Where do we want our club to be in the next 3 to 5 years? What will it look like? Where are we going?

These were the questions that President Murray started his speech with. We all had a picture of the Rotary Wheel on the tables and President Murray referred to it as he spoke.

We have to set a few goals this year and membership is one of them. We currently have around 147 active members and we hope to have somewhere around 150-152 by the end of his year. Again on membership, only 51% of the members are actively using Club Runner, and President Murray would like to see this number improve. Because this club is very large and very active, this important communication tool is vital to keep everyone informed and involved.

We are looking at improving our management of club finances as well. Possibly adding the ability to use your credit card instead of cash for meals etc. this would reduce the administration of the funds to some extent.

Our attendance is excellent at 84% and we would like to maintain or increase that. Attendance is very important to keep everyone involved and informed about this fast moving club’s activities. This way you know what is going on in your club.
President Murray reflected on his experiences with Rotary International over the years and how it has totally changed the way he sees Rotary. Rotary is a very powerful organization and does incredible work around the world and has supporters such as Bill Gates and Warren Buffet. Due to the efforts of Rotary International and others Africa has now been polio free for one year. It is estimated that in 2017 we can announce that polio has been eradicated around the world. Just awesome!

President Murray stressed the importance of seamless leadership. He appreciated being kept informed, mentored and involved in the club’s leadership in the years prior to becoming president and vowed to make that one of his goals to continue as well.

What’s on the horizon?

1. Stay in School equity fund: we own it and we are almost at a level of self-sustaining.
2. Rotary-Mattamy Greenway: we have 2 years left of funding that.
3. In 2 or 3 years challenger park will start to need funding; and may need 100k shortly.
4. Rotary House: we may have to move in 2 or 3 years and that will require funding as well.
5. Dream home: we need to keep it strong. Stampede board is looking to possibly make the chair a 2 year position just to give more continuity and make sure it is managed properly.

All in all we need to have our ducks in a row financially.

Some other goals:

1. Keep the Stay in School golf tournament strong: it’s been well managed, let’s make sure we keep it that way!
2. Club operations: take care of our members, make sure that if someone cannot make a meeting due to transportation, that we take care of making sure they can come.
3. New member’s auction is old and needs to be replaced: We are working on a new fundraiser that could substantially increase the amount raised. This money goes directly to club operations.

President Murray ended his speech reminding us that this Club is the greatest Club in Canada for many reasons, but one thing that has never changed is the way the club is managed and how every year, the leaders and members advance and retain the legacy of the Club. Let’s keep the fellowship and service moving forward and have lots of fun this year!

Terry Allen thanked the speaker!
President Murray Flegel opened the meeting by asking Lisa Fernandes to accompany us in the singing of O'Canada and Rotary Grace and President Murray introduced the head table comprised of: Bob Brawn, Toby Oswald-Felker, Jack Thompson and Terry Allen.

This Day in History: Today is left-handers day, as well as Microsoft released Internet Explorer 3 in 1996 and Bambi was released in 1942.

Visitors and Guests: Jim Smith introduced our adopted daughter, Hannah, Brenda McKinley (Guest of Charlie Gouldsborough), Our adopted Member, Leon Popik, Don Hoyda (Jim Burns’ neighbor), Virginia Spring from Downtown Rotary, Dan and Amy Li (family of Amy Giang) and Grant MacEachern from Calgary Olympic.

Health of the Club: Don O’Dwyer spoke about the health of the club and announced that Greg Martin is recovering from his second surgery and is doing much better. Please keep him in your thoughts as he goes through this challenge. Claudia Brews is also recovering nicely at home from her back injury. All the best Claudia! Paul Deimert is in getting a new pacemaker, so all the best Paul and our best wishes to Justina Penner.

SOCIALIZING AT ROTARY
Dinner Club: Bob Brawn spoke about this year’s Dinner Club, we need 42 singles or couples to enjoy 3 dinners each. One in the fall, one in the winter and one in the spring. Each couple must host one Dinner for 4 guests. It’s a great way to get to know your fellow Rotarians and really promotes the fellowship of the club.

Terry Fox Run: Larry Stein spoke about the upcoming Terry Fox Run. This is the 35th anniversary of the event to raise money for cancer. This year’s goal is 35 million or 1 dollar for every Canadian Citizen! Larry has many volunteers to staff the registration booth, but needs 6 to 8 more. There are usually refreshments provided and parking is free! If you can help out, please contact Larry Stein!

Waterton Glacier Peace Park Assembly: Terry Allan encouraged us to attend the Peace Park celebration and to get your hotels booked as soon as possible.

President Murray presented Frank King with a belt buckle from the 88 Olympics that was found. Thank you Dan Hunter

50/50: Dana Hunter was our winner and that was a nice touch of karma.

Sergeant-At-Arms: Jason Kruse was our Sergeant at Arms today and extracted some funds using the Lefthanders day as a backdrop and famous inaugural speeches from the past in honour of President Murray’s Inaugural speech!

President Murray closed the meeting by reminding everyone to be a “Gift to the World”
### AUGUST 2015

- **Aug 20**: Presentation: Returning YEX Student: Daniel Padron: Rotary House
- **Aug 27**: Todd Mintz CPA, CA: Underwater Photography: Rotary House
- **Aug 29**: Rotary Polo for Polio Charity Match

### SEPTEMBER 2015

- **Sept 3**: Jim Button: Village Brewery
- **Sept 10**: Brock Warner: War Child
- **Sept 11 to 13**: Waterton Peace Park Assembly
- **Sept 17**: District Governor’s Visit: Martin Harvey
- **Sept 17**: Partners Member Breakfast/ Coffee Party: 9:30 am: Calgary Golf & Country Club
- **Sept 24**: Fran Potter: When The Ship Has No Stabilizers

### OCTOBER 2015

- **Oct 1**: Small Grants Presentation
- **Oct 8**: Senator Scott Tannas
- **Oct 12**: Cowboys Casino: Contact Bill Sumner to volunteer
- **Oct 13**: Cowboys Casino: Contact Bill Sumner to volunteer
- **Oct 15**: TO BE ANNOUNCED
- **Oct 22**: Erin Hutchinson: Aspen Family Homes
- **Oct 23**: Partners Oktoberfest: 6:00 pm: Pinebrook Golf & Country Club
- **Oct 29**: Patty Kilgallon: Children’s Cottage

### NOVEMBER 2015

- **Nov 5**: TO BE ANNOUNCED
- **Nov 11**: ROTARY REMEMBERS AT THE CARRIAGE HOUSE
- **Nov 12**: NO MEETING AT ROTARY HOUSE DUE TO ROTARY REMEMBERS NOV 11
- **Nov 19**: TO BE ANNOUNCED
- **Nov 26**: TO BE ANNOUNCED

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**Stay tuned for upcoming events and speakers**

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LONG STANDING MEMBER WAYNE SMITH IS NOW STAYING AT THE BETHANY CARE CENTER: HEARTLAND UNIT (4TH FLOOR) AT 1001 17 STREET NW

JUSTINA PENNER IS AT FANNING WEST: ROOM 262 FOR NOW
It’s been another busy week for me back in Calgary. I will share my three highlights with you. On Monday some friends and I used the hot weather for a rafting tour on the bow river. Cole Demorest, who was an exchange student in Thailand three years ago and whose mother, Kathy Demorest (who just joined our Rotary Club), had organized this little boat trip. We had some water fights and ate snacks on the boat. Flowing through Calgary downtown was a pretty cool feeling.

On Friday Mary McPhee and I spent an adventures day together. Not knowing what we were going to do, I was wearing a white shirt. Well, that's great if Mary takes you picking Saskatoon berries. We picked a full bucket of little purple berries and of course had some Saskatoon berry pie at the farm as well. We visited the Elbow falls afterwards. It's pretty shocking to still see all the damage from the flood two years ago.

Last but not least, one of the best things this week was the wonderful brunch with Betty Stein. We had a fabulous time together and were talking a lot about all different travels stories.

I can't believe it's almost time for me to say goodbye - again! Four weeks fly by very fast. However, I can say with all my heart I love Calgary and it's always a pleasure to be back. Thanks to all of you for welcoming me back with such open arms. You don't how much this means to me and how thank full I am. As much as I enjoyed writing my two Hannah’s happenings this summer, I hope you enjoyed reading them. But it's time to pass on now. Anni from Finland arrived yesterday. I am very excited for her to be the exchange student in the best Rotary Club. I know if you treat her, like you treated me, she will have the most wonderful year and an unforgettable year.

Looking very forward to see many of you one last time at the Rotary meeting next week and then I have to say again: Goodbye and until we meet again, my dear Rotary friends. See you soon, Calgary!

... Hannah
TERRY FOX RUN

Sunday September 20

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time: 8:30 AM REGISTRATION

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PLEASE NOTE:

Our next Board Meeting is on August 26th at 10:00 am at Betty Stein’s home. Please respond to me if you’re attending.

President Maureen Watson

Justina Penner is currently at Room 262 Fanning West if anyone would like to visit her.

Paul and Susan Brick (Susan is behind the flag), Arlene Flegel, Len Kushner and Ron Prokosch (hidden behind the camera) came out to greet Anni as she made her way to Calgary.
Rotary Polo for Polio Match Sat August 29 – but you are welcome any day throughout the summer”

Black Diamond Polo Club
2015 Season Schedule

May 16  Clubhouse & Field Opening
May 16 - 30 Group Stick and Ball Sessions (at normal Club Chukka times)
June 2  Club Chukkas Begin For Season
June 13 Intro 2 Polo Day & Match Game
June 20  Match Game
June 27  Match Game

July 4, 5  Polo Canada Tournament Co-hosted by BDPC & CPC
July 11  Match Game

July 17, 18, 19 Grande Prairie Polo Club’s Tournament
July 25  Match Game
August 1, 2, 3 Okanagan Polo Club’s Ross Fargey Memorial Cup
August 8  Match Game
August 15, 16 Benson’s Best Cup Weekend Tournament (0 Goal)
August 22  Match Game

August 28, 29, 30  Bill Leslie & Loretta Thompson Memorial Tournament (4 Goal & 0 Goal)
August 29  Rotary Polo For Polio Charity Match
September 5, 6, 7  Springfield Polo Club’s Tournament
September 12  Match Game
September 19, 20  Millarville Bucket Weekend Tournament (0 Goal)
September 26  Clubhouse & Field Season Closing BBQ

BDPC Club Chukkas Tuesday & Thursday at 6pm
BDPC Club Chukkas/Match Games Saturday at 11am

BLACK DIAMOND POLO

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Rotary/Mattamy Greenway Nearing 90% Completion

Our signature project – the Rotary/Mattamy Greenway is developing well beyond our expectations. 80% of the 138 km network of pathway and specialty parks, was completed by the end of 2014. Currently, we are 90% funded and have contracts awarded that will see 90% of the $60 million Greenway completed by the end of this year.

There is only one reason for this success – it’s the partners that have joined us. Partners, who share this wonderful vision to create new recreational and “enjoyment of nature” opportunities, accessible to all Calgarians at no charge.

City developers who are building major sections of the Greenway in-kind have made the difference. Mattamy Homes, Brookfield Residential, Hopewell Residential, Walton International, Qualico and WAM are all committed Greenway developers. Not to mention the wonderful support from corporate Calgary, sincere thanks to Jim Davidson. In 2014 alone, Progress Energy, Keyera, Tourmaline and Enbridge committed to fund Greenway amenities. They join a long list of Calgary’s major oil and gas companies.

And what project could have the fortune to have all of Calgary’s Rotary Clubs choose the Greenway as their Centennial project and add to that Mattamy Homes, Canada’s largest home builder, as the title co-sponsor. These organizations bring much more than just financial assistance, their volunteer support of the project and the events is outstanding.

Parks Foundation Calgary is proud to lead the Rotary/Mattamy Greenway - a model of collaboration, volunteerism, entrepreneurial spirit, community and pride.

Greenway Highlights:

- Sarcee Trail pathway is complete - the pathway was re-graded and re-paved and is open for use.
- Progress Energy has funded a node along the same pathway. It honors our veterans and includes a major poppy installation.
- Tourmaline has funded an adult fitness park and two up-graded canine facilities in Edworthy Park.
- Enbridge has sponsored pathway construction and an app that focuses on flora and fauna viewed from the Greenway.
- The Greenway has teamed up with Agents of Nature to engage youth ages 6-14 in an interactive nature-based app along three parts of the Greenway. Thanks to TELUS for sponsoring this.

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