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MEETING NOTES

Recent new member, Landis Jackson was our friendly smiling greeter for a beautiful 17 degree sunny Alberta morning – great job Landis.

From our modest summer sized crowd of around 27 attendees the meeting started with a great rendition of Oh Canada led by our very able Stan Christmas. Our meeting was well MC'd by our "hot off the press" shiny new President Dr. Joe Klassen, who called on Landis to welcome our guests, Cliff Tyminski, guest of Sheila Tyminski, and our guest speaker Gerry Darichuk, also a guest of Sheila Tyminski.

Landis also shared a bumper crop of birthdays, including Catherine and Steve Dunk, Roger Sonntag, and Stan's partner, Laura Harding. Landis congratulated Linda and Tony Campbell on their 41st July wedding anniversary, and Sheila and Cliff Tyminski on their 46th wedding anniversary on July 15th.

Next, President Joe read a land acknowledgement and an invocation prior to the breakfast, and awarded the surprise plate shiner duty to Thampi Thomas, great job Thampi. Joe invited everyone to head to the buffet after our guests, for an awesome and delicious breakfast including eggs benny.

PROGRAM

Sheila Tyminski introduced our guest speaker Gerry Darichuk,

Gerry is a member of the Calgary North Rotary Club, and an engineer who gave a fact packed and riveting presentation on how Rotary District 5360 clubs have helped and continue to help Ukraine through the war. With partner clubs in Switzerland, Germany, Holland & Sweden.

District 5360 has been the biggest single contributor in supporting Ukraine projects, from supplying medical supplies, power generators, and tractors to building hospitals, creating partnerships, and enlisting help from international companies, the Canadian Government, as well as other countries' governments like Germany, Sweden and so many more.

Gerry has around four ongoing meetings a week with California Rotary clubs in the US. He has been to the front lines, and watched drone operations, and witnessed how Ukraine's people are constantly researching and manufacturing updated products for the defence of their country.

I look forward to the next Ukrainian evening of music fund raiser, after attending the last concert, packed with amazing musical talent from many internationally recognised members of the Ukrainian National Opera the Ukrainian National Opera, living in Calgary.

Sheila thanked Gerry for his presentation, and presented to him a certificate showing our appreciation for his talk, RCCHP has donated to Polio Plus, money to cover 20 vaccinations for children against polio.

FRIDAYS 7 AM. GUNN'S DAIRY BARN, HERITAGE PARK, 1900 HERITAGE DRIVE SW, CALGARY



NEW MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENT

The following memberships have been approved by the Board.

1. Bryan Lee - Talent Consultant
2. Saskia Knight - Non Profit Consultant

Barring any objections from the membership they will be inducted in a couple of weeks.

50/50

Next Kate Hope did the 50/50 draw, but draw winner Sheila Tyminski couldn't find the joker in the pack of cards to get the \$430 prize.
Better luck next time Sheila.

CLOSING

Let's carry the spirit of Rotary forward – clear in purpose, connected in community, and ready to make a difference.

On closing the meeting at 8:00am, President Dr. Joe had us all repeat the 4 Way Test.

Our next club meeting will be on July 24th, starting at 7am.

DUTY ROSTER

JULY 24, 2026

GREETER & SUNSHINE.....LANDIS JACKSON
DOOR SALES & 50/50.....LORNE KELLY
INTRO & THANK.....GRAHAM KENNELLY
REPORTER.....JIM DAVIS

**If you are unable to fulfil your duties please
find your own replacement.**

MINUTES

Joe invited members of the club Services Committee to the mic for a short insight into the activities of that committee, demonstrating our club members to be "People of Action, (Rotary's theme for 2026). Kate Hope did a great intro of our Club Services team members for 2026/2027, as well as a taste of what to expect for some of our 2026 interesting **and** fun upcoming events.

Bob Cove mentioned a few of the projects so far this year, in which we have provided teams of volunteers including to the Able Sail Association sailing days, Ronald Mac.Donald House suppers, the Community Kitchen Program of Calgary and the Stampede Breakfast at Heritage Park to mention just a few. This demonstrates we are "people of action", Bob finished in thanking all the enthusiastic volunteers and especially the leaders we have in our club.

HAPPY BUCKS

We had many people with Happy Bucks, thanks to all who contributed.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES



ANNIVERSARIES

HAROLD & CHRISTINE AITKENHEAD (58YRS).....JULY 20
MIKE & RENEE MIKKELSON (35YRS).....JULY 20
BRUCE & DAWN BYFORD (36YRS).....JULY 21
JAMIE & NATALIE POWELL (25YRS).....JULY 21