



Honoured Life Member

Conferred upon Doug A. Rowlands on June 25, 2024

Doug Rowlands began his “Life in Rotary” in the 1960s. By the time he transferred to our Club in January 2003, he had served with distinction in other Rotary clubs. Consequently, he arrived at West Ottawa Rotary as a “Veteran Rotarian.” He “hit the road running” and hasn’t stopped in his 21½ years with this Club.

Doug’s management skills quickly became apparent. In his first 5 years with our Club, he served on the Board of Directors for four – one as Director (International Service) and three as Club Secretary. He has also served on many Club and District committees, and on the Board of the Ottawa Rotary Home. When it comes to the tasks needed to keep a Rotary club efficient and effective, Doug has vigorously applied them all: strategic and project planning; fundraising; hands-on volunteering; advising; mentoring; chairing; reporting; archiving; promoting; executing programs; project auditing – and the list goes on.

Given the amount of time Doug has devoted to his Rotary activities, one wonders how he fared in his day job. The answer is: very well. He reached the executive-director level of the national company where he worked for 36 years before retiring in 1994. He also received an award in 1992 from the professional association of his peers for “his “extraordinary achievements within ... the industry.”

His exceptional contributions to our Club were recognized early. In his 4th year, the Club bestowed a Paul Harris Fellow Award (PHF) on him, and another award for “hands-on volunteering.” Later, he received additional awards from the Club, District and Rotary International (RI), including RI’s Avenues of Service Citation for Individual Rotarians. Moreover, he has regularly contributed to and earned PHF awards, and is recognized by The Rotary Foundation as PHF+8.

Doug Rowlands has given, and continues to give, exemplary service in “doing good in this world” through Rotary. He is certainly worthy of being an Honoured Life Member of this Club

Doug , we are honoured to add you to ***the Honored Life Members*** list of the Rotary Club of West Ottawa. Please come up to receive your ***Honored Life Member*** recognition.

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THE ROTARY CLUB OF WEST OTTAWA

The Award of Honoured Life Membership is given for outstanding service to the Club and to Rotary over an extended period of time. The Club's Policy on Awards states that Honoured Life Membership is to be considered the highest Club award bestowed by the Club on any member. Few members have shown the extent of service that merits consideration for such an award.