



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



October 24, 2022

**Economic and Community
Development 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: Murray McArthur

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=MjRlRTY2FQWIRmRW9Cd2NKRHISWHlvQT09>

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, or thereabouts.

Attendance: There were 11 dedicated members who enjoyed a morning of fellowship with their fellow Rotarians and guests.

Guests: Ruth Merrit (ADG), Kent Smith-Windsor, Jen Pederson



The sergeant raised funds for:

- Starting the meeting on time
- Big thanks to Garth for organizing us to attend “Come From Away” – a great show.
- For recognition in Garth’s newsletter

Happy/Sad Dollars:

- Ian sadly announced the recent passing of Donna Dagnone.
- Garth also mentioned that Brent’s father recently died.
- Robert – happy to have underground – heated parking. (with a car wash)
- Ken W happy to have returned from 4 inches of snow this past weekend in Calgary
- Nancy sad/happy dollars; son-in-law Shayne and granddaughter Jane(8) were in a car accident on Sunday. Both were shaken up slightly but the van was totalled., Two of our other daughters ended up in the ditch in southern Saskatchewan on Sunday, on separate incidents from the snow storm – Tina near Disley, Tamara near Marquis. Both are home now safe and sound.
- Les is sad that someone stole a bike from his garage (someone left the door open). Happy that John & Nancy dropped off a bike earlier in the week.
- Ken Howland is happy the Riders are now one game closer to the end of their season.
- Anne – happy for many things (too many to list off)



Announcements

1) Rock for RAP

- Friday, 4 November 2022 from 7:00 PM (MDT) to 11:59 PM (MDT)
- Top floor of Vendasta Square, 410- 22nd St East, Saskatoon
- For INFORMATION on and tickets for ROCK for RAP, click on the following link:

<https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/rap-saskatoon/events/rock-for-rap-restorative-action-program-3>





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

3) Meewasin Rotary-Saskatoon Food Bank Service Project

- a) Address: 2510 Jasper Ave S, Bay 7 (Same building as Kelly's Kafe)
- b) NEXT Opportunity:
 - i) Saturday, September ??– Volunteers needed
- c) Rotarians, Family and Friends welcome



4) 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.

5) Co-op Gift cards are available once again. Contact Art Postle.....

6) Rotary District 5550 Polio Plus Society

Garth reminded us that donations to Polio Plus are down. Please see the information attached to the October 24 invitation email, and this newsletter, to find out how you can become a member of the Polio Plus Society.

Club Business

Art Postle spoke of the **Rowasin Foundation Inc Statement** that was attached to our Oct 24 meeting invitation.

Motion to approve this statement made by Robert Fisher.

2nd by Ian Sutherland

All in favor – everyone.

Ruth Marritt ADG:

1/ Reminded us that Saskatoon will host the 2023 District Conference

It will be held at the Travelodge May 11-14, 2023

It is in the planning stages right now, registration will be < \$300 per person.

Focus of the conference will be on truth and reconciliation

The challenge is to make this conference work for those in person and those virtually.

2/ Ruth announced the Riverside Club, recently down to 3 members, has been rejuvenated. Asit Sarkar has found 10 new members from the U of S. Ruth was pleased to say we have 5 clubs up and running again in Saskatoon.

Program

Nancy introduced our speaker today – Jen Pederson, Philanthropic Advisor at [Saskatoon Community Foundation](#).

- Jen agreed at the last minute to be an alternate to the CEO, Carm Michalenko.
- Jen acknowledged several members—Ken and Ian as past board members, Art and Janet Postle as long time fund-holders.

Since 2017, the Saskatoon Community Foundation has grown from 4 to 8 employees. Their endowment fund has grown by 87%. The Foundation was first established in 1970 and has granted over 52 million dollars. Endowed funds now total 67 million and they also have nearly 25 million in managed funds.

[Vital Signs](#) presents a snapshot of data at a glance about Saskatoon.

[News and Publications](#) that may be of interest.

The Foundation’s journey of [reconciliation](#) continues for the long term.

Jen finished her presentation with a [short video](#) highlighting several local fund holders. She encouraged us to think about starting a fund with the Saskatoon Community Foundation. Your legacy reflects your life. It’s about the future of the city.

What story do you want to tell?
What do you want your gift to do?

Your personal giving plan may include multiple organizations.

John thanked Jen for her presentation and asked her to sign a book, donated in her name to the St Michael reading program.

Upcoming Meetings

Date	Speaker and Topic

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31	Len Usiskin, Executive Director, Quint Development

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 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