

Rotary
Club of Kelowna Capri



CAPRI ECHO

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Newsletter for the Rotary Club of Kelowna Capri

Website: <https://caprirotary.ca/>

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Mar 17 – St. Patrick’s Day meeting. Wear green!!

Mar 24 - Regular meeting

Mar 31 – Regular meeting

The meeting begins at 5:30 pm at Moxie’s Restaurant after a social period from 5 – 5:30 pm.



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**SIGNS SIGNS EVERYWHERE
THERE'S SIGNS**

**Woke up handsome
again 😞 this is
getting ridiculous**



Think I'll keep my curious fingers in my pockets.



The Sheriff was feeling in a semi-political mood this evening. He was aware that Rotary meetings are to be free of political discussion but decided it didn't include having to listen to

political thoughts. Besides who was going to fine him? So here a few of his thoughts...

Canadians must feel like they are living above a meth lab.

I have no interest in joining the United States. I would rather the Great Depression to the Great Replacement.

Trump couldn't even handle the province of Québec as a "51st state" let alone the whole country of Canada.

Fellow Canadians, release the GEESE!



2025 Rotary International Congress



The following is an active link to the convention website:

[Rotary Convention](#)

District Conference 2025

Cancelled due to Calgary event.

Seedy Sunday



On Sunday March 9th Lockie and Carola Spek raised some funds selling bees and bee houses. Also with them was Randy and Lorie from Sunrise Rotary.

Rotary Day Planning Committee

The Rotary Clubs of the Kelowna area are organizing a kick of summer festival with Rotary Day on June 14, 2025, at the Parkinson Rec Centre as it has indoor and outdoor space for food and entertainment.

The Clubs have been asked to donate between \$250 and \$2000 to this event. So far, the Rotary Club of Kelowna, Sunrise, Mission and the Capri Club have confirmed their amount.

The Strong Neighbourhood Block program might provide us with a free stage, sound equipment, and kids' games. We are also looking into renting bouncy castles and similar equipment.

BBQ donations and sponsorship are being sought for the event. In addition, we are looking for a sponsor for an outsourced beer garden.

Central Okanagan Performing Arts Festival



Festival Schedule 2025

Dance

March 30th – April 4th, 2025
Rotary Centre for the Arts 421
Cawston Avenue

Piano

April 7th – 11th, 2025
St. Andrews Church 4619
Lakeshore

Strings & Chamber Orchestra

April 22nd – 25th, 2025
St. Andrews Church 4619
Lakeshore

Voice

April 28th – May 2nd, 2025
St. Andrews Church 4619
Lakeshore

Gala & Reception

Friday, May 16th, 2025
Rotary Centre for the Arts 421
Cawston Avenue

There is a finer detailed schedule for each venue (dance, music and voice) on their website:

<https://copafestival.com/>

Volunteers are needed:

Please contact:

Julie Mulligan, Volunteer Coordinator

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Pollinator Activity Pledge – President Jack Degruchy

As president, I signed the following pledge and resolution to support initiatives around pollination in our area.

After completing the [Pollinator Resolution](#), this form records that your organization is taking action to support pollinators. ESRAG, the Environmental Sustainability Rotary Action Group, will not share your contact information without your approval. We will share your organization name, type, and activity description to educate and inspire other groups.

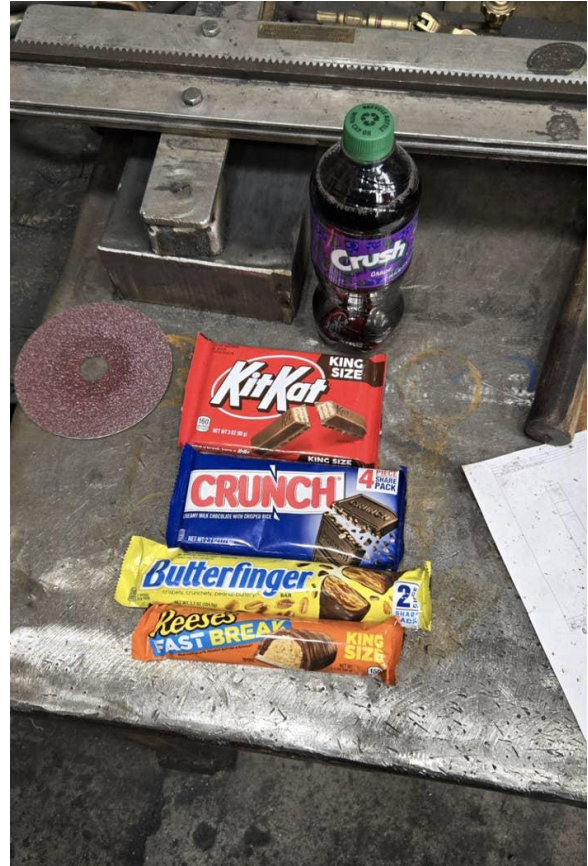
Possible Projects 2025

Some discussion occurred over two possible projects this summer.

The first was Pollinator Gardens. Essentially President Jack Degruchy suggested we might do some maintenance at the existing pollinator gardens. One real problem is that we are an elderly club and not really a working club anymore. Jack Degruchy has some contacts the city and will try to arrange a speaker to find out what they are planning and could we be of assistance.

The second project has to do with trees. The city has a 35-acre site that they are going to clear and then tree to turn it into a parklike site for the public. Towards this they will be planting trees and there might be a chance to perform some service here. Jack will again arrange a speaker on this possibility of assistance.

HUMOUR



A care package for a coworker who dropped a part on his foot and broke it.



GUEST SPEAKER

No guest speaker this evening.

GALLERY



No Turning Back – Not Then – Not Now
by Ashvillia (James Shelly - Greece)



Cereal by steel Web Productions (Sweden)



A Very Melancholic Scene of a Beautiful Young Woman by Amanda Owl Ukn)