Hello Stephen! This email has been generated just for you as a member of our club. We hope you enjoy receiving this newsletter!

Editor: Stephen Holland
If you have any comments or questions, email the editor.

Future Speakers
Aug 28 2013
Mary Vasey
"Gorge Waterway Nature House"

Sep 4 2013
Gerry Kelly
"Classification Talk"

Sep 11 2013
Mayor Dean Fortin
"Victoria Harbour"

Sep 18 2013
Dave Chard, President CHARD Developments ( MilesT)
"Re-Developing Downtown Victoria"

Sep 25 2013
Maureen Duncan
"Harbourside Foundation AGM"

Oct 2 2013
Les Collins
"Presentation of Strategic Operating Plan"

Oct 9 2013
Ricky Adlington
"History of the Harbour"

Oct 16 2013
Scholarship Recipients
"Community Contributions"

Oct 23 2013
Doug Lunam
"Riper's Auction"

Oct 30 2013
Dr. Brad Nelson, Director, Cowley Research Centre
"Curing cancer with T cells"

Nov 6 2013
RBC
"Remembrance Day"

Nov 13 2013
Darrel Bryan, GM Clipper Navigation
"Tsunami and the Harbour"

Nov 20 2013
Pete Taylor, District Governor "869"

Welcome Visitors
by Ratel, John

Visiting Rotarians
Derek Rickwood of the Nanaimo North Rotary Club
Ken Snyder the Rotary Club of Jaltanba Bay Nayarit, Mexico
John Edgell Oak Bay Rotary

Guests of Rotarians
Mary Vasey - guest speaker and guest of the Club
Katrina Andrews - guest of Tanya Sterling
John Schnerr - guest of Tanya Sterling

Tanya was accompanied by her young family and in a surprise turn of events, with her mother who had been visiting from Ottawa; but sadly had that morning missed her flight home. Not the best start to a long day.

Birthdays and Anniversaries
by Ratel, John

Birthdays
Tanya Stirling - August 29
Doreen Sutherland - August 31
Doug Webb - September 2

Wedding Anniversaries
Eric and Charlene Pettit - 39 years, on August 31
John and Della Sansom - 53 years on September 1

(D) New (ly weds) Damian Sowa and Regan MacDonald - 1 year on September 1

Club Anniversaries
Troy Alexander - 3 years

The birthday members were asked to stand, and the club gave them an enthusiastic rendering of "Happy Birthday to you!"

Club announcements
by Ratel, John

To rapturous applause (undashedly led by himself) the President thanked today’s Bulletin Editor, John Ratel.

Special Event: Pieta VanDyke asked all members to note September 13th on their “must attend” calenders to hear Dr Valerie Taylor speak of her work in establishing the only Rehabilitation hospital in Bangladesh. A truly remarkable story considering this is the only rehab facility in a country of over 160 million people. The
speech is to be given in Room 104 - The Bob Wright building at U-Vic.
Pietra gave special recognition to to the University’s Rotaract Club who had
taken up the logistics of arranging for Dr Taylor’s visit and address.

Jazz Night fund raiser. Nancy Singh gave notice that a Jazz night fund
raiser for the club, would be held at the Hotel Grand Pacific (thanks - Reid
Jamesy) on Saturday, November 9th. More details to follow.

Cakes - Ann Moskow announced that there was still a need for
volunteers to assist in this year’s cake baking marathon. 2 people are need
for Saturday Sept 21 from noon until 3 pm; 6 people are needed 3:00 -
5:30 p.m. On Sunday, Sept 22nd, 6 people are needed for wrapping the
finished cakes from 9:00 till noon. Please contact Ann as soon as possible
and help fill these important gaps. This is a truly fun club event, and a
good time is promised for all.

Induction of a new member
by Ratel, John

Today saw the induction of a new Harboursider into the International
family of Rotary. Tayna Stirling introduced new member-to-be John
Schaer.

John was born and raised in Squamish, but as a child and young adult he
travelled extensively. He visited no less than 31 countries and five
continents which included a spell serving in the military in Switzerland. He
hitch-hiked all across Canada and over-land in Nepal and India, he also
travelled to Alaska by motorcycle.

Somewhere while following this peripatetic lifestyle, John managed to
graduate from UBC with an Interdisciplinary Degree; where among other
things, he studied Biology, Sculpture and Russian literature.

After University, John began his own green building company and added to
his academic achievements a LEED AP designation, a Red Seal Journeymen
Carpenters qualification, and a Masters’ Certificate in Project Management.

John is an avid fundraiser and for 5 years, organized events for the VGH
Trauma Ward; more recently he launched the “Alaska to Argentina”
motorcycle ride to raise funds for school children in Tanzania.

In his spare time John enjoys photography, camping, kayaking and hiking.
He next intends to take up sailing. John has the unwavering support of his
loving fiance Katrina, a recent Called-to-the-Bar lawyer, who has taught
him that he knows nearly nothing about the law, as he once believed, but
she loves him anyway.

John looks forward to meeting all members of Harbourside, and to
becoming a force-for-good within the club.

Following the induction, with due solemnity, veteran member Bill
Freyrer inducted John into membership, citing the responsibilities of
participation and attendance. John was presented with his club lapel pin
and name badge.

Club members then welcomed new member John Schaer with a hearty
round of loud applause.

Guest speaker - Ms. Mary Vasey B.Sc. Education Coordinator, The World
Fisheries Trust
by Ratel, John

Maureen Duncan introduced our guest speaker for today - Ms. Mary
Vasey is originally from the Cowichan Valley, and moved to Victoria in
order to complete her B.Sc. degree in Biology and Environmental studies at
U-Vic in 2007. Through work with the Ucluelet Aquarium and Dogwood
Initiative, Mary came to realize the importance of education and personal
interaction when working to overcome environmental challenges. In 2010
she became involved with the World Fisheries Trust initiative - “Seaquaria
in Schools” as an environmental educator. She now serves as the
Education Coordinator with World Fisheries Trust with a focus on
evaluating and developing ongoing local projects which currently include
the Gorge Waterway Nature House, “Seaquaria in Schools” and community
outreach projects.

Ms. Vasey began by thanking Harbourside Rotary for its’ generous grant
which help fund the expansion of the World Fisheries Trust programme in
the Capital Region, and support for the Gorge Waterway Nature House.
The World Fisheries Trust, created in 1995, is a Victoria-based, non-profit
organization that works on advancing the sustainable use and the
conservation of aquatic biodiversity. In its outreach programmes the Trust
has a primary focus on young people, their increased awareness and
education of the environment.

Thanks to the clubs grant, the World Fisheries Trust was able to deliver
twenty five environmental education programmes which included the
establishment of nine ‘Seaquaria in Schools’ programmes, ten community
outreach projects, and six Gorge Waterway Nature house programmes. In
all, no less than 4056 persons were exposed to these programmes, (2501
school children and 1555 adults).

Harbourside’s grant also helped purchase a much needed microscope, a
microscope camera, and two event tents. Additionally, part of
Harbourside’s grant help fund six local schools participation in the
“Seaquaria in School” project. This allowed no less than 2593 students to
observe, interact and learn in a hands-on style of the local marine
ecosystems in their school on a daily basis for a full year.

With aid of a most interesting power point presentation and coloured
slides, Mary showed countless youngsters participating in the “Seaquaria in
School” programme, as well as on field (beach/shore-line) day trips. The
success and value of this programme was self evident to all members.
The Gorge Waterway Nature house is a hidden gem in Esquimalt Gorge Park, close by the Tillicum bridge. Here visitors can delve into a variety of activities all designed to increase knowledge and awareness of the fragile ecosystem that is our surrounding ocean. Of particular interest is watershed model which demonstrates how contaminants, oil, petroleum products, and other chemicals can work their way into our ocean.

At the conclusion of her brief remarks Mary answered several questions, and it was self evident her presentation was much appreciated by club members.

John Ratei thanked Ms. Vesay on behalf of club members for her informative remarks.

The Sarge
by Ratei, John

Past President Paul Doherty has been laid low with a flu-like bug, and his place as today's Sergeant-at Arms was assumed by the indoubtable Wayne Ford.

Wayne lost no time in calling to task a number of miscreants.

First he called upon all owners of BMW cars to identify themselves, their were only three (although somehow Russ Cape was included). These hapless individuals were fined because a recent survey found that BMW drivers were the least likely to stop at a pedestrian crossing to permit persons to cross the road.

Colin Smith was identified as a member in need of the advice of an experience Realtor, apparently this stems from Colin's participation as a consultant on the CRD sewage plant project, and their purchase of land at inflated values.

Eric Pettit was recognized for his sartorial elegance at a recent polo event, but the Sarge suggested that a morning suit in the afternoon was really "gauche".

Derek Rickwood a visiting Rotarian from Nanaimo was singled out for inappropriate attire, and the Sarge suggested that Troy Alexander should take note, and "clean-up" his act.

Elder statesman John Samsom was cruelly berated for using ski poles as a walking aid, when clearly there isn't any snow about. The Sarge suggesting this is a understandable mistake because of his professional engineering background.

Judd Buchanan was enjoined in this recognition and fined $2.00 because he "run's a ski hill", and should have advised John about the absence of snow.

Tanya Sterling was welcomed back to the club (albeit for this meeting) and fines $2.00 for the privilege.

Brand new member John Schaer was also asked to donate $2.00 just to make him feel welcome. But the Sarge believes his classification is quite wrong... after listening to his many achievements, his trade and academic accomplishments, it should be "Jack of all Trades".

Pieta VanDyke was called to task for failing to make clear in her announcement, where Dr. Taylor would be speaking. This was crucial given the chaotic signage at the University.

The long suffering Richard Burke was fined for re-establishing a coffee replenishment service at table-side, and because it appeared initially that his table was the only one enjoying this welcomed courtesy.

The Sarge went on to explain that the Seaquaria which our guest speaker had brought to show us was in the corner of the room behind Randy Decksheimer he felt this important in case members thought that Ms. Vesay was pointing at Randy, the two should not be confused.

Happy and Sad
by Ratei, John

David Cheatley was happy to be back in Victoria after his trip to Ontario, but clearly, vacations are not always beneficial... this morning he could not remember in what key he normally play's O'Canada.

Andrew Bekes was sad to note the changing weather patterns, which herald the end of shorts season.

Oak Bay Rotarian John Edgell was happy to with us today, with his friend and Rotarian Ken Snyder from Mexico. John promised more details of their Community Centre building project there shortly.

Howard Waldner was very happy and donated a generous $20.00 to the cause, to celebrate the fact that he and his wife were now the proud grand-parents of a littlel boy which his son and daughter-in-law had adopted from the Congo.

Dennis Truss was happy that his grandson Ryan was home again from Japan and would start at U-Vic next Tuesday.

Nancy Singh was happy to see Tanya Sterling and her family again at Rotary.
Proud ex-pat New Zealander Lloyd Houghton was happy at his country’s recent successes in Rugby, and predicted they would win the Louis Veton Cup, the precursor to the America’s Cup races.

**50/50 Draw**

by Ratel, John

A gentle reminder, we’re on a new deck of cards, and the lucky card is the nine of hearts.

_Dennis Truss_ had the lucky numbered ticket but pulled the three of hearts... only six shy of the winning card. Better luck next time, _Dennis_.

The President brought the meeting to a close, announcing that next week’s speaker (a ‘classification talk’) will be our own _Gerry Kelly_, and reminding members of the up-coming speakers in our “Harbour Series”, the President urged members to invite friends and relatives to these interesting programmes, but please remember to advise the club of any guests for catering purposes.

The meeting concluded at 08:14 a.m. with the singing of the The Queen.

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**Upcoming Duty Roster**

by Holland, Stephen

If you are on the Front Desk, a Greeter, or selling Draw tickets, please be there by 6:30 am to start your shift. If you are unable to work your shift, please make arrangements with someone to swap a shift and let _Steve Holland_ know of the change.

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