



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

April 28, 2025

Maternal and Child Care 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 Luis Pagliarini Desk: John Benesh
Chair: Anne Luross

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

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

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

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

Rotary Meeting

Location:

Grasswood Smittys
Highway 11 South/Grasswoods Road @ Esso

ONLINE- – click on the Google Meet link:
meet.google.com/ebn-mts-jvcu

Call to Order: Chair opened the meeting at 0700.

Attendance: There were 11 dedicated members who enjoyed a morning of fellowship with their fellow Rotarians and guests.

Guests: No guests



Sergeant raised funds for the following:.

Happy and Sad. Anne for Oilers win; John for Persephone theatre, a great show; Garth for return and Sharon doing better; Brent for two days at sons in Saltcoats and leaving for Greece for walking tour; Art for tour of Scotland; John for the Pope;

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) SARCAN Bottles

- a) Donate bottle proceeds to Meewasin
- b) Use the Self-Deposit area and Enter Code SMR.
- c) Send a photo of the deposit receipt to Art W (wci@sasktel.net) so that a donation receipt may be issued to you.

3) St Michael School Reading Program

- a) Time 12:45 – 1:20
- b) Reading to Grade 2 and Grade 3-4 classes

| Date | Readers |
|----------|------------------------------|
| April 29 | Anne Luross and Kris Tenaski |
| May | |
| May 6 | John and Nancy Luross |
| May 13 | Don and Wendy Stefiuk |
| May 20 | Don and Wendy Stefiuk |
| May 27 | |

4) RAP the GAP Fund Raising Campaign

- a) Email sent to all members.
- b) Matching grant to all donations, up to \$100,000
- c) All members are encouraged to support this Rotary Youth Project

5) Lobsterfest

- a) May 29 and 30
- b) Members are asked to think of who to invite.
- c) Goal is 350 participants.
- d) Nancy will be doing the Silent Auction. Contact Nancy. Bring next week or week after.
- e) Tickets are now available – see email from John or go to www.meewasinrotary.org
- f) Steak are ordered. Entertainment is being arranged.

6) Rock for RAP – Book Now

- a) **May 2/25 at Bethlehem High School @ 7:00 pm**
- b) Dance the night away at this 80s Prom Night – big hair, neon lights, and your favourite 80s music.
- c) Mark your calendars and be part of the difference!
- d) Click on this link [Buy Tickets](#)

7) District Conference 2025 Watch Party

- a) President’s Council is looking into holding a Watch Party for the Conference for Saskatoon and Area
- b) Dates:
 - i) May 9th, 2025 12:00pm - 3:45pm
 - ii) May 10th, 2025 9:00am - 4:30pm
- c) Conference Registration
 - i) Individual = \$50
 - ii) Watch Party = \$200
- d) Participants would register with the local watch party - NOT the conference
- e) Location: being investigated
- f) Cost: To Be Determined
- g) **Interest in attending?**

8) Wine Dine

- a) Date is December 4.
- b) Martin (music) and Ramona (painting) are lined up.
- c)

Club Business

Requests for Funding

The has reviewed and approved the following requests for funding and is presenting them to the Club for approval. The Club has \$5500 unspent in the Service Budget.

St. Mark Community School

Motion:

That the Club approve a grant of \$1000 to the St Mark Community School to support the Food Nutrition Program. CARRIED

Mover/Seconder: Nancy/Anne

Saskatoon Mothers Centre

Motion:

That the Club approve a grant of \$1600 to support the Saskatoon Mothers Centre to train two peer support workers. CARRIED

Mover/secondar: Nancy/Anne

Bedford Road Collegiate

Motion:.

That the Club approve a grant of \$1000 to support the Bedford Road Round Dance. CARRIED

Mover/Seconder: Nancy/Anne

Service Project and Funding Support

Christ Church Anglican Saskatoon

Christ Church Anglican host a community dinner once each month. There serve 150 (+/-) people at each dinner. The cost of the dinner is about \$400. They also need assistance in serving the dinner.

The Service Committee, with the support of the Board, is recommending to the Club that they assist the Christ Church Anglican in serving the dinner in May 2025 and also that the Club donate \$400 to cover the cost of the dinner. The proposal is for the Club to assist with the May 20 meal.

There are several volunteer tasks that are possible. Need the numbers. Service time is 4:45 to about 7:00. Can also go earlier and prepare food. Avenue 3 and 27th.

Motion:

That the Board approve a grant of \$400 to support the Christ Church Anglican church free community dinner and that the Club assist the Church in preparing and serving the dinner. CARRIED

Mover/Seconder: Nancy/Anne

June Meetings

Members are needed for the desk, sergeant and organize the program for June.

Program

No program

Upcoming Meetings

| Month | Theme, Coordinator and Meeting Status |
|--------------|--|
| April | Maternal and Child Car |
| 28 | Chris Smith Striker Medical sharing about a supplement he's developed to deal with MS. (Brent) |
| May | Youth Mont |
| 5 | Brenda Cameron - motherhood yxe program (Don Stefiuk) |
| 12 | |
| 19 | Victoria Day – No Meeting |
| 26 | |
| June | Rotary Fellowship |
| 2 | |
| 9 | Club Assembly – Budget and Plans for Year |
| 16 | |

| Month | Theme, Coordinator and Meeting Status |
|-------|--|
| 23 | Change Over Meeting – No Morning Meeting |
| 30 | No Meeting |

Events

| Date | Event | Rotary Club | Information/Contact |
|-----------------|---|-------------|---------------------|
| May 2, 2025 | May 2/25 at Bethlehem High School @ 7:00 pm | | RAP |
| May 9-10, 2025. | District 5550 Conference | | Zoom |
| May 29-30, 2025 | Lobsterfest 2025 | Meewasin | Gordie Howe Bowl |
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Welcome Song

We welcome you today
 fGood 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—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 Themes for Program

"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