

Rotary Club of Sussex Inc.

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Club # 6355 / District # 7810

Cowbell

Date: December 08, 2014

Attendance: Bob T., Bob B., Sandra M., Shelley V., Robert K., Donna, Wendy, Rhoda, Kathy, Scott, Robert L., Bruce, Don D., Erik H.,

Regrets: Lorinda P., Jeff F., Robert D., Lou, Alaina. A, Steven G.

Guest: Bill Anderson, General Manager, Poley Mountain.

Rotary Grace

Toast to the Queen

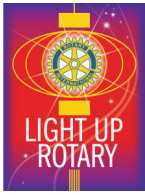
Chairperson Donna Gilchrist welcomes all members, and today's guest as well as expressing regrets from members not attending. Regrets received from Jeff, Alaina, Lorinda and Robert D.

Rotary Minute: Rhoda speaks on the Club Runner website as well as the Rotary International website for great information and reference material for Rotary information, and facts.

Shelley V. welcomes Mr. Bill Anderson, General Manager Poley Mountain.

❖ **Guest speaker:** Bill Anderson, General Manager Poley Mountain spoke to the Club Members on the operations and plans for Poley Mountain this year and in the future.

- Poley Mountain is privately held by 100 shareholders with a 16 member board of Directors.
- Lot of changes and development of the hill in recent years.
- One of 10 ski hill operations in Atlantic Canada, the largest hill operations in Eastern Canada.
- The Poley operation employs 185 full-time and part-time employees seasonally.
- This year, weather permitting, the hill plans to open on December 12th, 2014.
- Lift capacity of 3,000 persons per hour.
- Food capacity of 400 persons per hour / sitting.
- Lodge capacity is the next issue or upgrade that is necessary that has to be solved by the Board of Directors / Owners.



- The operation uses 1,600 usgpm of water for snow making.
- Over 2,00 early bird passes sold this year.
- Poley Mountain sees 90,000 ski visits annually.

Bruce N. thanked Mr. Anderson for his interesting insight on the operations and upgrade plans for Poley Mountain and presented Mr. Anderson with a gift from the club as a token of our appreciation.

Committee Reports:

- ❖ **Correspondence:** Scott indicated the club had received a letter for MADD Canada soliciting support for the School Assembly Program. Scott forwarded this request to the finance committee.
- ❖ **Coats for Kids:** Wendy informs the Club that PotashCorp has donated the \$1,800 shortfall in this year's program. Kathy C. also indicates the Club received a donation from the Town of Sussex to the program.
- ❖ **Spring Dinner:** Sandra provides the club an update on this year's plans for the dinner currently scheduled for Thursday April 23rd, 2015.
- ❖ **Sharing Club Volunteering:** Wendy updates the Club members on the planning of the volunteering at the Sharing Club.
- ❖ **Salvation Army, Christmas Kettle:** Scott indicated he would send out a reminder on Tuesday on the schedule for the Christmas Kettle at the Co-op on December 12th and at the Walmart on December 17th, 2014.

Happy / Sad Bucks

50/50: Bob Black.

Meeting Adjourned, 1:15 pm.

Stay tuned for the Next Cowbell!!!