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Our 46th Year of Rotary Service Chartered: 6th April, 1954 by Founding President, the late PDG (Uncle) John Yuen



What Happened Last Week

As President Desmond was away, PE Tajwar was in charge proceedings. He claimed that he had paid the sergeant for insurance. PE Tajwar reported about the farewell dinner held on 23 November for PP T K who would emigrate to Canada soon. He then handed over to PP Tim Lui to introduce the visitors and quests:

Rtn Don Goodier from UK
PP Kevin Wong from Rotary of Admiralty

Rtn Malcolm gave a report about the achievements of our Club at the District Sports Day. Our Club was represented by President Desmond, Rtn Malcolm ,Rtn Rudy and Rudy's daughter. Rtn Malcolm entered the 800 m race for his age and won.

PP John Kwok finally had got the plate on the trophy for 1998 Golf Tournament fixed and engraved with the correct name. He presented the trophy to the PP Hubert who almost forgot he won the trophy last year.

PP John Luk report that the Institute of Engineers organized a concert to raise funds for the Community Chest. He brought along a few copies of the video of the concert for members to purchase at \$100 each which would also go the Community Chest.

Rtn Kishu conducted the auction for the digital camera given to us by the Rotary Club of Osaka Jonan. PP Hubert, Rtn Jason, our speaker Mr. Michael Harpham and visiting Rotarian Don Goodier from UK were keen to bid and the camera was finally sold at \$2400 to Rtn Don Goodier.

The Sergeant Rtn Andrew reported that there were 19 members present and the collection was \$1540.

Rtn Malcolm introduced the speaker Mr Michael Harpham, Managing Director of the Symfonys Group and a consultant in team development and performance improvement. Instead of making a speech he played eight pieces of music to illustrate that different people would have different opinion or idea of what an effective team was. There was lively discussions about what an effective team should be but time did not permit a conclusion to be reached!

Rtn Joseph did the honour of thanking Mr Harpham for his thought provoking illustration.

To close the meeting Acting President Tajwar proposed a toast to Rotary International and the Clubs of the visiting Rotarians.



Rotary Information

Act now to participate in Some Exchange in 2000

Are you planning a brief or extended holiday abroad or even an in-country vacation? If so, Rotarian Joe Donachie asks you to consider utilizing the services and opportunities of the official Rotary International Home Exchange Fellowship, now in its 22nd year.

A member of the Rotary Club of Amherst, Nova Scotia, Canada, Donachie is chairman of the fellowship. He has also participated in several exchanges himself, trading a stay in his own home for holidays in the homes of Rotarians around the world.

"Fellowship members now have the opportunity to arrange exchanges with Rotarians in many fascinating parts of the world, including Australia, Brazil, Canada, Mexico, New Zealand, the United Kingdom, the United States, and several countries in continental Europe, "Donachie said."

Potential home exchangers should act soon to participate in the fellowship's opportunities for 2000, he said. All applications for listing in the annual directly must be received by 15 November. The directorty will then be mailed to all fellowship members early in 2000.

For more information, contact Donachie at 13 Regent Street, Amherst, NS B4H 356, Canada; fax: 902-667-0413; e-mail: rothome@fox.nstn.ca. or visit the fellowship's Web site at http://www.homexchange.rotary7820.com.

Rotary Information

Sydney-area districts prepare to welcome Rotarians for Olympics

The three Rotary districts in the Sydney, Australia, area are making special plans for Rotarians who travel to the 2000 Olympic Games and Paralympic Games next September. Districts 9680, 9690 and 9750 have banded together to provide Rotarians with guidance and Rotary fellowship that will enhance their trip.

According to Brian Coleman, past governor of District 9680 and a member of the Sydney Rotary 2000 Committee, Rotarian visitors can look forward to a House of Friendship, staffed by Rotarians, in Sydney's central business district throughout the games.

"It's a place where Rotarians can pause a while, have a chat over a cup of coffee, and find out what is going on in Sydney and in our Rotary clubs," Coleman said.

Also planned are two make-up breakfasts to be held especially for Rotarian visitors.

The districts will not be able to offer any homestay opportunities, however, because they have already committed themselves to helping find 4,000 homes for the families of Olympic athletes.

Details of the full Sydney Rotary 2000 program can be found at the District 9680 Web site (www.d9860.rotary.org.au).

"We Australians are sports mad," Coleman said, "so you can be assured that the games will be an outstanding event, well worth the journey 'down under'."

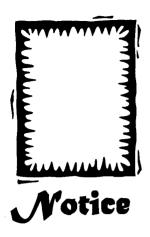


Global drive to eradicate polio accelerates

The worldwide Polio Eradication Initiative (PEI) is accelerating on the eve of 2000, the target year for eliminating the disease.

"We are entering the last lap of the race and getting ready to sprint across the finish line," said Dr. Stephen Cochi, chief of Polio Eradication Activity for the National Immunization Program at the U.S. Centres for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). "We are targeting the problem areas, where OPV [oral polio vaccine] coverage is less than 80 percent, with extra, intensified rounds of NIDs [national immunization days] and extensive sub-NIDs or mop-up activities."

Cochi, along with Dr. Bruce Aylward, coordinator of the Polio Eradication Initiative of the World Heath Organization (WHO), gave a global update on polio eradication at a meeting of the RI International PolioPlus Committee (IPPC) last week at Rotary World Headquarters. When the PEI began in 1988, there were an estimated 350,000 cases of polio in more than 125 countries. As of this month, there are 6,344 cases reported in 20 countries. No cases have been reported in the Americas since 1991, in the Western Pacific since 1997, and in Europe since last year.



We missed you on 24th November 1999!!!

Team 1 Liu Stephen; Yucel, Ates

Team 2 Chan, Kenny; Lamport, William; Li, Francis

Team 3 Lai Robert; Pang, K.T; Wong, Sam

Team 4 Chen, Andrew; Cheng, Y.K.; Ghose, T.K.; Kilis, Danny;

Leung, George; Li, David

Team 5 Cheung, Desmond; Fielding, Rob; Ling, Thomas; Luy, Henry;

Yao, John

Team 6 Chan, Paul; Howe, Chris

Please makeup!!!



LAUGS FOR THE WEEK

Two old men were sitting together on a park seat, when one turned to the other and asked, "Fred, aren't you and your wife celebrating your 50th wedding anniversary soon?"

"Yes, we sure are," Fred replied.

"Well, are you going to do anything special to celebrate?" said his friend.

Fred thought for a moment, then replied, "For our 25th anniversary, I took her to Australia. Maybe for our 50th, I'll go down there and bring her back."



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Rotary Club of Hong Kong Island East meet each Wednesday at 12:30 p.m. in Excelsior Hotel. Club 4350 - District 3450 of Rotary International



PP Hubert finally received the long lost trophy he won last year in the golf tournament.

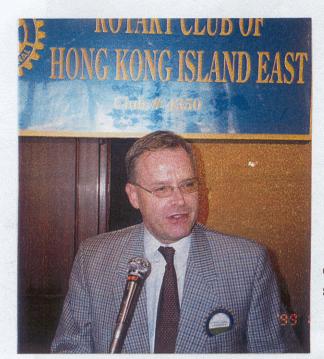


Farewell, PP T.K. Ghose we are going to miss your humour and wit.





Visitors and guests to the club on 24 November, 1999





Our guest speaker Mr. Michael Harpham spoke about performance improvement.



Acting Sec. PP Hubert and PP Edwin keeping Our visitor Rtn. Don Goodier company.



Rtn. Malcolm and Rtn. Andrew entertaining visiting PP Kevin Wong.