



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 31, 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:

Brent Klause

Desk:

Art

**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**

**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

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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 14 or so dedicated members who enjoyed a morning of fellowship with their fellow Rotarians and guests.

**Guests:** Len Usiskin (Speaker)



Sergeant Brent raised funds by:

- Any Rough Riders fans left out there? A terrible performance.
- Ron – just back from Poland
- Brent’s Dad passed away last week – Brent not happy about how the Funeral Homes up sell everything. The family settled for an urn with a John Deere logo instead of the \$500 one suggested. Make your plans while you can -easier on your family.
- Garth – also sad about the RR performance.
- Luis was happy for Renata’s birthday & Giuseppe is growing and very healthy. Also sad about the recent election in Brazil.
- Ian was happy the Huskies won – Hilltops made a good effort, but lost.
- Ken W has made his final plans – except, of course, the date of death.
- Ron was happy about his trip to England (expensive) and Poland (more reasonable), woke up every morning by his 4 yr old grand daughter wanting to cuddle, beautiful city by the river, toured a salt mine and also the Auschwitz concentration camp.
- Donna was happy she was in Warsaw when they had their first Rotary meeting.
- John L – a good weekend was had by all in Winnipeg as family came from as far away as BC and Quebec to celebrate Nancy’s Dad’s life.



## Announcements

### 1) Rock for RAP

- a) Friday, 4 November 2022 from 7:00 PM (MDT) to 11:59 PM (MDT)
- b) Top floor of Vendasta Square, 410- 22nd St East, Saskatoon
- c) 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 ?
- 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 – see Art Postle.**

- 6) Our Movember team is poised once again to grow mustaches to support men's health. You can make your donation on-line by [clicking here](#).

**Club Business**

The Service Committee recently recommended we send \$5000 to the Saskatoon Food Bank. This has been approved by the board and now Garth would like a motion to approve from the membership:

Moved by Ian Sutherland  
2<sup>nd</sup> by Ron Loopkey

Carried

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Also, Garth reminded us about the upcoming Christmas social event – Dec. 12 evening.

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Art mentioned that our club is donating \$200 to Queen's House in support of their annual fundraising Gala Dinner & Auction.

**Program**

Donna introduced our speaker today – Len Usiskin, Executive Director of [Quint Development Corp.](#) Quint started in June, 1995. Quint is the Latin word for 5 and in Saskatoon's case represents the 5 core neighborhoods of Caswell, Westmount, Riversdale, Pleasant Hill and King George.

Their approach is: Strengthening the economic and social well-being of Saskatoon's five core neighborhoods through a community economic development approach. Please [click here](#) for more information.

Some of the disparity issues they deal with are:

- Income
- Education
- Economic dependency ratio
- Housing
- Voter turnout

**Click on [Station 20 West](#) for more information:**

Back In 2001, CHEP and Quint collaborated to bring a grocery store to the core neighbourhoods of Saskatoon.

- **Milestones, Successes & Challenges**
  - Initial business plan completed – 2006
  - Station 20 West Development Corporation created – 2007
  - Province announces \$8 million for Station 20 West – Spring 2007
  - New Provincial Government withdraws \$8 million – March 2008
  - 3000 people come out to community walk to support S20W – April 2008
  - Community raises \$3 million through many different fundraising efforts – 2008 – 2011
  - Construction begins in July 2011
  - **Station 20 West opens in October 2012**
  - Good Food Junction Closes – 2016
  - Elizabeth Fry Society moves into Station 20 West – 2017
  - Saskatoon Mothers’ Centre leaves Station 20 West – October 2019
  - Saskatoon Housing Initiative Partnership moves into Station 20 West – October 2020

Ken Wilson thanked Len for his very informative presentation and had him sign a book to be donated to the St Michael reading program.

**Upcoming Meetings**

Date	Speaker and Topic

**Events**

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### 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

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### 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?

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### 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

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## 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