



Club of Calgary
at Stampede Park



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Welcome to the May 11th meeting of the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park. I am the Club's President, Jim Fitzowich.

Head Table: PP Jack Thompson, Lotteries Vice Chair Dana Hunter, Director Jim Bladon, President Jim Fitzowich, Brenda McKinley, and John Shield.



President Jim Fitzowich

This week's program is our annual Dream Home Kick-off. A few interesting items about the larger annual event we are part of:

1886 – The Calgary & District Agricultural Society holds its first fair.

1908 – Calgary hosts the Federally funded Dominion Exhibition and the City builds 6 Pavilions and a race track. A rodeo is held. The event draws 100,000 people. Calgary's population was 23,000 at the time.

1912 – Calgary's population is now 60,000 and American Cowboy and rodeo impresario convinces Pat Burns, A.E. Cross, A.J. McLean, George Lane to stake \$100,000 (\$2.7mm today) to organize the Calgary Stampede. They become known as the "Big Four".

2023 – On May 11 th at 12:15pm the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park kicks off its annual Stampede Dream Home event. The rest will have to wait until 1pm....

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





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Announcements:

Visitors and Guests: **Greg Smyth** did his usual fine job in introducing our guests today. Followed by our rousing Welcome Song.

Health and Wellness: Health and Wellness contact for May is ;

Dorothea Schaab Email schaabd@gmail.com Tel / Text 403 660 6232

Dorothea Schaab advises **Keith Davis** is at home now and can take calls and the occasional visitor.

Earl Huson is at home awaiting medical treatments for his back and leg and would appreciate phone calls. Please sign his get well card.

50/50 : Michael Zacharki announced that he had \$170 today for the winner. **Gail McDougall**. As a bit of trivia, Jim told us that Gail's husband, Alec, comes from a famous Stampede Family. He is the Grandson of one of the Big Four, George Lane.



Member Survey

Dear members of the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park – we want your feedback on our Club! **President Elect Bryan Walton** would like you to complete this short survey to provide the 2023-24 Board with some guidance in planning and executing the initiatives of our Club.

The survey is only a few questions and there is ample room to provide comments which you are encouraged to offer. We would like all responses submitted by **May 31** so we can have time to assemble the results which will be presented to the Club thereafter. Thank you for your participation as strive to keep this the best Club in Rotary.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RX72ZFB><https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RX72ZFB>

Rotary Golf Trip - Invermere

June 2-4th

Please send an email to Brett.Albers@nbpcd.com with you choices for Friday and Saturday. Accommodations are with CopperPoint Resort or Invermere Inn just mention rotary to get the discount.

Please e-transfer to Mark Ambrose, at; markambrose@shaw.ca no sooner than May 24th PASSWORD: Rotary

See the PowerPoint below for more info. <https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1op470xRNd69SVQ8c-YsNidM25ID8mP7F/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=104018752905867396918&rtpof=true&sd=true>

Churchill High School Band - Tonight!

William Wei our Outbound YEX student announced that his Winston Churchill High School Band were playing tonight at 7pm at MRU. Hopefully some of our members could catch up with him after the meeting for all the details.





Announcements Continued:

Business Club: President **Jim** reminded us of the Business Club meeting on May 31st. Details are in the Bulletin. (see below)

RI Foundation Awards: **Mike Ruttan**, Chair of the Foundations Committee, presented Paul Harris award pins to **Jamie Moorhouse** (PHF +4) and **Steve Mason** (PHF +3). We all acknowledged the contributions that both individuals make to the Club.



Sargent at Arms: In keeping with the Dream Home theme today the Sargent was the Sheriff. **Jack Thompson** was fairly easy on the members today in recognizing past chairman from the first one in 1977, Jim Tamagi, to a couple of more recent ones, **Bruce McDonald** and **Greg Martin**.

Second Sheriff: Last week **Rudy Ruberto** was all prepared last week and due to time constraints he was told to forget it! But this week he still had his notes and on seeing the meeting was finishing early he offered to take over. He did a fine job of tying in his fines to today's theme.



Business Club Meeting #5

Melanie Todd announced Business Club Meeting #5 will be held this month, on May 31st. This time talking about Agriculture! It is now live on the site for registration, go to www.rotarystampedepark.com to register now. Deadline to register is May 29th, tickets are \$20 and refreshments and fellowship to follow after the discussion. These are always so much fun and you get to learn from our Members who are experts in their field. Join us on May 31st!

ROTARY CLUB OF CALGARY AT STAMPEDE PARK

BUSINESS CLUB MEETING

An Agriculture Discussion
Networking & Refreshments to follow.

6:30 to 8:30 pm

31
MAY

Join us at: Legion #285
9202 Horton Road SW

tickets by May 29th at:
rotarystampedepark.com



DISCON2023 update – Luanne Whitmarsh

May 5 and 6 in Lethbridge 17 people represented RCCSP: **Terry and Sharon Allen, Sarah Brown, Glen and Jeanette Richardson, Todd and Natasha Richardson, Gail Williams, Jack and Myrna Thompson, John Fitzsimmons, Jamie Moorhouse, Sandy Dougall, Bob and Marlene Wiens, Dale Struksnes and Luanne Whitmarsh.**

The weekend was focused on Indigenous relationships and we were in awe of a play that was performed by youth from Strathmore school representing residential schools. There was not a dry eye in the place and we are in amazement. We all highly recommend you attend their performance June 15 at 7:30 pm at the Jack Singer Concert Hall as the cast will be performing with the Calgary Civic Symphony!

Some interesting information from the District:

1. The District has 115 new members (net).
2. The goal for polio was \$100K and we came in at \$112,270 and the kilometers meant that we went around the world 2.5 times!

I was proud to represent our Club by placing a rose for George Adams, Bill Sumner and Roger Jarvis.

AWARDS!

1. Glen and Jeanette Richardson received the Arch Klump Society award. This award members who give an additional \$250,000. Congratulations!!
2. Bob Wiens received the Monte J Audenart award. This award recognizes members who have natural inspiration to go 'above and beyond' in their service and servant leadership.
3. Our Club received 2 awards:
 - a. Glen Peacock award for Outstanding Large Rotary Club reflecting the Themes of Rotary International and the District.
 - b. Move for Polio Donation Challenge for highest per capita contributions to the Rotary Foundation Move for Polio.

DISCON was a wonderful weekend of friendship and learning. We all encourage you to attend next year in Drumheller (May 3 and 4).





Main Presentation - Dream Home Kick-Off

John Shields co-chair of the Dream Home took over this 2023 Dream Home Kick Off. He welcomed everyone on behalf of himself and co-chair **Kevin MacLeod**. He asked all the Committee members to stand and be recognized.

"Since 1977 our Clubs primary fund raiser has been the Dream Home Lottery. We are proud to say that every dollar raised goes back into the Community. We are grateful for our incredible relationship with the Calgary Stampede, Stampede Lotteries and Homes by Avi, who have been the home builder since 1995. This years total prize is worth \$1.26 million, including \$125,000 cash, a \$5,000 Sobeys card, Insurance for a year, a playground set, and furniture. It will be in Range View Section 23 in SE Calgary. This is the first ever "Farm to Table" community. With our volunteers we are looking forward to a record-breaking year."



He then turned things over to Brenda McKinley who provided us with lots of details. The following is the information that is going out to all today; the email for all things Dream Home is shifts@rotarycs.org they are very responsive so send all shift requests and questions to them! She mentioned the gate passes will be handed out in the next few weeks, Rotarians are responsible for 8 shifts each, new selling positions in the Grandstand, proposed training for the ipad is June 21 and 23 at the Trail Blazer Room. More to come from the Dream Home Committee in the next few weeks, if you are not getting emails about Dream Home please contact the email above or Brenda McKinley at b-mckinley@hotmail.com



Brenda fielded many questions and **Dana Hunter** brought us up to date on behalf of Stampede Lotteries. Online sales are brisk this year and a few new initiatives for selling opportunities will be announced in due course. Branda reminded everyone that they were available right after the meeting to sign up for shifts.



Thanking the Speaker

Jim Bladon, Club Director of Revenue, thanked all the Committee Members for all the work that goes into pulling all of this together. He is looking for a big year coming up and it was mentioned that Calgary Tourism are seeing all signs of a record year given event and Hotel bookings.



President Jim Fitzowich; On behalf the of Club we make a \$100 donation in the Dream Home Committee's honour to the CRCF, which supports Calgary area Rotary Clubs do their good works.





NEW MEMBER PROPOSAL

Doug Hood has been proposed as for active membership to the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park as Sponsored by **Jim Fitzowich** and Seconded by **Greg Smyth** with a proposed Classification of **Financial Management**.

If any Member objects to **Doug Hood** 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 May 25th, 2023.

NEW MEMBER PROPOSAL

Bob Steele has been proposed as for active membership to the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park as Sponsored by **Todd Richardson** and Seconded by **Sherry Austin** with a proposed Classification of **Oil and Gas Production**.

If any Member objects to **Bob Steele** 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 May 25th, 2023.

Save the Dates

Save these dates!!

June 23.. President Jim's Party

Polish Canadian Cultural Centre 6pm to 11 pm

July 6...Kick off for Dream Home

Boss Lubricants 6303 30th Street SE

11:00 to 1:30pm

*Thank
you*



Dear Dorathen & RECSF friends

— with Thanks

Darlene & family

May her memory be forever a blessing

We received
this lovely
Thank You card
from Darlene
Switzer-Foster.



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THIS WEEK'S MEETING LINK: <https://youtu.be/8mjF0JKpQNA>

In Closing:

Next week's Meeting: Will be the Annual Stay in School Luncheon, as organized by the Stay in School committee. Registration deadline is tomorrow May 12th, and we will most likely have a full house. Looking forward in seeing you all on May 18th.

Final words:

Thoughts for the coming week come from the Big Four's simple instruction to Guy Weadick:

"Make it the greatest thing of its kind in the world."

And with that, our meeting is adjourned.



Thank you for coming. Have a great Rotary week!

Final reminder to register by tomorrow morning around 9am.



www.rotarystampedepark.com

Are you going to the 2023 Rotary International Convention? This time in Melbourne, Australia! If you are planning to go please let me (admin@rotarycs.org) know so I can update the names on our Website. <https://rotarycs.org/page/who-s-going-to-the-convention/> As well as the District Convention in Lethbridge.



VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITY !!!

Volunteers are required to build Good Food Boxes.

June 6th, 2023- 1-3pm Tuesday shift (usually a daytime shift but I could make this an evening shift starting at 5PM)

Email Earl or Ken to sign up for a shift.

Earl Huson (403) 686-0828/ ehuslink@telusplanet.net Ken Farn: (403) 560-6770/ kgfarn@telusplant.net **EARL AND KEN REALLY NEED YOUR HELP!! THANKS FOR VOLUNTEERING!!!**



Partners in Print

Rotary Partners Book Club for May 15th, 2023

Our next Book Club will be on May 15th at 9:30 at the Calgary Golf and Country Club. It is a week earlier because of the Victoria Day holiday. Please let me know if you are coming by emailing (janetopp@shaw.ca) before May 12th. We need to inform the club of our count. We will have our delightful breakfast buffet at the cost of \$20.00. Our faithful treasurer, Maureen will collect the money and pay the club.

We will be discussing "Ordinary Grace" by William K Krueger. We hope many of you will have read the book but if you haven't - come anyway because we will have time to review one or two books from each of you. If you have one of the library books that I brought please return it to me.

Our Book Club June LUNCHEON will be on June 19th. Please put it on your calendar.

We have such a wonderful turn-out at Book Club and really appreciate your enthusiasm.
Maureen and Jane

I ♥
Book Club

SHOPPERS
DRUG MART



run for women

The Run for Women, brought to you by Shoppers Drug Mart - In Partnership with Calgary Health Foundation

Date: Virtual OR In-person - June 17, 2023
Run & Walk Opportunities: 5 KM Walk/ Run, 10 KM Run
Your impact: 1 in 5 women accessing mental health support services in Calgary!



The **Run for Women** will be occurring in-person OR virtually on June 17th, 2023. The Run for Women, brought to you by Shoppers Drug Mart supports Women's Mental Health initiatives in Calgary, including the Women's Mental Health Clinic and trauma-informed care across Southern Alberta.

In our ten years of participating in the event, Run for Women has raised over **one million dollars** in support of women's mental health initiatives in our community. Calgary Health Foundation is inspired to partner for our 11th year with Shoppers Drug Mart on this uplifting event!



Calgary Health Foundation strives to advance care, wellness, and research for women's mental health in our community. The Women's Mental Health Clinic specifically supports women with mental health illness who are considering pregnancy, are pregnant, or are within a year of postpartum.

For more information on the run, visit calgaryhealthfoundation.ca/runforwomen

Nearly one in five women will experience mental health difficulties, such as major depression or anxiety disorders, during this reproductive stage of life.



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May 18th: Annual Stay in School Luncheon

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May 25th: Annual St. Mary's 4 Way Test Contest



May 31st: Business Club Meeting #5



June 1st: Annual Stampede Board Presentation - Will and Joel



June 8th: Prostate Cancer in Perspective

