Club No. 986 ▪ District No. 5370 ▪ Zone 24

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Rotary Club of Edmonton West

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| our history | Our club, sponsored by the Edmonton Downtown club, was admitted to membership in Rotary International in 1955 with 21 charter members and Ben Lang as our charter President. Our membership, drawn from many walks of life, is generally around 50 members.  Whilst having fun and building friendships, the Rotary Club of Edmonton West applies its’ members unique skills and talents to the challenges that face our community, our city and our world. |
| meetings | Meetings are held every second Monday, with the exception o  Holidays, at the University Club (11432 Saskatchewan Drive) in the  Saskatchewan Room.  12:00 pm ▪ Meeting begins  ▪ National anthem  ▪ Lunch served  12:30 pm ▪ Speaker  1:00 pm ▪ Club Business  1:30 pm ▪ Meeting ends |
| attendance | Regular attendance by membership is one of the factors that makes our club successful. We realize that members can be busy with work and personal commitments and understand that most members cannot attend every meeting. While attendance is not mandatory, we encourage all members to attend as many meetings as possible. To be an effective club, members must share in fellowship to enhance their personal growth, to develop cohesion and to pool their knowledge in providing Service Above Self. |
| district | District 5370 covers 1,347 square kilometers and includes Northern Alberta, Northeastern British Columbia and Northern Saskatchewan. It is comprised of 62 Rotary Clubs with approximately 2,300 members, 9 Rotaract Clubs, and 40 Interact Clubs. |
| board of directors | The club is operated under the guidance of a Board of Directors, which meets on the third Wednesday of every month. The Executive consists of a President and a Past President, which are elected yearly, a Club Secretary, and Club Treasurer. Directors represent Club Service, Club Administration, Community Service, New Generations, New Directions, Foundation, International Service, Vocational Service, and Membership. The Rotary year runs from July 1st to June 30th and concludes with a Changeover Dinner.  Each year the incoming Board, in consultation with members, determines its activities and projects for the year. Our club has historically worked to distribute its funds in all areas of service. |
| community service | Community Service encourages every Rotarian to find ways to improve the quality of life for people in their communities and to serve the public interest. This involves funding requests and sometimes hands on projects.   * Capital Care Grandview * School Nutrition Program * School Literacy * Fort Edmonton Windsor Block * Edmonton Food Bank * Clean Scene * Boyle Street Community Services | |
| vocational service | Vocational Service calls on every Rotarian to work with integrity and contribute their expertise to the problems and needs of society.   * Integrity Awards * Scholarships * Networking Events * Mentorship | |
| International service | International Service exemplifies our global reach in promoting peace and understanding. We support this service avenue by sponsoring or volunteering on international projects, seeking partners abroad, and more.   * Guatemala Eye Project * Costa Rica literacy project * Project C.U.R.E Belize * Shelter Box * Canada Ukraine Foundation * End Polio Now | |
| new generations | Youth Service recognizes the importance of empowering youth and young professionals through leadership development programs.   * Air Cadets Squadron 395 * Interact Club – Vimy Ridge Academy * Rotaract Club – MacEwan University * Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) * Adventures in Citizenship * George Grover Scholarship | |
| club administration | The role of club administration is to perform the logistical tasks that make the club meetings successful. The club meeting shapes members’ Rotary experience.   * Club Meetings * Supplies * Guest Speakers | |
| New directions | Focuses on Peace Building and Indigenous Relations with addition of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion.   * We are a Peace Builder Club * Indigenous Speakers Series * Sold Orange Shirts * Build Relationships with Bent Arrow * Fostering our Relationship with EMCN * Supporting the Environment |
| membership | The membership director creates and follows an action plan to attract and  engage members.   * Encourage and support members efforts to recruit new members * Conduct new member orientation for all new members * Advise the board on programs and policies which will attract new members * Ensuring that the membership packages are updated | |
| foundation | The Club Foundation Chair provides leadership to the club’s efforts to support the Rotary Foundations activities and programs. Working with each governor-elect and governor and the district Rotary Foundation chair (DRFC) every year, the Club Foundation Chair educates club members regarding the Foundation, encourages and promotes club contributions to the various Foundation funds and writes district and global grants that meet community needs locally and globally. | |
| Club service | Club Service helps our club meet the real needs of the community through  volunteering and participating in hands on projects. Our club is very active in  the community and participate in at least 2 projects per month. Friends  and family are always welcome to join us.   * Boyle Street Community Services * Christmas Bureau * E4C * Edmonton Food Bank * Fort Edmonton Park * Habitat for Humanity * Assembling and distributing Hygiene Kits * Little Warriors * Root for Trees * Salvation Army Christmas Kettle Campaign * Simply Supper Helps * Purolator Tackle Hunger * Adopt a Highway * Edmonton Mennonite Centre for Newcomers * Hope Mission | |
| social events | Our club makes a great effort to have a variety of social events to include partners and family members so that they can enjoy and appreciate what Rotary does.   * Club Golf Tournament * Firesides * Fellowship Walk and BBQ * Social outings, i.e. Edmonton Street Car, Evening at the Irish Club * Christmas Party | |
| fundraising | Fundraising provides the lifeblood of our projects. We try to focus on a few major fundraisers a year.   * Casino every 18 months * Golf Tournament and Silent Auction * Special Events | |
| learning | Our club supports any member who wishes to learn more about Rotary. Only through exposure to the breadth of Rotary can we determine where and how Rotary fits into our world.  Each Rotarian, through education, can discover their purpose within Rotary, and in doing so, find new and creative ways to help themselves and Rotary grow. There are many opportunities to learn about Rotary.   * Fall and Spring Learning * Rotary Learning Institute * Online webinars * Club learning and development at meetings | |
| committees | There are many benefits to serving on a club committee. As a committee member you help make your club a successful, thriving, and fun place by sharing your expertise, knowledge and experiences. In doing so you will learn more about the club, develop friendships and gain a sense of belonging to the club as a whole. | |
| information | There is a wealth of information on the Rotary International and District websites and you are encouraged to sign up.   * [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org) * [www.rotary5370.org](http://www.rotary5370.org) * [www.rotaryedmontonwest.com](http://www.rotaryedmontonwest.com)   And of course, any of our members would be pleased to answer any of your questions. | |