



The Rotary Club of Wellington



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District 7070

Chartered: November 22, 2002
Rotarian of the Year 2017-2018
Trudy Brown

March 27/2018
Club #60346

Today: Club Forum

President's Remarks

"How do we accommodate the 30-year old businessperson raising a family? Well, for one thing we could pay less attention to attendance. My question isn't 'How many meetings did you make?' It's 'How are you making a difference in your community?'" This is another quote from past RI president John Germ who is a big supporter of more flexibility in many Rotary matters. Not surprisingly, current RI president Ian Riseley echoes the same message. "Rotary must do more to welcome younger people who face a number of competing demands. They are interested in service and eager to do good, but they need options. We need to offer them an involvement that doesn't waste their time." Those comments are based on the realization that society has changed dramatically fast in recent decades and Rotary needs to adapt swiftly to "stay in the business".

To do so, the legal framework was provided by the Council on Legislation in 2016 that granted clubs more freedom in determining their meeting schedule and membership. The first measure allows clubs to decide to vary their meeting times, whether to meet online or in person, and when to cancel a meeting, as long as they meet at least twice a month. The second allows clubs flexibility in choosing their membership rules and requirements.

Interestingly enough, RI president-elect Barry Rassin seems to be open for even bigger changes. In a recent interview he declared: "Some of the traditions from weekly club meetings could go." Bang!

More to follow.

Alex

Last Week: Emily Cowan, Executive Director PEC Chamber of Commerce

The Chamber was formed in 1905 as Quinte Isle Tourism mandated to promote tourism. Eventually evolved into Chamber of Commerce.

Up until 2016, promoted tourism on behalf of PEC. Published PEC County Red Map, offered fuel discounts for members, member to member discounts.

A shift in their mandate to County Workforce Partnership focusing on staff retention with development of HR Tool Kit.

Other issues of focus include mental health, food insecurity and training skills.

Soon they will be moving from 116 to 321 Main St., Picton providing more space to create new resources for entrepreneurs.

Annual membership fees are \$232 + tax per member.

[County Workforce Partnership](#) formed in July 2017, The Prince Edward Learning Centre, PEC Chamber of Commerce, Career Edge, Community Development Dept. and Loyalist College Training & Knowledge Centre applied for a Sector Planning Partnership Grant.

The 5 aforementioned organizations have formed the County Workforce Partnership (CWP), which will become a standing committee of the PEC Chamber of Commerce.



Rotary Grace
O Lord and giver of all good We thank thee for our daily food May Rotary friends and Rotary ways Help us to serve thee all our days.

FOUR WAY TEST
Of the things we think, say or do: 1. Is it the TRUTH? 2. Is it FAIR to all concerned? 3. Will it build GOOD WILL and better FRIENDSHIPS? 4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

Future Meetings & Events	
Apr 3	Rob Clute, Executive Director QuinteVation
Apr 10	Field Trip to Beer Store
Apr 17	Neil Carbone, Director of Community Development-PEC
Apr 24	Club Forum
May 1	Birgit Wartenberg-Indigenous Peoples Partnership Committee

Monthly Set-Up Teams	
March Team #1	April Team #2
David Hawkins(TL)	Tim Cox(TL)
Lana Whitteker	Charles Lacy
Barry Davidson	Pierre LeBrun
David Smith	Kristen Nash
Sharon Campbell	Brian McGowan
Parker Gallant	Michelle Kosoy
Bill Mitchell	Dave Robinet

Birthdays/Anniversaries		Date
Birthdays	None	
Anniversaries	None	

Bottle Duty Schedule for March/April		
Date	9-11:00AM	11-1:00PM
Wed Mar 28	David S. Howard Z.	Dave R. Parker G.
Sat Mar 31	David M. Karen S.	Open Bill M.
Mon Apr 2	Mike L.	
Wed Apr 4	David S. Michelle K.	Sharon C. Barry D.
Sat Apr 7	Ted N. Liz B.	Howard Z. Liz B.
Mon Apr 9	Tim C. Brian M.	
Wed Apr 11	David S. Trudy B.	Phyo K. Parker G.
Sat Apr 14	Lana W. Alex L.	Dawn C. Bill M.
Mon Apr 16	Mike L.	

Emily Cowan with Barry



DG Nominee Beth Selby with Liz & David



Visitors: District Governor Nominee Beth Selby
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