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June 25 meeting is at Rotary House. We must park at Lot 10: BMO Centre

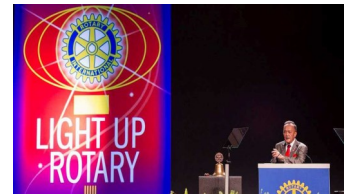
Gena Rotstein introduced our Speaker, Kevin Crowe. Gena spoke of the incredible energy you feel when walking into our Club. She had that experience when she first met Kevin. She learned he has an audacious goal: to provide 1 billion miles of customer loyalty program points to those in need of visiting a terminally ill or critically sick loved one.

Kevin Crowe asked us to consider the hardest question anyone had ever asked us. His hardest question came for a 41/2 year old boy who asked: "What is wrong with my dad?" The dad was Ryan, a good friend of Kevin's and he was dying of brain cancer. It was heartbreaking to lose his friend and he needed to do something. Ryan had taught him the power of time... time with family during illness. He heard a statistic-that 10 trillion travel miles go unused. He asked himself; Why don't we take these travel miles and arrange compassionate flights?

Kevin started this amazing program called: **"Give a Mile"**.

They get connected through Social Workers, Healthcare Workers and Hospices. They put the requests on their website and use technology to make it as easy as possible.





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Give A Mile

This is the second year for **Give A Mile** and they have arranged 200 flights per year. To date they have used 4.3 million donated miles. One of their partners, Aeroplan, recognizes them as a charity and eliminates the transfer fees.

Kevin explained that there are 3 key elements to the idea we are trying to make happen:

- A tangible outcome – your miles are not going to an organization, they are going to a specific person's story that you choose to connect with. This is how we believe the new social media giving model works. Donate to a specific person and a tangible outcome.
- 100% donation model – all points given go to that specific person's story to help them not to an organization in the middle. Funds that go to running our operation are raised separately and declared as such.
- Via the Web – the transaction has to be easy and simple for those donating and those receiving points.

Kevin then told us of two compassionate flights. The first was a daughter from South Africa who hadn't seen her father in 35 years as she couldn't afford to fly to Canada. Her father was dying and the reunion of daughter and father was arranged. The second flight was arranged for another daughter. Her father, Pedro came to Canada from Nicaragua to find a better life for his family. Before he could save and send for his family, he became terminally ill with stomach cancer. His dream was to show his daughter why he came to Calgary.

If anyone wants more information about the organization go to info@giveamile.org

Jim McNeil first thanked Gena for her introduction of the speaker and then addressed Kevin. He noted that he spoke of the social good and Rotary lives that through our many programs. Jim stated it was a good opportunity to meet Kevin and hear about his organization.

He noted that many of our members have travelled extensively over the years and this provides a chance to give back.

President Al added his thanks to Kevin and provided him with a certificate acknowledging the \$100 contribution to the Stay in School program on Kevin's behalf.



Give A Mile

*To bring hope, hugs and
togetherness to loved ones
through flights of compassion.*

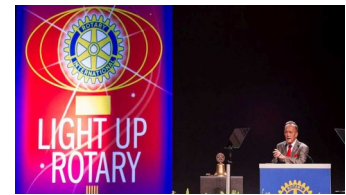
www.giveamile.org

Pick a person's story
Give Miles
Receive Updates
Feel Great in your Heart, Repeat





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RCCS: CLUB NEWS

President Allan welcomed everyone to the Rotary Club of Calgary South and asked us to join Lisa Fernandes in the singing of O Canada and Rotary Grace. President Al introduced the Head Table as follows: Past President Keith Davis, Amy Giang (Guest of Murray Flegel), Our Guest Speaker, Kevin Crowe, President Elect Murray Flegel and Gena Rotstein.

GUESTS: **Mark Ambrose** introduced the visiting Rotarians and Guests: Laurence Richard (Short-term Outbound Exchange Student), Jif Ricard (Laurence's Dad), Our Speaker, Kevin Crowe, Amy Giang, Leon Popik (Millenium Club), Myrna Dube, Mackhane Louis, David Townsend (Calgary Sarcee) and John Labun

ANNOUNCEMENTS: **President Al** informed the Club that **Krista Hotel** has had to resign from the Club due to business pressures (understandable in our current economic climate) but has committed to do all of her Dream Home shifts. We all wish Krista well. Also it came to President Al's attention after the meeting that **Ron Prokosch** lost his father recently. Our condolences to Ron at this time. **Jim Gorman** announced the birth of his Granddaughter **Savannah Evelyn Hope Franks**. This little beauty was born on Friday, June 12, 2015 ' she weighed in at 6 lbs 1 oz. Proud parents are Shari and Mark Franks.

DREAM HOME MOMENT : **Dana Hunter** advised that all of the gate passes for the Dream Home shifts are now available and included in the package is the invitation to the Kickoff luncheon on July 2nd. Volunteers get in free and please RSVP so they can set the right number of places.

MUSTARD SEED: **Harry Pelton** reminded the volunteers about the dinner being prepared and served at the Mustard Seed next Tuesday (June 23rd). He has sent out an email but if there are any questions please call him directly.

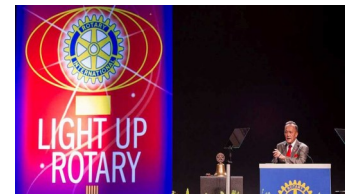
50/50 DRAW: **Draw: Ben Steblecki** asked our guest speaker, Kevin Crowe to pick the winning ticket worth \$177. Glen Potter was the winner and promptly gave it to the Outbound Student, Laurence Ricard.

SERGEANT AT ARMS: **Joe Connelly** started the presentation by clarifying with Bryan Walton that the next profile was **not** being taped in the "can". He also gave a shout out to Frank King whose interview was in the Calgary Herald this morning about the devastating losses due to the flood of 2013. Joe then made quick work of the entire Club membership-first by fining those who golfed, those who made a hole in one and those who didn't golf. No one escaped





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YEX OUTBOUND STUDENT: Kevin Hayes introduced **Laurence Ricard** who will be travelling to the Netherlands in August for a short term outbound experience. Laurence comes from a family of five originally from Quebec. Her mom is a teacher and father is an Engineer. She enjoys swimming and is taking life- saving courses to become a lifeguard. Her eventual goal is to become a medical Doctor. One of the items on her bucket list is to travel and this upcoming experience combines her dream of travelling as well as becoming a citizen of the world and will help her prepare for life. She thanked the Club for providing her with this opportunity and promised she would be back with a full report. **Bon Voyage Laurence!**

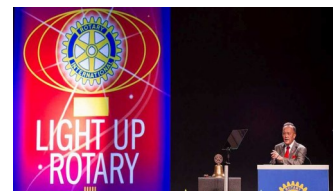


Profile: Glen Richardson: Bryan Walton introduced our 8th Member profile. Thanks to Jamie Moorhouse & Steve Mason who do these profiles. Bryant noted Mel Gray thought many others should be done before his. Bryan assured Mel and the Club there are many on the list. Bryan introduced the profile on Past President Glen Richardson. From modest beginnings his family eventually built a service station in Nanton, got a dealership in Vulcan and relocated to Lethbridge where they started a car lot. Glen loved being around the shop as a youngster and his goal was to apprentice as a mechanic. It was called a “grease monkey” in those days but now it is called a “lubrication technician”. His hobby was building cars and on his first date with Jeanette he arrived in a Model “A”. When she attempted to enter the vehicle he quickly admonished her to take off her shoes! Amazingly there was a second date. Glen talked about the ups and downs in the business, losing a dealership in Airdrie and thinking he would have to leave Rotary. Jeanette reminded him what Rotary meant to him and the best decision he made was to stay with the Club. After things got better financially Glen was able to enjoy collecting vehicles. He noted that Rotary has some life changing programs such as the Stay in School program (started by Bryan Targett) and the Student Exchange Program. He and Jeanette have never missed a Dream Home shift and Rotary promotes friends for life. His advice to new members is to break down the barriers and get to know your fellow Rotarians-great friends and wonderful business advice.



President Al thanked Glen for his continuing contributions to the Club. Thanks Glen!

Profile Link: <http://portal.clubrunner.ca/952/SitePage/about-our-club/glen-richardson>



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ROTARY CLUB OF CALGARY SOUTH EVENTS CALENDAR

JUNE 2015

- June 23** Mustard Seed Dinner Prep
June 25 Changing of the Guard / WCS and Large Grants Reports: Rotary House
(Remember to Park at Lot 10)

JULY 2015

- July 2** Dream Home Kickoff: Ranchman's Cookhouse & Dancehall
July 9 No Meeting: Dream Home Operations
July 16 Presentation from our Exchange Student, Jimmy Cho: Rotary House
July 23 Staff Sgt. Martin Schiavetta: Calg. Police Serv. Drug&Vice Unit: Rotary
July 30 No Meeting: SISSP Golf Tournament

AUGUST 2015

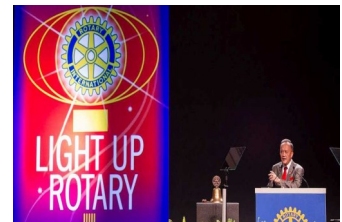
- Aug 6** Wendy McDonald: Alberta Assoc. for Community Living: Rotary House
Aug 13 Inaugural Address: Rotary House
Aug 20 Presentation: Returning YEX Student: Daniel Padron: Rotary House
Aug 27 Todd Mintz CPA, CA: Underwater Photography: Rotary House

SEPTEMBER 2015

- Sept 3** Jim Button: Village Brewery
Sept 10 Brock Warner: War Child
Sept 11 to 13 Waterton Peace Park Assembly
Sept 17 Trish Lund: Alberta Guide Dogs: Rotary House
Sept 24 Fran Potter: Mental Health

OCTOBER 2015

- Oct 1** TO BE ANNOUNCED
Oct 8 TO BE ANNOUNCED
Oct 12 COWBOYS CASINO (LET BILL SUMNER KNOW IF YOU CAN VOLUNTEER)
Oct 13 COWBOYS CASINO (LET BILL SUMNER KNOW IF YOU CAN VOLUNTEER)
Oct 15 TO BE ANNOUNCED
Oct 22 TO BE ANNOUNCED
Oct 29 TO BE ANNOUNCED



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RCCS: WELCOMES OUR NEWEST MEMBER AMY GIANG

President-Elect Murray Flegel introduced **Amy Giang** to the Club. Amy is of Chinese origin and came with her mom and dad from Vietnam as a young girl. They arrived with the clothes on their backs and little else. Amy attended Forest Lawn High School and the University of Calgary where she attained



her Computer Science degree. Amy helped design the search and rescue systems used by the Canadian and American Military. As well as working full time Amy began to play in the real estate market and discovered her entrepreneurial spirit. She returned to school and attained her MBA. She also married her best friend in 2009 and they have 2 children, Jacob and Ella. She became interested in auto repair and became the owner of Lube Town. She incorporates a give and get program in her business and donates generously to the community.

Past President Keith Davis conducted the formal induction and advised Amy that we can and will welcome her into Rotary, but it is up to her to “become” a Rotarian by becoming involved. He also noted that it was very positive to introduce some younger blood into an increasingly grey haired



crowd. President Al completed the induction by providing Amy with a “bag of reading material” but assured her there was no test.

Welcome Amy!

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2014-2015 Directors

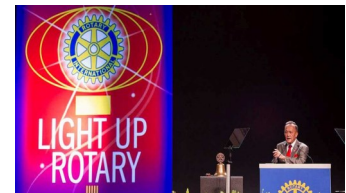
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Toby Oswald-Felker (Club Service)
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Craig Stokke (Youth Service)

2015-2016 Incoming Directors

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Glenn Potter
Bryan Walton
Luanne Whitmarsh



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RCCS: SMALL GRANTS FUNDING



Helping Families Handle Cancer Foundation

\$7,500

This not – for – profit organization helps families who are struggling financially with their household bills when their child is battling cancer at the Alberta Children’s Hospital. They deal only with families who are referred by social workers at the hospital. Some of them have been dream home shift volunteers for us.

Providence House

\$7,700

This money is part of a \$52,700 contribution being made towards the purchase of an Aeroglider to expand the playground at the Windsor Park facility. This is a wheelchair – accessible glider to be installed at the busiest playground / classroom Providence Facility. It has room for two wheelchairs, two large benches for many other passengers, internal table / handheld and allows all children with disabilities to participate.

Vecova Centre for Disability Services and Research

\$6,000

This is for the purchase of two specialized water wheelchairs for mobility challenged patrons who wish to avail themselves of the many benefits of swimming in their accessible Recreation Centre. These chairs will allow individuals who live their daily lives in a wheelchair to participate in a sport that might otherwise be off limits. The Centre serves a greater population of persons with disabilities than other recreation centres in Calgary.

L’ Arche

\$5,000

L’ Arche provides support for 29 people with developmental disabilities. They have 5 homes in Calgary, a Supported Independent Living Program and a Day Program. They are in critical need of a new van to replace a 2003 model that has become unreliable. Our \$5,000 grant is one of 3 at \$5,000 to purchase a lift for the van to allow wheelchair access.

Hull Homes

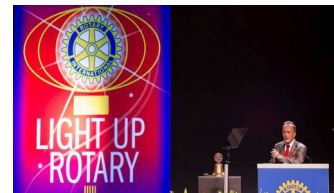
\$10,000

Hull homes have a comprehensive continuum of 28 programs and services that reach over 3,500 kids and families every day. Their vision is to help children be free from behavioural and mental health challenges that impact them, their families and society. This grant is a very small part of their Work Experience and Life Skills Centre where young people will be taught personal grooming, money management, grocery shopping, laundering, food preparation, job finding, resume writing and much more.

Boys and Girls Clubs of Calgary Bowness

\$10,000

The Boys and Girls Club of Calgary started in 1939 under the leadership of the Rotary club and Calgary Police department. They now have over 40 different programs in over 25 locations in Calgary but are in real need of these funds for the renovation of their kitchen at the Bowness Club location.



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Brown Bagging for Calgary Kids

\$15,500

There is a tremendous need for children who come to school without a lunch or without a complete meal to be properly fed so that their focus is on education rather than hunger. They currently work within 140 schools feeding 2000 kids per day but need upgrades to their kitchen because demand is growing. This grant will provide these upgrades.

Hospice Calgary

\$5,000

The projects we look at never provide for the dying and bereaved in our community so the committee felt that it was time to look in this direction. Our recommendation for the \$5,000 will cover the cost of 2 sleeper – lift chairs which go in the patient bedroom and are used by both patients and family member to sit or recline for a nap.

Sonshine

\$8,500

Each year Sonshine becomes home to approximately 50 families, the majority of whom are considered high risk for fatality or serious injury as a result of domestic violence. Two thirds of the women who enter their shelters come with children. They have built a Sonshine Children's Centre; our grant will go to the provision of needed appliances for the kitchen so that the centre can officially open.

Inn from the Cold

\$12,190

Inn from the Cold provides temporary emergency shelter to homeless families and those in need. Their shelters feature semi- private rooms for guests. Every family is linked to a family support worker who will help access the programs they need as they prepare for housing and life in the community. This grant is needed for renovations that are necessary for the entrance to the facility.

The Calgary Drop – In & Rehab Centre Woodshop Training & Production

\$5,500

The Calgary Drop in Centre Woodworks project is an educational / employment training branch of the Drop in Centre. The woodworker's project assists individuals who suffer from homelessness, addictions, disabilities and at risk teenagers who fall through the cracks in the Social Services net. These individuals are taught Life Skills and Woodworking Training (Ages run from 16-30) to assist them in finding work or apprenticeship within a trade. Our grant will be used in the purchase of a table saw.

Calgary Women's Emergency Shelter

\$8,200

This shelter is a stand – alone organization with the mission to support individuals and families in their efforts to live free from family violence and abuse. In 2013 over 12,800 women, children, youth and men were served by the agency. Only 5% of clients actually use the emergency shelter facility but a need has been identified for better security there and our grant will go to an upgraded video intercom system.

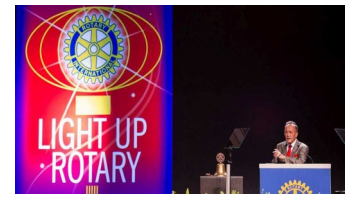
Total Proposed Grants

\$101,090



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ROTARY CLUB OF CALGARY SOUTH: ST. MARY'S ACADEMIC AWARDS

St. Mary's High School held its Annual Academic Awards evening on Thursday, June 4 and some of the awards recipients will be familiar to Calgary South Rotarians from the recent 4-Way Test speech competition. St. Mary's also marked its 130th anniversary, making it the oldest school in Alberta.



Recipient of the Rotary Club of Calgary South Leadership and Service \$1,500 Scholarship was Linda Tran. Linda is a member of the St. Mary's Interact Club. She plans on attending Mount Royal University his fall to study Ac-

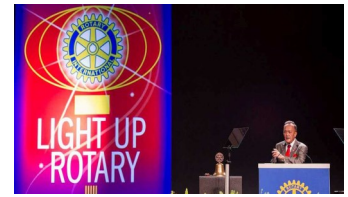
Recipient of the Rotary Club of Calgary South 'R.A.P.' \$1,500 Scholarship was Kurtis Rybachuk who will study welding at SAIT. Kurtis was also the recipient of the award for Fabrication 30 (Career & Technology Studies).



Mirabelle Harris-Eze (she placed third in the 4-Way test speech competition) was awarded for Theory of Knowledge 35 IB, the St. Mary's Class Valedictorian Scholarship and a scholarship for \$5,000 from St. Mary's Girls School Alumnae. She plans to study Business and Law at the University of Calgary.

Rebecca Mesay (who placed first in the 4-Way test speech competition) was the recipient of the Yonas Amahazion Memorial Scholarship and the Premier's Citizenship Nominee Award. It is Rebecca's plan to study Political Science at St. Francis Xavier University in Antigonish, Nova Scotia.

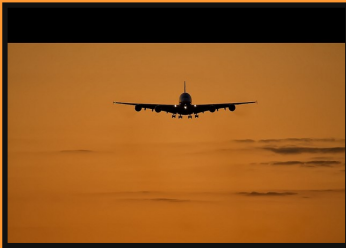




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ROTARY CLUB OF CALGARY SOUTH ANNOUNCEMENTS



Daniel our Outbound Exchange Student is coming home!!!

Daniel will arrive from Taiwan on **July 9th at 9 pm**

It would be great to offer him a warm welcome back.

Please Contact Luanne Whitmarsh at 403-243-7587 or email her at:



ST MARY'S PARKING PROJECT

Please be advised that we are now booking our shift requirements for our St Mary's Parking Project. The shifts are for the 10 days of the Calgary Stampede, 2 shifts a day, 8:00 am to 2:00 pm and 2:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Please call Earl Huson at 403 686 0828 to book your shifts and on behalf of our Club, we thank you.

Submitted by Earl Huson



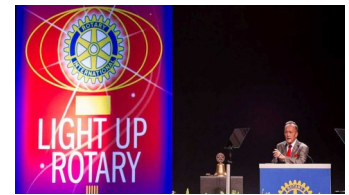
DREAM HOME KICK OFF REGISTRATION



You have received an invitation. Please register your guests and **DO NOT** pay for them. Then register yourself and pay for yourself: \$35.00 for Rotarians



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ONE DREAM, ONE TEAM!

The Rotary Club of Calgary South
invites Rotarians, partners and
Volunteers to Kick up your heels at our
Annual **STAMPEDE DREAM
HOME KICK-OFF!**

Our Volunteers are crucial to helping us raise funds that
allow us to support so many worthwhile Calgary Causes.
As a Thank you please join us for a lunch-hour of traditional
down home Stampede Food, Fun and Entertainment

Meet Stampede Royalty, dance to the Calgary Fiddlers
and so much more

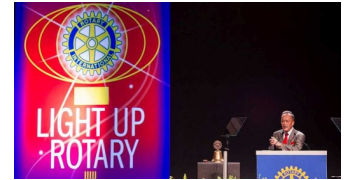
Thursday, July 2, 2015

Cocktails : 11:15 a.m | Buffet Lunch 12:00 noon
Ranchman's Cookhouse & Dancehall Event Tent
9615 Macleod Trail SE

Parking: Carriage House overflow- Shuttles to event

Rotarians - \$35 | Volunteers – Be our guest





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PARTNERS IN PRINT

LUNCH BUNCH:

You are invited to the Italian Farmhouse in Bragg Creek on June 25th : 11:30 am. After lunch we can do a little retail therapy! RSVP to myself at 403-271-7734 or email susan.brick@shaw.ca



The address is: 20 Balsam Ave. which is right next door to the Vet clinic across from the mall. Some of you may want to car pool. I need to give the restaurant a couple of days notice so please let me know by the Monday. Susan Brick

The Partners Wind up Dinner was on June 18th. Photos and information to follow shortly

... Linda Legare

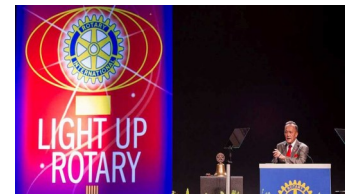
HIKERS:



The chance of poor weather along with other commitments and travels forced our hikers to forego the day's hike and set sights on next Wednesday's hike. Our scheduled hike next week is Rae Glacier, which has just become available. The road past the winter gate opened Monday. It should be a lovely hike up to Elbow Lake, then turning south for the climb to the Glacier. For those who prefer a hike with less elevation, an option is to continue north past the lake, along the Big Elbow Trail. This hike takes hikers into the front range of the Rocky Mountains. You'll be rewarded with one of the last glacial views on the eastern slopes. The reports say the journey is worth it as the reward at the top is spectacular. Let's hope for dry, warm weather for *June 24th*.



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ALBERTA YOUTH ENTREPRENEURSHIP CAMP

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- ✓ Zipline
- ✓ Wall Climbing

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- ▶ Be a part of a team
- ▶ Make some \$\$\$
- ▶ Meet youth from across Alberta
- ▶ Best of all, it's FREE!!!

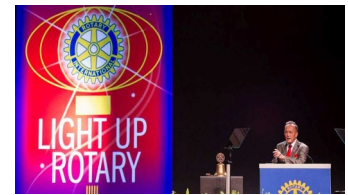
Space is limited, so apply early!
Applications forms available at:
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Medicine Hat, Alberta
T1A-0K8
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Business Day

Cooling off!

ALBERTA Youth Entrepreneurship CAMP

Community Futures Alberta



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POLO FOR POLIO ANNOUNCEMENT

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



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