

District 7090 Calendar 2024/25 - DRAFT!!!

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This is an **initial draft** of the key dates (proposed) for the 2024/25 Rotary Year based on the current 2023/24 document and available Rotary International information. For this to work there are two sections. The dates are then listed first and it is recommended that those with club and district leadership roles read and comment on the following notes section as this information provides context and expectations.

SCHEDULE of EVENTS 2024/25 (draft Feb 21 2024):

- July 2024 - Maternal and Child Health Month
 - 1 July - Beginning of the Rotary year
 - Monday, 8 July - AG Meeting @ Zoom 7pm - kickoff
 - Thursday, 25 July - District Chairs @ Zoom
- August 2024 - Membership and New Club Development Month
 - Thursday, 22 August - District Chairs @ Zoom
 - Monday, 26 August - AG Meeting @ Zoom 7pm
- September 2024 - Basic Education and Literacy Month
 - Saturday, 7 September - District Council Meeting @ Betty's Restaurant, 9am - 11am, Niagara Falls, Ontario. Face-to-face encouraged with Zoom as a backup.
 - 17-22 September - Rotary Zone 28/32 meeting in Toronto.
 - Saturday, 28 September - US Club Presidents face-to-face meeting with DG @ location TBA
- October 2024 – Community Economic and Development Month
 - Tailgate @ Buffalo Bills??? - placeholder TBA/TBD as a possibility
 - 2-8 October - Rotary Alumni Reconnect Week
 - Thursday, 10 October - District Chairs @ Zoom
 - Monday, 14 October - Canadian Thanksgiving
 - Saturday, 19 October - Canadian Club Presidents face-to-face meeting with DG @ location TBA
 - Monday, 21 October AG Meeting @ Zoom 7pm
 - 24 October - World Polio Day - Fall *Day of Service* opportunity for Clubs
 - Saturday, 26 October - District 7090 Conference and Partner Summit (Details TBA)*
 - 28 October - 3 November - World Interact Week
- November 2024 - Rotary Foundation Month
 - Saturday, 16 November - District Foundation Celebration*
 - Monday, 25 November - two meetings - Monday at 7pm on Zoom*
 - D7090 Annual General Meeting
 - District Council Meeting follows
 - Thursday, 28 November - US Thanksgiving (does this impact the week?)
- December 2024 - Disease Prevention and Treatment Month
 - 15 December - Last day for early registration discount for the Rotary International Convention

- Thursday, 12 December - District Chairs @ Zoom
- Monday, 16 AG Meeting @ Zoom 7pm
- January 2025 - Vocational Service Month
 - Monday, 6 January - District Council Meeting @ Zoom at 7pm
 - President Elect Learning - schedule TBA, likely a set of Zoom meetings plus an in person District gathering. A Multi-District gathering s also being discussed.
- February 2025 - Peacebuilding and Conflict Prevention Month
 - 9-13 February - Rotary International Assembly for DGEs, Orlando, Florida, USA
 - Thursday, 20 February - District Chairs @ Zoom
 - Sunday, 23 February - Rotary's Anniversary and Club *Day of Service* opportunity for winter projects (Sunday) - over the week.
 - Monday, 24 February - AG Meeting @ Zoom 7pm
- March 2025 - Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene Month
 - Multi-District President Elect Learning Seminar (D7070, D7080, D7090, details TBA) - placeholder
 - 10-16 March - World Rotaract Week
 - Saturday, 29 March - District Council Meeting @ in NY (with hybrid as a backup). Location and details TBA
 - 31 March - Preregistration discount ends for the Rotary International Convention
- April 2025 - Environmental Month
 - Thursday, 17 April - District Chairs @ Zoom
 - Sunday, 20 April - Easter
 - 22 April - Great Lakes Watershed Cleanup - Spring *Day of Service* opportunity for clubs
 - 30 April - Rotary International Convention registration and ticket cancellations are due
- May 2025 - Youth Service Month
 - Thursday, 1 May - Club Leadership Learning and Updates @ Zoom at 7 pm*
 - Saturday, 3 May - District Leadership Learning and Assembly*
 - 15 May - International Peace Fellow Applications are due
 - Thursday, 22 May - District Chairs
 - Monday, 26 May - AG Meeting @ Zoom 7pm
- June 2025 - Rotary Fellowships Month
 - Saturday, 9 June - District Council Meeting @ in NY (with hybrid as a backup). Location and details TBA. PDG meet up prior to the meeting.
 - 21-25 June - Rotary International Convention, Calgary
 - Saturday, 28 June - District 7090 Changeover - TBA
 - 30 June - Rotary Citation for Rotary Clubs Award nominations are due

Dates marked with a * means that clubs are not to book events on these days.

You are welcome to bring forward any suggestions/nominations from the following RI dates for awards to District leadership:

<https://my.rotary.org/en/learning-reference/learn-topic/awards>

As a reference:

<https://www.un.org/en/observances/international-days-and-weeks>

Notes:

Each and every member can use this to support managing your role. Comments are always welcome. Some dates may not work and we will do our best to get changes made early and posted. As information becomes available from Rotary International, this document will be updated. Please refer to the current calendar document as a reference for what the overall information and dates might look like for all members. If you want to pitch in with guiding this document - as a very focused volunteer job - it would be appreciated.

District 7090 Assistant Governors - AGs - meet several times a year on Zoom on a Monday night. These folks are great channels for communications so please provide them with information or get the info to the Assistant Governor Coordinator (AGC). AGs are a link between District leadership to their assigned club presidents. Presidents, and key club members through them, can provide the AG network with suggested agenda items, contribute to reporting, and share invitations to events.

District Chairs support club and member efforts with events, webinars, meetings, and programs, etc. These folks get their direction from the District Strategic Plan and are supported by their agendas, work plan, and input from members and RI. They are always looking for people to help. If you are curious about their meetings and events please get in touch. A great way to learn, learn things for your club, and meet new friends.

If you have a role, or as preparation for one, or would just like to know more for the 2024/25 Rotary year please complete your role-related courses (and any others you are interested in) found in the Learning Center at www.myrotary.org. They are fun and fast. You are welcome to encourage others to do so.

Club Presidents, President Elects, and Secretaries should check this document regularly as you can draw opportunities from the calendar items as well as events listed in the associated Club Calendar on the District Events tab

Please note the following expectations:

1. Attending an event is a special occasion. If clubs have an event such as awarding a Paul Harris, important club event, celebration, or activity, or a special meeting such as an induction, the DG should attend. If the DG cannot attend, someone else from the District should be there and for sure the AG as the rep! Presidents should include AGs in activities and opportunities.
2. Clubs should designate someone from their club to post their meetings on the Club Calendar on the District website. This could get busy so perhaps keep it to the key meetings and events plus a link. According to our District Manual of Policies, clubs are not to book events or meetings at any time when there is a District event or learning seminar. There are exceptions, but this needs a conversation with your AG and District team. These are highlighted in the calendar below with a *.

3. All members of the District are welcome to attend District Council meetings. Chairs and AGs are expected to attend all District Council meetings as they are voting members of District Council. Please allow for these arrangements in your own personal calendar well in advance including any reading or providing information to the agenda package. Furthermore, AGs are expected to attend the District 7090 Annual General Meeting - currently on Monday, November 25, 2024 (TBC) on Zoom. Because of how we vote, it is vital for presidents (or their club representative) to attend to cast their vote and if not that the AG holds their proxy.
4. Standing monthly/regular dates are the following:
 - a. The newsletter deadline. Monthly articles should be forwarded no later than the 25th of every month.
 - b. The IPDG, DG, DGE, DGN, and DGND (The Chain) meet at least twice per month, usually on a Thursday morning. If anyone has an issue or concern please ensure it gets to one of the Chain and if necessary, copy the AGC.
 - c. Club roles in 2024/25: it is the aim to build the culture in our District by having each Rotarian serving in a club role attend a quarterly Zoom meeting of their peers to share information and to learn what other clubs are doing across the District. Meetings are put together by the various chairs and leaders, but help to arrange these is always appreciated. This supports the Club Leadership Assembly on the first Saturday in May with year-round engagement. These meetings will be posted on the District website and included in the monthly newsletter.
 - d. Become a fan of Rotary's Learning Center. There are courses for all members, not just for presidents and their team. Our District also runs Rotary Leadership Institute courses which provide interaction as this is face-to-face learning over Zoom.
 - e. As much as possible we will make recordings of these sessions so that if a club member misses a Zoom meeting they can catch up.
5. Members are welcome to stay current with the activities of the various committees of the District. Check in on the pull down tabs to the various committees and resources. There is a web edit coming and to access some resources you will need to log in to the District site to access that information. Members and leaders are welcome to convey opportunities or events to club presidents so they can announce these to their members and/or in club newsletters. Encourage opportunities for club-to-club engagement such as sharing speakers, events, partnerships, and coaching membership recruitment ideas, etc.
6. Club secretaries, public image chairs, and other members with technical skills are welcome to volunteer to get to know more about tools like ClubRunner and in some cases DACdb. We want to ensure we are maxing out our work with these tools. Clubs should check the accuracy and completeness of their records and coordinate their efforts through their Public Image chairs with the District PI committee. It is worthy to be a resource on how to use these as well as using the ClubRunner app to stay in touch with each other. A note to AG: if a club does not use ClubRunner for their 'back end' that arrangement should be made for District-Club communications accordingly.
7. District 7090 thanks all for your service and support. The leadership team wants to ensure that your Rotary experience is rewarding and that you are supported with timely information and resources. Let those around you know of any issue or

concern. If you are interested in other roles in the District please make this known. District leadership is prepared to invest in your development.

8. Please identify others in your club area who you would consider for leadership and service beyond their club, especially for those in leadership positions in developing a succession plan, introducing members to District committee experiences, and encouraging presidents to have those in a club role attend quarterly meetings of their peers.
9. Note that the District leadership may call a District Council Meeting or in an extraordinary circumstance a special meeting of the members to discuss a key issue or concern, especially if it pertains to a matter in the strategic plan.
10. District 7090 will release the final draft 2024/25 meeting schedule by the District Conference in April. Furthermore, Chairs of District committees (or their designate) are obliged to attend a Chairs Meeting in the months that do not have a District Council meeting (Thursdays at 7 pm on Zoom). This schedule will be confirmed at the June District Council meeting. Other subcommittees will arrange their meetings accordingly. All will be posted on the District website.