



Proceeds from sales of the "Heart of Gold" rose benefit The Rotary Foundation.

Bred to mark the 100th anniversary of Rotary, the "Heart of Gold" rose exceeded all expectations, going on to take first prize in the world-renowned Belfast International Rose Trials.

The hybrid tea rose, with its dusky peach petals and delicate perfume, has already raised more than US\$36,000 for The Rotary Foundation of RI. For every rose bush sold 20 percent of the £7.95 (about \$14) purchase price, including value-added tax and carriage, is donated to the Foundation.

"We are delighted that this rose has received international recognition winning the gold medal and Prize of the City of Belfast in the trials last month," says David Cobban, a member of the Rotary Club of Aberdeen St. Machar, Grampian, Scotland, and chair of the club's

Rose Committee. "The 'Heart of Gold' rose project is a means of not only marking the centennial of Rotary but is also an imaginative way of generating much needed funds for [The] Rotary Foundation."

Aberdeen is sometimes called the City of Roses, according to visitscotland.com, the official site of Scotland's national tourism bureau. With this, it is no surprise that the fundraising initiatives from District 1010 came up rosy. "We are delighted with the response so far," Cobban says.

The rose was bred by one of the foremost rose breeders in the world, Aberdeen's James Cocker and Sons. The breeder holds a Royal Warrant, a prized mark of excellence and quality.

With an unmistakable beauty, "Heart of Gold" also has an excellent resistance to pests and disease. The plant is bushy and upright with an abundance of large, dark green, glossy leaves. Individual Rotary clubs are encouraged to plant "Heart of Gold" roses in prominent locations throughout their locality, highlighting the celebration of 100 years of service to communities worldwide, while also encouraging support of The Rotary Foundation.

Those with less of a green thumb may be interested in purchasing an exclusive limited-edition print of a watercolor painting of the "Heart of Gold" rose that District 1010 had commissioned by prominent botanical artist Rodella Purves. Only 250 individually signed prints will be sold.

Orders for prints or rose bushes can be placed at the District 1010 sponsored "Heart of Gold" [Web site](http://www.rotaryrose.co.uk/).

Rose bushes can be purchased directly from James Cocker and Sons by e-mailing sales@roses.uk.com.



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AUGUST IS THE ROTARY MONTH OF MEMBERSHIP AND EXTENSION

INVOCATION

Aug. 30	Ken Paterson	Sep. 6	Debi Pearce
Sep. 13	Dot Ralston	Sep. 20	Chad Reed

BINGO SCHEDULE

	6:15-8:15	8:00-10:00
Sep. 08	Diane Kirkland	Walter Volpatti
Oct. 06	Gordy Robson	Mary Robson

Call Peter at 604-465-3392 for assistance or email peter.boekhorst@telus.net



SERVICE Above Self

TODAY'S PROGRAM: Honey Barbecue at Vladimir's Farm

NEXT WEEK'S PROGRAM:

CALENDAR OF CLUB AND DISTRICT 5050 EVENTS:

Date	Time	Event	Venue
Sept. 6	12 noon	Visit of DG Harvey Jubie	
Sept. 17	7-10pm	Harvest Wine Festival	ACT
Oct. 4		Sports Banquet	Meadow Gardens

50 / 50 draw - Jackpot at \$302+ 1/2 of today's sales, 43 cards left, Jackpot on "Queen of Hearts" only!

Happy Birthday

August 28: Dot Ralston

Happy Anniversary

August 23: Don & Debi Pearce

August 25: Gordon & Diane Kirkland

August 28: Murray & Jacqueline Davelaar

LAST WEEKS MEETING

Walter introduced a guest to our club, Roger Pawley. There was a reminder of the Executive Meeting scheduled for Wednesday at noon at the Home Restaurant.

Ken shared a humorous story about showing Matt how the bingo payouts work. During the first game of the session, bingo was called and then called again and again and againfor a total of 10 bingos. They had to stop playing until each winner could be verified. Ken also announced that he would once again be cycling for the Lung Association and was seeking sponsors.

Doris told us about a friend that has been diagnosed with cancer and needs some help. She asked if she could pass the collection can around, and \$150 was raised.

As Eric Wright our scheduled Guest Speaker was unable to attend, but Marco who has just returned from Nunavut shared some of his experiences with us.

He said that he's been to Nunavut three times previously over the past three years, during the fall, winter and spring. This time he had earned the privilege to make a summer trip. He advised that most of the snow was gone, and the place was teeming with wildlife.

He provided details on Nunavut, which is 1/5 of the land surface of Canada, has three time zones and a population of 28,000. It is the geographical centre of Canada. There are no roads. The last place you can reach by rail is Churchill, Winnipeg and then it's a four hour flight from there.

Residents are flown to Winnipeg for medical tests and delivery of babies. He spoke of a 2 year old girl who was severely bitten by a dog which turned out to be rabid. The child sustained damage to one side of her face and her throat. He flew with the child to Winnipeg. He said that the planes are like a mini ICU. The weather was quite rough and they thought they may have to re-route the plane but managed to land in Winnipeg. Thankfully the little girl survived this ordeal.

He then said that he had been there for the narwhal hunt and got a 6' foot tusk, which is in the hands of a carver at this time. Marco concluded by saying that he finds these trips very challenging and rewarding.

Submitted by Lynda Lawrence



HARVEST WINE FEST DONATIONS

All Club members are asked to donate 2 bottles of wine or spirits, with a minimum value of \$15.00 each. (Absolutely NO home-made wines!) If you are unable to do so, we would ask you to just donate \$30.00 and a Committee member will buy the bottles for you.

These bottles will be used for our "Wine bottle Raffle" at the Harvest Wine Fest, September 17th. A really "fun raffle", and major part of the overall fundraising event. We REALLY need EVERY member to participate in this, otherwise we will not have enough bottles to make the "bottle raffle" successful.

Please bring your bottles ASAP to the lunch mtg. or to any Club member, who can deliver it to the meeting for you. (hand to Walter or Ineke, if cheque: make payable to MeadowRidge Rotary)

Thanks for your help and Please don't forget to sell lots of tickets (\$35.00 each) for the Harvest Wine Fest, our success depends on EVERYBODY'S participation!!



32 MILLION CHILDREN VACCINATED

India and Pakistan have completed a round of Subnational Immunization Days aimed at delivering the oral polio vaccine to tens of millions of children.

On 8 August, health officials in Pakistan said that the campaign was targeting 32 million children. Vaccinators concentrated on the provinces of Baluchistan, North-West Frontier, Punjab, and Sind, where a total of 12 cases were reported this year.

In neighbouring India, the five-day effort, launched on 7 August, focused on the states where the wild poliovirus still circulates. Most of the volunteers converged on Bihar and Uttar Pradesh, which together account for 22 of the 25 cases of the disease reported this year.

Past RI Director Sushil Gupta was among the Rotarians who participated in the campaign in India's capital, New Delhi, where more than 2 million children were immunized. This year, a case of polio was confirmed in the city of more than 11 million.

"Our aim to eradicate polio from India by the end of this year can only be achieved if people come out in large numbers [so we can] administer drops to their kids," he told Xinhua news agency. "The role of parents is of paramount importance in this regard."

When launching the SNIDs, Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Mulayam Singh Yadav told reporters in Lucknow, the state capital, that local health officials were determined that Uttar Pradesh not be the reason for deferring the dream of a polio-free world.

"To eradicate polio, the government of Uttar Pradesh has launched a massive drive," the Hindustan Times quoted him as saying. "We had written letters and issued appeals to people from all strata of the society, be it religious leaders, heads of villages, or political parties, to bring their children for [the] polio drops campaign." To stop cross-border transmission of polio, India and Pakistan plan to synchronize their National Immunization Days later this year. Mohamed Nasir Khan, Pakistan's health minister, announced the decision at the end of a meeting of the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation in mid-July.

"Both countries have agreed to do it together to make the region polio-free," he told the press.