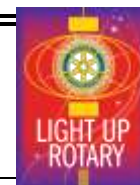


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Today: Libby Nelson – Who’s Who

Next Week:

Happy Birthday	Happy Anniversary	Invocation
June 24: Janis Elkerton June 27: Kim Roberts		June 30: Bob Shantz July 07: Walter Volpatti

CALENDAR OF CLUB EVENTS:

Date	Time	Event	Venue
July 19	11am	Rotary Duck Race – Race at 1pm	Maple Ridge Park – Alouette River
Oct. 27	noon	District Governor Bill Robson’s official visit	

ROTARY GLOBAL REWARDS

Rotary’s new member benefits program gives Rotary members access to discounts on a variety of products and services selected with their interests in mind.

DISCOUNTS & SPECIAL OFFERS

When Rotary Global Rewards launches in July, the program will include discounts on car rentals, hotels, dining, and entertainment. More products and services from companies around the world will be added throughout the year. Check back often to see what’s new in Rotary Global Rewards.



HOW IT WORKS

Anyone can view the offers and discounts on Rotary Global Rewards. But only Rotary club members who are signed in to their My Rotary accounts can redeem them. You can access and redeem rewards from your computer, smartphone, or tablet.

Create a My Rotary account now so you’re ready to take advantage of the new member benefits program when it’s available. If you need help creating an account, see the [How to Create a My Rotary Account quick guide \(PDF\)](#).

AFRICA ON BRINK OF POLIO ERADICATION

Nigeria and the whole continent of Africa is on the cusp of being polio free, Dr. Hamid Jafari told audience members at the Rotary Convention on 8 June in São Paulo, Brazil.

Between 2013 and 2014, the reported cases of polio dropped from 53 to just six in Nigeria. Even more encouraging, said Jafari, is that the last case of polio in Nigeria was reported in July of last year and the last case in all of Africa was reported in Somalia in August.

“With a year of no polio cases in Nigeria tantalizingly close, and no cases in Somalia since August, the tireless work of so many people across the continent is paying off,” said Jafari, director of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative for the World Health Organization. “But it is incredibly important that Nigeria remains vigilant. As long as polio exists anywhere, it will continue to be a threat everywhere.”

Transmission of the wild poliovirus has also never been stopped in Afghanistan and Pakistan. In 2014, 85 percent of polio cases worldwide were in Pakistan, the country’s highest case count in over a decade. But progress has been made over the last few months to stem the spread of the virus. The focus for the government and all of the polio partners has shifted to missed children. Vaccinators have gained access to areas that have been out of reach for years, said Jafari.

Since January, cases in Pakistan are lower than this time last year thanks to advocacy work from Rotary members, said Jafari. “This is a reminder that we cannot let politics and conflict stand in our way, because at the end of the chain stands a mother or father that just wants to protect their child. But the coming months are the real test. We are entering the high season for polio transmission.”

LAST WEEK'S MEETING

Jim introduced our guests - Kalen Wallace left early, leaving no other guests.

Rotary Moment by **Walter Volpatti**: The Rotary Centre in the outskirts of the village of Castleton, U.K. is the home of the longest running Rotary Club project in the world!

In 1920 the members of the newly formed Rotary Club of Sheffield decided to take a group of boys (whose fathers had been killed during the First World War) away for a week-long holiday. In 1935 the land was purchased in Castleton to make a permanent base for these holidays and they have continued right up to the present day. The Rotary Club now runs 3 weeks with 30 children on each week, inviting children aged 9-13 who are recommended as deserving a residential activity holiday due to their circumstances.

Happy and Sad

Betty Johanson was sad that her Grandfather is in poor health, but happy that she has a new Grand-daughter.

Mike Davies was happy to be back after being ill for several weeks. He noted the great help he got from the medical system. He thanked everybody for the phone calls and well wishes.

Dave Rempel was happy to see Mike back.

Angie Edmonds was happy that her son is graduating from Grade 7 and will attend MRSS next year.

Ineke Boekhorst noted she was happy to see Mike back. She also noted that everyone is welcome to sell Duck race tickets on the 4th of July at the Haney Farmers Market between 9-2. Everyone is invited to consider signing up and try to sell the 2 ticket books we are all required to sell. Ineke suggested a venue like the District Conference is a great place to sell tickets; she sold tickets at the District 5060 Conference in Kelowna.

She met a couple of people to be considered for speaking at an upcoming meeting, such as the person who organized \$50 concrete stoves that would replace open fire pits. Or the person who organized helping girls have access to feminine hygiene products in many underprivileged areas.

President Eric called on **Mike Davies** and **Dave Rempel** to receive Certificates of Appreciation, as they were absent at the Installation Night. - [You can see all the pictures on the website](#) -

Announcements

Papa Duck Bob Shantz invited everybody involved with the Duck Race for a meeting on Thursday July 2nd at his house 22696 132 Ave. It will start at 5:30 pm and will last for about an hour.

He noted that we all need to sell more tickets!

Cheque Presentation

Angie presented a cheque of \$500 to **The Pitt Meadows Day Society President, Rick Higgs**.

Rick thanked us for the continued support, noted this will be his last year as president as he intends to step down and pass the responsibility to the next generation. He noted next year is also the 75th year of the celebration.



Fine Master was **Kim Roberts** – if no guest speaker was suggested over the past 6 months, they owed. So many people paid the fine this week.

Clint introduced this week's speaker, **Ed Marshall from SPECC-tacular Productions**.

Formed in 2009 as a Non-for-Profit organization with help from community grants. They are aimed at entertaining all ages.

They are a Musical Theatre Company specialising in Pantomime and musical revues within Maple Ridge, Pitt Meadows and the surrounding areas.



Why musical theatre? Because musical theatre has been a universal entertainment, a talent development and a teaching vessel for communities throughout the ages. For us, theatre has always been an escape and a venue that allows us to leave our daily life and delve into a universe that is distinctly 'other'.

Community theatre unlike anywhere else is a place where singers, actors, dancers and technicians come together to create a magical place to 'play'.

We take pride in our work creating opportunities for amateur actors whilst providing the community with top class professional performances.

Cast and crew range in ages from 8 – 82 and no one takes any pay from the profits.

Many people help keep this a top end program. The large budgets are covered by ticket sales and grants.

Shows have included Cinderella, Beauty and the Beast, A Christmas Carol, Oliver, Sleeping Beauty, The Snow Queen as well as an annual Pantomime.

At the end Ed took questions:

Q: What is the next show?

A: Hansel and Gretel Pantomime.

Q: Have you considered a Dinner Theater?

A: Have done a benefit show with dinner.

Q: How can you do all this work, as so much time is needed?

A: We are well organized: the Christmas show planning starts in April, rehearsals start in August for the show.

50/50

Mark Vosper won the 50/50 draw but did not pick out the right card.

Submitted by Graeme Ross