

ROTARY CLUB OF NANAIMO

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Friday, July 20, 2018



Ross White presented gifts from the recent Rotary International Convention in Toronto.
Left to Right: Brent Barootes, President Charles and Jason Bradley. Details on the next page.

Club Meeting Friday at 12:00 p.m.
at the Coast Bastion Inn
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Meeting Notes for Friday 13 July 2018

By John Shillabeer



President Charles opened the meeting and we sang O Canada. **John Shillabeer** gave the inspiration by calling for silence while members contemplated the challenges and opportunities that we as Rotarians must confront.

Guests

Brent Barootes called for the introduction of guests. There were no visiting Rotarians.

Carey McIver introduced her spouse **Annabel Kirby** and **Carlene Shaw** introduced her spouse of thirty-four years **Holly Wright**. **Brent Stetar** introduced **Zoe**, an exchange student from France; **Brent Barootes** introduced his daughter **Brooklyn**.

Special Presentation

Ross White went shopping while at the recent Rotary



Ross White presents **Jason Bradley** with a Rotary shirt.

International Convention in Toronto. To forestall any further criticism of **President Charles's** ties, Ross presented him with a *brand new* Rotary theme tie. Ross

next presented **Jason Bradley** with a fabulous Rotary summer shirt in recognition of all his activities in support of youth. Then to finish up, he gave **Brent Barootes** a striking blue Rotary summer shirt for his great work writing the grant proposal for a project in Sunyani.

Announcements

Kathy Smith said that the meeting on August 10 will be at Tillicum Lelum Centre (details to follow).

President Charles said that there will be a five club social pizza party at Beban Park on October 13 (mark your calendar).

President's Remarks

President Charles said that there is not a lot of support among the other clubs for printing and binding the five club roster. Based on a show of hands, there was clearly little support for going it alone printing and binding our own roster at an estimated cost of about \$10 each. If there is to be no Area Roster, the preferred action would be to enable individuals to print their own handy club version at home from ClubRunner.

Sgt at Arms



Sgt "Cool" Brent Barootes left his regular glasses behind so had to wear his shades to read his notes.



Guests: Brooklyn Barootes



Annabelle Kirby



Zoe



Holly Wright

Sgt Brent Barootes opened with a message for next week's Sgt, **Wahid Ali**. **Frank Shoemaker** and **John Salem** should be prime targets of Wahid's fines since both Frank and John were absent and had not arranged for replacements to handle their duties today.

Brent then caught many for not wearing a Rotary pin, even more for not helping to sort books, Charles for wearing a tie in the height of summer and Esther just for being our newest member.

Then Brent raised a few more dollars with tricky questions about today's date, i.e. Friday 13th.

Happy and Sad Bucks



Laurie Bie-nert was sad because her car had been broken into and important papers were stolen.



Sean Martin was happy to have taken his wife and very young daughter to see a movie in the Park.

Brooklyn Barootes was

happy to be back from Calgary where she was also happy to have seen the pandas.

The Draw.



Brooklyn had the winning ticket for the table stakes, but **Lynne Pankratz** only managed to select the ten of hearts when chasing the ace of spades.

Program Notes for July 13, 2018

by Denise Wittkofski

Susie Stephens introduced speaker **Lauren Semple** of Nanaimo PRIDE, who works on LGBTTQ inclusivity in our community.

Lauren started her presentation thanking the Rotary for the opportunity to speak to leaders in the community, and particular the Rotarians who value service above self. She has served on the board for the past three years and understands that this subject is a sensitive topic to broach and discuss.



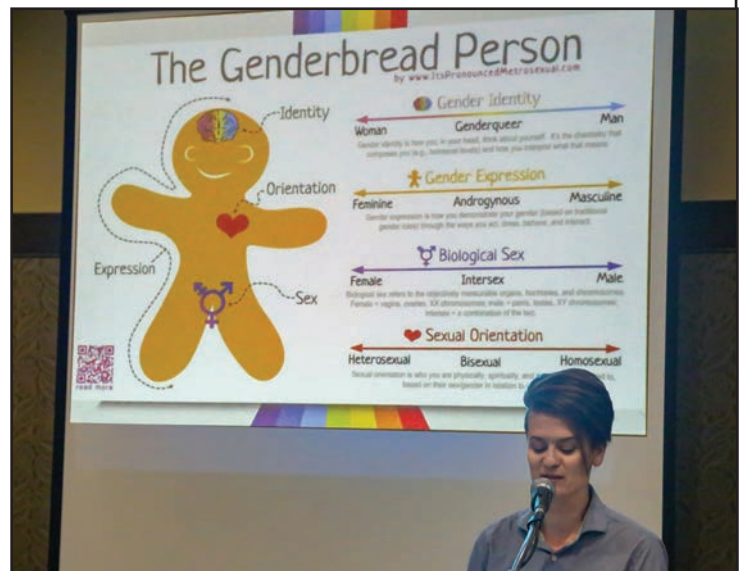
So what do all the letters mean? Lauren explained that it's like trying to understand neuroscience: we have to give ourselves permission to be imperfect regarding our knowledge about LGBTTQ.

To put it simply, being lesbian or gay is like being left-handed: some are, most aren't and no one knows why.

Her presentation covered definitions of terms relative to LGBTTQ: sex, gender, gender presentation, gender roles, sexual orientation and gender identity (the latter two identified with the acronym SOGI).

She explained that trying to describe LGBTTQ is not like a light switch, it's more of a dimmer. Using an info graphic labeled the "Genderbread Person," Lauren showed how identity, orientation, sex and expression make up our identities.

Lauren then delved into the "alphabet soup" and explained the terms: Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Two-spirit, Intersex, Asexual and Pansexual.



She ended the presentation with a scene from the TV series "Schitt's Creek," where a main character, David, tries to explain his sexual orientation as "liking all wines, but not the label." The point being, that it's not easy to identify.

Joan Ryan thanked Lauren and presented her with a pen made by one of our members.

Excerpt from DG Gillis July 2018 Message

Welcome to the 2018-2019 Rotary Year!

"Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change across the globe in, our communities and in ourselves."
--- Rotary Vision Statement



Craig Gillis

As a teacher I confess I always looked forward to the start of a new school year. There was something quite invigorating about drawing together our 'team' as we anticipated our best year ever. Quite naturally, as members of a community we always want to envision a great year ---one in which we accomplish goals, learn more about one another, work with a sense of purpose, and ultimately change lives.

Rotary has that ability to draw us together in friendship and fun---united by a deeper sense of purpose and ultimately the discovery that our combined efforts create a sense of possibility in our local and global communities.

As 'we' begin a new Rotary year, I ask that you think of what you would like to accomplish---as an individual Rotarian, as a member of your Rotary club, as a member of District 5020. Think of how you can support your President and club leadership team as they take on the leadership mantle. I ask you to set club goals together, keep them visible, monitor your progress, and celebrate the many successes that I am confident will ultimately emerge. In doing so you will become Rotarians of Action able to leave a deep imprint on your community and larger world. Our Rotary vision statement begins with the word, 'together' reminding us of how important that sense of 'team' can be. Build your teams---know that Rotary is strong it is able to infuse us with a

collective sense of purpose. When you fully invest in Rotary be prepared also to notice change in 'self'. In this journey of service we share so much knowledge and experience, so much 'wise practice', and so much of one another's lives. The result is that we also experience change as individuals.

I ask you to continue to seek opportunities to acknowledge the efforts of your fellow Rotarians and community members who are committed to improving the lives of others. Notice and acknowledge those who 'inspire' you. I will do everything I can to serve our clubs and our district well. It is my sincere hope you will be able to attend the meeting when I officially visit your club. It means a great deal to me to be able to share some time with you, your board, your President, and your Area Assistant Governors, and your guests.... having a chance to get to know you and to answer questions you might have. 'We' are the District.

Together, let's enjoy a memorable Rotary year!

Craig Gillis, District Governor 5020, 2018

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Member Birthdays

Dave Connolly,	Jul 20
Debbie Narver,	Jul 21
Wendy Pratt,	Jul 25

Anniversaries

Mike and Gagan Minhas, 3 years	Jul 25
Bruce and Joan Ryan, 44 years	Jul 26

No Spouse Birthdays or Club Anniversaries

DATES TO REMEMBER

Aug. 10 - Offsite meeting - Tour of Tillicum Le'lum facilities, 479 10th st. 12:00 PM

Oct. 13 - 5 Club Pizza party, Beban Park

WEEKLY CLUB PROGRAMS AND MEMBER DUTIES

Meeting Date	July 20 2018	July 27 2018	August 3 2018
Greeters	Behzad Forghani, Brent Stetar	Mikel Knutsson, Carey McIver	Joan Ryan, Bruce Samson
Cashier	Ed Borisenko	Ed Borisenko	Brent Barootes
Sgt at Arms	Wahid Ali	Joan Ryan	Wahid Ali
Inspiration	Brent Barootes	Jane Currie	Carlene Shaw
Head Table	Pres. Charles, Laura Shanner, Kathy Smith, Justin Molander	Pres. Charles, Emily Godfrey, Joan Ryan, Sean Martin	Pres. Charles, Ross, Joan, Douglas, Brenda
Intro Guests	Frank Shoemaker	Joyce Smith	Lila Tanner
Intro Speaker	Kathy Smith	Joan Ryan	Charles Ramos
Program	Adv. Directives and Representative Agreements - Laura Shanner	Award winning Anti Bullying video - Emily Godfrey - Interact	RI Convention - Ross, Joan, Douglas, Brenda
Thank Speaker	Justin Molander	Sean Martin	Charles Ramos