



Swing into Spring Golf Tournament Raises More than \$14,500



Chilliwack, B.C. – The beautiful Cultus Lake Golf Club, sunshine, a fabulous hole-in-one prize (a car), and silent auction items including a jersey signed by Daniel Sedin greeted participants in the first *Swing into Spring* tournament. This event, hosted by the Rotary Club of Chilliwack Fraser, raised more than \$14,500 for the pediatrics unit at Chilliwack General Hospital and other charities. Crystal De Jager helped to organize the tournament and sponsored a putting contest with her colleagues from Sutton Showplace Realty (2015).

"The event went great and we had super weather," reports Crystal, who spent much of the day volunteering at the putting green. "It was a lot of fun and apparently it was quite difficult," she says with a laugh. "Only two people made a hole-in-one putt."

Adding to the fun of the day, *Swing into Spring* awarded prizes for the best scoring team, which had an impressive -11 and the least lucky team with a score of +11. Regardless of the numbers, everyone felt like a winner for assisting multiple charities.

In addition to contributing to the pediatrics unit of the local hospital, this Rotary club recently announced their support of four grassroots programs: the B.C. Agriculture in the Classroom Foundation; Abbotsford Restorative Justice (to enhance restorative mentoring for at-risk youth); L.I.F.E. Recovery, residential housing for at-risk women; and JOSHUA House, an organization that houses men in need.

Crystal is thrilled to be a member of the Rotary Club of Chilliwack Fraser for the past 2.5 years and pleased that the team at Sutton Showplace Realty (2015) joined her in sponsoring the putting green contest. Given the success of this first golf fundraiser, she expects the club will host *Swing into Spring* again in 2019.



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