



## Rotary Club of Sussex Inc.

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Club # 6355 / District # 7810

### Cowbell

Date: May 9th, 2011

**Attendance:** Andrew, Peter, Kim, Bob B., Jeremy, Bob T., Barb, Roger, Harley, Frank, Robert Jr., Lou, Donna, & Rhoda

**Absent:** Bruce, Jason, Paul, April, Murray, Bob K Sr., Stewart, Robert L. & Wendy

**GUEST SPEAKERS:** Sue Pittman & Mary Britten-Belding of the Sussex Committee for the Prevention of Family Violence

**Other Guest:** Marsha Long from Bayview Credit Union.

**50/50:** Lou

**Rotary Minute:** Noted below is the schedule of who is doing the Rotary Minute during each meeting. Please be sure to mark you calendar. You can also find material on our web site [www.sussexrotary.org](http://www.sussexrotary.org) or on RI's [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org) or the Rotary magazine. If you are not able to attend on the meeting of your minute, please find a substitution for your slot.

#### **Rotary Minutes**

16-May-11 Frank Derrah  
30-May-11 Stewart Duncan  
5-Jun-11 Donna Gilchrist  
13-Jun-11 Peter Haines  
20-Jun-11 Robert E. Kimball

Noted below is the updated list of future guest speaker.

<b>May</b>	<b>2</b>	Pamela Harrison - Foundation - Paul Harris
<b>2011</b>	<b>9</b>	Sue Pitman - Sussex Committee for the Prevention of Family Violence
	<b>16</b>	Bob Black & Jeanette – presentation on their experience
	<b>23</b>	<b>Holiday</b>
	<b>30</b>	<b>Business Meeting</b>
<b>June</b>	<b>6</b>	Jim Balcomb – Apache
<b>2011</b>	<b>13</b>	New Town Manager - tentative
	<b>20</b>	Roberta Craft - Community Action Group for the reduction of Poverty in Sussex
	<b>27</b>	<b>Business Meeting</b>



## **THE NEXT FEW MONTHS!!!!**

MAY	-	Pets & Sets	-	District Conference
	-	Camp Rotary Clean-Up	-	Coats for Kids
	-	District Youth Merit Awards	-	Committee Chairs & Members (New Year)
JUNE	-	District Conference	-	NONE
	-	International Conference	-	Purple Pinkie @ Balloon Fiesta
	-	Grad Bursaries		
	-	GSE		
	-	Flower Wheel		
	-	Budget		
	-	By-Laws		

### **Introducer & Thankers for May**

**\*\*\*Note; emails and contact phone #'s are on this list for the purpose of getting information for the introduction.**

#### **May Meetings**

May 2<sup>nd</sup>; Sue Pitman with Sussex Committee for the Prevention of Family Violence. Email; pitman\_malo@hotmail.com

Introducer; Bruce Northrup

Thanker; Stuart Duncan

May 9<sup>th</sup>; (tentative)... Local action group for the reduction of Poverty in Sussex.

Introducer; (TBD)

Thanker (TBD)



### **Rotary Minute - Missed.**

The Committee is around 10 years old. Dawn-Marie has about 30 women who meet with her to get help with decisions on leaving violent situations before having to go to the transition house.

Mary works for VON & does family prenatal classes but is also a volunteer on the committee.

“Moving Forward” is a 12 week program that is 1.5 to 2 hours a week. These groups are all focused on the healing side. This is to move forward after the situations have stopped. This is for kids & mothers. Mom’s meet with then to get help understanding their children and what they are going through in order to learn how to work with their children.

There are 60 assaults per hour reported in Canada and 78% of them are committed by someone the victim knows. Women with disabilities are 4 times more likely to be assaulted; other groups are first nations and women under 24.

Statistics show that women who fight back and try to get away from the perpetrator are overwhelmingly more likely to get away from the situation.

Having said all this, they see a huge need for programs for males. They have created “Man to Man” and are working on having men talk to male student in the schools to set the record straight and be a male role model for the young men.

They are fully government funded.

Peter thanked the guests.

District Conference in Fredericton - Sussex won an award at the 7810 district conference for the largest growth percentage for the month of February. Rothesay Kings won the overall growth award, going from 23 to 42 members in 2010/2011. Mike Walsh from Riverview won the District Rotarian of the Year. Mike was in to visit us earlier this year to discuss Shelter Boxes. Mike and his wife were also a few of the other Rotarians that sat with Robert Jr., Bob Sr., Theresa and Melissa Kimball on the train to Montreal for the 2010 RI Convention. Mike is an extraordinary Rotarian and individual.

Thandi’s Restaurant - Our club met with the Rothesay Kings Rotary Club and had supper at Thandi’s Restaurant with the GSE team from Mexico. Kim, Barb, Lou and Robert Jr. were all in attendance and Lou gave each member of the GSE team one of our pens and also gave them a banner to take home to their club.

Motion – Barb made a motion that we transfer any unused funds in the budget for the district conference and use it towards the 7820 district conference and let Kim apply for the funds as she is going to the 7820 in Newfoundland. Andrew seconded and motion was passed.

Meeting Adjourned.

\*\*\* Please note that I have included our Rotary Club Calendar with this Cowbell. \*\*\*

Stay tuned for the Next Cowbell!!!