

ROTARY CLUB OF NANAIMO

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Friday, October 5, 2018

ROTARY GIANT BOOK SALE OCTOBER 12 - 21, 2018



A thank you for Rotary's support from the children at the Uy'Sqwalawun Child Care Centre

Club Meeting Friday at 12:00 p.m.

at the Coast Bastion Inn

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Meeting Notes - September 28, 2018

By Joyce Smith

At around 12:30, Club **President Charles** began an abbreviated meeting because of the small attendance today. After the National Anthem, **Joan Ryan** gave the inspiration for the day.

There were no guests or visiting Rotarians unless you can count **Keith McFarlane** as a visiting Rotarian.

Announcements

Janeane Coutu, our ever-diligent Book Sale Chair,



Janeane Coutu

wanted to remind everyone of the Book Sale starting October 12. She also asked people to take a poster to put up at their place of business or some place where people would see it. She mentioned our advertising is getting

diluted by the election posters that are put up everywhere, so she is hoping the information is getting out there. She also wanted to thank everyone who helped with the signage. Janeane is praying for rain for our whole Book Sale—so if you are complaining about the weather from October 12 to 21--blame it on Janeane.

Debbie Narver thanked everyone who helped out on September 22 with the sign up for those that wanted to learn more about the Canada Learning Bond and money available to them for their children's education. She also wanted to thank in particular **Mikel Knutsson** who was responsible for the donation of hamburgers and hot dogs at the sign up. She also wanted to remind her committee that there is a meet-



Debie Narver

ing at Hazbeans this week.

Debbie also announced the Coat Drive for Winter Shelter will be held on November 3. Donations of gently used clean winter garments would be appreciated.



Joan Ryan put information on the tables about the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards, October 26-28th in Crofton. If any Rotarian knows of a Grade 9 or 10 student who would like

to participate in the program, please see Joan. She also mentioned that the Interact Club starts today and there is also an information session today on the Youth Exchange.

Wendy Pratt invited any Rotarian present at the meeting to join her after the meeting to go to the Art Gallery to participate in a picture taking event with a cheque for the Art Gallery for our donation of \$1,500.

Because of the abbreviated program and the lower attendance, Charles gave some information about club business.

The five club presidents met last Wednesday. At the book sale there will be a RI table which is going to be manned by the other four clubs. The clubs discussed publishing photos and it was agreed that photos were okay of public meetings but no one's name would be mentioned. **Ian Williams** said any time he takes pictures of women with children he always asks if he can publish the picture. **Douglas Anderson** pointed out as Rotarians we were giving permission to have our picture published. The Roster was discussed, and it was agreed that there would **not be a hard copy** of the Roster this year. It is being discussed on whether there will be a digital copy of the Roster with the information on members from all five clubs. **Ian Williams** and **Charles Ramos** discussed how this can be done. **Wayne Anderson** clarified for Doug that it is hoped that the printer is going to give us last years digital copy and we can update. Finally, roses will be delivered to **Zorka Horman** this week.

Joan Ryan mentioned that there is being planned a five-club event at VIU on Friday November 9th. Fellowship to begin at 6:00 p.m.

Happy, sad and announcement dollars:

Joyce Smith gave a happy buck for completing one month of school as a student at VIU;

Justin Molander gave a happy buck for the fact that he got out of the Philippines ahead of a Typhon and mentioned his buddy lost everything; **Rebecca Taylor** gave an announcement buck for the Teddy Bear Fund-



Justin Molander

Rebecca Taylor

Geoff Clay

raising event for the Hospital Foundation and asked that Rotarians consider giving a New Teddy Bear for the Children in the hospital. She is organizing this so if you are interested get in touch with Rebecca. **Geoff Clay** gave a happy \$20 dollars for closing a large business deal and now being able to come to Rotary.



Wendy Pratt

Wendy Pratt gave a happy buck for having her own car back—a Honda, after using a replacement vehicle—a Dodge Ram for a while.

Joyce Smith gave an announcement \$1 to let Rotarians know that there was a thank you poster and

letter from the local First Nation preschool children, **Donna Klockers** dropped it off before the meeting.



Donna gave us a speech last week about her work to improve literacy for the preschool children.



Rebecca Taylor won the table draw and will be using the money towards buying a new Teddy Bear for the Hospital Foundation and **Douglas Anderson** won the 50/50 card draw, but alas did not win.

PROGRAM NOTES - JOURNEY TO SKETCH INDIA

By: Wayne Anderson

Our speaker was introduced by **President Charles**. **Brenda Grice** and **Douglas Anderson**, both members of our Rotary club were to be our speakers today, however, Brenda was not feeling well, and so Douglas made

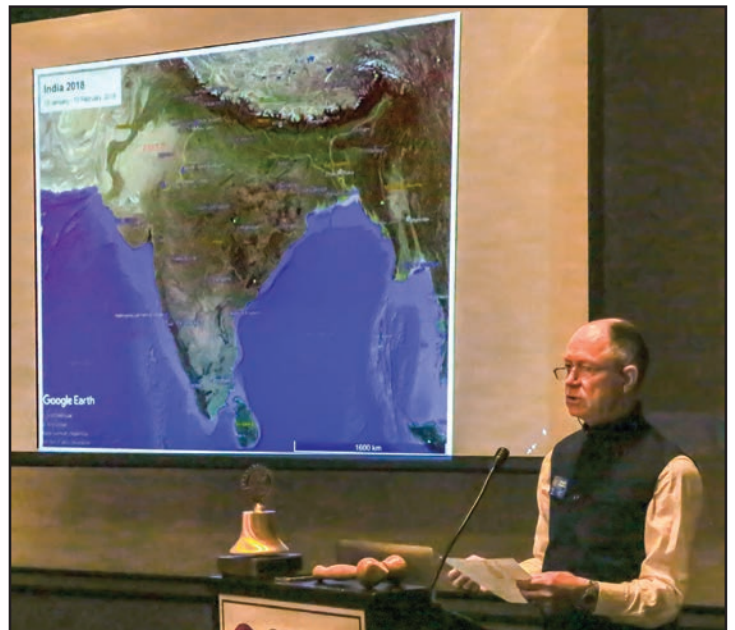


Douglas Anderson

their presentation on his own.

Douglas started off by explaining that Brenda and he went with their friends **Penny** and **Jan** to sketch Japan in 2016. They had a wonderful time and then planned to go to India in 2017 however that trip did not happen and through their art trainer, **Suzanne Northcote**, they decided to do two art based

trips in 2018 to India. The trip started in GOA, India with **Suzanne**, **Penny**, and **Jan** where they spent 10 days taking art courses in an ashram and when they weren't sketching they were out sight-seeing. The ashram provided all of their food which was local, fresh and in season and it also provided a yoga instructor. Douglas showed photos of their journey and a dialogue for each as he continued through the talk. He went on to say that the buildings decay and rot very quickly due to the heat and humidity due to the sub-tropical climate. He had photos of buildings a couple of years old which were obviously in disrepair. Fifty percent of the vehicle traffic is two wheeled, scooters, pedal bikes and motor bikes are a popular means of transportation and there is a constant honk-



ing of horns on every road. They did feel safe in their travels, took a two hour river cruise with crocodiles visible in the water, and were able from their ashram to watch the beautiful sun set over the Arabian Sea.

From GOA they traveled to the Rajasthan province in India, they saw the fringes of Delhi and Douglas commented that there was a lot of smog in the air, the air quality was bad mostly caused by fine dust. The terrain

in the area is basically flat but then suddenly a mountain would appear for no apparent reason. In Jaipur they visited the Amber Palace, the principal tourist attraction, it was declared a UNESCO World Heritage site. The Palace is surrounded by its own 'great' wall. They were able to take photos of the activity of the locals that happen on the roof tops of adjacent buildings. Many of the buildings in the City were painted red for a visit by King George?

From Jaipur their group moved on to Bundi, India where they stayed in tents during their visit, everything went very well and overall, they had a wonderful vacation on their journey to sketch India.

Douglas was thanked for his presentation by President Charles and then he stayed after the meeting was over to show more photos and answer questions from the remaining Rotarians.

DATES TO REMEMBER

**October 3: Community Partnerships Committee
Haz Beans - 7:30 AM**

**October 15: Happy Hour, Coach and
Horses; 5-7pm**

**October 12 - 21: Rotary Book Sale, North Nanaimo
Town Centre during Mall hours.**

**October 26-28: Rotary Youth Leadership Awards,
in Crofton**

November 3: Coat Driver for Winter Shelter

November 9: 5 Club event - VIU - 6:00 PM

**November 15: Fireside Chat 4814 Black Bear Ridge
6 - 8 PM**

**January 24: Young Professionals of Nanaimo is
having a get together at Mike Minhas' store and we
are all invited.**

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Member Birthdays

None

Spouse Birthdays

Robert - Hais, Donna -	Oct 10
Dawn - Henderson, Carmon	Oct 14
Pat - Connolly, Dave -	Oct 18
Joe - Wittkofski, Denise -	Oct 22

Anniversaries

Wayne and Gayle Anderson, 49 years	Oct 11
Wahid Ali and Nancy Ford, 22 years	Oct 12
Brent Barootes and Coryna Kulba, 18 years	Oct 13

Club Anniversary

Carey McIver, 12 years	Oct 15
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WEEKLY CLUB PROGRAMS AND MEMBER DUTIES

Meeting Date	October 5 2018	October 12 2018	October 19 2018
Greeters	Wayne Anderson, Lila Tanner	BOOK SALE No Meeting	
Cashier	Egon Holzwarth		
Sgt at Arms	Wahid Ali		
Inspiration	Denise Wittofski		
Head Table	Pres. Charles, Sean Martin, Esther Robson, Rebecca Taylor		
Intro Guests	Mikel Knutsson		
Intro Speaker	Denise Wittkofski		
Program	Member talks - Sean Martin, Esther Robson, Rebecca Taylor		
Thank Speaker	Peggy Richardson		
Meeting Notes	Joyce Smith		
Program Notes	Jane Currie		
COGS prodution	Ian Williams		