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Club # 6355 / District # 7810

Cowbell

Date: February 2, 2015.

Attendance: Alaina L., Lou McN., Jeff F., Robert K., Bruce, Wendy O., Bob B., Shelley V., Sandra M., Bob T., Rob D., Ian S, Rhoda, Robert L., Scott, Kathy C., Donna G.,

Regrets: Erik H., Don D., Lorinda P., Alaina A.,

Guests: Brian MacDonald, MLA Fredericton West Hanwell, Don Ingersoll, Pam Kaye, Debbie Prosser, Wanda Steeves, Stacey Geldart, Jenny Powell, Mary McNair, Peter Atkinson, Steve Ball, Wendy Stockford, Garry Rent, Doug Cosman, Ken Armstrong, John Comeau, Ralph Cunningham, Craig Arbeau, Terry Hutchinson, Kent McIntyre.

Rotary Grace

Toast to the Queen

Chairperson Bob Tremblett welcomes all members and guest to today's meeting.

Bob T received regrets received from, Don D., Lorinda P., Alaina A.,

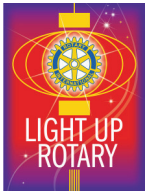
Rotary Minute: Robert Kimball discusses the current Rotary Magazine article on What's your Rotary Style? Robert highlighted the different member styles. The World Traveler, the Booster, the Born Leader, the Mentor, the Party Animal (Social Rotarian). It takes all types of different members to have a prosperous Rotary Club.

Wendy Osborne introduces Rotary to today's guests as the largest service minded club in the world. Wendy highlighted Rotary's 4 – way test and invites today's attendees to consider service to their local Rotary Club.

Bruce Northrup introduces Mr. Brian MacDonald, MLA Fredericton West Hanwell. Brian has a military background having graduated from Kings College and the London School of Economics. Brian commanded troops on 2 Bosnia postings. Brian served as a Senior Policy Advisor to Hon Peter MacKay. Brian volunteers through numerous agencies within his riding and is responsible for the "Highway of Hero's" here in New Brunswick.

❖ **Guest speaker:** Mr. Brian MacDonald, MLA Fredericton West Hanwell.

- Brian is not here to speak as an expert in Shale Gas Development or as a Developer.



- Here as an average New Brunswicker and speaking on their prospective on the development of shale gas in our province.
- Brian spoke on the growth of the file over the last 5 years.
- Government rightly or wrongly took the position of the “Honest Broker” with the environmental lobby on one side and the industry on the other.
- Strong lobby by the environmentalists side and was the point of the debate that got best heard.
- Government and industry did not get their message out.
- His interests are to protect our water, protect the environment and to protect the property rights.
- The Pennsylvania experience; Brian was part of a Sun News project to produce a documentary in support of the Shale Gas Industry in New Brunswick.
- He wanted to find out how this industry affected the local Pennsylvania residents, land owners, and local businesses.
- The myths learned:
 - No local Jobs, no spin offs. Not true, the contrary was seen with the injection of cash and jobs in rural and urban Pennsylvania.
 - Long lead time to bring industry into production. Not true, short turn-around of less than two years to bring a well pad into production.
 - Grab and run by industry. Not true, the industry has a high upfront capital investment and a commitment of 20 plus years long term viability to return investment.
- The Industry Benefits:
 - Injection of much needed investment in rural Pennsylvania.
 - Prosperity in local communities inclusive of the rural community.
 - Better roads, business opportunities and a growth in the service sector to support this type of development and industry.

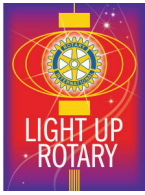
What is the government’s role in all of this? Brian believes this role is to provide significant regulatory framework to support safe development and to provide the proper enforcement of these regulations.

Brian is concerned on the transfer payment system in Canada and the perception of New Brunswick unwilling to develop their natural resources and yet expect transfer payments from the province undertaking similar resource development.

Brain speaks on the current New Brunswick position of a Moratorium on this development and the social buy in needed to lift the moratorium. How quickly will a moratorium become a ban if you are we are not careful?

Lengthy Question and Answer session.

Shelley Vail thanks MLA Brian MacDonald for his interesting talk on his experience while attending Pennsylvania in his interest to become more informed in the Shale Gas Development



Industry and their experience in the industries development and experiences. Shelley presented Mr. MacDonald with a token of the Club's appreciation for his talk.

President Bob T. that's the community leaders for coming to listen to the Shale Gas Topic and for attending the Rotary Lunch today.

Lou announces the February 2015 winners of the Trip Draw.

Happy / Sad Bucks

50/50: Debbie Prosser

Meeting Adjourned, 1:30 pm.

Stay tuned for the Next Cowbell!!!