



## PEOPLE OF ACTION

Our club offers opportunities for our members – and those interested in making a difference – to get involved. Through meetings, social events and volunteer projects, our members learn about the issues facing our community and communities all over the world, partnering with local, national and global experts to exchange ideas about potential solutions and to draw up action plans to respond. Along with these opportunities to serve, members also are able to regularly network, resulting in lifelong friendships and business connections.

We are a proud part of this community and of Rotary International. Rotary is a global network of more than 1.2 million members who believe that great things happen when dedicated minds come together. We are a local community of men and women representing different experiences and perspectives but with a shared desire to connect with others to address the challenges affecting our community and communities around the world.

For more than 20 years we have developed close links with six clubs in Europe. We are known as the **Eurostar Group** and, annually, each club hosts a weekend of fun and fellowship, which also provides support for their charity.



Mother. Teacher. Historian.

## CONTACT US

We meet every Tuesday over a two-course lunch at the Croydon Masonic Halls.

Occasionally we hold evening meetings.

Croydon Masonic Halls,  
73 Oakfield Road Croydon, CR0 2UX

Car parking is available on site or nearby in Stanton Road, CR0 2UN

If you would like to visit our Club please contact our

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Much more information about the work of the Rotary Club of Croydon, together with details of our meetings, may be found on our website.

[croydonrotaryclub.org.uk](http://croydonrotaryclub.org.uk)



We're for communities





## MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Solving real problems takes real effort, commitment and vision. Rotarians work to protect communities from preventable disease, keep women and children healthy, improve education and economic outcomes, create safe water and sanitation infrastructure, and make our community and the world a more peaceful place.

For almost a century we have worked locally to improve the lives of people in Croydon. In recent years we have helped:

- St Giles School
- Croydon Vision
- Whitehorse Youth Centre
- MENCAP
- Lives Not Knives
- Womens' Refuge
- Croydon Drop-in

Our on-going project is the **eradication of polio** worldwide, partnering with the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, the World Health Organisation and UNICEF to end polio. Since 1985 2.5 billion children in 122 countries have been immunised, reducing the number of polio cases by 99.9%. The total eradication of polio is so close now with a small number of outbreaks occurring in only two countries.



Solicitor. Father. Allotment holder.



## 2017-2018 CLUB YEAR

As the new year begins, the club has embarked on a Five Year Plan to ensure that, as it nears its 100th Birthday in 2021/2022, it remains relevant, especially to younger people, by encouraging the promotion of Rotary's long-established principle of selfless service, both to the local community and to the wider world.

During the year members will be supporting President Peter Spalding in his efforts to raise funds to purchase a Tympanometer for the Croydon Hearing Resource Centre (CHRC).

For over 30 years CHRC has been providing advice, information and practical help and support to residents of Croydon with any type of hearing loss. The much needed Tympanometer will be used to test the condition of the middle ear and the mobility of the eardrum and the conduction bones by creating variations of air pressure in the ear canal. Each Tympanometer costs around £9,000.

July also sees the launch of the club's new website: <https://croydonrotaryclub.org.uk/>



Mother. Child Carer. Family Centre Trustee.



## GET INVOLVED

Becoming a member of Rotary means you are a member of every club throughout the world. This enables you to meet your community leaders and to make an impact both here and around the world. We invite you to visit our club and find out more about us and the opportunities we offer to get involved.

Our members have found that it is a truly rewarding experience.

Being a Rotarian means being able to give something back to my community in an atmosphere of friendship, enthusiasm and fun! *[Barbara]*

Being a Rotarian offers friendship, interesting talks and information, the opportunity to help in some worthwhile charities and a chance to meet with other clubs in Europe. *[Chris]*

The Rotary principle of "service before self" is greatly to be desired and since retiring from business I have attempted to serve the Croydon and wider community in voluntary ways. *[Edward]*



Father. Risk Manager. Genealogist.