



# The Rotary Club of Wellington



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District 7070

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

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Club #60346

## **Today: Emily Cowan, Executive Director PEC Chamber of Commerce**

### **President's Remarks**

Of all the different months in our Rotary calendar with their designated topic, March stood out to me as the "Water and Sanitation Month", not only but also because "Water and Sanitation" has been traditionally the main focus of our club for international projects.

World Water Day is celebrated on March 22nd. It focuses on the approximately 1.8 billion people worldwide who must rely on water contaminated with feces, putting them at risk of contracting cholera, dysentery, typhoid, polio and other waterborne diseases. The UN's Sustainable Development Goals, launched in 2015, include a target to ensure everyone has access to safe water by 2030, making water a key issue in the fight to eradicate extreme poverty. In 1993, the UN General Assembly designated March 22nd as World Water Day. It is now a globally recognized event.

The Water & Sanitation Rotarian Action Group (WASRAG) was formed in 2007 by a group of Rotarians, recognized by Rotary International, and focused on WASH projects. Since then it has facilitated many hundreds of projects – helping clubs find partners, ensuring sustainability, stressing the importance of a needs-driven approach, and developing best practices. It encourages a holistic, integrated approach in which water is not the end in itself, but is rather the means to a better life and livelihood in the community. Most importantly, WASRAG links water and sanitation to improved hygiene, better health, and empowerment of the community – especially women, irrigation and agriculture, education and literacy and, ultimately, child mortality.

Alex

### **Last Week: Fletch-Quinte Sailability**

Kletch gave us an update on the Quinte Sailability programs.

Quinte SailAbility is a sailing school for persons with a physical or developmental disability, regardless of age or degree of disability. Founded in 2001 and serving the greater Quinte area, the school has grown to be one of the largest in Ontario. It operates out of the CFB Trenton Yacht Club on Baker Island. Our goal is to be accessible, affordable and active. Through the use of technology, barriers are eliminated, providing the therapeutic benefits of sailing on one's own.

Annual Membership includes training in any of the programs, recreational sailing \$225. For CanSail and some Advanced Training, add \$15. One week memberships available at \$90. \$38 per session-supported by Rotary.

Revenue sources include service clubs 28%, Members fees 27%, Gov't grants 17%, Private donors 9%, outreach programs 12%.

There are 42 volunteers of which 18 are Reg Force personnel.

Fletch then introduced one of his student sailors, Nichole Flynn. Nichole was very enthusiastic and described her involvement in the programs. She has progressed into racing and appears to love it.

### **Fletch in a new shed.**



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?

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	Mar 14
Anniversaries	Robert & Linda Downey 24 Years	Mar 18

Bottle Duty Schedule for March/April		
Date	9-11:00AM	11-1:00PM
Wed Mar 21	David S. Trudy B.	Parker G. Barry D.
Sat Mar 24	Ted N. John I.	Bill M. Open
Mon Mar 26	Tim C.	
Wed Mar 28	David S. Howard Z.	Open 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.	Open Liz B.
Mon Apr 9	Tim C. Brian M.	

Future Meetings & Events	
Mar 27	Club Forum
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

**Nichole, one of our speakers with Mike, our stand-in pres.**



**Two of the Rotary sponsored boats**



Visitors: Dick Jones-Picton Rotary  
Nichole & Andrew Flynn-Quinte Sailability  
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