

# Rotary Club of Sussex Inc.

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Club # 6355 / District # 7810

## Cowbell

Date: June 15, 2015.

**Attendance:** Ian S, Don D., Mary McN, Lorinda P., Rob D., Wendy O., Sandra M., Robert L., Robert K., Lisa B., Donna G., Bob T., Rhoda, Scott, Cindy D., Kathy C., Bob B.

**Regrets:** Shelley V., Rhonda H, Alaina A., Erik H., Alaina L., Tina M., Jeff F., Don I., Harold L., Bruce, Lou McN.

**Guests:** Duncan McRae, President Elect Hampton Rotary and Andre Welland, Rothesay Kings.

### Rotary Grace

### Toast to the Queen

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

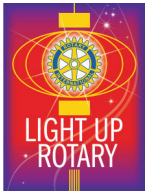
Bob received regrets received from; Harold L., Don I., Erik H., Shelley V., and Lou McN.

❖ **Rotary Minute:** Robert Driscoll spoke on next year's Rotary Theme, "Be the Gift to the world".

"All of you have been given so many gifts. And you have now been given this great gift: one year to take all your talents, all your gifts, everything that you are and can become -- and Be a Gift to the World," said incoming Rotary president elect Ravindran, revealing his presidential theme at the annual five-day training meeting in San Diego, California, USA.

"You have one year to take that potential and turn it into reality. One year to lead the clubs in your district and transform the lives of others. The time is so short, yet there is so much to

Ravindran, a member of the Rotary Club of Colombo, Sri Lanka, used Rotary's successes in the fight to eradicate the disease as an illustration of the impact Rotary members can have in the world. When Rotary set a goal of eradicating polio 25 years ago, it was endemic in 125 countries, and more than 1,000 children were becoming paralyzed each day. Today, polio remains endemic in just three countries, Afghanistan, Nigeria, and Pakistan. And in all of 2014, only 333 cases were reported. "We will battle on. We will prevail," he said.



"We have to find a way to bring back the fundamentals that built our organization: the emphasis on high ethical standards in all aspects of our lives, and the classification system that encourages a diversity of expertise in each club." Said Ravindran.

"You have one year to build monuments that will endure forever, not carved in granite or marble, but in the lives and hearts of generations. This is our time. It will not come again. Let us grasp it," said Ravindran.

Wendy Osborne introduces herself and the Rotary 101 topic.

❖ **Rotary 101**, Speed Networking over the next several minutes was undertaken by members attending the meeting.

- Wendy requested everyone attending pair up and introduce yourself and get to know your fellow members.
- Talk about something that interests you and something you may not know about your fellow Rotarian.
- The group switched three times in 3 minute intervals with different members in our group.

❖ **Boots N' Bikes, Duncan McRae, Andre Welland:**

Andre spoke on the 2015 Boots N Bike campaign planning currently underway. Andre identified the origins of the previous campaign and efforts to address and assist workers in the Dominican Republic with foot care and transportation needs. Children in the working camps have little or no foot care needs.

This annual project grew to what it is today.

The Hospital of the Good Samaritan band tours annually to say thank-you for the continued efforts to assist those in need in the Dominican Republic.

The band tours the eastern seaboard of the USA and into Eastern Canada. A goodwill tour and performances of Spanish music is the bands hallmark.

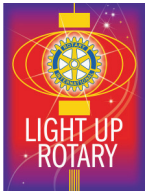
The goal is to assist with the bands travels needs and to provide an overnight venue when the band plays in your area. A Hampton concert has been scheduled.

The presentation ended with a request for Sussex Rotary to consider funding in the amount of \$3,000 for the 2015 campaign.

❖ **Community Project:** Cindy advised of the upcoming planning of a Jump Start Barbecue to be held on June 27<sup>th</sup>, 2015 with a Bake sale between the hours of 10:30 am and 1:00 pm in front of the Canadian Tire Store Sussex. More information to be sent out by email to club members.

❖ **Summer Barbecue Schedule Planning:** Robert D indicated he and his wife are planning to have an August BBQ between August 25<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>. Bob B indicated he would provide a July event with timing to be finalized shortly.

❖ **Rotary Clothing Order:** Wendy spoke of the order being placed and delivery is expected



soon. Nine (9) members requesting shirts remain outstanding for payment.

- ❖ **Rotary Wheel Planting at O'Connell Park:** Bob T. indicated information on the planting day would be upcoming and forwarded to all members to assist that evening.

**Happy / Sad Bucks**

**50/50: Sandra Moon.**

**Meeting Adjourned, 1:15 pm.**

**Stay tuned for the Next Cowbell!!!**