



Club Duties

If you are unable to fulfill your duty, could you please find a replacement or let the President know you are unable to attend.

March 24th 2010

Front Door Greeters:
Ken Hammer & Daryl Knievel

Invocation:
Rod Mont

Introductions:
Donna Allen

Rotary Minute:
Kris Rongve

50/50:
Randall Taylor

Sgt @ Arms:
Neil Sorsdahl

March 31st, 2010

Front Door Greeters:
Denise Davidson & Bill Brendon

Invocation:
Nathan Thornton

Introductions:
Christine Craigie

Rotary Minute:
Robb Mowbray

50/50:
Dave Thompson

Sgt @ Arms
Kris Rongve

April 7th, 2010

Front Door Greeters:
Donna Allen & Rod Mont

Invocation:
Bill Brendon

Introductions:
Daryl Knievel

Rotary Minute:
Ricki Bartlett

50/50:
Wendi Ferrero

Sgt @ Arms:
Daryl Stech

Weekly Wake-up

Upcoming Programs

March 24th - Classification Talk - Jim Jeffries

March 31st - Club Social

April 7th - Shack Island - Ruth Matson

NOTICES & NEWS

Swing Into Spring Silent Auction update from Patrick...

Greetings, Rotarians

A Swing into Spring Silent Auction update as of March 18...

1) Could the generous person who brought the IKEA bag full of goodies please contact me with identification information - otherwise I have to note the donation as Anonymous!!

2) So far I have 8 items in hand and promises of 8 more. Time is running short! Please get back to me with your contributions and any referrals to non-Rotarian donors. So far I have leads on 5 of those.

Thanks.

Patrick



The Work of Rotary Blossoms...

Take a look at the photos below, submitted by Ron Blank, showing the fruits of Daybreak Rotarians' labours...it truly is Spring!



Please send content and photos for the Weekly Wake-up to robbmowbray@telus.net

Club Birthdays

March 24 Henri Van Amerongen
March 29 Chris Everett

Club Anniversaries.

March 25 Ron Medd
March 29 Chris Everett

*Meeting Notes - March 17th**submitted by Karin Mattern.*

Bob Fenty made an announcement that the GSE Team is coming to town Friday May 21st and we need someone to host one of them please!

VP Bill Brenden:

“Strive not for perfection but for success and you will rise to the next level.”

Finally we made a success of the Poker Tournament. Suggested we consider buying a poker and chip set so we can have enough on hand. Benefits went to Mid-Island Abilities Society, Art Gallery and Theatre BC, but only the MIAS participated in helping out at the event.

President Elect Patrick McGuire made a motion to change the structure of the club from 5 to 4 chairs. The current structure is not mandatory. The main changes are: “five committees of the club” i.e. membership, club administration, public relations, rotary foundation and service projects, to be replaced by “four avenues of service of Rotary International” i.e. club service, community service, international service and vocational service.

Discussion ensued:

Brian spoke against the motion with a history of the current structure. Weakest areas are public relations and membership, We are good at raising and dispersing money. In 2 years, 50 percent of new members leave, therefore they put membership at the board level. The public relations chair in Lantzville said “anytime anyone says anything about the club how does it affect perception/promotion?” He feels we don’t need to change the bylaws, that flexibility is there for the president to structure committees. Also he looks to take members beyond local club level, which is supported by allowing more members to be on committees.

Patrick: If current structure was to put membership and promotion at the fore-front, is it working? Compared with other organizations world-wide, Rotary is holding its own, but not necessarily at the local level.

Dave Thompson: Don’t care if there are 2 or 10, if we know that’s what we’re targeting, no one’s been focusing on those areas. Need to be more aware, to talk openly about what our goals are.

Rod Mont: Speaking in support. Even though it says 5, we’ve only been electing 4. We’re just trying to balance responsibilities. Can have a strong membership chair without being on the board.

Jeff Boegel: Just a comment that it’s a really good point about promoting PR at events. That these are **Rotary** events.

Bob Wall: Just noted that he’s confused, but wants to support the motion.

The vote was called and the motion carried.

Rod Mont: Club Administration

Club historian working on that. Kris is working on duty schedule.

Neil Sorsdahl for Denise Larson: Service Projects
Daffodils are out and Japanese plums on Parkway
Fund allocation is on treasurer’s report
Running out of money but making more this year.

Lynda: RYLA

Big weekend this week, on the way Thursday to Tacoma. Can only send 5 and always want to send all the applicants. They will talk to us when they get back.

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Rotary Club Meetings

Monday – Parksville, Bayside Inn, Noon

Tuesday – Nanaimo North, Frith-Radcliffe Auditorium, Kiwanis Village, 6:15 p.m.

Wednesday – Nanaimo Oceanside, 3rd Street Fieldhouse, 5 p.m.

Thursday – Lantzville – ABC Restaurant on Mary Ellen Drive, 7 a.m.

Friday – Nanaimo – Coast Bastion Inn, 12:15 p.m.

*Rotary Contacts***Club President:**

Dave Perry

Club Secretary:

Eileen Tatton

Club Treasurer:

Cindy Bartlett

Club President Elect:

Patrick Maguire

Bulletin Editor:

Robb Mowbray

Foundation Chair:

Dawne Anderson

Assistant Governor Area 2B

Brenda Grice

District Governor 2009-10:

Alex Alexander

RI President 2009-10:

John Kenny

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*Make-ups*

To ensure that your make-up information is properly recorded, send any info on extra meetings attended, extra committee work, service projects, online work, etc. to Rod Mont at [mont@islandlaw.ca](mailto:mont@islandlaw.ca)

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Four Way Test

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

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*Upcoming 2010 Events:*

Daybreak Poker Night  
Nanaimo Centre Stage  
Sunday, March 14 at 2 pm.

Swing Into Spring  
Bowen Park Auditorium  
Saturday, March 27

Rotary International Convention  
Montreal, Canada; June 20-23.



*Meeting Notes - continued...*

Doug Lum: Exchange students

We haven't hosted for too many years. Meeting April 15<sup>th</sup> and we are expected to bring a host family! It was pointed out that one of the problems is that it has to be in the Dover area.

Neil Sorsdahl: Re Golf Tournament

Sending out notices re: sponsors needed for tournament and holes.

If sponsors want to pay by credit card, it won't be put through until just before the tournament

Dawne Anderson: Re: Foundation

Looking into dates on receipts; why Jan 2010 for 2009 donations?

Rod Mont: Re: Membership

Attendance is 83 % for February.

Henri VanAmerongen reports that his work is going well in Holland, but can't make meetings here and will leave the club at the end of June. He's looking for a club in Victoria.

Proposed member is Eileen Page, Classification Social Enterprise.

Dave Thompson suggested as an encouragement for membership we take our banner to events. Can we get a sign made to the effect "talk to us about joining".

Jeff said that the banner was made so sponsor panels can be removed. Have Rotary front and centre at events. Brian volunteered to do a sign at a booth re: info on what we do. Suggested a folding display board.

Does anyone know where the Swing into Spring banner is? Please let Val know.

Also the key is missing for our mailbox. Does anyone know where it is?

Wendi passed around a sheet for bingo volunteers. We are committed to April 12<sup>th</sup>, May 10th, July 12th and August 12<sup>th</sup> from 11 to 1.

Don Bonner: Has committed the club without telling us – to help out the Multicultural Club.

New immigrants are having trouble integrating. Why not encourage them to join Rotary? He's going to bring a couple of people from the club in as observers and ask for an audit on how we can be more inclusive.

The Multicultural Club is also sending speakers on May 12<sup>th</sup> to talk about Safe Harbour and job shadowing.

Ken Hammer:

World Community Service Group will meet Sat at noon at the School board office to discuss what we can do.

Take lead on latrine project – need to learn how to apply for funding.

Some members say maybe Africa is too far? What about South America?

Patrick introduced Andre Sullivan, a representative of the Young Professionals of Nanaimo. He spoke about their project to rebuild the E & N train station. It was rebuilt in 1920 and nothing has been done to it since. The rail bed is getting weak. The Island Corridor Foundation is a charitable organization which is pledged to upgrade the rail bed. Eighty percent of the population of the island is within a few km of the railway. Since 2006 the people of the Island own all the rail beds as a non-profit group. The upgrade will be \$15 million. The stations, on the other hand, are the responsibilities of the cities. Ours is the biggest and in worst shape. It will cost 2.4 million to repair. It cannot be destroyed as long as architects say it can be restored. We were \$400,000 short of the goal and the Young Professionals have raised all but \$100,000. It needs to be started in April to be done before the weather changes. **They are looking for any business willing to donate money or trade in kind in the form of carpentry.** There is a fund-raising event that is unfortunately the same day as Swing into Spring: A Wild West train ride Nanaimo to Duncan and back with beer, burgers and barbecues. There are 350 tickets available.

Dave Perry brought up parking issue with Origins. No parking closer to the entrance than the Origins bus. All parking spaces nearer the building than the bus are off limits.

Rod Mont gave a Rotary minute re: membership Brought by the letter I:

Introduce people to Rotary

Invite them to a meeting

Induct them as members

Involve them in activities as soon as possible

We sang to Dave Perry for his Birthday.