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Last Meeting: Harold Yip HK Challenge in Waste Reduction.

Our speaker Harold Yip previously held the role of General Manager of Double A paper. He is the Founder of Secure Information Disposal Services Limited (SSID), an award winning waste and environmental management company. In 2019, with the support of the



Recycling Fund, he and his partner launched Mil Mill. Mil Mill is the first pulp mill and education centre in Hong Kong. Mil Mill has the capability to process and convert 10 tones of beverage cartons daily into useable daily products such as recycle tissue paper and other paper products. It has over 400 recycle pick up points throughout Hong Kong.

Harold shared that for a considerable period of time: China was the biggest importer of recyclable. However, in early 2018 the Chinese Government implemented a ban on several times of recyclable waste imports. This decision targeted to promote investment in domestic recycling facilities and innovation in plastic production. Harold shared the following arguments as to why recycled paper is better:

- 1. No trees cut for recycled paper compared to 24 trees cut for 1 ton of virgin paper
- 2. 33% less energy usage
- 3. 37% less carbon footprint
- 4. 49% less water usage
- 5. 39% less solid waste
- 6. Less chemical usage

Harold ended his presentation on the note of a circular economy. A circular economy seeks to design waste out of the system.

"To put it simply, in a linear economy we mine raw materials that we process into a product that is thrown away after use. In a circular economy, we close the cycles of all these raw materials. Closing these cycles requires much more than just recycling."

(https://kenniskaarten.hetgroenebrein.nl/en/knowledge-map-circular-economy/how-is-a-circular-economy-different-from-a-linear-economy/O) He believes that a circular economy can help to reduce carbon emissions by 40% globally.

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

Meeting Notes:

- Meeting called to order at 1:01 p.m.
- P Leo delivered Club and District updates.
- We celebrated our November Birthday Boys: PP Tim and Dir. Mofiz. The Song leaders were PP George and PP Stacy. We sang Happy Birthday in our jolly good HKIE manner! :)
- PP George, our PP Council Rep, made an announcement with regards to the next 3 years of leadership of HKIE.
- Our PP Hubert officially thanked our speaker. PP Hubert echoed Harold's passion for sustainability and asked us to consider adaptive and consumer responsibility.
- Red box: 1,350HKD.

- Meeting adjourned at 1:58 p.m.





Our Present and Future Leaders!

In our previous meeting, PP George announced that our club has a leadership succession plan.

Our supposable next leaders are:

RY 2021 - 2022 Bernard Lee

RY 2022 - 2023 John Poon

RY 2023 - 2024 Rico Fung

We fully trust that these fine Rotarians will do their best in serving our club as Presidents, President-Elects, President-Nominees and VPs.

Congratulations to HKIE!

Preserve Planet Earth Beach Clean Up: November 14th 2020, Starfish Bay, Ma On Shan.

Our HKIE Group had a total of 11 volunteers: P Leo and his son Frederick, DGN Norman, PP William and Fanny, IPP Gilbert, Dir Kevin and Catherine, PP Stacy and her guests Phyllis and Jonah.

Once the project started our HKIE team went right to work and as you can see from our photos... Really got the job done! I'm pretty sure our HKIE Team alone cleared 100KG of plastic ocean trash! In total this service project removed 360KG of trash! Really amazing because the Beach Clean Up in October only cleared 89 KGS. Next service project is Tree Planting. On December 19th 2020 9am-12pm in Tai Po. Thank you for making a difference!









Announcements

- 1. December 2nd 2020: Speaker: Chris Wang
- 2. December 16th Christmas Dinner Party at the Hong Kong Golf Club (Deep Water Bay), RSVP via Dir. Kevin
- 3. December 19th 2020: Tree Planting
- 4. December 26th 2020: 2nd Community Fun Fair with Ultimate United. 1:00 pm 4:00 pm: Fun Fair, 5:30 pm 7:30 pm: Performance Showcase



Happy Birthday to our Splendid November Birthday Boys!

November 5th: PP Tim November 9th: PP Paul November 9th: Dir. Mofiz November 20th: PP Eddy







Fond Memories:

Visit to our Sister Club Rotary Club of Southsea Taipei.

A Group Photo of our 28 HKIE Rotarians in PP Henry's Year. All PPs sitting in front :)

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Meeting Venue: Regal HK Hotel, Causeway Bay, Hong Kong **Meeting Schedules**: Every 1st and 3rd Wednesday at 12:30 pm

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