



SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES



## The Rotary Club of Warton

District 6330 Chartered 1938  
Dinner Meetings –6 P.M. Thursdays  
Royal Canadian Legion Branch 208

March 31, 2022

# The Gateway Gazette

We had a good turnout for our last meeting of March.

After all the usual, we celebrated birthdays. Nick paid 10.00 to cover 10 family birthdays. Trevor, Jackie and George also paid up. Mike had happy bucks now that his dad was settling in at their house, Pat for doing all the Facebook postings for the past few weeks and for all the volunteers at Maple Magic.

It was decided to hold a Wine Survivor # 7 the week of June 13-17, 2022. Nick will be polling club members about how many books each member will like to sell. (Note: This is an updated draw schedule).

Eric and Mike provided an update on our very successful Maple Magic which served 1830 meals and 1300 Maple Taffy on snow. Everyone appreciated all the volunteers and our sponsor Terry Hastings Real Estate Company.

Gay and Greg announced our Annual Paul Harris evening at Evergreen Lodge on June 2. Details and a call for nominations will follow by email.

Following the recent Executive Meeting, Trevor moved that we donate \$1200 to Shelter Box, \$2,000 to a yet to be determined organization on the ground in Ukraine and that we develop a larger, longer term club project to help with future needs. Carried.

Tonight's program was receiving reports on the three committees that were established last fall to look at making some changes to the club and developing longer term plans. Details on next page.

50/50 won by Gay,

**Attendance:** 22 Rotarians

**Guests:** George Gordon

### April Birthdays:

4 Nick Torra  
8 Charlie Torra  
16 Marianne Williams  
26 Donna Rudell  
30 Dale Robinson

### April Anniversaries:

23 Bob and Ruthann Carson

### Upcoming Meetings:

April 14<sup>th</sup> Community Living Presentation  
April 28<sup>th</sup> Rotary Planning 2022-23  
May 12<sup>th</sup> Outdoor Education Centre Presentation  
May 26<sup>th</sup> OPP Internet Fraud Presentation  
June 2<sup>nd</sup> PAUL HARRIS AND AWARDS NIGHT  
June 9<sup>th</sup> U Know I...Laurie Leonard  
Andy Walker (Outbound Exchange Student to France)

### Upcoming Events:

**Wine Survivor 7: June 13-17**

### OFFICERS & EXECUTIVE 2021-22

PRESIDENT	Trevor Hathaway
PAST PRESIDENT	Gay Ratcliffe
PRESIDENT ELECT	Pat Cavan
SECRETARY	Gay Ratcliffe
TREASURER	Scott Elliott

### DIRECTORS

ADMINISTRATION	
SERVICE PROJECTS	Mike Mason
MEMBERSHIP	Ashley Gunn
FOUNDATION	Kathryn Christie
PUBLIC IMAGE	Mike Mason
FUNDRAISING	Eric Robinson

Mike Mason report on the committee looking at developing new and/or renewed community service projects that the club might get involved in. These included items such as road side cleanup, improving esthetics in Bluewater Park, Skateboard Park shelter, Community Gardens. A fuller list will be distributed to members so that the wishes of the club can be determined as to which projects we should pursue.

As the first project the membership selected cleaning up the hedges around the campground and cleaning up around the Rotary Spirit Rock story board sometime in May.

Bob reported on the recommendations of the committee discussing options for Club meetings. The following is a summary of the recommendations.

- 1) In-person regular meetings will be held on the first and third Thursdays of each month.
- 2) Extra meetings, including Zoom meetings, can be scheduled as desired and/or required.
- 3) Social time will continue downstairs as presently occurs.
- 4) For those who have ordered a meal through Ron, the meal will be available for pick up from 6:00 - 6:15.
- 5) Time for Individual and Club announcements will be available from 6:30 - 6:45.
- 6) The formal meeting will be from 6:45 - 7:30 with the Guest Speaker and Club Business on the agenda.
- 7) Adjournment scheduled for 7:30.

Pat reported on a proposal to change the way that the Rotary Club functions. The current executive would be eliminated and replaced with the basics of President, Past President, In-coming President, Secretary and Treasurer. The committees would be reorganized to better reflect the way we currently operate with committees reporting to the club as a whole rather than the Executive. Budgeting would be changed to differentiate between on-going expenses and discretionary expenses. Decisions about discretionary expenses would be made by the whole club as they are received. These changes will require a revision of the Constitution and By-laws to reflect the new structure and procedures. A motion by Pat to start initiating these changes for the next Rotary year was carried.

