



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 15, 2021
Water and Sanitation
Month

Rotary: Making a Difference

District Governor (5550): Gailmarie Anderson

President: Tom Geenen
Past President: Hari Nair

1st VP: Jay Cowsill
2nd VP: TBD

Secretary: Garth Courtney
Treasurer: Art Postle, Glen Bailey

Sergeant: Les Ferguson

Desk: Virtual Desk

Service Above Self

DUES AND OTHER PAYMENTS TO THE CLUB

- E-mail Transfer from Bank Account
 - Send to Rowasin Foundation 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

NOTE: Your Zoom Meeting opens at 0645,
so log in early and enjoy some pre-meeting fellowship.

Zoom Meeting:

By Zoom link (computer, tablet, phone)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83624852636?pwd=MjRTY2FQWIRmRW9Cd2NKRHISWHlvQT09>

By Phone (call charges may apply):

Dial One of the Following Numbers:

- British Columbia: +1 778 907 2071
- Alberta: +1 587 328 1099
- Manitoba: +1 204 272 7920
- Toronto: +1 647 374 4685

- Toronto: +1 647 558 0588

Enter Meeting ID and Passcode:

- Meeting ID: 836 2485 2636
- Passcode: 218641

Call to Order: The Chair opened the meeting at 0700 on Zoom.

Attendance: There were 18 dedicated members who enjoyed a morning of fellowship with their fellow Rotarians and guests.

Guests: Jan Shadick, Samson Bwaya



Sergeant: Members made Donations to the Foundation for getting his CV vaccination and a painless registration; for signing up for vaccination; for recognition of Warmen residents access to new defibrillator; for checking out esterhazy ford and being at the top of the pile on the staff list; for being on Price Waterhouse website and their contribution to the community; for being on shown on Benesh.com; for having colourful logo on website with colourful greens; for ‘sizzling signs’ alliteration on website; for trader Ron/



Ian a Sad dollar for Saskatchewan loss at Brier; Jay for a productive 9 hours in District Leadership and making great connections and good information; Garth for CV vaccine; Hari for Harold being well and getting vaccination. David Russel is doing well but has some pain; Rob Jasper is doing well and has 5 cats for adoption; John spent time and lunch with family for first time in months.

Announcements

PRESIDENT TOM OPENED THE MEETING WITH A GREAT RENDITION OF O’CANADA THAT EVERYONE COULD HEAR AND JOIN IN.

1) DISTRICT 5550 Conference 2021 – May 13-15

- Host: Rotary Club of Melfort invites you to join District 5550 Rotarians to celebrate the Family of Rotary
- Kickoff – Friday Evening, May 13 – Fellowship Evening
- On Friday, May 14th and Saturday May 15th, our program will include a Youth Engagement panel as well as outstanding presentations about Entrepreneurship & Philanthropy, Community Involvement & Fundraising, Indigenous Relations and Mental Wellbeing.
- Registration Fee: \$50
- FOR Information and Registration – Go to the District 5550 webpage and click on the conference tab:

<https://rotary5550.org/>



2) EDADZ BACKPACK Drop Off

- You can Drop off items at John Benesh’s Office.
- There is a Box in the reception area
- Any bag is OK, not just back packs

3) Your Announcement Here (Free)

4) Your Announcement Here (Free)

5) Eye Glasses for Peru

- a) A great opportunity has presented itself – a way for you to give away any eyeglasses sitting around and GIVE the gift of vision. A win/win.
- b) The RC of Sioux Lookout is writing a GG (Global Grant) in partnership with the RC of Arequipa Primavera and Medical Ministry International (MMI) in Peru.
- c) The US\$54,000 will provide Ophthalmology services via a van staffed and equipped to travel to the poor areas of Arequipa and the surrounding rural areas. Services such as vision testing, surgery, and eyeglasses are provided to the needy on ability to pay – a little or not at all.
- d) The RC of Sioux Lookout is calling for eyeglasses which will be sent to MMI in Peru for distribution on visits to the communities. This is an opportunity for us to ‘give the gift of vision’ while cleaning out a drawer or cupboard!
- e) **Put your glasses together and send me an email (blbanbury@sasktel.net)– I would be happy to pick them up from your mail box OR if you are wanting to see the Mountain of Snow you can drop them off at #20 Redwood Drive, Cedar Villa Estates - in the mail box at the front of the house.**
- f) Brenda Banbury, RC of Saskatoon North

6) SARCAN Drop Off – Donate to Rotary

NOTE: You need to REGISTER for Drop and Go at (<https://www.sarcana.ca/pages/register2.html>)

Follow these easy steps:

- a) At home, separate your recycling – put plastics, cartons and aluminum cans into bags, put glass beverage containers into boxes. Don’t forget to include milk containers!
- b) Visit a SARCAN Depot and look for Drop & Go – *See below for a list of locations*
- c) Follow instructions on the screen. Type SMR when prompted to enter the group phrase. It is simple!
- d) The amount of your order will be processed and paid directly to the Saskatoon Meewasin Rotary Club.

Saskatoon East (350B 103 St E)	Entrance to the right of the main doors
Saskatoon North (2327 Faithfull Ave)	Entrance to the north of the building
Saskatoon West (2305 22 St W #7)	Enter through Avenue X (west side) doors

If you want a Tax Receipt, make sure that you keep your receipt and send it to Art Postle. He will try to track the donations.

NOTE: Scan the receipt that you get and send it to Art P so that he can match the receipt to the funds.

7) Coop Gift Cards

- a) Art Postle has Coop Gift cards for sale. We have \$50 and \$100 gift cards. We make 5-10% on the gift cards.
- b) We have \$3200 in Gift Cards left to sell.
- c) You can email Art Postle at meewasinrotary2020@gmail.com



Club Business

No Club Business

Program



Jan Shadick, Executive Director, provided members with information on the Living Sky Wildlife Rehabilitation. She was born in California. While in Connecticut she got involved in wildlife rescue. She became a licenced wildlife rescuer. She moved to Saskatchewan in 2001.

Jan was the first wildlife rehabilitator to receive provincial and federal permits in 2005, and LSWR is the largest facility in the province. She also trains wildlife rescuers. She is also a founding member of the Wildlife Rescue Association of Saskatchewan, which offers a wildlife hot line.

Living Sky Wildlife Rehabilitation was created to formalize the work that Jan Shadick had been doing for several years. She took in 20 animals in 2005. This grew to 150 in 2009, prompting the creation of LSWR in 2010. By 2015, with over 650 animals needing care, it was time to move to a larger space.

Since the move, our services have been in demand, with 950 injured and orphaned animals arriving in 2017 and close to 2000 animals in 2020. Our budget has grown to over \$200,000, with less than \$10,000 of that going towards Administrative costs.

Mission

"To provide a safe place for injured and orphaned wild animals to grow and mend until they can return to their natural habitat while encouraging public tolerance and understanding of wildlife." We are a non-profit, registered charity, based in Saskatoon, SK.

Philosophy

Our Philosophy is essentially "if you care enough to rescue and bring in the animal, we will put in the time and energy to rehabilitate it." Therefore, we accept all wild animals brought to us, regardless of age, species, color, attitude, origin, injury, or need.

We provide the full range of treatment services needed to rehabilitate small mammals and birds. We assist the public with issues relating to wildlife; and promote knowledge and appreciation of wild animals and the habitats

they depend on for survival. Animals outside the scope of LSWR will be accepted, assessed, stabilized and transferred to the appropriate rehabilitation facility.

Animals are fed specially formulated diets to meet their nutritional needs and provided with the necessary medical care to heal their injuries. All animals are carefully handled to maintain their fear of humans so they can be released back to the wild.

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The Centre offers a number of birding tours, depending on the time of year to view the birds of the season.

- Snowy Owl private birding tour (December – March)
- Chickadee Feeding tour (November – April)
- Saskatoon Winter birdwatching tour (November – April)
- Forest Winter birding tour (November – April)
- Signs of Spring birding tour (March 21 - May 15)
- Dancing Grouse tour (April – May)
- Sounds of the Night group nature tour (April 24, 2021)
- Prairie Grasslands birding tour (late April – July)
- Birding By Ear Workshops (May)
- Birding With A Purpose Workshops (May)
- Greenwater Lake group birding tour (May 31 – June 2)
- Chaplin Shorebirds tour (May – August)
- Prairie Lakes birding tour (May – October)
- Beaver Creek birding and hiking tour (January –

December)

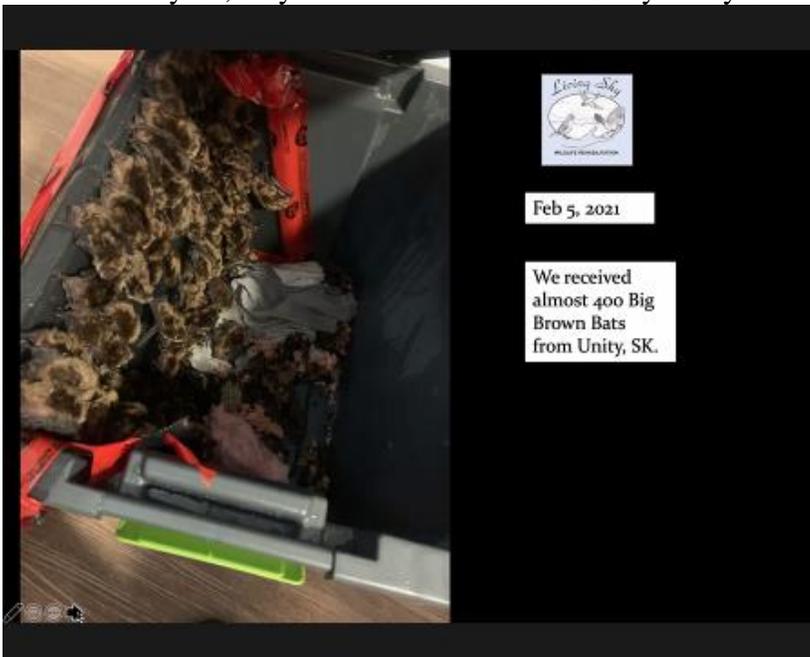
- Cypress Hills group birding tour (July 5 – 9)
- Camp Wolf Willow birding tour (July – September)
- Whooping & Sandhill Crane birding tours (September – October)
- Pelican Photography and Viewing tour
- Bald Eagle private birding tour (November 7 – December 13)



They started in the house, with the skunks relocated to the yard. By 2015 they had taken in 650 animals. They outgrew the space. In 2015 they found a run down house with a large yard in Sutherland. In 2016, they opened for operations. They grew to 1300 last year and 2019 last year. They also have a number of interns and a many volunteers. She became a full time volunteer for the Centre

The are permitted to take any small animal, except for poisonous snakes. The even took in some baby bears, which were given to the Zoo to finish the rehab.

In Feb 5 this year, they took in 400 bats from Unity. They can in 2 crates. The initial number was expected to be 200, but it was actually over 400. It took them 8 hours to process the bats. Each bat was weighed and sexed. They checked the wings and the checked for mites on the wings. The mites are very small.



The had to be hydrated. If they were too thin to be hibernated, they were put into a bucket, with lid. If they were 16 grams, they were hibernated. They were put into buckets and they were fed until they were 16 grams.

When taken out of the bucket to feed, they had put them in their hand to warm them up so they became able to eat. They are in a warm blanket.



A meal worm is put into their favourite food. It is put into their mouth and when they are warm enough, they begin eating it. They try to feed them 4 gm of food at meal. This is significant as they are only 18 grams.

Bats like to cuddle. The huddle up. They sometimes fuss and get annoyed with each other as they wiggle around each other.

They are now down to 2 bats per bucket. These are the hardest feeders.

They eat 25% of their body weight in a meal and shed it over the day.

They echo locate to move around. They are attracted to around people because our heat attracts mosquitos and bugs.

The eat millions of mosquitos. They eat up to 25 grams of mosquitos a day.

The bat holds it fat around its neck. Some people call them sky puppies.

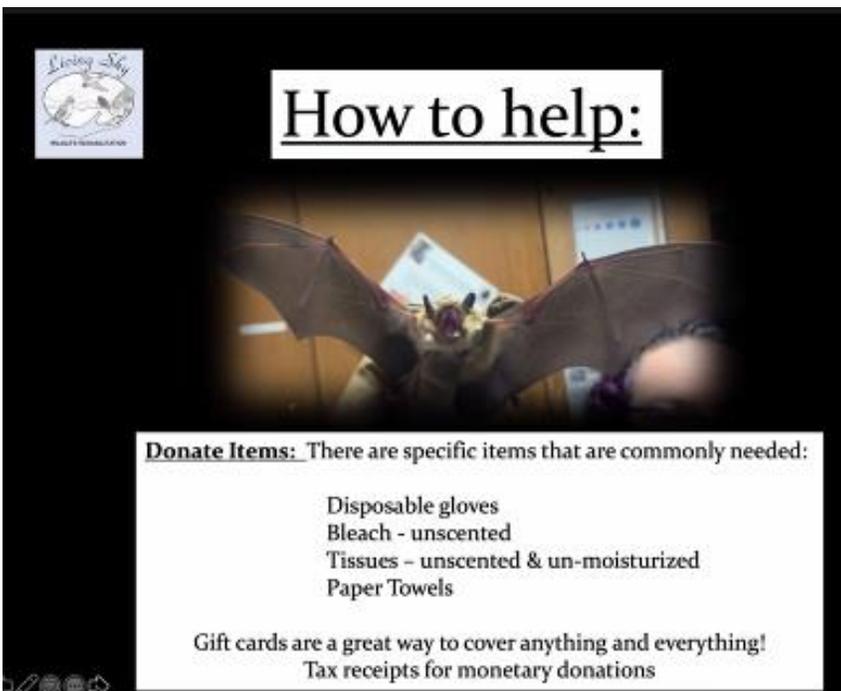
The roofing company that removed the bats from the house is

starting a bat conservation



There has been a lot of support for the bats from the public.

Also, there has been a lot of contact and support from the Bat community around north America.



They have continued to receive animals, including a muskrat whose feet and tail were frozen to the ground. The pond froze to the bottom and it had to leave its house. It was very thin when they received it. It has lost part of its tail.

Contact Us:
Living Sky Wildlife Rehabilitation
<https://livingskywildliferehabilitation.org/>
100 Rayner Ave.
Saskatoon, SK S7N 2P8
(306)281-0554
LSWR@sasktel.net
or
info@livingskywildliferehabilitation.org

Upcoming Meetings

Suggest a Speaker Form:

To suggest a speaker for a meeting, Click on this link: <https://forms.gle/mgU98xr6xWocg44v5>

Date	Speaker and Topic
March	Water and Sanitation Meeting Planners: Nair, Paproski, Cowsill
8	Russ Munro Director of Saskatoon Water and Mike Sadowski Manager Wastewater Treatment Plant.
15	Jan Shadick from Living Sky Wildlife Rehab
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April	Maternal and Child Health Meeting Planners: Ferguson, Stefiuk, Howland
5	Easter Monday. No Meeting.
12	Sue, from City Center Family Physicians Primary Health Care Unit, will speak on the breast milk Depot that we sponsored several years ago.
19	Also in April – speaker from healthy Mother healthy baby and Johanna Bergman with a date to speak on the mother Center, or nutrition and the newborn. Dates to be assigned.
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Events

Date	Event	Rotary Club	Information/Contact
May 13 (evening) to May 15	District 5550 Conference - 2021	Melfort	
September 22/21	Badge, Shield and Star Dinner		

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

COMMITTEES FOR 2020-2021

Officers

President: Tom Geenen; Past President: Hari Nair;
Secretary: Garth Courtney; Treasurer: Art Postle & Glen Bailey

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

Chairs: Kris Tenaski and Hari Nair

Members: Courtney (Secretary), Jaspar (Assistant Secretary), Postle & Bailey (Co-Treasurers), Cowsell, Whetstone

Community Service - Club charitable giving, Foundation grant applications

Chair: John Benesh

Members: Howland, Sutherland, Muir

Youth Services - Youth exchanges, Adventures programs, school programs

Chairs: Leanne Kessler and James Paproski

Members: Stefiuk, Mundi, Clements

Foundation - Foundation donations, member recognition

Chair: Ken Wilson

Members: Bailey, Birkmaier

Membership - Member recruitment, education and retention

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

Chairs: Leanne Kessler and Tom Geenen

Members: Walling, Ferguson, McArthur, Russell, Nickel

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

Chair: Ron Loopkey

Members: Luross, Fisher, Pagliarini, Klause

Officers and Directors – 2021-2022

Officers:

Past President	Tom Geenen
Pres Elect	Jay Cowsill
Vice President	Vacant
Co-Treasurers	Art Postle/Glen Bailey
Secretary	Garth Courtney

Assistant Secretary Rob Jaspar

Directors:

John Benesh
Hari Nair
Kris Tenaski
James Paproski

Leanne Kessler

Ken Wilson

Board Executive (2021-2022):

Jay Cowsill (President), Tom Geenen (Past President), (Vice President-Vacant), Garth Courtney (Secretary), Art Postle/Glen Bailey (Co-Treasurers)

Monthly Speaker / Program - Members in Charge

"Rotary Connects the World"

Note 1: The * indicates the lead person, others are support

Note 2: Please have list of speakers to Admin Committee at least 2-3 weeks prior to start of month

	Monthly Rotary Theme	2020-21
July	<i>Start of new Rotary year</i>	
August	<i>Membership and New Club Development</i>	
September	<i>Basic Education and Literacy, (Corn Roast)</i>	
October	<i>Economic and Community Development</i>	
November	<i>Rotary Foundation</i>	
December	<i>Disease Prevention and Treatment, (Club Elections)</i>	
January	<i>Vocational Service,</i>	*Courtney Postle
February	<i>Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution</i>	*Luross
	Family Day Feb 15	Muir Birkmaier
March	<i>Water and Sanitation</i>	*Nair Paproski Cowsill
April	<i>Maternal and Child Health</i>	*Ferguson
	Easter Monday April 5th	Stefiuk Howland
May	<i>Youth Service</i>	*Tenaski
	Victoria Day May 24	Kessler Peterson

	Monthly Rotary Theme	2020-21
June	<i>Rotary Fellowships</i>	*Loopkey
		Pagliarini
		Sutherland