POLIO GLOBAL CASE COUNT

Total cases of poliovirus worldwide: 741 Polio cases in 2006 as of week of 18 July 2006

Nigeria (endemic)	539
India (endemic)	100
Somalia (importation)	26
Afghanistan (endemic)	19
Namibia (importation)	17
Pakistan (endemic)	11
Bangladesh (importation)	9
Niger (importation)	6
Ethiopia (importation)	6
Democratic Republic of Congo (importation)	4
Indonesia (importation)	2
Yemen (importation)	1
Nepal (importation)	1



2007 District Conference



Date: May 31, 2007

Event Fee: \$50.00 CAD

Location: Ramada Plaza & Conference Centre 36035 North Parallel Road, Abbotsford V3G 2C6

Pre-register online for the 2007 District 5050 Conference.

For only US\$50 you can reserve your spot at next year's event. Your Conference team is planning a Celebration of the Clubs for next year. Reserve your spot today!

For more information on Celebration 2007:

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INVOCATION

July 25	Dave Rempel	Aug. 1	Gord Robson
Aug. 8	Mary Robson	Aug. 15	Bob Shantz

BINGO SCHEDULE

	6:15 - 8:15	8:00 - 10:00
August 10	Doris Gagel	
Sept. 07	Mary Robson	Gord Robson



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

TODAY'S PROGRAM:

Cheryl Johnson-

Director of Tourism Maple Ridge & Pitt Meadows

NEXT WEEK'S PROGRAM:

CALENDAR OF CLUB AND DISTRICT 5050 EVENTS:

Date	Time	Event	Venue
August 19	4:00pm	BBQ at Vladimir and Zdenka's	The Bee Farm – 129 th Ave. Pitt Meadows
August 22	Noon	DG Rod Thomson's Visit	
Sept. 16	7-10pm	Harvest Wine Fest	ACT

50 / 50 draw - Jackpot at \$265.00+ 1/2 of today's sales, 41 cards left, Jackpot on "Queen of Hearts" only!

LAST WEEKS MEETING

Our guests were Craig Abbott, Zulekha & Misha Bharwani, Karly Simms, Valerie Spurrell, Inspector Jim Wakely and Constable Rob Lemon. Rotarians Dot Ralston and Liz Attarmigirian, who we haven't seen in awhile, were also in attendance. It was nice to see them again.

Ineke told us how successful the Caribbean Festival had been. RCMP estimated 22,000 people attended. There were no problems, and it was a great event.

Matt advised that Hilton would be coming home today, which will be a blessing for his family. Matt will keep us updated, and will advise if Hilton is up to seeing visitors.

Craig Abbott gave a brief talk on his upcoming trip to Thailand where he's going to work with HIV positive children. He's going to connect with the Thailand Rotary Clubs to try and form a partnership to support this initiative.



Mary introduced our Guest Speakers, two of the three youth that were sponsored by our club for RYLA, Misha Bharwani and Karly Simms.

They were both very thankful for the opportunity to have attended the camp as they met many people and had an amazing learning experience. RYLA was held at the Zajac Ranch this year. Upon arrival the girls experienced a warm welcome, with everyone hugging them upon introduction.

They had two projects to complete during the weekend. Their outdoor project was to build a wheelchair ramp. They were given four hours to complete the ramp. With the time spent in planning the construction, the actual work had not been started at the end of the four hours, but they were determined to complete the project and worked until the early morning to finish the ramp. Their indoor project was to draft a business plan, and film their own commercial in front of 77 people. There were also four main seminars during the weekend which included "Risk Taking" and the "Four Way Test".

The girls expressed what a positive experience the camp had been. They learned not to judge other people without getting to know the person. They also learned team work, and how to work with others to solve problems. The projects were enlightening and taught them never to underestimate yourself and what you can accomplish with determination.

Karly said she would do it again in a heartbeat. Anil's daughter, Misha, has joined a Rotarac program in Delta, and has made it her personal goal to start a Rotarac Club in Maple Ridge.

Submitted by Lynda Lawrence

ROTAPLAST CANADA

On Wednesday July 19th, Peter and I attended a fundraising function for Rotaplast Canada, at the Grand Hotel in Kelowna.

This dinner was organized to help raise funds for their "Mission to Ethiopia", November 5 - 19, 2006.

A team of 18 Medical Volunteers + 9 Non-Medical volunteers, will travel to Addis Ababa, Ethiopia and attempt to perform approx. 1200 life-changing surgeries, to "change lives by saving smiles"

The goal of Rotaplast Canada is to eliminate the incidence of untreated cleft lips and palates in children worldwide by the year 2025.



Rotaplast Canada was started under the guidance of Rotaplast International(in California) by the "Mission Club in Kelowna" and this is the first ever mission to an African Country.

The dinner was very well attended and completely sponsored by the Grand Resort & Conference Centre(accommodations +service) + Sysco (food). Total proceeds for the night: \$ 30,000.= and a total of \$ 80,000.= needs to be raised before the mission leaves in November.

The guest speaker of the night was Richard King, past-President of Rotary International (2001-2002), and a phenomenal speaker! He had everybody in tears..... and rolling on the floor laughing.

All and all a fabulous night, for an outstanding cause. I'm seriously considering to assist at one of such missions as a Non-Medical volunteer...... anybody else interested?

Submitted by Ineke Boekhorst

4TH ANNUAL FAMILY OF ROTARY BARBECUE / FARM TOUR

SATURDAY August 19, 4:00 PM at Vladimir & Zdenka's Honey Bee Farm This is a "By Donation" event: all donations to Rotary Foundation

A friendly invitation to all MeadowRidge Rotarians and family

Vladimir and Zdenka, will be hosting once again this wonderful Family Barbecue + informative social. You'll be able to experience and find out everything there is to know about a "working honey bee farm" Again this year featuring a "Live Auction" with all proceeds going DIRECTLY to the Rotary Foundation, Vladimir's award winning Honey will be for sale (part proceeds to Foundation) + a FABULOUS barbecue!

LOCATION:Vlad's Apiary 129th Ave. Pitt Meadows (Map in newsletter later)PLEASE BRING:cash (or credit card!) for Rotary Foundation, a good appetite(the food is fantastic!), ahappy face.... Everything else will be provided (even wine!) by Vladimir and Zdenka, no cost to thisgreat Family Social.

PLEASE MARK ON THE CIRCULATED SHEET IF YOU WILL BE ATTENDING AND WITH HOW MANY PEOPLE.

