

# Berita Pudu





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The Weekly eBulletin of the Rotary Club of Pudu Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia RI District 3300

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#### PROGRAMME FOR TODAY

Speaker: Mr Stuart Chong

Subject: Energy From Recycling Waste

#### On Duty

Duty Table: Rtn Elaine Tan
Fellowship: Rtn Chinniah
Finemaster: Rtn Loo Ming Chee
Introducing: Rtn Roy Sreenivasan
Thanking: PP Richard Liew

#### Rotarians' Birthdays (June)

06<sup>th</sup> – Rtn Mok Sin

#### PROGRAMME FOR NEXT WEEK

Speaker: Rtn Asok Kumar

Subject: Real Estate- Past, Present and Future

#### On Duty

Duty Table: Rtn Steven Ho Fellowship: Rtn Edward Lee Finemaster: Rtn Robert Tan

Introducing: Rtn Sarkunan Subramaniam Thanking: PP Daro' N K Jasani :

#### Spouses Birthdays (June)

04th – Ann Datin Boon Kee (PP Dato' Steven Oon)

15th – Ann Elsie (Rtn Edward Lee)

#### Wedding Anniversaries (June)

06<sup>th</sup> – Rtn May Lim and Rtn Johnny Lim

#### **CLUB DIARY OF EVENTS - JUNE 2014**

| Date   | Time   | Programme  | Venue   |
|--|--|--|---|
| Mon, 2 <sup>nd</sup> June Tue, 3 <sup>rd</sup> June Wed, 4th June Thurs, 5 <sup>th</sup> June Mon, 9 <sup>th</sup> June Tue, 10 <sup>th</sup> June Wed, 11 <sup>th</sup> June Wed, 11 <sup>th</sup> June Thu, 12 <sup>th</sup> June Mon, 16 <sup>th</sup> June Tue, 17 <sup>th</sup> June Wed, 18 <sup>th</sup> June Wed, 18 <sup>th</sup> June Wed, 21 <sup>st</sup> June Mon, 23 <sup>rd</sup> June Tue, 24 <sup>th</sup> June Wed, 25 <sup>th</sup> June Mon, 30 <sup>th</sup> June | 12.45 pm 6.30 pm 6.30 pm 6.30 pm 6.30 pm 12.45 pm 6.30 pm 7.30 pm 7.30 pm 12.45 pm 6.30 pm 6.30 pm 6.30 pm 6.30 pm 12.45 pm 6.30 pm 12.45 pm 6.30 pm | Weekly Meeting Incoming Club Service Committee Meeting 48 <sup>th</sup> Installation Committee Meeting Outgoing Club Service Committee Meeting Weekly Meeeting Incoming Youth Service Committee Meeting Outgoing Youth Service Committee Meeting Outgoing/Incoming Community Service Committee Meeting Romanian Night Weekly Meeting Incoming International Service Comm Meeting Outgoing/Incoming Vocational Service Committee Meeting District Awards & Handover Night  Weekly Meeting Incoming Board of Directors Meeting Outgoing Board of Directors Meeting Weekly Meeting Weekly Meeting | Shangri-La Hotel, KL Residence of Rtn Jeff Yap Bukit Kiara Club President Alex's Office Shangri-La Hotel, KL Bukit Kiara Club Bukit Kiara Club Bukit Kiara Club Romanian Embassy Shangri-La Hotel, KL Selangor Club, Bukit Kiara Bukit Kiara Club  Bukit Jalil Golf & Country Resort Shangri-La Hotel, KL Bukit Kiara Club President Alex's Office Shangri-La Hotel, KL |
|  |  |  |   |

### **EDITORIAL**

nce upon a time, two brothers who lived on adjoining farms fell into conflict. It was the first serious rift in 40 years of farming side by side, sharing machinery, and trading labour and goods as needed without a hitch. Then the long collaboration fell apart. It began with a small misunderstanding and it grew into a major difference, and finally it exploded into an exchange of bitter words followed by weeks of silence.

One morning there was a knock on John's door. He opened it to find a man with a carpenter's toolbox. "I'm looking for a few days work," he said. "Perhaps you would have a few small jobs here and there. Could I help you?" "Yes," said the older brother. "I do have a job for you. Look across the creek at that farm. That's my neighbour. In fact, it's my younger brother. Last week there was a meadow between us and he took his bulldozer to the river levee and now there is a creek between us. Well, he may have done this to spite me, but I'll give him one better. See that pile of lumber curing by the barn? I want you to build me a fence - an 8-foot fence - so I won't need to see his place anymore. Cool him down anyhow."

The carpenter said, "I think I understand the situation. Show me the nails and the post hole digger and I'll be able to do a job that pleases you." The older brother had to go to town for supplies, so he helped the carpenter get the materials ready and then he was off for the day.

The carpenter worked hard all that day measuring, sawing, and nailing. About sunset when the farmer returned, the carpenter had just finished his job. The farmer's eyes opened wide, his jaw dropped. There was no fence there at all. It was a bridge - a bridge stretching from one side of the creek to the other! A fine piece of work - handrails and all - and the neighbour, his younger brother, was coming across, his hand outstretched. "You are quite a fellow to build this bridge after all I've said and done." The two brothers stood at each end of the bridge, and then they met in the middle, taking each other's hand.

They turned to see the carpenter hoist his toolbox on his shoulder. "No, wait! Stay a few days. I've a lot of other projects for you," said the older brother. "I'd love to stay on," the carpenter said, " but I have many more bridges to build."

Everyday we have the choice of building fences or bridges. One leads to isolation and the other to openness

Warmest Regards. PP Mike Tung

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

"Athletes need to enjoy their training. They don't enjoy going down to the track with a coach making them do repetitions until they're exhausted. From enjoyment comes the will to win."

— Arthur Lydiard

2014 FIFA World Cup Brazil is in the air, it will be a month-long affair between June 12- July 13, 2014.

The Rotary Club of Oswestry, is running a World Cup 2014 Sweepstake for charity, we in Pudu, are busy preparing for the installation...

http://www.rotary-ribi.org/clubs/page.php? PgID=447119&ClubID=1091

Football will enter a feverish pitch in June and we do not need to import two Pandas from China as we will have our very own panda-looking Rotarians throughout the month. The players on the field will be chasing the ball, the Rotarians will join them too, but in the 'mamak' stalls (*local coffee shops*)... So in the World Cup years, all Rotary Presidents should expect a slow down in activities of the Club.

Perhaps this is one the reasons why June is designated as a "Rotary Fellowships Month".

I have read an illuminating article about the England Football Team Manager, and their longest serving manager Walter Winterbottom which I like to share some parts with you.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/ England national football team manager

"The role of an England national football team manager was first established in May 1947 with the appointment of Walter Winterbottom. Before this, the England team was selected by the "International Selection Committee", a process in which the Football Association (FA) would select coaches and trainers from the league to prepare the side for single games, but where all decisions ultimately remained under the control of the committee. A 1–0 defeat by Switzerland prompted FA secretary Stanley Rous to raise Winterbottom from "National Director of coaching" to "Manager"...

...The England manager's job is subject to intense press scrutiny, often including revelations about the incumbent's private life. Due to the high level of expectation of both the public and media the role has been described as "the impossible job" or compared in importance in national culture to that of the British Prime Minister...

...Four wins from four matches enabled England's qualification for the 1958 World Cup only for Winter-(Continued on page 11)

## **PUDU NEWS**

Record of Meeting on: 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2014

Guest Speaker: PP Dato Muslim Subject: ClubRunner

| Visiting Rotarians                    |   |  |
|---------------------------------------|---|--|
| Rtn Kim Ng                            | RC Pantai Valley                          |  |
|                                       |   |  |
| Guests                                |   |  |
| Ann Elaine Chang                      | President Alex Chang                      |  |
| Shawn Chang                           | President Alex Chang                      |  |
| Louisa Chang                          | President Alex Chang                      |  |
| Raja Madiha                           | President Alex Chang                      |  |
| Michelle Fork                         | President Alex Chang                      |  |
| Victorine Lee Su Ling Mr Kenneth Wong | President Alex Chang President Alex Chang |  |
| Ms Rosana Meili                       | President Alex Chang                      |  |
| Ms Shirley Thum                       | PP Leong Choy Ying                        |  |
| Ms Giselle Chong                      | PP Mike Tung                              |  |
| Ann Tan                               | Rtn Tenny Lee                             |  |
| William Tan                           | Rtn Tenny Lee                             |  |
| Ms Jojo Chan                          | Rtn Kim Ng                                |  |
| Rtc Yeoh Siew Peng                    | Club                                      |  |
| Ms Liew                               | Club                                      |  |

#### **CLUB PROCEEDINGS**

Sgt-At-Arms Rtn Tenny called the meeting to order at 1.20 pm on behalf of President Alex Chang. She welcomed all visiting Rotarians and guests. She then led in the singing of the National Anthem and then proposed the Loyal Toast.

PP Gary Lim was the fine master.

- PP Dato' Muslim was fined RM2 as the guest speaker.
- PP Choy Ying was fined RM2 for her long absence and another RM2 for returning from overseas..
- Incoming BOD, President Alex and Rtn Tenny were fined RM2 each for the change of installation date and time.
- Rotarians chatting outside the function room were fined RM1
- PP Mike Yeow was fined RM2 for not going to Haadyai.
- President Alex was fined RM2 for the poor lunch attendance.
- Rtn Tenny was fined RM2 for inviting her guests.
- PP Sim Bee was fined RM2 for interrupting the fine session.
- PP Dato' Muslim was fined RM5 for his birthday celebration in advance.
- President Alex was fined RM5 for standing next to PP Dato' Muslim during the photo op.

| Statistics                 |           |
|----------------------------|-----------|
| Guests Visiting Rotarians  | 15<br>1   |
| Club Members Total Present | 15<br>31  |
| Collections:               |           |
| Birthdays/Anniv/Fines      | 51.00     |
| Paying Diners              | 290.00    |
| Raffles & Others           |           |
| Total (RM)                 | RM 341.00 |

#### **PRESIDENT'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- 1) The Incoming Club Service Committee Meeting will be held on Tuesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2014 at the Bukit Kiara Equestrian Club, KL at 6.30 pm.
- 2) The 48<sup>th</sup> Installation Committee Meeting will be held on Wednesday, 4<sup>th</sup> June 2014 at the Bukit Kiara Equestrian Club, KL at 6.30 pm.

#### **INTRODUCING THE SPEAKER**

PP Mike Yeow introduced the guest speaker PP Dato' Muslim Ayob who presented a talk on the subject "ClubRunner."

#### **THANKING THE SPEAKER**

PP Ng Sim Bee thanked PP Dato' Muslim Ayob for a very educational and informative presentation. He commented that the presentation has highlighted the integration of



data which will be easily available to all members. He suggested to Dato to organise a seminar for the benefit of all members. He then presented a memento to PP Dato' Muslim.

#### **SPEAKER'S CV**

PP Dato Muslim is one of our vintage Rotarians having joined the Club in 1975. However, he had a break in 1980 but rejoined the Club upon his retirement from the Air Force in 1994. He has served the Club in various capacities and was responsible for the Club's website since 1996 to-date. Together with his colleague, the late PP Zaid Ishak, they set up the District's website in 1996 and also maintained it until 2004. He was the Club President in RY 1998-99 and later served the District as the IT Chair and Literacy Chair until 2006. He is a PHF and JRF contributor. For his services to Rotary he was recipient of the 4-Avenues of Service Award.

Dato Muslim joined the Royal Malaysian Air Force on 2 Jan 1959 just six months after it was formed on 1 June 1958. Thus he was one of the pioneers in the Air Force. He had an illustrious career in the Air Force, having served in various capacities and was responsible for setting up several units of the Air Force like the Air Support Command and the RMAF Inspectorate. He served the Air Force for 35 years and retired in July 1994 in the rank of Major General.

His passion is IT; and travelling—not the usual common-or-garden variety — but overland 4x4. Last year 2013 he was in the Australian Outback and this year he is planned to do Mongolia and the Russian Far East.

#### **SPEAKER'S TEXT**



#### What is ClubRunner?

- An Official Rotary International Licensee, ClubRunner, is an award-winning collaboration tool for clubs that want to effectively:
  - Reach member:
  - Improve communication between members
  - Better organize their club
- It is an online service comprised of powerful tools designed to:
  - · Maintain your club data
  - Boost communications
  - Organize events and volunteers
  - · Help your club run more efficiently and easily



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## What are the Key Benefits of ClubRunner?

- Superior communication features
- · Effortless web presence & availability of club information
- · Effective club image & improved public relations
- · Stronger membership growth and retention
- · Centralized club reporting and administration
- Better handling of events and volunteers
- Increased data security
- Automatic transfer of information between districts and other clubs

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## Website Manager

- Maintaining effective web presence is one of the most challenging tasks clubs face today.
  - Other challenges include presentation, image handling, timely updates and the overall organization of a website.
- ClubRunner minimizes technical issues related to website presentation and maintenance by allowing you to focus on the actual contents of your site such as news, events, links, documents and photos.
- Also, the ability to edit the website is not limited to one person.
  - Access can be granted to many contributing members, making it more current and interesting.

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#### **SPEAKER'S TEXT**

#### Website Manager

#### Content

You can easily add the following content to your website:

- Upcoming speakers
- · Links to other websites
- Events calendar
- Photo albums
- · Registration forms and flyers
- Custom site pages for committees and projects
- Private members only document storage for Word, Excel or PDF
- Sponsor advertisements to raise funds
- YouTube videos, RSS feeds, and links to social networking sites

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### Member Directory



ClubRunner makes it easy to manage your member directory by:

- Maintaining your member database with photos
  - · Allowing each member update his or her own profile
  - Printing or downloading an up-to-date photo directory
  - •Creating additional fields to track more information
  - Sending automatically generated notices to RI to synchronize with their databases
  - Easy conversion to Excel, Word and CSV

Member information is **not** available to the general public. ClubRunner stores your directory database safely in a password-protected members-only area of your site.

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### Message Center

ClubRunner **simplifies** the way club members **communicate** via email—whether it be within their club, to prospective members, club directors or special groups and committees.



In addition, email addresses are **centralized**. This means that if a member changes his/her address, it is **reflected everywhere**, in all distribution lists, without the need to notify others.

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#### eBulletin

The <u>eBulletin</u> is a great way to boost public relations, club image and membership growth and retention.

Create a professional email newsletter quickly by incorporating contents such as stories, news, speakers and events from the website.

ClubRunner's bulletins are displayed within the body of the email itself, not as an attachment or a link.
Readers will more likely begin reading the newsletter right away.

ClubRunner's bulletins



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#### **Event Planner**

Organizing and promoting your club's events has never been easier.
ClubRunner helps you with these event planning functions:

- Posting an event page
- Email Invitations
- Online Registrations
- Volunteer Management
- Communication
- Requesting help
- Printing guest lists and name tags



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## Volunteer Management



Volunteers are the heart of a Rotary club. ClubRunner makes it easy to manage the task of organizing tasks, time slots, and sign-up sheets.

Issue reminders and emails easily to all relevant parties.

"Within minutes I had an online signup sheet, emailed the entire membership, and starting getting volunteers! Thank-you ClubRunner!" - Brenda M.

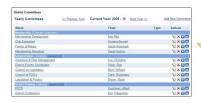
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#### **SPEAKER'S TEXT**

#### Committees Module

Specify your club committees, the corresponding chairs, their members and contact details.



Allow all members to view your club's organization chart and its members, by year.

## Attendance Manager

Keeping track of members' attendance is quick and easy. Just add the meeting, then check off those who attended.

 ${\tt ClubRunner\ will\ calculate\ members'\ Year-to-Date\ percentages,\ meeting\ percentages,\ as\ well\ as\ monthly\ reports.}$ 



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### Database Integration with RI

- ClubRunner is the first vendor to have fully integrated its database with RI and is the leader in terms of the number of fields integrated.
- The RI Integration feature syncs:
  - Member Information
  - Member Terminations
  - Club Officers and Executive Information
  - Club Information



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ttp://web.clubrunner.ca/ri-integration

## Dues & Billing

Generate invoices and email or print them to members with ease with ClubRunner's Dues & Billing module.



Create unlimited items, and specify recipients' quantities and prices.

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## Photo Manager

"A picture is worth a thousand words".

- · Uploading and sharing photos has never been this easy
- No need to handle image resizing or compression
- Categorize your photos in a series of journals

Custom captions
 Navigation Panels

Display photos on homepage



## **Custom Reports & Directories**

- Reports available in ClubRunner can be exported in either PDF or Excel format.
- Complete with charts and graphs, ClubRunner allows you to create numerous reports to help you keep track of the most important information.
- View birthday/anniversary reports, track attendance history and trends, download a member photo directory and much more.

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#### **EDITOR'S NOTES**

This is a long presentation with 63 slides. For the full presentation, please go to the <u>website homepage</u> for a video of the presentation.

## **CLUB MEETING ON 2 JUNE 2014**



Top Table



SAA— Rtn Tenny Lee



PP Gary Lim new job as "Finemaster"



Good fellowship



Pres Alex and PP Michael Yeow with Rotaractors



Visiting Rtn and potential members

## **CLUB MEETING ON 2 JUNE 2014**



PP Michael Yeow introducing the Speaker



The Speaker — PP Dato Muslim



Listening intently



PP Sim Bee thanking the Speaker



PP Sim Bee presenting memento to the Speaker



PP Dato Muslim had an early 75th birthday

## **ROMANIAN NIGHT**

#### Dear Rotarians

On June 12, 2014 we have been invited by the Romanian Embassy for the Romanian Night. The Embassy can accommodate 4 tables of 10 guests and therefore 20 guests from PUDU have been invited to join 20 Romanians.

The Program is as follows:

7.30pm Arrival of Guest

(At the Embassy of Romania of No. 114 Jalan Damai, Off Jln Ampang, 55000 Kuala Lumpur)

- 8.00pm Dinner is Served
- 8.30pm Welcome Speech by the International Service Director, Roy Sreenivasan
- 8.35pm Welcome Speech by President Alex Chang
- 8.45pm Welcome Speech by the Ambassador, His Excellency Constantin Volodea Nistor

10.00pm President Alex Chang Thanking the Ambassador, His Excellency Constantin Volodea Nistor

10.05pm Presentation of Memento by First Lady Ann Elaine

Note: Romanian Food and wine will be courtesy of the Embassy, Pudu will take charge of the rental of table chairs and dining set up.

Registration will be on a first come first served basis. Please register early to Ms Chow at <a href="mailto:chow@AlexChangLaw.com">chow@AlexChangLaw.com</a>

Yours In Rotary Roy Sreenivasan International Service Director RY 2013/14

Right — The Romnian Embassy in Jalan Damai off Jalan Ampang Kuala Lumpur



Left — Pres Alex Chang and International Service Director, Rtn Roy Sreenivasan with the Romanian Ambassador

## **CLUB & DISTRICT DIARY OF EVENTS - FUTURE**

| Date  | Time                     | Programme   | Venue  |
|---|--------------------------|---|--|
| Sat, 21 <sup>st</sup> June 2014  Sat, 28 <sup>th</sup> June 2014  Sat, 19 <sup>th</sup> July 2014  Sun, 10 <sup>th</sup> Aug 2014  17 <sup>th</sup> -21 <sup>st</sup> Sept 2014  27 <sup>th</sup> -28 <sup>th</sup> Sept 2014  15 <sup>th</sup> -16 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2014  19 <sup>th</sup> - 23 <sup>rd</sup> Nov 2014  5 <sup>th</sup> -7 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2014 | 7.30 pm 10.00 am 1.00 pm | District Awards & Handover Night  Stop Hunger Now Project R C Pudu 48 <sup>th</sup> Installation Night TRF, Membership & Public Image Seminar RYLA District Governor's Official Visit Pre PETS 2015-2016 2014 Kota Kinabalu Rotary Institute  80 <sup>th</sup> R I District 3300 Conference | Bukit Jalil Golf & Country Resort Sunway Pyramid, PJ Shangri la Hotel, KL  Sutera Harbour Resort & Spa, Kota Kinabalu. |

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE (cont'd)

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bottom's side to fail in the group play-off stage, losing 1-0 to USSR. England lost to Brazil in the quarter-final of the 1962 World Cup in Chile and, under attack from the British press, Winterbottom resigned five months later. He remains the longest serving manager of England..."

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- Mike Krzyzewski

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Alex Chang President RY 2013-14



## **NOTICE BOARD**

## INSTALLATION OF OUR 48<sup>TH</sup> PRESIDENT

President Elect Daisy Chiu will be installed at a **LUNCH** function at Shangri-la Hotel KL on **Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> JULY 2014**. Please take note and liaise with PDG Dr Paul Lee for your seats/seating arrangement. Following the Installation there will be a BBQ Dinner at PP Dato Dr Lee Hoo Teong's house (on a date to be agreed.)

## DISTRICT NEWS

#### **DISTRICT AWARDS**



Fellow Rotarians,

The District Awards and Handover Night is an annual District event where we recognise and honour the achievements of our clubs and fellow Rotarians. This year, our club, RC Puchong Centennial has been given the responsibility and honour of hosting this event by the District Governor.

Join us to share the celebrations of the clubs and fellow Rotarians.

Attend in numbers to show our appreciation to our beloved District Governor Datuk Dr Mohinder Singh and Datin Helen for his unwavering leadership.

Submit your details via online registration link :-

Registration form: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1Yxk41LM9o38hj4Hb\_QGCCkoFWhGIZE4FNWsyh0L8nSo/viewform?usp=send\_form

Thereafter make the payment within a week to ensure confirmation of your booking.

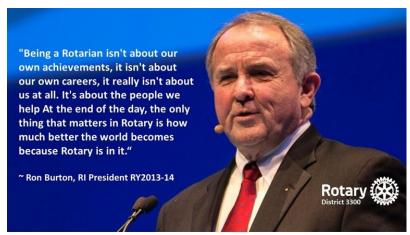
Regards

PP Lim Poh Huu Organising Chairman RC Puchong Centennial H/p 019-2139148

## DISTRICT NEWS

#### THE DISTRICT AWARDS AND HANDOVER NIGHT 2014

will be an event to witness the good work Rotary Clubs in our district have carried out in RY2013 -14. Under the able leadership of our DG Datuk Dr Mohinder Singh and his team, much have been achieved.



It is not a night just about awards only. Come, witness and share the achievements of our District 3300 with our fellow Rotarians.

Honour the leadership of our District, as outgoing DG Datuk Dr Mohinder Singh hands over the office of leadership to our first lady District Governor Kirenjit Kaur.

We have arranged an interesting programme. Good entertainment. Good 7-course dinner. Drinks? - BYO. No corkage charges.

Register via: <a href="https://docs.google.com/forms/d/14xk41LM9o38hj4Hb\_QGCCkoFWhGIZE4FNWsyh0L8nSo/viewform?">https://docs.google.com/forms/d/14xk41LM9o38hj4Hb\_QGCCkoFWhGIZE4FNWsyh0L8nSo/viewform?</a> usp=send\_form

Thereafter make the payment to ensure confirmation of your booking.

16 tables taken up, 14 more to go! Those who have made bookings please make your payment asap

Rgds

PP Lim Poh Huu Organising Chairman Host Club RC Puchong Centennial H/p 019-2139148

See you at this event on Saturday 21st June 2014

## **RI NEWS**

#### **SYDNEY CONVENTION DAY 1**

As Rotary members from around the world filed into Allphones Arena for the opening ceremony of the 2014 International Convention in Sydney, they were greeted by news that the Australian government will commit \$100 million over five years to help eradicate polio.

Australian Prime Minister

Tony Abbott and New South
Wales Premier Mike Baird
were on hand to address the
convention and assure Rotary
members of Australia's commitment to their cause. Abbott
has been at the center of attacks in recent days for his
proposed federal budget, but
he walked out to a standing
ovation. "I don't normally get
such an enthusiastic welcome," he quipped after the
audience returned to their



seats. "I just hope there are plenty of Australians out there."

"Please do not applaud the Australian government for what it does," Abbott added. "Applaud yourselves for what you do."

Before Abbott delivered his remarks, he met with Rotary International President Ron Burton, General Secretary John Hewko, and other senior leaders. They implored him to build on his country's fiscal



commitment to polio with additional leadership, specifically in polio endemic countries. The prime minister was receptive, asked questions, and said he looked forward to continue building pathways toward a healthier world. Burton presented him with a few gifts, including his presidential tie.

Later in the program, Burton delivered the keynote address, and spoke passionately about Rotary's inability to get a fair return on its monetary investments into Youth Exchange, RYLA, Rotaract, and Interact.

"I would submit to you that we fail to adequately capitalize on our investment [to those programs]," he added. "It's our own fault. We need to start treating our New Generations as family and welcome them all into Rotary before we lose them."

Burton has invested a great deal of his time in the last two years to youth programs, helping to ensure Rotary prospers well into the future.

"The bottom line is that Rotary's future – its very survival – is up to us," he said. "We can either get up out of our chairs and really make something happen, or we can just sit there and become an endangered species and eventually die off."

He went on to applaud Rotary members for their work to eradicate polio in India, which reminded him that if Rotary members can do that, "they can do anything." Tara Pullen, a member of the Rotaract Club of Gunargarang, Australia, appreciated Burton's message and love of Rotary.

"I know there are times when you feel stressed and overworked, but you should remember what is at the core of what you're doing for Rotary," she added. "It was an inspirational thing for me to think about."

Donald Young, a member of the Rotary Club of Cromwell, New Zealand, was also moved by Burton's speech. "I think we are all aware of some of the membership issues facing Rotary," he said. "I was glad to hear President Ron speak so bluntly about where we stand, and what we need to do to ensure our future."

Other Rotary members expressed their excitement about the Australian donation.

"I got goosebumps when the prime minister told us about the \$100 million their government will give toward polio eradication," said Bernd Egger, from the Rotary Club of Halberstatd, Germany. "It was really amazing and an honor for us."

Later in the program, Australian pop vocal group Human Nature entertained the audience. The four-man group has a long-running Motown-themed show in Las Vegas. To close out the opening session, Rl Director-elect Julia Phelps introduced the flags of the Rotary world. Two hundred and thirteen flags were presented, including the newest one, Myanmar. The Surf Lifesavers of New South Wales helped to inspire the flag ceremony, and a video of them rowing flags across the Sydney Harbor accompanied the presentation.

Source: Adam Ross and Ryan Hyland, Rotary International

## **RI NEWS**

#### SYDNEY CONVENTION TID-BITS



Introduction of Incoming Rotary International President Gary and Corrina Huang...the history and background of Gary Huang was read out by his Aide . Such a fantastic background introduction...The Extended family of the Huangs came on stage to a standing ovation!! Gary Huang captivated Rotarians with his speech, motivating us to stand together and to do so much more together..that is why we are in Sydney making connections and because we all Love Rotary...Gary wants everyone ... See More





Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation is really assisting Rotary to End Polio forever in support of Rotary's effort to End Polio in the world forever. This is the ever lasting gift that we as Rotarians can give to the children of the world...This way we can Light Up Rotary and make a difference that sets us apart ...Give to the Foundation my dear Rotarians in D3300...Your Giving changes the world! Lets be Rotary Proud and Light Up Rotary by sharing and giving ...





RI President Ron Burton gave an emotional and sensational farewell speech...Think I cried..huk..huk...I could not have imagined the efforts and sacrifice put in by President Ron Burton and his family thru their Rotary Year to "Engage Rotaru..Change Lives"...Our RY2013-2014 DG Datuk Mohinder Singh is a fine example of that fantastic commitment.." Engage Rotary..Change Lives"...A tribute to you DG Datuk Mohinder Singh...wow..it this feeling of bliss and awe is further heightened with the beautiful voice tahts pulling at my heart by the Ten Tenors....my heart to lie peaceful and calm...the world to be a better place...to reach the unreacheable star..This is my quest to follow my quest..no matter how far...and the world to be better for it. Thank you Rotary!



The 5 out of 60 District 3300 delegates



Isn't that red turban familiar?



Sir Emeka Offor of Nigeria who, at the Rotary convention on 3 June, gave another US\$1 million to Rotary to help end\_polio.

## **RI NEWS**

#### SYDNEY CONVENTION LAST DAY

ertrude Adzo Akpalo walked out of the Allphones Arena in Sydney more inspired than ever to do her part to inject youth and energy into Rotary, helping to secure its future.

"This was by far the best plenary session of the convention," said Akpalo, who is the director of youth activities for the Rotary Club of Accra East, Ghana. "All the speakers on New Generations gave us a clear message that engaging young minds will keep Rotary alive. I'm young myself, so this was the perfect message to take home," she added.

The fourth plenary session, held 4 June, focused on what's ahead for Rotary and featured young speakers who thrived under Rotary's New Generations and educational programs.

Plenary speaker Ramkumar Raju, Rotaract representative for District 3230 in India, played a key role in planning the Presidential New Generations Conference in Chennai in October, which attracted nearly 3,000 attendees and set a <u>Guinness World Record for the world's largest high</u>
<u>-five</u>.

"The impact of this project was so huge that there are more than 2,000 new Rotaract members in our district," said Raju. "We wanted to show the world that we are agents of change. I believe we accomplished that." Ronald S. Kawaddwa told attendees that his work as New Generations chair for District 9211 in Uganda has made him optimistic about what young people can achieve.

A 33-year-old member of the Rotary Club of Kasangati, Kawaddwa said Rotary's future depends on empowering our young members.

"If we are to realize Rotary's road to transformation, [the] new generation's development and empowerment are key," he said. "We cannot achieve sustainable development without addressing our youth and the issues that affect them."

Rotary Scholar **Kelsi Lopatecki Cox** is a prime example of what can happen when you nurture young people. During her speech to the convention audience, she championed innovative technology and education as a way to address poverty and under-



development in rural communities. She is program coordinator for the <u>Digital Learning Room</u>, a project that brings technology to schools in the South Pacific.

"The challenges faced by our world are great, and they won't go away overnight," said Cox. "By supporting education, by embracing technology, by daring to think outside of the box, we can address poverty and inequality. But we can't do it alone; when we join together, we are stronger. Together, we can create a world of opportunity."

## RAVINDRAN ACCEPTS 2015-16 ROTARY PRESIDENCY

K.R. "Ravi" Ravindran, a member of the Rotary Club of Colombo, Western Province, Sri Lanka, was elected the 2015-16 RI president, telling the audience he accepts "this life-time opportunity with great humility."



Ravindran acknowledges that Rotary is at a momentous period in its history.

"The great battle we waged against the insidious poliovirus is slowly but surely drawing to its finite end, and we are continuing to reach out to thousands with our humanitarian services," he said. "But let us continue to be vigilant;

let us not lull ourselves into complacency for we know our membership lingers and languishes." He encouraged Rotary members to communicate better and take advantage of the <u>resources available</u> to make Rotary's brand "shine brighter and louder, especially outside this organization," he said.

Closing out the fourth plenary session, attendees were treated to a preview of the 2015 Rotary Convention in São Paulo, Brazil. The Host Organization Committee shared a taste of Brazilian culture, including a traditional dance routine and a video invitation from Mayor Fernando Haddad.

Source: Ryan Hyland, Rotary International



## **RINEWS**

#### SYDNEY CONVENTION LAST DAY

RI President Ron Burton put the final touches on the 2014 Rotary Convention in Sydney by reminding a packed Allphones Arena why they joined Rotary.

"Being a Rotarian isn't about our own achievements, it isn't about our own careers, it really isn't about us at all. It's about the people we help," said Burton.
"At the end of the day.



RI President Ron Burton toasts the end of a successful convention at the close of the 2014 Rotary Convention in Sydney, Australia.

the only thing that matters in Rotary is how much better the world becomes because Rotary is in it."

The four-day event, which drew to a close on 4 June, attracted more than 18,000 attendees from 153 countries. Burton encouraged convention goers to return to their clubs ready to do more to improve the lives of others.

"Together, we can dream big and we can achieve. We can change whole communities for the better, not for a day but for a lifetime," he said.

Rotary changes lives by improving literacy, making water cleaner, bringing better health care to mothers and children, and eradicating polio worldwide, Burton said. But he warned that complacency could set Rotary back.

"That's why it isn't enough for any of us to just go through the motions, to show up at our clubs, to do just the minimum needed and no more," he added. "And it's why each of us has to remember, every hour of every day, what a responsibility we have."

## 2014 ROTARY CONVENTION ENDS WITH THE PASSING OF THE TORCH

#### Huang sets goal of increasing membership

Members of Burton's Rotary Club of Norman, Oklahoma, United States, and RI President-elect Gary C.K. Huang's club of Taipei, Taiwan, took the stage to exchange club banners, a tradition that unofficially marks a changing of the guard.

Huang will become Rotary International president on 1 July. During his term in office, he has set a goal of growing Rotary's membership to 1.3 million. Huang told the audience that increasing and sustaining membership will help Rotary achieve its goals. He shared a story about a small Taiwanese club that had only six members. But after asking their wives to join, the club grew to 29 members in three years because the spouses asked their friends to become members as well.

"I want to remind everyone that sometimes getting a new member is as easy as asking," said Huang, whose wife, Corinna, became a member in July. "It made perfect sense. She was a great match for Rotary. Corinna enjoyed it so much that our three children joined Rotary as well. They have been around Rotary their whole lives. They did not need to be convinced. It was a natural step for them," said Huang.



Huang, whose presidential theme for 2014-15 is Light Up Rotary, also encouraged members to conduct Rotary Days throughout the year to help the community become more familiar with Rotary's work.

RI President-elect Gary C.K. Huang, accompanied by his wife, Corinna, shares his membership goals with the audience at the closing plenary of the 2014 Rotary Convention in Sydney, Australia.

"It can be a day to educate your community about polio, it can be a service project, or a celebration. Just make sure to invite the

public, your families, and friends," he said. "Show your community what you do, both locally and internationally. Make sure your community knows that Rotary is there, that Rotary is active, Rotary is fun, and it is doing good work."

Huang gave attendees three words to guide them this year: hand, head, and heart. "Use your hand to help, use your head to make sure you are helping in the right place, and use your heart to make it sincere. Without your heart, nothing else matters."

Source: Ryan Hyland, Rotary International

## THOTS FOR THE WEEK

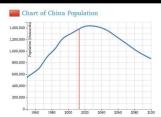
#### LIFE IN A CROWDED CITY

Do you feel like you live in an over-crowded city? Well, if you don't live in one of the top 20, you don't know what crowded means! Here is a sample; Tokyo at #17 with a population of 8,949,447 according to the 2010 census. (Source: http://worldpopulationreview.com/world-cities/tokyo-population/)

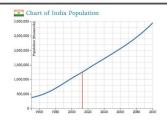




Tokyo Water Park, where their slogan reads ... "Welcome to breathtaking Tokyo Water Park where you can wash away the pressure and stress of the overcrowded city and relax with your friends in the soothing enjoyment of sun, fun and splashing."







## ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

## MORALITY OF DIS-HONESTY

Robbers entered a bank in a small town. One of them shouted: "Don't move! The money belongs to the bank. Your lives belong to you." Immediately all the people in the bank laid on the floor quietly and without panic.

(This is an example of how the correct wording of a sentence can make everyone change their view of the world.)

One woman laid on the floor in a provocative manner. The robber approached her saying, "Ma'am, this is a robbery not a rape. Please behave accordingly."

(This is an example of how to behave professionally, and focus on the goal.)

While running from the bank, the youngest robber (who had a college degree) said to the oldest robber (who had barely finished elementary school), "Hey, maybe we should count how much we stole."

The older man replied: "Don't be stupid. It's a lot of money so let's wait for the news on TV to find out how much money was taken from the bank."

(This is an example of how life experience is more important than a degree.)

After the robbery, the manager of the bank said to his accountant, "Let's call the cops and tell them how much has been stolen."

"Wait,", said the accountant, "before we do that, let's add the \$800,000 we took for ourselves a few months ago and just say that it was stolen as part of today's robbery."

(This is an example of taking advantage of an opportunity.)

The following day, it was reported in the news that the bank was robbed of \$3 million. The robbers then counted the money, but they found only \$1 million so they started to grumble.

## **NUDITY**

I was driving with my three young children one warm summer evening when a woman in the convertible ahead of us stood up and waved. She was stark naked!

As I was reeling from the shock, I heard my 5-year-old shout from the back seat, 'Mom, that lady isn't wearing a seat helt!'

### **MORE NUDITY**

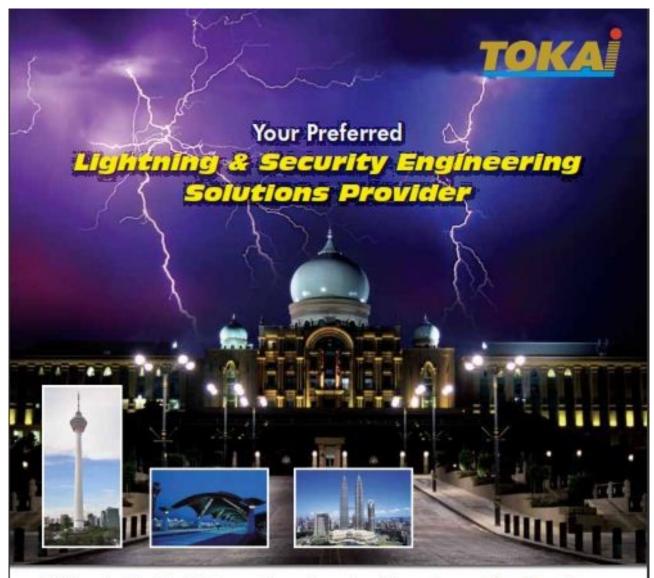
A little boy got lost at the YMCA and found himself in the women's locker room.

When he was spotted, the room burst into shrieks, with ladies grabbing towels and running for cover. The little boy watched in amazement and then asked, 'What's the matter, haven't you ever seen a little boy before?'

"We risked our lives for \$1 million, while the bank's management robbed two million dollars without blinking? Maybe its better to learn how to work the system, instead of being a simple robber."

(This is an example of how knowledge can be more useful than power.)

Moral of the story: Give a person a gun, and he can rob a bank. Give a person a bank, and he can rob everyone.



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