



Club of Calgary
at Stampede Park

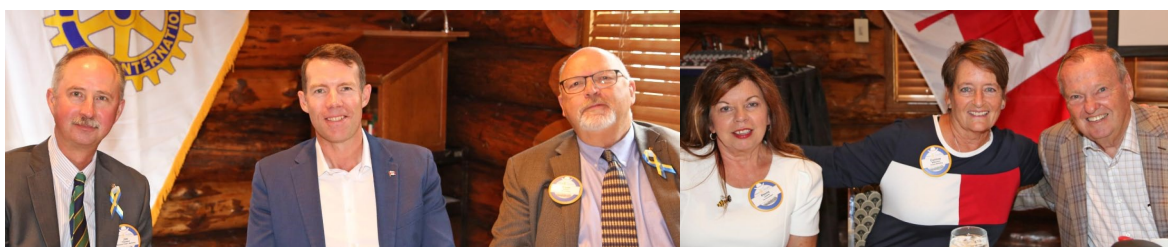


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**Welcome to the August 25th meeting of the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park.
It is my pleasure and honour to be the Club's President, Jim Fitzowich.**

Head Table: left to right; **President Jim**, John Barlow, Bryan Walton, Penny Leckie, Corinne Wilkinson and Jack Thompson.



Announcements: President Jim Fitzowich

Today's speaker topic is an update on the Agriculture and Agrifood Industry. Some interesting facts on Canadian Agriculture:

In 1900 50 cents of every average dollar earned was spent on food. Today it is 10%.

Speaking of 10%, that is the amount a farmer receives from the cost of an average restaurant meal. (**Bruce McDonald** teased President Jim about how much a meal should cost!).

Canada is the 5th largest agriculture exporter. The US, EU, Brazil and Australia are the other 4.

Worldwide, every second we lose about 1 soccer field of arable land, and add 2 more people to feed.

Please join **Glenn Potter** and myself for the singing of O Canada followed by Rotary Grace.

Enjoy your lunch and we'll be back soon.



President Jim acknowledged it is great to see **Norm Devitt** in attendance. Also, we sang Happy Birthday to **Steve Mason**.



Announcements Continued:

Health and Wellness:

Dana Hunter advises that Gena Rotstein's father passed away Tuesday morning. As is the Jewish custom to have funerals promptly, the family is having a small service this afternoon at 2 pm. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family.

Tommy Low is still in South Health Campus and can take visitors

Roger Jarvis's celebration of life will be 2 – 5 pm Tuesday Aug 30 at Eden Brook Reception Centre.

Ed Whitaker's daughter Wendy advises that Ed's celebration of life will be on Monday October 17th. Details will follow soon. He passed away at the age of 94.

Don O'Dwyer is home and recovering well from heart surgery.



50/50: : **Micheal Zacharki** asked our Guest Speaker John Barlow to put a ticket and we gave \$110.00 to our winner Spencer Tonkinson – who donated the funds back to our Club! Thanks Spencer!



Visitors and Guests: Sandy Dougal read out the names and we gave a terrific rendition of our Welcome song.



Corrine Wilkinson announced the President's party on September 15th. We need to celebrate the good work of the Presidents and party!

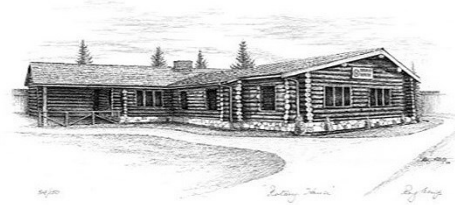
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Bryan Walton updated us on the Peace Park event.

[More information on page 8](#)



Ken Farn announced that volunteer activities are back in full swing. He is looking for volunteers for Sept 18th from 8 am to around noon. You don't have to run – just help organized those that do! Contact Ken for more information and to volunteer!



Announcements Continued:

SAVE the DATE

Rotary Celebrates our Presidents

Thursday, September 15

ATCO Blue Flame Kitchen

7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Come enjoy an evening in a theme that might be best described as the Calgary Stampede meets Downton Abbey! Men in your casual business attire complete with your cowboy hat, and women dressed as you please, complete with your favourite fancy hat or fascinator.

A reception style evening that includes the fabulous entertainers from our Christmas luncheon, Mary Boyes vocals and David, her accompanying guitarist. The evening includes cheese, charcuterie and appetizers, along with wine, beer and non-alcoholic beverages, dessert, coffee and tea.

There is plenty of free parking at the ATCO Blue Flame Kitchen, both surface parking as well as underground. There is also a round-about at the main south front door where you can let people off before parking.

Plenty of seating is available at the reception.

-Corinne

Celebrating Rotary Presidents

Thursday, September 15

ATCO Blue Flame Kitchen, 5302 Forand Street SW

7:00 - 9:00 PM reception, live entertainment, appetizers, beverages



Think Downton Abbey

Enjoy an evening of men in your business casual, complete with your fedora or cowboy hat, and women in your casual/cocktail with your favourite fancy hat or fascinator. Join us to celebrate the Presidents of the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park in this fun themed evening.

There is free parking at ATCO above and below ground with an easy main south front door drop-off. (Note the North door will be locked).

While this is a reception style evening featuring the Red Seal Chefs, there is plenty of seating in this stunning venue.

Enjoy the much-loved live music of Mary Boyes and her guitarist, Dave who you'll remember joined our Rotary Christmas luncheon.

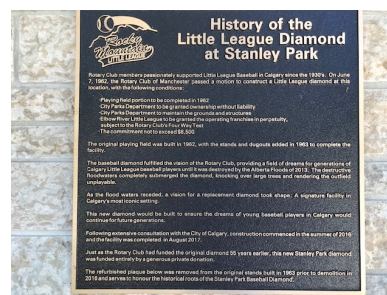
Cost is \$55/person - includes hot and cold appetizers, cheese and charcuterie boards, desserts, and two drink tickets per person for wine, beer, and/or non-alcoholic beverages.

Book the same way you book Thursday lunch at www.RotaryStampedePark.com. You will see the event listed there. **YOU MUST BOOK & PAY BY SEPTEMBER 7** as we are required to give ATCO the final count September 8. Sorry, there is no flexibility on this date.

See you for our long-awaited celebration.

A quick recap from Ken Farn's presentation last week with photos included.

PP Ken Farn an important Club project history milestone is highlighted that goes back over 60 years! When we were still Manchester, we donated money to build the baseball diamond, field house, stands etc. in Stanley Park, The Little League teams played there. Just this month the Calgary team won their championship there and are going on to the worlds! In 2013 when the flood happened, the whole baseball area was in ruins. In 2016 the organization began rebuilding and in doing so wanted to acknowledge our Club for all we had done for them. George Adam was the only remaining member of Manchester and they did talk with him.





Guest Speaker:

Bryan Walton introduces our speaker, John Barlow.

John was elected as a Member of Parliament to represent the federal riding of Macleod June 30, 2014 and was re-elected in 2015, 2019 and 2021 where the riding changed its name to Foothills. He currently serves as the Vice Chair of the Standing Committee on Agriculture and Agri-food and Food Security and is the elected Chair for the Canada-Scotland Parliamentary Friendship group for the 44th parliament.

John previously served as Shadow Minister for Agriculture and Agri-Food as well as Interprovincial Trade and Employment, Workforce Development and Labour.

John grew up in rural Saskatchewan and raised a family in southern Alberta. Before being elected to office in 2014, John had a 20-year career as an award-winning journalist with the Calgary Sun, High River Times and served as the Associate Publisher and Editor of the Okotoks Western Wheel. John and his wife Louise have 3 children (Graeden, Kinley and McKenna) and they live in High River.



John Barlow:

Thanks so much for having me back to talk with your Club. Food security affects all Canadians and in fact everyone in the world to some degree.

We are the guardians of the grasslands. The natural grasslands in Alberta are endangered in the eco-system. We all take for granted that the grasslands will always be there.

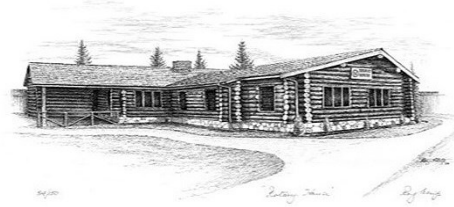
Food security is #1 in the world issues right now – some have lived in food security issues for decades. Length of wartime is always the unknown or when it may happen again. War puts extreme pressure on an already existing challenging sector. We work hard to feed the world – but, we also need to remember to feed our own citizens.

Canadians now have a better understanding of food insecurity since COVID. However, Canadians need more education about the process from farm to plate and how it 'just does not happen'. We all have an important role in educating ourselves. The economic development of putting the food on the table is very complex and involves thousands of people to make it happen.

Environmentally Canada leads the world regarding efficiency. We have significantly reduce our carbon footprint while needs keep increasing.

Some wins that the Official Opposition have had recently:

- Changes to the tax regime for generational land transfer to family.
- Eliminated toxin in farm fuel.



- Stopping the government putting labels on basically anything with trans-fats, sodium or sugar. But our global partners became very unhappy and with the lobbying that was done by Canadian members – the bill was dropped. As was the decision to label beef and pork. We must keep our eyes open though as these issues come around often.
- And a current bill on the floor is trespassing on farmland. This came about due to protesters welcoming themselves to barns and causing risk to livestock and themselves.

Fertilizer mandated reductions are currently being challenged. If the government proceeds with their planned reductions it will cause significant reductions in yield for the farmers. We need to have guidance based on science.

Thank you – I am open to your questions.

**** please review the recording of the meeting for the complete presentation!**



Penny Leckie thanked John for a great and informative presentation. She reminded the Club that the Stampede does a lot of agriculture education at the OH Ranch and this is a result of some of the donated funds by our Club.

John, we are not living in normal times. This information is critical for the agriculture sector. We appreciate you bringing your knowledge, experience and contacts to this matter. And, GIVE EM HELL!

In Closing:

President Jim: In recognition of your time updating us today we will be making \$100 donation to CRCF.

Next week's meeting is Linda Hunt talking to us about Rural Mental Health. It will be interesting, so bring your friends and family.

Final words: Thought for the day: *'Luck is where opportunity meets preparation.'*

-Denzel Washington.

And with that, our meeting is adjourned.

Thank you for coming. Have a great Rotary week —President Jim Fitzowich



Final Reminder to Register for Next Week's Meeting

www.rotarystampedepark.com



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THIS WEEK'S MEETING LINK:

<https://youtu.be/KhjWWhumVB0>

Reminder on Green Line Support of Jim Gray.

Our Committee must repeatedly make clear that “We Don’t Oppose the Green Line!” The reality is that we are trying to SAVE the Green Line.

Numerous folks experienced in municipal politics have told us that if we identify 500 supporters, it would, almost certainly, precipitate Council action. **We would request that all here today who agree with our recommendations agree to have your name added as a Supporter to this initiative and we ask you to implore others to do the same. Send your approval to jim.gray@brookfield.com.**

We stress the vital importance of getting this immense project right. Failure to do so will run the high risk of creating an economic disaster for our City.

Don’t linger in the stands. Get active on the playing field. Help us achieve our goal of signing up **500 “Supporters” before the end of August.**

-Thank you. Jim Gray.

NEW MEMBER PROPOSAL

Alan Hrehirchuk has been proposed for active membership to the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park as Sponsored by **Kevin MacLeod** and Seconded by **Larry Kennedy** with a proposed Classification of **Residential Renovations**.

If any Member objects to **Alan Hrehirchuk** joining our Club or to HIS/HER proposed classification an objection must be filed in writing with the Club Secretary, Luanne Whitmarsh: secretary@rotarycs.org prior to September 1st, 2022.



COMMUNITY KITCHEN VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITY !!!

Volunteers are required to build Good Food Boxes. Click on [Sign Up](#) to view available slots and book yourself directly online

Monday September 12th:

Tuesday October 18th:

Monday November 21st:

Tuesday December 6th:

5:00 pm to 8:00 pm

1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

5:00 pm to 8:00 pm

1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Earl Huson (403) 686-0828/ ehuslink@telusplanet.net

Ken Farn: (403) 560-6770/ kgfarn@telusplant.net



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ROTARY RIBBONS FOR PEACE FUNDRAISER

SUPPORT FOR UKRAINIAN EVACUEES TO ALBERTA!

Join the **ROTARY CLUB OF CALGARY AT STAMPEDE PARK** in raising funds to assist Ukrainian evacuees relocating to Alberta.

OCTOBER 12, 2022, 6 PM - 10 PM

POLISH CANADIAN CULTURAL CENTRE, 3015 15TH STREET NE

Master of Ceremonies/Auctioneer: Danny Hooper, Danny Hooper Productions

Guests of Honour: Hon Ed and Marie Stelmach

Remarks: Olesandr Danlyeiko, Consul General of Ukraine, Edmonton

Special Entertainment by Vykrutas Ukrainian Dance Society, followed by live Auction.

Tickets for the Evening are ONLY \$175 and include dinner, entertainment, live auction and special guests.

To show your further support, custom designed **Blue and Yellow Ribbons for Peace** will be available for a donation of \$100.00.

All donations tax deductible according to CRA guidelines.

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Slava Ukraini



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<https://www.watertonglacierpeacepark.org/2022-assembly-conference.html>



2022

PEACE PARK ASSEMBLY

GREAT FALLS, MONTANA

Celebrating 90 years of Waterton-Glacier International Peace Park

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

- 12 PM | Golf Tournament | Anaconda Hills Golf Course | \$50
- 5:30 PM | Welcome Reception | Celtic Cowboy, Downtown Great Falls | Free food, no-host bar

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

- 7:30 AM | WGIPPA Board Meeting (breakfast included) | Heritage Inn
- 8:30 AM | Peace Park Assembly Program | Heritage Inn
 - Speaker: "Shared Art & Cultural Aspects of Western Canada and the American West" | Jill Cross, C.M. Russell Museum Board of Directors
 - Speaker: "Building Cross-Border Positive Peace" | Michael Collins, Executive Director, Americas Institute of Economics and Peace
 - Speaker: "Great Divide Trail" | David Savage, Rotarian (Canada)
- 1:30 PM | C.M. Russell Museum tour | 400 13th St N | Free Admission
- 4:30 PM | WGIPPA Annual General Meeting | Heritage Inn
- 5:30 PM | Peace Park Assembly Dinner | Heritage Inn | \$45
 - Cocktails (no-host bar)
 - Dinner (business-casual attire suggested)
 - Program including honored guests

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

- 10 AM | Non-Denominational Church Service | Meadow Lark Country Club
- 10:30 AM | Brunch | Meadow Lark Country Club | \$25
- 11:30 AM | Hands Across the Border Ceremony
Meadow Lark Country Club



\$50 Conference registration; schedule subject to change
Golf, Saturday dinner, Sunday brunch **optional** (additional
fees apply) | Registration open at greatfallsrotary.org



Heritage Inn of Great Falls | 1700 Fox Farm Rd | +1 (406) 761-1900
Room block reservations under "[Rotary Peace Park](#)"
Block is in place until Friday, September 2, 2022
Approx. \$115 + tax(USD) per night

**Waterton-Glacier
International Peace Park
Association**



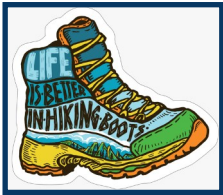
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HIKING CLUB



Wildlife sightings for the eight hikers started with a rabbit in the parking lot for Black Prince Cirque. Lots of bees were seen on the Asters. We progressed to a special sighting of a Marmot, maybe two, at our lunch spot at the rocky lake shore. A cute, but bold, Golden Mantled squirrel entertained us, looking for a bite of cookie, at an otherwise tranquil lake scene. Going back we spotted several grouse, which I think were Sage Grouse. An intricate Inukshuk was evidence that we were not the first here. As we drove home it started to rain, but we were dry and filled with Kathy, Donna and Glenda's treats.

Submitted by Pat Farn





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Calendar of Events

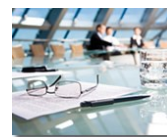
September 1: Linda Hunt - Rural Mental Health



September 8: Visit from DG Steve Leavitt



September 15: Siân Matthews - Honens Board Chair



September 15: Presidents' Party



September 22: Kurt Kinnear - 4H Leadership



September 29: President Dr Vanderpool - St. Mary's University



October 6: David Wartman - Calgary Civic Symphony



October 13: Oleksandr Danyleiko Consul General of Ukraine - War in Ukraine

