



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

March 10, 2025

Water and Sanitation 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: Desk: Nancy 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 9 dedicated members who enjoyed a morning of fellowship with bretheir fellow Rotarians and guests.

Guests: No guests



Sergeant raised funds for the following:

Happy and Sad: Anne has completed her move and happy to be back; Brent has returned from BC, with good weather; Garth for going to BC for 2 weeks; John L for renovations of basement; John B for Tesla being hauled to Airdrie to only battery repair service in Canada and for voice, music and light show; Garth for the production at McClure Place with 50 people; Anne Luross for great Northern Light show at Hepburn;

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
Mar 4	John and Nancy Luross
Mar 11	John and Nancy Luross
Mar 18	Art Whetstone and Anne Luross
Mar 25	Don and Wendy Stefiuk

4) District Leadership Session

- a) Friday, March 21-23, 2025
- b) In person at Russell MB or Zoom
- c) Club will pay for 2-3 Online Attendees @ \$50 per person.

5) RAP Fund Raising Campaign

- a) Email will be sent to all members.
- b) Rt will follow-up with phone call.
- c)

6) 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.

7) .

Club Business

No Club Business

Program

Carol Whitecap spoke to members about to members about the Indigenous Academy and the work of the Community Service Coordinator at Bedford Road Collegiate, which is a community school. He work involves community liaison, grant writing, hosting big events in the school. The favourite part of the school is to remove barriers to access the school – involves breakfast, healthy snacks, lunch and a hamper program. They help making eye appointments and help get glasses. Also dental appointments.

Next week they are having a round dance. Everyone is welcome at a round dance. It originated with the Cree. A daughter who lost her mother had her mother come to her in a dream and showed her how to do the dance as a healing ceremony. It is done in the winter. This year’s dance will happen on March 18/25. People are celebrated as they come. In a Round dance, every person has a small drum as opposed to singers sitting around a large drum. Everyone holds hands and step with the left leg (representing men) and dragging the right leg (representing women). The music is more modern and contains some English words.

Upcoming Meetings

Month	Theme, Coordinator and Meeting Status
March	Water and Sanitation Month
10	Carol Whitecap -
17	Brent Klause coordinating
25	Joy Ann Allin – Donor Relations Manager – Sherbrooke Foundation
31	Club Assembly

Events

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Rotary Club</u>	<u>Information/Contact</u>
Mar 21-23	District Leadership Seminar	District	Sign in on district website
May 9-10, 2025.	District 5550 Conference		Zoom
May 29-30, 2025	Lobsterfest 2025	Meewasin	Gordie Howe Bowl
	the		

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