

What Happened at our Meeting on 7th April, 2004

Pres. Henry opened our meeting by announcing that we are holding our club assembly today. He said that since we have no visitors today he will proceed directly to our meeting. First he asked Dir Laurence to report on his Sergeant-at-arms collection. Dir Laurence reported his collection of \$1,200.

Pres. Henry then told us that today being in the middle of our holiday season PP John has agreed to underwriting the shortage in attendance today. He said that since we have 18 members showed up he is protected now because the attendance is higher then our minimum already. so PP John jokingly said "Do I get a bonus for the extras?" But Pres. Henry said "No, in fact he asked PP John contribute to the red box for the great attendance today.

The Pres. Henry turned the meeting over to PE Rudy to conduct the dub assembly.

PE Rudy said he will talk on our 50th Anniversary Celebration. He itemized the following points:

- 1) Our invitation cards for this function is now available for distribution.
- 2) We will have a board meeting tomorrow night at RIC and invited anyone interested to join us. We will sort out any problems then.
- 3) PP Stephen is in charge of our international delgations reception on the 15th of April at CCC. for this function we have confirm 69 visitors. We are expecting about 24 Rotarians and their Anns from our own club for a total of around 90 people. We will have a BBQ buffet style dinner partly in the porch and partly indoors.
- 4) PP John is organizing the golf tournament. PP John announced that the tournament is set to tee off at 10:30am and he asked those playing to be on time. Better yet please do join the bus taking our guests to Fanling for fellowship reasons.. We will have a 50-passengers bus picking up the 21 guests from various hotel so there will be lots of room for you to join them. Please volunteer to join this bus ride & please tell me who is joining by calling 9550-3454. We are playing the New Course and in order to speed up play we will have mostly groups of three players & also we will use the red tee on the third hole to speed up play. PDG Y.K. came up to add that we should speed up play by give-me on the putt if you are doser to a putter's grip. Also he announced that there will be buffet breakfast included before the Tee-Off. Money collection will be taking care of by Dir. Laurence.
- 4) PE Rudy want to know who are the dub contributing to our Multi-Media room project so their names will be included in our souvenir program. Dir Laurence will find out and inform PE Rudy.
- 5) The programs for non-golfers will be taken care of by VP Robert & Rtn Kenny who will accompany those who like to make the visits to Chi Ling Monastery and HK School for the Deaf. The program will start at 10:00am and last until 3:00pm which includes a Vegetarian lunch.
- 6) On Tuesday afternoon the 13th of April at 5:30pm our members involved with the Anniversary party will visit the AMC to work out all the finer details of the party on site. For the exact time please consult PE Rudy.
- 7) PE Rudy then ask Rtn John Yao to report on the prize committee.. He reported about the gifts & prizes for the raffle & said everything is in order. For the raffle, please all those who have gifts for the party to give it to Rtn Kishu as soon as possible.

8) PP CY Fu will be here at the meeting afterwards with the complete mockup of our souvenir program.

PE Rudy conduded his talk by asking those who have not paid their second half year's dues to pay up.

Pres Henry informed us that our guest will arrive at various time. The groups' arrivals will be:

Makati North at 10:05am. on 15th April on flight PR300 with 15 to 17 persons

Niigata will arrive with 10 persons at 13:15 on 15th April on flight JL731 & Penang with 10 on CX 720 arriving at 13:45

Osaka Jonan ANA 175 arriving at 13:45, with two arriving at13:45 on JAL 701 total of 23 persons with one person arriving on 16th April. Total 24 persons.

We will need volunteer to greet our visitors. Please contact Pres Henry to help out.

PDG Uncle Peter asked about the transportation question and Pres. Henry said everything have been arranged. On their arrival the visitors have made their own arrangment from the airport to their hotel. Then the next three days we have arranged transportation to pick them up to go to the relative venue and back to their hotel.

Our birthday celebration will start on Wednesday with a good speaker on golf by Mr. David Lloyd together with some of our daughter clubs members who will come to listen to the speaker. All members are encouraged to attend.

Pres. Henry then closed the meeting by making a toast to RI coupled with the Rotary Club of Hong Kong Island East.

Rotary Information

April is Magazine Month

Every year in April, Rotarians observed the Magazine month which is designated by RI, known as the "National Rotarian" since 1911 in a small scale.

In 1912, by action of the RI Convention, the name of the magazine was changed to "The Rotarian". RI Secretary Chesley R. Perry was the first editor.

This month, Rotary welcomes its newest magazine - Salam Rotary, which published its first issue in January. The magazine serves Brunei, Indonesia, Malaysia, Singapore and includes articles in three languages - Bahasa Indonesia, Bahasa Malaysia and English.

More than half of members worldwide are served by Rotary's Regional magazines which are produced independently. They have a combined circulation of 750,000 and are distributed in 127 countries in 24 languages. Each magazine is unique, with a regional editorial slant. Many serve more than one country.

Since 2002, "The Rotarian" has published selected articles from the regional magazines, which in turn publish article and photos of international interest from the flagship magazine.

It is a known fact that some members did not receive their copies of "The Rotarian" for years yet they did not raise the matter to their dub's attention. Some clubs have no idea where to lodge this problem. In case you are one of these members, please contact your dub secretary, who in turn, will report the case to the district governor for solution in the quickest manner.

It is mandatory for each Rotarian to subscribe to the RI official magazine. If your dub is a non-English speaking dub, you may subscribe to the official regional magazine instead. For example, the Regional Monthly Magazine in Chinese printed in Taiwan is an alternative. This said magazine serves all clubs in Taiwan and also district 3450.

A Brave Past President

To live Rotary and to practice Rotary is a mission of a dedicated Rotarian. It is right for him/her to carry out the regulations of a Rotary club.

One of the past presidents who sits in a Rotary board is brave enough to object to a suggestion to cancel a regular weekly meeting without any justified reason just because of an expected low attendance due to a chain of public holidays around the period. He strongly volunteered to subsidize the guaranteed number of lunches to the hotel in case the attendance figure falls short of the requirement of the meeting.

With such bold guaranty, the meeting went on as usual, though no invited speaker had been arranged. Eventually, the strong support of the club members attended the meeting for a dub assembly was well over our minimum figure of lunches, hence the volunteered guarantor sustained no damage while a good harvest was raised for the red box collection. The agenda of the meeting also thoroughly touched on the finalization of the events pertaining to our 50th Anniversary to be held on the 17th April 2004. This meeting proved to be worthwhile with success.

He is none other than our own past president John Kwok. I salute to you for your Rotary principle.

D.G. Peter Hall

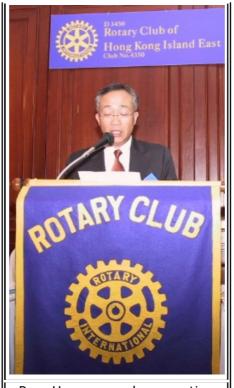
Joke & Cartoon

This little guy is sitting at the bar just staring at his drink. He's been sitting there for half an hour when this big trouble making truck driver steps next to him, grabs his drink and gulps it down in one swig. The poor little guy starts crying. "Come on man, I was just giving you a hard time," says the truck driver. "I'll buy you another drink. I just can't stand to see a man crying."

"This is the worst day of my life," says the little guy between sobs. "I can't do anything right. I overslept and was late to an important meeting, so my boss fired me. When I went to the parking lot, I found my car was stolen and I have no insurance. I grabbed a cab home but, after the cab left, I discovered my wallet was left in the cab. At home I found my wife in bed with the gardener. So I came to this bar and was thinking about putting an end to my life, and then you show up and drink the damn poison."



Photographs of our Meeting on 7th April, 2004



Pres. Henry opened our meeting today.



PE Rudy took charge of our Club Assembly today. He discussed all details our Fellowship Golf Tournament on of our 50th Anniversary Celebration.



PP John IV gave us information on the 16th of April.



Today, we had a great surprise to welcome back to our dub Tommy Ling. WELCOME back Tommy.



Our birthday boy was PE Rudy who actually celebrated his birthday last week but only returned after our meeting last week. Happy birthday Rudy! Dir. Laurence led the birthday song.



(L to R) PDG Uncle Peter, PE Rudy, & Pres. Henry at the left head table.



(L to R) Hon. Sec. Eddy, PDG Y.K., & PP John IV at the right head table.



(L to R) VP Robert, Rtn Kenny, Dir. Heron, Rtn Andy, Dir Laurence & PP JL.



(L to R) Rtn John V, Rtn Tommy, Rtn Paul, PP's Hubert, Andrew & Tim.

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