



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



May 15, 2023

Youth Month

Rotary: Making a Difference

District Governor (5550): Fred Wright

President: Art Postle, Garth Courtney

Pres Elect: Luis Pagliarini

Secretary: Garth Courtney

Past President: Tom Geenen

Treasurers: Art Postle

Sergeant: Luis Pagliarini

Desk: Art Postle

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

ZOOM – Meewasin Rotary Club

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83624852636?pwd=MjRlRkY2FkZWIRmRW9Cd2NKRHlSWHlvQT09>

ZOOM & Queen's House

601 Taylor Street West

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87214323627>

Meeting ID: 872 1432 3627

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If you have problems getting on Zoom call Garth at 306 229-3965 or Art P at 306 227-3013

Call to Order: The Chair (**Brent Klause**) opened the meeting at 0700, or thereabouts.

Attendance: There were 16 dedicated members who enjoyed a morning of fellowship with their fellow Rotarians and guest.

Guests: Guest speaker: Maureen Bourke

The Sergeant raised funds for the following real or imagined offences:.



Happy and Sad Dollars:



Luis started us off with his exciting news – He and Renata will have their Canadian citizenship ceremony (online) on May 27.

Ron – spent time with all the mothers in his life this weekend...and was called on to pick-up flowers, coffee, etc. for his out-of-town kids for their mother. Ron was also happy to have sold Ian's car this past week – for Meredith. Also happy to hear about Sci-fi camps today as his niece used to teach at a previous camp.

Nancy was happy to celebrate Mother's Day with family over for lunch, then different families for supper. Great day.

Donna – had a great time at the District Conference this past weekend.

John L – was happy to reconnect with fellow Rotarians at the conference who also attended the same 2006 Friendship exchange trip to New Zealand. Also – a highlight watching a couple we know from church receive their citizenship during the citizenship ceremony (25 new citizens) at the conference.

Anne – was happy for too many things to mention (editor not that fast note taking.) Had a great time at her first convention, Mother's Day events, and new golf shoes that seem to have helped ease back pain.

Art – very good convention – and new DG Sonya Susut of RC of Moose Jaw Wakamow, theme for new year is Create Hope in the World.

Les – very inspiring talks at conference.

John B – sad that JoAnne is heading to Vancouver for 2 weeks. He will be on his own.

Don – was happy to host good friends from Regina for the weekend.

Brent – happy to learn about weighted blankets for people who have trouble sleeping. (they work!)

Kris – happy that he could celebrate Mother's Day with his wife (mother to their 16-month-old) and also happy to announce they found out 2 weeks ago they are expecting again. Congratulations!

Announcements

1) SASKATOON FOOD BANK

- a) Next Opportunities: To be announced

2) 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.

3) Cell Phones

- a) John Benesh is collecting smart phones for the Mother and Baby centre. They will be used by mothers for appointments, etc.
- b) Drop off at Benesh, Bitz and company – Quebec Avenue.

4) Lobsterfest 2023

- a) Dates – May 25 and 26, 2003
- b) Place: Gordie Howe Bowl
- c) **50/50 Draw**
 - i) . <https://www.rafflebox.ca/raffle/rcsm>
- d) **Tickets:** Purchase at: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-rotary-club-of-saskatoon-meewasin-presents-lobsterfest-2023-tickets-619872805247>
- e) **Auction items:** We need to collect items for the silent auction at LobsterFest. Leanne and Nancy are looking for a variety of items both large and small. With only a few days to go (and no more meetings), you can drop them off at Nancy's at 86 Red River Road. Their cell numbers are Leanne 306 270-1912 and Nancy 306 381-4342 if you have questions.

5) 50-50 Challenge

- a) Ron challenges members to buy tickets early – this will create more interest in the tickets. He is buying \$100.
 - i) Tickets will be available online at <https://www.rafflebox.ca/raffle/rcsm>
- b) The draw will be made at the first meeting after Lobsterfest.

6) Youth Exchange

- a) There is a plan in the works for a One-Way Student Exchange for Students from Ukraine.
- b) They are looking at 100 students.
- c) There will also be 2 one-way students from Venezuela.

7) Queen's House Annual Golf Tournament – Sunday, June 25. Here is the Facebook link for details: https://trellis.org/queens-houses-15th-annual-golf-tournament?fbclid=IwAR3yjG2M7i_0E5GxpUI60fNsr5-kNcnBZ1YdhKZZjX5uhKGCWZ0jRVssA2A

We would like to put together some Rotary Foursomes – John L, Garth and Robert have already committed to play. Should be a lot of fun.

8) Social time, 4PM, May 22 at Art & Janet's Home to meet Jonathan Berz, former Exchange student – See details below:

Club Social on Monday, May 22, 2023-4 PM

Everyone is invited to the home of Janet and Art Postle, 139 Zeman Cr.

on the afternoon of Monday, May 22 at 4 PM to meet Jonathan Berz, a Rotary Exchange student from Germany and his girlfriend Melinda. Jonathan was hosted by our club approximately 10 years ago.

Weather permitting the event will take place in our backyard so bring a lawn chair, your beverage of choice and simple snacks of chips and the like.

Janet and Art will provide smokies (a few gluten free) on a bun and potato salad.

This will be a great opportunity to enjoy good fellowship and visit with Jonathan and Melinda as well as fellow Rotarians, including Honorary members and their partners.

Please confirm your attendance by Friday, May 19.

Looking forward to seeing you on the 22nd.

Club Business

- Garth reminded everyone to sell those LobsterFest tickets. Follow up with your friends and contacts. The numbers as of today are 32 sold for Friday night and 60 for Friday. We have a long way to go! **If people cannot attend, remind them that they can also make a donation** (Send to Rowasin Foundation using the email: rowasin2020@gmail.com) **and/or buy 50/50 tickets. The deadline to order LobsterFest tickets will probably be next Monday (May 22) – so don't delay!**

Program

Luis introduced out guest speaker – Maureen Bourke from the [Sci-Fi science camps](#). (see their website for complete information)

Maureen acknowledge the Sci-fi camps originated with our very own Peter Voldeng, 33 years ago while he was attending the U of S. She mentioned that in a typical session, the leader will make a brief presentation for about 5 minutes, then they let the kids loose to experiment themselves and learn.

Maureen gave us a great overview of their Outreach program, Summer Camps and also their year-round programming. 90% of their programming is free.

Maureen concluded her presentation with “At the end of the day, Sci-Fi is all about teaching kids to love science.”

Brent thanked Maureen with a book to be presented to St Michael school on her behalf.

Upcoming Meetings

Date	Speaker and Topic
May	Youth Month Coordinators: Voldeng (Chair), Klause, Kessler, McArthur
22	NO MEETING - Victoria Day. Have a Great Weekend
29	Club Assembly
June	Rotary Fellowship Month Coordinators: Luross, Whetstone, Loopkey, Geenen
5	Taylor Baier, Executive Director, Crocus Cooperative
12	Derek Kerr, Pastor and Executive Director of Community and Family Services, Salvation Army
19	Sue Berscheid, New Zealand student exchange
26	Club Assembly

Events

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Rotary Club</u>	<u>Information/Contact</u>
May 22, 2023 (4:00 pm)	Club Social at Art and Janet Postle’s home		See announcement above.
May 25th and 26th	LobsterFest. Gordie Howe Bowl	Meewasin	

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 2022-2023

Administration—Meeting administration (program, facilities, meals, supplies)

Courtney (Chair and Club Secretary), Postle (Club Treasurer), Pagliarini (Incoming President)

Foundation—Foundation donations, member recognition

Bailey (Chair), Fisher, Wilson, Birkmaier

Indigenous Relations—In support of a District 5550 initiative

Nair, Ferguson

Literacy—In support of a Rotary International initiative

Postle (Chair), Stefiuk, Berscheid, Clements

Membership—Membership recruitment, engagement, and retention

Club members as a whole

Public Relations—Club and event promotion, communications, website management

Luross (Chair and Website Administrator), Whetstone (Eyeopener Editor), Loopkey, Geenen

Service—Club charitable giving, foundation grant applications

Benesh (Chair), Sutherland, Howland, Nancy Luross, Anne Luross, Tenaski, Muir

Youth—Youth exchanges, adventure programs, school programs

Voldeng (Chair), Klause, Kessler, McArthur

Officers and Directors – 2022-2023

Board Executive/Officers:

President:	Garth Courtney, Art Postle
Past President	Tom Geenen
President Elect	Luis Pagliarini
Treasurer	Art Postle
Secretary	Garth Courtney
Ass't Secretary	

Directors:

John Benesh
Peter Voldeng
Glen Bailey
John Luross

Monthly Speaker / Program - Members in Charge

"Rotary Connects the World"

Listed below are the Theme months and the Committee Chair for each month.

July - Not assigned – New Rotary Leadership
August – Not assigned - Membership and New Club Development
September - Art Postle - Education and Literacy
October - John Luross - Economic and Community Development
November – Glen Bailey – Rotary Foundation
December – John Benesh - Disease Prevention and Treatment
January – Luis Pagliarini/ Peter Voldeng - Vocational Service
February – Glen Bailey – Peace and Conflict Prevention
March – John Benesh – Water and Sanitation
April – Garth Courtney – Maternal and Child Care
May – Peter Voldeng – Youth
June – John Luross – Rotary Fellowship