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**Prize Deadline**  
**Feb. 6<sup>th</sup>**

# EAST NEWS

## The Early Riser

### Into the New Year with the Pres...

*Alex Twells*

We are off to a wonderful start to the year with Wheels and Deals effectively sold two months in advance. Thanks for all your efforts to achieve this. The pressure is now on to find spectacular prizes and get the forms into Steve Wedgewood as soon as possible.

This is a good opportunity to welcome two new directors-elect, Linda Hensman and Joel Sweeny to the board. I am delighted to be adding some wisdom and experience to our board of relatively fresh Rotarians. We are still seeking a treasurer for the year starting in July this year. We have been lucky in the last few years to have a flow of accountants coming through, but anyone who has run a business or small organisation would be more than capable of handling the task and there is some very useful Rotary software that all the hard mathematics for you. So if you want to get closer to the decision making action we would love to hear from you.

A few dates for your diary. For those of you have never been to a Rotary District Conference I would like to encourage you to think about making a trip to Antigonish in May 7 -9<sup>th</sup>. I have been lucky enough to attend the last three conferences and they have all been wonderful experiences. The quality of speakers is world class and the conference provides just the best way to understand a little bit more about the wider world of Rotary. It is also a fabulous social event and a chance to make and renew friendships with other likeminded people. The club will be

offering a subsidy for members wishing to travel (details to be published next month).

If you can't make the full conference in May there are plans for a mini conference on April 4th here in St John's. Again, more details to follow next month.

### Let's Get Those Prizes In...

*Steve Wedgewood – Prize Chief*

We have had some movement on the prizes this past week, we now have a total of 8 members confirmed as prize givers!

12.5% of the club is on board now.

### Thanks for the Hamper...

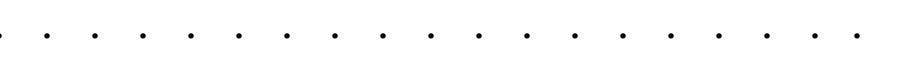
*Miriam MacLeod*

Gordon's wife, Heather Martin received and passed on to me some cards of thanks from families who received Christmas hampers at Bishop Abraham. I thought this one might be worth reprinting in the Early Riser.

“Thank you so much for your kindness and for going out of your way to ensure my family has a good Christmas. I've been very emotional over this and words can never tell you how much this has meant to me. You were like our Christmas angel and I can't wait to one day tell my children all about this act of kindness and how it made our Christmas.

I hope your Christmas is as good as ours.  
Gratefully yours...”

# Family Breakfast Photo Gallery





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# WHEELS & DEALS

Valentine's Gala 2009



*Get lucky this Valentine's Night!*