

# ROTARY CLUB OF NANAIMO

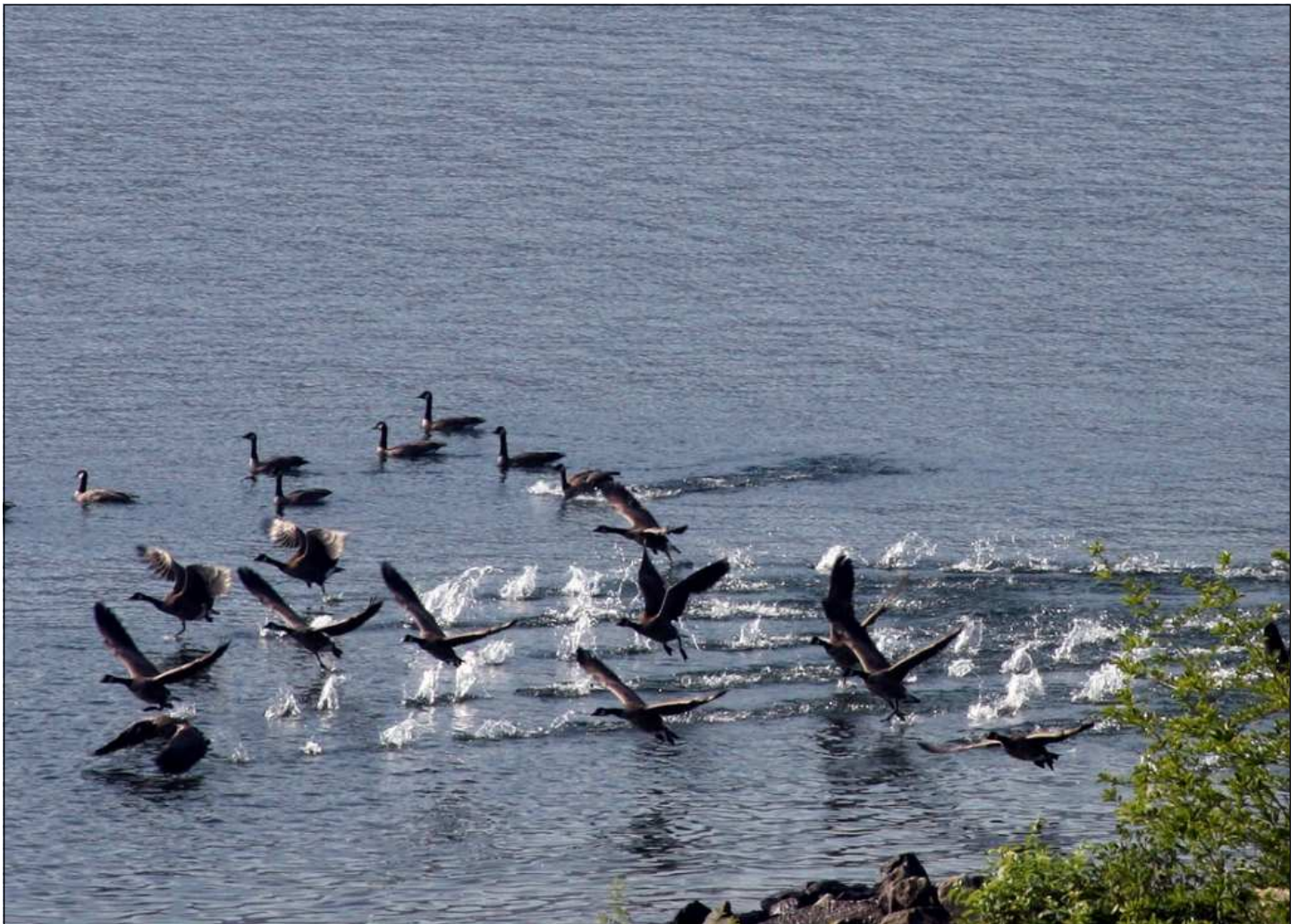
# “COGS”



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Canada Geese take flight — Photo by Ian Williams

**Club Meeting Friday at 12:15 p.m.  
at the Coast Bastion Inn**

**CLUB OFFICERS**

President ..... Ken X. Westfall  
 Vice President ..... Bob Buchanan  
 Secretary ..... Janeane Coutu  
 Treasurer ..... Gordon Hubley  
 President Elect ..... John Heisterman  
 Immediate Past President ..... Wayne Anderson



**Serving Our Community Since  
May 1, 1920 - Charter Number 43**

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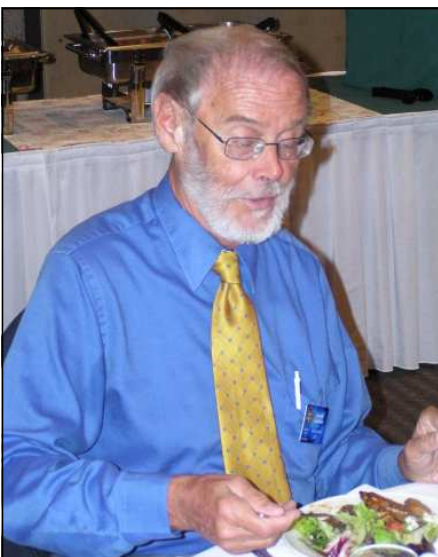
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## From Our Meeting on August 21st

By John Anderson

**Bob Pulleyblank** started the meeting with a resounding rendition of O Canada. **Bob Wilson** gave the invocation and **John Morris** introduced the visiting Rotarians and guests. **Bruce Gordon** introduced **Jerry Jagers**, a Rotarian from the Port Moody Club. He is the manager of the Thrifty Foods at Port Place Mall. **Ross White** introduced visiting Rotarian **James Tucker** from the Lantzville Club. There were no guests of Rotarians. **Yvan Gosselin** gave the Health of the Club report. There was nothing to report except **Kathy Smith** took ill after the last meeting.

**Announcements:** President **Ken** reminded everyone of next week's meeting. We are having the official visit by **District Governor Harold Alexander** of Longview Washington. Ken would like a good turn out for next weeks meeting. If the board members could get to the meeting 15 minutes early, He would like to have a short meeting be for we started. Also next week our sergeant at arms will be **Wayne**



Gary Gardiner prepares to "dig in" before his first duty as COGS reporter..

**Anderson.** President **Ken** said be prepared and bring lots of money.

**John Heisterman** reminded everyone of the upcoming 2010 Rotary International Convention. This year it will be held in Montreal from June 20<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**Bob Wilson** thanked everyone for supporting the VIEX ticket sales. All spots have been filled and it will be a great opportunity for fellowship.

**Donna Hais** reported on the upcoming meeting for the Car Raffle Committee in mid September. She would like anyone with ideas or suggestions for the next Car Raffle to e-mail either herself or **Doug Cowling** and they will take them to the meeting.

**Sergeant-at-Arms: Mike Herold** was the Sgt. today on his first day back from a two-week holiday. With the help of **Yvan Gosselin** he started the fines. Mike paid \$10.00 to the club after loosing a bet with **Wahid Ali** on the B.C. Lions. Mike wondered how with Wahid being a financial advisor how he could let mike make such a bad financial decision. **John Heisterman** was fined for trying to sell visiting Rotarian **Jerry Jagers** some manure. **Helen Blackmore** was fined for requesting Mike pour her a coffee before he even sat down.

**Happy and Sad dollars: Brenda Grice** happily paid \$2.00 for being late and not being fined. **Bruce Samson** had a promotional 4-½ dollars. He is having a 2<sup>nd</sup> annual customer appreciation day this Saturday. **Gill Campbell** had a happy anniversary dollar for her husband. They have been married 39 years and together for 42 yrs. **Joan Ryan** had a reminder dollar for the upcoming Interact fundraiser at the Diana Krall Plaza. It will be held on Saturday August 22<sup>nd</sup>. Please come by and support the Interact Club.

**Jerry Jagers** had a sad dollar that he caused **John Heisterman** to be fined but he is very happy to be living on Vancouver Island, it is such a beautiful



Visiting Rotarian Jerry Jagers felt sorry for John Heisterman and paid a fine on his behalf.

place. **Carey McIver** had a loose dollar so she just threw it in the pot. **Ross White** had a happy dollar as he and Pam are heading off on a three-week holiday to Europe and they will also be celebrating both their birthdays. **Mike Herold** was looking for someone to bet with on the B.C. Lions and **John Salem** took him on for a \$10.00 bet.

**Douglas Anderson** won the table stakes

**Joan Ryan** won the wine.

## Would you like to be A District Governor?

Chair of the District Nominating Committee, **Norm Watts**, is calling for nominations for District Governor for the Rotary year 2012-2013, soliciting the Rotary clubs of District 5020 for their nomination of an outstanding member willing to devote his/her time and energy to serve our district, its clubs and members during the aforementioned year.

If either you or your potential nominee have questions or concerns, you may contact Norm or the Vice-Chair, **PDG Brian Beagle**, at [twobees2@earthlink.net](mailto:twobees2@earthlink.net)

## **Membership and Fellowship Committees Report**

by Gary Gardiner

The Membership and Fellowship Committees reported to the club on their current activities.

On behalf of the Membership Committee, **Gill Campbell** noted that at the request of **President Ken**, the committee has prepared a two-page brochure for prospective members, listing the benefits and opportunities in becoming a member of our club. A prototype of the brochure was distributed at the meeting.

She noted that the committee is recommending that a mentoring program be established for new members. As part of this program, new members would be identified with a red badge for a time to identify them as such. Another possible membership program involving badges would be creating identification badges for members' spouses and partners. **Douglas Anderson** is working on an information sheet about the club, for new members.



Gill Campbell high on membership . . . and Joan Ryan just wants us to have fun!

The membership committee is also recommending that membership recruitment activities be coordinated with other Rotary Clubs in the area.

Gill also mentioned that new members should be encouraged to buy Rotary shirts and other regalia, and **Doug Cowling** mentioned in response to a question that a website for the company "Creative Embroidery" exists which has a catalog of such regalia. Doug will be happy to give any interested members information about how to order.

On behalf of the Fellowship Committee (or "fun committee" as she termed it), outgoing Chairman **Joan Ryan** reported is working on a host of fellowship activities for the forthcoming year. She reminded members that the President's Barbecue (which replaces the President's Breakfast) will be held at Bowen Park on August 30, from 1 'til 5 P.M. Members are strongly encouraged to contact Joan if they wish to attend.

She reported that the committee is considering a host of fellowship possibilities for later this year. There will be a family breakfast

later in the year, which will be held in conjunction with other clubs. Our Christmas Dinner will be held the evening of Wednesday, December 16. She also noted that the com-

mittee is looking for additional members, and that is always eager to consider fellowship suggestions from any and all members.

## **Attendance Report**

By Donna Hais and Janeane Coutu

Attendance August 21st was 59%

### **We missed these Rotarians:**

Ali, W. Anderson, Benoit, Blanaru, Currie, Fenty, Hammond, Hoffstrom, Holland, Holzwarth, Huck, King, Kolopenuk, Ostling, Patrick, Ramos, Rosato-Taylor, Shoemaker, A. Smith, Snider, Stetar, Tait, Tanner, Williams, Willmon

### **Visiting Rotarians**

Jerry Jagers (Port Moody)  
James Tucker of Lantzville

### **Birthdays**

Ed Borisenko, Aug 28  
Joan Ryan, Aug 30

### **Partner Birthdays**

Iris Borisenko (Ed) Sept 2

### **Wedding Anniversaries**

Janeane & Chris Coutu, 17 years, Aug 29

Ed & Iris Borisenko, 54 years, Sept 2

Bruce & Barbara Gordon, 21 years, Sept 3

## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

**August 30**—Presidents BBQ—Bowen Park, lower picnic site by the river

**Sept 12**—Foundation Seminar, Duncan, Silverbridge Travelodge. Contact Pres. Ken for more information.

**Nov 29**—Family Christmas Breakfast, Bowen Park clubhouse

**Dec 17**—Rotary Christmas Dinner at Nanaimo Golf Club

**HAPPY FRIDAY**

## WEEKLY CLUB PROGRAMS

### August 28th

GREETERS	Andrea Rosato-Taylor, Lionel Benoit, Basil Hobbs
SGT AT ARMS	Wayne Anderson
INVOCATION	Yvan Gosselin
HEAD TABLE	President Ken, DG Alex Alexander, Ed Borisenko, Joan Ryan, Basil Hobbs, Lionel Benoit, Andrea Rosato-Taylor
INTRODUCE GUESTS	Ian Williams
INTRODUCE SPEAKER	President Ken
PROGRAM	<b>OFFICIAL VISIT OF DISTRICT GOVERNOR ALEX ALEXANDER</b>
THANK SPEAKERS	Brenda Grice, Ass't DG

### September 4th

GREETERS	Helen Blackmore, Bob Hoffstrom, Art Rotherham
SGT AT ARMS	Dave Hammond
INVOCATION	Carey McIver
HEAD TABLE	Pres. Ken, Hayley Hais, Dakota Day, Guenter Raedler, Bob Hoffstrom, Bob Hoffstrom, Art Rotherham
INTRODUCE GUESTS	Doug McMillan
INTRODUCE SPEAKER	Donna Hais
PROGRAM	<b>REBOUND EXCHANGE STUDENTS: <i>Hayley Hais, Dakota Day</i></b>
THANK SPEAKER	Doug Cowling

### September 11th

GREETERS	Helen Blackmore, Bob Hoffstrom, Art Rotherham
SGT AT ARMS	Dave Hammond
INVOCATION	Carey McIver
HEAD TABLE	Pres. Ken, Hayley Hais, Dakota Day, Guenter Raedler, Bob Hoffstrom, Bob Hoffstrom, Art Rotherham
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## MEMBERSHIP PROPOSALS

When considering someone for membership in Rotary there is information available that you can give to your prospective member.

- DVD—"100 years of Service" a history of Rotary focusing on the Nanaimo clubs
- History Book—"Service Above Self" - 75 years of the history of our club in Nanaimo
- Send an email link to our website: [www.rotary.nisa.com/downtown](http://www.rotary.nisa.com/downtown)
- Rotarian Magazine—old issues of Rotary's international magazine
- Web sites: Rotary International [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org) and District 5020 [www.rotary5020.org](http://www.rotary5020.org)

### The Cost—Dues and Fees

- One time initiation fee of \$50.
- Dues—\$300 per year, paid semi-annually \$150 on Jan. 1 and July 1. Dues are pro-rated to the time of joining.
- Lunch—\$20

### The Complimentary Lunch

The club pays for one complimentary lunch when you bring a prospective member. Limited to one lunch, one time. Simply pick up your ticket from the cashiers desk.

### If Someone Wants to Join, Then What?

- Complete the Proposal/Application form and send it to our Secretary. Forms are available on our website.
- After review by the membership committee the prospective member's name and suggested classification will be posted in our bulletin.
- Unless someone makes an objection in writing within the following seven days, the prospective member will be sent a letter of invitation to join, an invoice for pro-rata dues, and a check list of what to do next.
- If the person is interested you will attend a meeting with your prospective member and a member of the executive and explain the purpose of Rotary, expectations of membership with respect to attendance, participation, costs, etc.
- When an affirmative reply is received along with the initiation fee and dues, you will receive a call asking you to contact your prospective member and arrange a Friday when you both will be available for induction into our club.
- Let the Secretary know the date you have picked and review your role as the Introducer.
- Plan to attend the New Member Orientation meeting with your new member.

### How to be an Exceptional Sponsor

What you can do as a sponsor to help your new member(s) become integrated into the club, and find the right committee and activities to meet his or her interests and goals?

1. Meet them at Rotary, or car pool together the first few weeks—use that time together to introduce them to friends and committee chairs.
2. Help them get involved in Club Service.
3. Bring them to a make-up meeting at one of the other four clubs in town.
4. Invite them to the next social event or fundraiser. Offer to drive together or meet there.
5. Be a committee broker! Invite them to attend your favourite committee, or talk to them about their civic concerns and steer them to a committee that may be of interest.
6. Make available resources such as a stack of Rotarian magazines, the video library and other available literature.



Winner of  
District 5020  
Best Bulletin  
Awards

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