

Rotary Club of Sussex Inc.

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Club # 6355 / District # 7810

Cowbell

Date: September 09, 2013

Attendance: *Harley, Andrew, Robert L, Lou, Donna, Wendy, Bob T, Sandra, Rhoda, Scott, Bruce, Bob B, Rob D, Peter, Shawn.*

Regrets: *Jason, Teri, Matt, Robert K, Rick, Murray McG.*

Guests:

Rotary Grace

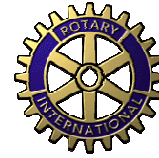
Toast to the Queen

President Bob Tremblett welcomed all members back following our summer recess and thanked the host of the two summer socials in July and August. President Bob thanked Bruce for accepting the recognition award for Rotary's semi-annual highway clean up campaign. Bruce provided the recognition plaque for all members to see.

Rotary Minute: President Bob Tremblett. He spoke on the Foundations works and status on Polio and Rotary's work on its eradication in the world. As Rotarians we should all be proud of the great work that all Rotarians are doing to eliminate this disease on our planet. It is truly amazing that such a task is well within our reach.

Committee Reports:

- ❖ **Correspondence:** Thank-you note / card received from Samantha Tabor one of this year's recipient of the Rotary Scholarship was distributed for all members to see.
- ❖ **Rotary Project:** Lengthy discussion on the development of the next Community Rotary Project. Three current ideas were briefly discussed. It was decided that a Request for Proposals (RFP) be drafted and submitted at the next meeting to review submission requirements and solicit a project proposal from groups interested in partnering with the Sussex Rotary Club. Scott has volunteered to draft the RFP for the September 16th, 2013 meeting.
- ❖ **District Conference:** Conference scheduled for September 27th to the 29th to be held in the Miramichi, NB. Bob B. indicated that if anyone was interested that he would offer the attendee's to stay at his camp. Bob indicated if anyone was interested it is necessary the registration be completed as the deadline is fast approaching.
- ❖ **Rotary International Survey:** Bob T. indicated that a recent email was received by everyone on an online survey that could be completed by all members.
- ❖ **Communities In Bloom:** Bob T thanked Rhoda for drafting the thank you letter to the Communities In Bloom Committee in care of Joan Rutledge and Jessica.



- ❖ **Guest Speakers:** Wendy gave a guest speaker update and indicated she now has a full slate of guest speakers secured through the end of November 2013.

Wendy played for the members present at the meeting two videos from the new Rotary International President Ron Burton of Oklahoma, USA. Both videos focused on the membership drive necessary to sustain long term growth of Rotary. President Burton indicated the membership numbers remain the same as the late 1970's with the average club membership down from 42 to 35. He says together we can grow Rotary,.

Reminders:

- ❖ **Highway Cleanup:** has been rescheduled for October 5th, if you are able help to clean some of the highway please join us and meet just prior to 8am at the Lower Tim Horton's.

Happy/Sad Bucks

50/50: Shawn

Meeting Adjourned, 1:15pm.

Stay tuned for the Next Cowbell!!!