



Official Bulletin of:  
**ROTARY CLUB OF SASKATOON MEEWASIN #22664**

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Founded: April 23, 1985  
Meetings: Monday 0700



SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

**November 1, 2021**  
**Rotary Foundation Month**

**Rotary: Making a Difference**

**President:** Jay Cowsill  
**Past President:** Tom Geenen

**District Governor (5550):** Dan Sutton  
**1<sup>st</sup> VP:**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> VP:** TBD

**Secretary:** Garth Courtney  
**Treasurers:** Art Postle

**Sergeant:** Brent Klaus

**Desk:** Art Postle and Garth Courtney

### 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:postle@sasktel.net)).

### Rotary Meeting

#### **Queen's House**

601 Taylor Street West

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

Meeting ID: 872 1432 3627

One tap mobile

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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 opened the meeting at 0700 on Zoom.

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

**Guests:** Nancy Luross



The Sergeant requested members to donate to the RI Foundation in celebration of the following activities and events: For not donating \$100 or more to Rotary Foundation; For having over 50 kids at Halloween; For living in a Condo and not getting any kids; For not bringing in a new member in the past 3 years; For not having to play the piano at Rotary any more.



Ken for Saskatchewan Roughrider being playoff bound; For brother-in-law for having successful open heart surgery and having huge breakfast 10 hours after the surgery; For sons and sisters birthday; For roughriders and huskies, and front-line health care workers; Sad dollar for loss of family friend; For wonderful production at Persephone, with great story line and one-liners; John for 37<sup>th</sup> Happy Anniversary and being on annual anniversary journal; John for dad's 95<sup>th</sup> Birthday; For loss of buddy; For wife helping Anglican Church opening shop called Nut Flakes which has rents old videos (the funds go to CHEP); Les for Garth for summary of Board minutes that are sent out, which is useful news; Les for David who is bearing up and focusing on the positive.

### 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) You may bring the backpacks to the meeting to give to John B.

**2) You Can Donate your Bottles to Meewasin Rotary with Drop and Go.**



**Donate the value of your order to a fundraiser or charity!**

*Drop & Go is a new service that is available at all SARCAN depots Saskatchewan. It allows customers to skip lineups by leaving their order at the depot and getting their refunds transferred electronically. Your order will still be counted by our same great staff!*

**Donate your order to SMR = Saskatoon Meewasin Rotary**

Follow these easy steps:

- 1) 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!

- 2) Visit a SARCAN Depot and look for Drop & Go – *for a full list of locations, see the reverse side of this page.*
- 3) Follow instructions on the screen. Type **SMR** when prompted to enter the group phrase. It is simple!
- 4) The amount of your order will be processed and paid directly to the **Saskatoon Meewasin Rotary**. *The group phrase works at all 72 depots across the province, so your friends and family across Saskatchewan can donate too!*

**3) Queens House Gala and Dinner**

- a) The Club is donating \$200 Coop Gift Cards to Auction at the event.
- b) You can get tickets at the Queens House website. [www.queenshouse.org](http://www.queenshouse.org)
- c) Date: November 25, 2021

**4) Movember**

- a) Please donate to a member of the Movember Team
- b) You can join the 4 members of the team.
- c) You can find the team to join or donate at <https://ca.movember.com>
- d) Click on the Donate button, then the “Give to a person or team”, then search for the Meewasin team



**5) Coop Gift Cards**

- a) Art Postle has coop gift cards. Various denominations.

**Club Business**

No Club Business

**Program**

**Rotary Minute**



**THE ROTARY FOUNDATION'S BEGINNING**

Some magnificent projects grow from very small seeds. The Rotary Foundation had that sort of modest beginning.

In 1917 RI President Arch Klumph told the delegates to the Atlanta Convention that "it seems eminently proper that we should accept endowments for the purpose of doing good in the world." The response was polite and favorable, but the fund was slow to materialize. A year later the "Rotary Endowment Fund," as it was first labeled, received its first contribution of \$26.50 from the Rotary Club of Kansas City, which was the balance of the Kansas City Convention account following the 1918 annual meeting. Additional small amounts were annually contributed, but after six years it is reported that the endowment fund had only reached \$700. A decade later, The Rotary Foundation was formally established at the 1928 Minneapolis Convention. In the next four years the Foundation fund grew to \$50,000. In 1937 a \$2 million goal was announced for The Rotary Foundation, but these plans were cut short and abandoned with the outbreak of World War II.

In 1947, upon the death of Paul Harris, a new era opened for the Rotary Foundation as memorial gifts poured in to honor the founder of Rotary. From that time, The Rotary Foundation has been achieving its noble objective

of furthering "understanding and friendly relations between peoples of different nations." By 1954 the Foundation received for the first time a half million dollars in contributions in a single year, and in 1965 a million dollars was received.

It is staggering to imagine that from those humble beginnings, The Rotary Foundation is now receiving more than \$85 million each year for educational and humanitarian work around the world.

### **Murray McArthur's Moment**

Murray introduced himself for his Life and Times presentation to the club, which he hasn't done since 1995.

Why did people join in 2020? 70% to serve community and 17% for friendship.

87% were introduced to Rotary by a member

55% were meeting on line.

42% stayed to stayed, 48% for friendship, and

Murray joined Rotary in 1985 by a friend, a few months after the club started.

One of the L&T was how

Murray got int the fitting business because he could take his great Dane to work with him.

He was born in London and went to Sir Stanford Fleming College. At school, he was know for playing ping-pong, carrying a canoe on top of car all winter (which helped to find it after large snowstorms) and broke both legs when trying to steal a flag from the Officers Mess at CF Borden.

He was a Junior Forest Ranger and lost everything when their boat sank and had to swim to the island. They fought forest fires. They would fly in on helicopters. They brought in food and beer with them. He was only 16 at the time. They had to build a helicopter pad.

Moved to Winnipeg and then Saskatoon, where he worked to Fairview Fittings. He was moved to Chicago and came back in 1985. They installed carwash machines.

At a Car Wash show, a friend asked if he wanted to buy half his business. As he was dissatisfied with his employer, he decided to take the leap.

After some time, they started buying their own fittings, which they imported from China – one of the first to import items from China.

He was the owner of Canada Fittings. After selling his business, he tried the sign business, and calcium carbonite (spraying on roads). They are now importing golf carts.

In 2009, they had a total loss fire. Even to this day, he is remembering things that they didn't remember at the time. The golf carts are like a car, they have lights and turn signals.

When they were in Chicago, they looked at this large brick home. It had a grand piano in the window. Once they bought a house, he went back and bought the grand piano. When they lost the piano in the fire, it was an odd size and if they took the smaller piano they threw in a self player. The replacement cost was \$25,000.

### Upcoming Meetings

Date	Speaker and Topic
<b>November</b>	<b>Rotary Foundation</b>
1	Murray McArthur
8	Dwayne Heidt. Past chair of the Dundurn Rural Water Utility
15	Chad Armbruster. Owner of Future Electrics
22	Club Assembly
29	Lyndon Linklater from the Office of the Treaty Commissioner on what it means that "We Are All Treaty People"

### Events

Date	Event	Rotary Club	Information/Contact

### 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 2021-2022

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

Courtney (Chair and Club Secretary), Peterson (Asst. Club Secretary), Postle (Club Treasurer), Ferguson, Tenaski, Voldeng

### **Social—Sub-committee of Administration Committee**

#### **Planning and organization of club social events**

Klause, Loopkey

### **Foundation—Foundation donations, member recognition**

Bailey (Chair), Fisher, Wilson

### **Indigenous Relations—In support of a District 5550 initiative**

Cowsill, Nair

### **Literacy—In support of a Rotary International initiative**

Postle (Chair), Clements, Stefiuk

### **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), Birkmaier-Tillotson, Bwaya, Mundi, Pagliarini

### **Service—Club charitable giving, foundation grant applications**

Benesh (Chair), Geenan, Howland, Sutherland

### **Youth—Youth exchanges, adventure programs, school programs**

Kessler (Chair), McArthur, Muir, Paproski, Peterson

## Officers and Directors – 2021-2022

### **Board Executive/Officers:**

President:	Jay Cowsill
Past President	Tom Geenen
Vice President	Vacant
Co-Treasurers	Art Postle
Secretary	Garth Courtney
Ass't Secretary	Nicole Peterson

### **Directors:**

John Benesh
Kris Tenaski
Leanne Kessler
Glen Bailey
John Luross

## Monthly Speaker / Program - Members in Charge

*"Rotary Connects the World"*

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

	<b>Monthly Rotary Theme</b>	<b>Members Responsible:</b>
July	<i>Start of new Rotary year</i> Canada Day	
August	<i>Membership and New Club Development</i>	
September	<i>Basic Education and Literacy, (Corn Roast)</i> Labour Day	
October	<i>Economic and Community Development</i> Thanksgiving	
November	<i>Rotary Foundation</i> Remembrance Day	McArthur, Bailey, Tenaski
December	<i>Disease Prevention and Treatment, (Club Elections)</i> Christmas, Boxing Day	Fisher, Loopkey, Peterson, Nezi
January	<i>Vocational Service,</i> New Years Day	Benesh, Geenen, Mundi, Paproski
February	<i>Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution</i> Family Day (Third Monday)	Birkmaier-Tillotson, Nair, Pagliarini
March	<i>Water and Sanitation</i> Easter (??)	Clements, , Howland, Stefiuk
April	<i>Maternal and Child Health</i> Easter (??)	Klause, Muir, Sutherland, Wilson
May	<i>Youth Service</i> Victoria Day (Third Monday)	Kessler, Postle, Voldeng
June	<i>Rotary Fellowships</i>	Luross, Ferguson, Whetstone