

## Highlights of the Thursday, 14 May, 2026, Weekly Meeting

President Maureen, welcomed everyone to this Thursday 07, May 2026 weekly meeting of the Kiwanis Club of Brantford.

President Maureen called Phil Hoekstra to present the 50/50 Draw with Judy Jones, Phil Hoekstra and Bob Saunders holding potential winning tickets. No one found the "Joker." The "Pot" continues to rise.



President Maureen called Randy MacKenzie to come forward as Funmaster.

Randy MacKenzie came to the microphone and passed out some sheets of paper to each table. Telling us that each table was to work as a team. The sheets had the beginning of 8 famous quotes that each table group was to supply the ending to.

Sample Questions:

Question: A Rose by any other name .....

Answer: would smell as sweet. (William Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet)

Question: He travels the fastest.....

Answer: who travels alone. (Rudyard Kipling's 1892 poem "The Winners")



Randy MacKenzie helped us celebrate the following anniversaries and Birthdays:

### Anniversary of joining the Club (Yrs)

Len Makkreel 40 Years

Joanne Murray 36 Years

Kirby Brown 38 Years

**Birthdays (March)**      Date

## Happy Stories

Kirby Brown said he and his wife Dianne just celebrated their 38th Wedding anniversary and had just got back from a wonderful trip to Portugal. It was also his Brothers Birthday.

Phil Hoekstra said his wife Mary was recovering well from a fall where she hit her head and damaged her shoulder blade.

Pallo Sahota recounted some Good Kiwanis Luck at a recent Chamber of Commerce meeting where Joanne Murray won the Door prize and Pallo had tickets in her purse for the 50/50 draw at the Chamber meeting.

Randy MacKenzie made a special announcement directed to Joanne Murray with his appreciation to her for all her work and support during his year as LG for our Division.

President Maureen thanked Randy MacKenzie for his interesting funmaster presentation

President Maureen called for Bob Saunders, Topic: Rail Travel through Southern Africa

Bob Saunders thanked everyone for letting him present the Travelog of his South Africa trip in October 2010. He and his wife Anne and two friends started a trip on October, 05-2010, to travel from London England to Johannesburg South Africa returning on October 21, 2010.



During that period, they were on a Train Ride Tour, starting in Victoria Falls Zimbabwe, traveling to 16 stops ending in Johannesburg South Africa on the 16<sup>th</sup> day.

Following are samples of each of these stops that Bob presented to the members today. Each image is just one image from each stop. Bob presented many more images and some surprising videos. The Trains name was the, **Shongololo Express**. (Shongololo, translates to: caterpillar)



Chobe National Park



Baobab Tree



Victoria Falls

It is one of the world's largest waterfalls, with a width of 1,708 m (5,604 ft). The region around it has a high degree of biodiversity in both plants and animals.





Maureen Henry thanked Bob Saunders for his informative and attention-grabbing 16-day tour of Southern Africa.

President Maureen called for Committee Reports and Announcements:

Joanne Murray, Save the Date Invite a Guest Meeting 25 June 2026

Jim Steele, **Hospital Bed Race** May 23, 2026, Sign-up on the Sheet on each table or contact Jim Steele

Joanne Murray, 04 June INTERCLUB MEETING - Doug Hunt "55" Journey setting record for Stilt Walking

The date for the Kiwanis Club of North Dumfries social event at Richard and Caroline Lee's farm is Saturday, July 18th. More details regarding the July 18th event will be shared in the near future by the North Dumfries Club.

President Maureen, thanked all members for joining us today.

President Maureen asked If there was anything else for the good of Kiwanis, seeing none, she adjourned the meeting with the ringing of the Bell.

