



# Tung Feng

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## What Happened Last Week

This looked like a busy meeting from the start and President Taj got proceedings underway by extending a warm welcome to the GSE Team from Tennessee, USA.

PP George was given the honour of introducing the Team Leader, PP Ted Frazier (RC Maryville). George also took charge of the introductions of other visitors and guests:

- PP Peter Tse (TST East)
- Rtn Benny Ratnani (HKNE)
- Rtn Francesco Cavazzoni (HKS)
- Erhan Sahin (Sec. Ates)
- Raymond Lee (PP George)

PP Ted Frazier then introduced his GSE Team members, each of whom briefly addressed the meeting. Ted said that this was the first time any of the team had been to Hong Kong, and they were delighted with the welcome and care they had experienced. He said that he was the Director of his own company, Frazier Telecommunications Group. The team members were:

- April Morgan, with a Science Degree in Biology
- Ann Hinch, a freelance journalist
- Tammy O'Dell, an administration assistant in an Economic Development Co.
- Shiela Campbell, a trained teacher now working in real estate

President Taj then had the pleasure of exchanging banners with the GSE Team.

For the benefit of the newer members, PDG Uncle Peter gave an explanation of the Group Study Exchange program which is financed by the Rotary Foundation.



THE ROTARY CLUB OF HONG KONG ISLAND EAST

香港東區扶輪社週報

Club 4350

District 3450

Chartered on 6 April, 1954 by Charter President  
PDG (Uncle) John Yuen

Time was running out and Rtn Andrew Hirst took charge of introducing the guest speaker, Mr Eddie Li, a Senior Police Clinical Psychologist. His talk was titled: Psychological Services in the HK Police Force.

He informed members that his unit was established in 1983 in order to:

- Enhance welfare services in the Force
- Address problems in a very stressful occupation
- Train Police in the application of psychology in their dealings with the public

There are seven officers in the unit which operates from a commercial building, and one of these is posted to the Police Training School.

As well as providing services to the Police members, they are also available for supporting and counselling the immediate family of Police personnel.

Their principal duties encompass:

- Counselling Officers who accidentally discharge a weapon
- Debriefing Officers after a traumatic incident
- Training Officers in managing stressful situations
- In-house work in the Police Training School
- Support for widows of Police Officers
- Providing support for people distressed from interviews

After a number of questions, Rtn Tony thanked Eddie for his very interesting address.

President Taj closed the meeting with a toast to the Rotary Club of Maryville, USA.

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## *Rotary Information*

### *British Rotarians join fight against foot-and mouth disease*

Reaching to the outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease in Britain, Rotarians across the country are helping farming communities cope with the devastating effects of the epidemic.



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Speaker, Mr. Eddie Li: "Well, you lot look as if you need a bit of counselling as well."



PP Ted Frazier, team leader of his GSE team, introduces his members.



An all-female cast:  
The GSE team from  
Tennessee.



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Pres. Taj exchanges banners with PP Ted Frazier(Maryville, Tennessee).



Our unofficial member Rtn Benny Ratnani(HKNE) gets to know PP Ted Frazier, the GSE Team Leader.



Pres Taj looks quite accomplished in looking after the ladies from Tennessee.





April D. Morgan (Alcoa)



Tammy A. O'Dell (Oakridge Breakfast)

## The GSE Team Members



Ann M. Hinch (Lenoir City)



Sheila D. Campell (Tullahoma)



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PP Rob taking care of Ates' friend, Erhan Sahin from Turkey.



Rtn Chris looks after two other regular visitors, PP Peter Tse (TSTE) & Francesco Cavazonni (HKS).



Visitors & guests to the Club, 11 April, 2001.

"This is the biggest social disaster facing northeast England in the last 40 years," said District Governor-elect David Medcalf. "It will take us at least five years to recover economically. We're appealing to Rotarians to support our effort to assist those whose lives have been devastated."

District 1190 has responded to the unfolding disaster through a committee set up by District Governor Alan Dodds. In addition to establishing a fund to support agencies that are being overwhelmed by the volume of demand on their resources, the committee is compiling a list of volunteer professionals to provide counseling to farmers traumatized by the loss of their animals and encouraging Rotarians to help maintain social contact among farmers and agricultural workers isolated by quarantine arrangements.

### ***Indian Rotarians lead effort to insure millions of children***

Rotarians in District 3180 are behind an unprecedented effort to insure 10 million school children, ages 6 to 15, and teachers in India's Karnataka state.

The decision to start this project was triggered by an accident in which a child in the town of Shimoga, Karnataka, fell into a well and died. A committee of Rotarians, led by District Governor Chandra Shekar, was able to secure an affordable insurance policy costing one rupee (approximately US\$0.2) a year. The policy, which covers accidental death, disability medical relief and loss of school bag, is worth more than R63,500 (\$1,420) in total claim value.

Most of the 90 Rotary Clubs in the district are currently participating in the project, which has generated statewide support, including that of the state government, which has promised to contribute 75 percent of the insurance premium beginning June 2001. So far 17 million children are covered, and Orient, the insurance provider, has already settled 750 minor accident and 28 death claims with the help of designated Rotarians acting as claim settlement officers.

### ***New book gives Rotarians a reason to sing***

Rotarians who remain silent during club singing because they don't know the words no longer have an excuse: The Songs for the Rotary Club Lyric Book (#031-EN) is now available. A companion piece to Songs for the Rotary Club: Words and Music (#033-EN), the new book features the lyrics to more than 80 old favorites and Rotary songs. Both books were compiled by the International Fellowship of Rotarian Musicians. At the request of many Rotarians, the lyrics book features a larger type size, making it easier to read.

# LAUGH FOR THE WEEK

## Out of the mouths of babes:

A small boy is sent to bed by his father. Five minutes later... "Da-ad..."

"WHAT?"

"I'm thirsty. Can you bring me a drink of water?"

"No! You had your chance. Lights out."

Five minutes later... "Da-aaaad..."

"WHAT?"

"I'm THIRSTY. Can I have a drink of water??"

"I told you NO! If you ask again, I'll have to spank you!!"

Five minutes later... "Daaaa-aaaad..."

"WHAT?"

"When you come in to spank me, can you bring me a drink of water?"

Finding one of her students making faces at others in the classroom, Mrs. Smith stopped to reprove the child. Smiling sweetly, the teacher said, "Bobby, when I was a child, I was told that if I made ugly faces, it would freeze and I would stay like that."

Bobby looked at her and replied, "Well, Mrs. Smith, you can't say you weren't warned."

During the Sunday School service, all the children were asked to come forward to talk with the pastor. One little girl was wearing a very pretty dress and, as she sat down, the pastor said to her, "That is a very pretty dress. Is it your Easter dress?"

The little girl replied directly into the pastor's lapel microphone, "Yes, and my Mummy says ironing it gives her the shits."



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