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## What Happened Last Week

President Stephen started the meeting with a special welcome to Visiting Rotarian Jagat Murari from Pune, India, who introduced his wife as a visitor to our club.

There was no birthday boy for this week so we proceeded with our Club Assembly. Pres. Stephen handed the meeting over to VP Henry Chan who took the chair.

The first report from Director of Vocational Service Rudy Law who informed us that there will be a Vocational talk by Rtn Rudy and PP C.Y. Fu on Jan 19<sup>th</sup> on the Entrepreneur knowledge of small business startup. This program is co-sponsored by City University Office & our club. There were six invited speakers to this meeting. Among them were PP C.Y. who talked on Health Food business & Dr. Rudy who talked about the IT business.

He then reported on behalf of the Community Service Committee about the Christmas party to be held for the Victoria School for the Deaf which will be held on Dec 16<sup>th</sup> at the Baptist College Camp ground at Sheungshui. They are expecting a turnout of about 110 students, parents & teachers with the participation of about 20 Rotaractors from the Rotaractor Club of Hong Kong Island East.

Rtn. Ates reported on the International Service Committee that they have no report to make except that they are still looking for projects to propose to the club.

PP John then reported on Club Service Committee specifically on Fellowship. He reported that the committee is working on a visit to Mai Po Bird Sanctuary. This trip will be for all family members to enjoy a day in the outdoors. He is making arrangements and will report back to the club as to the date of this event. Because the scheduling is very tight, we are now looking at the any Sundays of March, 2001. He will inform all members in due course. The tour will last about 3 hours (from 3-6 pm). He is proposing having lunch somewhere in



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Taipo around 12:30pm and then proceed to Mai Po by coach. There will be an admission charge of \$75 per person with a reduced charge for very young members. PP John will give more specific information closer towards the date.

PP John then reported that there will be other events planned for informal parties to promote fellowships. Details will be forthcoming soon.

The meeting was then opened to discussion and suggestion from the members present.

PP Tim Lui suggested we lower the age requirements of membership to allow younger members to join. He asked whether there is an age requirement to join? Can we bring in Rotaracter when they reach 30 and have to leave Rotaract? Perhaps we can lower the levies for younger members for a predetermined period to allow them to learn about Rotary. We must look into where we can cut cost to do this. Then finally we must find out whether that candidate can afford the time requirement to join.

PP George has some good ideas that are worth following up on. He suggested lunch with the aged and perhaps a visit to the cooking institute in Aberdeen.

VP Henry promised that he will look into these suggestion and will bring it up at the next board meeting.

President Stephen then mentioned that he received two messages from our sister club, Makati North & Kawasaki South that they are planning to visit up and asked us to suggest a suitable date. He promised he will reply to them in due course.

The Sergeant-At-Arms Laurence reported a collection of \$1,100 for the red box.

The meeting was closed with a toast to the Rotary Club of Puni, India

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## **Rotary Information**

### **Provisional Rotary Clubs in China**

RI has granted provisional status to clubs in Beijing and Shanghai. People's Republic of China, where Rotarians have been meeting for four and two years, respectively. Once the Chinese Government enacts a law concerning non-governmental organizations, the Clubs will be officially chartered.

Rotary has had a long history with China. The first Rotary Club in Shanghai was chartered in 1919. In 1949, changes in the political climate resulted in the closure of all 23 Rotary

clubs on mainland China. In March 1997, after many meetings between Rotary and Chinese government officials, the Board agreed to open the People's Republic of China for Rotary extension on 1 July 1997 in recognition of Hong Kong Rotary clubs joining the People's Republic of China that is in harmony with the Board's criteria for extension. Further, the Board has encouraged Rotary clubs in the area to strengthen and expand efforts to develop friendship associates with business and professional leaders in the People's Republic of China.

The Chinese government is currently developing policies and criteria for humanitarian organization operations in China. Respecting the government's regulations, Rotary is also closely monitoring the provisional clubs to help them become effective clubs.

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**SPEAKER PROGRAMME**

Dec 12	Club AGM (no speaker)
Dec 19	Xmas fellowship lunch (no speaker) (wine with compliments of Excelsior Hotel)
Dec 26	Xmas holiday (no meeting)

## LAUGH FOR THE WEEK

It was the stir of the town when an 80 year old man married a 20 year old girl. After a year she went into the hospital to give birth. The nurse came out to congratulate the fellow saying "This is amazing. How do you do it at your age?" He answered "You've got to keep that old motor running." The following year she gave birth again. The same nurse said "You really are amazing. How do you do it?" He again said "You've got to keep the old motor running." The same thing happened the next year. The nurse said "You must be quite a man." He responded "You've got to keep that old motor running." The nurse then said, "Well, you had better change the oil. This one's black."

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### *Subject: How The World Works*

Let's see if I understand how the world works lately...

If a man cuts his finger off while slicing salami at work, he blames the restaurant.

If you smoke three packs a day for 40 years and die of lung cancer, your family blames the tobacco company.

If your neighbor crashes into a tree while driving home drunk, he blames the bartender.

If your grandchildren are brats without manners, you blame television.

If your friend is shot by a deranged madman, you blame the gun manufacturer.

And if a crazed person breaks into the cockpit and tries to kill the pilot at 35,000 feet, and the passengers kill him instead, the mother of the deceased blames the airline.

I must have lived too long to understand the world as it is anymore. So, if I die while my old, wrinkled butt is parked in front of this computer, I want you to blame Bill Gates...okay?

Bob and Steve noticed no one else was wearing a collar. Suddenly, they realized they were in a stray bar.



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**ROTARY CLUB OF HONG KONG ISLAND EAST MEETS EVERY WEDNESDAY, 12:30 p.m. AT EXCELSIOR HOTEL, CAUSEWAY BAY**



VP Heney addressing the Club Assembly.



PP John reported on the fireside for new members.



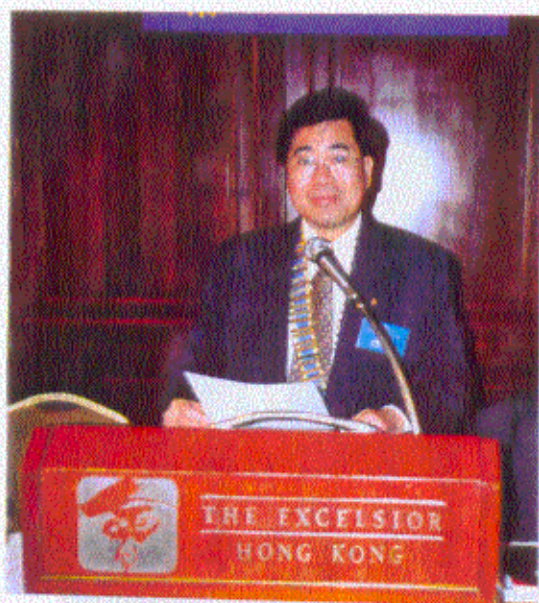
PDG Peter, PP John and Pres. Stephen graced the head table.



Welcome back Rtn Kerry.



Group photo on December 5, 2001.



Pres. Stephen says hello to everyone.



Visiting Rtn J.M. from Prune, India exchanged banner with Pres. Stephen.



Rtn Jason, PP George, and Rtn Heron.



SAA Laurence entertained Rtn J.M. and his wife.



Rtn Tony, Rtn Ates, PP Rob and PP Tim.



PP Andrew and VP Henry.