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MEETING NOTES

President Bob brought our meeting to order at 7:00 a.m. amidst concerns from Wynne regarding exposed cords. No one had any nasty comments about Wynne's exposed legs. Harold rose to the occasion on short notice to lead the Canadian national anthem. Without missing a beat, Harold then presented grace. Bill Hope was presented the honor of plate polishing, but was replaced by late arrival Jeannette Pyle.



Bob developed a stutter as he shared the story of an enterprising and beautiful speech therapist.

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Brain Humphrys, with our thanks, has prepared a first draft summary of the strategic planning session. This summary is being circulated to those who attended the session, for their comments. It will be edited and presented to the entire club at a later date.

President Bob announced that we will be increasing our numbers by one next week when we induct Tara Sietz as a member of our club.

President Bob advised that Zuzana had her operation and all went well. I am sure she would appreciate your well wishes emails over the next few weeks until she is back with us.

PODIUM DASH

Walter Zuk advised of a Daffodil Dinner Dance to be held on Saturday April 30th at the Danish Canadian Club. Tickets are \$65, which includes a \$25 tax receipts, dinner and live music. If you are interested phone 403 288-7441 or email Pritchard-g@shaw.ca

Peter Pallesen presented our outbound student, Katie, with the Rosetta Stone language program for Portuguese. Peter stressed the importance of learning the language and culture in advance of Katie's exchange to Brazil.

Anniina shared the highlights of her week, including attending the Flames game on Thursday night thanks to the generosity of Ken King, the Calgary Flames and Norm Haines.



50/50

Al Black ran the event with a pot exceeding \$1600. and only 10 cards left in the deck. Needless to say the atmosphere was intense as Max Patel handled the four-way test, but not the joker selection.



SUNSHINE REPORT –PETER HARDING

No birthdays, anniversaries or club anniversaries to announce but Peter advised it was Bobby Jones birthday on March 17th. One of the greatest players in the history of golf, Bobby Jones that is, not Peter, Bobby was also one of the creators of Augusta National Golf Course, Home of the Masters Golf Tournament being held April 4 through 10 this year. Augusta National, opened in 1933, is 7,435 yards long and although a par 72 it is unofficially rated at 76.2.



DISTRICT 5360

DISTRICT CONFERENCE

President Bob also reminded us of the District 5360 Conference in Red Deer the weekend of April 29 through May 1, 2011.

Sign up on the District website



Two things to note is that most of the members of our club will never play the Masters Tournament or Augusta National and no one gets the chance to advertise their businesses at the Masters Golf Tournament. One the other hand the River Spirit Golf course, home to the Rotary Club of Heritage Park/ARF Charity Tournament June 28, 2011, is 6,200 yards from the white tees, par 72 and rated 71.5. We welcome anyone to play in our tournament and anyone wanting to anti up as a sponsor can proudly display their company name in various formats around the course and post golf awards dinner. I think that is far better than the Masters.

Happy Birthday Bobby Jones

Peter did have a joke that went:

A man and his ever nagging wife went on vacation to Jerusalem. While they were there the wife passed away suddenly. The local undertaker advised the husband, "You can have your wife shipped home for burial for \$5,000. or you can bury her here in the Holy Land for \$150. The husband pondered this for a while and finally said he would pay to have his wife shipped home and buried. The undertaker was surprised and asked "Why would you spend \$5,000. to ship your wife home when it would be wonderful to be buried in the Holy Land and you would only spend \$150.?"

The husband replied. "Long ago a man died here, he was buried here, and three days later he rose from the dead. I just can't take that chance."



HAPPY BUCKS

Most of the happy dollars were for our casino managers Al Hardstaff and Walter Zuk and our volunteerism for this important fundraising event.

Other happy dollars flowed for Guess Who's Coming to Dinner.



SHERIFF –WALTER ZUK

In a rare display of benevolence from a sheriff, Walter granted immunity to club members who accepted casino shift changes at the last minute. Doug Hood took full advantage of the situation by passing on his fines to his table mates.

Clancy made the mistake of beating the sheriff at crib during the casino event and Doug Kinley got his fine for abruptly breaking off his conversation with Walter to answer his cell phone.

Peter Harding was caught lining up an evening of wine tasting among the Rotarians and fined for leading these people astray. Like that is hard to do.

Alex and Al Black were fined for driving too fast in the park to get to the meeting on time and Jeannette was fined for being late. You just can't win some days.

Finally, our curlers were chastized for not properly representing our club at the recent bonspiel. There were no trophies brought back for display and the only pictures in the DG Newsletter from our group were of Wynne swigging red wine. OK, Wynne did her part but what happened to the rest of the gang?

PUBBERS MEET MONTE CARLO

Harry presented a power point presentation, prepared by Zuzana of this delightful event. Candid shots highlighted clever costumes, smiling guests having a great time, big prize winners, including President Bob who walked off with the special bottle of scotch, and an impressive Brazilian buffet with an abundance of meat. A big thank you to the organizing group and especially to Zuzana and Steve who were the driving force behind the success of this 2nd annual Monte Carlo meets the Pubbers evening.

CLUB ASSEMBLY

DETAILS OF THE CLUB ASSEMBLY CAN BE FOUND IN THE ADDENDUM TO FOLLOW

CLOSING LYRICS

In honor of St. Patrick's Day, Bob selected The Pogues:

"I have always a shilling to spare
So be easy and free
When you're drinking with me
I'm a man you don't meet everyday."

