



Rotary Club of Sussex Inc.

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www.sussexrotary.org Club # 6355 / District # 7810

Cowbell **Date:** August 29, 2016

Present: Bob B., Rob D., Cindy D., Donna G., Rhonda H., Bruce N., Bob T., Shelley V., Rhoda W.

Absent: Alaina A., Lisa B., Angie C., Don D., Jeff F., Erik H., Blair H., Don I., Paul K., Ed K., Greg K., Robert K., Alaina L., Harold L., Cecile M., Mary M., Tina M., Bob S., Ian S.

Guest: Alex Coffin, Manager, PotashCorp Civic Centre

Grace and Toast to the Queen

Welcome: Rob Driscoll, President, welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Rotary Minute: Bruce Northrup shared a photo of a Rotary sign that he had taken while touring the western part of Canada.

Boots, Bikes and Band-Aids – This is a joint project of several clubs in this District including Saint John, Hampton, Rothesay, and Sussex. The goal is to fill a shipping container full of bicycles, footwear, and non-prescription drugs and then to ship these contents to the Dominican Republic for use by the Haitian workers that find employment across the border from their own country. Many of these people live in poverty. Rob Driscoll noted that he was looking for a volunteer in the Sussex Club to take leadership in this matter. The final collection date is September 17 so Sussex will need to have all the collections done before that time. The organizer for this club needs to arrange a drop-off place, a schedule for people to assist with the drop-offs, and to arrange some advertising in the community. CJCW has already offered to run some radio spots and one of the radio stations in Saint John is doing the same.

Banners from Other Rotary Clubs – Rob Driscoll circulated three newly acquired Rotary banners by our Clubs:

- St. Stephen/Milltown
- Saint-Etienne, France
- Nipigon, Ontario

New Banner Needed for Rotary Club of Sussex – Our Club needs a new Rotary Banner with a new design. Someone suggested that the Rotary Amphitheatre would be a good representation for a new banner.

District Conference – August 26 & 27, 2017, Presque Isle Maine – Rob Tremblett reported on the recent District Conference that was held on the weekend. Some of the topics for the weekend included

the new changes to the Rotary Constitution, Dr. Bob Scott's African project, and a presence of the Rotaract group.

Committees and Members for 2016/2017 – Rob Driscoll reviewed the Committee structure for the fall and a copy is included below. There is an expectation that the new members will be assigned to a club shortly.



COMMITTEE	CHAIR PERSON	CLUB MEMBERS
CLUB SERVICE		
Budget and Finance	Mary McNair	Bob Black, Cindy DuBois, JCRL
Policy and Governance	Bob Tremblett	Rob Driscoll, Eric Homenick, Robert Kimball, Rhoda Wilson
Membership Development	Rob Driscoll	Don Dow, Jeff Fuller, Shelley Vail
Program and Reception	Shelley Vail	Donna Gilchrist, Lisa Brown, Rhonda Haynes,
Public Image & Public Relations	Tina Monahan	JCRL (webmaster), Ian Smyth, Lou McNamara
Social Events & Fellowship	Jeff Fuller	Don Dow, Erik Homenick, Tina Monahan, Alaina Alexander, Bob Black, Cecile Matheson
COMMUNITY SERVICE		
Camp Rotary	Alaina Alexander	Ian Smyth, Bob Black, Cecile Matheson
Coats for Kids	Don Ingersoll	Harold Lowe, Angie Cummings, Alaina Alexander
Annual Rotary Trip Draw	Tina Monahan	Rob Driscoll, JCRL, Mary McNair, Lou McNamara
Charitable Trust Dinner & Auction	Cindy DuBois	Tina Monahan, Angie Cummings, Kim Driscoll
Community Projects	Bruce Northrup	Tina Monahan, Don Ingersoll, Rhonda Haynes, Harold Lowe
INTERNATIONAL SERVICE		
Rotary International	Donna Gilchrist	Bruce Northrup, Bob Black, Bob Tremblett
VOCATIONAL SERVICE		
Vocational Opportunities	Ian Smyth	Rob Driscoll, Harold Lowe
YOUTH SERVICE		
New Generations Committee	Lisa Brown	Ian Smyth, Shelley Vail, Alaina Lockhart, Greg Keith, Ed Keith, Angie Cummings

New Members – Over the summer three new members were inducted as Sussex Rotary Club members including, Bob Short, Blair Hyslop, and Paul Kearley. It is expected that Teresa O'Brien will be joining the club at the September 12 meeting.

Fundraising Dinner – Cindy reported that she had sent out an e-mail and she is still looking for someone to coordinate items for the auction. Cindy asked Club members to make her aware of any dates in March and April that might be a conflict.

Requests for Funding – Rob Driscoll reported that the Club has received several requests for funding as follows:

- Salvation Army for a refrigeration unit
- Town of Sussex – Leonard's Gate Structure
- Nursing Home
- Other Smaller projects

Shelly Vail added

- A new van for Crosswinds

Alex Coffin suggested that the Club might want to host a Marathon Run for the Fundy Parkway as a potential fundraiser. The two roads for the Parkway are to be joined in the spring of 2018.

Rotary Student Exchange

Cindy gave an update on the student exchange between Jenn Dubois and Capucine Abouaf from Saint-Etienne, France. The social in the summer to meet Capucine went well and there were many adventures on both sides of the ocean.

Rob Tremblett reported that there are two and maybe three Rotary exchange students coming to this Rotary District for the fall.

Upcoming Events

- Volunteers for Discovery Park – this week
- District Governor Visits - Ginny Joles will visit and there will be a new member induction
- Boots, Bikes, and Band-Aids - Sussex date TBA, Saint John final September 17, 2016
- Rotary Social – Giermindl's on September 30, 2016

Chase the Joker – Rob Driscoll's number was drawn but still no Joker. The pot is \$514.15.

Date of Next Meeting – The date of the next meeting will be Monday, September 12, 2016, at 12:15 pm at All Seasons Restaurant in Sussex.

Respectfully submitted,

Rhoda Wilson