



THE ROTARY CLUB OF NORTH VANCOUVER WHEEL SQUEALS

April 20, 2009



Written by David Phillip

Alec Wallace met all and one at the door, happily took our money, recorded our attendance and gave us a raffle ticket.

Jim Isman was the greeter.

After some time for standup fellowship, our fearless leader, President Norm Binion called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone to the Wonderful World of Rotary for Monday, April 20th.

Dan Eisenhower led us in a roaring rendition of *O Canada*. Bob McKilligan gave the invocation.

Introduction of Guests

- Rachel Moxam and Courtney Lange of Imagine 1 Day (www.imagine1day.org), a Vancouver group for building schools in Ethiopia. Rachel is planning to ride a bicycle across Canada to raise funds for the group.
- Frank Milledge (back again).
- Joe Heilman
- Dieter Greiner
- Steve Davis (Speaker)
- Anne Bethune with VASS

Announcements

After a short time enjoying another wonderful meal at Cheers, President Norm led off the announcements

Duck Splash - Deborah Sommerfeld asked for help finding items and help for the Duck Splash site. Most items were said to be in the locker or would be supplied by members. Tevis Michaud had a Food Safe qualification.

Duck Splash - Jeff Pearce reported on ticket sales.

Duck Splash - Brian Hooshi reported that the North Shore News will have a large ad on the Duck Splash in their April 24th issue.

Duck Splash - Peter Taylor was collecting sold Duck Splash ticket stubs and money at this meeting.

Spring Fling - Neil Creighton again reminded everyone about the invitation to the West Vancouver Sunrise Rotary Spring Fling on Saturday, April 25th.

Wine Festival - President Norm Binion announced that the Wine Festival planning is starting again and is looking for interested people at the initial meeting.

Anne Bethune announced that our Rotary Club of North Vancouver was granted the Canadian Adaptive Snow Sports - Sponsor of the Year award. Anne read out her submission entering our name.



Sergeant-At-Arms

After all present had a raffle ticket, the draw went to David Philip who tried to select the Ace of Spades, but missed.

Sgt. Sommerfeld gave an easy question of the day where members who had not sold \$400 in Duck Splash tickets would pay.

Numerous happy/sad dollar announcements followed.

Tonight's Feature Speaker - Steve Davis - Independent Power Producers Association of British Columbia

Brian Hooshi introduced this evening's speaker, Steve Davis, a civil engineer with the IPPBC. Steve is the president of the association and was happy to be giving this presentation to Rotary.

IPPBC members are varied and represent a varied type of energy including run-of-river, wind, biomass and geothermal. The association is a voluntary organization formed in 1992, shortly after the first private power projects were proposed. There are 100 members of the organization and now there are 45 projects generating 9% of the power in the province.



Independent power production was launched in British Columbia in 1989 when BC's Minister of Energy instructed BC Hydro to issue calls for proposals for private power.

IPPBC is the voice of members in BC and they provide information to the members and the public. There are about 320 members including Project Developers and Service Providers.

The ultimate for a Service Provider is a 40 year contract to supply BC Hydro with electrical power. A Project Developer first submits a proposal to BC Hydro to be accepted as a potential project. Projects have taken 2 to 14 years to plan, gain as many as 50 permits from 13 government agencies, and build. The success and profitability of a project is not guaranteed and may fail because of many factors that must be addressed during the public relations, planning and building of the project.

The public can be supportive of the Independent Power Producers or can be negative about this industry. A large part of the public does not know much about these projects. The vocal negative public is able to make many negative statements.

President Norm Binion thanked Steve and presented him with a Polio Eradication Certificate representing immunization of 20 children against polio.



Toast to Rotary International - Ted Nugent

The Four Way Test - Tevis Michaud

Adjournment - Hearing there was nothing further for the "Good of Rotary", President Norm adjourned the meeting and wished one and all a "Good Rotary Week".

Future Programs & Events

- Apr 27 Jamie Taras, BC Lions
Pre-Event Briefing/Planning – Great Capilano Duck Splash
- May 3 Great Capilano Duck Splash
- May 4 Duck Detagging (Family Night)
- May 11 Honour House British Columbia – Jim Stanton, President, Royal United Services Institute



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