

Meetings: Tuesday 12 Noon, Bella Vita Restaurant

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JULY IS THE FIRST ROTARY YEAR'S MONTH

Today (July 24):

Next Week (July 31):

Happy Birthday	Happy Anniversary
July 30: Brian Bekar and Deborah Hyslop	

CALENDAR OF CLUB AND DISTRICT EVENTS:

Date	Time	Event	Venue
Sun. July 22	5:00 PM	House Concert with Robert Campbell and Cailin Green	Dave Rempel's home: 10607 277 St. Maple Ridge
August 12	11:00 AM	Rotary Duck Race – race at 1 pm	Maple Ridge Park

LAST WEEK'S MEETING

Mark Vosper, filling in for President Clint, presided over the meeting today.

Sharon Kyle did double duty, nay, triple duty as the sergeant, leading the anthem and giving an invocation.

Happy & Sad:

- Dave Rempel sprang to his feet to promote the concert with Roca July 22 at 5 pm delivering up a loonie.
- Debbie McRae passes on greetings from Lynda Lawrence. Lynda's father is feeling better, but still needs the care of his loyal daughter.
- Libby is happy to have Mark chair the meeting.
- Mike Davies has been spending some time at the hospital as Gladys has recently had both cataract and abdominal surgery. We wish you a speedy recovery Gladys!
- Ineke was pleased with the response to her email notifying past members of the upcoming concert. Some are coming, others were pleased just to hear from her.

Fines:

Patrick asked questions about the eradication (not the eructation) of two major diseases. Members correctly identified the eradication of small pox (May of 1980 – where were you on the 8th?). Help was required to identify the elimination of rinderpest (nasty disease of cattle) declared on October 14, 2010. Seems like everyone paid up.

Guest Speaker: the one and only, our very own, Ineke (past president X2)



Topic: RI Convention 2018 at the self-proclaimed Centre of the Universe (Toronto)

This was Ineke's 15th RI convention. Yowza!

Peter drove their RV all the way there and back through all kinds of weather, over 9,000 km. They were housed with the other RV rotary fellowship gang of 63 rigs in a parking lot with easy access via bike or free transit pass to the convention.



It was TO's most international convention ever, (probably Canada's too) and injected about 46 million into the economy. Ineke was most impressed by the transit, the walking/bike paths and the beauty of the waterfront.

Ineke was very pleased overall, suggesting this gathering was in the top 5 of her multiple experiences. Dignitaries came from everywhere to bask in the Rotary halo and TO was awash with the participant handbags. Prime Minister Trudeau (announced another \$150 million to snuff out polio) was there along with Princess Anne, Dr A. Gloag (freedom from fistulas) and of course RI past president Ian Riseley.



RI President Ian Riseley at the closing ceremony

Ineke especially enjoyed the house of friendship – great food, music, projects, displays etc. The yacht club hosted the hospitality night. After the Closing Event we attended a District dinner, where we met about 40 other District 5050 Convention goers.

Next year the RI Conference is in Hamburg, Germany. Peter is sure he isn't going to drive this time.

Ineke made it fast with one more thing: August 18th garage sale next to the Hospice Thrift Store. Donations of saleable stuff welcome! We need volunteers from 10 am to 2 pm.

Patrick O'Brien won the 50/50. The queen of spades turned up to spite him, disgruntled as she was at having him use the word "eructation" during lunch.

Mark Vosper closed the meeting with a toast to the Queen (Elizabeth, not the spade one). Pretty sure on that one.

Submitted by Patrick O'Brien



Ineke received a \$1050 cheque from Chances for the Starfish Pack program.

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Downtown Maple Ridge

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Conditions apply

Saturday, August 18 | 10AM - 2PM
Hospice Thrift Store Parking Lot, 12011 224 St, Maple Ridge, BC
Contact: 604-467-2420/Events@downtownmapleridge.ca