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Rtn Lawrence Lui

## **PP Council**

PP George Leung

#### **Club Advisors**

PDG Y.K. Cheng PDG Norman Lee Today: Vocational Talk, Rtn Zoe Hui

**Last Meeting: 3rd Club Assembly** 



#### **Members Present:**

President Bonnie Yeung

PDG Y.K. Cheng PDG Norman Lee

PP Hubert Chan

PP Lawrence Chan PP Desmond Cheung PP Rudy Law PP Tim Lui PP Bernard Lee

PP Stacy Ho

PP William Wong PE Lawrence Lui

Rtn Jason Chiu Rtn Kevin Leung Rtn Christian Li Rtn Fredrick Wu Rtn Peter Yeung

We celebrated the birthday of Rtn Jason Chiu.

PP Tim Lui shared his summary of the 14th National People's Congress meetings in Beijing.

The event was attended by 2,929 representatives and attracted global media attention. During the meetings,

36 representatives from Hong Kong submitted over 200 suggestions and participated in over 400 media interviews.

On the last day of the meeting, 2,884 representatives voted with a 99.93% support rate on the Premier's 'State of the Nation' report.





The public is most concerned about the country's performance in 2024, as presented by Premier Li Qiang. The GDP met the 5% growth target, amounting to 134.9 trillion RMB. The unemployment rate remains at 5.1%, but inflation was well-controlled at 0.2 cents. Foreign reserves stood at 3.2 trillion USD.

The projected GDP growth for 2025 is also 5%, with an expected inflation rate of 2%. The stability of our economy requires strong policy support. The deficit is expected to grow from 3% to 4%, which is still low compared to other countries globally, mainly due to 1.2 trillion RMB of increased public spending,

balanced by the issuance of 1.3 trillion RMB worth of long-term treasury bonds. Interest rates will be lowered to encourage liquidity.

To stimulate consumer spending and the economy, around 30 policies will be established. Minimum wages will be raised, social insurance will be reinforced, and innovation and technology will be encouraged alongside education and talent retention to add more value to the industry. Legislation will soon be passed to protect the interests of non state-owned businesses.

PP Tim feels that the leaders of China are positive about Hong Kong. They expect us to continue doing what we do well, while caring for and contributing to our country through our unique positions and advantages as one of the primary international gateways. National and financial security are also high priorities. To quote our leaders, "where there is a will, there is a way," and no difficulty will be too great to overcome.

President Bonnie proceeded with the 3rd Club Assembly and reported on Membership, Succession Planning, Club Service, Leadership Development, and Foundation, all of which are within expectations for our plan for the Rotary year. Rtn Jason Chiu and President Bonnie reported on fellowship, PP William Wong reported on sister club visit plans, PP Bernard Lee reported on youth service, and Rtn Christian Li reported on fellowship.

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We have so far a net loss of 6 members, and PE Lawrence Lui is on target with preparing for his

upcoming year of presidency. Our \$5,000 USD target District contribution has been met. We have 4 new and 1 upgraded Paul Harris Fellows this year, and to date, we have 8 benefactors and 6 major donors. The End Polio fund of \$800 USD has also been achieved.

The Student Smartphone Photo Contest was completed successfully with good turnout. There were over 400 participants from 2,000+ invitation letters sent to schools. We also received public media coverage of the event. A Christmas party was organized with Ultimate United to host minority kids. A joint club event was also organized to hand out care packs to the homeless during the coldest days of the year. The Rotaract Club of PolyU CPCE and the Rotaract Club of Education Culture both conducted career talks and social visits. For fellowship, there was a Happy Hour event and a Past President Dinner. There will also be a Northbound Travel of Hong Kong Vehicles event coming soon.

PE Lawrence Lui gave the vote of thanks and announced the red box amount of HK\$2,380, with a special birthday contribution from Rtn Jason Chiu and a special remote contribution from Rtn Chris Wang.

# Happy Birthday to our Splendid April Birthday Members

1st - PP Rudy Law, 10th - PP Tajwar Shadikhan, 23rd - PP George Leung

## The Magic of Tennis, 22 March 2025

Thank you to all the members for participating in our club's tennis event today! The children from both Ultimate United and Junioract Club of CCC Kei Wan thoroughly enjoyed the games. This experience has sparked interest in



tennis for some of them, with a few showing promising talent!

I would like to extend my gratitude to PDG Norman and PP Hubert for organizing the venue and coaching. Thank you to PP Hubert and Rtn. Jason for sponsoring the event, as well as to PP Stacy, PE Lawrence, and Rtn. Christian for joining the kids on the court. Last but not least, a special thanks to our volunteer coaches, particularly PP Mahmood Rumjahn, for leading the training session!

President Bonnie Yeung

## District Governor Nominee Designate Election

Our Board of Directors during its meeting on 17 March 2025 had decided that we would vote on 24 March 2025 in time for the above election and that our 1st, 2nd & 3rd preferences would, respectively, be PP Frank Chen, PP Henry Wong & PP Alexander Cheung of the Rotary Clubs of Kwai Chung, Hong Kong Island West & Kwun Tong.

This decision was arrived at by examining their bios, assessing their performance at the 'Meet the Candidates' session on 21 February 2025, and via personal knowledge. This decision was unanimous, and was underpinned by our advisors PDG Y. K. Cheng & Norman Lee.

Since the ballot is a club ballot, the board's decision has to be announced at a regular club meeting and endorsed by those present.

Those present gave their endorsement to the decision. President Bonnie & PE Lawrence would sign the ballot and return it to the dedicated address.

The Board meeting also confirmed that President Elect Lawrence Hui would double up as Hon. Secretary till the end of this Rotary year.

Club postal address Meeting Venue

: Regal HK Hotel, Causeway Bay, Hong Kong

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

Meeting Schedules

: Every 1st and 3rd Wednesday at 12:30 pm

Website

: http://hkie.rotary3450.org/