



Official Bulletin of:  
**ROTARY CLUB OF SASKATOON MEEWASIN #22664**



8B -3110 8th St East, Box 425 S7H 0W2  
Founded: April 23, 1985  
Meetings: Monday 0700

**August 12, 2024**

**Membership Month**

**Rotary: Making a Difference**

**District Governor (5550):** Peter Tonge, Winnipeg [<https://rotarypeterdistrict5550.org/>]  
**President:** Arthur Whetstone      **Pres Elect:** Your Opportunity      **Secretary:** Jahn Luross  
**Past President:** Luis Pagliarini      to serve      **Treasurers:** Art Whetstone

Sergeant: Ron Lookey      Desk: Zoom

**Service Above Self**

**DUES AND OTHER PAYMENTS TO THE CLUB**

- E-mail Transfer from Bank Account
  - Send to Meewasin Rotary Club using the email: [meewasinrotary2020@gmail.com](mailto:meewasinrotary2020@gmail.com)

**DONATIONS TO THE FOUNDATION**

**E.G., Fines, Donations In Lieu Of Meeting Expense**

- E-mail Transfer from Bank Account
  - Send to Rowasin Foundation using the email: [rowasin2020@gmail.com](mailto:rowasin2020@gmail.com)

**Payment by Credit Card (For either Meeting Expenses or Fines/Donations)**

- For a credit card payment contact Art Postle ([postle@sasktel.net](mailto:postle@sasktel.net)).

**Rotary Meeting**

**ZOOM – Meewasin Rotary Club**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83624852636?pwd=MjRlR0Y2FQWIRmRW9Cd2NKRHISWHlvQT09>

**ZOOM & Queen's House**

601 Taylor Street West

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87214323627>

Meeting ID: 872 1432 3627

One tap mobile

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If you have problems getting on Zoom call Garth at 306 229-3965 or Art P at 306 227-3013

**Call to Order:** Chair opened the meeting at 0700.

**Attendance:** There were super dedicated members who enjoyed a morning of fellowship with their fellow Rotarians and guests.

**Guests:** No guests

## Announcements

### 1) EDADZ BACKPACK Drop Off



- a) You can Drop off items at John Benesh's Office.
- b) There is a Box in the reception area
- c) Any bag is OK, not just back packs.
- d) Your may bring the backpacks to the meeting to give to John B.

### 2) St Michaels Reading Program

- a) Thanks for volunteering everyone.
- b) Have a great summer.

### 3) Meet District Governor

- a) Peter Tonge has invited members to one of 3 meetings that he has arranged.
- b) Location: Park Town Hotel
- c) Dates (Specific times to be determined)
  - i) Wednesday, October 23 (lunch)
  - ii) Wednesday, October 23 (dinner) and
  - iii) Thursday, October 24. Breakfast)
- d) He has asked the President's to identify the numbers who plan to attend each meeting, so they can make appropriate arrangements.
- e) Art W will be sending a Doodle for you to sign up for one of the meetings.

### 4) Corn Fest – September 8 (Shields Golf Course Club House)

- a) Time: ?????
- b) Volunteers needed for:
  - i) Set up,
  - ii) Cook burgers
  - iii) Cook corn
  - iv) Arrange for the food and supplies
  - v) Other

## Club Business

### Meeting Meal Options

All members who regularly attend a meeting were polled and asked their preference (1, 2) for food/beverage at our meetings.

- The largest number chose a Light Continental as the 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> choice, closely followed by Coffee/tea. (Table 1)
- Coffee/Tea and Light Continental were equal in overall preference. (Table 2)
  - To calculate overall preference the 1<sup>st</sup> choice given 2 points and a 2<sup>nd</sup> choice was given 1 point.

Table 1: Preference (Number Chose)	No Food Beverage	Coffee/Tea	Light Continental-	Queens	American Breakfast	order Breakfast
1	0	6	5	7	0	0
2	0	5	7	1	1	2
<b>Total Chose Option</b>	0	11	12	8	1	2
<b>Table 2: Preference Score [2 points for 1<sup>st</sup> choice and 1 point for 2<sup>nd</sup> choice]</b>						
1	0	12	10	14	0	0
2	0	5	7	1	1	2
<b>Total</b>	0	17	17	15	1	2

### Meeting Locations

There was a robust discussion of the meeting options, which were distributed earlier.

A number of divers locations in the city were investigated – including churches and halls. The challenge is finding a place that is open at 0700 in the morning.

There are two basic options:

1. Meeting location with no food service (Bring your Own Food/Beverage)
  - a. Leisure Centres (Shaw, Lakeview, Field House)
    - i. No food service. One has since and counter.
    - ii. Most have wifi, screen
    - iii. Rental is \$25-35.
    - iv. Food service (Tims or MacDonalds) \$80-100
  - b. Albert Centre
    - i. Waiting for response and information
    - ii. May have kitchen with coffee maker
  - c. Legion (Spadina Crescent)
    - i. No food service
    - ii. Could make own coffee/tea
    - iii. Rent = \$50 (need to check to see caretake is extra)
    - iv. Wifi, screen
2. Restaurant with food service (See attached for details)
  - a. Most food service is full breakfast
  - b. Room free with purchase of food
  - c. Pay for number of people present
  - d. Smitteys Grasswood (Esso)
    - i. \$9.00 = taxes + gratuities = \$12.00
    - ii. Full breakfast. Do not do continental breakfast
  - e. Flats Eatery (McOrmond Drive)
    - i. Special prices may be possible
    - ii. Full breakfast (menu price) = \$12.00 + taxes + gratuities = \$15 (However, may be able to get special price)
  - f. Delta Marriott
    - i. Muffins/fruit and coffee breakfast
    - ii. \$15.75 plus tax and gratuity = \$21.00

### **DECISION:**

1. That the club would take the full breakfast option of either Flats or Smitteys Grasswood.
2. That we would book the place for meetings up to December 31/24, and would review this decision in late October or early November.

**Eye Opener News Letter**

The options for the Eye Opener were discussed. There members were mixed on their preference of the first two options. The basic information of Announcements and Meeting dates was considered important. The Sergeant’s report was optional with some noting that only significant happenings to members as important.

Some liked the notes on the speaker, especially if they missed a meeting. It was also seen as a good recruitment tool.

Options for the Eye Opener are:

1. Current Format (No change)
2. Scaled Down version of Current Format
  - Example – Just do announcements, announcements, meeting dates, Sergeant (fines and happy/sads), etc.
3. Bulletin Format from Club Runner
4. Discontinue Eye Opener

It was noted that the Eye Opener takes time and effort to do.

The challenge to continuing in the Eye Opener in its current format is having one or more members volunteering to do the Eye Opener.

**DECISION:**

Unless one or more members step forward to edit the Eye Opener, we will do a scaled down version of the Eye Opener.

**Program**

Club Assembly

**Upcoming Meetings**

Month	Theme, Coordinator and Meeting Status
<b>August</b>	<b>Membership and Extension</b>
August 5	No Meeting
August 12	Club Meeting
August 19	No Meeting
August 26	No Meeting
<b>September</b>	<b>Education and Literacy Coordinator: Art Postle</b>
2	Labour Day
9	No meeting (Corn roast Sunday ept 8)

Month	Theme, Coordinator and Meeting Status
16	Meeting
23	Meeting – Club Assembly
30	Meeting

**Events**

Date	Event	Rotary Club	Information/Contact
December 11	Wine Tasting	Meewasin	
May 9-10, 2025.	District 5550 Conference		
May 29 and 30	Lobsterfest 2025	Meewasin	

**Welcome Song**

We welcome you today  
 Good fellowship 'twill be  
 We're glad you chose to begin your day  
 With Meewasin Rotary

We hope that you will return  
 And join with us again  
 Fellowship at breakfast time  
 With Meewasin Rotary

**4-WAY TEST**

Is it the Truth?  
 Is it Fair to all concerned?  
 Will it build Goodwill and Better Friendships?  
 Will it be Beneficial to all concerned?

**ROTARY GRACE**

O Lord and giver of all good  
 We thank you for our daily food  
 May Rotary friends and Rotary ways  
 Help us to serve Thee all our days

**Task Groups/Committees - 2024-2025**

**Administration/ Executive —Meeting administration (program, facilities, meals, supplies)**

Whetstone (President/Treasurer), Luross (J) (Secretary), Pagliarini (Past President)

**Membership—Membership recruitment, engagement, and retention**

Anne Luross (Lead)

**Meeting Program (Speakers)**

Leanne Kessler (Co-ordinator)

**Foundation—Foundation donations, member recognition**  
Fisher (Lead)

**Social Media — Social Media, Event promotions, website management**  
Geneen (Co-lead), Loopkey (Co-lead), Luross (J), Pagliarini

**Service—Club charitable giving, foundation grant applications**  
Luross (N) (Lead) ,

**Youth—Youth exchanges, adventure programs, school programs**  
Voldeng (Lead)

**Literacy—In support of a Rotary International initiative**  
Postle (Lead)

### Officers and Directors – 2023-2024

**Board Executive/Officers:**

President: Arthur Whetstone  
Past President Luis Pagliarini  
President Elect TBV  
Treasurer Arthur Whetstone  
Secretary John Luross

**Directors:**

Peter Voldeng  
Nancy Luross  
Anne Luross  
Robert Fisher  
Ron Loopkey

### Monthly Speaker / Program - Members in Charge

*"Rotary Connects the World"*

Listed below are the Theme months and the Committee Chair for each month.

July – New Rotary Year  
August – Membership  
September - Education and Literacy  
October - Economic and Community Development  
November –Rotary Foundation  
December –Disease Prevention and Treatment  
January – Vocational Service  
February –Peace and Conflict Prevention  
March –Water and Sanitation  
April –Maternal and Child Care  
May –Youth  
June –Rotary Fellowship