



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

January 27, 2025

Volunteer Service 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: none Desk: John 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

To attend online – click on the Google Meet link:

<https://calendar.app.google/taGs9MBTWGiRBeyb8>

Call to Order: Chair opened the meeting at 0700.

Attendance: There were 7 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: Art P had a great show at Disney and transplant has gone well; Peter – wife has started work at chiropractic clinic; Nancy and John went to the Disney Concert and are going on a Caribbean cruise next week; Art W spoke of his trip to Costa Rica.

Announcements

Thank You from Lynn McArthur

Dear Meewasin Rotarians

On behalf of my kids and myself, it was lovely to see so many Rotarians and friends at Murray’s Celebration of Life. He loved all you guys and gals. We counted over 270 people attending! We want to thank the Meewasin Rotary Club for their donation to The Rotary Foundation to honour Murray.

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
Jan 28	
Feb 4	
Feb 11	
Feb 18	
Feb 25	
Mar 4	
Mar 11	
Mar 18	
Mar 25	

4) Adventures in Technology

- a) Steve Wilson gave an update on Adventures in Technology
- b) Dates - Late April – tentatively April 20-26, 2025
- c) Need HOSTS. .
 - i) Main duties are to have students stay, give breakfast, drop off in morning and pick up at end of day.

- ii) Contact Steve at sjwlawoffice@shaw.ca or 306-956-3345
 - d) Need to know by early January so can make decision or proceeding.
- 5) Homelessness Friendship Inn
- a) Nancy and John dropped off cheque at Friendship Inn.
 - b) Every person can get 2 meals per day. They give out only what is donated.
 - c) At Covid, they served meals and resulted in fewer food being eaten. They haven't gone back to self-serve.
- 6) Your Announcement Here
- a) .

Club Business

Fund Raising Ideas

Flag Rental

Not supported. Some would rent if other club did the project.

Concern about storage and setting up/taking down.

Could consider if selling the pole and flag.

Wine and Beer Glasses

Have sponsor for glasses and put their name and rotary logo on the glasses. Would sell at the venue.

Would work for Lobsterfest, but not sure about wine

How make Lobsterfest more than what it is? How make it bigger? Same for Wine/Dine Event.

Lottery

Have 6 month 50/50 lottery. One ending after Lobsterfest and one aft wine-dine.

About \$50 for a licence. Ongoing licences are easier, once set up.

John will talk with Garth and do it.

Sponsored Bag

Bag is paid for by sponsor. Sell the bags. Need to have a project.

Could sell at Farmers market, craft sales, or elsewhere.

Chase the Ace

Explore how it works.

Season of Giving – 12 days of Christmas

Kelowna Sunrise Club

Sell 4000 tickets - \$20 per calendar

6 prizes per day for 12 days.

Special calendar – with sponsors and coupons

Sell from Oct 15 to end of November

Each calendar has a lottery ticket on the back.

Have a number of sponsors

\$34000 in prizes

Program

Upcoming Meetings

Month	Theme, Coordinator and Meeting Status
January	Vocational Service
6	
13	John Benesh – report on the great walk
20	Hannah Abole and Dorothy Hudson presentation on Ghana Project
27	
Feb	Peace and Conflict Prevention
3	
10	
17	Family Day – No Meeting
24	
March	Water and Sanitation Month
3	
10	
17	
25	
31	

Events

Date	Event	Rotary Club	Information/Contact
Dec 2, 2024	Xmas Social		Art and Janet Postle's
December 12	Wine Tasting Dinner	Meewasin	
May 9-10, 2025.	District 5550 Conference		Zoom
May 29-30, 2025	Lobsterfest 2025	Meewasin	Gordie Howe Bowl

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—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