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PDG YK Cheng DG Norman Lee PP Andrew Chen PP Tim Lui PP Henry Chan PP George Leung PP David Li PP Rudy Law PP Leo Yu Rtn Freddy Wu

Today: Public Holiday

Last Meeting - Club Assembly



Members attended were:

President Rico Fung DG Norman Lee PDG Y. K. Cheng PP Andrew Chen PP Desmond Cheung PP Gilbert Fung

PP Rudy Law
PP Tajwar Shadikhan
PP Eddy Wong
PP Andy Wong
PP William Wong
PP Leo Yu

Rtn Jason Chiu Rtn Vagman Wai Rtn Bonnie Yeung Rtn Peter Yeung

Visiting Rotarian:

PP Angela Hui of the Rotary Club of Hong Kong Harbour

President Rico Fung started the meeting with club and District announcements, which included visiting plans with our sister clubs, updates of our 70th anniversary planning, and call to action on PPE competition.

There will be no regular meeting on 5 April as it is a public holiday. Our next regular meeting will be held on 19 April 2023. Guest speaker is Mr Lok Chung, who is a Funeral Director by profession. PDG HW Fung will visit our club as guest.

Club assembly commenced after a short fellowship. President Rico called on the incoming board to attend District Training Assembly on 6 May 2023, to refresh our Rotary knowledge and to learn about

the upcoming Rotary theme.

PP William reported on Membership. We inducted two new members this Rotary year - Rtn Christian Li and Rtn Sharon Lam. Our third member application is being reviewed by Membership Chair PP Eddy Wong.

PP Andy reported on Club Administration. Club attendance had been low. President Rico thanked PP David Li who helped liaise with Regal Hong Kong Hotel for better food arrangements based on feedback of our members.

Rtn Vagman reported on 6 completed service projects, more notable of which was our club photo contest, which was concluded in January, and the adventure and bicycle training service project with Yeung Yat Lam Memorial School, which benefitted some 30 students. President Rico expects more service projects to develop now that COVID-19 measures had been lifted.

Virtual Rotary Exchange with RC Makati North: meetings and idea exchange were going well. The quality of our candidates are very good, and we all are looking forward to it. PDG Y. K. remarked that the first topic of VVE should be about the culture and history of Hong Kong with relevance to Rotary.

Rotaract clubs had already elected their successors. They will be introduced to us shortly, together with their upcoming plans. HS Bonnie reported on the vocation day from the Rotaract Club of HKCC Students' Union. It was well received, with the vocational topics requested by the students.

President Rico concluded the Club Assembly with reports on fellowship and foundation updates.













Sergeant-At-Arms Rtn Bonnie Yeung reported red box donation of HK\$1,750.00



Rotary Club of Hong Kong Island East 70th Anniversary Celebration

The Rotary Club of Hong Kong Island East was chartered on 6 April 1954. As such, we will be 70 years old on 6 April 2024.

We will be celebrating this important milestone programs in the run up to and after this date. Please join us in whatever way you can. These programs will aim to showcase our achievement, culminating in an anniversary dinner on the same date.

An anniversary is an occasion for stock-taking, with the hope that this will allow us to review the past and think about the future.

According to ancient Chinese wisdom: 人生七十古來稀 from 杜甫〈曲江〉二之二, "70 years" has a special significance as it symbolizes the entry into a vintage category traditionally considered as 'rare' and precious.

The Rotary Club of Hong Kong Island East we now enjoy is the culmination of 70 years of dedicated effort. Through perseverance and determination, our Founders turned a bold vision into reality. Their legacy is both profound and extraordinary. The task before us is to build on their success, so that the next 70 years of our story will be just as productive, successful and uplifting.

During these 70 years, we transformed the Island East geographical district, the lives of those in it who are in need, and indeed ourselves, our club, and our partners in service.

Throughout the course of these change, we have continued to focus on being relevant and value creating. This capacity for continual re-invention will be even more vital as we advance to the future.

I wish I could predict what will unfold over the next 70 years. To move forward, we must remain, as always, alert and nimble, carefully charting out the pathways that will allow us to reach new and sustained heights. We will be supported by our traditions that bind us to one another. This journey will both be fun and challenging. We owe it to those on whose shoulders we now stand, and Hong Kong Island East deserves no less than our very best! I am confident that with all your support, Hong Kong Island East will remain a place of Rotary fellowship and friendship that contribute to the good of Hong Kong and beyond.

How can you help?

- 1. Suggest relevant projects
- 2. Participate in organizing work
- 3. Source and search archives and photographs
- 4. Respond positively to fundraising and committee work

We will be working closely with the current and incoming Board. We will seek your advice as we move forward. We will make use of Tung Feng to keep you posted. Contact me at E-mail: ykchkcpl@netvigator.com/Tel. no. 2576-4343 if you have any idea or proposal.

Y.K. Cheng, Chairman, Organising Committee

Attachments: Minutes of 1st Organizing Committee Meeting 4 February 2023

These are attached. Please read. The Editor feels that to give you a complete picture, these minutes should be published in full.

Happy Birthday to our Splendid April 2023 Birthday Members

10th - PP Tajwar Shadikhan, 17th - PP Gilbert Fung,23rd - PP George Leung



Happy Birthday, Hong Kong Island East!

6th April is our club's 69th Birthday. We are the "Older twin" to Rotary Club of Hong Kong Island West, which was chartered 6 days after us, in 1954. Happy Birthday, Hong Kong Island East!

Club and District Activities

Rotary District 3450 "Imagine the Future" Vocational Development Day was held on Mar 25, 2023 Cyberport. PP Leo Yu shared the Virtual Vocational Exchanged program and its impact on youth career development.

Induction of our new member, KWAN Ping Kan will be on 19 April, 2023. Lets all give him a big welcome.

This year's District Conference will be held on 20-21 May, 2023, in Regala Skycity Hotel. Our Guest of Honour will be Dr. Y. K. Pang, GBS, JP, Chairman of the Hong Kong Tourism Board; while our Keynote Speaker will be Ir Eric S.C. Ma, GBS, JP, Vice President of the Hong Kong Institution of Engineers and CEO of CWS Holdings Limited.







Club postal address Meeting Venue Meeting Schedules Website

: P.O.Box 47064, Morrison Hill Post Office, Hong Kong

: Regal HK Hotel, Causeway Bay, Hong Kong : Every 1st and 3rd Wednesday at 12:30 pm

: http://hkie.rotary3450.org/

Minutes

Rotary Club of Hong Kong Island East 70th Anniversary Celebration: April 2024 1st Organizing Committee (OC) Meeting

Date : Saturday 4 February, 2023

Time : 12noon

Place : "1908" Restaurant

Present : PDG Y.K. Cheng

PP Eddy Wong PP Rudy Law PP Nancy Yee PP Leo Yu

IPP Bernard Lee

Hon. Sec. Bonnie Yeung

Rtn. Eric Poon Rtn. Vagman Wai

Absent with apology : President Rico Fung

PP Stacy Ho Rtn. Sharon Lam

1.0 Background

1.1 Membership of the OC was intended to reflect the diversity and competence of our Club membership, and might be reviewed from time to time. See Appendix 1. DG Norman Lee would join the OC after his Governorship.

1.2 "Saturday 6 April 2024" would be taken as the culmination of the celebration in the form of a gala dinner (exact term to be finalized). It is based on the original club chartering date. Anniversary activities do take place for defined periods immediately before and after this date.

For information, the Rotary Club of Hong Kong Island East held its inauguration meeting at 1:00p.m. on 11 March 1954 at Winner House, North Point, Hong Kong.

On 6 April 1954, together with the Rotary Club of Hong Kong Island West, the club formally received its charter from Rotary International (RI).

A joint Charter Night was held at the Ritz Nightclub on 28 May 1954, when Past RI Administrative Advisor, Charlie T.F. Wei, officially presented the charters to the 2 new clubs.

- 1.3 Another committee under PP Henry Chan would be set up to deal exclusively with fundraising and financial matters.
- 1.4 OC decisions will need to be endorsed by the Board. Report will therefore be made regularly to the Board and to the Club membership.

2.0 Introduction

2.1 The Chairman welcomed everyone present.

- 2.2 Although "6 April 2024" is some 15 months away, time does fly. It is time for the OC to start work.
- 2.3 An initial brainstorming was held on 9 Nov. 2021 at DHK/Empire Hotel. Present were PP George Leung, PDG Y.K. Cheng, the then DGE Norman Lee, PPs Nancy Yee, Eddy Wong & Andy Wong, IPP Leo Yu, and President Bernard Lee. Then further smaller group sessions in 2022. Subsequent progress was hampered by COVID. Nonetheless, ideas expressed were valuable, as follows:
 - 1. Our 70th anniversary deserves a good celebration presented with class;
 - 2. Pursuing a service project that has public image (PI) value, preferably with big corporations. Our current projects are small and piecemeal with limited impact, and should be progressively terminated;
 - 3. This should be an opportunity for membership growth;
 - 4. Work done to date would be reported to the OC.

3.0 Agenda for 1st Meeting

- 3.1 A brief Agenda is as follows:
 - a. Welcome
 - b. Purpose, background and key elements of celebration
 - c. Work done to date
 - d. Work expected in the next 2 months
 - e. Formation of Sub-committees
- 3.2 It is intended that the OC would meet every 2 months and a sub-committee system would be set up to handle the key issues. Sub-committees to be formed are:
 - a. Website/archives
 - b. Dinner venue
 - c. Community Service Projects
 - d. Fundraising. \$
 - e. Sister clubs, clans
 - f. Club history/video
 - g. Commemorative booklet
 - h. Souvenir/memorabilia
 - i. Link with Board

See 4.0 below.

- 3.3 Tasks to be done in the short term:
 - a. Firm up venue
 - b. Fundraising ideas
 - c. Proposed environmental, social & governance (ESG) projects
 - d. MTRC projects/exhibition
 - e. Club history/video
 - f. Recognition of senior members
 - g. Special memorabilia

3.4 Decisions were not intended to be made at the 1st OC meeting. Rather, issues were highlighted and discussed, so that we would all be aware of the challenges, workload and financial implications ahead.

4.0 Sub-Committees

4.1 The following sub-committees have been formed:

a. Website/archive

Convener: Bernard Lee

Member: (?)

b. Dinner venue

Convener: Eddy Wong

Members: Vagman Wai, Sharon Lam

c. Community Service Project (ESG and/or arts related, and MTRC)

Convener: Nancy Yee

Members: Rudy Law, Y.K. Cheng

d. Fundraising/\$

Convener: Henry Chan

Members: George Leung, Y.K. Cheng, Jason Chiu

e. Sister Clubs/clans

Convener: Eric Poon

Member: (?)

f. Club history/video

Convener: Y.K. Cheng

Members: Bernard Lee, Rudy Law

g. Commemorative Booklet

Convener: Stacy Ho Member: Leo Yu

h. Souvenir/memorabilia

Convener: Leo Yu

Members: Nancy Yee, Stacy Ho, Sharon Lam

i. Link with Board

Convener: Rico Fung Member: Bonnie Yeung

5.0 Venue for 6 April 2024

- Our former member, Teresa Ho, now Director of Events at Murray Hotel, Garden Road, has been helping us to check availability and source quotes from hotels in the Hong Kong Island East area. Aberdeen Marina Club (AMC) & Renaissance Harborview are both available for 6 April 2024. She is checking Harbor Grand Hotel at Oil Street.
- 5.2 It was suggested that other hotels such as Ocean Park Marriott with a large ballroom should be approached; even the Kerry Hotel at Hung Hom, Kowloon.
- 5.3 We might need to do site visit. The capacity of the chosen venue will have an effect on our planning.

5.4 Hopefully, the hotel can be identified within 2 months' time.

6.0 Service Projects

- 6.1 An important topic since Clubs do undertake special projects for major celebration years.
- 6.2 It is thought that an ESG project with major corporation/companies would be timely. Nancy to explore.
- 6.3 The 'MTR Station exhibition' project was explained in detail. It was felt that if properly planned and executed, it would give us considerable public image opportunities with active involvement by our Interactors, Rotaractors, Y.K. Cheng would develop this further with MTRC. See Appendix 2.

7.0 Club History/Video

- 7.1 There is the need to keep searching for photo and archives.
- 7.2 Detailed discussion pointed towards the feasibility of producing a short film of 5 to 8 minutes on Club history, with interviews with selected people, to be launched on 6 April 2024. Y.K. Cheng & Rudy Law would study the idea further.

8.0 Commemorative Booklet

8.1 Opinions tend to endorse the production of such a booklet. Some of our past anniversary booklet were circulated.

9.0 Recognition of Senior Members

9.1 Very senior members deserve special recognition. This is part of honoring the past.

10.0 Theme/Souvenir/Graphics

- 10.1 We would need to think of a theme for the celebration. Something similar to "Honor the Past, ? the Present, ? the Future".
- 10.2 Graphics and souvenir to correspond. Leo to lead a sub-committee to think of souvenir: pen, thermoflask, ties, scarfs, bags, our theme must be in harmony with the 2023-24 RI Theme.

11.0 \$

11.1 Although \$ was not discussed, the topic was important. We would need to figure out the financial aspects like how much \$ we could secure from Club reserves, from donors and sponsors,

12.0 Date of next Meeting

To be confirmed.	
	Y.K. Cheng

Appendix 1 OC Membership

Appendix 2 MTRC Station Exhibition Project

Appendix 1

Rotary Club of Hong Kong Island East 70th Anniversary Celebration April 2024 Organizing Committee Members

Chairman: Y.K. Cheng

Vice-Chairman: Eddy Wong & Leo Yu

Ex-officio: **President**: Rico Fung

President Elect: Bonnie Yeung

Advisors: George Leung, Norman Lee**, Henry Chan*

Members:

1. PPs 2. Rotarians

Rudy Law Vagman Wai Nancy Yee Eric Poon Stacy Ho Sharon Lam

Bernard Lee

28.1.2022

Note:

- 1. * To lead a separate Committee on fund raising.
- 2. ** To join Committee as a member after Governorship.
- 3. I will also ask Teresa Ho, our former member, to help on something the Gala Dinner venue.

Appendix 2

MTRC Station Exhibition

- 1. As a post COVID initiative, MTRC intends to make their 101 Stations more human. One idea is to introduce exhibitions at "empty spaces". Examples are relics at Sung Wong Toi and bomb shell remains at Exhibition. There were very well received.
- MTRC was interested in our photo competition and winning entry exhibition. Such could be extended to paintings of Hong Kong icons by students. Information on MTRC/Hong Kong Island East/coupled with these entries would make good exhibition packages. Our members and partners in service would be welcomed to host and guide.
- 3. Around '6 April 2024', Stations with such exhibition space available are Central (near direct escalator exit to HSBC HQ), Sai Wan Ho & Shau Kei Wan. Roving exhibitions appear feasible.
- 4. MTRC will supply the venue (Station space) free of charge. We will be responsible for the cost of sourcing, and production of the exhibits, and other arrangements. MTRC will first need to approve the exhibits.
- 5. It is a good project to involve our new/young members, Rotaractors, Interactors, Hopefully it will give us the public image (PI) that we want.
- 6. MTRC offered the above idea to Y.K. Cheng, Norman Lee & Rico Fung on 22 July 2022 when their Ms. Linda Choy, Corporate Affairs & Branding Director, & Chan Lam-Sang,

Deputy General Manager, Projects & Property Communications, met. I will now develop it further.

Y.K. Cheng 5 Feb. 2023