

# OPTIMIST CLUB OF KITCHENER-WATERLOO, ONTARIO

## *A Start of a new year and Guide by ,You know Who Again!!*



# Opti-KW-ips



Helping over 6,100 Kids per year with our Optimist Camps

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### From the President...



Our club passed the 2019-2020 budget at our last Dinner meeting on 8 October. The 26<sup>th</sup> was a busy day for Optimism – Pat ran his Horror Trail event with approximately 150+ runners in attendance. Thanks to those volunteers who

showed up at various times throughout the day, and kudos to Past President's Pat and Bruce Curry for staying until the late hours of the afternoon. At the same time, yours truly, my wife Carol, Kyle the younger (Bossie), wife Ana and Sofia (sic) attended the Children's Safety Village in Cambridge handing out goodies to hunger little people. I may have had 1 or 12 myself! Beautiful day, sunny and well attended by the kids and their parents. An impressive multicultural potpourri! November

the 9<sup>th</sup> is our scheduled Golf Tournament scheduled at GWL co-chaired with the Westvale club. Not sure how that is going to turn out. On the brighter side, Optimist Jim Bering is interviewing 6 young adults and their families to be honoured at our Youth Appreciation Night on 12 November dinner meeting.

Hopefully we have a good turnout.

That's it for now  
– be safe!

*Prez Rick.*



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### Dates to Remember



- Nov 05 - Work Party
  - Nov 12 - Dinner Meeting **YOUTH APPRECIATION**
  - Nov 19 - Work Party
  - Nov 26 - Board Meeting
  - Dec 03 - Work Party Setup Christmas Decorations
  - Dec 10 - Members Christmas Dinner, **Special Dinner and some fun.**
  - Dec 16 - Work Party
  - Dec 24 - Board Meeting **CANCELLED**
- Source Books - Got yours yet?*

**John Moyer - Optimist of the Year - Congratulations**



**IF YOU HAVE NEVER BEEN TO A DISTRICT MEETING. YOU ARE MISSING SOMETHING. THEY ARE FUN AND INFORMATIVE**

**Your Zone - District - International NEWS & UPDATES**



“iMagine the Vision of Optimism”

**November 08** - District Executive Meeting Festival Motor Inn  
1144 Ontario St. Stratford, ON

**November 09** - First Quarter Board Festival Motor Inn  
Essay Contest afternoon -

Midwestern Ontario District of Optimist International

Visit our website to stay updated  
[www.Optimistmwo.ca](http://www.Optimistmwo.ca)

O.I. - Visit their site to see - There is a lot of things going on from 30 and Under 30 (those are people who are young remember) - Disaster Relief and more. See who your leaders our and many other things.



**BINGO DATES • BINGO DATES • BINGO DATES • BINGO**



**Captain Joe**

**Captain Rick**

**Captain Kyle**

Dec 22  
Feb 02  
Mar 15  
Apr 26  
Jun 07

Nov 24  
Jan 05  
Feb 16  
Mar 29  
May 10  
Jun 21

Dec 08  
Jan 19  
Mar 01  
Apr 12  
May 24



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**KW Optimist Club**  
**Meetings are**  
**Dinner:**  
2nd Tues of the month.  
**Board Meetings:**  
4th Tues of the month



**OPTIMIST CLUB**  
WESTVALE-WATERLOO  
*Friend of Youth*

The Optimist Club of  
  
Kitchener-Waterloo

Join us for a round of golf  
and some good fun  
in support of the Optimist Clubs  
of Kitchener-Waterloo  
and Westvale-Waterloo

**Where:** Golf Without Limits  
283 Northfield Dr. E., Waterloo ON

**When:** Saturday November 9, 2019

**Cost:** \$50 per player/ \$200 per team  
Includes pizza, wings, snacks, (gluten-free option available).  
Refreshments available for purchase.

**Tee Times:** 9:00 am, 12:30 pm, 4:00 pm, 7:30 pm  
Book early. Full payment will guarantee tee times.

**Format:** 4 person Scramble (a.k.a. Best Ball)

**Prizes:** 1st place, 2nd place, and Most Likely to Improve  
(we're Optimists!)

Your participation will help support numerous youth programs and events run  
by your local Optimist Clubs.

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Have Fun!



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**GOLF WITHOUT LIMITS**  
Indoor Golf Club & Academy



## HISTORY LESSON FOR TODAY

1... WHY: do men's clothes have buttons on the right while women's clothes have buttons on the left?

BECAUSE: When buttons were invented, they were very expensive and worn primarily by the rich. Since most people are right-handed, it is easier to push buttons on the right through holes on the left. Because wealthy women were dressed by maids, dressmakers put the buttons on the maid's right! And that's where women's buttons have remained since.

2.... WHY: do ships and aircraft use 'mayday' as their call for help?

BECAUSE: This is an internationally recognized signal for help. It comes from the French word m'aidez - meaning 'help me' - and is pronounced, approximately, 'mayday.'

3.... WHY are zero scores in tennis called 'love'?

BECAUSE: In France, where tennis became popular, the round zero on the scoreboard looked like an egg and was called 'l'oeuf,' which is French for 'the egg.' When tennis was introduced in the US, Americans (naturally), mispronounced it 'love.'

4.... WHY: do X's at the end of a letter signify kisses?

BECAUSE: In the Middle Ages, when many people were unable to read or write, documents were often signed using an X. Kissing the X represented an oath to fulfill obligations specified in the document. The X and the kiss eventually became synonymous.

5... WHY: is shifting responsibility to someone else called 'passing the buck'?

BECAUSE: In card games, it was once customary to pass an item, called a buck, from player to player to indicate whose turn it was to deal. If a player did not wish to assume the responsibility of dealing, he would 'pass the buck' to the next player. Here is an interesting side note: Aboard British and American warships it has long been the custom to have a small statue or other object designated as "the buck" on the wardroom table at meals. The officer who is seated at the buck is served first, after the Captain. At the end of the meal the buck is passed to the officer sitting to the right and that officer will be served first at the next meal, thereby ensuring that everyone eventually gets a chance to have a hot meal.

### The Optimist Creed



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#### Promise Yourself

To be so strong that nothing can disturb your peace of mind.

To talk health, happiness and prosperity to every person you meet.

To make all your friends feel that there is something in them.

To look at the sunny side of everything and make your optimism come true.

To think only of the best, to work only for the best, and to expect only the best.

To be just as enthusiastic about the success of others as you are about your own.

To forget the mistakes of the past and press on to the greater achievements of the future.

To wear a cheerful countenance at all times and give every living creature you meet a smile.

To give so much time to the improvement of yourself that you have no time to criticize others.

To be too large for worry, too noble for anger, too strong for fear, and too happy to permit the presence of trouble.

