



# THE MILL WHEEL



Rotary Club of Mill Valley  
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## PRESIDER

- President **Susan Royce**.

## GREETER

- **Robin Keller**. His Thought for the Day (courtesy of Mark Twain): *Good judgment comes from experience; experience comes from bad judgment.*

## GUESTS OF ROTARIANS

- Had a lot of visitors today—**Ben Faber (Ken Brooks)**; **Patricia Megilnicki (Ken Brooks)**; **Maria McKellips** from Marinscope Newspapers; **Denise Foster (Ken Brooks)**; and **Mari Allen**, Business Programs Manager at KIDDO (Otherwise known as the Mill Valley Schools Foundation).

## VISITING ROTARIANS

- Although she may not be officially registered as a member of Rotary, our Rotary Exchange Student **Julia Daniel** sure acts and



looks (she has more badges on her jacket than any of us!) like a lifelong member.

At any rate, we were delighted to have her as a guest today as a follow up to her report at the BBQ/Zucchini Race last Sunday. Today she presented the flag of her Swedish Rotary Club—*Molndal Kallered* in Gothenburg, Sweden, to **President Sue**.

## BIRTHDAYS

- **Arnold Palmer** is 83 today. President Sue wants you to know that "old golfers never die, they

just lose." (And you have the nerve to complain about the *Mill Wheel* puns!).

## ANNIVERSARIES

- **Wedding**—**Phil and Barbara Richardson** will celebrate 11 years of wedded bliss on Sept 14.
- **Club**—**Barbara Hofling** and **Roberta Keller** celebrate three years of service as members of the club on Sept. 14. Barbara's Mill Valley Rotary highlight revolves around visiting with her fellow members at luncheons. Roberta was in sync with that, noting that

## MEET THE CLUB'S NEWEST GEORGE HOYLE FELLOW

- **Phil Richardson** today was welcomed into the ranks of the club's George Hoyle Fellows during a ceremony conducted by Service Fund President **Bob Canepa**. Bob reminded the membership that a \$250 match is available through the end of the year for first time George Hoyles. He also noted that the Service Fund board is in the process of calling each member to urge that they contribute. If you'd like to add a codicil to your will, **J.R. Hastings** and **Carl Lippenberger** have volunteered their services at no charge.



## ANNIVERSARIES (Cont'd)

she has enjoyed the opportunity to make new friends during her tenure in Rotary. Thanks to both of these fine Rotarians for their contributions to the club and the community!

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

■ **President Sue** urged members who have not yet paid their 2012-2013 dues to do so immediately. Get your checks in by the end of the week and avoid an additional \$30 charge.

■ **Foundation Chair Doug Scherf** urged members to return their Foundation Event raffle tickets to him prior to the end of the month. The sooner the better.

■ **Service Fund President Bob Canepa** made his annual report to the club, noting that there is over \$1 million in the Mill Valley Rotary fund at the Marin Community Foundation, manager of the funds.

■ **Membership: Ken Brooks** offered his weekly Membership Minute. Noting the three visitors attending today, he urged members to bring a friend, or a business associate, to next week's meeting.

■ **Dennis Klein** still needs parking volunteers for the upcoming Fall Arts Festival.

■ **Larry Davis** announced that we will make a second attempt at a Club photo. This time our friend **Gary Ferber** (he's a pro!) will be on hand to take it. We'll do it immediately following our meeting on September 24th. Be spiffy!

## GOOD TIMES

■ **Ray Palmarini** recently returned from the east coast of Mexico where he visited an old friend and saw thousands of flamingos. He also noted (quite humbly, of course!) that

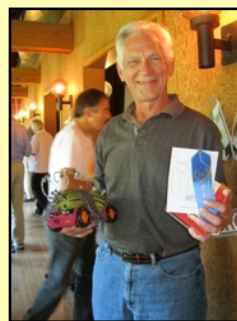
## Super Squashes Zip to the Finish Line at Club's First Ever Zucchini Race & BBQ



*Taking top honors in the Large (you might even say GIANT) category was Lee Kirkpatrick.*

*Not as dangerous as NASCAR but just as much fun—a wipeout during one of the Large heats.*

■ The first annual Zucchini Race & BBQ, held at the golf club house last Sunday, produced the following winners: Large Category—Lee Kirkpatrick; Medium—Ray Palmarini; and Small—Ken Brooks. Club president Susan Royce took the blue ribbon in the “Shake, Rattle & Roll” category with her Darth Vader on wheels. A good time was had by all, and the event raised over \$3,000 for this year's 3rd Grade Dictionary Project!



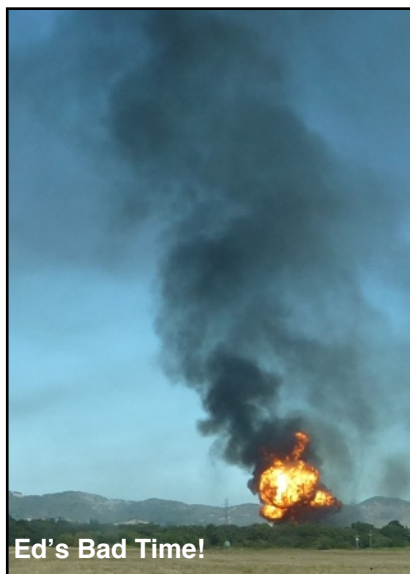
👉 **Ken Brooks and Ray Palmarini are all smiles after nabbing their blue ribbons.**



### GOOD TIMES (Cont'd)

apparently “size doesn’t matter” when you participate in a zucchini race! (Guess who won the Medium Size competition!)

■ **Ed Marshall** had a Good Time-Bad Time: On his way home from Lake Tahoe, where he took a drubbing in no limit poker, he



witnessed an explosion and accompanying fireball near the Sonoma Raceway (see photo). His Good Time is in anticipation of an upcoming visit to Rome (Italy, not Georgia!). *A bell-ringer!*

■ **Ken Brooks** had a Rotary Good Time at last Sunday’s Zucchini Races. **Don Herzog** pointed out that Ken, being a transplanted New Yorker, might have had an even greater time at hot dog races! P.S. Ken’s zucchini racer came in first in the Small Division. What does that tell you?

### RAFFLE

■ **Richard Rider** thought (for a moment, at least!) that Lady Luck was looking over his shoulder.

**POLIO PLUS  
CLUB GOAL  
\$2,000**



**JAR COLLECTIONS  
AS OF TODAY:  
\$831.20**

*Sorry—free lunch!* Buy tickets next week. Somebody’s going to pull out that red marble soon. It could be you!



**Oh darn...another free lunch!**

### PROGRAM

■ The role of the Mill Valley Chamber of Commerce in the life of our community was the subject

of today’s speakers—**Paula Reynolds**, the Board Chair, and **Daniel Escalzo**, Executive Director. Mill Valley Rotary and many of our members are members of the Chamber.

Paula and Daniel explained that local businesses want both customers and advocacy. Working closely with the city, a Business Advisory Board has been established to help streamline city regulations.

The MV Chamber is in a rebuilding mode. Membership has been increasing since **Daniel Escalzo**, who helped run the Chamber’s famous Wine & Gourmet event for two previous years, was hired as Executive Director last year. He noted that the goal is 500 members by 2015.

### NEXT WEEK

■ **Mill Valley City Council Candidates Forum.** Here’s your chance to ask questions of the future leaders of our fair city. This is always a special event—one that warrants bringing a guest to!

### CLUB CALENDAR

■ **September 24:** The 2013 District 5150 **GSE Team** will talk about their spring trip to Finland.

■ **October 1:** A speaker from the Asian Art Museum will update us on the goings-on at the museum.

■ **October 8:** The folks from District 5150 **RYLA** will make a presentation. Rotary Youth Leadership Awards is one of the groups that our club supports.

■ **October 15:** Our own **Bill Lambrecht** will talk about the Rotary Microcredit matching grant in Bogota, Colombia.

**They told me I had Type-A blood, but it was a Type-O.**  
*(Don’t forget the Blood Drive at Scout Hall, October 26)*

## CLUB CALENDAR (Cont)

■ **October 22:** Mill Valley's own **Bea Johnson**, who writes the popular *ZeroWaste* blog and is the author of *ZeroWaste Home* will tell us how she manages to generate less than a quart of garbage a year.

■ **October 26:** Southern Marin Rotary Blood Drive at Mill Valley's Scout Hall. Check with **Richard Simon** for details.

## REMINDER

■ Contributions made to The Rotary Foundation by October 1st will qualify for raffle tickets at the District 5150 Foundation Event fundraiser next month. Be sure to return your raffle tickets to Doug before that date.



☛ **Where's the Marsh Maven?** Margareth Tanner is dwarfed by the infamous fennel at Terwilliger Marsh during the work day at Rotary Corner this Saturday. Work days are scheduled for Oct. 12, Nov. 9 and Dec. 14. Sign up today! Help rescue the Marsh Maven!

## WHEN WILL WE GO OVER THE TOP?

← **GOAL**  
\$12,000



**ROTARY CLUB OF MILL VALLEY**

**YTD:**  
\$6,925  
(58%)

**ROTARY FOUNDATION GIVING\***

**2013-2014**

\* 50 out of 59 members are Paul Harris Fellows. Let's achieve 100% participation this year.

## ROTARY CLUB OF MILL VALLEY—OFFICERS & DIRECTORS 2013-2014

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