

### 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.

#### January 12th, 2010

**Front Door Greeters:**

Jim McIvor & Karin Mattern

**Invocation:**

Ricki Bartlett

**Introductions:**

Darryl Shaw

**Rotary Minute:**

Dawne Anderson

**50/50:**

Dawne Anderson

**Sgt @ Arms:**

Neil Sorsdahl

#### January 19th, 2011

**Front Door Greeters:**

Bruce Mede & Robb Mowbray

**Invocation:**

Val Lennox

**Introductions:**

Neil Sorsdahl

**Rotary Minute:**

Ron Blank

**50/50:**

Dawne Anderson

**Sgt @ Arms:**

Dave Thompson

#### January 26th, 2010

**Front Door Greeters:**

Anna Owens & Dave Perry

**Invocation:**

Doug Lum

**Introductions:**

Daryl Stech

**Rotary Minute:**

Jeff Boegel

**50/50:**

Gayle Wilson

**Sgt @ Arms:**

Denise Davidson

## Weekly Wake-up

### Upcoming Programs

January 12th - Mental Health Program—Virginia Fenton

January 19th - Club Assembly

January 26th - Nanaimo Corrections - Bruce Avis

## NOTICES & NEWS

### *15th Anniversary Dinner...*

Our 15th Anniversary Charter celebration on Saturday January 22nd is fast approaching. Christine McAuley is handling ticket sales and she says that as of Monday, January 10<sup>th</sup>, we have sold 33 tickets. At this rate the party is going to be a very intimate affair! Seriously, we need to sell more tickets, and this Wednesday's meeting will be the last chance to do this before we have to provide numbers to the restaurant. Please bring your cash or cheques to the meeting. Let's fill the 80 spaces that the restaurant can accommodate and make this a memorable fun and fellowship event.

Diner's Rendezvous downtown. Cocktails at 6, dinner at 7pm. Tickets are \$35.00

PS. Christine has cash for 8 tickets sold but no information as to who has paid for them. If they are yours, please let Christine know ... and don't forget, the Four-Way Test applies!!

### *And Another New Member...*

Unless written objection is received by a member of the executive within 7 days of this notice, the following person will be invited to join our Rotary Club:

Sanjivan Mahara  
Classification: Dentistry  
Sponsored by Dave Thompson

### *Club Correspondence...*

Check out the link below for the latest in correspondence to the Club from various sources:  
[http://www.daybreakrotary.ca/index.php?p=2\\_8\\_Rotary-News](http://www.daybreakrotary.ca/index.php?p=2_8_Rotary-News)

**Please send content and photos for the Weekly Wake-up to [robbmowbray@telus.net](mailto:robbmowbray@telus.net)**

### *Club Birthdays*

No Birthdays this week.

### *Club Anniversaries*

No Anniversaries this week.

*Meeting Notes - January 5th*

*wordsmith Ron Blank / photos Donna Allen*

As we have a man from the land of leprechauns at our helm: "Athbhliain faoi Mhaise Daoibh" Tho' I'm certain more will ken: *May the best ye hae ivver seen be the warst ye'll ivver see. May the moose ne'er lea' yer giral wi a tear-drap in its ee. May ye aye keep hail an hertie till ye'r auld eneuch tae dee. May ye aye juist be sae happie as A wuss ye aye tae be.*

That being said, we began our New Year with President Patrick Maguire asking us to join Rob Mont with our National Anthem. Daryl Knievel got to practice his speech making by giving our Invocation.

After our repast, Nelson Allen's Minute started with a shot across the bow! Last week, he said, "others" had extended their Rotary Minute into the time of a regular speakers presentation. His "Minute" though, was to iterate the benefits of Rotary: in meeting new people and learning from each other. Likewise, when you become part of a successful team, you also gain opportunities for personal growth.

Christine McAuley now has the tickets to our 15th Anniversary Celebration. Christine asked that we call any previous members to invite them to share in our feast. (Yes, Marlene & Steve A are coming)

I then had the pleasure of introducing our Guest Speaker David Hill-Turner. David has been the Curator of Nanaimo Museum since 2000. He brings 30 years of experience of West Coast history and is also President of the Underwater Archeological Society of BC, which recently published Historic Shipwrecks of the Central Coast. David's tasks are to develop exhibits and manage collections of artifacts. Their job is to "Remind residents what they have accomplished" and to "inform visitors about our unique natural and cultural heritage."



Nelson's Rotary Minute...



...Ron doesn't look too enthusiastic about this intro, does he?...

David began with saying his presentation would be in two parts. Today, he would describe Nanaimo's early beginnings from antiquity to 1920.

For over 5,000 years, 20,000 Coast Salish People lived in coastal British Columbia, and the west-central part of Vancouver Island inhabited by the Snuneymuxw First Nation.

European explorers were Spanish and then British circa 1774. Twenty years later, Russia had claimed from Parallel 54.40 north, Spain was to the south and signed an agreement with Britain, leaving the central area to the Hudson's Bay Company. (HBC)

The main trading post for the HBC was in Fort Vancouver, now in present day Washington State. By 1844, United States was expanding, and by treaty with Britain established the 49th parallel as the British North America border. The HBC headquarters

was moved north to Fort Victoria on Vancouver Island.

Coal was coming into use, and was first found in Fort Rupert, near Port Hardy. Native Chief Che-wech-i-kan (later called 'Coal Tyee') needed repairs for his gun. At a blacksmith in Fort Victoria, he noted Winthysun Inlet had the same material. Within the year, HBC confirmed the presence of coal in Nanaimo.

On September third, 1852, Rupert was closed and the miners arrived in Nanaimo to work the coal. In addition to preparing places to stay, the miners produced 480 barrels of coal for the *Cadboro* in their first six days. Miners loved the area because of better climate. Nanaimo was also nearer to the California and BC Interior coal markets.

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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:**  
Patrick Maguire
- Past President:**  
Dave Perry
- Vice President:**  
Neil Sorsdahl
- Club Secretary:**  
Eileen Tatton
- Club Treasurer:**  
Cindy Bartlett
- Club President Elect:**  
Bill Brendon
  
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Rod Mont
- Community Service Director:**  
Christine Craigie
- Vocational Service Director:**  
Dave Thompson
- Club Service Director:**  
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Robb Mowbray
  
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Brenda Grice
- District Governor 2010-11:**  
Robert Martin
- RI President 2010-11:**  
Ray Klinginsmith

*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 Neil Sorsdahl at [goldendivot@shaw.ca](mailto:goldendivot@shaw.ca)

*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?



Nanaimo developed rapidly. The January 1863 British Colonist (Victoria) declared we should no longer be considered *terra incognita* because of the importance of this town. Miners were considered as highly skilled workers and were well paid by the HBC.

Robert Dunsmuir was granted the first private miners licence. His 1869 discovery and later development of coal in nearby Wellington made him rich. This company was one of the earliest vertically integrated companies, with his colliery producing coal, taken to the docks on his railroad, transferred to his ships and offloaded on his docks in Oakland, California. Dunsmuir and partners built the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railroad, and within 18 months from start, had Sir John A. MacDonald driving in "The Last Spike" in August 1883.

Nanaimo #1 Esplanade Mine, prone to poisonous gases and flooding, was considered one of the most productive, operating from 1883 to 1938. Mining was a hazardous industry, with over 600 people killed during it's Nanaimo/Wellington history. Consider: May 1887, with 153 killed in #1 Esplanade, Nanaimo; then eight months later, 83 more dead at #5 Wellington. That must have had a dramatic effect on the community of 5,000+.

By 1900, the Dunsmuir shut his Wellington Colliery as other areas became more lucrative. Smaller mines continued, but many of the buildings were either destroyed by the 1900 fire, or were transported to become the new town of Ladysmith. (Son James Dunsmuir became Premier). Dunsmuir mines were the cause of much labour strife. In Nanaimo, workers banded together to form unions. One particularly nasty strike, began in May 1912 in Cumberland and ended with marching in the troops in Ladysmith August 1914.

But Nanaimo was not just mining. The Pacific Biological Station was opened in 1908. Hammond Bay had an up to date whale processing station. The herring fishery, mostly Japanese, produced over 400 tons. Nanaimo went from a city of muddy ruts, to wooden boardwalks and finally to brick roads. Bridges were built, and coal ships brought all manner of traveling entertainment, from opera to plays. Nanaimo also developed a dynamite manufacturer. Later known as "Canadian Industries Limited" led to the naming of that exclusive "CILaire" sub-division. Too many explosions led CIL's move to an island near Victoria.

The Part 2 presentation by David Hill-Turner will be on 23 March. Check out their website at <http://www.nanaimomuseum.ca/>. For his rousing presentation, I then proffered the book 'Dragonfire,' to be donated to a local library.

Donna Allen asked David the location of the Rotary Donation plaque. David said he would be able to share information that during his second visit to our Club. (Nels fired again!)

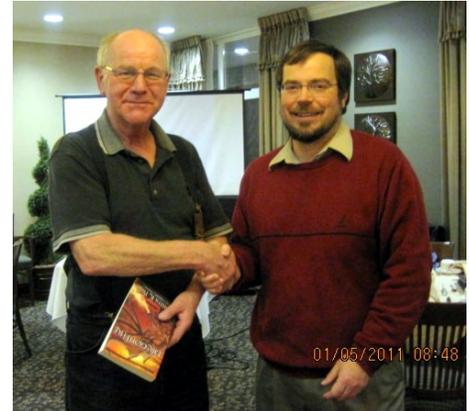
Our President asked for everyone to share their Rotary pictures. For those with the skills, upload them to [www.snapfish.com](http://www.snapfish.com) Directions are then to click login (top right of the page) use our Club email address [contact@daybreakrotary.ca](mailto:contact@daybreakrotary.ca) and the same password as our web page. If you don't know, I'll email it. [ronfblank@shaw.ca](mailto:ronfblank@shaw.ca) You can then view, or add, per the instructions. Please add your name and a title to the pictures, as we want to be able to later track you down (-) ...and check out pic 1010853 under the Shaw Food Drive, specifically the brand name on the box of food Pres. Patrick is carrying...an ironic touch, wouldn't you say?...

Neil noted the New Members Luncheon on Friday Noon at Longwood Brew Pub. (On that Friday, Gina Dimitroff, Anna Owens and Jennifer Tonsi attended, along with Neil, Ron, Patrick, Dave T, Daryl Stech, Christine C, Bill, and Rod. Our newest were given an earful, and mentors were assigned. Great beginnings to start their Rotary education! (Question: Should S-at-A's remember perceived imperfections for future meetings? Is it fair?)

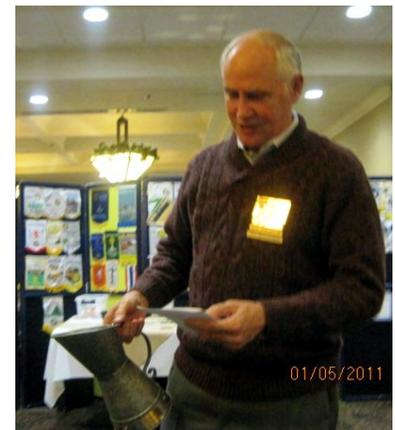
Jeff Boegel tried for the 50/50 pot and left the \$368.50 to grow.

Sergeant-at-Arms Neil Sorsdahl will soon be debarking the island for chilly Saskabush, so felt charitable. (Overheard "He's really going to give the Riders HELL!) Either way, Nelson paid for his two salvo's.

That being the end of another great day of the week, we recited secret chant and headed off to do our deeds. One fool even headed off to golf! (Easier here than in Sask!)



...Ron with David Hill-Turner...



...Sgt@Arms Neil collects the loot.



**Have a Good Week!**

**ROTARY DAYBREAK  
UPCOMING BINGO COMMITMENTS 2010/2011**

Thurs., Jan. 13, 2011	11am – 1 pm	Don Bonner & Patrick Maguire
Sat., Feb. 19, 2011	11am – 1 pm	Kris Rongve & Christine McAuley
Mon., Mar. 28, 2011	11am – 1 pm	Eileen Tatton