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My Career in the NHL Kelly Hrudey, Hockey Night in Canada Analyst



Bart introduced Kelly Hrudey, our guest speaker. Firstly he thanked Kelly for showing up as he was not feeling well. "Kelly was born in Edmonton, a small town north of Calgary. He played his junior hockey in Medicine Hat, and was drafted in the second round of the 1981 draft by the New York Islanders. After a couple of years in Indianapolis in the Central Hockey League, he joined Al Arbour's Islanders and played there for the better part of 6 seasons. Then a trade to Los Angeles and 8 years in goal for the Kings, playing with Wayne Gretzky. He wound up his career playing in San Jose for 2 seasons. He played a total of 677 games in the NHL. For 20 years now, he has been an analyst with HNIC and colour man for the Flames TV games. He has written 2 books in which he talks about the game, and the stresses and tensions it creates. He's a survivor. He and his wife Donna have 3 daughters."

Kelly spoke of his challenges getting started in hockey. He feels that because he was cut so many times it made him a fighter, and that is what propelled him into the NHL. In fact when he finally made it, he wasn't ready, he had only brought enough clothes to stay for a couple of days. His four other friends didn't make it, and he told a white lie and said he had been asked to stick around for a day or two. He said if he had to do it again he would have more fun and not be so hard on himself. Then he admitted he is still hard on himself as a hockey analyst. He had lots of mentors and coaches along the way that helped him through his career. One bad slump his coach brought in Tony Robbins to help him through it. Robbins asked him who did he compare himself to when he was losing and when he was winning. When he was winning he felt like General Schwarzkopf, and when he was losing, like Fred Flintstone when he was getting heck from his Boss. As the General he was in charge, he didn't care who the shooter was ... it was his ice. Anyway, he climbed out of his slump and his team went on to the Stanley Cup finals. Kelly had a long career in the NHL but he pointed out that 50% of NHL players only play 50 games.

There were lots of questions at the end:

Who was the best Hockey player? Wayne Gretzky. He also said that Gretzky's star power was unlike anything he had ever seen. He had been on the Stanley Cup winning Islanders team with great players, but no comparison to Gretzky. What did he think of the Flames this year? He liked them. Who will win the Stanley Cup? No idea.



There were a lot more questions but I so enjoyed listening to him I forgot to take notes. OK, fire me David.

George presented Kelly with the certificate representing a donation made to Polio Plus in his name.



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Greeters: newer members, Pat and Francis

Attendance: 85, 50 Chinook members and 35 guests

President George asked for us to take our seats at 12.15. He was impressed how



quiet we all became trying to do this! Ruth was able to play our anthem and grace with one and a half hands. Lunch was served.

As there were so many guests George opted to skip the usual introduction of guests "as it would have taken up half the meeting". George did introduce the very important guests: Kelly Hrudey (the reason for the good attendance), District Governor Dan and his wife Marlene, and incoming DG Christine Rendell.

Photos courtesy George Van Schaick

Tom Sorenson has organized the World Series Pool.

Pat gave a Sunshine update. Gary had surgery but was at the meeting.

As Pool Boy, Rob gave Tammy \$20 as the winner of the Last Second Hockey Pool.

Anthony circulated sheets looking for interest in a coach trip to the Rosebud Theatre. The trip will be about \$100 per person, which



includes the coach, buffet lunch and the play. The play is Sherlock Holmes and the Case of The Christmas Carol. Anthony has also asked the Fish Creek Club if there is any interest — which there is.

TRF has just been inducted into the University of Oxford Chancellor's Court of Benefactors. Since 1949 scholarships have



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Economic and Community Development Month

October 23rd Polio Program — Ian Burgess
 October 25th Networking Night — @ Limericks, 5:30 - 7pm — contact Rob Wolfson
 Cribbage Club @ Horton Road Legion — rear dining room
 fellowship/food/drink @ 5:30, games start @ 6:30 — contact Peter Bickham
 October 30th Gord Gillies, Morning Host CHQR

Rotary Foundation Month

November 6th Fundraising Committee
 November 8th Cribbage Club @ Horton Road Legion — front dining room
 fellowship/food/drink @ 5:30, games start @ 6:30 — contact Peter Bickham
 November 10th 5–7pm @ Toppler Bowl, 7640 Fairmount Drive SE — 2 hrs bowling, shoe rentals
 and pizza — sign-up sheet will go around at meetings — contact Rob Wolfson
 November 11th Remembrance Day Service “Rotary Remembers” — at the Carriage House @ 10:00 am
 November 13th No noon meeting re the Remembrance Day Service in lieu
 November 20th Tom Higgins, former CFL Head Coach In Calgary, Edmonton and Montreal
 November 22nd Networking Night — @ Limericks, 5:30 - 7pm — contact Rob Wolfson
 Friends of Chinook Rotary Information Night
 Cribbage Club @ Horton Road Legion — rear dining room
 fellowship/food/drink @ 5:30, games start @ 6:30 — contact Peter Bickham

Disease Prevention and Treatment Month

December 4th Club Christmas Party
 December 6th Cribbage Club @ Horton Road Legion — location TBC
 fellowship/food/drink @ 5:30, games start @ 6:30 — contact Peter Bickham



Meeting Minutes

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been awarded to more than 200 Oxford scholars. Membership of the Court of Benefactors is conferred on those who have been outstandingly generous to the University of Oxford. In the past 4 years TRF has donated US\$277 million for clean water and sanitation; education, prevention and treatment of disease; saving mothers and children; and growing local economies. Money also gets donated for promoting peace.



Dave Townsend, from Sarcee, announced that his club's breakfast speaker on Thursday November 1st, is Mary Moran, CEO of the Olympic Bid Corp. The meeting is in the Bow Valley Club in BV Square. Doors open at 6.15am, breakfast buffet at 7, speaker at 7.15 and questions 7.30. Cost \$20.00 More details in Wha ZUP.

Terry Green announced the Remembrance Day lunch at the Carriage House on Sunday, November 11, starts at 10.00. Cost \$30.00, after November 5 \$35.00. The speaker is Dr. David Bercuson, University of Calgary, Center for Military & Strategic Studies.



Bruce Bohnet's friend George won the 50/50 and very generously gave the money back.

Sergeant-at-Arms: Paul Gaudet



Guests are not fined but can pay if they wish. Or can join our club! Maximum fine is a toonie.

October 24 is World Polio Day. Ian is making a presentation at next week's meeting. An article on Polio Plus is in the current Rotarian. Several years ago 125 countries had polio cases. Today three — Nigeria, Afghanistan and [cont'd on page 3 ...](#)

5-Pin Bowling & Pizza !!

Saturday November 10th from 5 – 7pm

@ Toppler Bowl, 7640 Fairmount Drive SE

\$25 per person

includes 2 hours of bowling, shoe rentals and pizza
 (drinks at own expense)

Sign-up on the sheet at meetings or contact Rob Wolfson



Pakistan. Without Polio Plus 17.4 MILLION people would have polio.

- Cannabis legal tomorrow. Those that think that is a mistake pay a \$1.
- Those not having had a flu shot pay \$1. The flu shot is not just for the recipient — it is also for anyone they associate with, including grandchildren.
- Many members always sit in the same spot every week. All those that do this pay a \$1. Paul asked everybody to move around.



Good News/Bad News

- DG Dan's good news is his event on World Polio Day, October 24th, at the Globe Theatre. There will be live streaming of RI's End Polio. Not many years ago there were 1,000 reported polio cases DAILY, now there are 19

worldwide this year. Pinkie for Polio is raising funds for polio eradication. Dan is challenging the clubs in the District to raise \$100,000. The Flames Foundation has donated \$20,000, and with other major donations, the total is already at \$60,000.

- Dave Wylie said their daughter (who just turned 50) went on a Youth Exchange. She has friends from that Exchange coming to visit her from Japan and the UK. As Dave said that is the power of the friendships built up during Youth Exchanges.
- Tammy had a good news \$20 (she has just one in the Hockey pool). She received a phone call from the Insurance Business of Canada. Out of 30,000 Insurance Companies and Agencies across Canada, she is a finalist (1 of 5) for the Excellence in Philanthropy and Community Service.



- Christine Rendell's good news is that she is going to Nairobi to see Fish Creek Rotarian (and founder of Full Soul), Christina Hassan, receive Young Innovator of the Year award. One of only six given out worldwide. Chinook donated to Full Soul last year so it

could continue its amazing work giving maternity kits to clinics and hospitals in Uganda. Through their work, one clinic has not had a maternal death in the past year. Because of the clinic's reputation mothers are going there to have their babies which makes its record all the more remarkable.

President George recognized John Charrett. John was invited into the club 37 years ago by Vince Molloy. He was President in



'95/96, was a volunteer at the Calgary RI Convention in '96, is a PHF+2, Director of Youth Services from '15-17, and helped revive the Mentorship programme at Fairview School.

Bart introduced Kelly Hrudey, our guest speaker.

George closed the meeting at 1.30.



Rotary Remembers 2018

The 2018 Rotary Clubs of Calgary Rotary Remembers event will be held on Sunday November 11th at the Carriage House Inn starting at 10:00 AM.

This year's speaker will be Dr. David Bercuson from the University of Calgary Centre for Military and Strategic Studies.

You can register online on the District 5360 website or by contacting Terry Green. Cost is \$35.00.



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