



Congratulations to all in the Rotary Club of Lantzville, 2024 has been a brilliant year of connection, collaboration and good spirits. We have been able to create much “magic” together as a team!

December in Review

Theme for January

We began the month offering our services to the Lantzville community with some members participating in the **Lantzville Food Drive**. Lead by Mark, the teams of drivers / runners from the club:

Vocational Services

Trevor, Lance, Greg, Shawn, Jan (& Michelle), Doug S., Dale, Jodie, James, Alexis and Michael R. spent the morning picking up community donations of Food. **WAY TO GO, another fun day of community service!**

Next, we celebrated in fellowship at our annual **Christmas Social**, held at Simon Holts. A lovely gathering with great apps, happy connections, and cheezie games lead by our industrious leader, Michael Ribicic. Was wonderful to see spouses and family members out celebrating the season together. The “Most Festive Outfit” award (if we had one) goes to Lance and Cassie for donning their Santa sweaters. All in all, **Thanks everyone**. It was a great way to leap into the Christmas Craze!

Officers for 2025-2026

President(sharing):

Sheila & Greg

Treasurer Mark

International (sharing)

Don & Leanne

Community Service:

Rachel

Foundation: Joy

Membership: Jo-Anne

Public Image: Lance

Youth Services: Troy

Admin Committee

Positions Taken

Speakers: Greg

The Lantz: Cor

Positions Unfilled:

- Secretary
- President-Elect
- Admin Director
- Socials
- Fundraising

We blasted **December 7** with two events. **Dale** got us all signed up to ring the **Kettle Bells** for the **Salvation Army** at Canadian Tire. Donations were abundant and it is nice to see people give to the Salvation Army and support their work in the community. **Thanks to all who came to support this yearly event.**

While some of us were jingling, others were preparing for the highlight of the early December evening: the **2024 6th annual Lantzville Fire Department** parade.

“Santa, along with six wonderfully decorated fire trucks spent 180 + minutes travelling up and down Lantzville roads, before assembling at Huddlestone Park. Everyone greatly enjoyed the Christmas décor in the park and the Lantzville Fire Department Christmas lighted vehicle display. Our Rotary Club of Lantzville was on deck to serve approx. 250 attendees a spectacular array of goodies... hot chocolate, hot dogs, bratwurst & freshly popped popcorn. With many thanks, making this happen, we had Lance & Cassie, Greg, Troy, LTE students Julie, Lucie & Laura (who rode in the parade) and, Joy & Michael. With many, many thanks to the weather fairy, it was a very busy, lovely, fun evening.” (Report by: Joy Cameron)

On December 10th, several of our members once again helped with sorting food at **Loaves and Fishes Warehouse**. Always a great team effort. Thanks, Trevor, for spearheading this ongoing opportunity for our club to give back to the community

Our Club AGM was held on **December 12th**. A list of the proposed officers and **UNFILLED POSITIONS** are identified to the left. **Asking all members to consider taking on one of these positions.**



RCL Breakfast with Santa

The event took place on the 14th of December. The event Chair, Troy, and the Rotary team which included many members of our club, their spouses, RYLA & RYE students, and even a past members spouse (Dianne Tucker) who played the piano and lead the crowd in Christmas Carols, pulled off an amazing event serving breakfast to 160 people. Thanks again to **Santa Don** for patiently listening and engaging with every child at the event and offering them a gift and kind words for the Christmas Season. Many participants commented on the joyous nature of the event!



An amazing **Rotary Club of Lantzville** December!



International Projects

Don and Leanne asked all of us to look at RI's international projects website, think about projects whereas individuals and as a club, we want to place our efforts over the next 3-5 years.

Birthdays



Jan 3 Dale

Jan 14 Greg

Remember to check out the **2025 International Convention** being held in Calgary, Alberta in June! Some of us are registered, come join us!!

<https://www.rotary.org/en/calgary-awaits>

January 2025

Club Presenters (updates will be made at the meetings as TBA spots get filled)

January	2	Club Breakfast at Smittys 7:30 a.m.
	9.	Speaker: RiseBridge
	16	CM Speaker, tba
	23	William Litchfield , Departure Bay Scouts
	31	CM Speaker, tba

Anniversaries - None



Upcoming 2025 Club events...

Jan 8: **Director's meeting**

Jan 14: **Loaves and Fishes Warehouse**
5:30 – 7:00

Jan 23rd 6:45 am
Departure Bay Sea Scouts bottle drive in the Nanaimo Hornets parking lot

Feb 22nd **Coldest Night of the Year**, a family-friendly fundraising walk in support of local charities.

March 22nd **Chamber of Commerce, Business After Business.**
Sponsored by Rotary at the 808 Thunderbird wing, 719 Nanaimo Lakes Road.

Theme for the Month of January: **Vocational Services**

Rotary District 7070 (Southern Ontario) defines vocational service and proposes some ideas for clubs to consider highlighting vocational service amongst us. Check it out!

<https://rotary7070.org/stories/vocational-service-ideas-for-your-club>

NEW International Service Project Center

Formerly called the **Rotary Showcase**, the new online tool called the Service project Center is a dynamic hub that identifies Rotary Service and invites Rotarians to document their projects. Check it out!

<https://spc.rotary.org>

Have you ever wondered WHO built that **Rotary Float** and what it is all about? Click the link below!

<https://www.rotaryfloat.org>



April 5th Club
 Fundraiser, document
 shredding
 10:00 am – 1:00 p.m.
 Woodgrove

JANUARY EVENTS AROUND TOWN

<https://allevents.in/nanaimo/january>

Port Theatre:

<https://www.porttheatre.com/events/category/january-2019/>

Nanaimo Clippers January Games

<https://www.nanaimoclippers.com/stats/schedule/23/62/1/homeaway?league=1>

JANUARY DUTY ROSTER

**Don't forget to check
 out our Facebook page
 for photos and
 memories!**

<https://www.facebook.com/RotaryClubofLantzville>

DATE	CASH	SGT ARMS	GREETER	INTROS	INSPIRATION	ROTARY MINUTE
Jan 2	X	x	x	x	x	x
Jan 9	Trevor	Troy	Jodie	Rachel	Lee	James
Jan 16	Jo-Anne	Brian	Douglas	Mike W.	Don	Leanne
Jan 23	Joy	Doug S.	Cor	Dale	Alexis	Mark
Jan 30	Mark	Lance	Janice	Jodie	David L.	Sheila