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ROTARY CLUB OF KUALA LUMPUR DIRAJA

R.I. DISTRICT 3300



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# The District 3300's ASSEMBLY

The District 3300's ASSEMBLY was held on Thursday 29th, Friday 30th April, Saturday 1st May and Sunday 2nd May 2004 at the Equatorial Hotel in Penang. About 550 Rotarians and 80 spouses attended. This was a record number. Under the Rotary International By-Laws the President, Secretary of each club and committee chairman in each club nominated by the President are required to attend. On this occasion incoming District Governor Dato Perumal convassed to the assembly all Rotarians as if it were a conference and in addition reduced registration fees. This accounted for the record turn-out. A bumper souvenir magazine with RM500.00 contribution from each club compensated for the low registration fee.

There were programmes for every avenue of service and on diverse subjects Past District Governor Dr. R.T. Arasu was the chief trainer. About 15 Rotarians from Rotary Club of Kuala Lumpur Di-Raja attended with about an equal number of spouses. On Sunday 2nd May 2004 all present gave a standing ovation to the organising chairman Past President Noel Ogle from the Rotary Club of Penang for a wonderful assembly. District Governor Dr. Mahinder Singh also received a standing ovation for a wonderful year. Our club won 3 awards: Best Club Website; For Unstinting support for the District Conference and Best Project under Service to New Generations for the Festival of Music project. There was no District Handbook given for distribution to the Clubs.



District Governor Dr. Mahinder Singh and Past District Governor Dato Beh Lye Huat at the opening ceremony.



Minister of Penang Tan Sri Dr. Koh Tsu Koon declares the 69th District Assembly open.

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## Secretary's Announcements for Lunch Meeting on 12.05.2004

### Meetings of the Service Committees

- Club Service Meeting will be on **12.05.04 at 6.00pm** at Shangri La Hotel, Kuala Lumpur.
- Fellowship Meeting will be on **19.5.04 at 2.00pm** at Shangri La Hotel, Kuala Lumpur.
- The Installation meeting will be held on **25.05.04 at 6.00pm** at Shangri La Hotel, Kuala Lumpur.

### Today's Speaker

The speaker for today is **Sebastien Le Francois** and he will speak on "**French Cuisine**".

### Lunch Time Talk Report Back - May 5th 2004

#### VP Philip Kwan of RC of Singapore spoke on "Rotary in District 3310"

VP Philip Kwan, who is no stranger to our club, was introduced by PP Jimmy Lim. A civil engineer by profession, Philip spends a lot of time in KL as he shuttles between his offices here and Singapore. Philip kindly delivered a short presentation on the make up of District 3310 and how it compared with District 3300. There were many similarities like number of clubs (65 in 3300 and 64 in 3310) and members (1,740 in 3300 and 1,726 in 3310). However, the DG in District 3310 had a much larger geographical area to cover as the district took in Singapore, Brunei, East Malaysia and parts of southern Malaysia. To help him in his gubernatorial duties, DG David Tong of RC Singapore East is ably assisted by 13 AGs (compared to 9 in our district).



Rotarian Attan Akmar  
thanking VP Philip Kwan.

### Photographs from the Weekly Meeting

#### Clockwise (From Top Right)

1. Past President Dato Dr Low Bin Tick proposing Mr Justin Teoh for induction as a Rotarian.
2. Rotarian Lokman Sardon and President Elect Dr Lee Hock Bee celebrating their birthdays.
3. President of the Rotactor Club of Kuala Lumpur Elysee Lee presenting a cheque to President Kanes for the polio eradication fund.



## Notices

Please to enclose our **Club's Attendance Report** as at May 5, 2004 as follows:-

Jul 03 - 67.1%

Aug 03 - 58.5%

Sept 03 - 56.3%

Oct 03 - 54.4%

Nov 03 - 61.8%

Dec 03 - 62.7%

Jan 04 - 68.9%

Feb 04 - 61.8%

Mar 04 - 55.3%

April 04 - 52.0% (Provisional)

### Status of Club's Membership:

Total membership as at July 1, 2003: 130

Terminated: 6

Resignation: 7

Deceased: 2

Inducted: 3

Total Membership: 118

Exempted: 14

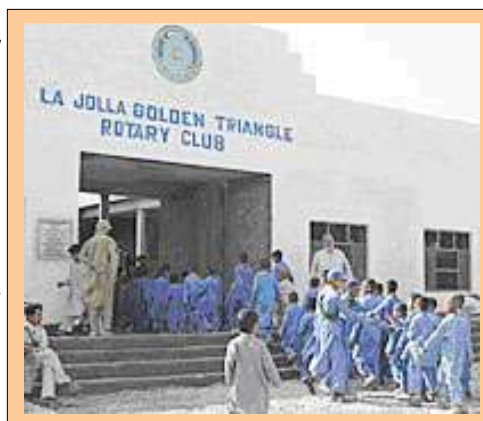
Active: 104



## Dedication ceremony at Jalalabad Rotary School, co-sponsored by the Rotary Club of La Jolla Golden Triangle, California, USA.

Rotarians are often the first volunteers to venture into corners of the earth where few private and public agencies have been working to make a difference in the lives of the poor. In Afghanistan, Rotary club efforts are helping to bring change to a country devastated by more than 20 years of war and neglect.

Co-sponsored by the Rotary Club of La Jolla Golden Triangle, California, USA, a brand new grade school and a computer lab at a University in Jalalabad are just two examples of such initiatives helping Afghans to lay the foundations of a brighter future.



"It is clear that in the area in Afghanistan where we are working, Rotary is making a measurable difference in lives. We are doing things on the same or greater magnitude as [national] governments," says Past District 5340 Governor Steve Brown, one of several volunteers from the club involved in the country. "I have never felt more appreciated for our efforts. No one has helped these people in the past — let alone a small group of volunteers. Individuals who look rather rugged give you the warmest of smiles and provide a sincere thank you for your efforts. It doesn't get much better than that."

The grade school was inaugurated at a colorful event attended by more than 600 male and female students in uniform; a deputy minister and other senior government officials from the Afghan capital, Kabul; the governor of Nangarhar province; U.S. military personnel; representatives from local and foreign nongovernmental organizations; local media; and parents.

So far, phase one of the grade school project has been completed at a cost of \$155,000, with facilities ready for the first six classes. According to Brown, it will take \$30,000 to equip the school and a further \$60,000 to fund work on the second phase of the project, building middle and high-school sections.



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Immediate Past President Kenny Lim Eng Keong promoted the grand Centennial Convention to be held in Chicago in June 2005.



District Governor Balasubramaniam, District Governor Elect Benjamin Cheriau from District 3230 Chennai in India with two Past Presidents from Rotary Club of Madras and President Aziz Memon of the Rotary Club of Karachi. All of them attended the Assembly in Penang.



District Governor Dr. Mahinder Singh presented 3 awards to the Rotary Club of Kuala Lumpur Di Raja.



DG Dr. Mahinder Singh makes his final remarks with daughter Manmeet and District First Lady Dr. Gurdesh beside him.



First Lady Rajes, Rotary Ann Foong Pack (President of the Inner Wheel Club of Kuala Lumpur) and Rotary Ann Datin Meriam Ma gather for lunch before returning to Kuala Lumpur.



Rotarian Steve Lau Keng Lim and Rotary Ann Kong Wai Fun pose behind a red rose.

**Birthday Boys**

- Dato' Syed Zainal Abidin B. S.A.M Jamalullai on 18.05.04

**Anns Birthdays**

- Inger Margareta Ann of Rtn Dr. Govindan on 14.05.04
- Datin Brenda Loh Ann of Dato' Jimmy Lim on 15.05.04
- Datin Chit Wha Ann of Dato' Lau Foo Sun on 17.05.04
- Esther Chooi Ann of PP Lim Eng Ho on 18.05.04
- Rozen Bee Shariff Ann of Rtn Mohd Ridza bin Mohd Abdullah on 18.05.04

**Wedding Anniversaries**

- None

