



## Today's Program: Dr. Joan Gillies, Veterinarian, Comox. BC

Joan is, of course, the daughter of Nancy & Doc Gillies, is a veterinarian and the mother of two grown boys.

In addition, she is the President of Drawdown BC, Climate Reality Leader.  
<https://drawdownbc.org>



Drawdown BC's goal is to educate, engage, and inspire citizens to put into action known and proven solutions to the climate crisis, and build a thriving, just, and sustainable BC and the world for all.

Drawdown BC offers opportunities to every person, family, community, and business in British Columbia to learn about research-based Project Drawdown solutions to the climate crisis.

Project Drawdown's mission is to help the world reach "drawdown" - the point in the future when levels of greenhouse gases in the atmosphere stop climbing and start to steadily decline, thereby stopping catastrophic climate change - as quickly, safely and equitably as possible.

Find more at <https://drawdown.org> and <https://drawdownbc.org>

### Highlights of the Presentation include:

- "it's just a teaspoon of the iceberg of Climate Change!"
- there are so many ways, big and small, that we can all do individually and as a society, to fight Climate Change, including:
  - reduce food waste
  - go to a Plant Based Diet
  - reforestation of tropical forests
  - reforestation of temperate forests (ours)
  - improve cook stoves - change from coal
  - add solar panels
  - management of refrigeration - no open freezers in stores
  - and many others
- Rotary Clubs around the world, and locally, are taking up projects to address some of the issues noted above. Now is the time RCO should look at what we can do - perhaps more discussion with the Environment Group at District.

Excellent presentation Joan, many thanks,

lots of food for thought for us!

## The President's Corner:

*Having Hybrid Meetings means we get to have all our members join in - I'm so happy this is possible!*  
Sincerely, Tauyna

## Social Media Corner:

*Be sure to check our Posts often, and share them with all your followers*

## Important Dates:

### Club Zoom Meetings

Tues. May 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:15pm Hybrid!!!!

Back at the Hall if you wish!

*Speaker Headwaters Health Care Foundation, Danielle Gibb.*

Tues. May 24<sup>nd</sup> at 7:15 Hybrid

*Business & Ribfest*

*(Links and details will follow)*

### Board Zoom Meeting

Tues. May 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm.

## April Birthdays

Bob Burnside - Apr 15<sup>th</sup>

## April Anniversaries

Sheri & Paul Moir - Apr 2<sup>nd</sup>

Stacey & Charles McCabe - Apr 12<sup>th</sup>

## Happy Bucks

Lots of Happy Bucks tonight as Josh passed the hat - good to hear mentions of "Spring" in the Happy Bucks - that's encouraging!

## Attendance

On Zoom - 14 members, plus Honourary Member Doc (along with Nancy, Sandy & Joan) in attendance tonight.

## Club Business



### Let's Make Orangeville Shine 2022

All set and ready to go. Great work by the Committee - Sheri, Ed, Charles & Bill. Shortly they will be asking for Volunteers for the day. But in the meantime, be sure to register with the Town for you area to clean up if that's what you, your family and friends will be doing!

32nd Year!

**Rotary**  
Club of Orangeville

*85 years of Service to our Community!*

SPRING  
COMMUNITY  
CLEANUP DAY

Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup> 2022

Register  
online

Town of Orangeville at:  
<https://tinyurl.com/ycbk65fp> or scan the QR code:

- Download the Litterati app and join the challenge
- Choose a Location to Cleanup
- Order Your Cleanup Kit trash & recycling bags, vinyl gloves
- Clean Up your chosen location that week
- Bring Trash to the Collection Point  
*Rotary Park Parking Lot  
Sat. May 14<sup>th</sup> 9:00am to 1:00pm*
- Collect your Thank You Treat Coupon  
*Thank you Dairy Queen!*

Thank You  
Orangeville Dairy Queen!

Participate and be rewarded with a Small Blizzard treat from our friends at the local DQ!

*Part of the team getting refreshed after a Friday putting up posters around Town.*



### Ribfest 2022

While the next Committee meeting is May 24th, Mike will be reaching out to leaders of various sub committees to see that things are progressing, answer any questions, and just keep in touch to make sure things are progressing well.

This is a big event for us this year, after two Drive-Thru events, so we want to be fully prepared and ready to go!

## Club News:

# PRESIDENTS NIGHT!

Planning is underway to hold this important meeting of the Rotary year end, **in person**, at the Hall with a full meal and the usual ceremony.



The purpose is to thank President Taunya for two great years as our President under challenging conditions due to the pandemic, and to welcome President Elect Charles to the position of President for 2022-2023.

## Catch the Ace Raffle

Raffle #2 continues and the pot is now over \$3,000!, so please continue to participate - love to see an RCO member or friend win the pot!

## Rotary Park Redevelopment

Don and a couple of other RCO members have been meeting and discussing this Master Plan Concept for some time now.



RCO has made some important contributions to the Plan and will continue to work with them.

The timetable is to present the Concept Plan to Council in May for approval, and request to implement it asap.

There is one feature item in the Plan that appears to be an ideal one for RCO to take on as a project, and it looks like this may be able to progress to the point that we can promote it at Ribfest for donations - more on that soon - with a presentation to the Board and Club for approval.

Exciting - stay tuned for details.

## Happy Birthday John Russell!

On May 15<sup>th</sup>, John will celebrate his 96<sup>th</sup> birthday!

John thanked RCO last night for our Zoom meetings so he could continue his 70 years in Rotary - amazing !

All the best John!!!!!!

