



**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  
 @ Heritage Inn



**June 8, 2020**  
**Rotary Fellowships Month**

**Rotary: Making a Difference**

**District Governor (5550):** Fred Wright  
**President:** Hari Nair      **1<sup>st</sup> VP:** TBD      **Secretary:** Garth Courtney  
**Past President:** Ron Loopkey/  
 Tom Geenen      **2<sup>nd</sup> VP:** TBD      **Treasurer:** Robert Fisher

**Sergeant:** Tristan      **Desk:** Virtual Desk  
**Rotary Minute:** Donna Birkmaier-Tillotson

**Service Above Self**

**DONATION IN LIEU OF MEETING EXPENSES**

- a) E-mail Transfer from Bank Account
  - a. Send to Rowasin Foundation using the email: [rowasin2020@gmail.com](mailto:rowasin2020@gmail.com)
  - b. If there is an option to send an email to a second party send it to [rfisher@leafandstone.ca](mailto:rfisher@leafandstone.ca).
  - c. If not an option, email ([rfisher@leafandstone.ca](mailto:rfisher@leafandstone.ca)) or text or call Robert at 306 222-8399
- b) Credit Card
  - a. For a credit card call Robert and he will handle it

**One way or the other YOU need to advise Robert of your contribution**

Meewasin Rotary Readers Schedule		Meals on Wheels	
Wednesday (St. Michael's, 1:00 p.m.)		Monday (1100 am pickup – City Hospital)	
		June	Volunteers under 65 years may
		July	deliver meals. Inform Meals
		August	Coordinator at 306-655-4323

\* Meals Wheels Contact: Volunteer Service Department - Dawna Shand - (306) 655-4323

**Rotary Meeting**

**Call to Order:** The Chair opened the meeting at 0800 on Zoom.

**Attendance:** There were 15 dedicated members who enjoyed a morning of fellowship with their fellow Rotarians and guests.

**Guests:** Tristan deCoster



**Sergeant:** For missing meetings because of golfing, for anyone without a beard, for continuing to work during the pandemic, the Youth Services people, the President for not recruiting

**Payment of Fines:** At end of month, each person will send Robert their fines. See above on how to do this.

## Announcements

### 1) Rotary Reader for Monday, June 8/20

Glen Bailey

### 2) Membership

- If anyone is planning on not continuing as a member, let Garth know.
- We have to pay fees to RI for the number of members as of June 30.

### 3) RI Virtual Convention

- It will be remote. Fees have not been announced yet.
- Dates: June 20-26, 2020
- Breakout sessions are listed. There are 3 a day.
- For more information:

<https://www.riconvention.org/en/honolulu>



### 4) Coop Gift Cards

- Robert has Coop Gifts Cards – the Perfect gift your yourself, your loved ones and special friends.
- You can buy \$50 or \$100 cards.
- GET YOUR GIFT CARDS TODAY



**Remember – without “u” there’s no us**

## Club Business

### Rotary Minute

What have we done that has made a change in the world. In 1917, the Rotary year motto was making a difference around the world, which was the beginning of the Rotary Foundation. Projects have made a difference in the lives of the lives people. A water dam let local Africans have their own gardens. A new village school enabled children to attend school for the first time.

## Program

### Message from Mely Bonnargent

Hi everyone ! I hope this message finds you all healthy.

I was on exchange in 2011-2012 and I keep amazing memories of this year in Saskatoon. There is still not a day that goes by that I don't think about my life and families there.

After coming back, I did a bachelor in foreign languages, went for a summer in Spain as an au pair and spent 6 months in Costa Rica for a university exchange. I took a year off after my bachelor to find what my next studies would be. In 2016, I moved to the north of France, in Lille, for a master in marketing. During the two years of the master, i fell in love with the city and decided to stay there. In 2019, I found my first job as a marketing assistant and i am loving it ! One of the best aspect is that I get to work half time in English, exchanging with my English and Chinese colleagues.

I now live between France and Germany, where my boyfriend lives (he is German and we met during our exchange in Costa Rica). Since Canada, it feels like the travels never stopped 😊

I'm a still to this day extremely grateful for the opportunity I was given.

I wish you a great day !

Mely Boonagent

### Update from Tristan

It has been 4 years since he was in Canada. After he returned to Belgium, he went to university to take physical education. He can now teach physical education in Belgium. However, he is now taking a Firefighter and EMT course. It is a 1-year course. They are combined in Belgium. He has been shut down for 3 months. At the end of June, he will finish his EMT course. In September he will start his Firefighter course.

He is currently in the West side of Belgium, where he is visiting his girlfriend's family. Naomi just graduated as a physical education teacher as well She has just started a Kinesiology program.

Belgium has been locked down. They are in the process of reopening bars and restaurants.

### Meeting

Date	Program/Activity
<b>June</b>	<b>Rotary Fellowships Coordinators: Walling, Clements</b>
1	Curtis Clements, Teaching Robotics and Computational Thinking in Saskatchewan
8	June 8: Visits via ZOOM with several Rotary Exchange Student Alumni, led by Hari Nair
15	June 15: Changes in Meewasin Rotarians' Workplaces, led by Tom Geenen
22	June 22: Saskatoon Rotary Public Image website, Katelyn Bruce
29	June 29: Open (call Les or Hari with any ideas/speaker preferences)
<b>July</b>	<b>Welcome to a New Rotary Year</b>
	July 6: Tom Geenen, President 20/21 - Ideas for the year
	July 8: Presidential Changeover event, 6:30 pm

### Events

Date	Event	Rotary Club	Information/Contact
Rotary International	RI Virtual Convention June 20-26, 2020		<a href="https://www.riconvention.org/en/honolulu">https://www.riconvention.org/en/honolulu</a>

## 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

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### **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?

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### **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

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**Rotary Club of Saskatoon Meewasin  
Monthly Speaker / Program Assignments for 2018-19**

Month	Monthly Rotary Theme	Members in Charge
<b>2019</b>		
July	Start of new Rotary year	Bailey, Benesh
August	Membership and New Club Development, (DG Visit?)	Ferguson
September	Basic Education and Literacy, (Corn Roast?) Note: No meeting Labour Day Sep 3	Muir, Courtney, Empey
October	Economic and Community Development Note: No meeting Thanksgiving Oct 8	Fisher, McArthur Russell
November	Rotary Foundation Note: No meeting Nov 11	Geenen, Howland Sutherland
December	Disease Prevention and Treatment, (Club Elections) Note: No meetings Dec 30	Whetstone, Kessler Birkmaier-Tillotson
<b>2020</b>		
January	Vocational Service, (Evening social?)	Loopkey, Klause
February	Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution Note: No meeting Family Day Feb 18	Luross, Mundi Morgan
March	Water and Sanitation	Nair, Nickel, Paproski
April	Maternal and Child Health, (AIT Monday?) Note: No meeting Easter Monday April 21	Fehr, Stefiuk Postle
May	Youth Service Note: No meeting Victoria Day May 20	Action, Tenaski, Wilson
June	Rotary Fellowships, (Lobsterfest, 'Change Over')	Walling, Clements

## COMMITTEES FOR 2019-2020

### **Meewasin Rotary Club: 2019 / 2020 Committee**

**Administration - Meeting program & admin, Sergeant, raffle, facilities, meals, supplies**

**Ferguson – Chair**

Courtney – Secretary, Fisher – Treasurer, Morgan, Walling

**Service - Club charitable giving, Foundation grant applications**

**Howland – Chair**

Benesh, Muir, Sutherland, Paproski, Courtney

**Youth - Youth exchanges, Adventures programs, school programs**

**Postle – Chair**

Kessler, Acton

**Foundation-Foundation donations, member recognition**

**Wilson - Chair**

Bailey, Clements

**Membership - Member recruitment, education and retention**

**Geenen – Chair**

Tenaski, Stefiuk, Fehr, Birkmaier-Tillotson

**Public Relations- Club & event promotion, communications, manage website**

**Mundi - Chair**

Empey, Luross, Whetstone

**Social - Plan & organize monthly social event or service project, social Media**

**Loopkey – Chair**

McArthur, Klause, Loopkey