

Kiwanis Club of Orillia
Weekly Meeting Monday February 10, 2020
Theo's Restaurant

Present:

Korine Keyzer
Mark Goode
Fred Larsen
Jerry Wink
Bob Brown
John Morton
Jen Man
Peter Borutski
Dave North

Heather Breckles
Charles Kelly
Mike Bunn
Bode Cole
Maria McConnell
Greg Reid
Don Haskins
Peter Head

Steph Hunter
John Parker
Steph Worthington
John Mayo
Mark Riczu
Brandon Peacock
Lawrence LaFrance
Rob Town

Guests: None this week

Oh Canada:

You guys really put the “Can” in Canada today!!!! Must be all the exuberance from ski day!!! Great stuff Gang!!!

The Blessing:

Take it from here Korine – awesome job again!!!!

Happy Loonies:

Heather Breckles is happy to have survived ski day with only one wipe out. Not quite a garage sale though!!!!

Mike Bunn also clinked the can with a toonie for both ski day and the trip to Morocco through the Chamber of Commerce – hmmmmmm!!!!

Brandon Peacock is happy to be a proud uncle to his newborn niece – nice!!!!

Greg Reid is all signed up for hip replacement. He should be fully recouped for ski day 2021!!!!

Fred is happy about the upcoming opera house presentation of “Artist Talk”. Sounds interesting Fred.

Korine was happy about ski day as well

Lawrence threw caution (tape) to the wind. He’s also happy about son Ben signing a three-year pro deal for Ultimate Frisbee – very groovy!!!!

Kiwanis Ski Day 2020:

We announced this in the bulletin back in May of last year. Last Friday it became reality. Wow, what a fantastic event!!! Great day, great snow, great friends and great laughs!!!! We had sixteen skiers in all and one guest. A big shout out to the following for braving those intimidating slopes at the fabled Mount St. Louis:

Diane and Bob Brown

Liz and Paul Ross

Charles Kelly

Mike Bunn

Mark Riczu

Ben Cole

Andrew Cole

Peter Head

Heather Breckles

Korine Keyzer

Rob Town

Lawrence LaFrance

Cathie Bass (guest)

Dave North (me)

A few things worth noting –

Bob Brown is scheduled for knee replacement surgery next week.

Charles Kelly came out of retirement after 2 years.

Mike Bunn has decided to take it back up after a 25-year hiatus – looks like you never hung them up Mike!!!! Outstanding stuff guys!!!!

As for everyone else, you all looked awesome out there!!!!

Bottom line, we've got some skiers in the club so let's make this thing an annual. Who knows? We may even get Jerry Wink to revamp his Florida plans so he can join us next year.

Thanks to everyone who dropped in at the après and thank you for all the party gifts. My wine rack is full!!!!

Song of the Week:

Some thirty years ago the Milwaukee based Pabst Brewing Company was in shambles. Sales of their famed Pabst Blue Ribbon had slumped in favor of more flashy brands with bigger marketing budgets. Then, by chance the companies fortune completely turned around. Jake Burton, inventor of snow boarding and grunge band Pearl Jam made it their beer of choice. The execs at Pabst said screw it, let that be our marketing plan. Pabst Blue Ribbon (PBR) instantly became the beer of choice for snowboarders and for counterculture as a whole. Sales soared throughout the nineties and onto the present day. I was quite impressed when Charles and Nancy Kelly slammed a six pack of PBRs on my kitchen table last Friday at the après. I instantly thought – those rebels!!! Here's to counterculture, snowboarders, Charles and Nancy and to PBR!!!!

<https://youtu.be/CxKWTzr-k6s>

Today's Meeting:

Today we continued with our member introductions. Maria McConnell and Charles Kelly took turns introducing each other. I'm so sorry to have missed it, I had to leave early. Great idea from Past Pres Pete Head on these member intros. All our members have really interesting stories to tell!!!

Next Week:**Thought for the Day:**

“Skiing is a dance and the mountain always leads”.
Anon.