



Cowbell – August 28, 2017

Present: Lisa B., Josh C., Alex C., Rob D., Cindy D., Rhonda H., Don I., Paul K., Ed K., Robert K., Harold L., Julie M., Bruce N., Rob T., Brenna W., Matt W., Rhoda W.

Absent: Alaina A., Bob B., Angie C., Don D., Jeff F., Donna G., Erik H., Blair H., Greg K., Alaina L., Cecile M., Mary M., Lou M., Tina M., Sheri S., Bob S., Ian S., Jason T., Shelley V., Tracey W.

Chair – Lisa Brown

Guests: Cory Bean, Maggie Bean, Steve Bean

Rotary Minute – Cory Bean, graduate of Sussex Christian School and member of Sussex Interact reported on his recent trip to Finland with the short-term Rotary Youth Exchange program. Cory's exchange twin was Jesse Antinoja. Jesse was here in Canada for a month and Cory returned with Jesse to Finland and spent a month touring the Finish communities and countryside.

2017 New Brunswick Day Merit Award – Lisa reported that the Rotary Club of Sussex received the Community Leadership Award from the Town of Sussex on New Brunswick Day.

Breakfast during Balloon Fiesta – Don Ingersoll is looking for volunteers to help with the breakfast fundraiser at Leonard's Gate on Saturday, September 9, 2017 during the Balloon Fiesta. He circulated a **sign-up sheet** and a print-out of signage that will be placed at all entrances into the Town of Sussex to attract outside traffic.

Sign-up for Parking at Balloon Fiesta – A sign-up sheet for parking attendants was circulated at the meeting. Dunster's is allowing the Rotary Club of Sussex to partner with them during the Balloon Fiesta. Last year's partner, took home \$3,000 in profit. Attendants are needed for Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Angie is looking after the sign-up sheet.

Date for Presentation/Photo Op – Final Cheque for Rotary Ampitheatre – Different dates were mentioned. Lisa will check with the Town about having the presentation on September 25.

Breakfast Volunteers – Bruce circulated a sign-up calendar for Breakfast Clubs at Sussex Elementary School on Fridays and Sussex Middle School on Wednesdays. There is still uncertainty about the Middle School as the Community School Coordinator has moved to a different position.

Truck Pull – Harold announced that the annual Truck Pull will take place on September 16. Cooks are needed for the barbeque.

Conferences

District Conference September 22-24, 2017, Rodd Miramichi Hotel and Conference Centre, Miramichi, NB. This should be a good conference. Lisa Brown and Bob Tremblett are going. Others are encouraged to sign-up.

Rotary Leadership Institute will be held in Truro on October 28, 2017. This will include Level I, Level II, and Level III training. Robert Kimball stated that these Institutes have often made the difference between an individual being a member of a Rotary Club and becoming a “Rotarian.”

RI International, Toronto from June 23 – 27, 2018 – Rob Driscoll and Bob Tremblett have signed up. Members were encouraged to register through the Rotary International website as blocks of room have been reserved for Rotarians. This Conference is for Rotarians and their spouses.

Fundraiser for Civic Centre & Leap Program – Alex reported that the fundraiser held in honour of Greg Zed’s retirement from the Sussex area brought in over \$10,000 on Friday evening, August 25, 2017.

Rotary Shirts – A \$30 fee will be added to membership fees of a new Rotarians when they are inducted so that they will get a Rotary shirt. For present members who do not have the Rotary shirts, Robert Kimball, will be coordinating this. If you need a shirt or a replacement, please talk to Robert.

Happy Bucks/Sad Bucks/Fines – Robert Kimball

Chase the Joker – Rob Driscoll’s ticket was drawn but no joker was drawn.

Next Meeting – Monday, September 11, 2107, with Kevin Perry from Habitat for Humanity.

Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,
Rhoda Wilson, Secretary
Rotary Club of Sussex