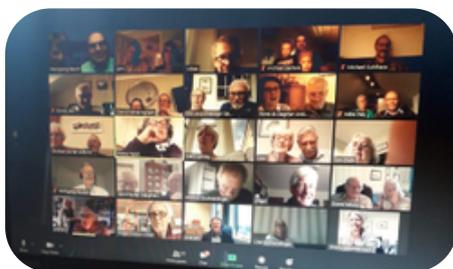




Rotary do it on Zoom!



Like many of you, our York Rotary members are mostly still self-isolating, with a few working from home. So we have taken to on-line meetings, and our **weekly Zoom meetings** have transformed the way we operate. With around 50 coming to each meeting, things are much more informal and we're able to stay in touch as well as plan a number of new initiatives for fundraising and online social events..

ALL *Friends* are VERY welcome to join us for our Rotary Zoom meetings (Fridays at 12.30pm)... just let me know at friends@yorkrotary.co.uk and I'll send you the link...

We have some great speakers lined up, including several "Friends" members who will be updating us on how they and their organisations are coping during the current times. [Check out our full list of speakers](#)

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Our Rotary meeting speakers in June



Our speaker this Friday (June 5th) is **Adam Raffell**, co-ordinator of York Foodbank, who will talk about their work and the impact of COVID-19 on their services.

York Rotary has so far donated, through weekly member donations over £5500 to the Foodbank.

12.30 pm Friday on Zoom...

Like to attend? Email us for the link.. friends@yorkrotary.co.uk



On Friday June 12th we'll have a speaker from Rotary partner **Shelterbox International**, who provide emergency shelter in disasters across the globe. They will explain their current challenges and how the pandemic is impacting their humanitarian work.

12.30 pm Friday 12th on Zoom.

Like to attend? Email us for the link.. friends@yorkrotary.co.uk

Friends of York Rotary Meetings



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Traditional Networking meetings of "Friends" are not going to be possible for a while - but we are going to arrange two "ZOOM - NETWORKING" sessions over the coming months.

[Read more...](#)

Dragon Boat Challenge - but not as you know it!



We had to cancel the Dragon Boat Challenge this year, which was a great disappointment for everyone participating, our supporters, and of course for the many local charities that would have benefited.

However, ***we are not defeated!!*** We are currently planning a "Virtual" event for teams, families and the general public that will offer a fun challenge - on a Dragon Boat theme - to raise funds for our wonderful local NHS staff - in partnership with York Teaching Hospital Charity.

The event will start on July 1st - **stay tuned**, we will send you details shortly!

York Rotary is launching a new website



A brand new website is being designed (by a York Rotary member) which will showcase what Rotary is doing - and more about the causes we support. There will also be features about our Centenary - coming up in 2021 - and of course, *Friends of York Rotary* !

The site will be available from the middle of June.

We'd like your views...



The "*Friends of York Rotary*" group has been going now for two years!

We are keen to hear how you have felt about membership - what you have enjoyed, events you attended, what you have learnt about Rotary - and of course, what we could do better!

We'll be contacting a number of *Friends* over the next couple of months (online) to ask your views..

or you can just email us, of course!

I hope you have enjoyed our "new look" email bulletin.

Please keep in touch; and best wishes to you all - keep healthy and happy..

See you soon, Brian

Brian Joscelyne

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