

The Four Way Flasher

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TODAY: ???

NEXT WEEK: Marjolein Lloyd – Shelterbox presentation

Invocation

July 26: Robert Campbell Aug. 02: Laura Cherrille

Aug. 09: Jim Coulter Aug. 16:

Happy Anniversary

July 27: Laurence & Lorna Anderson

Happy Birthday

July 28: Cindy Serry

CALENDAR OF CLUB AND DISTRICT 5050 EVENTS:

Date	Time	Event	Venue
Sun. July 31	10am – 3pm	Rotary Duck Race (Race starts at 1pm)	Maple Ridge Park
Aug. 6	1pm – 6pm	3 rd Annual Meadow Ridge Rotary "Ride & BBQ"	
Aug. 9		DG Jane Helten's Official Visit	
Aug. 19	11am	Golfun at the Homestead Golf & Country Club	Lynden, WA

ROTARY DUCK RACE - SUNDAY JULY 31ST

Presented By MAPLE RIDGE

It is almost so far!

The Meadow Ridge Rotary Club, with support from the Rotary Club of Haney and its major sponsor Maple Ridge Chrysler, are proud to present the FIRST ANNUAL ROTARY DUCK RACE, anticipated to be the most exciting community event of the year!

During the inaugural race on

July 31st, 2011 10,000 feisty rubber ducks will be launched into the Alouette River at Maple Ridge Park to vie for the finish line. In addition to other amazing prizes, the Grand prize will be a brand new 2011 JEEP WRANGLER SPORT 4x4!



DISTRICT 5050'S ANNUAL GOLFUN GOLF TOURNAMENT

Please join us on August 19, 2011 for the District 5050's Annual **"Golfun"** Golf Tournament to benefit the Rotary Foundation & Polio Plus.



We will have a great day of golf at the beautiful **Homestead** Farms Golf and Country Club in Lynden, WA (www.homesteadfarmsgolf.com).

The event will include a 4-person scramble, goodie bags, prizes, a raffle and an awards dinner following the golf tournament. **Special Offer:** Included with your online registration is a 1-year subscription to Golf Digest (a \$10 value).

Click here for offer and refund details.

Golf Carts are \$32.55 Must be reserved by calling the Golf Course at 360-354-1196

Invite your friends to play by clicking on the "Tell a Friend" button and you can send them a link to this site automatically. Thank you for your support of the Rotary Foundation & Polio Plus.

Date: August 19, 2011 Times: 11:00 am

Facility: Homestead Farms Golf Resort

LAST WEEK'S MEETING

President Terry called the meeting to order with a resounding rendition of O'Canada led by Rotarian Sharon Kyle.

Lindsay gave the Invocation again this week and at this rate will undoubtedly become the master of Invocations!

Ana, our exchange student of 4 years ago, Irena Shantz and visiting Rotarian Joyce from Coquitlam were introduced by Jim as our guests for this week.

Our Happy/Sad coffers did well again this week with Mary happy about her new status as "Grandma", the youth groups are becoming very energized about the Duck Race and happy to participate. Alphonse was happy to be going fishing, David Rempel was happy to be here, but sad as either a Bobcat or Cougar is causing his flock distress. Ineke was happy about the availability of wooden ducks that are to be painted by children at the duck race. They were all made by corrections. She was also happy to have had Ana visit with her family. Bob was also happy that Ana was able to come for a visit. Lindsay was happy to be going to Ft. MacMurray to work for a week — it's a booming town, but sad that he is missing the Duck Race.

Peter B. did an excellent job as Mystery Greeter sitting quietly at his table and adding to the Cup as did Robert as Fine Master with Duck Race being the fine of choice.

Announcements by Terry included the first Exec meeting being held on the 20tha the Chamber Office. The balance of Executive meetings will be held the 2nd Wed of each month at the Chamber Office. We now have one full team for Golfun in August. Robert announced the District 5050 hike being held at Sedro Wooley. He and Cailin will be attending.

Our guest speaker today was Eric Mollema who showed some quick thinking and connected his laptop to the TV in the room so we didn't have to set up the projector!

Eric took us through a visual and entertaining presentation of who he is and where he came from. Starting with his baby shot (the skinny one), to his education – both at school and in the military (again he's the skinny one). He continued with his kids, Sonja and Rijk, through to his marriage to the lovely Urma.

He founded Mollema Attorney's and also a very impressive and successful mortgage brokerage business – Wizard Mortgages and Mortgage Works. He is a very successful franchise attorney. He also invested in and owned The Whaler Dive Shop and this is one of his passions. He showed us many pictures of sharks, and the varieties of fish he saw in his dive trips. He decided to close that down when the only tsunami to hit the coast where his shop was located destroyed all the beaches! He still loves diving and hunting.

He showed us a picture of "Urma's house" and then a picture of his "happy" room — a bar he has built and is very proud of — and what a well stocked bar it is!!! With the situation in South Africa not where they would like to spend their future, they immigrated to Canada with their two kids and are excited to settle in Maple Ridge and begin their future here! Eric is currently studying to qualify for the British Columbia Bar and hopes to be finished at the end of his year.

The 50/50 continues to climb and was not won again!!!

Submitted by Terry Becker

COMBATING THE SPREAD OF MALARIA



Every 45 seconds, a child dies from malaria. But with effective, low-cost tools, Rotary and the international community is making a difference. See how we are helping bring an end to malaria deaths as part of the disease prevention and treatment area of focus.

Last year, malaria claimed the lives of almost 750,000 people in sub-Saharan Africa, 85 percent of them young children. Some of the region's poorest residents live in Yirimadjo, Mali, and are receiving protection from the disease through a Rotary Foundation Global Grant project supported by Rotarians in four countries.

Called Bite Malaria Back, the project is providing insecticide-treated bed nets, physician services, and medications to help prevent and treat malaria. It is led by the Rotary Club of Bamako-Amitié, Mali, along with the Rotary Club of Capitol Hill (Washington, D.C.) and five others in District 7620 (District of Columbia; part of Maryland, USA).

Club members are working with Project Muso Ladamunen, a nongovernmental organization whose goal is to end the cycle of poverty and disease in Yirimadjo. The Bamako-Amitié club is helping to coordinate Rotarians' role in the effort.

During its first three months (February-April), Bite Malaria Back made possible more than 3,000 patient visits at the Yirimadjo Health Center. It also facilitated more than 12,700 visits by community health workers to residents' homes, resulting in the treatment of almost 900 children with malaria -- over 80 percent within the first 48 hours of the onset of symptoms, when medical intervention is critical.

The effort supports the disease prevention and treatment area of focus under the Foundation's Future Vision Plan. It is funded by a \$26,666 global grant and more than \$33,000 in sponsor contributions from Future Vision pilot districts 3140 (part of Maharashtra, India), 7620, and 9100 (parts of West Africa). The Rotary Club of Kowloon Golden Mile, Hong Kong, a non-pilot club, has also contributed funds to the project.

Rotarians in Mali are monitoring malaria-related consultations and services that patients receive from physicians. "We have also gone to see how the field workers go house to house to visit patients and make the project felt by the community," says Sunny Akuopha, until recently a member of the Bamako-Amitié club, now of the Rotary Club of Bamako Ouest. "The project has had tremendous impact by reducing the mortality rate and mortality-prone situations."