

# RCKL'S CHAMPAGNE SUPPER CHARITY CONCERT – SEE YOU THERE?

Do not forget to get your tickets to attend our Champagne Supper Charity Concert on 30th September. This is RCKL's Major Charity Event for this year. The funds raised are funds for (a) Major Projects of RCKL DiRaja for Rotary year 2005-

2006 and (b) 2006-2007 District 3300 Fund under the Governorship of DGE Dato' Jimmy Lim. If you are unclear whether your money will be put to good use, then read about our letter from Aceh.

## LETTERS TO / FROM BANDA ACEH

There was a recent series of letters and activities where Rotary, via efforts from DGE Dato' Jimmy and Rtn Rizal, was able to make a meaningful contribution to the suffering Tsunami survivors of Banda Aceh. I have reproduced 2 of the

more recent emails between DGE Dato' Jimmy and Dr. Mahala Daud, who is heading the humanitarian efforts there for Rotary. Next week, we shall see some photos about this effort.

Dear Dato'Jimmy,

I truly don't know how to express how grateful I am having you and all the Rotary friends in Malaysia supporting the humanitarian works in Banda Aceh. Your hard efforts and sweat shirts helping the Tsunami Victims would be so meaningful to them. God Bless you Dato'. It's really delighting to know such a respectable man like you who is so committed in doing the humanitarian in Banda Aceh.

I have a noble plan for your green peas, to make it meaningful to Aceh Tsunami Victims, on October the Muslims there will celebrate Ramadhan, the fasting month. A lot of tears and pain they will suffer as they live in a hot open air camps without better facility to make them feel great in the day of Ramadhan. Some of them suffer in hunger and pain. I had a thought.....why not distribute these green peas of yours in Ramdhan time. The meaning of that green peas will double, and this would truly be an extra meal for the children during the crisis of food in Ramadhan time as all the food price so high in the market.

And if there is any possibility at your side, with the help of our Rotarians family and friends, would you all spare some money to buy small gifts for the Children to celebrate their Eidul-Fithri Mubarak. I would be very grateful to you all, and thankful on behalf of the Acehnese's children in Banda Aceh.

I will try my best to take care of Bryan. I will teach Bryan to do some environmental health assessments that will be a good experience for him in Medical field.

May you will always continue all your Noble efforts Dato' Jimmy. You are also a Hero. And to my dear friend Bina Gill, you are also a heroine. You are also like Dato' Jimmy, very committed to your words in helping Aceh. I am very proud to have you as my Friends and Family of Rotary.

THANK YOU!!!!

Best Regards, Dr. Mahala Daud.

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**Notices**

**Weekly Meetings – back to our regular lunch for the rest of September.**

• **21st September – Weekly Meeting is now back to lunch time.**

- The lunch meeting is back on at 1.00pm in the Shangri-la Hotel, on this date. The hotel staff advised us last week that they have a room at lunch which can accommodate the Club.
- So everything is back to normal with respect to our lunch meeting timing for the rest of this month and the future, till further notice.

**Lunch Time Speakers in September & October 2005:**

• **Rtn Reiner Allgeier's wrote email to update us all on what's in store for September and October...**

- 14.09.2005 – Ms. Tina Yeung, Associate Director of the University of Sheffield South East Asia KL, Topic: Planning university education.
- 21.09.2005 – Dr. Ibrahim, Topic: About Cancer (TBC guest of Rtn K.K. Chong)
- 28.09.2005 – Rtn Justin Teo, New Generations Director, Topic TBC.
- 05.10.2005 – Mr. Kalikavandan, Head of KLIA-Customs, Topic: still to be announced.
- 12.10.2005 – Dr. Wolf, Director of the Goethe Institut KL, Topic: to be announced.
- 19.10.2005 – Rtn Thomas Varughese, Vocational Service Director, Topic TBC.
- 26.10.2005 - Mrs. Anny Fernandez, Director EML-BNB, Topic: to be announced.

**Avenues-of-Service Meetings for September 2005**

Please note that ...

- **There will be 3 Service meetings (Club, Fellowship & New Generations) on 14th September at 2pm after our weekly lunch.**
- **Additionally there are going to be 2 meetings (14th & 28th Sept) for New Generations this month as Rtn Justin missed out having one last August.**

| Meeting Name             | Chair Person     | When (every month) | Time |
|--------------------------|------------------|--------------------|------|
| Board of Directors       | President Low    | 1st Tuesday        | 6pm  |
| International Service    | Horst Wippem     | 1st Wednesday      | TBC  |
| Vocational Service       | Thomas Varughese | 2nd Tuesday        | 6pm  |
| Club Service             | Choy Hon Nam     | 2nd Wednesday      | 2pm  |
| Fellowship Service       | Steve Lau        | 2nd Wednesday      | 2pm  |
| Community Service        | Francis Chan     | 3rd Wednesday      | 2pm  |
| New Generations Services | Justin Teoh      | 2nd & Last Wed     | 2pm  |

**The Rotary Club Of Kuala Lumpur DiRaja**  
We meet at 12:30pm every Wednesday  
at The Shangri La Hotel, Jalan Sultan Ismail, Kuala Lumpur.



### Weekly Proceedings On 07.09.2005

**Meeting Convenor:** PP Lim Eng Ho

**National Anthem & Loyal Toast:** Rtn Seah Fook Kim

**Welcoming Guests:** Rtn Justin Teoh

**Speaker Introduction by:** President Low Kok Hwa

**Speakers:** Mr. Lee Soo Kwang from Adelaide

**Speaker Thanks by:** PP Lim Eng Ho

**Visiting Rotarians:**

- None

**Visiting Guests:**

- YAM Tunku Dato' Seri Shahabuddin, chairman of Selangor Turf Club, guest of PP Lim Eng Ho.
- Datuk Richard Cham Hak Lim, deputy chairman of Selangor Turf Club, & Datin Louise, guests of PP Lim Eng Ho.
- Dr. Chan Lam Kong, committee member of Selangor Turf Club, guest of PP Lim Eng Ho.
- Mr. Rick Loh Lap Sang, committee member of Selangor Turf Club, guest of PP Lim Eng Ho.
- Mr. Kwang Eng Seong, committee member of Selangor Turf Club, guest of PP Lim Eng Ho.
- Mr. Term Boon Keng, committee member of Selangor Turf Club, guest of PP Lim Eng Ho
- Rtn Ann Mary, guest of Rtn Louis Cheah.
- Rtn Ann Datin Ainol, guest of PP Dato' Ramli Ibrahim.



### Birthday Boys



President Low announced Rtn Allan Kuan Pek Seng's birthday is on 13th September. Regretfully he was not at the lunch meeting to cut and take home his cake.

The President also shared with the members that he had met PP Dato' Lam recently. On being reminded of his birthday absence, PP Dato' Lam kindly passed RM100 to Pres. Low as his Club donation – kudos and our thanks to Dato'.

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Dear Dr Mahala,

Thank God PP Bina (RC Titiwangsa) has been able to locate you. With Bryan, I am sending the medicines you asked for in your previous faxes. This is a donation from the RC Kelana Jaya. In addition, RC Cheras has donated 12 wheelchairs. I am finding ways and money to send these to you via boat. There is a promise by the RC Honolulu Hawaii to give cash for more medicines.

I have in our District bank in Malaysia a donation of USD5000

from the Rotary club of Virgin Islands to start microcredit. I don't know when I can implement this as I have to take time to prepare for the District Governor job, but I will.

With Bryan, i will send you cash for RM1,400, for you to buy green peas for children. This is a cash donation from the RC Cheras. Previously i sent RM3,900, being donations from RCs' KL DiRaja, Ampang, Titiwangsa, Shah Alam Kg Baru, Pantai Valley, Bangsar, Kinta, Damansara and many more clubs for the green peas project to Pak Eddie in Meulaboh. The peas have been distributed.

AG Amko flew in from Taiwan with the new forms for the matching grants from District 3820 from Taiwan. The ambulance project is delayed because of RI's bureaucracy. The ambulance funds come from RC Kulai, D3310 tsunami fund, Roadtown, Virgin Islands and RCKL DiRaja. All cash donations are in our district bank account.

RIPE Bill Boyd was in KL and I sneaked from the organizers 20 minutes to give him a show of what you, RC Medan and also Bindi of RC Greentown and all clubs (the quiet heroes and heroines) have done here and in Sri Lanka. I saw tears in Lorna Boyd's eyes. He has written to me to commend you all for the work done. I have a feeling that you all will get featured in The Rotarian magazine soon. I insisted the quiet story be told loud.

Keep Bryan healthy. He is the son of one of Rtn Rizal Sardon's (RCKL DiRaja) friends.

Jim.

Footnote:

To my friends in D3300 and D3310, I am sending you these notes as a running report of the great contributions various clubs in D3300 and 3310 and other districts are doing. I am having a wonderful time just collecting money here and there for our dear friends in Indonesia. This is truly international service at work. I am so sorry that I cannot do a formal report as I am swamped with work as DGE and Annual Giving Chairman for 2005/6.

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## From The Desktop Of A Rotarian - Gems From The Web

Some of us take life and opportunities for granted, living comfortably in our glass tower. Even as we enjoy what seems rightfully ours, we often times forget those who are less fortunate. The letters from Banda Aceh between Dr. Mahala Daud and DGE Dato' Jimmy should act as a wake-up alarm (a brick thrown through the window of our glass tower). This siren call is one to get up and be active in contributing to our Rotary efforts, both locally and worldwide. So to capture the spirit of this awakening, I found a relevant tale below which I hope you will all enjoy...

### **The Brick**

*(From the Internet – author unknown)*

A young, successful executive was traveling down a neighborhood street, going a bit too fast in his new Jaguar. He was watching for kids darting out from between parked cars and slowed down when he thought he saw something.

As his car passed, no children appeared. Instead, a brick smashed into the Jag's side door! He slammed on the brakes and drove the Jag back to the spot where the brick had been thrown.

The angry executive jumped out of the car, grabbed the nearest kid and said "who are you and what the heck are you doing? That's a new car and that brick you threw is going to cost me a lot of money. Why did you do it?"

The young boy was apologetic. "Please mister... please, I'm sorry. I didn't know what else to do," he pleaded. "I threw the

brick because no one else would stop." With tears dripping down his face and off his chin, the youth pointed to a spot just around a parked car. "It's my brother," he said. "He rolled off the curb and fell out of his wheelchair and I can't lift him up." Now sobbing, the boy asked the stunned executive, "Would you please help me get him back into his wheelchair? He's hurt and he's too heavy for me."

Moved beyond words, the driver tried to swallow the rapidly swelling lump in his throat. He hurriedly lifted the handicapped boy back into the wheelchair, then took out his fancy handkerchief and dabbed at the fresh scrapes and cuts. A quick look told him everything was going to be okay.

"Thank you and May God Bless You," the grateful child told the stranger. Too shook up for words, the man simply watched the little boy push his wheelchair bound brother down the sidewalk toward their home.

It was a long, slow walk back to the Jaguar. The damage was very noticeable, but the driver never bothered to repair the dented side door. He kept the dent there to remind him of this message: Don't go through life so fast that someone has to throw a brick at you to get your attention!

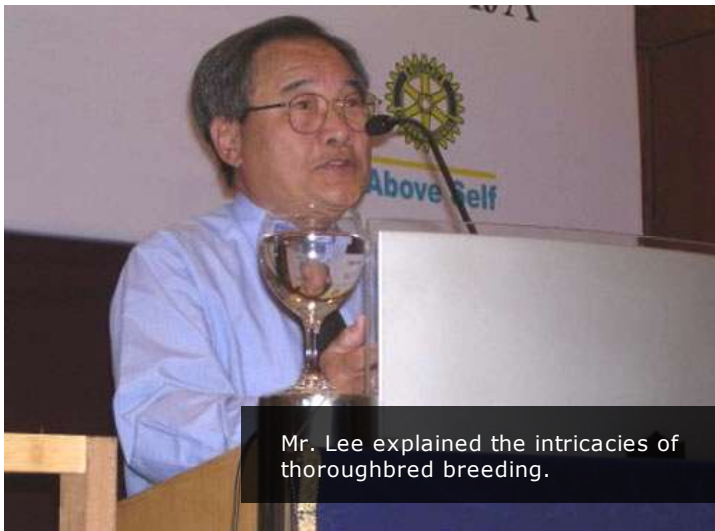
Perhaps, those of us who believe will remember that God whispers in our souls and speaks to our hearts. Sometimes when we don't have time to listen, He has to throw a brick at us. It's our choice: Listen to the whisper... or wait for the brick!

## BREEDING THOROUGHBRED HORSES IN SOUTH AUSTRALIA

*Lunch Meeting Talk on 07th September 2005 by Mr. S.K. Lee from Adelaide.*

How exciting! The world of horse-racing was revealed by a man who rightfully lays claim to being knowledgeable in this area.

Mr. Lee started his life as an engineer. After retiring in Malaysia, he struck out to greener pastures in Australia. There he was able to realize his life-long love and dream of working with thoroughbred horses. He acquired property which includes a 40-acre farm in the hills of South Australia. There he has indulged in the age-old art of horse breeding, adding to it his touch of science and engineering which is still at the core of his world philosophy.



Mr. Lee explained the intricacies of thoroughbred breeding.



Selangor Turf Club spell-bound by Mr. Lee's intimate talk on how horses mate.

He regaled us with tales and names of famous horses, trainers and jockeys. Prizes in terms of race money and breeder's moo-la from "renting" out services of the right stud males swam before our eyes as Mr. Lee painted a visual picture of how horses get bred and raced.

In particular, his description of the prowess of specific stud males shocked some of us neophytes to the world of horse-racing. He told of some studs that could couple 200 times in a 3-month season of breeding.

The most prolific ones would do that in the Southern Hemisphere and then be sent by plane to do the same in the Northern Hemisphere over another 3 months – 400 times in a year. Given that some stud fees go as high as A\$2,000 per time, that would mean that stud male horse generates A\$800,000 in fees annually for mating 400 times across 2 hemispheres. Wow, what a gigolo!

The Selangor Turf Club visitors were obviously impressed as they listened attentively. Their questions also showed their own keen interest and understanding of the equine beasts.



PP Eng Ho thanked Mr. Lee for a most informative talk.

Among RCKL members, Rtn Louis Cheah (as a punter he declared) and PP Eng Ho posed scintillating questions such as race-fixing. Our own President Low threw several questions to Mr. Lee which his good friend was pleased to answer.

At the end of the session, this editor is sure that several members went home to consider broadening their investment portfolios to include speculating in thoroughbred horse breeding.

## Rotary Events

### Upcoming Rotary Events

Do not forget to join us for these additional fun-filled activities:

- **September 29th, 2005** – The 1st Club Assembly for this year starts at 6pm at the official residence of the German Ambassador (#16 Jalan Kia Peng, Kuala Lumpur). This is then followed by Oktoberfest Celebration kindly hosted by Rtn HE Herbert Jess.
- **September 30th, 2005** – RCKL's major fundraising event. For more information and to buy tickets or to sponsor, please contact either PP Dato' Koay, PP Eng Ho or Rtn Steve Lau.



Rtn Steve Lau worked his magic to excite members about upcoming Club Fellowship events.

### PAID YOUR CLUB ANNUAL DUES YET?

Last week we found out that there is a list of 28 RCKL members who have yet to pay up the annual dues for RCKL membership (RM600) and Rotary Charity Foundation (RM200). That's about 25% of our members who are past-

due. The Club is appealing for the unnamed 28 to please make good your dues ASAP. So please do pay up, all those who still owe dues. Thank you.

### IN CONCLUSION

This previous dinner meeting on 7th September saw pathetic attendance from members. Unfortunately the Rotary Anns had already come in force the last time so only 2 attended this round. Anyway the good news is that 21st September is

back to lunch as the hotel has found us a room at 1pm on that day. I always wondered if anyone reads the Bulletin and so managed to capture some photos over the past few weeks of members reading at the weekly meetings...



Hon.Sec. Freddy perusing the Bulletin.



PP Kulasegaran catching up on Bulletin news.