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### President's Message -For we are jolly good fellows (and lasses)



One of the great aspects about having a year as President, is meeting and getting to know all of the really good people who are your classmates for your year. And I have to say I've got to know some fun, vibrant and wonderful folks. It can also however, be quite distracting. Because you find yourself getting so drawn in to district activities, you can easily begin to neglect your club duties. Which to me, can work against you. Club should come first

in my book. One of the best ways to counter this is through fellowship. Just recently, when we 'experimented' with the potential member cocktails, one of the best aspects of it was how many of our members turned up! It was really nice for a change to just be hanging out with our own members and chatting in an informal setting. So much so that I was definitely encouraged to try it again. Whether we sign new members or not (we did, thanks to PP George) is not the most important thing. But just enjoying each others' company from time to time with no agenda, is great. We will have another one soon. Also, I am hosting a barbecue at my home on October 29th..so do feel free to come if you can. Let's explore more fellowship opportunities and make the most of the great company within our club.



THE ROTARY CLUB OF HONG KONG ISLAND EAST 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



05 Oct 2016

SERVING HUMANITY

COMING SPEAKERS



Speaker: Dan Wells

Topic Dan Wells' Racin<u>g Driver</u>

### Last week's Proceedings - 28 September 2016



A good turnout this week and a hearty atmosphere with a few members returning from their travels. P Chris rang the bell at 1pm and welcomed back PP Jonathan, PP John Luk, Rtn Simon and PE Stacy, as well as welcoming our fellow member and guest speaker Angus, who was coming in to tell us all about Hydroponic Farming. There was a birthday boy this week, which was a belated one - PP John Luk (his birthday was actually on 16 Sep).

P Chris read out the announcements. One announcement was to congratulate IPP William who was celebrating the arrival of his 4th grandchild..a boy. P Chris then too everyone through some photos of recent

events, before inviting Rtn Angus to give his talk. Rtn Simon, a good friend of Angus, was invited to formally thank him for his presentation, and also to introduce his guest, friend Stephen (our potential member). By this time it was till quite early, so P Chris asked Rtn Teresa to tell us about her recent bungee-jumping exploits in New Zealand, as well as a few remarks from PE Stacy about her travels. By then it was time to give a toast to RI and to HKIE, meeting adjourned and we all gathered for a group photo.





### Spotlight On - Hydroponic Farming



Rtn Angus began by explaining to us how he first got interested in Hydroponic Farming. He then gave us a detailed insight into what it is, what types of systems are used, what are the aims of it (why?) and what are the implications for the future. Hydroponics Farming is a system for growing plants without the use of a traditional dirt medium and instead uses a nutrient rich water solution. Those mediums range from fiberglass to sand and from fired clay balls to nothing at all. Several branches of hyrdoponics include aeroponics (using air as the grow medium), aquaponics etc. Anybody can get into Hydroponics

Farming - you can buy a kit, as Angus explained and set up at home. He then shared some of his personal experiences, showing photos of his family helping with his hydroponics projects. Clearly he loves and believes in this work he has undertaken and is more than willing to encourage others to get involved, including sharing it with us on this day. Thankyou Angus! Afterwards there were many questions form the audience, including from P Chris who wanted to know what was 'Rotary Hydroponics'. A special system for Rotarians?

## Out & About

# Celebration of the 67th Anniversary of the Founding of The People's Republic of China.

IPP William joined DG Eric, as he led a Rotary District 3450 Delegation at the Reception of Celebration of the 67th Anniversary of the Founding of The People's Republic of China.







### 1<sup>st</sup> Happy Lunch

At the first Happy Lunch was P Chris, IPP William, Uncle John, PP Kishu, Service Director Leo and PIC John Poon. A great turnout at Bugis Corner, K11 TST...





# THE LAST LAUGH

"Ever since we got married, my wife has tried to change me.

She got me to stop drinking, smoking and running around until all hours of the night.

She taught me how to dress well, enjoy the fine arts, gourmet cooking, classical music, even how to invest in the stock market," said the man.

"Sounds like you may be bitter because she changed you so drastically," remarked his friend.

"I'm not bitter.

Now that I'm so improved, she just isn't good enough for me."



### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### These are the following announcements for our club:

- The first Happy Lunch of the year took place on Monday October 3<sup>th</sup>. PIC was Rtn John Poon, who was joined by P Chris, IPP William, Director Kevin, Dir. Leo, Rtn John Poon & Rtn. Kishu.
- The Uncle Peter Memorial Golf Tournament has been rescheduled for October 21<sup>st</sup>, Friday. Please let Fellowship Director Kevin know if you will be joining.
- 3. P Chris is arranging to host a barbecue party for our club members on Saturday, October 29th, 6-10pm. He will also book a tennis court earlier from 4pm if anyone is interested in a game before dinner. Please mark your diary and let P Chris or Fellowship Director Kevin know if you intend to come along with any family members, so we can start to do the attendance numbers. More details will follow nearer the date. The venue will be at Redhill Peninsular, Tai Tam.
- 4. A visit to our friendship Club RC South Sea Taipei has been organized by PP Jonathan and IPP William from November 2<sup>nd</sup> -5<sup>th</sup>. The delegation from our club will include P Chris, IPP William, PP Jonathan, PE Stacy, PP George & Rtn. Jason.

### **District Announcements**

1. The District PP's Dinner will be held on October 14<sup>th</sup> 2016, Friday at King's Cuisine, Windsor House, Causeway Bay.

 Rotarians' Wine Appreciation Fellowship - Hong Kong Chapter and Preserve Planet Earth Committee are proudly presenting you this crossover event with the aim to lift the awareness of Sustainable Seafood together with some wine that will be paired carefully to the sustainable seafood menu for a happy fellowship night! Date: 27 October, 2017, Venue: Chiu Chow Garden, 2/F, Causeway Bay Plaza 2, 463 Lockhart Road, Causeway Bay, Hong Kong. Dress Code: Smart Casual with BLUE. Dinner Fee: HK\$780.00 per person, Early bird registration on or before 10 October 2017 : HK \$730.00 per person

(prepayment is mandatory). If you are interested, please RSVP: Rainy Ma, Tel: 2576 8882 Email: <u>ric@rotary3450.org</u>

- 3. D3450 has been invited to join the 13th China International SME fair to be held at the Poly World Trade Centre Expo (保利世貿博覽館) in Guangzhou during 10-13 Oct 2016, and DG Eric is inviting anyone interested to join him. There will be 4000 SMEs from various provinces/cities of China participating, and over 1000 SMEs from other countries. As seats are limited for the lunch/dinner, registration for joining the visit has to be made on a first-come-first-served basis. If you want to join, please register with President Lisa Chang (lisachang888@yahoo.com / 96681290 asap.
- 4. The Chief Executive of HKSAR, the Honourable C.Y. Leung, GBM, GBS, JP will be the Keynote Speaker of the District Rotary Forum to be held on 12 Oct 2016 (Wed), in the Ballroom of Holiday Inn Golden Mile Hong Kong. Dinner fee would be \$880 per person / \$10,560 per table (12 pax). Tables will be allocated in a first-come-first-served basis. If you have not registered

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