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## Last Week: Surprise!

**Our Guest Speaker Did Not Show Up....IPP Stacy gave a synopsis of the Refugee Situation in Hong Kong, and Dir. Bernard gave a presentation about Artificial Intelligence and Education.**

When life throws lemons....make lemonade!

The speaker that we had arranged went AWOL and left us in an interesting predicament. I (Stacy) sincerely apologise to all members who...showed up expecting a talk about Refugees in HK and only to be disappointed by this no show. Sorry.

Highlights from Last Meeting:

### Happy Birthday Peter!

The warmest highlight of the luncheon was Rotarian Peter's Birthday Song and Cake celebration. This was the first time that Peter celebrated his birthday at a club luncheon and he was absolutely beaming! His smile was from ear to ear, and he was extremely thankful and grateful. Peter shared with all of us that he really felt so wonderful to celebrate his birthday with his good friends. Happy Birthday to our Travelling Cycling Peter!



From Peter's Facebook Post:

Thank you so much

🙏 ....Words could not

express how much I

appreciate your fellowship,

well wishes, and blessings!

You have made me feel

wonderful...

感谢有你!



THE ROTARY CLUB OF HONG KONG ISLAND EAST

香港東區扶輪社週報

Club 16340 District 3450 Chartered on 06 April, 1954 by  
Charter President PDG (Uncle) John Yuen

### THE OBSERVER:

- P Gilbert called the meeting to order at 13:05.
- P Gilbert welcomed everyone back. Then delivered Club and District Announcements.
- There is the District Blind Bowling Tournament on January 20th. P Gilbert invited IPP Stacy to share about the Blind Bowling Tournament. PP Norman and IPP Stacy are forming a team. The more the merrier! Members do join!
- IPP Stacy read out Rotary Information.
- Happy Birthday Peter! (see write up below)
- Very embarrassing: The speaker did not show up.
- Thankfully our Rotarian Bernard is always prepared (and always so helpful and wonderful) that he pulled out a presentation on the topic of "The Implications of AI on Education"
- P Gilbert kindly reminded all members of our 65th Anniversary Party! Mark your dates April 6th 2019!
- Red Box was: 1200HKD
- Meeting ended at 14:00



### IPP Stacy's sharing about Refugees in Hong Kong

Here is a short overview about the NGO Refugeek:

RefuGeek is a series of courses that aim to offer refugees and asylum seekers around the world the opportunity to learn basic code and web design skills in order to give them the skills they need to succeed in society today.

Millions of people have been displaced from their homes due to conflicts and natural disasters. In the majority of these cases, these displaced people have missed out on their education, meaning that when they are finally relocated, they lack the necessary skills to survive in the modern world. An understanding of code and tech applications, however basic,

will make an enormous difference to potential employers, or their ability to start their own businesses. Here at RefuGeek, we believe that giving them a chance to learn these basic skills will increase their chances of employment and opportunities in life.

From the Wonderful Historical Archives of Tung Feng Bulletins of our Rotary Club of Hong Kong Island East: The Year our CP John Yuen served as President for the second time.

14th October 1970: Notes from the Club Assembly  
Club Business

"The other very successful project launched by David's committee is the Report of Narcotic Drugs in Hong Kong. A very excellent report which was produced by our past Rotarian Dennis Small when he was in Hong Kong. This booklet has been distributed throughout the world and is contained in the library of most people who have this social problem in their countries."

"A second (possible) project was a joint one in which it was possible for Rotary Clubs to gain access to a three storey building in Canton Road which the Government will lease to Rotary for youth club activities. Rotary would be responsible for equipment not for running of the centre."

## Dir. Bernard's Sharing about AI in Education

Bernard did a fantastic job explaining with us the possibilities of AI in Education. The highlight of his sharing was the very engaging debate and questions from the floor. Thank you Bernard!

Here is an online article that touches upon 7 Possible Roles of AI in Education. Reported by Matthew Lynch, May 5 2018:

### 7 ROLES FOR ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE IN EDUCATION

#### 1: Automated Grading

Imagine how much more teaching teachers will be able to do if they had help with their grading? With AI, the role of grader can be passed along. Current AI technology is already able to automate grading of multiple choice materials, but as AI develops and becomes more intelligent, it is expected that the technology will one day be able to grade more than standardized assessments.

#### 2. Support Teachers

In addition to helping with grading, AI will also provide support for teachers in other ways. Some of the routine task can be managed by AI, as well as communication with students. For example, one college professor successfully used an AI chatbot to communicate with students as a teaching assistant all semester without students knowing they were not talking to a human.



#### 3. Support Students

Pearson has already suggested that in the future students will have an AI lifelong learning companion. Essentially, this next generation of students will grow up with an AI companion that knows their personal history and school history. Therefore, it will know each student's individual strengths and weaknesses.

#### 4. Meet a Variety of Student Needs

In addition to acting as a personalized learning companion, AI will also be able to help students with special needs by adapting materials to lead them to success. For instance, studies are already showing positive results for AI teaching ASD students social skills.

#### 5. Allow Teachers to Act as Learning Motivators

As AI takes on more of a teaching role by providing students with basic information, it will change the role of teachers in the classroom. Teachers will move into the role of classroom facilitator or learning motivator.

#### 6. Provide Personalized Help

AI will also provide personalized tutoring for students outside of the classroom. When students need to reinforce skills or master ideas before an assessment, AI will be able to provide students with the additional tools they need for success.

#### 7. Identify Weaknesses in the Classroom

AI will also work in identifying classroom weaknesses. For instance, AI will identify when groups of students miss certain questions letting the teacher know when material needs to be retaught. In this way, AI will also hold teachers accountable and strengthen best teaching practices.

While artificial intelligence will not replace teachers altogether, it is possible that it will reshape the way teachers teach and students learn.

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## Announcements

**1. There will be no meeting on February 6th 2019**

**2. Upcoming Meetings:**

**February 13th 2019 - Chinese New Year Lunch!**

**February 20th 2019 - What your fingerprints can tell you about You!**

## JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

January 2nd - Peter Yeung

January 11th - PDG YK Cheng

January 25th - Tony Loy



**Club postal address** : P.O.Box 47064, Morrison Hill Post Office, Hong Kong

**Meeting Venue** : Regal HK Hotel, Causeway Bay, Hong Kong

**Meeting Schedules** : Every 1st and 3rd Wednesday at 12:30 pm

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