



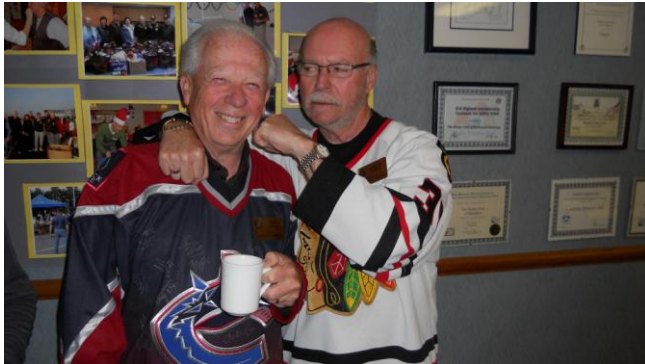
Rotary Club of Steveston Weekly Synopsis



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This month of May in Rotary: District Conference Month



April 26th early risers were ready to duke it out between the BC Lions and Edmonton Eskimos just prior to last week's annual Grey Cup Game.



Well I am sure you know what the results were! The Forty-Niners got clobbered!

Special Guest

Our special guest on the 26th of April was our PDG Gordon Dalglish looking as pleased as punch because he thinks that the other PDG is going to pay the happy dollars for him! He has another think coming! Looking on quite amused are our Friends of Rotary Joan and Charley Haws ©!



Guest Speaker PP Bill Mc Nulty on the history of the Wine / Sea Food Festival

It all started with the Richmond AM Rotary Club back in 1989 when PP Bill McNulty was one of its members. It was held on September 29 in the Minoru Ballroom of the then Richmond Inn at a cost of \$20 per person and which included 10 wine tasting tickets.

Some 30 wine distributors and wineries were expected to be on hand between the 6 to 9 p.m. time frame with a variety of wines from France, Germany, Spain, Australia, California, Portugal, Italy and Chile to augment the display of hors d'oeuvres to the continuous strains of tantalizing background music.

The goal was to sell 1000 tickets and whether they did or not the evening of fun and fellowship netted \$3,200, 80% of which was earmarked for MS, the CNIB, Richmond General Hospital and the Fire Department. It is not known whether there was ever another Wine Festival by the AM Club before PP Bill absconded with the idea to the Steveston Club after it was chartered 10 years ago and as we say in Show Biz – “The Rest is History”

First Annual Wine Festival Coming

A brand new event, with more than a little good taste, is about to make its debut in Richmond soon thanks to the A.M. Rotary Club.

The Club is organizing the first annual Wine Festival to be held here in September.

Wine Festival, bound to prove popular and no doubt become a looked-forward-to annual event, will be held in the Minoru Ballroom of the Richmond Inn on Friday, September 29 from 6 to 9 p.m.

Mike Reisterer heads the Club's Wine Festival organizing committee, and they're still in the process of contacting wine distributors and importers, and already more than 30 major distributors and wineries have indicated they'll be on hand to display and offer their wines.

Wine fans here can expect to taste a wide variety of wines from France, Germany, Spain, Australia, California, Italy, Portugal, Chile and some of the other wine producing countries as well as some of the exciting estate wines being produced here in B.C.

Tickets for the Wine Festival are priced at \$20 each and this includes 10 tasting tickets, hors d'oeuvres, live music throughout the evening which runs from 6 to 9 p.m. and a chance at the prize draws.

And the draws themselves will almost be worth the price of admission.

And those attending, in addition to enjoying a first class evening out and tasting some terrific wines, will have the knowledge that all proceeds from the Wine Festival will be going to worthy causes. The Rotary Club A.M. will earmark 80% of net proceeds to charitable organizations including MS, CNIB, Richmond General Hospital and the Fire Department.

Only 1,000 tickets will be sold for the Wine Festival and while it's still a couple months away, it's good idea to reserve or pick up tickets now. Tickets are available from a member of the Richmond Rotary Club A.M., and they're also available at The Richmond News office.

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Speaking of Fundraisers:



Our head Organizer Sgt Kate (on the right) says everything is under arrest for the forthcoming **Cst. Jimmy Ng Memorial Road Hockey Tournament**.

We now have to parole as many volunteers as we can to assist at the weekend's event on May 28-29.

All gift donations for prizes are most welcome. (Sorry Sarge, I will be away on that weekend with the Shriners, so I hope PP Albert will be there as Ass't Paparazzi)

Surviving in an Earthquake: The Triangle of Life



1) Most everyone who simply 'ducks and covers' when a building collapses are crushed to death. People who get under objects, like desks or cars, are crushed.

2) Cats, dogs and babies often naturally curl up in the fetal position. You should too in an earthquake. It is a natural safety/survival instinct. You can survive in a smaller void. Get next to an object, next to a sofa, next to a bed, next to a large bulky object that will compress slightly but leave a void next to it. That 's the Triangle of

Life.

So what happened at the May 3, 2011 Meeting?



We know what's happening this coming weekend – Our **Annual District Conference** – celebrate District Conference Month throughout the Rotary World.

This weekend Friday to Sunday RIVER ROCK ROCKS with ROTARIANS! Will you be there?

What else at today's meeting? Committee & other Reports, Wine Festival Aftermath!



Rtn Garth Mooney (left) reported that some 60 volunteers turned out on the weekend to work on the new **Community Garden** at Railway Ave & Moncton



Community Garden takes root – One stalwart was still there hammering away early on Tuesday morning. He had no idea that everyone had left on Sunday!

New Author in Town!



New Author Extraordinaire Bill McNulty's (yes the same guy) new book "**Steveston A Community**" has hit the shelves - not for sale but by \$20 donation. 50% goes to our Club and 50% to our Community Charities. (I think that's what I heard!)

One man's personal contribution to our Society



Rtn Trevor Stckler centre, an avid squash player reported that the "Let's squash Lukemia" Fund raising squash tournament at the River Club this year raised \$35,000 in aid of the Michael Cacionne Clinic Foundation in memory of Michael who, a few years ago succumbed to Lukemia. Congratulations Trevor!

And what about Our Wine Festival?



Committee Chairs Rtns Martyn and Don (L & R) and aided and abetted by our President and Vice President had nothing but praises to shower on all those who some form or other contributed to the overall success of last Friday's Wine Festival. A post mortem meeting will be held shortly by Rtn Martyn and if anyone has any pro active comments to add please let the Committee know.

Rtn Don also shared a letter of commendation from one attendee who remarked on the excellence of the event and that it was not only rather unique but a Best Kept Secret!



And the culinary dishes!



MmmmmM! The dishes on the table !!
Special Thanks to our local Restaurants and their culinary Chefs!



Rtn Rob Nose (centre) is to be specially recognized for going above and beyond the call of duty to take his place among those shuckers as he has done for many years. And let us not forget those other lovely young volunteers and the many other spouses who



joined our ranks to help make this event one of the best ever.



And here are a couple of Offers we could not refuse!

And the wines!

Special Thanks you to the Wine Distributors and the participating Wineries,



Getting organized



Certainly knows How To Serve!

Did you see whom we saw at our Wine Festival!



Come on in!



Is that Judy Lau? And is that Jim Kojima?



Yeah! That's Ken and his guest



Looks like Auntie Mo and her friends



Looks like the group from Langley Goldkey



Must be Madalena Corsi of Jeweliette's and her girls



Doesn't he look like PDG Gordon and his ladies?



Never met these two but they look like they would make a good working team!

And the Best for last!

Today's Guests were Gerry Biggar and his wife Savannah Sheriland, President and Director respectively, of the well known and very popular Shady Island Seafood Bar & Grill in Steveston.

Following the recent Earthquake in Japan and the ensuing tsunami which wreaked havoc on many of the people of Japan and on their Onigawa Nuclear Power Station, several of the young people in our community, spearheaded by members of the staff of the Shady Island Bar & Grill, banded together to organize a Lunch and Dinner Fund raiser in order to provide financial assistance to the people of Onigawa.



These youths volunteered their own labour and expertise and with the donation of all food products from Shady Island Seafood Bar & Grill, they prepared and provided the lunches and dinners for their fundraiser.

This rather humanitarian project on the part of these young adults occurred at about the same time that the Rotary Club of Steveston was engaged in its own fundraiser for the same purpose and today Larry and Savannah, on behalf of these young benefactors, proudly presented President Peter Mitchell with a cheque for \$5,067.21. These funds when added to that which has already been raised by our Club and also earmarked for Onigawa, will bring the total funds generated to date through the generosity of the residents of Richmond and Steveston, close to the \$100,000 mark.



Thought for today

[Are you sitting properly at your computer?](#)

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jbV5dGvJWyo&feature=player_embedded

APB!

Still Missing in action is Our PP Sally Houston.

PP Bill you are herewith assigned to check on her and see if she is well enough to visit with us next week. She was last seen in these parts on April 11, 2011.

Here is what she looks like. Let her know that she is missed by all.

