



Royal City Men's Club

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Christmas Luncheon

December 13th, 2012

The Royal City Men's Club met at Victoria East Golf Club for its Annual Christmas Luncheon on the above date with socializing from 11:30 to 12:00, followed by formalities, buffet lunch, door prizes and dancing. Members Gil Taves and Jack McGarry along with guest musicians Lynn Lodge and Rob Stark presented seasonal favourites to set the mood prior to lunch and some good sing-along and dance music as we polished off the desserts. There were 67 people in attendance, including members, spouses, guests and the musicians.



Photo: Grace Apsit

President Soren Sondergaard formally welcomed members and guests with special recognition of our ladies present. He introduced the Guelph Wellington Men's Club President, George Hughes and his wife Valerie. George thanked the RCMC for inviting them and brought greetings and best wishes from their Club to all our members. Soren then spoke briefly about the purpose of the Royal City Men's Club and told a story that fit the occasion.



Photo: Grace Apsit

Vice-president David Wallace presented a toast to the Queen, and Past-president Len Johnstone toasted the ladies present.



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Ken Dick said grace, and then Soren gave instructions for an orderly formation of the line-up for the buffet.

Following the lunch, Len Johnstone and Ray Biffis conducted the draw for door prizes.

Several members and partners who had won door prizes displayed their Christmas spirit by enthusiastically singing along with some of the band's presentations and leading off the dancing. Gordon and Joan Framst were prevailed upon to give a dance demonstration, which received a warm round of applause from those present.



Photo: Dave Paterson



Photo: Bill Apsit

Around 2:00 p.m. Soren called on the kitchen and facilities staff to come and be recognized. They had done an excellent job of setting up elegant tables, serving the delicious food at the buffet, serving tea and coffee at the tables, and promptly cleaning up. They were given a good round of applause in appreciation.



Photo: Bill Apsit

Soren then thanked the Activities and House Committee members for all their work in organizing the Christmas Luncheon, with special recognition for the efforts of Dave Paterson.

President Soren advised that the next regular meeting will be January 3, 2013 with Shawn Armstrong from the Guelph Fire Department speaking.

He wished everyone present a Merry Christmas, a safe holiday season and a Happy and Healthy New Year.

Gordon Framst,
Secretary