## District 7090 Calendar 2024/25

These are the key dates for the 2024/25 Rotary Year and available Rotary International information. The dates are listed first and the notes are to serve as a guide that provides context and expectations. Please take a few minutes to read the notes as this will help you improve and grow **your** Rotary experience.

It is recommended that Club and District leaders review these dates plus provide any input or updates to the District leadership team. Help with events is always appreciated and any Rotarian is welcome to attend any meeting. .

Most events are included here and details are found in separate messages. For example, pay close attention to the <u>events tab</u> on the District site and any posted or emailed announcements for any learning sessions including Rotary Web Talks, webinars, and details for Rotary Leadership Institute courses. Please note that some social activities and other opportunities are not listed here and will be added to the events tab directly. Events may be added or modified including changes to this document.

## **SCHEDULE of EVENTS 2024/25:**

- July 2024 Maternal and Child Health Month
  - 1 July Beginning of the 2024/25 Rotary year
  - Monday, 15 July AG Meeting @ Zoom 7pm kickoff
  - o Thursday, 25 July District Chairs @ Zoom informal start of the year chat
- August 2024 Membership and New Club Development Month
  - Saturday, 10 August D7090 Board of Directors Inc. meeting @ 8 am via Zoom
  - Thursday, 22 August District Chairs @ Zoom reporting for next month.
    Time TBA.
  - 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.
  - Wednesday, 18 October Fall RLI-1 starts
  - 17-22 September Rotary Zone 28/32 meeting in Toronto.
  - Saturday, 28 September US Club Presidents face-to-face meeting with DG
    location and time TBA in a separate email
- October 2024 Community Economic and Development Month
  - 2-8 October Rotary Alumni Reconnect Week
  - Wednesday, 16 October Fall RLI-2 starts
  - Wednesday, 9 October D7090 Board of Directors Inc. meeting @ 8 am via Zoom
  - Thursday, 10 October District Chairs @ Zoom
  - Monday, 14 October Canadian Thanksgiving
  - Saturday, 19 October Canadian Club Presidents face-to-face meeting with DG @ location and time TBA in a separate email
  - Monday, 21 October AG Meeting @ Zoom 7pm
  - 24 October World Polio Day Fall Day of Service opportunity for Clubs

- Saturday, 26 October District 7090 Membership Summit (Niagara Falls, Canada, Details TBA)
  - Friday, 25 October Social evening
  - Post summit happy hour and Niagara Falls lighting ceremony
- o 28 October 3 November World Interact Week
- November 2024 Rotary Foundation Month
  - Wednesday, 13 October Fall RLI-3 starts
  - Saturday, 16 November District Foundation Celebration, Fort Erie. Details to be posted on the District events page
  - Monday, 25 November two meetings Monday at 7pm on Zoom\*
    - D7090 Annual General Meeting
    - District Council Meeting follows
  - Thursday, 28 November US Thanksgiving
- December 2024 <u>Disease Prevention and Treatment Month</u>
  - 15 December Last day for early registration discount for the Rotary International Convention
  - o Thursday, 12 December District Chairs @ Zoom
  - o Monday, 16 AG Meeting @ Zoom 7pm
- January 2025 Vocational Service Month
  - Monday, 6 January District Council Meeting @ Zoom at 7pm
  - Saturday, 25 January D7090 Board of Directors Inc. meeting @ 8 am via Zoom
  - Wednesday, 29 January President Elect Learning Online Session #1. Note that Rotary Learning Center club president coursework needs to be completed for this session.
- February 2025 Peacebuilding and Conflict Prevention Month
  - Tuesday, 4 February Winter RLI-1 starts
  - 9-13 February Rotary International Assembly for DGEs, Orlando, Florida,
    USA
  - Wednesday, 12 February President Elect Learning Online Session #2
  - o 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
  - Wednesday, 26 February President Elect Learning Online Session #3
- March 2025 Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene Month
  - o Tuesday, 4 March Winter RLI-2 starts
  - 10-16 March World Rotaract Week
  - Saturday, 22 March President Elect Learning live and in person\*
  - 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
  - o Tuesday, 1 April 'Winter' RLI-3 starts
  - Saturday, 5 April District Conference and Volunteer Partner Summit\*
    - Niagara Falls, Canada, Details TBA.
    - Friday evening social the night before
    - Saturday after party.

- Saturday, 12 April D7090 Board of Directors Inc. meeting @ 8 am via Zoom
- o Thursday, 17 April District Chairs @ Zoom
- o 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\*
  - o 15 May International Peace Fellow Applications are due
  - o Thursday, 22 May District Chairs @ Zoom
  - 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.
  - o Saturday, 14 June District 7090 Changeover\* Details TBA
  - o 21-25 June Rotary International Convention, Calgary
  - o 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 unless it is discussed with the DG first.

## Notes:

Each and every Rotarian can use this document to support and manage their role. Comments are always welcome so reach out to your District leaders. As we go some dates may not work out 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 this calendar document as a starting place to then seek out further information, postings, and emails. As noted, if you want to pitch in with guiding this document - as a very focused volunteer job - it would be appreciated as would any help with any event.

District 7090 Assistant Governors - AGs - meet several times a year on Zoom, usually on a Monday night. These folks are great channels for communications so please provide them with information on <u>your</u> club events 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. Committee work is a great way to learn, brag about what your club does, brainstorm, 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 Rotary Learning Center at www.myrotary.org. They are fun and fast. Getting access is easy. You are welcome to encourage others to do so.

Club Presidents, President Elects, and Secretaries should refer to this document as you can draw opportunities from the calendar items as well as events listed in the events section of the District website and 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 a special meeting such as an induction, the DG should be invited to attend and include the AG in these arrangements. 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 plus consider extending invitations to other clubs.
- 2. <u>Those in a leadership role</u>: if you cannot attend a meeting, send someone in your place. While this person may not have a vote, this helps with your succession planning and keeps you in the loop..
- 3. 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 <u>not</u> to book events or meetings at any time when there is a District event or in-person learning seminar. There are exceptions, but this needs a conversation with your AG and District team. These are highlighted in the calendar list above with a \*.
- 4. All Rotarians are welcome to attend District Council meetings or almost any meeting for that matter. Chairs and AGs are obliged to attend all District Council meetings as they are voting members of District Council and concerns and ideas can also be forwarded through them. 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 as a proxy) to attend to cast their vote and if not that arrangements have been made for the AG to hold the proxy vote.
- 5. Standing monthly/regular dates are the following:
  - a. The newsletter deadline. Monthly articles should be forwarded no later than the 25th of every month. Every club is encouraged to put an article in every month.
  - b. The District leadership team: 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 members and if necessary, copy the AG and 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. Let's say it again: 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 instead of a learn at your own pace method.
- e. As much as possible we will make recordings of on-line sessions so that if a club member misses a Zoom meeting they can catch up.
- f. Helping curate the District website is appreciated. Reach out to the PI Chair to be involved.
- 6. 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. Take the initiative and encourage opportunities for club-to-club engagement such as sharing speakers, events, partnerships, and coaching membership recruitment ideas, etc.
- 7. 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. A club using DACdb should visit their RI page and turn on permission for District 7090 to access club data through ClubRunner. We want to ensure we are maxing out our use of 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 on your handheld device to stay in touch with each other. A note to AGs: if a club does not use ClubRunner for their 'back end' that arrangements should be made for District-Club communications accordingly with the District Secretary.
- 8. 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.
- 9. Our District exists to support club success and growth. Period. District experience supports leadership and effectiveness at the club level. 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 join with them as guests including having those in a club roles attend quarterly meetings of their peers.
- 10. 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.