

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- October 22 PNW Passport Rotary Club meeting – 6:00 pm  
**Guest Speaker:** DG Carol Tichelman
- October 24 World Polio Day!! *As of August 25, 2020 Africa is now Polio free*  
 June 12-16, 2021 RI Convention Taipei

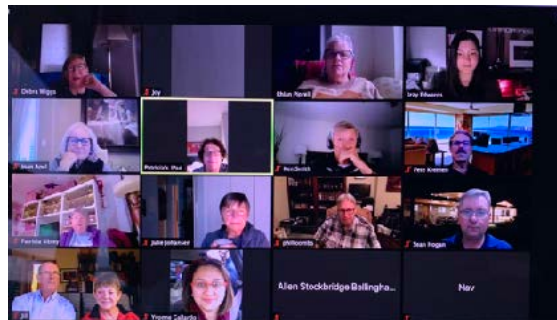
### THE PNW PASSPORT ROTARY CLUB - ROUNDUP

**Date:** September 24, 2020  
**Meeting:** 6:00 pm End: 7:10 pm  
**Place:** Zoom Online – hosted by P-Elect Deb Wiggs

**EXECUTIVE MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:**

President	Roy Holman
President - Elect	Deb Wiggs
Treasurer	Terry Greer
Membership & Engagement Chair	Pati Villhauer
Service Chair	Jill Greer
RI Foundation, Chair	Patricia Sibley
Secretary	Joy St. John

The Bell was rung at 6:10 pm after socializing between members in attendance.



P-E Deb: Welcomed all in attendance to our virtual meeting it is always great to see members enjoying social time. P Roy was having technical difficulties and would be joining us shortly.

Pati our Engagement Chair will introduce our guest speaker.

Pati: I have been following Izzy Edwards for a long time on FaceBook she is an avid birdwatcher and amazing photographer. I felt the members of the Club would also enjoy her amazing photos. I reached out to her and asked if she'd make a

presentation to our Club and she has graciously accepted. I am very pleased to introduce Izzy to our Club.



Izzy:

Thank you for inviting me to your meeting to share with you my passion of bird watching and photographing of birds in particular owls of the northwest. My Dad got me interested in this hobby of mine that takes up hours of my time it has taken on some interesting, fun, awe inspiring times, as well as, I've met and made some interesting people along the way. I met a gentleman while visiting southern Alberta with my Dad we saw an owl on his property. To get the best picture we needed to go onto his property. After a discussion with this gentleman as to what we were going to be doing he said yes. He gave us some interesting details about the owl on his property. We have been in touch every since this encounter and exchanging stories.



One of my first outings with my new camera that I had saved up for was to Reifel Bird Sanctuary, just across the border in Delta, BC. There she was able to learn all about my new camera how to use the lens, aperture settings. It was an awesome day. She loves to travel around the north west taking pictures.

Sometimes she also manages to get some great pictures of other animals. While on the San Juan Islands she was able to get some amazing pictures of foxes whose job it was to bring down the rabbit population of the island.



Owls are threatened by loss of habitat and logging, climate change and competition with increasing barred owl populations. The Barn Owl is one of my favourite owls it is one of the most beautiful.



The best time of day to see owls is at dawn or dusk when these birds are more easily spotted and more active. A moonlit night can also be a great time for owling, when the moon provides more light for effective owl spotting.

I believe birds bring us together. Thank you for having me today.

P-Roy: You really needed to be here today to thoroughly enjoy the magnificent photos that Izzy has presented. Thank you Izzy, it is obvious from your amazing photos that you are very dedicated and passionate about photography and taking pictures of owls, as well as making people aware of their endangerment.

P-Roy: Good to see Drew here today, Phil welcome. Thank you Bev Harrington for dropping in for a visit.

It has been brought to the Club's attention that our American members are not covered by the Canadian Insurance policy we have for the Club. We are a Club who as you know has members on both sides of the border. We are going to be in touch with RI for guidance. DG Carol is looking into this for us and trying to come up with a solution to our problem. We will be keeping our members up to date on how this is to be resolved.

Patricia: Don't forget to donate before September 30th to the District 5050 matching points for your donation. Please let me know when you have made your donation then our Club will also get credited.

Jill: Sadly, Terry and I have decided to cancel the work project for September 26, due to the likelihood of rain.

P-Roy: The Club Board is working on the Vision Statement we had our first meeting. We will be meeting again soon to bring our thoughts together. We were pleased to have our member and Rotaractor Nav join us giving the Board insight into Rotaractor thoughts on Rotary. She brought very useful points to us on how we can as a Club work towards bridging the gap between us.

Now it is time for us to support our Club project with our Happy Bucks. I will start off by saying I'm very proud that my daughter's thesis was passed.

We heard once again from our members as wonderful reasons why were giving to our Happy Bucks at this time. Funds continuing to be raised with the Happy Bucks go to support the Green Bag Project and ARES plus adding to the Clubs funds enabling us to help with other projects as they come to light.

Joy: If you have volunteer hours please email them to me with the hours and what you did for submission to Rotary International.

P-Roy: Deb please ring the Rotary Bell — 7:20 pm

