

Club Duties

If you are unable to fulfill your duty,
PLEASE FIND A REPLACEMENT,
then let the meeting chair know.

Front of House:

March: Rob Mawdsley

March 4, 2026

Front Door Greeters:

Valri Cunningham & Lesley Domino

Inspiration:

Graham Calder

Introductions

Ev Boegh

Rotary Minute

Rick Stirling

50/50:

Dave Thompson

Sgt At Arms:

Theo Postulo

Meeting Notes:

Kris Rongve

March 11, 2026

Front Door Greeters:

Tanya Forbes & Mike Garvie

Inspiration:

Valri Cunningham

Introductions:

Ken Hammer

Rotary Minute

Dave Thompson

50/50

Bill Brendon

Sgt At Arms:

Duane Seibel

Meeting Notes:

Hayley Poirier

March 18, 2026

Front Door Greeters:

Ken Hammer & Terry Gwilliam

Inspiration:

Denise Davidson

Introductions

Rob Dodds

Rotary Minute

Abbie Vomacka

50/50:

Bill Brendon

Sgt At Arms:

Valri Cunningham

Meeting Notes:

Scott Manson

Upcoming Programs

March 04th – Andrea Paris – Human Trafficking

March 11th – Janice Krall – Nanaimo Prosperity Corp. (Pending)

March 18th – Daybreak Rotary Committee Reports

28 Rotary members from Nanaimo and Lantzville participated in the Coldest Night of the Year walk. \$4,270.00 in total was raised to support people in need in our communities. Donation opportunities are open until the end of March.



[Link to Daybreak Calendar...daybreakrotary.ca/events/](https://daybreakrotary.ca/events/)

Sunshine Committee reminder... A reminder...If any members know of another member who is ill or who has had a death in the family, please let our Sunshine Committee, Donna or Valri know, so that they can send out a card on behalf of the club. Thank you.

Club Member's Birthdays

February 26 – Don Bonner

February 29 - Terry Gwilliam

Club Member's Anniversaries

March 02 – Sheila and Dion Klassen

March 05 - Darlington and Catherine Okwudibe

February 25, 2026 - Notes by Scott Manson, Photos by Abbie Vomacka

President Sheila opened our meeting. O' Canada was sung A Capella, as Rod our Sax Man was absent.

Bill B. provided our Inspiration

Leslie D. did introductions: Mark Taylor from Lantzville Rotary Club was attending to get Maple Syrup orders from our club for his club's fundraiser.

Graham C. introduced our Guest Speakers: Verena and Nicole from Baby Bundles.



Sheila then told us that group members in Puerto Vallarta are safe and that Donna, and her daughter, Wendy, are flying home tomorrow. Bonnie will be staying until March 8.

The Duncan Rotary Club is having their Whiskey Fest on March 7th.

Behzad then took the mike to update us on his status: he was fasting and had also received rabies shots for a dog bite in Ecuador. The combination caused him to pass out and hit his head on the floor, causing stitches on his cheek. He is okay now! The Ecuador trip was amazing. 32 Rotarians were there to help with a house for teenage moms. He was overwhelmed by all the hugs he received from young children.



Ev spoke about CNOY on Saturday February 28th, starting at John Barsby at 4pm. Rotary Clubs across Canada are CNOY's biggest supporter! Following the walk, there is a Fellowship Meeting at Piper's Pub starting at 7pm.

Kris R. reminded us about Guess Who's Coming to Dinner on Friday. She also has posters for shredding available.

Vicki C. then introduced our Speakers from Altrusa-a non-profit international organization -similar to Rotary, to talk about Baby Bundles. There is a huge need for Baby Bundles as roughly 25% of new Moms are financially struggling. Baby Bundles include the following items:

-diapers, knitted items, blankets and quilts provided by Women's Auxiliary, burp cloths, breast pads, baby wipes, wash cloths, knitted toys, baby socks, baby sleeper, onesies, baby books, a rack card, and a welcome card. All items are in a nylon bag.

They make up 63 Bundles per year, and the demand is much higher.

Members of our club were very helpful with other suggestions to assist Nicole and Verena.



Duane covered for Kirsty and did the Rotary Moment. He told us that Rotary has given him many connections to people in the 5 years he has been a member. His daughter commented that she does know nearly as many in 15 years! Aaaaah, the power of Rotary!

Dave T. asked Sheila to draw the 50/50 winning ticket for \$57.50, but this intrepid scribe failed to note who won! Bad Scribe!

Our SAA, Graham, called for Happy Bux, and informed us that Rotary started 121 years ago at a meeting in Paul Harris' office!

Four Way Test and done, except for striking the site by putting away tables and chairs.

Rotary Contacts

- Club President:**
Sheila Klassen
- Past President:**
Daryl Knievel
- Vice President:**
Doug Ozeroff
- Club Secretary:**
Bonnie Murrell
- Club Treasurer:**
Anna Jones
- Club President Elect:**
Rob Mawdsley
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Denise Davidson
- Fundraising & Funds Allocation Director:**
Caitlin Lundgren
- International Services Director:**
Hillary Brown
- Member Services Director:**
Tina Moreira
- Public Relations & Community Services Director:**
Jill Mont
- Youth Services Director:**
Graham Calder
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Duane Seibel
- Bulletin Editor:**
Kelly Raine
- Program Chair:**
Rod Mont
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Jodie Williams
- District Governor 2025-2026:**
Tony Camoroda
- RI President 2025-2026:**
Francesco Arezzo

Four Way Test

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

In other news:

Two groups enjoyed “Guess Who’s Coming to Dinner”. One at Montana’s and the other at Horang. Only one group thought to take a picture! Next time. A good time was had by all! Thanks Kris, for organizing the fun.



Behzad shared some lovely pictures of what looks like a chilly hike up Mount Benson. In shorts, no less!



To contrast, Bonnie shared views from Mexico!

