

The Four Way Flasher



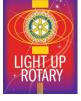
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TODAY: North Fraser Airshow

NEXT WEEK: Business Meeting

Belated Happy Birthday	Happy Anniversary		Invocation
July 10: Eric Mollema		July 15	Matt DeBruyn
		July 22	Karen Duffield

CALENDAR OF CLUB EVENTS:

Date	Time	Event	Venue
Aug. 31	10am – 3pm	Rotary Duck Race	Maple Ridge Park
Sep. 16	Noon	Membership meeting	Bella Vita Restaurant
Oct. 11	6pm	OktoberFest	Pitt Meadows Heritage Hall

MESSAGE FROM DISTRICT GOVERNOR LYLE RYAN



My sisters and brothers in Rotary

"Light Up Rotary" is a theme that struck home with me as it was shared by incoming Rotary International President — Gary C.K. Huang this past January at the International Assembly in San Diego. By "Lighting Up Rotary" we are sharing all the great things

that we do in our communities and across this global village that we are part of. It led me to the theme for my year "Share the Light of Rotary"!

By sharing the light of Rotary all of us together have a very important role to play. Not only to keep the promise we made to ourselves when we joined Rotary which was to live by the Four Way Test in all that "we think, say or do" and that we would serve above ourselves. It is also our obligation to share the value that we as Rotarians receive by being part of the most powerful service organization in the world. It truly is our obligation to share the value proposition that being a Rotarian provides to any individual.

By sharing the light of Rotary we will be able to meet the goals that have been established for us by Rotary International. These goals were shared with your incoming Presidents this past February at Their President's Elect Training Seminar. I would like to share those with you now so that we are all moving in the same direction during the coming Rotary year:

- To grow our membership to 1.3 million during 2014-15. This equates to an 8.5% increase.

- Eradicate polio within the next three (3) years.
- Continue active support of the Rotary International Foundation and the goals for 2014-15:
- To eradicate polio let us finish the job.
- To support Rotary's own and only charity, through our continuing giving to The Rotary Foundation.
- To ensure the progress of our new grant program by participation in sustainable educational and humanitarian projects.
- To foster world understanding. Goodwill, and peace by promoting and publicizing the Rotary Peace Centers program.
- To emphasis that the health of The Rotary Foundation is in all of our hands.

Aggressive goals for the coming year! I truly believe that by "Lighting Up Rotary" and "Sharing the Light of Rotary" we will be able to strengthen and grow our district to support the goals established by Rotary International.

I would also like to extend a heartfelt Rotary "thank you" to Denis and Maureen Boyd. They have both provided our district with outstanding leadership during this past year and we are all better for their dedication to Rotary and District 5050!

P.J. and I believe that the best days of Rotary are yet to come — and that all of us will be prouder than ever of a Rotary that is larger, more active, and better known than ever before — a Rotary that touches more lives, and makes our communities and the world a better place. I look forward to our year together as we share the light of Rotary.

Lyle E. Ryan

District Governor 2014-2015

WELCOME BY OUR PRESIDENT ERIC MOLLEMA



Being elected the president of a Rotary Club is an honour and a privilege. Presidents before me have served with honour and have contributed to the success of our Club in various ways. I trust I will not be an exception.

As mentioned at the Installation Dinner our Club should collectively come to a decision in what direction it wants to move and the president and the board should adhere to

thereto. For this purpose our club, with the assistance of the District's Visioning team, will engage in a once off planning session where we will decide what we want to happen, and make it happen! Each member is encouraged to make the effort to attend and contribute.

Thank you for everyone who took the time to complete the online Membership Survey. The results of the survey are clear and confirm the board's view of what needs to be addressed.

Basically, we have a great club and we do wonderful things, but there are some issues that nearly everyone is concerned over. The first matter is that of a central direction for the Club. This is being addressed. The second is the quality of speakers at our luncheon. This has been addressed and Clint and Karen, with the assistance of various other members, will be giving the attention to this matter that it deserves. Thirdly is our membership. To reach our goals and maintain the projects and fundraisers we are currently doing, we need sufficient members. We are a going to address the matter of membership growth aggressively. Deb and her membership committee will be involving all the members at grassroots level to ensure that we reach our membership targets. There is even going to be rewards for those who do!

This year's focus is modest to allow us to achieve our goals. This allows the Club to build on the firm basis we are putting in place during this year.

Make the effort to be part of each activity this year and enjoy the fellowship of your friends in Rotary.

Eric Mollema - Meadow Ridge President 2014-2015

LAST WEEK'S MEETING

This was the first meeting of our new July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2015 Rotary Year, with Club President Eric Mollema at the helm.

Our only guest was Andrea Madden, the new CEO of the Chamber of Commerce, a guest of Terry Becker.

Members are reminded that our dues are now due. [An urgent plea to all club members: when paying your dues, club members are requested to make their donation to the Rotary Foundation, in the suggested amount of \$105. Our goal for the club is to have every member make some contribution throughout the coming year - so please - if you're not able to see your way clear to give \$105 right now, please donate at least \$25 so that we can not only have every club member participate in helping our Rotary charitable foundation continue its great work, but also so we can achieve our Club's goal of Every Member Every Year].

Matt DeBruyn gave our Rotary Moment, with the practical (and humorous) example of how the application of the Four-Way Test brings good (if unintended) results. In the things we say and do, ask yourself these four questions: Is it the truth? Is it fair to all

concerned? Will it build goodwill and better friendships? Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

Deborah Hyslop announced that the chartering of a new Rotaract Club will take place on Thursday, July 10, 2014. The Club will have youth services meetings twice a month. She will report back to our Rotary Club, as Deborah will be attending the charter night.

Happy and Sad

Urma Mollema congratulated hubby Eric on his job of being our club President, and wished him a happy birthday (July 10, 2014). She also was delighted that her son graduated from high school with a 93% average and will be going to U-Vic in the fall.



Ineke Boekhorst was pleased to advise that the book sale (which took place on Canada Day) raised \$724 for the International Services Committee project in Nicaragua. (She was also pleased to have her 2 grandsons over for a visit - even though [or was it because?] Peter had to do most of the entertaining).

Deborah Hyslop advised that there will be a Public Night to raise money for Katie's Place animal shelter on July 27 (which also happens to be on Deborah's 50th birthday). So for some fun and friendship, and to support a good cause, contact Deborah for details.



Guest Speaker

Terry Becker gave us a talk and a slide show [does that phrase date me?] of her trip to New Zealand following her attendance at the Rotary International Convention in Australia. Her trip to New Zealand included a tour of the country, and her group included past District Governor Sean Hogan.

Various places that she visited included a dairy farm, the Maungatautari Sanctuary, Boltholder, Firth Tower, Tauranga, a Kiwi processing plant, White Island, Lake Taupo, and the Tamaki Maori Village.

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Brian Bekar drew the 6 of Clubs - [too bad Brian!]

Submitted by Laurie Anderson