



# Rotary Club of Nanaimo OCEANSIDE

## Tradewinds

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### Jun 6<sup>th</sup> Report

John Salem presided over today's meeting. John noted that this would be his last meeting to chair and next weeks would be co-President Bob Butler's last meeting to chair prior to the June 16<sup>th</sup> Installation.

Kevin Lonsdale led us in O' Canada

Visiting Rotarians – None

Guests, Charles from Two Guys and a Girl Catering (and Fairwinds), and one more (Damn I hate getting old – I forgot to write it down, and I can't remember) sorry.

Presentation by Len Krog, NDP MLA

### **"Henry Ford was a Nazi Supporter"**

We had a very interesting presentation by the honourable Len Krog, MLA. One of the most controversial talks this year. Len started with the political goal "to get press bits" (whatever happened to creating great Public policy)? Press bits are how much ink or air time can the Party generate. Hmmmm He was very proud of the Private Member Bills introduced to increase the minimum wage by 20%, and to decrease the Small Business tax by 1% (perhaps to offset the increased wage cost). His Party also led a push for no corporate or organized (Union) donations to Political Parties. Len presented his platform on Social Housing – a hot topic in the Media these days. Len's cited stats such as California spending more on their Prison System than their Education System, and an estimated Homeless Population in Nanaimo of between 150 and 200. When asked how many Social Housing units there were in Nanaimo, Len couldn't answer. 'Back-up Bob' asked about the Pine Beetle, Len thanked him for the question (several times in fact), while it was noted that Ric has "strong philosophical differences with Len" Then Len dropped this on us "Henry Ford was a Nazi supporter" "His picture hung in the halls of the Nazi Party when it was formed in Germany"

Jamie Jackson thanked Len for his perspective, and presented him with the coveted Oceanside Rotary pen.

Sergeant at Arms –Joanne, as usual, collected an obscene amount in fines, happy and sad bucks – man is she good!

50/50 – no winner this week – remember we are looking for the 10 of hearts.

Meeting was adjourned a little late. Fellowship at Earl's followed.

### **Upcoming Agendas**

Wednesday June 13<sup>th</sup>, Don Cheshire from BC Ferries will provide us with information on the Departure Bay terminal changes and upgrades.

Sunday June 16<sup>th</sup> – Installation, 6pm at the Nanaimo Golf & Country Club

A Club business meeting will be scheduled for some time in June - TBA



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## **Jokes of the week – golf themed (tis' the season)**

### **I want to buy a golf ball**

A blonde golfer goes into the pro shop and looks around frowning.

Finally the pro asks her what she wants. "I can't find any green golf balls," the blonde golfer complains.

The pro looks all over the shop, and through all the catalogs, and finally calls the manufacturers and determines that sure enough, there are no green golf balls.

As the blonde golfer walks out the door in disgust, the pro asks her, "Before you go, could you tell me why you want green golf balls?"

"Well obviously, because they would be so much easier to find in the sand traps!"

### **Ten years on a deserted island**

A man is stranded on a desert island, all alone for ten years. One day, he sees a speck in the horizon. He thinks to himself, "It's not a ship." The speck gets a little closer and he thinks, "It's not a boat." The speck gets even closer and he thinks, "It's not a raft." Then, out of the surf comes this gorgeous blonde woman, wearing a wet suit and scuba gear. She comes up to the guy and says, "How long has it been since you've had a cigarette?"

"Ten years!", he says.

She reaches over and unzips a waterproof pocket on her left sleeve and pulls out a pack of fresh cigarettes.

He takes one, lights it, takes a long drag, and says, "Man, oh man! Is that good!"

Then she asked, "How long has it been since you've had a drink of whiskey?"

He replies, "Ten years!"

She reaches over, unzips her waterproof pocket on her right sleeve, pulls out a flask and gives it to him.

He takes a long swig and says, "Wow, that's fantastic!"

Then she starts unzipping a longer zipper that runs down the front of her wet suit and she says to him, "And how long has it been since you've had some real fun?"

And the man replies, "Wow! Don't tell me that you've got golf clubs in there!"