



Rattler report for Jan. 19, 2018. Your scribe — Ian Elliott

Guests: Doug Hyde (Scott's dad).

Scott's excellent (illustrated) ID talk introduced the club to his family and interesting background.

He was born in Portage la Prairie (known for turning a giant water tower into a Coke can) in 1980. He "escaped" to Langley in 1998 to attend Trinity Western University, where he met his wife-to-be, Lora. They were married July 7, 2007, by Lora's father on the family farm in Portage. Scott's hobbies include refereeing amateur football (he started with youngsters and has progressed to university students, with the professional CFL not an impossible

future), Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu and volleyball.

Scott's early working life took him from selling sewing machines, vacuums and mattresses for Sears to Vision Electronics, where he sold a TV to a man who returned to the store to invite him to a new career in hearing aids. Scott went to work for the successful businessman, completing a two-year training course in six months, thanks to his university credits. Scott opened his first clinic for Beltone in Murrayville in 2009 and in 2013 he bought the clinic and has since opened a second clinic in Abbotsford. He holds a pancake breakfast every September for clients.



Scott Hyde with his wife Lora and children Sam, Johnny, Niko and Audrey in a recent photo.

Gus, Carlo, Kevin and spouses/guests will be going to the Vancouver Giants hockey game vs. the Calgary Hitmen, courtesy of MLAs Rich Coleman and Mary Polak. Nominations for the Township's annual **volunteer awards** are being sought. Rotarians are invited to participate in a Rotary International project to construct bathrooms in Guatemala. **Gord** will look into this and report back. There was a call for proposals from clubs to lead breakout sessions at the **district conference** in May. The next **Starfish** packing is set for Jan. 25, and the meat draw for Jan. 26.

Karen reported Aldergrove has a new community police officer, Lisa Cormer. Aldergrove Business Association memberships are increasing from \$45 to \$100. The ABA has 60 members and is looking for more businesses to join.

Ribfest: **Rick** reported that sponsorships are going so well that the committee can now move to focusing on operations and will be meeting with a marketing firm to promote Ribfest. The names of sponsors will be released together around the end of the month.

Memberships, Howie: No report (Mexico is fabulous).

International, Gord: No report. **Sunshine, Bev:** No report (Hawaii also fabulous).

Secretary, George: SASSY has already met its budgetary goal of \$14,000, with \$1,000 for the winner and \$500 for second & third places. He's also trying to secure support from a couple of post-secondary schools.



Happy



and sad

Bruce was happy that Charlie sat at his table today (so were the members at the other table!) **Janet** was grateful for friends' help with a sea of storm debris, even though a truck had turned part of her back lawn into a mud pool suitable for hippos. An exhausted **Terry** was happy that his French guests had finally left after a good visit. **Pauline** "did a Katy" and was "just happy". **Karen** had a good trip to Mexico and loves being a grandma. **Wes** was mostly happy and glad to be home after being on Molokai when the false missile alert went off. **Rick** was heading to his place in Whistler for the weekend. **Glenn, Kevin and Carlo** were all happy. **Gus** said Scott's power-point presentation had raised the bar for future ID talks and he was very happy he wasn't next up. The steering wheel came right off **Colin's** motorhome while the family was in the States – fortunately, while he was in a parking lot and a mechanic friend travelling with him was able to fix it. He still has horrendous problems moving into his new house but thanked **Wes, Gus** and **Lee** for helping to sort out the mess.

Dates for your calendar

Executive meets Jan. 23 in the ACU boardroom. There'll be a report to the **Jan.26** breakfast.
Feb. 2: Gord Carnes on Rotary

International, with a slideshow.
Feb. 9: Rotary at Work: Garth Blois. **Feb. 16:** Michael Morgan on reconciliation in Langley School

District. **Feb. 23:** David Truman from the Sunshine Rotary Club will talk about the interpretive building at the Derek Doubleday Arboretum.