

Rotary

Club of Nakusp



Thursday, May 8, 2025

Rotary International Theme for May

"Youth Service"

RYLA

Wednesday, May 7, 2025



May is Youth Service Month in Rotary, when we celebrate Youth Leadership Development and Youth Exchange Programs. We had a wonderful RYLA presentation at our May 6 meeting by Mike Cassidy, a senior staff member of the D5080 RYLA. RYLA is an intensive, one-week leadership training program for youths aged 18-25. To make it easier for high school graduates to participate, RYLA will be held June 28--July 5 this year, and it will take place at the University of Idaho, in Moscow.

Topics covered in RYLA camp include:

- Awareness of self and others
 - Group Dynamics
 - Dealing with Conflict / Change
 - Goal-setting
 - Styles of Leadership
 - Characteristics of Effective leaders
 - Effective communication
 - Group Dynamics
 - Critical Thinking
 - Ethical Framework
 - Personal Mission statement
 - Networking
 - Rotary's Purpose and Community Involvement
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District Conference in Nelson

Wednesday, May 7, 2025



Our District Conference took place on May 1-3 (including the Peace Summit on May 2) in Nelson, the home of our District Governor, Lorne Westnedge. The Prestige Lakeside Resort was chosen as the venue, and we thoroughly enjoyed the food, service, and cleanliness the hotel offered!

As seen in the photo, Andreea, Paul, Kees, Mayumi, and their two daughters and their partners attended the event. Unfortunately, the photo doesn't show the mouth-watering arctic char and chicken and other good food, as we had to arrange for the photo before we got too busy with eating activities.

Andreea and Paul contributed to the conference in a big time. Andreea operated the trolley car and gave rides to Rotarians, and Paul (in his RCMP uniform) was the flag bearer for the Canadian flag in the opening ceremonies.

Have you heard about "Service Above Self" award? It is the highest honour Rotary International can bestow on an individual member. And, during the conference, this award was given to Kees, recognizing his personal volunteer efforts and impact on humanity. During the past eight years Kees has volunteered and spent hundreds of hours registering Rotarians and their partners for events such as the PELS (President-Elect Leadership Seminar), District Conferences, and the Waterton Glacier

5th Tuesday of the Month Gathering

Wednesday, May 7, 2025



The 5th Tuesday of the month gathering turned out to be on Wednesday at the Paddy Shack on April 30, the very last day of the month. It was a warm sunny day with good food and great company!

The Rotary Epic Day of Service

Wednesday, April 16, 2025



The Epic Day of service is on May 17 this year. The Rotary Epic Day of Service is a global movement in which our clubs and communities come together to improve our environment, to support local families, or to better our community spaces.

Our club has decided to clean the highways this year. On **May10th at 9:00am**, we will meet at Kees & Mayumi's and drive together to Government Hill where we will start working. Please bring your gloves and jacket (just in case of bad weather) . Garbage bags and picker-uppers will be provided. Let's have coffee together afterward!

Park Clean-up for the Easter Egg Hunt

Thursday, April 17, 2025



On April 16, we gathered at the Adventure Park to prepare the ground for the Easter Egg Hunt. After several tree branches and large pieces of bark were removed from the mulch, the park was ready for the exciting Egg Hunt for the local and visiting children.

Donation to the Nakusp Hospital Foundation

Wednesday, April 16, 2025



Our club donated \$1000 to the Arrow Lakes Hospital Foundation this month. The donation came from funds raised through Rotary activities such as the online silent auction and the food concession operated on Canada Day and for visiting groups.

"The donation is very timely", said Bob Ruttenberg, Chairman of the Foundation (fourth from right in



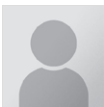




the picture. "This will be the first contribution towards a new project for the hospital, to be announced shortly". Also on hand to receive the donation was Patti Zeleznik, treasurer of the foundation (fifth from right), along with club members.

The donation is one of a number made by our club from local fundraising activities. Other donations include local student scholarships, the Applegrove Nature school and the Legion, as well as several international causes such as Shelterbox and Polio eradication. The club also sponsors students to attend the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA), a program organized by Rotary Clubs and Districts around the world to provide leadership training and development opportunities for young people. Our club raises funds for local projects, the most recent of which is the Nakusp Adventure Park which was opened in August of 2024.

Events

- May 10th
[Highway Clean-up](#)
- May 20th
[Club Meeting](#)
- June 3rd
[Club Meeting](#)

Club Officers

	Kees van der Pol President President-Elect		Andrew J. Gabb Rotary Foundation Chair Treasurer		Paul H Britton Public Relations Chair		Mayumi van der Pol Bulletin Editor Club Peace Chair
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Birthdays

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