

# FORTARIAN

WEDNESDAY 28/05/2025

THUNDER BAY, CANADA

## Meetings



2nd & 4th  
Wednesdays



Dinner - 5:30pm  
Meeting - 6:15pm



Daytona's Restaurant  
965A Cobalt Crescent

## 2024-2025 Board of Directors

**President:**

Glenn Craig

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**Glenn Craig**

*Club President*



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*RI President*

01/04

Fort William  
**Rotary**  
Club



# LAST MEETING

President Glenn's dinged the bell and called the meeting to order at 6:15 pm. As always, our club sang our National Anthem. There followed with the Toast to the King and Canada and Jodi read the Land Accord. Glenn welcomed visiting Rotarian – Assistant District Governor Krysta Logozzo Danielle.

Jodi presented her goals and objectives for her presidential year thru a slide deck. She really wants our club to have fun so that we can attract new members.

Further, she is looking to have a governance meeting as she has some thoughts on elected positions – stay tuned!

Jodi gave a special and emotional acknowledgement to Past President Irene – who made an extra special effort to get to the club's meeting to see Jodi's presentation!



**Next Meeting: June 11**

**70th Elsie  
MacGill RCACS  
Air Cadet Program**



# VISITOR



We had a visitor at our meeting, welcome Isaac Darko-Mensah, the President of the Accra-Kanda Rotary Club in Ghana. Isaac is in Thunder Bay for his sister's graduation from Lakehead University where she received her Master's in Forestry. As with tradition, President Glenn presented Isaac with our club's trading banner.

# OUR IMPACT

Glenn introduced Cindy who then introduced her Foundation team (Stephen Margarit and Krysta Piaskowski). She then shared the George Jeffrey Children's Centre recently produced ~4 min employee recruitment video that was paid through via the support of our club's 2024 house lottery proceeds. She thanked the club for our continuous support.



# CLUB UPDATES

## Allocations

- Stephen provided an Allocations Committee update – approximately \$40,000 still to allocate from 2024 proceeds. Chosen charities have been provided with grant application criteria and form – dues date is mid June.

## House Lottery

- Cindy did a quick house lottery report, open houses continue and 70% of tickets are sold.

## RYLA

- Dawn shared that she and Mary Ann participated in the RYLA interviews and that 11 youth were interviewed. 7 youth will be selected and funded between the 3 local Rotary clubs.

## SAVE THE DATE!



# THIS WEEK'S SCRIBE:



Cindy Levanto

# WELCOME TO ROTARY

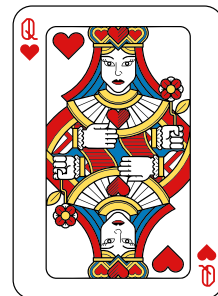


Glenn introduced Brendan Carlin, Executive Director of the Rotary Shelter House and inducted him as our newest Corporate Member. The club recited the 4-way test together as part of the induction ceremony. Brendan was sponsored by Glenn Craig.



## QUEEN OF HEARTS 50/50

Cindy collected \$2 per ticket or \$5 per 3 tickets for the Queen of Hearts 50/50 and collected \$118. Laura had the winning ticket but didn't pull the Queen of Hearts from the deck.



# Upcoming Events



**JUNE**  
**7**  
10:00 AM - 3:00 PM  
**Volunteering:**  
**Lunch at Shelter House**

**JUNE**  
**11**  
5:30 PM | 6:15 PM  
**Club Meeting:**  
**Air Cadets**

**JUNE**  
**25**  
5:30 PM  
**Club Meeting:**  
**Passing of the Gavel**

**JULY**  
**1**  
11:00 AM  
**39<sup>th</sup> FW Rotary House**  
**Lottery Draw**

**JULY**  
**1**  
  
**Happy Canada Day!**

**JULY**  
**TBD**  
5:30 PM  
**President Jodi's**  
**Backyard BBQ**

**AUGUST**  
**TBD**  
TBD  
**FW Rotary**  
**Baseball Night**

**SEPTEMBER**  
**10**  
5:30 PM | 6:15 PM  
**Club Meeting:**  
**RYLA Students**

**SEPTEMBER**  
**24**  
5:30 PM | 6:15 PM  
**Club Meeting:**  
**Club AGM**