



# Rotary Club of Sussex Inc.

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Club # 6355 / District # 7810

## Cowbell

Date: June 16, 2014

**Attendance:** Rhoda, Shelley V, Lou, Kathy C., Bob B., Wendy, Donna, Robert D, Bruce, Scott, Sandra, Robert L.

**Regrets:** Bob T, Robert K, Andrew, Steven G., Harley.

**Guests:** Jane Ingalls, Sussex Golf and Country Club.

### Rotary Grace

### Toast to the Queen

Meeting Chairperson Lou McN. welcomed all members, guests and expressed regrets from members Bob T., Robert K., Andrew and Steven.

**Rotary Minute:** Shelley V. spoke on an interesting recent article regarding the formation of a Rotary Club in Uganda as outlined in a recent Rotarian Magazine.

Robert D. introduces Mrs. Jane Ingalls from the Sussex Golf and Curling Club.

**Guest speaker:** Mrs. Jane Ingalls, Sussex Golf and Curling Club. Mrs. Ingalls thanked Robert for the introduction and she mentioned she was involved in Rotary during her high school years in Grand Manan.

Jane shared with the Rotary Members the many of the beautiful photos taken from scenic places on the golf course. Many photos taken in the picturesque New Brunswick fall.

The first home of the Sussex Golf Club was at Camp Sussex in the early 1900's. The Roachville Course opened in 1948 and was incorporated in 1953. In that year the first voting share was sold and was valued at \$100.00.

In 1968 the Golf and Curling Clubs were amalgamated and the new entity selecting the present course and clubhouse site. The site was purchased for \$15,000. Course Architect C. E. Robinson began his work in 1969 and the current Club House and Curling Club was built in 1970. The first event was held in the Curling Club on December 27<sup>th</sup> 1970. The first bonspiel was held and attended by the New Brunswick Teachers Federation. This teachers bonspiel that still continues annually and has been hosted in Sussex many times since 1970.

Construction of the current course was started in 1971 and completed in 1973. The Golf and Curling Club undertakes its operations with a \$687,000 annual operating budget and at its peak season employs 18 personnel seasonally.



The course is known for its quality and value as well as its competitive architecture province wide. The longest and hardest last two finishing holes anywhere in New Brunswick!

Currently the club is at 400 full time members with a high of 550 in 2012 and with a low of 350 members since inception.

The club hosts many charity events and a food drive to give back to the community.

The club has started a social media presence on Facebook and twitter to keep members and the golf community informed about our course.

Wendy O. thanked Jane Ingalls for her interesting talk on the Sussex Golf and Curling Club and presented Jane with a token of our appreciation.

### **Committee Reports:**

- ❖ **Secretaries Report:** Scott indicated the Club had received an email from the mother of Justin Thompson requesting clarification of funding for Justin to attend Camp Rotary. Justin's mother was unclear as to whether or not the \$100.00 registration fee was included in the clubs approval.

Moved by Bob B. and seconded by Rhoda W. that the club approve the payment of the registration fee for Justin Thompson to attend Rotary camp in the amount of \$100.00.

Motion carried.

- ❖ **Regrets:** The club received written email regrets from Bob T., Robert K., Andrew P., Steven G. for being unable to attend today's meeting.
- ❖ **Rotary Wheel:** The members discussed the work necessary to prepare the planting area. Schedule to follow. Brief discussion on the fabrication of a stainless steel template to give the bed accent.
- ❖ **Highway Cleanup:** Only 1 kilometer remaining. Andrew has agreed to complete one of the two remaining kilometers. Weather has not been cooperative in Andrew's efforts.

### **Happy / Sad Bucks**

**50/50:** Robert D.

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

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