

## The Rotary Club of Wellington



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District 7070

Chartered: November 22, 2002 Rotarian of the Year 2017-2018 **Trudy Brown**  March 6/2018 Club #60346

**Today: Gem Monro-Amarok Society** 

## **President's Remarks**

Only three more sleeps and our family will embark on a Europe trip that will take us through five countries and several major cities. The one country that was NEVER on the shortlist to be included in that trip? Switzerland!

Anyway, reflecting back on the fact that Rotary as an organization had never caught my attention while we still lived in Switzerland, I decided to dig up some history of Rotary in Europe. The first ten clubs that were established on the mainland are:

- 1. Madrid, Spain October, 1920
- 2. Paris, France April, 1921
- 3. Copenhagen, Denmark November, 1921
- 4. Barcelona, Spain January, 1922
- 5. Oslo, Norway February, 1922
- 6. Amsterdam, The Netherlands November, 1922
- 7. Utrecht, The Netherlands March, 1923
- 8. Toulouse, France June, 1923
- 9. Ostende, Belgium August, 1923
- 10. Lyon, France April, 1923

The first Swiss club, founded in Zurich, was formally admitted to the membership in May, 1924.

In essence, it took only 15 years for Rotary to make the jump from North America to Western Europe. If the recent World War I had anything to do with the fast and successful establishment, I don't know. But Rotary clubs started to take roots in many cities across Europe and enjoyed a healthy growth until the Spanish Civil War and then of course World War II during which the club and membership numbers dropped for obvious reasons. And in the beginning there was another, rather surprising enemy: the church! Catholic Bishops and journals both warned against membership in Rotary... fascinating stuff!

Alex

Last Week: Club Forum

Trudy presented the Treasurer's report. She noted the New Hospital Capital fund has been converted into a GIC for better interest.

Karen – Publicity – FlipGive summary, Spelling Bee

Mike-Bottle Depot – Concrete floor is now in on the South side. North side will likely be next week.

Phyo-



District Conference 2018 in Wellington will be themed as a reunion. Members reminded of home hosting need. A volunteer list request will be published soon.

## Alex - Donations

- <u>GoFundMe</u> campaign for Andrea Taylor's MalRotation surgery. Donation to <u>Picton Rotary Matt Stever Fund</u> in her name. Picton Rotary will match our donation. Motion to approve was carried.
- PECurling Club Board recommended-motion to approve was carried.
- ROC reduced donation recommended by the Board. Motion to approve was carried.
- The Board recommended a donation to Heart & Stroke in Gil vanSoelen's name. Brian suggested we look at planting memorial trees along the Millennium Trail in deceased member's name. Unanimous approval.

Alex reminded us of the Beer Store field trip on April 10<sup>th</sup>. Parker offered to host a pot-luck supper.

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.

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Of the things we think, say or do:				
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- 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	
March Team #1		

Birthdays/Anniversaries		Date
Birthdays	None	
Anniversaries	None	

Bottle Duty Schedule for March		
Date	9-11:00AM	11-1:00PM
Wed	David S.	Parker G.
Mar 7	Alex L.	Barry D.
Sat	Liz B.	Liz B.
Mar 10	Kristen N.	Bill M.
Mon	Brian M.	
Mar 12	Mike L.	
Wed	David S.	Howard Z.
Mar 14	Phyo K.	<mark>Open</mark>
Sat	David M.	Dawn C.
Mar 17	<mark>Open</mark>	<mark>Open</mark>
Mon	Mike L.	
Mar 19	Tim C.	
Wed	David S.	Parker G.
Mar 21	Howard Z.	Barry D.
Sat	Ted N.	Bill M.
Mar 24	<mark>Open</mark>	<mark>Open</mark>
Mon	Tim C.	
Mar 26		

Future Meetings & Events		
Mar 13	Fletch-Quinte Sailability	
Mar 20	Emily Cowan, Executive Director	
	PEC Chamber of Commerce	
Mar 27	Club Forum	
Apr 3	Rob Clute, Executive Director	
	QuinteVation	
Apr 10	Field Trip to Beer Store	
Apr 17th	Neil Carbone, Director of	
	Community Development-PEC	
Apr 24	Club Forum	

Trudy explains the financial report



Liz added Almond Fingers (Penses) to our breakfast



Visitors Last Week: ADG Shirley Ross

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