

MINUTES OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF ROMSEY TEST MEETING

Date:- Wednesday 9th August 2023

Venue:- Youth in Romsey, Romsey Sports Centre

Members Present:- There were 11 Members of RCoRT present plus 1 visitor, Nick Bunger who is a friend of Stewart Mitchell.

Presidents Remarks.

President Ed Holmes opened the meeting by welcoming the Members present and specifically a visitor, Nick Bunger who is a friend of Stewart and Hilary Mitchell and who had agreed to speak to us briefly on his hobby, **Magic and Illusions.**

In limited available time Nick explained that when he was living locally he and The Mitchell's became firm friends, he was working for BBC, sometimes in Southampton but his work took him away to a considerable number of locations throughout UK, often with time to kill.

His leisure time activity has for many years been **Magic and Illusions** however one posting was to Carmarthen. The 'brand' of his hobby in that location was unappreciated, they wanted a different type of magic! (Nick didn't expand on the details and he was never privy to). He showed to us three examples of his hobby - the first involving a large domino that showed a different number of markings each time he turned it over. He followed that by having a short length of rope draped over his wrist, as he spoke to us gradually running his hand along the rope and straightening it to become horizontal!

Finally, Nick asked a Member from each table to stand, gave them a pack of cards each and asked them to select any card from the pack. He then correctly guessed the card which our Member had opened the pack at!

After thanking Nick for entertaining us for a short time, President Ed closed the meeting at approx 09.10am.

Ian Bullivant
