



Saskatoon Nutana  
**Rotary**  
 Club



March 22, 2022

**March 2022 Theme:  
 Water, Hygiene and  
 Sanitation**

**Program Chair:  
 Betty Ann  
 Arscott**

Date	Rotana Editor	Greeter	Desk	Cheer Captain	Speaker/Topic	Intro	Club Thanks
<b>March 29</b>	Norm Woodcock			Jim Blackburn	Saskatoon Water Treatment Plant		Lorne Braithwaite

## OPENING

President Michael called the meeting to order at 12:02 by acknowledgement that WE LIVE ON TREATY 6 TERRITORY, HOMELAND OF THE METIS” and welcomed all members. Mike also thanked all those who directly contributed to the meeting today.

We were led in “O Canada” and our “4 Way Test Song” on the keyboard and vocally by Betty Ann Arscott.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- RI is concerned about the shrinkage in membership in District 5550. To get the district membership up to 1200 the district has to sign up 50 more members. There is a danger of being “dedistricted”, so please invite prospective members to our zoom meetings.
- President Mike still needs a volunteer to line up speakers for the month of May.
- A questionnaire regarding the starting of “in person” meetings will be circulated soon.

## PROGRAM

Betty Ann Arscott introduced Mike Steckhan as our guest speaker.

Mike is President and Owner of Inland Marine Technologies, a unique, Saskatchewan based, industrial marine service and consulting firm.

Mike's civilian background focused on the physical and mechanical world, operating a repair business. He also spent 27 years in Her Majesty's Royal Canadian Naval Reserve, qualified Chief Engineer for diesel propelled warships and post 9-11 port security leader, retiring as a Chief Petty Officer in 2010.



Mike was born and raised in Saskatchewan. He and his wife Joan also own and operate Saskatoons highly popular Prairie Lily Riverboat. He is Fire Chief of the Blucher Aberdeen Volunteer Fire Department and Sound Technician for The Stone Frigate Big Band.

Mike has owned and operated a marine services company on the prairie for the past 12 years. The services provided by Inland Marine Technologies Ltd are as follows:



## What do we do?

### Marine Technology Services

- ❖ Under Water Inspections
- ❖ Benchmarking
- ❖ Comparative Analysis
- ❖ Development of Data Imagery

### Industrial Marine Services

- ❖ Construction & Upgrading Projects
- ❖ On Water Transport and Safety
- ❖ Marine Work Platforms
- ❖ Marine Salvage & Recovery

### Marine Consulting

- ❖ Marine Project Evaluation and Implementation
- ❖ Marine Regulation Compliance and Document Submission
- ❖ Sourcing Specialized Marine Equipment
- ❖ Industrial Marine Project Development

Mike then explained the technology of SONAR and gave many examples of SONAR application in his companies work. The primary application is the scanning of river bridge piers to detect foundation faults. Rivers constantly change the river bottom through scouring that can affect piers.

Joe Dierker thanked Mike on behalf of the club. The club will be making a donation to Read Saskatoon to mark this presentation.

## **CHEER CAPTAIN**

Bob Devrome asked us a number of eclectic and interesting questions about our world. The only ones who knew any answers were an engineer and a lawyer, it figures.

Happy/Sad \$ were given by Jack, Mike, Candace, Joe, Betty Ann, Ravi, Norm and Bob Mac.

Good work, Mr. Devrome.

Next meeting is **March 29, 2022 on Zoom.**

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