

The Four Way Flasher

Meadow Ridge Rotary Club

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AUGUST IS MEMBERSHIP & EXTENSION MONTH

TODAY: Welcome to our District Governor, Jane Helten

NEXT WEEK: Rodney - Mental Health Presentation

Happy Birthday

Aug. 9: Melissa Kramer Aug. 13: Gord Robson InvocationAug. 09: Jim CoulterAug.Aug. 23: Mike DaviesAug.

Aug. 16: Adrienne Dale Aug. 30: Peter Davies

CALENDAR OF CLUB AND DISTRICT 5050 EVENTS:

Date	Time	Event	Venue
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

LAST WEEK'S MEETING

Our guests were introduced by our substitute Sgt. at Arms Brian Bekar, who did a splendid job. Guests were: Rotarian Marjolein Lloyd from Kelowna and her 2 little sons Nicholas and Jordan.

Happy Sad:

- Lynda Lawrence Happy for how the Duck Race went.
 Brian Johnston Happy that the Duck Race is done.
 Dave Rempel Happy that his volunteers and other rotarians set up his bird display at the Duck Race event and that it went so well.
- Marco Terwiel Happy for all the members of the club on our performance during the Duck Race fund raiser.
 Ineke Boekhorts - Happy that the Duck Race is over and that it was a lot of fun and hoping that we do it again next year.
- Patrick O'Brien Happy that the past weekend of sea kayaking went so well with perfect weather, causing his kid's backsides to get rather wet.
- Mary Robson Happy to see Marjolein and her boys, Happy over the Duck Race & for the winner of the jeep and ipod.
- Gordon Robson Happy for all the people who participated in the Duck Race, Happy that the disbursements committee can get to work shortly on the Duck Race funds, Happy that

the groups selling tickets should be able to recover 100% of the funds they raised for the Duck Race.

- Lindsay Hendy a butt in front of the line SAD dollar because his pen ran out of ink and he needed to borrow another one to keep taking notes (So much for saving the fine dollar for volunteering in the first place) for which there were many offers. Peter Davies pen was the first to arrive.
- Bob Shantz Happy for the \$69,748 raised by the Duck Race, Congratulated all Rotarians for a great job. Was the judge between Gordon Robson and Brian Bekar's bet on Duck Race ticket sales, and Gordon sold more then Brian, but due to perhaps questionable methods felt that where Brian should get a 4" tattoo, Gordon should also need to get a 2" tattoo.

Rotary Moment by Matt DeBruyn:

- Shared with the members the stats for the last 3 Wine Zest events and our just past Duck Race event: Average of 25 active members in the Wine Zest events, 29 active members for the Duck Race event, and a full 35 members combining both events. He was very impressed with our club's involvement.

Mystery Greeter was Brian Johnston and he was able to nail a few members.

Melissa Kramer was our Fine Master and fined members for not volunteering for Note Taking, which was almost everyone; for



not being at the Duck Race event and for not having joined a committee within the club yet.

Ineke Boekhorst introduced our guest speaker Marjolein Lloyd, which was her very own daughter, with her two grandsons in tow. She spoke to us on the Shelter Box Canada organization.

Shelterbox instantly responds to earthquake, volcano, flood, hurricane, cyclone, tsunami or conflict by delivering boxes of aid.



Each box supplies an extended family with a large tent and lifesaving equipment to use while they are displaced or homeless. The contents are tailored depending on the nature and location of the disaster, with great care taken sourcing every item to ensure it is robust enough to be of lasting value.

The cost of a box is \$1,000, including delivery direct to those who need it. Each box bears its own unique number so as a donor you can track your box all the way to its recipient country via the website

Since its inception in 2000, ShelterBox has firmly established itself at the forefront of international disaster relief, providing emergency shelter for the people who need it most **on every continent.**

ShelterBox prides itself on getting aid direct to the people who need it most – and one of the ways we achieve that is through our ShelterBox Response Teams or SRTs.

Members of our SRTs are all volunteers and come from all walks of life. The first teams were deployed following the Indian Ocean Tsunami of 2004. Since then, SRT members have delivered ShelterBoxes to victims of disasters in Africa, Asia, Australasia, Europe and the Americas.

Applying to become an SRT is not a decision to be taken lightly. Deploying with our aid into remote and chaotic environments is not for the faint hearted. Conditions in the field can be very basic and SRTs may be operating within days of a disaster that has killed huge numbers of people. Apart from the human tragedy, the infrastructure of the affected area may be in ruins and communications with home limited.



This means our teams must be totally self-sufficient – capable of operating without adding to the burden of the people we are there to help. SRT volunteers need to be fit, hard working, resourceful people, who can apply themselves and make the right decisions when under pressure. Acting as our spokespeople and our eyes and ears on the ground, they are vital to ShelterBox and we are rightly proud of them.

President Terry Becker mentioned to all members to please support the BMO on-line voting for our local soccer team that is in the running for a \$125,000 field improvement for the winning team/community. People can vote each day from August 1st to August 15th inclusive and can be done on the BMO website (or you can go to www.gorockets.ca - which is the local team in the running). Lindsay did his first vote this day, being August 3, 2011.

Submitted by Lindsay Hendy

WINNERS OF ROTARY DUCK RACE PRIZES

Jeff Walker drove home his new 2011 Jeep Wrangler Sport 4X4

Tuesday night. The 40-year-old father of two, who grew up in Maple Ridge and graduated from Maple Ridge Secondary, now lives in Coquitlam with his wife Sue and two kids Megan, six, and Noah, almost four.



He has daughter Megan to thank for the big win. Walker bought the winning ticket at the Ridge Meadows Home Show in May, because Megan told him to. "We saw the [Rotary Duck Race] booth on our way out and Megan liked the ducks and said 'buy a ticket, Daddy', so I did,'" Walker said. Just one ticket. Number 1452.

Walker and his family arrived at the dealership Tuesday night and Chrysler owner Ian Speckman handed him the keys.

Other prize winners were:

Melissa Smith, who won second prize, a one-week luxury cruise for two to Alaska on Holland America Lines valued at \$3,200, which was presented by Deddy Geese of Hagen's Travel and Cruise.

Velma Koob won third prize, a \$2,500 gift certificate from Mark's Work Wearhouse.

Fuller Watson donated the fourth-place prize to Mike Stenner, who will receive stainless-steel fridge, stove and dishwasher worth \$2,500.

Fifth prize of an Apple iPad provided by Meyers, Norris, Penny Chartered Accountants. It goes to Geoff Banford.

Sixth prize was won by Melissa Milburn, who was the only winner on hand at Maple Ridge Park to hear her name called after the duck race. She won a 32-inch flat-screen TV provided by Audio Video Unlimited at Haney Sewing & Sound valued at \$550.

Kelly Atwal won seventh prize: three sets of "Golf for Two" including cart from Meadow Gardens Golf Course, valued at \$575.

Eighth prize, a car-top carrier from Lordco Auto Parts, valued at \$500 was won by Acacia Felber.

Ninth prize, a \$600 pick-up truck box liner provided by Rebel Coatings Inc., was won by Daryl Sampson.

Six \$50 gift-certificates from The Black Sheep Pub were also awarded to Jeff Labinsky, Debra Inglis, Brenda Fussell, Joyce Martin, Glen Ettinger, and Debra Pederson.