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Today (July 16): Business Meeting
Next Week (July 23): **Patrick Dobbyn – Who's Who**

CALENDAR OF CLUB EVENTS:

Date	Time	Event	Venue
July 29	6 pm	Club Social: <i>Billy Miner pub, Music on the Wharf</i>	Haney Wharf
Aug. 9	5 pm	Labeling of the "Race Ducks" at Bonnie Telep's home	21812 127 Ave. Maple Ridge
Aug. 11	11 am	Rotary Duck Race	Maple Ridge Park
Aug. 17	10 am – 2 pm	Car Boot Sale: RM Hospice Thrift Store - Parking Lot	
Aug. 27	Noon	DG Brad Whittaker's Visit	
Sep. 6-8		Rotary Camping Weekend	Fort Camping - (9451 Glover Rd, Fort Langley)

ROTARY DUCK RACE

2019 Rotary Duck Race information:

Labeling of the "Race Ducks":

Friday August 9, starting at 5pm at Bonnie Telep's Home.

There will be food – bring a chair and wine (if you'd like wine!)

We need EVERYBODY to assist with this, so it will be done quickly
.....bring family if they are able to help!

Rotary Duck Race event day:

Sunday August 11, 11 am – 2pm (actual Duck Race at 1pm)

We need EVERYBODY to assist with this; many volunteer opportunities (talk to MATT)

Bring the kids/grandkids, as we have old fashioned kids games and prizes for every game!

LAST WEEK'S MEETING

President Adrienne Dale presided.

Cheque presentation and Guests:

Guests were:

Brad Perrie, Pitt Meadows fire chief,
Brent Hannah, firefighter, and
Emma Larsson, student and bursary recipient.



The club presented a cheque in the amount of \$1,000 to Emma Larsson, who graduated at the top of the 2019 Pitt Meadows Youth Fire Academy. The Academy takes four students from Pitt Meadows Secondary School and run them through the recruit program to provide fire fighting service training as part of the schools work experience program.

Of particular interest was the Combat Program, which prepares the students to be "combat ready" to fight a fire. They must learn how to climb ladders, move hoses, and even get experience fighting a car fire and a building fire. Emma did it all with flying colours.

Brent Hannah stated that 10 graduates from the Academy over the years have become paid-on-call firefighters, and a few of them have gone on to be come full-time firemen.

Volunteers Needed:

President Adrienne Dale reminded members that the Port Moody Rotary Club is looking for volunteers to help with their annual Rib Fest, which will be held on July 19-21.

How do I volunteer? *Contact Linda Balzer, Volunteer Coordinator at 604-341-4387 or at PoMoRibfestvolunteers@gmail.com and we would be pleased to have your help. Many hands make for light work! You can also click on*

<http://www.portmoodyribfest.ca/interested-in-volunteering.html>

Today's quip:



Happy and Sad

Ineke and Peter's daughter Marjolein, who follows her parents footsteps in being very involved in Rotary, received a Paul Harris from a fellow Rotarian in recognition of the good work that she does. Ineke also went to the installation of the District Governor in Kelowna.

Mark Forster (who just came back from a great trip to Europe) is sad not to still be on holidays.

Sharon Kyle reported that she and her husband **Ron** went with **Matt and Lynda DeBruyn** on a golf trip where they apparently had a good time (but what happens at camp stays at camp!).

Mike Davies wasn't so happy, as he took his little boat out and had a little problem :



or did he say that he just damaged the propeller?.

Patrick Dobbryn sent his young active daughter off to see her grandparents, and claims they only bought a



Lynda Lawrence was sad that, in her hurry to leave home, her car got into a scrape with a concrete post while driving out of the garage, and the car lost the fight.

[As Don Quixote said "Whether the stone hits the pitcher or the pitcher hits the stone, it's going to be bad for the pitcher."]

Program: **Ineke Boekhorst** - Rotary International Convention



We were privileged to hear about Ineke's trip to Hamburg Germany, where she and 26,000 other Rotarians attended the 110th annual RI Convention which was held June 1 - 5. She is an experienced frugal traveller (or has a great travel agent) because she got a return flight to Amsterdam for only \$599, took the train to Hamburg, and got an AirBnB in Hamburg for only \$49 a night. Believe it or not, this was Ineke's 17th international convention that she has attended!

The following are some of her comments about her trip: Rotary brings together a global network of volunteer leaders who dedicate their time and talent to tackle the world's most pressing humanitarian challenges. Rotary connects 1.2 million members from around the world. Their work impacts lives at both the local

and international levels, from helping families in need in their own communities, to working toward a polio-free world.

I am soo proud to be part of the Rotarian Global Network.

What did I think about the Convention? Not quite as amazing as Toronto last year, but the speakers were good (as usual) and there were many breakout sessions to choose from. The House of Friendship was impressive. Hats off to HOC (Host Organizing Committee) for the Hospitality Night organization...really great!

I arrived in Hamburg Friday May 31 and walked through the City for hours. Saint Michael's Church is Hamburg's Landmarka beauty, inside and out.



One thing that impresses me about Hamburg is that there is lots of Public Art all around the city to enjoy. Hamburg's most popular landmark is the Elbphilharmonie concert hall in the HafenCity quarter of Hamburg, Germany, on the Grasbrook peninsula of the Elbe River. It is one of the largest and acoustically most advanced concert halls in the world. It is popularly nicknamed Elphi.

There are lots of patios, with beer flowing day and night.



Saturday June 1- there was an Interfaith Service at Saint Michaelis Church, where the German Rotary Choir sang beautifully!

One night I took a ferry-ride on the Elbe.

The convention started with our outgoing RI President Barry Rassin speaking to us, followed by MANY amazing speakers. Our Past RI President was on the road in the service of Rotary 320 days out of 365 during the last Rotary year. Our new President, Mark Maloney, was District to Governor at the age of 30.

An impressive sight was to watch the Flag Parade where Rotarians marched in carrying a flag for each of the countries in the world where Rotary exists.

One of the main benefits of attending a Rotary convention is the range of topics and the exceptional speakers from around the world. One of the really great speakers was RI General Secretary John Hewko.



And of course there is always: the "House of Friendship".



There were many Breakout Sessions to choose from. Some of the sessions I participated in were:

- Rotary Business School: "Teamwork" – step outside your "comfort zone" and trust each other.
- Strategies for advancing Women in Rotary Leadership: Identify barriers and take action
- Rotary Business School: Circular Economy, zero impact on the planet.
- Toastmasters & Rotary: priority to finalize partnership
- "Hospitality Night"- Hamburg Yacht Club



The Sessions were very well attended.

The Closing session was on day four. The Perpetuum Jazzile group was amazing, ..the Baha Men ("Who Let the Dogs Out") group was entertaining.... and it was just hard to see it all end! Such wonderful memories we all have, to take home with us!!

Some general facts:

- Most multi-cultural convention ever to be held in Hamburg
- The 110th annual International Rotary Convention brought at least 25,000 Rotary club members from over 175 countries to Hamburg – injecting an estimated \$48.5 million CAD into the local economy.
- This was Hamburg's 1st RI Convention

Thank You Meadow Ridge Rotary for the opportunity to attend the Hamburg Convention

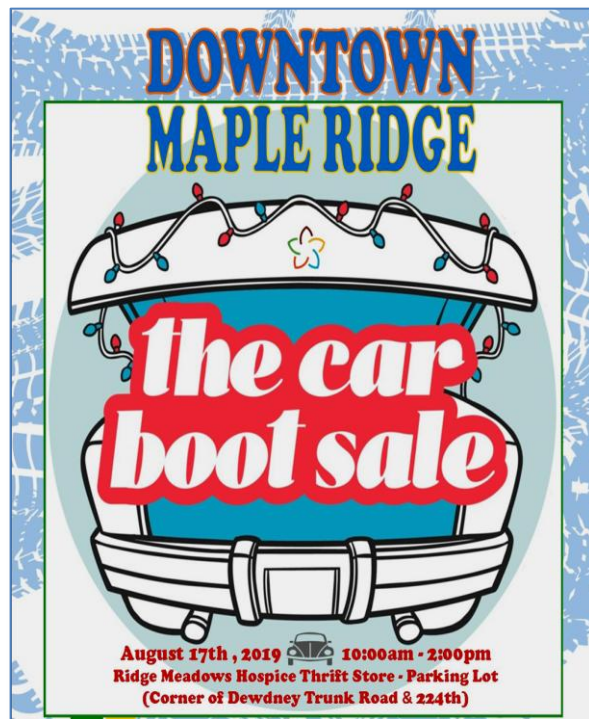
Next year it will be held in June 6 – 10th, 2020 we haven't registered for Honolulu (yet!).

And remember Adrienne's closing thought:



Submitted by Laurie Anderson

ROTARY CAR BOOT SALE



- We need donations of garage sale items. (No baby seats/cribs or large furniture items)
- Everything needs to be clean and "working".
- Call Peter or Ineke for drop off/pick up. (604-465-3392)
- We need volunteers for 2 hr shifts on Aug 17.
- Assistance required for set up, pricing, sales and break down.
- All remaining leftover items will be donated to the Ridge Meadows Hospice Thrift Store
- 100% of proceeds to Rotary projects.

DISTRICT 5050 EVENTS

We have a great start to the year as Rotary International President Mark Maloney will be visiting our District and there are two opportunities to interact with him.

The first is a District event where you can meet and chat with President Mark on Saturday, August 17, from 4 – 6 pm, at Kwantlen Polytechnic University Spruce building, 12666 72 Ave, Surrey, BC. This is where the District holds the District Assembly. I encourage you and your family to come to the event. Tickets are \$25 Cdn and children under 12 are admitted free. Rotarians can register at [ri-president-mark-maloney-reception](#).

President Mark will be speaking at 30th Anniversary Gala Dinner of Canadian Eyesight Global on Sunday, August 18, starting at 6 pm (doors open at 5 pm) at the Grand Taj Banquet Hall, 8288 128 Street, Surrey, BC.

Tickets of \$50 CDN can be purchased at [CanadianEyesight.org](#).

I would also like to welcome you, your family, and fellow club members and their families to the District Governor Installation and District Awards on Sunday, July 21, beginning at 4:30 pm for Social Hour and 5:30 pm Dinner at the Quality Hotel, 36035 N Parallel Road, Abbotsford, BC. Tickets are \$55 CDN and you can register at [district-governor-installation](#). If you wish to stay overnight, there is a special rate at the hotel of \$125 CDN.

Other notable events include the Everett Aquasox Polio-Plus Fundraiser where \$20 US will get a ticket and a hot dog. The game is on August 3 at the Funko Field in Everett. This is a joint District 5050 and District 5030 (Seattle) fundraiser for Polio Plus. Tickets are available at www.polionight.com

The District Golfun is on Friday, August 23, at Homestead Golf and Country Club in Lynden, WA, where one can golf and have dinner ([golfun-2019](#)) or just have dinner ([golfun-2019-dinner-only](#))