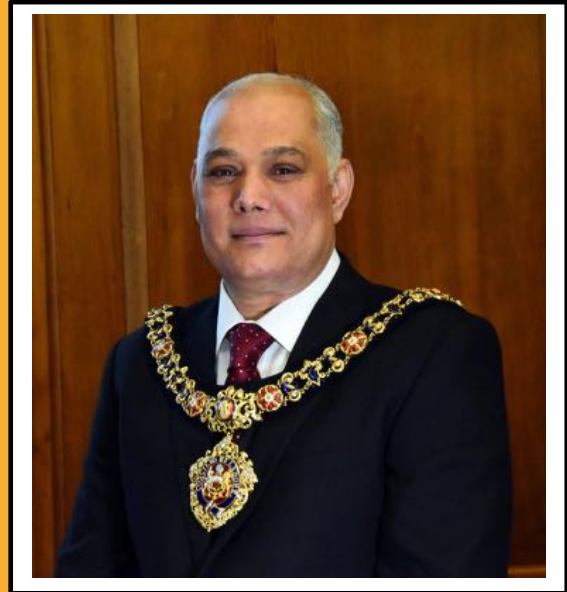


## LORD MAYOR OF MANCHESTER COUNCILLOR ABID LATIF CHOCHAN

The January 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting, featured a New Year message from the Lord Mayor of Manchester, Councillor Abid Latif Chohan.



***President Sarah with the Lord Mayor of Manchester***



The Lord Mayor gave us information about his background and role as Lord Mayor of Manchester.

The position of Lord Mayor is a ceremonial role and the position is selected from Manchester Councillors by the Queen. The position requires attending many events as well as welcoming international and royal visitors.

The Lord Mayor was born in a remote village in the Jhelum district in Pakistan's Punjab province and has lived in Manchester since 1998 with his wife Azra.

Councillor Chohan had undertaken a Bachelor of Laws qualification in Pakistan. Desiring to continue his career in law in the UK, Abid went on to pass a Qualified Lawyers Transfer Test in 2006 - a regulatory exam for foreign licensed attorneys who want to practise in England and Wales.

Abid has his own law firm, is the founder and Chair of the British Pakistani Cultural Association, supports a number of charities, and is an active trade unionist.



He was elected to Manchester City Council in 2004 where he has served as Lead Member for Race and Equality and has sat on a number of scrutiny committees including Children and Young People, Communities, Neighbourhoods and Environment, and the Planning and Highways Committee. He has also sat on the Licensing and Appeals Committee for several years and served as Deputy Chair for four years.

Abid is interested in issues of poverty and youth and is committed to eliminating child poverty in Manchester.



Many members of our club were in attendance, as well as members from the Inner Wheel of Manchester.

*The Lord Mayor with Inner wheel President, Trudie Bennison and President of the Rotary Club of Manchester, Sarah Withington.*

### **CLUB 200 CHARITY DRAW WINNERS**

The draw took place at the January 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting.  
The Lord Mayor selected the winning tickets.

1<sup>st</sup> Prize    Liz Cowell    £150  
2nd Prize    Marian Metcalfe    £50



## Lakeland Fellowship

**Borrowdale Gates Hotel, Borrowdale, Cumbria**

**Monday/Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> March 2020**

Dear Member,

Seven single rooms have been booked at the Hotel for the above dates on a first come first served basis.

The cost per night will be £100 per person per night and will include dinner, bed and breakfast and VAT.

To enable me to confirm the booking please complete the slip below and return it to me as soon as possible with your cheque for £50 deposit made payable to myself. This deposit is non-refundable.

Derek Evans

Please reserve the following-

Name-----

Please return to Derek Evans together with your cheque for £50

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### Volunteers Needed

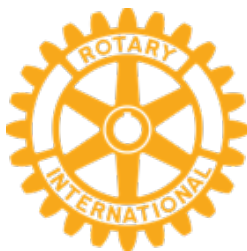
**The Great Book Giveaway** is confirmed as Saturday 14th March at Asda from 10 am to 4pm. If you could get support for this, it would be most appreciated- apparently Gordon has already about 3,000 books! But be assured that your children's books are the ones needed above all.

*Please contact Sarah for details on how to help!*

## Up and Coming Events

- Fellowship Evening  
Thursday Feb 6  
The Romper, Altincham
- Club Council  
Hough End Centre  
Tuesday Feb 11 18:15
- Lunch Meeting  
DGE Elect Peter Robinson – D1285  
Thursday Feb 13
- Rotary Ramble  
Friday Feb 21  
TBA
- Lunch Meeting  
TBA  
Thurs Feb 27
- Fellowship  
Aspire  
Thursday March 5

- Lunch Meeting  
Thurs March 12  
Kate Puc – Francis House
- District 1285 International Rally  
Wed March 18 2020  
19:00 TBA
- Rotary Ramble  
Fri March 20  
Rotary Ramble  
TBA
- Club Lakeland Visit  
Mon March 30-Wed April 1
- Rotary Expo  
Fri May 1 – Sun May 3  
Birmingham
- Rotary Convention  
Honolulu, Hawaii, USA  
June 6-10 2020



## Club Meeting Info

**Weekly: Every Thursday at 12:30**

**Place: Manchester Hall**

**36 Bridge Street, Manchester,**

**M3 2BT**

## Rotary Club of Manchester Team 2019-2020

### President

Sarah Withington

### President Elect

### Membership

Robin Graham PHF

### Vocational

Julie Chapman

### Executive Secretary

Robin Graham PHF

### Secretary

Peter Hartley PHF

### Community

Julie Chapman

### Rotaract

Roy Chapman PHF

### IT

Peter Hartley PHF

### Treasurer

Peter Hartley PHF

### International

### Youth Service

Roy Chapman PHF

### Fellowship

Barbara Rosenthal MPH

### Immediate Past President

Julie Chapman

### Rotary Foundation

Bill Laidlaw PHF

### Attendance

Roger Walker PHF

### Primary Webmaster

Peter Hartley PHF