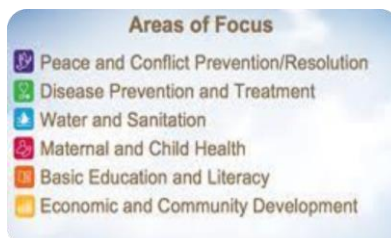




# “ZONE IN” ON

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Foundation News for 17 and 18a within RIBI



*23rd February is Rotary day, the day Rotary International was founded.  
Insight into success and best practise empowers us to meet John's challenges*

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#### **Time for Reflection!**



**John took time to reflect and act at the beginning of 2015. His action was to remind us to take stock and see if the goals we set ourselves at the start of the Rotary year were being achieved together with our expectations for the end of the year. They reflected the goals John had asked us to consider and support though 2014 -15. He gave us a series of questions to ponder starting with our primary goal of polio eradication. Have we encouraged our districts to give 20% of the District Designated Funding available to toward the eradication of this terrible disease?**

**Are we confident that National Immunization Days are being supported? He reminds us that there is still much to do and that the number of identified cases in Pakistan in 2014 far exceeds those in 2013.**

**He asks have we made our contribution to Our Charity, our Rotary Foundation? Have we made an impact on those Rotarians who have not done so? There is a statistic to reverse here! Non-contributing Rotarians far exceed the numbers of Rotarians who do. He asks us to ensure our target for the Annual Fund, US\$123m, is reached.**

**He continues with consideration of the new grants programme. Have we advantaged ourselves along with the other 858 district and 492 global grants awarded?**

**And there is the Rotary Peace Programme. Have we nominated a Peace Fellow candidate? Are you seeking out a Major Donor to help fund this programme? Could you register for the Rotary peace Symposium forerunning the International Convention in Brazil, in June?**

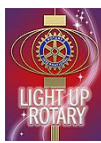
**John holds the belief that, if the message of Rotary does not reach the Rotarian and his/her club, Rotary loses its thrust. The club is the heartbeat of our organisation.**

**It's up to us to "Light up Rotary" in this second half of the Rotary year.**

**John posts his New Year best wishes.**

**On behalf of  
John Kenny  
Foundation Trustee Chair**

**Keeping Rotarians in Great Britain and Ireland informed and friends of The Rotary Foundation in touch!**



## A word from Ian



We are at that special Rotary time of year again when the current team is just over halfway through their twelve months endeavouring to "Light up Rotary". Our District Governor Elects are fresh back from San Diego with the future theme of "Be a Gift to the World".

We are approaching the season of assemblies with RIBI about to conduct a Leadership Assembly along with a new concept of Regional Assemblies. Thereafter, we will be attending District Assemblies followed by Club Assemblies! My great wish is that the promotion of our Rotary Foundation is high on every agenda all the way up to those at Club level.

As far as the current year is concerned, I notice that the majority of Districts have obtained their District Grants approvals earlier than in the previous year and this can only bode well for the future. Another matter worthy of mention, there have now been a number of Global Grants submitted or approved that have the project location in these Islands. The International Partner has been from Europe or even further afield, often a Twin Club or where there is a personal connection between Clubs or Districts. This shows how Global Grants not only helps International communities but also our own communities. All are important to how our Rotary Foundation supports Rotarians in lighting up the world.

Ian

## RI President Gary Huang



Continues his travels to inspire and encourage Rotarians worldwide. He invites us to hold a Rotary Day to "light up the world". By this he is suggesting events to let people know what it is we do. He is particularly thrilled to see many Rotarians have taken up his challenge. He weaves the challenges that face Rotary into his monthly address in "the Rotarian".

He asks us to share our Rotary stories. Can I ask you to share your good news Foundation stories through our newsletter? Do you have a Rotary Day demonstrating how The Rotary Foundation supports the efforts of Rotarians to do good in the world? Please, share it with us.

Ed

## Congratulations to our Team Member and Family

*Too young for RotaKids, but the Foundation is there!*



Colleagues,  
Not strictly a Rotary good news story though as most of you know, my wife, Sarah, was a Rotary ambassadorial scholar a few years back. We had a wee boy, Rory, yesterday here in Wales where they have free broadband in the wards!

It was a long day and not the most fun having a section but it's all over now with a happy boy weighing 7 pounds 3.

I enclose a photo taken about one hour after the birth.

Best wishes

Calum

## Peace Symposium

Our Foundation Trustee Chair, John Kenny, informs us of the opportunity that will inform and educate us on Rotary's service to promote peace.

Every three years, The Rotary Foundation sponsors a peace symposium as a preconvention activity. This will precede, on 4-5 June, the International Convention in Sao Paulo.

It is an innovative programme and of particular interest, in the first plenary session, the 1987 Nobel peace Prize laureate, Oscar Aria Sanchez of Costa Rica features. He served two terms of office as president of Costa Rica and, in his first term, engaged the nations of Central American peace discussions leading to the ultimate end of hostilities in the region.

John looks forward to seeing us there!

Ed

## Let's communicate!

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Jannine

## Rotarian Action Group unveils PeaceHUB Map

The Rotarian Action Group for Peace has developed an interactive map of Rotary peace resources. The Rotary PeaceHUB Map is an innovative solution for sharing a large volume of data in a way that enables users to make important connections quickly and easily. While no such resource can be all-inclusive, the map will grow as Rotarians and Rotary Peace Fellows add material.

The map, which is available to the public, can be used to find:-

Rotarian Action Group for Peace members and other Rotary members working on peace projects

Peace in Action Creating vibrant, peaceful communities around the world

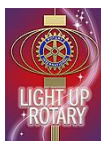
Project-specific information including contact people, planning documents, funding collaboration

Rotary Peace Fellows, including the more than 850 alumni and the current class of 80-plus fellows at the six Rotary Peace Centres

Non-profit organizations in the field of peace and conflict resolution worldwide

Educational institutions that offer degree programmes and training in peace and conflict resolution.

Harry Smith (D1020)



## Events

### There don't forget the 5 facilitated Regional Assemblies focussing on service issues

8 March 2015	Bristol
<i>Frank in attendance</i>	
14 March 2015	London
<i>John in attendance</i>	
21 March 2015	Manchester
<i>Celia in attendance</i>	
22 March 2015	Birmingham
<i>Terry in attendance</i>	
28 March 2015	Edinburgh
<i>Alan in attendance</i>	

### RIBI Conference

10-12 April 2015	Belfast
<i>Meet us on the Rotary Foundation stand</i>	

## Polio NID Volunteers February 2015

National Immunisation Day in India



Your friend in the Foundation Committee, Jannine, and husband Paul are off to participate in the National Immunisation Day on 22nd Feb 2015; this is their 2nd time to India to be a part of a NID.

How does one prepare for such a great event?

Here is Jannine's recollection; I think she is in a daze!

First and foremost, budgetary decisions have to be made. Co-ordinating with the fount of all knowledge, Mike Yates, who is organising the trip and the Public Relations team in Alcester came second. This resulted in

- preparing a press release for participants from across RIBI to adapt for their local media
- agree the creation and design of a suitable banner showing Rotary in Great Britain and Ireland that can be used alongside club banners if we want to whilst out and about in India (and which could be used for other purposes where and when Rotary is doing good in the world)

Then onto personal needs such as determining the immunisations needed for this trip, getting them ordered with the pharmacist and arranging for them to be administered by the practice nurse (Jannine has needle phobia that she has to control to make this happen!)

A needed personal first aid kit to ensure everything is in date and if there is anything else needed to be taking such as enough prescription medicines for whilst away

Then on to the travel arrangements, booking flights and hotels etc. with an added challenge of travel from Guernsey to the UK then onwards to India. How will baggage allowances work out??

And the snags!

Travel insurance never seems to be straightforward these days!

Indian visa applications seem so complicated (but we got there in the end)

Communication -

Telling friends and family about our trip and that we want to take about 500 toothbrushes to give out during the immunisation day

The lead in -

A belated family Christmas with one of our children and three grandchildren spent taking 333 toothbrushes out of their packaging and wrapping individually in clingfilm to make packing and carrying easier

Trying to find suitable summer clothes in our boxes in the lot as our wardrobe is full of winter clothes

Maintaining our excitement at a reasonable level so we can stay focused and get everything else done in the meantime And it doesn't end there -

There is our cat to take to the vet to have loads of teeth removed (a genetic problem apparently) so she is recovered enough for our sister-in-law to look after whilst she is house (and cat) sitting for us!!

Finally, preparing this contribution for Zone In.

We wish Paul, Jannine and all the other Rotarians on this NID very best wishes and a successful outcome.

Ed

## Good News Story 1

### The Major Breakthrough against Polio

Edited from Geoffrey York of "The Globe & Mail", Canada



On the edge of the war zone, near the territory controlled by the Boko Haram in northern Nigeria, the hit-and-run Polio vaccination teams waited patiently for the go-ahead from the security forces.

When the soldiers decided the moment was right, teams rushed into the war zone – not to shoot or attack, but to vaccinate children against polio.

A few hours later, they rushed back to safety.

Helped by strict new government policies, Nigeria is closer than ever to eliminating Polio.

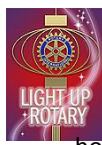
"We were tired of the stigma of being the last African country with polio," said Oyewale Tomori, president of the Nigerian Academy of Science and chairman of Nigeria's polio expert review committee. "There was a real spirit to get it done, a real determination."

The type 2 strain was eliminated in 1999, and type 3 has not been detected anywhere in the world since a case was found in an infant in northern Nigeria in 2012.

Panicked this year by the rise of Ebola, weaknesses in some of Africa's poorest countries healthcare been exposed. Ebola has obscured Africa's quieter progress on other diseases.

How did Nigeria make such gains in its polio campaign? As northern politicians and religious leaders spread rumours that the polio vaccine caused AIDS and infertility, just a decade ago, the campaign was in serious trouble. In February, 2013, there was a further setback when gunmen killed nine vaccination workers in the northern city of Kano.

However, Nigeria has been a major beneficiary of The Rotary and the Gates Foundations, sharing in the billions of dollars in the fight against polio.



Immunisation teams have fanned out across the country to vaccinate the children, and governments have imposed strict rules to demote or dismiss officials who disobey the vaccination strategy. Religious leaders have been recruited into the campaign, ensuring that the worst rumours are dispelled.



In the past, vaccination teams would sometimes claim to have vaccinated far more children than they actually did. Under the new system, they must carry satellite devices so their movements can be tracked and mapped by a co-ordination centre as they work. If they miss a remote village, they are sent back to do it.

Children are vaccinated in front of their homes, rather than inside, so the work can be easily monitored by supervisors. Even nomadic cattle-herding families are tracked down and vaccinated.

Despite the progress, there's no room for complacency, especially with Nigerian politicians distracted by national elections this month, experts say. Previous elections in Nigeria have led to resurgences of polio.

"We've been close to eradicating polio before, and then we lost focus," Dr. Tomori said. "I hope the politicians have learned their lesson and won't make the same mistake. We must be more vigilant than ever."

Six months with no case of wild polio signifies dramatic progress in Nigeria.

*Ed.*

### **Giving changes everything!**

**WE MAKE  
A LIVING  
BY WHAT WE GET,  
BUT WE MAKE  
A LIFE BY  
WHAT WE GIVE.**

winston churchill

May we suggest 2 good reasons why we give each year to The Rotary Foundation, over and above the obvious point - that Foundation is our charity?

The first reason is the excellent financial management of our funds and the second is the scope of our work.

Most UK charities have a single issue as their core purpose.

We all know what Hearing Dogs for the Deaf, the Institute of Cancer Research, the British Heart Foundation or Sightsavers stands for.

But what does The Rotary Foundation stand for? What is our core purpose? Well, here we come to the scope of our work. Through The Rotary Foundation we work for the eradication of polio and malaria, we dig for clean water, we provide

hospital equipment in South Africa, refurbish a Children's Home in Romania, we educate a scholar in peace and conflict resolution, we send young people abroad to learn how their profession operates in another country.

Do you remember the 4 words from the Foundation's Mission Statement, which set out the core purpose of our charity? Yes, "World peace and understanding".

How would you like support Rotary's current work?

*Through the Annual Fund and SHARE*

Support to the Annual Fund is crucial to sustain the thousands of projects that are being conducted in your community and around the world.

*Would you like to support Rotary's future through the Endowment Fund*

A gift to the Endowment Fund will keep The Rotary Foundation strong well into the future, providing a continuous stream of income that will fund programs in perpetuity.

*Or, perhaps, support a polio-free world through the PolioPlus Fund*

We are a part of history supporting Rotary's work to achieve a polio-free world. A donation will support immunization campaigns in countries where children remain at risk.

*Alternatively, you may wish to support a specific project by giving to projects in yours or the international community*

Is there a country or region in the world where you'd like to make a difference? You can browse My Rotary community projects in many areas and make a contribution to a Foundation funded project

*Yes? You want to support a specific cause?*

*Fighting disease*

100 million + people are pushed into poverty each year because of medical costs.

*Providing clean water*

2.5 billion people + lack access to adequate sanitation facilities.

*Saving mothers and children*

At least 7 million children under the age of five die each year due to malnutrition, poor health, and inadequate sanitation.

*Supporting education*

Worldwide, 67 million children have no access to education.

*Growing local economies*

Nearly 1.4 billion unemployed people live on less than 82p per day. We help enhance economic and community development and create opportunities that empower individuals and entire communities.

*How can you help?* There are a number of ways

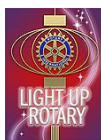
1. Contributing direct to RFUK
2. Contributing through your club
3. By undertaking a Sustaining Membership
4. Using a Rotary MBA credit card
5. Becoming or finding a benefactor
6. Uncovering a Major Donor
7. In the end, leaving a legacy

Personally, do we really have the nerve to ask you to contribute less than the price of a Sunday broadsheet?

Yes, £1 per week equates roughly to \$100 per year with gift aid.

How many of those "well-known" charities achieve as much as your Rotary Foundation? Not only in the projects but in the fellowship, friendship and goodwill generated and the work of our Peace fellows. As Rotarians, our charity must be worth all our consideration!

*Ed*



### **Where are we with PolioPlus contributions?**

The Zone 17 RRFC 2014-2015 goal is \$650k. The total cash contributions through January from the 16 districts were \$320.5k. The number of clubs contributing this year has been 278. One DDF gift of \$5.0k has been made.

The Zone 18A RRFC 2014-2015 goal is \$750k. The total cash contributions through December from the 13 districts were \$332.3k. The number of clubs contributing this year has been 248. One DDF gift of \$10.0k has been made.

The miscellany of RIBI non-district contributions brings the total to \$678.6k or 48.5% of the combined RRFC 2014-2015 goals

January brought an unexpectedly good total of contributions.

Of mention, some large club donations Reading

Matins, District 1090 of \$65,000

Dudley, District 1210 of \$20,312

Jersey, District 1110 of \$14,640

So a special thanks to them.

I am sure behind these must lie some success stories and I would ask the DRFCs to let me know about them.

*Reg*

### **Foundation Thought for Today**

District 1190 has received an appeal from PP Sunny Akuopha of the Rotary Club of Bamako in Mali for help with a Global Grant Project, which will address the issue of preventing the spread of Ebola in Mali. Rotary will work alongside other agencies such as WHO, UNICEF, Red Cross, the Mali government and global medical agencies. The project will involve training volunteers and health care workers working in Community Health Centres. The training will include information about the disease as well as the appropriate hygienic measures to be followed. Rotarians will also receive training so that they can strengthen their local communities. Finally materials required to limit the spread of the disease such as bucket, disinfectants, gloves, and aprons etc., will also be provided.

District 1190 has worked with Sunny in the past in connection with a water project, built a Clinic and distributed wheelchairs. Sunny has requested monetary support to the tune of \$20,000 to \$25,000. D1190 is very keen to help but does not have sufficient DDF to meet this request. The District is appealing to other Districts in Zone 17 and 18a to join them in this important venture. They are aware that there are already a number of Ebola related projects underway within our Zones but would be grateful for any DDF contributions. For further information please contact either PDG Kevin Walsh at [rotary@kevin601.orangehome.co.uk](mailto:rotary@kevin601.orangehome.co.uk) or Vas Vasudev, DRFC District 1190, at [Vasudev@globalnet.co.uk](mailto:Vasudev@globalnet.co.uk).

### **Laughter is good for you!**

*Generosity*

At a Rotary auction event for Foundation one of the wealthier attendees had bid £2000 for an antique. However, he asked the auctioneer to announce that he his wallet containing £10,000 had been mislaid and a reward of £100 would be given to the person who found it.

From the back of the hall an Ebenezer Scrooge sounding voice shouted, "I'll gi' ye £150!"

### **Good News Story 2!**

#### ***The power of Yogscast Jingle Jangle!***

I was browsing the Nov/Dec edition of Zone In to Foundation and noticed that the Good News Story 1 referred to my club and our collection with Yogscast during December.

You may have already heard but the result of the December collection is that we will be getting somewhere near \$200,000 to pass on to Polio Plus over the next couple of months. Indeed \$65,000 has already been paid in and another \$30,000 is about to be sent and we expect two further significant amounts in February and March.

President Geoff and Rotarian Matt Mason who developed the partnership with the UK's 'Kings of You Tube' and raised £135,000 are delighted that the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation have pledged to give £2 for every £1 raised by Rotary towards polio eradication. This means that END POLIO NOW will benefit by £405,000 which will make a colossal impact towards their aim of finally eradicating polio worldwide

*Greg Wilkinson (D090)*

### **More Good News!**

As of 20 November, the Foundation approved:

298 district grants totalling \$17.9 million, compared with 288 grants during the same period in 2013

386 global grants totalling \$23.7 million (\$9.9 million of that from the World Fund), compared with 209 grants during the same period in 2013 — an 85 percent increase!

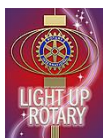
Recent Trustee decisions:

At their October meeting, the Trustees made several decisions related to grants:

- The current agreement with UNESCO-IHE Institute for Water Education to provide water and sanitation scholarships is extended for one year, pending agreement from UNESCO-IHE.
- Clubs and districts may now carry out global grants in non-Rotary countries where the Rotary International Board is actively trying to establish Rotary clubs. Vietnam is currently the only country in this category.
- Up to 10 percent of a global grant budget may be used for project-specific overhead and administrative costs of cooperating organizations.
- Lineal descendants of honorary Rotarians are now eligible for Foundation awards.



**No, he won't be attending Rotary tonight!  
He's agreed to stay home and watch a romantic movie with me!"**



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**And, finally, the latest World Polio Statistics.**

Wild poliovirus type 1 and Circulating vaccine-derived poliovirus cases (cVDPV)

Total cases	Year-to-date 2015		Year-to-date 2014		Total in 2014	
	WPV	cVDPV	WPV	cVDPV	WPV	cVDPV
Globally	7	0	11	3	359	54
- in endemic countries	7	0	11	3	340	51
- in non-endemic countries	0	0	0	0	19	3

Case breakdown by country

Countries	Year-to-date 2015 as of 11 February		Year-to-date 2014		Total in 2014		Onset of paralysis of most recent case	
	WPV	cVDPV	WPV	cVDPV	WPV	cVDPV	WPV	cVDPV
Pakistan	7	0	9	3	306	21	17-Jan-15	13-Dec-14
Afghanistan	0	0	2	0	28	0	04-Dec-14	N/A
Nigeria	0	0	0	0	6	30	24-Jul-14	16-Nov-14
Somalia	0	0	0	0	5	0	11-Aug-14	N/A
Equatorial Guinea	0	0	0	0	5	0	03-May-14	N/A
Iraq	0	0	0	0	2	0	07-Apr-14	N/A
Cameroon	0	0	0	0	5	0	09-Jul-14	N/A
Syrian Arab Republic	0	0	0	0	1	0	21-Jan-14	N/A
Ethiopia	0	0	0	0	1	0	05-Jan-14	N/A
South Sudan	0	0	0	0	0	2	N/A	12-Sep-14
Madagascar	0	0	0	0	0	1	N/A	29-Sep-14

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