

ROTARY CLUB OF KITCHENER GRAND RIVER



MISSION STATEMENT

*We are community leaders who provide humanitarian services, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations & help build good will & peace in our community and internationally.
Our focus is making a difference 'with Youth',
Fellowship and the good feeling of being part of a good cause.*

PRINCIPLES OF OPERATION

*4 Way Test
Is it the truth?
Is it fair to all concerned?
Will it build good will & better friendships?
Will it be beneficial to all concerned?*

MOTTO

“SERVICE ABOVE SELF”

ROTARY CLUB OF KITCHENER-GRAND RIVER BULLETIN

April 10, 2007

New Member Who-Am-I's from Andrew McGauley and Bill Brown

	Today	May 1	May 8
Sgt. At Arms			
50/50 Draw			
Greeter	POD#1	POD#2	POD#2
Blessing			
Introduction			
Thank-You			
Exchange Student	Sharon McMorran	Dave Moser	Fraser Moull

Last Week: Community Renewable Energy Waterloo (C.R.E.W.)

Our speaker was Derek Satnik P. Eng. who is a director of and incoming President of C.R.E.W.. Earth Day is approaching and Derek joined us to talk about alternative energy sources, specifically wind power.

Renewable energy is harvested from naturally regenerating sources on a timescale compatible with consumption. Some examples are:

- Wind
- Solar (electricity and/or heat)
- Hydro (ie: water)
- Geothermal (ie: earth)
- Biogas (eg: anaerobic digesters)
- Biomass (eg: wood chips, compost)

The wind is a renewable resource that in certain areas provides enough potential to be economically harvested but it is not without some controversy. There are many myths and misunderstandings related to wind power:

- Sub-sonic noise & hearing loss
- Bird / bat kill - more likely to die from a cat, car, or building



- Ground vibrations-not proven
- Land use- farm up to tower base
- Audible noise- actually quieter than the wind
- Intermittent ("blows when it wants to") compensate for by using- geographic diversity
 - supply mix planning
 - pair with other energy sources such as PV/ hydro/ NG

There are several large scale wind farms in various stages of development throughout Ontario.

Benefits of Wind Turbines:

- Electricity without emissions
- Only method of electricity generation that fully recovers embodied energy
- Distributed electricity generation increases grid stability, reduces transmission losses, and dismantles electricity monopolies – energy independence
- Helps stabilize cost of electricity
- Land lease revenue for rural land owners
- Rural economic development (new jobs for design, construction, maintenance, ...)
- Tourism

There are also some notable limitations to wind power including:

- Limited number of areas in which the wind is consistently available to economically generate power
- Transmission costs are high to get the power (usually generated in low density areas) to the users which are generally in higher density areas

Wind power is certainly a possible source of energy to be explored but is more likely to be part of the long term solution than our sole provider of energy for the future.

For further information on renewable energy and conservation in our community, refer to www.crewzone.ca.

50/50 Card Draw:

Still no winner on 3 unsuccessful card draws. There must be hundreds in the pot by now!

Sgt at Arms Report

At our last meeting at the Walper (April 10th) we had an excellent turnout of 39 members and guests including 2 visiting members of the Rotary Club of Drayton.

Happy Bucks

- Glenn Stewart and Peter McCann chose to prepay for a 2 week absence (both are going to Bermuda to holiday)
- Jim McIntyre and his son recently won a semi final match in a B class doubles squash tournament
- John Dobson announced that the Lennox Lewis Foundation has agreed to sponsor the Mudpuppy to the tune of \$5,000!
- Congratulations to the Dalke family for the one year anniversary of the final medical treatment for one of their boys!

April 17th Austria Night

I think Les's presentation makes us all want to go to Austria to enjoy the fineries of this geographically stunning place that is reaped in history, art, culture.....and as we learned many, many fine pastry shops!

Thanks are extended to Liz Toth as well for the pastries and delicacies that we enjoyed!

Rupert made arrangements for the room so thanks to him too!

Finally, thanks for all of you for coming and bringing your family, spouses and friends!

Once again, special thanks to Les for reminding us that even if our mission in life is to save the world from all of its misery and suffering that it's healthy to take some time out to enjoy the finer things that life has to offer.....and the odd pastry or two along the way.....:)

Les....you will always remain the Donaudampfschiffahrtgesellschaftskapitan!

Jo-Ann

Membership

At our last meeting we inducted new Members Andrew McGauley and Bill Brown!

Welcome to you both!

Only 2-1/2 months left in the Rotary year to recruit new members! Bring a guest today!

Vocational Service:

Some events are coming up to keep in your calendars:

- ESIS (The Economics of Staying in School)- May 31st at Stanley Park School-we will need approx 12 volunteers for the whole day.
- Camp Enterprise-May 3rd at the UofW-need about 12 volunteers for the morning to participate in the worker/management negotiation exercise

Drayton Rotary Fundraiser

- The 17th annual fundraiser for this 60 year old club that counts 14 members
- May 23rd at the Drayton Theatre
- “Cash on Delivery” British farce show with a hot buffet and wine before the show
- Quilt draw
- \$65/per person
- Contact Tony M. or Jim M. for tickets or further information

Mudpuppy Chase:

Thanks to Rod Goetz for donating a mountain bike to be given away to a top fundraising participant!

We are hoping for thousands of runners so please do your part and recruit 10 participants (for either running or walking)! Talk it up with your friends, family, neighbours and coworkers! This is your event to make successful!

Race day is May 6th!

Bulletin:

Please forward any information for publication to Rob Dippell at rdippell@knells.ca.

Coming Soon to Your Rotary Club:

May 3 Camp Enterprise

May 6 Mudpuppy Run

May 31 Economics of staying in School

Jun 26 Annual President Changeover meeting