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ROTARY CLUB OF PARKSVILLE DISTRICT 5020

Meets at the Quality Inn Oceanside Monday - 12 Noon. 240 Dogwood Street, Parksville

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Request for host families for the British Rotary Friendship Exchange team members who arrive here on June 2nd

Our club is hosting the team for four days.
There will be six couples in the British team,
mostly in their sixties.

We will be picking them up at the Departure Bay
ferry terminal and, if current plans go through,
they will be travelling to Duncan on the E & N
train out of the Parksville depot on June 6th.

During their stay, we will arrange for them to
spend a day on the MV Lady Rose sailing from
Port Alberni to Bamfield and return. Host families
are most welcome to accompany their guests on
that trip.

We expect to hold a club barbecue for them
at some point during their visit so that they can
meet all of our members.

Host families should expect to show the visitors
around the area, provide "bed & breakfast" and
generally treat them as one would hope to be
treated if we were visiting them in their homes.

At present, there is space for one couple on
the outbound team from District 5020 going to
District 1200 (South West of England including
clubs in Wiltshire, Avon, Somerset and Dorset).

The outbound team leaves for England on
September 6th, returning Sept. 21st. Participants
may extend their visit to Britain or Europe either
before or following the Exchange. There will be
a meeting of the outbound team participants in
Duncan on April 12th to finalize details.

What others are saying about Rotary...

"Thank you, Rotary, for recognizing that
a world without polio is possible. You
have been the catalyst for the world to
accept and carry out the challenge of
eradicating polio from the earth."

- Bill Gates, Bill & Melinda Gates
Foundation

Looking Forward! Dates to remember

Feb 03 or Feb 10, 2008
ROTARY ABUSE PREVENTION
TRAINING

The District is arranging an abuse
prevention training session in
Parksville on either Feb 3 or Feb
10th, 2008. This training session
is compulsory for all host families,
persons working with the student,
youth exchange team, as well as
anyone who might be transporting
the student to Rotary functions.

Please let me know if you are
interested in attending.

Feb 23 - 24
District Assembly, Victoria

May 29 - June 1, 2008

District Conference 2008
"Share the Celebration"
Parksville-Qualicum Beach
British Columbia
Oceanside Place
Register on the District Website
Look for related tours & events
www.rotary5020.org

June 15 - 18
RI International Convention Los
Angeles, California



"Focus on Youth"



O'Canada: Bob Katsko
Grace: Fred Collins

No birthdays or anniversaries to report

Announcements:

Rotary Wheel: Angela, Bob B and Murray will be having dinner at Sharon Dumbrell's home

Executive Meeting:

Anyone interested in going, let Gary know RYLA – Rotary Youth Leadership Awards – we will be sending one student this year, the cost is \$300.00 plus transportation.

Honorary Membership: it was discussed at the executive meeting this morning to approve Joan Cunningham to be any honorary member for our club. All were in favour.

At the December meeting the board elected Richard Brown to Community Service, Richard has decided to step down from the executive, anyone who would like to take this over, please see Gary. James London from the Collwood Rotary has passed away.

Friendship Exchange:

Six couple from England will be

coming to the Oceanside area on June 2, we are looking for 3 host families who would be willing to act as a "bed & breakfast" for 4 days. They will be going on the Lady Rose, so they will need transportation to and from. Please let Fred know if anyone can help.

A Lesson in Scotch Tasting:

Doug Slowski came to speak to the club today regarding a "scotch tasting" with Nigel Drever from Victoria. This will take place at Malaspina on Thursday, January 24 at 7pm, the cost is \$100.00. After the event transportation will be

provided by "Operation Homerun".

Rotarian of the Month:

November: Mark McGorman for taking over the treasurers job and getting the books in order... thanks Mark

December: Bill B and Murray H for doing such a great job on the food and beverage on the night of the Santa parade

District Conference:

Reminder for everyone to mark their calendars for May 30 – 31, 2008, help will needed!!

Bingo: Murray volunteered

Guest Speaker

Bob Logmore
President of the Mid Island Radio Association

Bob came to talk to us today about the importance of amateur radio communications when other lines of communication are down. They come from all walks of life and they must pass a government exam. When the tornado struck in Edmonton and the hurricane Katrina struck in New Orleans, they were there to lend a helping hand. Many traveled to New Orleans on their own with their own equipment to help out. The Mid Island Radio Association needs equipment for a portable "grab and go" system in order to improve their inventory. The costs for such equipment are \$3,500.00 and are hoping groups like Rotary Clubs will be able to help.

Thank you Bob for your very informative talk.

50/50 - \$76.00 – Richard Brown was the winner/loser!

Sgt at arms:

Gary: late
Ron: congrats on US beating Canada
Penny: hand shake
Janet: hand shake
Helen: not to be left out
Keith, Angela, York, Penny: all didn't sign in
Bob: butting in line, gaining 5lbs
Matt, Peter & Bob K: all for letting Bob but in line
Kim: wife phoned during the meeting
Bill Mc: i.o.u.
Doug: presentation

Happy \$'s

Peter: community award nominations, download the form off the Chamber website
Bill: i.o.u and Bill & Murray for Rotarian of the Month
Al Thornbury: wife ended up in the Cancun hospital for their entire vacation... hope she is doing better Al
Judy: ex-mother-in-law (Gordon's mom) passed away
Bob: sad to have Bill as a "father-in-law", MC for the Oceanside Minor Hockey Skills & Drills, lots of fun
Candace: nice to be back
Bill Lesage: nice to be back
Fred: happy to be part of the ham radio for 30 years

Area Make-up Possibilities

Monday:

Rotary Club of Qualicum Beach 18:15
Rotary House, Qualicum Beach

Tuesday:

Rotary Club of Qualicum Sunrise 07:00
Glengarry Golf Links, Qualicum Beach
Rotary Club of Arrowsmith Sunrise 07:15
Coast Hospitality Inn, Port Alberni
Rotary Club of Courtenay 12:00
Coast Westerly, Courtenay
Rotary Club of Nanaimo North 18:00
Nanaimo Golf & Country Club

Wednesday:

Rotary Club of Parksville AM 07:00
Bayside Oceanfront Inn
Rotary Club of Nanaimo Day Break 07:00
Swiss Chalet
Rotary Club of Strathcona Sunrise 07:00
Crown Isle, Courtenay
Rotary Club of Nanaimo Oceanside 16:00
Nanaimo Golf & country club

Thursday:

Rotary Club of Lantzville 07:00
ABC Restaurant, Nanaimo
Rotary Club of Port Alberni 12:15
Best Western Barclay Inn, Port Alberni

Friday:

Rotary Club of Nanaimo 12:15
Howard Johnson Island Inn

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