

# Campbell River Daybreak Rotary

## THE SPINNING REEL

April 21, 2021



### Rotary Four Way Test

1. Is it the truth?
2. Is it fair to all concerned?
3. Will it build goodwill and better friendships?
4. Will it be beneficial to all?

### Attendance:

<b>Daybreak Members Present:</b>	<b>31</b>
<b>Number of Makeups:</b>	<b>NA</b>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>31</b>
<b>Current Membership:</b>	<b>62</b>
<b>Attendance Percentage:</b>	<b>50%</b>

#### ◆ Meeting Officially Called to Order: Don H

- ◆ Don welcomed us from studio B to our Daybreak Rotary Meeting where together we connect, inspire, end polio, transform our world, community and ourselves. Rotary is unlike any other volunteer organization.
- ◆ Last week we went a long way to transforming our community with all the trash we collected.

#### ◆ Secretary Report: Kelly Fisher

- ◆ Guests: Leah Tremain, Kyle Fawkes, Ian Baike.
- ◆ Mitch BD, Hansi & Maggi ANN, Graham Bull BD, Mark Tazumi BD, Kevin S BD, Lady T BD.

#### ◆ Fining Sgt: Craig Gillis

- ◆ Cam was fined for his incredible morning hair, reminded Craig of his youth.
- ◆ There was “over the top” talk of Kelly checking out “the junk”.

#### ◆ Member Quiz:

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| T F <u>1.</u> Barry Watchorn set chokers for Elk River Timber.   | T F <u>9.</u> Jim Voth had his gall bladder removed at age 5.                             |
| T F <u>2.</u> Bobbi Colwell's nickname as a kid was 'Smarties'.  | T F <u>10.</u> Lindsey Hoedel has a Human Kinetics degree.                                |
| T F <u>3.</u> Joanne Lacasses's grandfather owned the Quinsam Hotel.   | T F <u>11.</u> Jennifer Skabar has a large collection of fridge magnets and belt buckles. |
| T F <u>4.</u> Don Huestis's mother qualified for the Commonwealth Games in the 100 yard sprints.               | T F <u>12.</u> Tony Fantillo was Craig Gillis's Summer School principal.                  |
| T F <u>5.</u> Pam Mann didn't start speaking English until age 21.   | T F <u>13.</u> Sandra Rushton got a tattoo for her 40 <sup>th</sup> birthday!             |
| T F <u>6.</u> Ron Fisher's first date with Kelly was at a 'drive-in' theatre.                                  | T F <u>14.</u> Natalie Crawshaw went to Denmark on Rotary Youth Exchange.                 |
| T F <u>7.</u> Barry Peters was valedictorian of his high school grad class.                                    | T F <u>15.</u> Diana Gardner was a Salmon Kings swimmer in her youth.                     |
| T F <u>8.</u> Doug Phyll experienced a near death experience: explosion of a nearby 70,000 pound propane tank. | T F <u>16.</u> Jason Probyn was taught by Shawn Cowan.                                    |

Answers: T, F, T, T, T, F, T, T, T, T, T, T, T, F, F, T

## ◆ **Happy/Sad Bucks Toonies:**

- ◆ Craig toonied up as he was happy to see Leah T at our meeting.
- ◆ Bruce I had an incredible Saturday night as 2 of his daughters gave birth 10 minutes apart, one child was 35 days early and the other 7 days late. They are in vitro twins who apparently conspired to arrive together...a very happy \$20 from Bruce!
- ◆ Pam gave a HT as the Adult Care Society purchased a new property to create more beds for our seniors with dementia/mental health issues...great news!
- ◆ Kelly donated a HT as her vaccine is scheduled for next Wednesday.
- ◆ Hansi donated a happy \$10 as his son has emigrated to Ireland to work.
- ◆ Doug P gave \$7 to celebrate the past 7 weeks with no new polio cases worldwide. There have been only two cases so far this year...we are so close to eradication.
- ◆ Sandra R gave a HT as she's received her vaccine...hopefully we can all celebrate this over the next month.

## ◆ **Guest Speaker: Leah Tremain, Tremain Media Inc.**

- ◆ Leah was born in Kitchner but has been an Islander for many years.
- ◆ She has a M. ED and is a Jiu-jitsu master. She was also a member of our club for a short while.
- ◆ She started her award winning media company, Tremain Media, in 2006. It focuses on educational material.
- ◆ Leah has had many struggles and obstacles over her career but it great to think of successes too, especially during the recent pandemic.
- ◆ Leah thinks herself as a hustler who pitches ideas to win contracts.
- ◆ In her 20's Leah lived on Maui and projected that perfect day would be waking up when she wanted in her water view home and work her own hours from her home...she's now realized that she's living that life now.
- ◆ Some early obstacles when she started her business was her partner wanting her to "get a real job" and parents that just didn't understand what she did. Since then she's sold over 68000 educational DVDs.
- ◆ Of course, over time, youtube has changed the educational video market forever and her business model has had to shift and adapt. Tremain Video is now much more than an educational video producer. Check it out [HERE](#).
- ◆ Another obstacle was when she was invited to pitch to the Dragons' Den. Her experience was not what she expected and she left feeling abused and devastated. She realized she was at the mercy of the show editors and was worried that they would show her as incompetent and ruin her carefully developed reputation. She cried herself to sleep that night but woke in the morning to sell \$3000 worth of videos to Toronto school districts. She was happy that her segment on Dragons' Den never made the final cut.
- ◆ Leah has had her share of ups and downs in her business. She started a tech company in 2016 but recently had to sell \$30000 worth of equipment for only \$1000.



◆ **Guest Speaker: Leah Tremain cont.:**

- ◆ Leah has created 3 pillars that work for her: 1. try hard; 2. feel deeply; 3. doesn't matter how I feel but what I do.
- ◆ Leah started jiu-jitsu in her 40's and overcame an early injury to compete internationally. Her training became more focused with weight and circuit training. Her latest competition saw her win a bronze and a silver at the Masters Jiu-Jitsu Worlds in Las Vegas (September, 2019).
- ◆ She remembers her first international match against a Brazilian police officer as "fear walking". She then went on to win the match and her confidence bloomed.
- ◆ Around the same time her 22 year marriage dissolved and she slid into depression. Her incredible team at Tremain Media ran the show as she struggled.
- ◆ Leah is battling her depression with her exercise regime, counselling, writing and meditation. Feelings are messy but she can now face them and work towards success on the other side of sadness and grief.
- ◆ She has realized success is not the deals made or house with a view but the ability to dry her tears and getting on the mat or making those sales.
- ◆ Leah is learning to discover another side of herself and is not afraid of showing others who she is, weaknesses and vulnerabilities included. Even though she's been brought low she has managed to always come out the other side to see what's next.
- ◆ Thanks so much for the heartfelt presentation Leah, we are all looking forward to what your next successes will be also! Remember too that we'll always welcome you back to our Rotary family.

◆ **Announcements:**

- ◆ The trash tally was around 1600—1700 pounds at the dump, AWESOME! Thanks to all who organized and participated, the project was a huge success.
- ◆ Sandra P needs some help for the Kind Hearts meal next week. She's really looking for people who can help with Monday and Tuesday prep. Let her know if you can help. You can volunteer other times too by going [HERE](#).
- ◆ Dave B announced the date of this year's FISHING DERBY: Sunday, August 15th. He has Pacific Playgrounds booked. Speaking of the fishing derby, can anyone remember the captain and crew that has won the last two years in a row...anyone???
- ◆ Kyle Fawkes is still having a difficult time getting to the UK for his international scholarship. Restrictions are tight and costly in the UK and Kyle is having a difficult time getting his vaccine. If summer doesn't work out he's hoping he can do a stint in the fall. May 5th will be the date the Eastwood Club and ours will connect.

♦ **Foundation: Special Request (see form attached to bulletin email)**

Dear Campbell River Daybreak Rotarians,

As we draw closer to the completion of a most unusual yet memorable year in our Rotary calendar, we wanted to send a message regarding Annual Fund (Rotary Foundation) in support of our amazing president, Don Huestis.

As you have often heard us say The Rotary Foundation is so much a part of our membership as Rotarians. The opportunities and privilege we have living in the beautiful part of the world we call home while having a standard of living that billions would envy, puts us in a most unique position.

As I thought back to this past Rotary year, I realize that many of us would have spent about \$600.00 (40 weeks x \$15) \$600.00 on our breakfast meetings. President Don has reminded us of his goal this year: to have **every** Rotarian donate at least \$35.00 this year to the Annual Fund. At this point in the year, **33** (58%) of our members have donated to the Annual Fund. Many have also contributed to Polio Plus which is an equally admirable cause. As we learned today there have been no reported polio cases worldwide during the last three months! *Our per capita giving to the Annual Fund is **\$222 (U.S.) per member**. We are close to surpassing our best year 2018-19 when we raised \$237 (U.S.) per member. **Let's work together to surpass that figure!***

Know that it is these Annual Fund dollars that help us to fund the district and global grant projects such as the Qwalayu House project that PE Norm is shepherding as a wonderful resource for North Island families encountering some challenging times for a family member.

In short, President Don, Foundation Chair Kim, and Membership Chair Craig are asking you if you would contribute at least \$35.00 CAD to the Annual Fund if you have not yet done so, to **help us reach our Every Rotarian Every Year goal**. The process is easy. **The on-line registration form for Rotary Direct is attached**. You can establish your annual giving in whatever frequency (once a year, quarterly, monthly...) in whatever amount you wish to donate. Know that if you have any difficulty with the on-line process, there is a 'Help Line' .... **(1-866-976-8279)**. RI staff members are pleased to assist if you run into any challenges.

Thank you for taking time to read this note. Your membership in our club helps to make us very proud to be known as Daybreak Rotarians. We have fun---yet we are united in our commitment to changing lives!

With much gratitude,

Don, Kim, and Craig  
(proud members of your Daybreak 'family')

**Next Meeting: April 28 via ZOOM at 6:45 am**

**Foundation Draw Winners: Jennifer Skabar for last week  
Tom Robinson for this week**