

The Oxford Hills Rotary Reader



The Rotary Club of Oxford Hills
PO Box 14
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Our mission: The Rotary Club of Oxford Hills is a diverse group of service-oriented men and women providing hands on and financial support within our community and beyond. We exemplify “Service Above Self” while encouraging high ethical standards, enjoying friendship and promoting world understanding, peace and good will.”

2022-2023 Officers:

Rotary International President: R. Gordon R. McNally, Rotary Club of South Queensbury, Scotland - District 7780 Governor: Marion Cheney, Rotary Club of Dover, NH – Oxford Hills Rotary President – Beth Abbott – President-Elect: Dan Allen – Vice-president: Vacant - Treasurer: Liz Knox – Secretary: John Griffith – Sgt. At Arms: Stan Brett – Past President: George Rice – Club Service Chair: Vacant – Vocational Service Chair: Dan Hart - Community Service Chair: Vacant - International Service Chair: Val Weston – Youth Service Chair and Interact Advisor: Tina Fox

Home Club of PDG George Rice

Good Morning and Welcome! Today is the 214th day of 2023. There are 151 days remaining in the year. Mike Carter will be giving his classification talk. Lynne Schott is our greeter.

Calendar: *The first name listed is the Program Chair, the second is greeter.* Please let Reader editor John Griffith John know what your program is so it can be published in the Reader. You can reach John at 207-461-7158 or at griffs2@roadrunner.com. Please remember that when you are program chair, you are expected to lend a hand after the meeting putting away the club paraphernalia.

BASEBALL AT HADLOCK WITH THE SEA DOGS ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 12, STARTING AT 5:00 PM. THE BETHEL AND LAKE REGION CLUBS WILL BE JOINING US FOR A FUN NIGHT OF FOOD AND BASEBALL. SIGN-UP NOW! SEE DAN HART FOR DETAILS.

August:

9 – Liz Knox and Patty Rice

12 – Rotary at the Sea Dogs! Food available at 5:00 PM. Game starts at 6:00 PM.

16 – Ron Morse and George Rice

23 – Dave Preble and Dave Preble

30 – George Rice and Jeff Noblin

Visiting Rotarians and Guests:

Our visiting Rotarians were Natalie Donais from Suffield, CT; Lois Strauss Wilgosz from Estero, FL; Bruce Powell from the Bethel Club. Bob Wilgosz was the guest of Lois Wilgosz and Dave Knox was the guest of Liz Knox. Frank Shirley joined us on Zoom.

Announcements:

Dave Preble – The Cornhole Tournament is all set for Sunday, September 3rd. Advertising is under way and posters will be available soon. We will be having hamburgers, hotdogs and whoopie pies, and hopefully, beer and wine.

Visiting Rotarian Natalie Donais told us about her club's Interact Club project of recycling used cell phones and other devices containing rare earth metals.

Mike Carter said that our host church is having a yard sale on August 19, so if any Rotarians have any items they wish to donate, please contact the church office or Mike directly.

I understand that Alisha Berry is going to take over recording our monthly volunteer hours from PP George, but I don't have info on when that change will take place. I assume that if that has happened and you send your hours to George, he will forward them to Alisha.

Last Week:

President Beth led us in the Pledge and 4-Way Test. PE Dan Allen led us in song and Glenn Huntley gave the blessing.

Program Chair Glenn Huntley introduced Maine Forest Ranger Michele Warner who works out of the West Paris station. She discussed their fire safety program "Firewise" which provides guidelines for reducing the threat of damage to homes and other property due to wild fires. Rangers offer inspections on request to inspect property which will result in recommendations to reduce risk.

50-50: Bob Wilgosz drew Dan Allen's number but Dan drew the 3 of Clubs, not the King of Clubs. There was \$324 in the pot.

😊 Happy and Sad Dollars 😊

Ron was happy that Natalie was visiting for the week.

Dave had happy dollars for his and Beckie's 37th Anniversary which happened to be this very day.

PP Chris had happy dollars for his mother, Phyllis, who is coming to stay with him until October.

Warren was happy for his and Susan's 40th Anniversary on Sunday, July 30.

Pun for the week:

A hungry lion roamed through the jungle looking for his next meal when he came upon two men. One man was sitting under a tree reading a book; the other man was writing in a notebook. The lion quickly pounced on the man reading the book and devoured him. Even the king of the jungle knows that readers digest and writers cramp.

The Rotary Theme for the Month of August: Membership and New Club Development

Impact starts with our members — people like you who see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change — across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves.

At club meetings in communities across the globe, our people of action come together to strengthen their connections to friends and neighbors and their commitment to improving lives.

Birthdays and Anniversaries:

August Birthdays: Dean (Jeff) Noblin – 8/3; Chris Summers – 8/17; Charlie (Tina) Fox – 8/27

August Anniversaries: None listed

August Membership Anniversaries: None listed

Make-Ups:

Bethel – Tuesday, 7:30 AM at the Grace Note Inn, Bethel

www.bethelrotary.org

Bridgton-Lake Region – Thursday, 7:15 AM at the Stella's on the Square, 6 North High St., Bridgton

www.lakeregionrotary.org

Fryeburg – Tuesday, 7:30 AM at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church, Rt. 5, Fryeburg

www.fryeburgrotary.org

River Valley – Monday, 12:00 noon, at Hope Association, 2nd floor, 85 Lincoln Ave., Rumford

www.rivervalleyrotaryclub.org

Interact – Thursday, 2:15 PM, Room A210, Oxford Hills Comprehensive Hills High School during the school year only.