

## **The Four Way Flasher**



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Happy Birthday	Happy Anniversary		
May 31: Susan Pynn	June 2: Mark & Pauline Forster		

UPCOMING SPEAKERS:							
May 28:	Judith MacRae Elder Abuse	June 4:	Ineke Boekhorst Report on Belize	June 11:	No Meeting		

## LAST WEEK'S MEETING

President Brenda Jenkins presided.

<u>Guests</u> were Alex Pope's wife, Barbara Pope. It was their 28 year anniversary.

Guest speaker was Richard Simonson.

<u>Happy/sad</u>: Linda, Debbie, Mike, Clinton, Adrienne, Libby and Brenda. Everyone got a \$3 fine.



## Program: Richard Simonson – Dog Guides

Ineke introduced our Guest speaker.

Richard was born in Drumheller, Alberta and raised in the nearby farming community of Morrin.

Education - Morrin High School - Morrin, Alberta

Work –

- Worked part-time for various jobs until I found my career at Canadian Pacific Railway.
- Retired from the CPR in 2011 after 35 years.

Community Service -

- 10 years spent in Scouts Canada as a Group Leader, Troop Scouter, District Vice President and 2 terms as District President
- A 35 year member of the Port Coquitlam Lions Club; served in most of the club offices, with over 20 years as Club Secretary.
- Transferred as a Charter member to Coquitlam River Lions Club in March 2022

- Served in many District cabinet positions over the years.
- Held the position of Zone Chairman twice being granted the Multiple District 19 Zone Chairman Excellence Award each year covering BC, Washington, and Northern Idaho.
- An active and enthusiastic supporter of the Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides for many years.
- Elected to serve as Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides Director for BC/Yukon in 2021
- Currently serves as a Board member for the Coquitlam River Lions Club
- Serves as Vice Chairman of the Alouette Men's Shed
- Recently appointed to the Board of Directors for the Men's Shed Association of British Columbia

Richard talked about guide dogs, for autism, diabetic patients, and seizure response.





Debbie brought up a donor drive for Alisa's Wish.

Child & Youth Advocacy Centre



Saturday June 15th is the installation of our incoming President Lawrence Anderson at Meadow Gardens at 6:00 pm.

Submitted by Ken Holland