



ISFR

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ISFR WHISTLER
FEBRUARY 20 - 27, 2016

North American Meeting Whistler B.C.

A great time was had mountain resort. We were by the Rotary Clubs of Whistler Millennium who over the mountain (it took because it is so big!) and program of events to keep occupied.



Margaret Hutchinson and Abby O'Neal make the Olympic podium!

by all the ISFR Rotarians at this great well hosted Whistler and guided us all two full days had a full everyone



Great weather and a spectacular mountain had all the skiers delighted, and the events were fun as well. The banquet and auction on Thursday had lots of great items - not the least of which were the many desserts that the chefs at the Fairmont Whistler created for auction. The Home Hospitality was a hit, and the wine tasting, shopping, art galleries, cross country skiing at the Olympic venue at nearby Callaghan and our own ski spirit room at the hotel kept everyone happy.



Jeff, Dan, and Emory on top

Of course The Davis Boyd Foundation was present with tours of the Whistler Adaptive Sports Program, and the Peak to Valley fundraiser where people took 4 trips top to bottom - over 5200 vertical feet (>1500 m.).

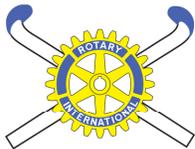
Davis Boyd Memorial Foundation:



In addition to the adaptive skiing program and the fundraising at Whistler, the board of the Foundation presented this plaque to Brian Anderson, one of the founding members of the ISFR and one of the members responsible for creating the Davis Boyd Memorial Foundation. Although health problems prevented

Brian from attending, pictured are board members John Shierholz, Jeff Coup, DBMF President Jeff Penza, past DBMF President Jim Tomlin, and Jim Scott.

Whistler RC President Peter Dagg hosted the ISFR at their meeting. Here he is seen introducing Morgan Perrin, a physically challenged individual who gave an excellent talk on living with and exceeding expectations if you put your mind to it.



ISFR ST. MORITZ
MARCH 5 - 12, 2016

European Meeting St. Moritz, Switzerland



The European meeting at St Moritz, Switzerland was a great success. The races had more than 80 participants and over 150 were present at the gala dinner where more than 5000 Euros were collected for charity. The weather was beautiful, as the photos attest, and, in addition to skiing there were visits to art galleries, the quaint town of Zuoz, and “gastronomicicon” meetings to taste the local



specialties.

Of particular note was the performance of “evergreen” (over 75) Paul Baggio of the RC PallanzaStresa who won the over 60 elders race. Way to ski, Paul!



Upcoming Meetings:

2017:

Jackson Hole, Wyoming USA Feb 4 - 11, 2017



Make your plans to come to Jackson Hole in 2016. Great skiing and great activities are planned for the ISFR at this American skiing icon.

Cortina d'Ampezzo, Italy March 4 - 11, 2017



Gianluigi de Marchi

Gianluigi De Marchi, chair of the organizing, invites all to next year's meeting in Cortina d'Ampezzo, Italy. This site of the 1956 Winter Olympics is a UNESCO World Heritage site and home to great skiing. There are hundreds of km of slopes and it is joined to the other ski areas of San Cassiano, La Villa, Corvara, and Marmolada.

Gianluigi tells us that the town is lovely with lots of shops, restaurants and local events. The hotels are among the best in Italy, and it is just a 2 hr bus ride to Venice. English is not a problem as it is commonly spoken. Make plans to come!

Details for both 2017 events online at www.isfrski.org

or in future newsletter

In Memoriam:

Esio Marzotto

Feb. 21, 1932, Windsor, Ontario – Sept 23, 2015, North Vancouver, BC.

Members of the ISFR mourn the passing of Esio Marzotto. He was a staunch and long time ISFR member, past-president, and editor of this newsletter.



During his working life, Esio completed electronics education, then Bachelor's, Master's and Doctoral degrees at Wayne State University, focusing on Industrial Engineering, Communications and Education. Following technical work in television at CKLW Windsor, CTV Winnipeg, and CBC Ottawa, Esio became the founding Director of the Media Centre at the University of Windsor where he later was Head of the Communication Studies Department and Professor until his retirement in 1997.

Esio was a leader in many service organizations, and became a Windsor Rotarian in 1978, transferring to Lions Gate North Vancouver Rotary in 1999, where he held club offices including club President and was Assistant District Governor. Esio was a multiple Paul Harris Fellow and was a tenacious leader in the development of a Youth Safe House in North Vancouver, also President of the International Skiing Fellowship of Rotarians (ISFR) 2011-2013 and President of North Shore Probus 2008-2009. Esio was awarded the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal in 2012 for community involvement.

He began alpine skiing in mid-life, continuing into his 80s with his loving confidante, fellow learner, traveler, and beloved partner for nearly 30 years of Margaret Landstrom. Remember Esio best with a toast of good (Italian) wine, and/or plant a tree in his honor, adding to the many he established during his lifetime.

Esio instructed that there be no funeral. In Esio's honour, you might donate to charities he assisted: the North Shore Youth Safe House c/o Hollyburn.ca, or the Polio eradication program of Rotary International, or support pancreaticcancerCanada.ca.

RI Convention:

Seoul, Korea will be the site of the 2016 Rotary International Convention, 28 May to 1 June.



As usual, your ISFR will have a booth in the House of Friendship. ISFR President Al Morris will be there and asks that if any other members will be attending, please contact him to help out. It is a great way to meet many new Rotarians and trade stories about skiing while also helping to improve our membership numbers.

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