



Tony's year (my year as president) 2014 to 2015

"What did you do to revitalise Calgary West?"
Just last week Steve cornered me and told me that, 'You have to write down what you did in your year.'



I sat down with my wife, Ariën, on one of our date nights and we rehashed "The year".
In order to do this I have to throw aside any modesty, so please forgive me as I go back and tell the story of 'my year'.

I will however summarise the key factors before going into the story:-

A Reflection on what made 2014/2015 a great year for Calgary West.

Key points

- RCCW was losing members – dropped from above 85 into the 60's to 67 in 2014.
- There was apathy amongst the existing members.
- The members did not like our meeting location – Italian Clud.
- In the previous couple of years we tried to implement changes that were not well received.

So what did we do:-

1. Communicated with every member prior to taking over the leadership of the club.
2. Listened to everybody and allowed them to feel heard.
3. Had an open attitude to be all inclusive, making every member feel valued and part of the club.
4. Changed the location from the Italian Club to Grey Eagle Hotel. This was done without consulting the membership and a vote was subsequently held after being there for 3 meetings.
5. I asked everyone for input- everyone, and I received tremendous help and mentorship from past Presidents as well as general members.
6. Responded to the plus 70 emails I receive from members every day with a phone call, text or email.
7. Avoided conflict at all costs.
8. Became a “Yes” man and bent the rules.
9. Embraced the “Team” concept that was introduced by my past president and encouraged every member to embrace the concept - give it a try!!
10. The Team concept allowed every member to be more actively involved in both the running of the Friday lunchtime meetings as well as outside activities.
11. Supported our Speaker committee and welcomed all their enthusiastic ideas and recommendations. Hosted a Conservative Leadership debate, the Manning awards and several “Field trip” meetings.
12. Developed a wonderful relationship with the Grey Eagle Hotel staff. This resulted in great meals at a reduced cost, excellent Audio visual equipment, and three of the staff joined Calgary West as part of our first corporate membership.
13. Attended every Rotary function that I could and encouraged people to come and check out Calgary West.
14. Guest attendance started to rise as did new members- 20 in total. I embraced the twenty new members and helped them embrace Rotary.
15. Developed and upgraded our website.
16. Developed two Facebook pages – one for Calgary West and the other for the Calgary West Satellite Group.
17. Created the Calgary West Satellite Group – 52 young professionals – Millennials. Offering them the ability to volunteer for events without having to commit to joining Rotary, lunchtime meetings, or any costs.

So here's how the 'story' unfolded.

To provide some background and context, I am a dentist from South Africa. I have run a dental office for the past 37 years. It was a small business with just 6 employees. With Ariën's help we worked together as a strong united team. My goal was to provide the very best dental care in the city. To do this I needed a strong, committed, dedicated team to help me provide this service and it quickly became apparent that the most important people in my dental office were not my patients – they were my team. I nurtured them, trained them, praised them and literally bent over backwards to help them be the very best that they could be.

Every morning I raced up the eight flights of stairs in the Mission building, charged into the office and greeted my team with a warm smile and cheerful hello: It was "Show Time". Punctuality and Leadership were critical to my business. I was never late and as a result, they were never late. We started our team meeting punctually at 7.45am and went through the day. Each staff member was to let me know if they could not give it 100%. I loved them, I cared for them and I wanted them to love their job, and as a result, love our patients.

This is where Rotary comes in. Several of our patients were Calgary West Rotarians. One day I was cornered by Mike French and Steve Rickard in Starbucks. They asked me if I would consider being President of Calgary West. Wow!! I told them that I needed to discuss this with Ariën because we make important life and business decisions together. For some reason it did not take us long to decide – "Yes, let's do it". I called Mike that evening and said, "Yes – count me in".

Mike and Steve were so complimentary about the way that they were cared for in my office, and their advice to me was, "Run Calgary West like you run your office".

In my/our preparation for this daunting task, Ariën and I found ourselves reflecting back on the office, as well as on our sailing trip around the world.

In 1988 Ariën and I embarked on a World Tour - deciding to sail around the world with our two kids. We spent three years planning and set sail in 1991 on a five year global circumnavigation. The rest is history.

There were some similarities between running our dental office and captaining a sailboat.

Both were extremely successful.

In both we focused on the team, be it the office staff or the crew.

And so was created the analogy, "Calgary West being our sailboat and the members our crew." I was to be the Captain and Ariën my First mate.

The Goal.

To prepare our Calgary West crew for a voyage of a life time. Calgary West is a 50 year old club that was once vibrant and growing. Over the past several years the club has relocated many times and there has been a drop in membership. Before we could embark on a voyage, we needed to get our crew in order; happy and healthy and ready to take on the challenge of sailing this ship to distant shores. I decided to spend the year



focusing on our members and not so much on projects – that would come later, later when the crew were fit and healthy and ready to take them on. The analogy, “Look after yourself first, before you are able to look after others”.

The First Step.

I decided to call every single member – all 56 of them- because I wanted to hear from them, and get their honest feedback on how they felt about Calgary West – one on one. I asked each and every one of them “What do you want to see happen, what suggestions do you have?” I started making calls on the 22nd of March 2014 and completed my last call on the 26th of April. I had to call many people on numerous occasions and I also visited others, who requested that we sit down face to face. I took notes on every call and visit but more importantly, I listened, listened and continued listening - listening to their concerns, received advice, and was mentored. Most importantly, the process contributed to relationship building and that allowed me to make real tough leadership choices. If I were to choose one single thing that I did to make my year a good one – this was it. It allowed me the opportunity to get good honest feedback from our members because they felt heard.

Before I get into the nitty gritty details, I need to let you know that the selection of my Board started the previous year and in November 2013 my board was struck:-

- Appendix 1 – My Board

I also decided that I was going to devote ALL of my time to Rotary. The rest of my life was put on hold for the year. I made a point of being there for every meeting and every function.

I wanted to be a visible presence wherever I could- I made a point of being at every function - casino, food bank, feed the hungry, highway clean up, board meeting, district conference, stampede breakfast, strawberry shortcakes, wreaths, cherries, dinner club etc.

When 1st July rolled by, I was ready. It was “Show Time”.

A new Home

From the many phone calls, it became very clear that we needed to change locations.

Dan Doherty suggested the Grey Eagle Hotel and this turned out to be the right fit for our new home. After meeting with Shelley Dyson and David Landage I notified the members that we were going to 'check out' Grey Eagle and have our meetings there for the month of August. I encouraged everyone to come to this new, modern space in Western Calgary with plenty of parking and more affordable meals. AND we would not be in a dingy basement anymore.

It did not take long to have a vote – maybe 2 or 3 meetings. “Who would like to make Grey Eagle home?” A resounding 100% were in favour. Grey Eagle wanted us and from day one they made us feel very welcome.

I elected not to change the time and day of our meetings. Duncan Stanners had attempted to change this in his year – it almost resulted in a mutiny. Our then Captain looked as if he might 'jump overboard' and abandon the ship but Thank God he did not. He held his course, battened down the hatches and rode out the storm. He also went on to stand by my side as we continued to sail our Calgary West ship forward.

Teams

I embraced the team concept that Duncan initiated in 2012 – with a minor change to four teams rather than six. The team concept was intended to allow more individual participation in club activities. Several of our members were opposed to the team concept, and I spent many hours with the resistors, chatting and begging for their support. In the end everyone agreed to give it their best shot. We also agreed to have a team meeting on the last Friday of every other month.

I then needed to devote my attention to making the meetings enjoyable, and maybe even 'fun'. I owe a big Thank You to Robyn Braley for helping me to be a little bit better at the podium and for recommending the 'hot seats'. This allowed for members to come to the front and make a quick announcement about an event.

I also owe a Thank You to Bill Tapuska and his Speaker Committee who ensured we had a year packed with exceptional speakers. We even hosted a Conservative Leaders debate.

Special thanks goes to Gordon Rodrigues and his Power Point team who made it possible for us to project up to date and quality photographs of Calgary West “In action”.

Ariën took me along to Hugo Boss, the men's clothing store in Chinook Centre, and we purchased a suit. I made a point of being well dressed for every meeting. I also made a point of greeting every member and guest at each meeting making the time for a brief chat and comment or two.

Communication was a key factor.

I made a point of staying in touch with everyone by replying to every email – an average of 70 per day – within 24 hours, and often with a telephone call, as needed. I inserted the contact information of every member into my cell phone, complete with email and birthdate. I emailed every member every week with information about our upcoming Friday meeting with information about which team member was doing what and when.



I also stayed in close contact with Helen and Shelley, always checking to make sure that Grey Eagle were prepared for the upcoming meeting: the PowerPoint had to work, the food had to be hot and served on time, and all team members had to know their duty for the day. Whether it be grace, singing of “O Canada”, introducing the guest speaker, thanking the guest speaker, or presenting a Rotary moment or classification talk.

I also re-instated the head table and notified the members that would be at the head table for each meeting in addition to emailing every member on their birthday, and calling and/or visiting the sick and arranging to have flowers sent by David Marshall.

I did all of these things because I wanted Calgary West to be an all-inclusive club that was open to suggestions and welcoming of everybody and just about anything. I was a “yes man” and enjoyed bending the Rotary Rules. I dared to be different and embraced change.

I embraced a few of my father's rules:-

- “Beware the written word” – if I received an email that was aggressive or confrontational, I would wait a day and then call that person the next and have a chat, coffee or breakfast.

- “Least said, soonest mended” – I avoided conflict at all costs. Once again, I will call and have a chat.
- “A silent tongue in a wise head” – being careful of what I said.

Rotarians from other clubs were coming to Calgary West to do ‘make ups’ – and check us out, and attendance at meetings started to increase. The word was out, “something exciting was happening at Calgary West”.

- Appendix 2 – Calgary West Brochure

Robyn and Meg Braley developed a brochure - “Why Rotary” - for Calgary West. We handed out this brochure to all visitors.

[There was a hum and excitement in the room.](#)

Don Axford was seen at his keyboard at everyone meeting adding to the ambience and atmosphere. David Williams and Don Alexander were always the first to arrive and set up the room. That reminds me - several of our members helped others by giving them a ride to the meetings.

At one meeting we had all the past presidents of Calgary West at the head table.



Attention to detail was critical for me, as was consistency. I worked hard at running each meeting well, and including different people. This was greatly enhanced by our teams and their respective members taking on the duties involved in running a meeting.



The Conservative Leadership Forum.
Here is an example of my [notes for a meeting](#).

- Appendix 3 – Meeting agenda

I made a point of thanking each guest speaker the next day, by email.

People started to join Calgary West.

Members were inviting family and friends to come along to a meeting. Visiting Rotarians decided to join Calgary West. This created a really positive and upbeat mood in the club. We were on a roll. The wind filled our sails and we surged forward.

We welcomed our first corporate membership – Grey Eagle with Shelley, Kevin and Michael.

We welcomed exactly 20 new members to Calgary west in my year.

This turned out to be not only a record for Calgary West but also a record in the district.

A record number of new Calgary West members signed up for RLI.

A record number of people from Calgary West attended the District Conference in Medicine Hat.

We had three presentations presented at the District Conference:-

1. Polio presentation of Gail and Marlene's trip to Africa
2. Organ Donation presentation by Claude and Dr Greg Powell
3. Honduras Phase 3 project by Steve, Chris and Duncan

We received awards at the District Conference for:-

1. Presidents Citation Award – most new members
2. Mike French and Maggie Julian – Major donor Level 3 award
3. Service above self-award – Steve Rickard

Membership

Dan D was our Membership Director and he assigned a mentor to each new member. It was critical that we embrace each new member, make them feel welcome, encourage them to get involved and also learn about Rotary – a record number went to RLI, as I mentioned earlier.

Under the leadership of Darren and Marie we assembled our first [Club Friendship Exchange](#) team of 9 members that went to Brazil. (Steve and Marie Rickard, Jim and Frances Barnes, Tony and Arien Knight, Ben Kormos, Darren Grierson, Gail Williams, Carol). We reciprocated by hosting 9 Brazilians from the Liberdade, Belo Horizonte, Minas Gerais. Brazil. They joined us in Calgary in July 2015.

I started the “[Calgary West Satellite Group](#)”.

I wanted to attract young people into our fold, without them having to commit to regular meetings or any costs. The Satellite Group is a group of young professionals that want to “do good in the world”. They want to help and volunteer at events without having to commit to anything. Our Satellite Group has grown to 52. I also created a Facebook page for the Satellites and it is managed by my daughter, Saskia.

I started the [Calgary West Facebook page](#) and with Linda French’s help we redesigned the Calgary West Website. Linda was instrumental in totally upgrading the site (www.calgarywestrotaryclub.org) and I spent many hours working with her on it.

I populated the calendar every week to ensure it was current with up to date information and news. With Duncan’s help we introduced Eventbrite to the site, allowing people to order online for events such as the Stampede Parade breakfast. I constantly encouraged our members to visit our Website and gave a mini tutorial at a meeting.

“[Tony’s Calendar](#)”.

In my quest to communicate well, and always keep our members informed, I created “Tony’s Calendar” that listed every meeting and event that happened throughout the Rotary year. I constantly updated it, ending up with Version 36 by the time my year was done!!

Here is a sample:

- Appendix 5 – Sample of Tony’s calendar

[Board Meetings](#)

My Board indicated that they would like to meet in a more convenient place that would not involve them travelling across town in rush hour so (by popular demand) we moved the Board meetings to our home. Arien and I enlarged the dining room table, set up a projector and screen and always had snacks and drinks for our team. The meetings were fun and well attended- in large part thanks to Malcolm who was a master at running the meetings.

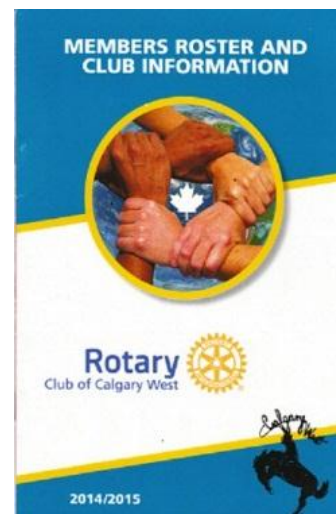
My Board was incredible and gave me so much support, guidance and mentorship. A very big thanks goes to Duncan, Malcolm, Jim W, Dan, Terry, Gail, Chris R, Andrew, Helen and Garfield.

- Appendix 6 - Committees

[The Members Roster and Club Information.](#)

Our members wanted a Roster that was easy to read, informative and easy to carry around. I worked hard with Sue Impey to create it, which we published twice in the year. A big thanks to Jim W and Gordon for their help.

The Roster was a colourful booklet that listed all the members, complete with photos, information about the club, the board members, teams, past presidents, and a calendar. It became a moving target as we were always needing to add new members- a great problem to have!! It was well received by the membership.



[The Signature Project.](#)

In my initial phone calls with the membership, it became apparent that the members wanted something. Something that we could hang our hat on and say, "This is what we do at Calgary West". Many discussions followed and I struck a team – the Signature team, composed of Steve R, Dan D, Duncan, Terry, Andrew, Gail, Judith and myself. This is a work in progress as I write. We have since partnered with other Rotary clubs – Downtown, South, Heritage and Centennial NS meet once every 6 weeks. To date we are looking at a joint partnership with a senior housing organisation in Calgary. The goal is to build an affordable senior housing project in Calgary. Stay tuned.

[“All Presidents” meeting](#)

I made a point of attending every “All Presidents” meeting – the first Monday of each month. I was able to promote Calgary West, share our successes as well as get advice and this culminated in four clubs wanting to ‘do something’ in the way of a joint Rotary senior housing project in Calgary.

Even though the FOCUS was on the “Wellbeing of our members”, we still managed to do really well in the Fund Raising department. Terry and his crew did an outstanding job in the following Fundraisers.

- Appendix 7 – Fundraising numbers

I have a few great sayings and quotes that hang on the wall around my desk. I find myself often staring at them, reading them and getting all fired up. I just love them.

Here they are;-

“Whatever you do, or dream you can, begin it. Boldness has genius, power and magic in it. .. Goethe

Rudyard Kipling’s “IF”. The whole poem is awesome. I particular love two sentences,
“If you can meet with triumph and disaster and treat those two imposters just the same.”

“If you can fill the unforgiving minute with sixty seconds of distance run.”

The Four way test. I learnt it off by heart and keep saying it. It’s awesome and tough!!

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 Summary,](#)

I loved my year.

A special thanks to my wife and best friend – Ariën. Ariën was by my side, always ready to help me, pick me up, encourage me, and critique me.

My mentors – you know who you are- without you I would have failed dismally. Thanks also to my Board for helping me and guiding me.

And of course I owe a huge thank you to all the members of Calgary West, both new and old. Without ALL of you, our club would not have succeeded in becoming such a vibrant and growing club. Thank you for supporting me, believing in me and encouraging me.

Thank you to Shelley and the Grey Eagle team for making Grey Eagle our new home. Thank you for the incredible memento that I received from Calgary West – a book with photos from ‘my year’.

We have a healthy club of 81 members. Nineteen of whom are women and we have our first corporate membership in Grey Eagle.

Thank you Calgary West – it was a blast.



Appendix 1 - My Board

Secretary – Malcolm Harrison,

Treasurer – Garfield Ganong

Club Administration – Jim Wilson

Membership – Dan Doherty

Fundraising – Terry Felton

Service and Grants – Andrew Bitcon

Youth – Chris Ritter

Club Activities – Helen King

Past President – Duncan Stanners

President Elect – Gail Williams

Appendix 2 – Calgary West Brochure



Homes of Hope



Habitat for Humanity



Calgary Food Bank



Microcredit



CNIB Weather



Polio Eradication



A safe place for leaders

Learn, grow, serve and build friendships with neighbours across the street and around the world.

Rotary in Action

Calgary West Rotary Club members are active serving others in a variety of ways. Some volunteer at the Interfaith Food bank. Others may help build Habitat for Humanity homes for local families. Still others may volunteer for organizations working with troubled youth.

Our members have volunteered for clean water projects, building schools, microcredit ventures, building homes, health related and other projects in Guatemala, Ethiopia, Mexico, Nepal, Peru, Malawi, India and other countries. Rotarians join other first responders offering relief through volunteering or funding when disasters strike.

Be Part of the Action.

Find out More!

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Why Rotary?



Meeting Topics may include:

- Business
- Youth
- Education
- Community
- Environment
- Family
- Government
- Health
- Research
- Lifestyle
- History
- Science
- Other topics



The Calgary West Rotary Club is a group of like-minded people who have a passion for making a difference. We are leaders committed to the ideal of serving others.

Calgary West meets Fridays at noon at the Grey Eagle Hotel. Members are inspired by excellent speakers who talk about things that matter.

Rotary is a worldwide organization of business and professional leaders who provide humanitarian service and help to build goodwill and peace in the world. There are approximately 1.2 million Rotarians in more than 200 countries worldwide.



Tony Knight, President Calgary West Rotary Club and Avian

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Appendix 3 – Meeting agenda

Rotary Club of Calgary West Meeting Agenda

15th May 2015

District Governor – Garth and Ann Toombs Asst. Governor - Tony Howard
RI President – Gary Huang

TEAM # 3

Set up **Chris Davis**
Greeter **Bill lawless**
Greeter **Gail Williams**

TEAM # 4

Cashier **Ariën**
Registration **Karl**
50/50 **Orlin**

TEAM # 1

Invocation **Ted Valentine**
Sargent **Terry Felton**

TEAM # 2

Classification/Rotary moment - **NONE**

12.15 – WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS

Welcome Rotarians, Visitors and Guests to the Rotary Club of Calgary West.
Please join in the singing of our National Anthem.

12.17 - NATIONAL ANTHEM

12 21 – INVOCATION

Please remain standing for the Invocation by Ted **Valentine**
Mention Maureen Klassen

Please be seated

ENJOY YOUR LUNCH

12.23 - TO INTRODUCE OUR VISITORS AND GUESTS

I would like to call on _____ to introduce our Visitors and Guests.
Welcome Song.

12.25 District Conference in Medicine Hat – District awards

1. Presidential Citation award – **Calgary West**
2. Jim Davidson Award – most New Members in the Club – **17**

3. Major Donor Level 3 crystal award – **Mike French and Maggie Julian.**
4. Service above self-award from RI - 4500 applicants throughout the World amongst the 1.2 million Rotarians. 150 awards were made -**Steve Rickard**

THREE Presentations:-

1. Honduras Phase 3 and Microfinance – Steve Rickard, Duncan Stanners and Chris Ritter
2. Polio Inoculation in Africa – Gail Williams and Marlene Doherty
3. Organ Transplant Awareness – Clare Bildfell and Dr Greg Powell

Table demonstration

1. Organ Transplant Booth in House of Friendship – Robbie Sallow and the Transplant Team of Clare Bildfell, Lona Bildfell, Greg Powell, Linda Powell,

12.30 New Member Induction

- New member – **Gerry (Garry) Meek**
- Introducer – **Dan Doherty**
- Inductor – **Chris Davis**

12.38 Tenderson Bigcrow

Experience up north

12.42 Announcements

- Rotary Challenger Park – We will have Rotary Challenger Park do a presentation to the Grants Committee re the next phase of development
- Food Bank – We need to support **Joe Klassen** in volunteering for the Food Bank. Please stay behind afterwards to let us have your names.
- Board Meeting news – Joint meeting yesterday – Old and New Board. Three joint meetings to help in the transition to the New Board under Gail Williams.
- July 1st – There has been a change in the itinerary for the Brazilians on the Friendship Exchange – as a result this event has been cancelled at our house.
- Stampede Parade Breakfast – please sign up with Mike French
- Signature Series update – **Robyn Braley**
- Rotary Downtown Club – sign up online individually.
 1. STAMPEDE ROUNDUP - Wednesday, July 8, 2015
 2. OXFORD STOMP – Friday, July 10, 2015

50/50 DRAW – Can I call on **Rick Grass** to make the 50/50 Draw. The winner will receive \$ _____ ? _____

12.45 AWARDS

Call on **Bill Quinney** to be the master of Ceremonies for the Awards

First have the new Members in each team meet the rest of their team.

- 1) District Foundation Chair – **Mr. Rick Grass**

- Rick Grass to present certificates to 17 new members and make some comments

2) **Chuck Morrison** to make the Paul Harris awards

- Chuck to present PHF pins to those in attendance with comments
 - Marg Henschel, Larry Doyle, Chris Ritter, Bernie Ward, Duncan Stanners, Stan Cichon.

3) **Bill Quinney**

- Bill Q to present the 2 Bequest pins and make some comments
- Bill Q to make some comments about the packages that was originally for the new members but now will all get – strongly recommend that all new members contribute \$100 to be matched by the club – talk briefly about making a commitment in our wills
- Then turn over for committee lead on each team to hand out packages and explain what is included and answer questions Bernie suggest you join Chuck on team 1 for this portion and I will join team 4 with Mike

Team leaders are:-

- 1) Chuck
- 2) Dan
- 3) Jim
- 4) Mike #4 (as Mike has to leave I will cover)

Envelops are all prepared and copy of my letter is attached

Bill

1.05 Team Business

To do team business

1.28 - FUTURE PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

- Next Friday – **22 May - Homes of Hope.**
- Friendship Exchange – May 21st leave for Brazil
- Terry Felton will be chairing the next 3 Friday meetings

CLOSING QUOTE:-

Author: **Andy Rooney**

I've learned that sometimes all a person needs is a hand to hold and a heart to understand.

Enjoy your weekend.

For the Good of Rotary this meeting is adjourned – Hit the bell

Appendix 4 – New Members

New Members 2014/2015

Version 8

24th June 2015

	Name	Date joined	Sponsor	Tentative Mentor	Team
1	David Impey	Aug 8 2014	Tony	Des	2
2	Steve Strang	Aug 8 2014	transfer in	Joe Klassen	1
3	Judy Cochran	Sep 26 2014	Maggie	Garfield	3
4	Clare Bildfell	Oct 24 2014	Ted	Ted V	1
5	Shelley Dyson	Nov 14 2014	Dan	Helen K	2
6	Michael Sprake	Nov 14 2014	Dan	Mike C	4
7	Kevin Yates	Nov 14 2014	Dan	Stan C	3
8	Lori Farley	Dec 5 2014	Maggie	Mike F	1
9	Pat Romerman	Dec 5 2014	Steve R	Steve	1
10	Marlene Doherty	Feb 13 2015	Gail	Gail	3
11	Cha-Cha Chansiri	Mar 6 2015	Tony	Arien	1
12	Judith Shearer	Mar 6 2015	Karl	Bill Q	4
13	Tazim Asaria	Mar 6 2015	Sa'adat	Sa'adat	2
14	Claude Massé	Apr 24 2015	Terry	Chris D	1
15	Paul Graham	Apr 24 2015	Terry	Terry	2
16	Lysle Barmby	May 8 2015	Andrew	Marie	4
17	Gerry Meek	May 15 2015	Dan	Bill Tapuska	2
18	Darren Grierson	in process	Tony	Malcolm	2
19	Melody Warman	in process	Mike C	Karl	2
20	Gwyn Lewis	in process	Tony	Tony	3

Appendix 5 – Typical Calendar of events

CALENDAR 2015 - Version 24 - updated 23 January 2015

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JANUARY

Rotary Awareness Month

New Year resolutions

- 2** Friday meeting - NO MEETING
- 8** Thursday - **Board Meeting THURSDAY in winter months – Tony’s place**
- 9** Friday meeting - Dan Gaynor - New Year Inspiration and leadership – Motivation Program
Afterwards at 1.30 - Clare’s “Organ Donation team” meeting.
- 10** Grey Eagle Gala at Grey Eagle Casino
- 16** Friday 11am to Noon - Signature Project discussion with Tsuu T’ina
- 16** Friday meeting – Wendy Lowe – Millennials
- 23** Friday meeting – Clare Bildfell – Organ and tissue Donations.
- 30** Friday meeting – **Team meeting**

FEBRUARY

World Understanding Month

Zoomer month, Passion, Care, Love, on line dating - Valentine day – Strawberry Shortcakes,
Rotaract had a great speaker on Romance

- 6** Friday meeting – RYLA/ Tsuu T’ina “Start the Change” Chief Roy Whitney
- 11** Wednesday - Prepare Strawberry Shortcakes
- 12** Thursday - Deliver Strawberry Shortcakes
- 13** Friday meeting - Kelvin Block - Valentine Day “Romance” – INVITE YOUR Girlfriend/Boyfriend or both
- 19** **Thursday - Board Meeting THURSDAY in winter months – Tony’s place. Postponed 1 week – due to SSC**
- 20** Friday meeting – Bruce Graham – Calgary Economic Development
- 27** Friday meeting – **FIELD TRIP** to “Spruce Community”. 1055 Bow Valley Drive NE – near old general hospital. Speaker is Arlene Adamson – CEO of Silvera for seniors

MARCH

Literacy Month,

Casino, Past Presidents dinner with PE. PETS & SETS

- 6** Friday meeting – NEW LOCATION – Grey Eagle “Little Chief” restaurant - Bill Ptacek – CEO Calgary Libraries
- 12** Thursday - Homes of Hope build – Mexico. Thursday to Sunday
- 13** Friday meeting - “Never too late” – Rotary Scholarship.
- 19** **Thursday - Board Meeting THURSDAY in winter months – Tony’s place. Postponed 1 week**
- 20** Friday meeting - Economist
- 27** Friday meeting - **Team meeting**

APRIL

Magazine Month

Spring Assembly, Presidents Ball

- 3** Friday meeting - GOOD FRIDAY – NO MEETING
- 9** Thursday - **Board Meeting THURSDAY in winter months – Tony’s place**

- 10 Friday meeting -
- 15 Wednesday - Spring Assembly – Wednesday evening. Gail to outline her year
- 17 Friday meeting – NO MEETING
- 24 Friday meeting –
- 25 Saturday - Presidents Ball - also Organ Donation Trott

MAY

- District Conference, Friendship Exchange in Brazil – 25th May to 31st May
- 1 Friday meeting - Field Trip? Possibility
- 8 Friday meeting – Mother’s Day
- 8 – 10 District Conference Medicine Hat. May 8th to 10th. – INVITE YOUR SPOUSE
- 8 Friday - Organ Donation Booth – Medicine Hat District Conference
- 9 Saturday - Organ Donation Break out session – Dr. Greg Powell and Mr. Clare Bildfell – Medicine Hat District Conference - 10am.
- 13 Wednesday – **Board Meeting Wednesday in summer months – Tony’s place**
- 15 Friday meeting – Team Meeting - 18th May Long weekend on Monday
- 21-24 RYLA in Canmore
- 22 Friday meeting - Tony and Gail away in Brazil- Terry to handle meeting please
- 25-2 Friendship exchange outbound - in Brazil – 25th May to 2nd June
- 29 Friday meeting - Tony and Gail away in Brazil- Terry to handle meeting please –

JUNE

Fellowship Month.

RI Convention in South America (Sao Paulo)

- 5 Friday meeting - Tony and Gail away in Brazil- Terry to handle meeting please –
- 6-9 Saturday - Rotary International Convention in Sao Paulo, Brazil
- 10 Wednesday - **Board Meeting Wednesday in summer months – Tony’s place**
- 12 Friday meeting
- 19 Friday meeting – “Little Chief” Restaurant location
- 26 Friday meeting – hand over to Gail – Gail to organise.

JULY

Stampede

- 1-10 Friendship exchange inbound from Brazil – 10 days entertaining 10 Brazilian Rotarians.
- 3 Friday - RCCW Stampede Parade breakfast – NO FRIDAY MEETING

SEPTEMBER

- 27 Sunday - Feed the Hungry. St. Mary’s Hall - \$5000K.

NOVEMBER

- 21 Saturday – Adult Christmas dinner Party booked at Pinebrook – tentative.

DECEMBER

- 13 Sunday – 19th Pinebrook Christmas Brunch

Appendix 6 - Committees

COMMITTEES - 2014/2015

Service and

Grants

Andrew Bitcon	Local Community service		Bill Lawless
	International service		Tim Anderson
	Vocational service		Karl Herzog
	Rotary Foundations	The Rotary Foundation	Sa'adat Keshavejee
		Calgary Rotary Clubs Foundation	
	Volunteer service activities	Food Bank	Judy Cochran
		Feed the Hungry	Steve Strang
		Meals on Wheels	Duncan Stanners
		Organ Donation	Clare Bildfell

Membership

Dan Doherty	Development and retention	Dan Doherty
	Mentorship	Dan Doherty
	Historian	Ron Staughton
	Well being	David Marshall

Fundraising

Terry Felton	Stampede	Les Morgan
	Wreaths	Helen King
	Strawberry Shortcakes	Sa'adat Keshavjee
	Casino	Orlin McMillan

Club Activities

Helen King	Meetings	Programs	Bill Tapuska
		Reporter	David Williams
		Audio Visual	Gordon Rodrigues
		Photography	David Impey
		Cashier Team	Malcolm Harrison
		Team Duties	Team Captains
		Lobster Fest	Maggie Julian
		Christmas Gala	Shelley Dyson
		Christmas Brunch	Bill Tapuska
		Presidents Ball	Tony Knight
	Socials	Dinner Club	Helen King
		Bridge	Joe Klassen
		Golf	Bill Lawless
		Curling	Dan Doherty
	Interest Groups		

Club Administration

Jim Wilson	Website/Social Media	Duncan Stanners
	Strategic planning	Duncan Stanners
	Bylaws	Duncan Stanners

Youth Service

Chris Ritter	Youth Exchange	Chair	Chris Ritter
		Outbound	Don Campbell
		Inbound	
	RYLA		Chris Ritter
	RYPEN		Chris Ritter
	Adventure Program		Sa'adat Keshavejee

Appendix 7 - Fundraising

Terry Felton May 2014

Fundraising budget 2014/2015

	2013	2014 Est	2015
Calgary Rotary Club Foundation	\$ 15,592.00	\$ 15,500.00	\$ 15,500.00
Cherries	\$ 3,592.00	\$ -	\$ 4,000.00
Stampede Breakfast	\$ 25,359.00	\$ 24,729.00	\$ 27,000.00
Strawberry Shortcake	\$ 12,755.00	\$ 18,879.00	\$ 19,000.00
Xmas Wreaths	\$ 5,279.00	\$ 5,421.00	\$ 5,500.00
Donations	\$ 3,375.00	\$ 1,440.00	\$ 2,000.00
Other /New	\$ 385.00	\$ 124.00	\$ 3,000.00
	\$ 66,337.00	\$ 66,093.00	\$ 76,000.00