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## Club of Oshawa

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### Quote of the Week

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*"You can choose courage, or you can choose comfort, but you cannot choose both."* ~[Brené Brown](#), author, [Dare To Lead](#)

## President's Announcements

### Guests Today

- **Amber Derby** (last time as guest – new member today!)
- **David and Caroline Easton**, guests of Geoff Lloyd from the UK – [Chichester Priors Rotary Club](#). David was DG for District 1145 in 2018/19 and Caroline is current Club President and DG Nominee for District 1145.
- **Rodney Huggins** - Guest Speaker

### New Member Induction

Rhonda Gorham introduced Amber Derby to our club. Amber is Sales Manager for the Holiday Inn in downtown Oshawa and quite the adventurer. Rhonda explained the principles of Rotary, including the 4-Way Test and, after Amanda agreed to them, President Trish Best inducted Amber as a member of Oshawa Rotary Club. *Welcome Amber!*



### MIC TIME

- **Donna Doherty** read out letter of thanks from a grateful Trent University student who had been the recipient of one of our Rotary awards this year.
- **Ron Dick** provided information about District 7070 New Members Webinars on November 18, 2020 and February 18, 2021 – both online Zoom meetings at 7pm ET for one hour.



## Happy Bucks Just a reminder: To do an E Transfer for Happy Bucks or any other club business use email of [oshawarotaryclub@rogers.com](mailto:oshawarotaryclub@rogers.com)

- **Geoff Lloyd** – Happy that All Saints, Whitby has a new priest, & Geoff can now continue his retirement.
  - **Emmy Iheme** – happy to be at **Kim Tan's** for lunch and Rotary meeting and for Amber's induction as new member.
  - **Trish Best** – happy to have UK guests and seeing so many Rotarians present.
  - **Donna Doherty** – happy to have had a good camping trip and using her solar Luminaid light.
  - **Tess Pierce** – happy that her family had survived the land hurricane in Cedar Rapids, Iowa and that her granddaughter had been able to have her birthday party in spite of the weather. (Side note: 10 days after the storm, power was restored!)
  - **Peter Hernandez** – happy that so many Rotarians were out for the meeting, especially Kennisha Dyer.
  - **Kennisha Dyer** – happy to back among her Rotary friends.
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## Rodney Huggins: COVID & Brexit a UK Perspective

Peter Hernandez introduced Rodney to the Club, saying that he had been a lawyer since 1958 and, among many of his career appointments, worked at Lloyds of London from 1983 to 2004. Huggins received the **MBE** *Member of the Order of the British Empire (MBE)* in 2017 for his long service in the legal and financial services provided by the City of London in the UK.



He is a long-standing member of Rotary and served as District Governor of District 1090 and President of Rotary Ireland and the British Isles (RIBI), and chair of the RIBI Environment Group for 10 years.

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Huggins started with a discussion of COVID19. One huge population affected were people in Care Homes. About 1/20 care home residents in the UK had been infected - which was double that of France and ten times as many as Germany. There have been 41,700 recorded deaths in the UK but there were many more uncounted. With one National Health Service for the whole nation the pressure from hospitalisations and deaths varied from district to district. He concluded by saying that, although the government had got off to a slow start, things were better by the end of June.

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As far as Brexit was concerned, Rodney said that negotiations were continuing but that things were getting sticky. The EU was hedging on tax rules and want the UK to be a satellite of the EU, retaining EU Courts and Laws, which Rodney thought were really good. However, the UK cannot suddenly adopt EU Laws and much negotiating to be done before the proposed date of final separation – December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020. **Ron Dick** thanked Rodney on behalf of the Club.

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### There Is A Lot More to Know....

When researching for this newsletter, I discovered Rodney Huggins is a humanitarian & environmentalist who supports three Environmental Awards. These are **(1) Any Rotary Club** which is, itself, carrying out or supporting projects connected with the environment. **(2) Schools & Youth Groups Projects**, connected with the environment, run by schools or youth groups. There must be some Rotary involvement. **(3) International.** Any Rotary Club or District involved in an environmental sustainable project outside RIBI.

**WOW!**

*We are now ZOOMING all our meetings*

*Monday's @ 12 noon*

*Contact President Trish Best for link.*

***Our next meeting is August 24***

***Our Speaker is Noor Abdo***

Club Youth Exchange Delegate to Taiwan 2016-17

