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(chartered 2nd June 1998)
The Rotaract Club of Taylor's College
(chartered 15th July 2013)
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(chartered 23 February 2015)

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SMK Subang Utama
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My dear friends in Rotary



Firstly, my heartiest Congratulations to IPP Francis Xavier, the Board and the members of our Club for an outstanding RY2014-2015. IPP Xavier has done us proud and has earned bragging rights for his able leadership as is evident from the numerous awards received in various categories at the recent District TRF Awards Nite at the Bukit Jalil Golf and Country Club. Kudos to you IPP. I look forward to his support and guidance during my term as the President of our club.

1st July 2015, the 1st day of the RY2015-2016 and our 1st regular meeting, we had the pleasure having Mr. Carlos De la Cruz (a guest of PP Eric), who hailed from Equador (a country some of us know little about) as our 1st Guest Speaker. He spoke on a subject titled "Ecuador and the Roses Production". With a video presentation, he took us in a journey of one of the country's prime industries, namely Roses and its extensive R&D leading to the production of some 300 new species of roses every year. Mr. Carlos gratitude made me realise even the platform of a "Guest Speaker" gives us an opportunity to be a "Gift to the World".

Some of our club members had a very hectic Sunday (5th July 2015). In keeping with tradition, our maiden project, the Kajang Prison Medical Camp project was well attended by 10 of our members in the morning. Conditions must have improved in the prison since only 30 inmates had to be medically examined by our very own PP Dr. Arasu. Congratulations to Community Services Director Rtn. Dinesh and Organising Chairperson CP Richard. A BIG thank you to PP Raveendranath for generously sponsoring 100 litres of cordial drinks and the 350 bars of soap (as specifically requested by the prison authorities). On another note, it was a pleasure to see that the children's playground sponsored by our club 3 years ago continued to serve its purpose.

Towards the evening, 16 of our members and 3 spouses, namely Dr. Jasveer (spouse of PP Dr. Arasu), Sonia (spouse of PP Movin) and Rakhee (my wife) and of course not forgetting the little angel of our club, Nicole, witnessed the Installation of the our lady District Governor Siti Subaidah Adil, District Officers, Assistant Governors and Club Presidents at the District 3300 Installation. Breaking away from tradition, the event was especially meaningful when the introduction to the DG Siti was presented by her 2 lovely children, who obviously were very proud of their mum's achievements. As for our Club, we must be very proud of 4 of our Past Presidents, namely, PP Dato Ram, PP Raveendranath, PP Dr. Arasu and PP Divakaran who were handpicked to serve as District Officers, and were respectfully acknowledged by RI Director Saowalak Rattanavich and DG Siti before a FULL HOUSE in a grand setting at the HGH Convention Centre. Needless to say, I was personally honoured to take the stage and join the celebrations.

Looking back, I must admit, I am privileged to serve as our club's president for the RY2015-2016. I am particularly touched by the continuous encouragement, support and flow of ideas from our board members and rotarians to better serve the club and more importantly the community at large, locally as well as abroad. Many say Rotarians are ordinary people, BUT I strongly believe and know our Rotarians are extra-ordinary, and definitely able and willing who accomplish extraordinary things be it in an ordinary way – sometimes through sheer force of will. I am honoured to work closely with all the like minded rotarians of our club, each and everyone of whom have their own special gifts, to share and continue to dedicate ourselves in the name of service.

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President Arjan Sawlani

RC BANDAR SUNWAY – NOTES ON THE REGULAR MEETING HELD AT SUNWAY LAGOON RESORT HOTEL, 1st July 2015 at 7.30 pm

MEMBERS PRESENT	President Arjan, Sec Asvika, VP Lydia, Tres. Krishnan, DGND Mano, IPP Xavier, PP's, Dato' Ram ,Ravee, Movin, Thangaraj, Eric, Diva, Mag, Arasu, Letha Rtn's, John,Rajan, Raj, Sharon, Dinesh, Keneddy, Kaman, Angelo, Nagiah , Maniraja Michael Amos , Pushpa and Naga.
APOLOGIES	PP's Dieter, MK Menon, Suresh, Rtn's Jose and Viro.
GUESTS	Ms Dharnyy Ragunathan (daughter of Sec Asvika)
SPEAKER	Mr Carlos. Title : Ecuador and IT's Roses Production

WELCOME & TOASTS

President Arjan commenced meeting with a warm welcome to guests and Rotarians. The Sergeant-at-arms Rtn Angelo welcomed our guests and our fellow Rotarians. Thereafter we proceeded with the loyal toasts to the King of Malaysia and our Royal Patron Sultan of Selangor followed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

President's and Director's Announcements:

1. President acknowledged the Club 1st Solar Magazine for the Rotary Year 2015/2016. President has expressed thanks to PP Movin , PP Ravee and PP Suresh for their contributions in Solar Magazine design and the printing job. The president thanks the 2 sponsors for the Back Cover page Advertisement by Rtn Kennedy and Back Cover – Inside advertisement by Sec Asvika.
2. House keeping rules imposed by the Hotel – Any balance food are not allowed to pack by members even if the member bring their own containers. An authorization form from the hotel need to be signed by the particular members if they want to pack the balance food.
3. President announced the Kajang Prison visit which was held on Sunday 5th July 2015. The OC for the project is CP Richard.
4. District Installation nite , 5th July 2015. 15 members from our club attended the event. RM 100 per pax.
5. President thanked IPP Xavier and IPP Xavier has expressed and thanked his outgoing board members and all the Rotarians.
6. President welcome our AG Group 7, PP AG Diva being honoured by President.
7. Dr Nagiah announced that he needs volunteers for the IQUIZ which will be held in Sunway Universities.
8. Treasurer announced that 23 members has paid the Club dues out of 43 members in the club. Due date for the dues is on 30th June 2015
9. Membership directors announced that there are 43 members and 4 has resigned.
10. IQUIZ dates : 25th July 2015 – KK; 7th August – Kuching; 15th August – Penang
22nd August – Johore Bahru

BIRTHDAY, WEDDING ANNIVERSARY AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

This was announced by President Arjan for the week.

RI INFO : VP Lydia

FINING SESSION : Rtn Krishnan. Collected fines RM531.

President adjourned the meeting at 8.35 pm.

Notes taken by
Asvika, Hon.Secretary

India eye surgeons share skills with peers in Ethiopia



By Suhas B. Naik-Satam, past president of the Rotary Club of Bombay Chembur West, Maharashtra, India

In March, during their silver jubilee year, the Rotary club of Bombay Chembur West sponsored a vocational training team of ophthalmologists to Ethiopia to improve the abilities and skills of eye surgeons at various medical centers there.

Under the direction of club president S.R. Balasubramanian and led by Dr. Haresh Asnani, a past president of the club, the team of three super specialists included a vitreoretinal surgeon, a pediatric ophthalmologist/squint specialist, and an oculoplastic surgeon/ocular oncologist.

The Indian club partnered with Beyond

Eye Care, an organization that manages the India Eye Center in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia's capital.

The team conducted medical education programs and clinic workshops on topics including common retinal disorders, diabetic retinopathy, common eyelid disorders, and squint problems. Members conducted classroom lectures and a few practical workshops on pediatric eye disease examination that doesn't require expensive equipment. They also stressed the importance of timely intervention in childhood squints, eye tumors, and cataracts.

The program benefited around 14 ophthalmologists, 25 postgraduate students, 40 optometrists, and 20 ophthalmic nurses over five teaching sessions, five surgical workshops, and six clinical demonstration sessions.

One of the team members noted the amount of expensive equipment that had been donated but that was just lying around unused because doctors and paramedical staff had not been trained in its use or maintenance. The team spent time teaching them the proper handling of these.

Dr. Akshay Nair, the youngest member of the team, said the whole experience was extremely rewarding. We were able to demonstrate many different surgical procedures as well as have fruitful clinical sessions that involved video-assisted skill-transfer sessions. The demand and need for ocular oncology and oculoplastic specialists is high in Ethiopia, and the next step is to arrange training opportunities in India for Ethiopian ophthalmologists.

The team had discussions with the respective hospital managements to draw up strategy to sustain the benefits of this program, especially at St. Paul's and ALERT Hospitals and Hawassa University, by facilitating fellowship programs for their doctors and providing technical support for their surgical equipment.

Rotary has yet again played a helping hand by envisioning, executing, and enabling such a worthy project.

RCBS at the District Rotary Installation Night - 5th July



Maiden Project of Rotary Year 2015-16

President Arjan Sawlani & members of RCBS Sunway at Kajang Prison carried out our maiden project for the year, Kajang Prison Medical Camp for the juvenile inmates. We



treated inmates suffering from Scabies and also educated the inmates on preventive measures .

The picture in the middle shows the playground that we had installed some years ago.

Our Speaker last week



Our speaker last week was Carlos De la Cruz Z, who is the Marketing & Sales Representative for Latina Farms in Asia (importer of Roses). He has a degree in International Business in Malaysia, Ecuadorian and is 28 years old.



Ecuadorian Roses are third main product of export of Ecuador and proudly recognized as one of the best in the world because of the quality and unparalleled beauty and unique features such as very long, thick stems, large blooms and bright colours. Besides the big feature of the Ecuadorian rose is its long life in Vase after cutting. Ecuador, due to its climate and location can offer long time of daylight offering proper conditions for Roses growth; the farms are located over 2,750 meters over the sea level. The main current markets are United States, Russia, others and Carlos is expecting a good reception in Malaysia.

Ecuador, is a country straddling the equator on South America's west coast. Its diverse landscape encompasses Amazon jungle, Andean highlands and the wildlife-rich Galápagos Islands. In the Andean foothills at an elevation of 2,850m, Quito, the capital, is known for its largely intact Spanish colonial centre, with decorated 16th- and 17th-

century palaces and churches. Population: 15.74 million, Official language: Spanish

Rotaract Club of Taylors College has big plans for 2015-16



PP Thangaraj with the newly elected board of the Rotaract Club of Taylors College Subang

Rotaract club of Taylors College have lined up a number of projects and the first one kicks off on 11th July where they have partnered with RC Kota Kinabalu, Leo and 'Stop Hunger Now'. The role of our Rotaract Club is to pack 30,000 meals; and RC Kota Kinabalu will provide the logistics for air freighting to the flood victims in Sabah and

Shin refugees. Their budget is RM30,000 and to date they have collected RM26,000.

It will be followed by the Rotaract Week in the College. They have planned two major events during this week. The first being, "Run for Colourism" - a project to create awareness and prevention of discrimination by skin colour! And the second will hosting a dinner and performance for under-privileged kids.



RC Bandar Sunway - Membership Trends

Membership Trends
2010 - 15



Membership Trends

YEAR 2014-15

2014-15

48 1 JULY	47 30 JUNE	48 GOAL	92% TOTAL RETENTION
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Gender Trends

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	2012-13 TOTAL	2013-14 TOTAL	2014-15 YEAR TO DATE
Male	88% (36)	80% (40)	83% (39)
Female	12% (5)	20% (10)	17% (8)
Unreported	0% (0)	0% (0)	0% (0)

Age Trends

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	2012-13 TOTAL	2013-14 TOTAL	2014-15 YEAR TO DATE
29 and under	2% (1)	2% (1)	2% (1)
30 - 39	5% (2)	6% (3)	6% (3)
40 - 49	24% (10)	20% (10)	17% (8)
50 - 59	51% (21)	46% (23)	47% (22)
60 - 69	7% (3)	8% (4)	9% (4)
70 and over	5% (2)	4% (2)	4% (2)
Unreported	5% (2)	14% (7)	15% (7)

DUTY ROSTER

Date	Fellowship	R.I Info	Fine Master
8 July	Rajan	Suresh	Thangaraj
15 July	Naga	Arjan	Krishnan
22 July	Richard	Dr Raj	Mag
29 July	Naga	Ravee	Krishnan

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Date	Details
9 July	Rtn Udo Reinhardt celebrates his birthday
9 July	Achuthan (son of PP M K Menon) celebrates his birthday
11 July	Vishaini (daughter of PP Magandran) celebrates her birthday
12 July	Kavissh (son of IPP Dr Arasu) celebrates his birthday
13 July	Elizabeth (spouse of PP Xavier) celebrates her birthday
15 July	Maryanne (daughter of CP Richard) celebrates her birthday
16 July	Dylan (son of Rtn Lydia) celebrates his birthday
17 July	Rtn Kennedy celebrates his birthday
18 July	Rtn Kanishen celebrates his birthday
18 July	Madhavan (spouse of PP Letha) celebrates his birthday
18 July	Mansi & Shruuthi (daughters of Rtn Kaman) celebrates their birthday

Dates to note

July 31 (Friday) - Installation of new Board

The new board for the Rotary year 2015-16 headed by PE Arjan will be installed on July 31 (Friday).

Smile-a-while

Cheech & Chong are looking through an e-shopping website. Cheech says: "Look at these gorgeous women. The prices are reasonable too. Chong agrees, "I'm ordering one right now!"

3 weeks later, Cheech asks Chong, "Has your woman turned up yet?"

Speaker for Today

PP Ram Nair is seeking to arrange a speaker, in the absence of which Rtn. Kennedy will arrange to screen a film called "2015-16 Rotary Foundation Goals"

District TRF Chair announcement

EVERY
 ROTARIAN
 EVERY
 YEAR

The first **Rotary Foundation Seminar** will be held on Sunday, **16 August 2015** at the Bukit Kiara Resort.

The Rotary Club of Kajang is the organising club and you be hearing from them soon.

This seminar will be recognised as a **Grant Management Seminar** in order to give an opportunity to the clubs who missed out. This list of clubs that have attended the Grant Management Seminars is attached.

The closing date for **District Grants is extended to 25 August 2015**. The application form and the club MOU is available We have allocated USD40,000.00 for the District Grants and you can expect to receive around USD2,000.00.

PDG Dr Rajindar Singh DRFC

Attendance Report - The Rotary Club of Bandar Sunway - July 2015

		Meetings YTD	Attended YTD	Meetings this month	Attended this month	Make-up this month	Total this month	% attendance YTD	% attendance this month
1	Pres Arjan	1	1	1	1	0	1	100.00%	100.00%
2	PE John	1	1	1	1	0	1	100.00%	100.00%
3	VP Lydia	1	1	1	1	0	1	100.00%	100.00%
4	IPP Xavier	1	1	1	1	0	1	100.00%	100.00%
5	Rtn. Angelo	1	1	1	1	0	1	100.00%	100.00%
6	PP Arasu	1	1	1	1	0	1	100.00%	100.00%
7	PP Chue	1	0	1	0	0	0	0.00%	0.00%
8	PP Dieter	1	1	1	0	1	1	100.00%	100.00%
9	Rtn Dinesh Francis	1	1	1	1	0	1	100.00%	100.00%
10	PP Diva	1	1	1	1	0	1	100.00%	100.00%
11	PP Eric Wong	1	1	1	1	0	1	100.00%	100.00%
12	PP Gopal	1	0	1	0	0	0	0.00%	0.00%
13	Rtn Jose Raveendran	on leave of absence							
14	Rtn Jude	1	0	1	0	0	0	0.00%	0.00%
15	Rtn Kaman	1	1	1	1	0	1	100.00%	100.00%
16	Rtn Kanishen	1	0	1	0	0	0	0.00%	0.00%
17	Rtn Kennedy	1	1	1	1	0	1	100.00%	100.00%
18	Rtn Krishnan	1	1	1	1	0	1	100.00%	100.00%
19	PP Letha	1	1	1	1	0	1	100.00%	100.00%
20	Rtn Asvika	1	1	1	1	0	1	100.00%	100.00%
21	PP Mag	1	1	1	1	0	1	100.00%	100.00%
22	PP Mani Raja	1	1	1	1	0	1	100.00%	100.00%
23	PP Manohur	1	1	1	1	0	1	100.00%	100.00%
24	Rtn Michael Amos	1	1	1	1	0	1	100.00%	100.00%
25	Rtn. Mickel	1	0	1	0	0	0	0.00%	0.00%
26	PP Mick Menon	1	0	1	0	0	0	0.00%	0.00%
27	PP Movin	1	1	1	1	0	1	100.00%	100.00%
28	Rtn Nagarajan	1	1	1	1	0	1	100.00%	100.00%
29	Rtn Nagiah	1	1	1	1	0	1	100.00%	100.00%
30	Rtn Nigel	1	1	1	0	1	1	100.00%	100.00%
31	Rtn Puspha	1	1	1	1	0	1	100.00%	100.00%
32	Rtn Puveen	1	0	1	0	0	0	0.00%	0.00%
33	Rtn Rajan	1	1	1	1	0	1	100.00%	100.00%
34	Rtn Dr Raj	1	1	1	1	0	1	100.00%	100.00%
35	PP Ram	1	1	1	1	0	1	100.00%	100.00%
36	PP Ravee	1	1	1	1	0	1	100.00%	100.00%
37	CP Richard	1	1	1	0	1	1	100.00%	100.00%
38	Rtn Sharon	1	1	1	1	0	1	100.00%	100.00%
39	PP Suresh	1	0	1	0	0	0	0.00%	0.00%
40	PP Susan	1	0	1	0	0	0	0.00%	0.00%
41	PP Tarlochan	1	0	1	0	0	0	0.00%	0.00%
42	PP Thangaraj	1	1	1	1	0	1	100.00%	100.00%
43	Rtn Viro	1	0	1	0	0	0	0.00%	0.00%

Club attendance last week	28
Club attendance last week including make-up's -	31
Percentage club attendance for month including make-up's -	74%

We in Rotary aspire to great deeds. We admire those who gave great gifts to humanity: Abraham Lincoln, who gave the gift of human dignity to the downtrodden; Mother Teresa, who gave the gift of compassion to the forgotten; Mahatma Gandhi, who gave the gift of peaceful change to the oppressed. Their very lives became gifts to the world.

We can be inspired by their example. We can be inspired to ask, how can I, in the life that I live - without neglecting the responsibilities that are so dear to me - how can I, too, become a gift to the world?

Rotary International President K.R. "Ravi" Ravindran