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There was a report from Ken Patterson, on Gaming funds. He feels that we may have our funds cut back to 2/3 of what we received last year. We have to be careful on how we apply as arts and sports are getting their funding cut. There is a priority list which we will obtain and review. This means we may have to cut back our bursaries.

Rough numbers on Wine fest with some information still pending, shows that we will net \$15,000 - \$16,000, similar to last year. Robert reminded us that there will be a wrap up meeting at his place tomorrow night, bring wine and appies. Ineke advised that she is trying to collect outstanding sponsorship money.

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October is Vocational Services Month

INVOCATION

Oct. 13	Jennifer Dawkins	Oct. 20	Matt DeBruyn
Oct. 27	Kelly Fry	Nov. 3	Doris Gagel



TODAY'S PROGRAM: Who's Who - Brett Paskar

NEXT WEEK'S PROGRAM: Sports Banquet

Next week no regular meeting: Sports Banquet

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Oct. 17: Lise Jinnah Oct. 18: Firoozeh Atai Yazgerdian

CALENDAR OF CLUB AND DISTRICT 5050 EVENTS:

Date	Time	Event	Venue
Oct. 16	8:30-10 am	4 Way Test at Laity View Elem.	21023 - 123 Ave., M.R.
Oct. 20	6 pm	Sports Banquet	Meadow Gardens Golf Club
Oct. 21	11:45am - 1:15pm	4 Way Test at MRSS	21911-122 Ave. M.R.
Oct. 21	1:15pm - 2:40pm	4 Way Test at MRSS	21911-122 Ave. M.R.
Oct. 24	8 am-4 pm	Rotary LEADERSHIP Institute	Mt. Vernon, U.S.

50 / 50 draw - Jackpot at \$279.00 + 1/2 of today's sales, 42 cards left, Jackpot on "Queen of Hearts" only!

Our Fireside Meeting was held at Heather Hills Farm. *In attendance* were Brian Bekar, Anil Bharwani, Peter and Ineke Boekhorst, Robert Campbell, Jim Coulter, Mike Davies, Jennifer Dawkins, Matt Debruyn, Doris Gagel, Sharon Kyle, Lynda Lawrence, Debbie MacRae, David Riddell, Gordy and Mary Robson, Alphonse Seward, Peter Tam, Marco Terwiel, and Walter Volpatti.

Our program included a brief presentation by Rick Howard on the Loon Lake Field project. Rick came back with some pictures of the project, and to answer any questions about usage. He spoke about the history of UBC research forest and some of the future plans. Rick requested our club contribute \$25,000.00 towards the development of an all weather field at the Loon Lake camp. The Haney Club has committed \$50,000.00. The field will be identified as a Rotary field in honour of Norm and Betty Pelton. The field will contribute to the growth of the Loon Lake Camp and expand the services it offers. Camp Good Times are in partnership with UBC for the development of the camp. The Cancer Society has provided much of the funding for the buildings and UBC shares the camp with the Cancer Society. There are three groups of approximately 60 children. Each group comes and has a one week experience at the camp. In addition to the Cancer Society, there are other community groups who utilize this outstanding facility, located in the peaceful natural setting of our local mountain. The Scouts, Guides, men and women's groups, corporate retreats and others use the facility for multiple purposes. In context of this request the Cancer Society is expecting the children to be the primary beneficiaries of the new field. The field will also be used for pick up baseball games and football games.

We then heard from Bruce Macleod from Parks & Recreation who attended the meeting to answer questions on the projects that the Sports Banquet Committee is proposing funding. Bruce showed pictures of where the mountain bike parks may be developed. There are two sites being considered. South Albion Park and the acreage adjoined to the Pitt Meadows BMX course. There are hundreds of kids in the sport and there is a national appeal. The park is for skills development. The park will remain largely in a natural state. The course will incorporate logs, burns and excavations. Logs and timbers (harvested from UBC research forest) will be used in the courses construction. Much of the labour will be donated by biking enthusiasts under the supervision of Parks and Recreation. Each site will require approximately \$20,000.00 in capital budget to realize this dream. There is a naming opportunity for Rotary.

Bruce advised that the all weather field in Pitt Meadows will be lined for field lacrosse, American rules football, and provision for goal posts if we switch to Canadian rules in the future. There will be a jogging track around facility complete with four light towers illuminating the field. Also being planned for are benches for the players. The current budget is 2.3 million. There is some question about community washrooms. Plans are still in development. Currently they are looking at donation of \$50,000 towards this project. Proposed naming opportunity is the Rotary Stadium at PMSS.



The Pitt Meadows Arena will require an estimated \$4,000,000 to replace the roof and get the rinks back into shape. The arena is approved for a federal grant. There is a naming opportunity for \$50,000 contribution, and the opportunity for future involvement.

Bruce advised that Parks & Rec are meeting with the City of Pitt Meadows tonight to discuss the possible naming opportunities for Rotary's support. Marco requested Bruce call back after tonight's meeting to advise us of the outcome. The importance of preserving the Rotary name on

projects into the future

FOLLOWING DINNER

After the dinner break some discussion ensued regarding the funding and naming opportunities. Gordy advised that there aren't any other projects coming forward at this time. The Canoe Club project is still in development, and although we're very supportive there is no application is pending at this time. The same issue exists with the Hammond Stadium.

Motion: made by Gordy to fund \$5,000 for Bike Park, seconded Marco, all in favour, ***motion carried.***

Motion: made by Gordy to fund \$50,000 for the rinks in Pitt Meadows, seconded by Robert Campbell, one opposed (Debbie MacRae), ***motion carried.***

Motion: made by Gordy to fund \$50,000 for the all weather field, seconded by Marco, all in favour, ***motion carried.***

Motion: made by Gordy to fund Loon Lake in the amount of \$25,000 - ***motion defeated.***

Motion: made by Gordy to fund Loon Lake in the amount of \$10,000, seconded by Matt, all in favour, ***motion carried.***

Gordy advised that the cheques approved tonight, will be presented at the upcoming Sports Banquet.

Our Guest Speaker was Jennifer Wright, who spoke to us on her exchange stay in France. Unfortunately we were without a projector but Jennifer gave a very good verbal presentation and her slide show will be posted on our club website. Jennifer's presentation was very interesting. There were negative and positive insights into the experience of exchange students. Highly recommend you check out her presentation.



Lynda spoke about the Sports Banquet. There are currently 3 - 4 tables still to be sold (30 - 40 tickets). Anyone needing tickets can be referred to Lynda 604-467-3333.

October 24th is End Polio day. Marco spoke of the terrible impact of polio in the north. David Riddell made a presentation on behalf of Patrick O'Brien, who could not attend. Patrick is trying to find out how much a dose of polio vaccine costs. Injectable inoculations cost more than oral doses. Patrick's idea is to have box of polio vaccine doses, and try to get donations to cover the cost. He is also thinking of getting iron lung and putting David in it. Patrick is enthusiastic, passionate and wants to move forward with this awareness campaign. Marco advised that once polio is eliminated, there will be a two billion dollar savings a year on immunization.

David discussed some ideas coming forward to the International Committee. One idea is to support development of an orphanage, they are looking for monies, labour, in kind donations. ShelterBox is another area that we could contribute more funds to. David asked where do we as a club want to put our limited funds. Jennifer spoke about the Firefighters Without Borders and their need for funding. There was unanimous agreement to explore supporting Firefighters without Borders. Jennifer and David to explore this some more.