



Today's Program

Kevin Duguay and Mike Cooksey

Host

Neil Phillips, club member and 7070 District Governor

Topic

Rotary Local Lager and Convention Update

Location

National Club, 303 Bay Street



Come and hear how Wellington Breweries has partnered with Rotary International to aid with global water projects through the launch of Rotary Local Lager.

Kevin M. Duguay launched his own Planning Consulting Company in December 2005. This followed 15 successful years of community planning as the City of Peterborough Land Use Planner. He also worked for 8 years as a Parks and Recreation Director in three Ontario Communities. In addition to his community planning and strategic planning services to both the private and public sectors, his company also provides a range of accessibility planning and design services.

Kevin joined the Rotary Club of Peterborough in 1998 and was the 2014/15 Club President. He will return as Club President in 2018/19. Some of his other memberships include the Rotary BREW Fellowship (Director), City of Peterborough Planning Advisory Committee, Peterborough 100 Men Club, Greater Peterborough Area Chamber of Commerce, Canadian Institute of Planners and the Ontario Professional Planners Institute.

He initiated the Local Lager Beer Rotary Project starting in 2014 which has culminated in a partnership with The Rotary Club of Guelph and Wellington Brewery.

Kevin is married (Barbara) and is father to four young adult children. In his spare time, he laces up his skates three to four times weekly playing hockey in the Peterborough area. He was a member of the 2016 CARHA World Championship Old-timers Team!

Also joining us will be Gino Rotarian Tersigni, VP of New Business Development for Wellington Breweries.



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We welcome **Mike Cooksey**, co-chair, Past District Governor and member of Rotary Club of Scarborough.

Prospective Rotarians – Convention Day Pass

For the first time ever, Rotary is offering 500 one-day passes only for the Monday or Tuesday, to prospective Rotarians. They cost \$95USD, and there is a special form to be completed. Registrations must be in by May 15th. Club Presidents and Membership Chairs have been sent detailed info, including the form. This is a great opportunity to introduce prospective members to what we do on a grand scale. For additional information, please contact Pat or Carol. This pass will allow a prospective Rotarian full access for a day to all sessions as well as the House of Friendship. What a great opportunity for someone to see the extent of good work done by Rotarians around the world.

In addition, you can obtain for them, while available, tickets for Saturday - Rock at the Distillery District or Jazz at the Aquarium. Tuesday night we can accommodate a larger number for RotaryFest at the CNE grounds. Monday Home Hospitality is limited to full registrants. Check the website here: rotary2018.org/events/hoc/2

R2R – Thursday April 5th

- by Maureen Bird

Because I'm out in Oakville I don't get to R2R often. But I'm glad I did! It was a fun evening with about 50 of us gathered at the National Club for hors d'oeuvres and company, well planned by Chantelle McDonald. Lorna Johnson as chair of Environment Service gave a committee update and reminded us of the tree planting at Sunnybrook Hospital. This is on Sunday, April 22nd at 10:00 am and is organized for the district by Kevin Power. Join us. <https://goo.gl/opCqN4>

Alex Brown was called up to talk about his experience with a great Rotary Group, International Travel and Hosting Fellowship. www.ithf.org. Since June Brown is usually the social secretary it ended up with Alex tag teaming with Brian Westlake telling about their great visits with Rotarians from other countries, especially New Zealand and Australia.



Lorna Johnson, Alex Brown and Tony Houghton

Marcy Berg leapt in with her trip just to a Rotary club lunch in Italy where she ended up staying with one Rotarian and then spending a day on a boat visiting islands. The fact that it was an old fishing boat probably made it far more interesting than had they gone on one of the yachts in the harbour.

I had the opportunity to talk with two brand new members while someone else was making sure they were signed up for both Scugog and the Rotary Convention.

Youth Day – May 4th - Ticket Donations

We need your help to celebrate Youth Civic Leadership on May 4, 2018. This is the day that our Club and Rotaract clubs recognize the great youth of our city.

Please donate a lunch ticket to bring a Youth and their guests on May 4. Write down your name on the back and give the ticket to either Brent Thomas, Jeff Dobson, Mary Bennett, Edvard Ryder, Prince Kumar or one of Rotaractors collecting tickets during lunches. Thank you!"

Upcoming Speakers & Events

April 2018

- 20 Mark Cullen, Earth Day
- 27 Michele Fisher, Life After the Armed Forces

May 2018

- 4 Youth Day
- 11 Elyse Allen, CEO General Electric
- 18 NO MEETING, Victoria Day
- 25 NO Meeting, Camp Scugog

Events

- April 22 Highway of Heroes -Tree Planting
- April 28 Rotary Walk for AIDS
- May 5 Historic Walking Tour, June Brown
- May 25-27 Camp Scugog, Susan Howson,
<https://goo.gl/XNP6Eb>
- May 30 WIC, Walk A Mile in Her Shoes,
June Brown
- June 23-27 RI Convention

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Ciao! A taste of Italy in uptown Toronto - by Pauline Lyons

On an unseasonably cold spring day last Saturday we headed to the trendy Yonge - Eglinton neighbourhood for a taste of Italy at La Vecchia restaurant. The interior decor was a mix of old and new with heavy wooden tables, large art pieces, mini chandeliers and floor to ceiling wooden racks laden with bottles of wine.

We started our Mediterranean culinary experience with sparkling glasses of prosecco. The conversation flowed easily and we got to know a little bit about each other as we nibbled on the appetizers of salads and pizza. The arugula salad was drizzled with a lime vinaigrette and topped with pears and walnuts. The pizza was served steaming hot and smothered in melted mozzarella cheese.

The choices for the main course were varied from pasta, chicken, veal or seafood. There was something on the menu for every palate. Try the gnocchi in a rich, creamy cheese sauce. The branzino (sea bass) was magnificent.

Lunch ended on a high note with the dessert everyone had been anticipating throughout the meal. The dessert of choice was tiramisu. The layers of chocolate, heavy cream, cake and liqueur topped off a delicious meal.

Thank you to Anna Koneva from the Fellowship Committee for organizing the lunch for a group of winter weary Rotarians.



*Saturday dining at its finest. What a wonderful way to get to know fellow members!
New member Pauline Lyons is at far right*

What You Missed April 6th - by John Andras



It is always one of the joys of Rotary to sit at a table with fascinating people. Last Friday was no exception. I had Geoffrey Johnson and Maureen Bird on either side of me and Rotaract member Michael Tai sitting across from us. Michael showed us a new cell phone App he has developed that he is planning to commercialize. It is quite amazing, but I have been asked not to report on what it is until he is ready. Stay tuned - you will want to download it when it is completed.

President Pat gave us an early report on the fundraiser at Steam Whistle Brewery. The event was a sell-out and somewhere between \$88,000-90,000 in net proceeds was raised. The goal had been \$100,000. Evidently, donations from club members were below what had been expected. A reminder, this is the only fundraiser our club has. I'm sure that donations would be gladly accepted, even post event.

Marcy Berg introduced the projects of the Community Service Committee on behalf of chair Karen Scott. Their focus this year has been food security with projects supporting Progress Place on Church St., Out of the Cold at St. Andrew's Church, Fred Victor Shelter, LOFT - a shelter serving the mentally challenged of our community and Massey Centre, a shelter for teenagers.

Rafik Riad, the founder of Buy Good, Feel Good Expo, was introduced by Bert Steenburgh. Rafik introduced us to his early life in Cairo, Egypt

being taught by Jesuits and Rotarian parents. He recalled a field trip to the garbage collectors' area where 50,000 people collect the solid waste for 20 million people. Young girls are tasked to sort plastic waste for recovery from the garbage piles. The stench and flies must have been unimaginable.

This early experience led him to work for CIDA in Sinai and introduced him to the concept of social enterprise. When he moved to Canada, he became involved in importing and selling wooden salad servers made by a cooperative of HIV positive women in Cairo. He quickly realized there was no trade show to highlight social enterprise and to give a forum for groups big and small to come together, sell fair trade goods and share experience.

The Buy Good, Feel Good Expo was born. This show provides an alternative to buying mass-produced exploitative goods. Every dollar spent has the power to change the world. This year, the Buy Good, Feel Good Expo will take place at the Enercare Centre at Exhibition Place from May 10-14 and will involve 110 organizations from 50 countries. All Rotarians are invited to an Opening Party on May 10 from 6:00-10PM with free beer donated by Bowes Brewery and free fair trade certified wine.

During questions, Rafik outlined Hawthorne Food and Drink and Paintbox Catering, a couple of local social enterprises, which hire and train marginalized youth. I will be checking these out for sure!

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