



BERITA ROTARY

A NEW ROTARY YEAR... A NEW PRESIDENT AND BOARD

It is not very often that our club holds its first meeting of a new Rotary on the same day this year starts, but that is what happened on 01 July 2009. In keepig with tradition, newly installed Pres. Rizal Sardon led his board of directors into the meeting to the applause from the members. Each of them received a special Rotary pin from him. And just to remind members, these are the Rotarians who will build on what IPP Francis Chan and his board carried out in RY 2008-09, and their predecessors in years before, and make improvements where deemed desirable and necessary:

- President 2009-10**
- VP**
- PE**
- Hon. Treasurer**
- Hon. Secretary**
- IPP**
- Club Administration**
- Club Service Projects**
- Membership**
- Rotary Foundation**
- Club Public Relations**
- Special Projects / Functions**

- **Dato' Mohd Rizal Sardon**
- **Mohd Nor Halim**
- **M. Jayabalan**
- **Richard Barrett**
- **Mohd Ridza Abdullah**
- **Francis Chan**
- **Horst Wippern**
- **Hardeep Singh (jr)**
- **Datuk Adenan Mohd Zain**
- **Gerald Lee**
- **Andy Khoo**
- **Wong Cham Mew**



The New Board 'Marching In'



Handover by Handshake - Incoming Pres. Rizal and Outgoing Pres. Francis

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COMMITTEE

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INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

Sister Club Installations:

10 July 2009 - RC Makati
(Manila Polo Club)

11 July 2009 - RC Phuket
(Royal Phuket Hotel)

01 August 2009 - RC Raffles City
(Meritus Mandarin Hotel)

Those interested please contact Pres. Rizal Sardon or PE M Jayabalan

CLUB

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1ST CLUB ASSEMBLY

It has been decided to start the year off with an early club assembly so that members can discuss issues currently under review, the club's future and its plans for 2009-10, and other topics of general interest.

An official notice will be sent out by Hon. Secretary Mohd. Ridza shortly.

Date: 22 July 2009

Time: 13:00 hrs
(1.00 pm)

Venue: Weekly
Luncheon
meeting

CLUB

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DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S VISIT

DG Leslie Salehuddin will visit our club in **October**. Please note the following in your diary:

06 October:
Club Assembly (our second) and Fellowship with DG Venue and time TBA

07 October:
DG's official visit to our club (luncheon meeting)

Further details will be announced in due course.



BERITA ROTARY
WEEKLY PROCEEDINGS
01 July 2009

ATTENDANCE / ON DUTY

RCKL Rotarians: 36

RCKL Rotarian Make Ups: Nil

Convenor: Rtn Steve Lau

National Anthem and Loyal Toast:

Rtn Hardeep Singh

Speaker: Pres. 2009-10 Rizal Sardon

Topic: President Rizal's Maiden Speech

Introducing Speaker: IPP Francis Chan

Thanking Speaker: --



IPP Francis 'introducing' his successor Pres. Rizal Sardon



Birthday 'boy'
Hon. Sec. Ridza

VISITING ROTARIANS AND GUESTS

Rotarians

Rtn Andrea Franklin - RC Penang
Rtn Raymond Chin - RC Gombak

Invited Guest

Mr. Ajmal Khan - Guest of Pres. Rizal Sardon
Mr. Anthony - Guest of Rtn Andrea Franklin

BIRTHDAYS/WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Birthdays

Jefferey Zain - 01 July
Mohd. Ridza - 04 July
Lau Choo Seng - 05 July

Wedding Anniversaries

Ameen Adullah - 01 July
Frank Lim - 07 July
Victor Lim - 07 July



Visiting Rtn Andrea brought a friend - does this surprise PP Chan Kam Fatt?



'Stand-in' Convenor Steve Lau in his element



PRESIDENT RIZAL'S MAIDEN SPEECH

I wish to congratulate President Francis Chan and the outgoing Board members for their very able stewardship of our club and setting a very high standard for me and the incoming Board to emulate.

I wish to thank them for the support and guidance given to me and the incoming board members. I also wish to thank all of our members for the trust given to me to lead our Club to remain as the premier club in district 3300.

It is a very great honour to be installed as the 82nd President of Kelab Rotary DiRaja Kuala Lumpur and Our Club has a long and distinguished history as a Service Club and to be amongst the list of illustrious Presidents is certainly an honour.

RI President , John Kenny, has chosen for this Rotary year his theme which is "The Future of Rotary is in Your

Hands" as he has recognized that Rotary International is but a collection of Rotary Clubs around the world providing service to the community where it is established through its members. As such all Rotarians should be thankful that by being a member of RI we can carry out great projects such as the Polio Plus programme which is for the eradication of polio from the face of this earth, to simple community projects like vocational training for the youths, providing nutritious meals to school children, and bringing joy during festive occasions to orphans and old folks with our Rotaractors, Interactors and Youthacters.

For the information of our members, over the last few months, my Board members and I were given the opportunity to learn about the Rotary organization through attending seminars and other courses organized by the

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Who is Pres. Dato' Mohd Rizal Sardon?

- B Sc (Hons) Electrical Engineering (UK)
Member Inst. of Engineers (Singapore)
Member Mal. Inst. of Management
Member Inst. of Engineers Malaysia
Chartered Engineer (UK)
1968-73 - National Electricity Board, Malaysia
1973-89 - Principal of Valdun Associates Sdn Bhd (consulting mechanical and electrical engineers)
Currently - Exec. Chairman of Valdun Associates Sdn Bhd (investment company)
Currently - Exec. Chairman of Casa Astana (property development consultants)
Currently - Exec. Chairman of UKAD Resources (surveyor of underground services)
Joined RC Kuala Lumpur DiRaja - 1983
Re-joined RC Kuala Lumpur DiRaja - 1998
Fellowship Director 2001/02
Int. Service Director 2003/04
Vice President 2007/08

Other Interesting Facts:

- Chairman Tun Sardon Foundation
Holder of Private Pilots Licence
Winner - Vientiane - Singapore Asian Highway Rallye
Participant - SIA sponsored London - Sydney Motor Rallye



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district and it would be remiss if I did not recognize the effort and contribution of the District Governor Leslie Salehuddin, Assistant Governor Ken Ong, and the many other district officers. For the member's information our DG will be making an official visit to the club on 7th October.

For the Rotary year 2009 - 2010 my Board and I will concentrate on building our membership as our strength in carrying out projects is through good fellowship of the members and I plan to have better communication between members. Tentatively we have planned a Club Assembly at one of the luncheon meeting this month.

In our service to the community I would like to highlight urban poverty and organize projects to assist some of the affected families during this period of great financial turbulence. This is in addition to many ongoing club projects such as the Aids to

Challenged Children, Home for Abandoned Children, Grants to School children which is a project we will carry out with our Rotaractors and Interactors, and Wheelchairs for the Poor, to name a few.

It is my aim to also carry out projects with our Sister Clubs, the smaller Rotary Clubs in our Group 8 and our Rotary Community Corps.

With our sister Club in Phuket Thailand we are in the process of completing a library for the school children, and with our sister Club of Raffles City Singapore we are planning a health screening project for the Orang Asli in Janda Baik.

Finally, my target club membership for 30 June 2010 is a minimum of 100 from the present 95 as we end the first decade of the 21st Century.

Thank you.



VP Halim sporting the club tie (designed by PP David Teh but seldom worn by him?)



Two happy Past Presidents (Francis Chan and Chan Kam Fatt)



Wrong tie, Hardeep (Club Service Projects)



Correct tie, Andy (Club Public Relations)



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RI NEWS

BIRMINGHAM EMBRACES HISTORIC CONVENTION



RI President-elect John Kenny and RI President Dong Kurn Lee wave to the crowd during the closing plenary session of the 2009 RI Convention in Birmingham, England.

After four days of celebrating Rotary's spirit of international fellowship and service, Rotarians from all over the world bid adieu to the 100th RI Convention in Birmingham, England, on 24 June.

RI President-elect John Kenny, the first Scotsman to head the international humanitarian service organization in its 104-year history, encouraged the more than 16,000 Rotarians from over 150 countries at the convention to join in the last push to eradicate polio.

"Until the day the earth is declared polio-free, this work must be our first priority and

our main focus," Kenny said during the closing plenary session. "It is up to us to finish the job."

Kenny, a member of the Rotary Club of Grangemouth, has emphasized the important role that individual Rotarians and Rotary clubs play in the future of the organization, a message captured in the 2009-10 RI theme, ***The Future of Rotary Is in Your Hands.***

"The future of Rotary is being decided every day, in every one of our clubs -- by every one of you," Kenny said. "Every Rotarian adds fresh ideas and energies to their clubs and their districts. Each one of you can make important contributions and pass on to your successors stronger clubs, healthier communities, and a better world."

Throughout the week, Rotarians, friends, and other members of the family of Rotary heard prominent

speakers discussing how close the world is to eradicating polio, and encouraging Rotarians to make that last push to get the job done.

During the keynote address at the Rotary World Peace Symposium, Archbishop Emeritus Desmond Tutu said Rotary has earned the world's respect. "When they started out saying they wanted to eradicate polio, a lot of people said you ought to have your head read," he said. "Now there are only four countries where polio is endemic. This is fantastic. It is going to happen, and it is fantastic."

During the Rotary Alumni Celebration, Jean-François Rischard, who recently retired as World Bank vice president for Europe, suggested that Rotarians can help influence top policymakers to bring necessary change to the world.

At a special appearance at the opening plenary session,

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United Nations Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon called Rotary the heart and soul of the worldwide polio eradication effort and pledged the UN's continued cooperation and support. Rotary International and The Rotary Foundation gave Ban the Polio Eradication Champion Award, which he dedicated to three polio workers who were killed by a suicide bomb attack in Afghanistan in 2008.

Actress and UNICEF goodwill ambassador Mia Farrow, who delivered a keynote address during the third plenary session, told Rotarians that they are almost there and to push just a little further. "Polio is a terrible, terrible disease. We are right to be pushing for the end of it," she said. During the fourth plenary session, primatologist and humanitarian Dr. Jane Goodall stressed the goals that her organization shares with Rotary and called for increased collaboration. "We need to join together, to work as a team," she said.

Jan Egeland, director of the Norwegian Institute of International Affairs, told Rotary World Peace Fellows that he feels optimistic knowing that a new generation of peacemakers coming out of Rotary's programs will have unparalleled knowledge, technology, and training to do much-needed work. And Clarissa Brocklehurst, UNICEF's chief of water, sanitation, and hygiene, spoke about the urgent need for collaborative efforts to ensure access to clean water and improved sanitation around the world.

Throughout the convention, Rotarians enjoyed fellowship and learned more about club service projects and Global Networking Groups at the House of Friendship. Attendees were treated to cooking demonstrations by finalists in a young chef competition, won by 16-year-old Hailey Vickers, of the Thomas Hardy School in Dorchester, England.

As attendees entered the convention center, they had a chance to take part in a fundraiser to raise money for polio eradication, donating £5 (about US\$8) to pull a sticker off a large display, gradually revealing the Make Dreams Real logo, and sign their names on a panel.

During host-ticketed events, opera diva Katherine Jenkins entertained, attendees toured Warwick Castle for a Medieval Spectacular, and downtown Birmingham staged performances by the Birmingham Royal Ballet and Treorchy Male Choir, as well as the East Meets West variety show. The End Polio Now logo was projected onto the side of the Birmingham Central Library 23 June during Birmingham Greets Rotary night.

The Four-way Test
Of the Things we think, say or do:

- *Is it the truth?*
- *Is it fair to all concerned?*
- *Will it build goodwill and better friendship?*
- *Will it be beneficial to all concerned?*