

Minutes of the Club lunch meeting in

THE TRANS RESORT on 27th January 2016.

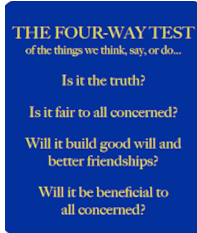
In attendance: Pres. Barbara, Sec. John, **VP. Leith, VP. Florian**, PP. Raphael, PE. Marie Françoise, , **PN, Alex J**, PP. Robin, PP. Anita, PP. Sarita, PAG. Marilyn, Rtns. **David**, Georgio, Pamela, Maree, Jorge, Christian, Peter L., Catharina, Patrizia, Tim, Jeni, **Jannell, Henny**, Detlev and Lusi. (26).

- The lunch meeting opened with a video from Rotary International regarding the celebration of The Rotary Foundation's centennial in 2017. The celebrations will officially kick off in May 2017 at the Rotary Convention in Atlanta, USA.

President Barbara then -

- Thanked PP. Raphael for taking the meeting last week due to her absence.
- Welcomed Rotarians and Guests in their native languages of Good afternoon, G'day, Selamat Siang! Ng On, Gudemiddag, Bon après midi, Buon giorno, Guten tag, Konichiwa, Guete Daag and Dobar dan. She also gave a special welcome to Rtn. Catherina, who managed to make the meeting with a broken foot and Rtn. Jorge, who has been away for 3 months.
- Asked SaA. Leith to introduce Visiting Rotarians and Guests namely Guest Speaker Elizabeth Henzell and Paula Gillham
- Asked for everyone to turn to their neighbour and to say a "BIG ROTARY - HELLO" as there are no strangers in our meetings, only Rotarians and friends we are yet to meet.
- Gave apologies for AG. Patrick, IPP. Doris, Hon Rtn. Daniel Elber, and Rtns. Sally, Oliver, Manfred, Peter E., Jerry, Tara, Tineke and Alex P.
- Gave congratulations to Rotarians with birthdays, namely Rtn. Lusi (5th January), Peter Lindinger (25th January) and Rtn. Sally (17th January). Also to Rotarian spouses, with birthdays, namely Sonoko (PP. Raphael's wife) on 1st January, Indra Lee (Rtn. Jannell's husband) on 6th January, Veronique (Rtn. Guy's wife) on 10th January and Anna (Rtn. Udo's wife) on 10th January.

- Gave congratulations to Rotarian anniversaries namely, Rtn Sally & Ken - 25 years on 3rd January, PP. Anita & Alec - 31 years on 18th January, and Rtn. Steve & Kathleen - 17 years on 22nd January.
- Gave congratulations for joining Rotary anniversaries in January to Rtn. Patty (9th January 2013) and Rtn. Freddie (25th January 2012).
- Asked PP. Robin to read the 'The 4-Way Test'.



- Presented PP. Robin with her First Paul Harris pin for her Rotary Service and hard work over the past 20 years.
- Congratulated PP. Anita for receiving her '4 Sapphires' Paul Harris pin. She is a true Rotarian in every sense of the word, hardworking and very generous to The Rotary Foundation.

- PP. Anita told the meeting that she had sent a proposed nomination for Dr Bayu to be made an Honorary member of our Club to the Club Board, which will meet this afternoon. Dr Bayu is well known to all of us, he is a vet by profession and he has received many international awards for conservation and rainforest projects including the orangutan conservation project. He has also undertaken conservation activities in Nusa Penida and has been instrumental in helping our Club find students for the Helen E. Newman Scholarship Fund for underprivileged children. He has also been actively involved in the Club's goat project, which despite its set backs, should lead to new methods of animal husbandry on these poverty stricken islands.

- PP. Anita also said that her promised history of the Rotary Club of Bali Seminyak will be available soon as a Power Point presentation, as she has nearly finished it. It will set out a full history of the Club's activities over the past 13 years.

- Rtn. Tim said operational efficiencies are something that really get him going and when he volunteered to do the Club reception job for one week, he discovered that he could streamline the system so that members could have more time for other Club activities. He has also agreed with President Barbara on changes to the E-Bulletin; it will now be streamlined to a monthly newsletter and members will be asked to contribute. Sec. John will in the in between periods still post the minutes of each week's lunch meetings on the Club website. He will also be meeting in the next two weeks with various Club members to discuss other areas of the Club administration that should be examined for improving its efficiency. If any members have a suggestion, he would very much like to hear from them.

- PP. Robin said that the Dengue Fever Project was going well and that the Committee were now ready to officially launch it, as all the brochures have been printed and the video is done. PP. Anita has already put some of the brochures in hospitals and their response has been very good and they were willing to take the brochures despite the Kasi Ibu Hospital being the sponsor and mentioned in the brochures. This was very

good news and an indication that the project will go well. We now have to get the brochures out to all the places where they are needed.

- SaA. Leith announced that the Raffle prizes for today were donated by Sec. John Glass (a set of airtight kitchen jars) and by Gwen **Krakouer** (Rtn. Leith's wife) (a Rp.1,000,000 hotel meal voucher).
- Announced Rotary T-shirts were available at Rp. 75,000 each in 4 sizes.
- Reminded members that only 24 out of 55 members of our club have donated to the The Rotary Foundation ("TRF"). The normal donation is US\$100 or above, but if that is difficult then less can be paid, but every member must make an effort as the Rotary motto is "Every Year Every Rotarian (EREY)". She also thanked Rtn. Jorge for his generous donation to TRF.

NEWS - Rotary International and Rotary Seminyak:

- PP Anita will be invited to talk briefly about the low cost housing in Karangasem (formerly a leprosy colony... now their family survivors).
- Sec. John will be posting weekly Lunch Minutes on the Club website for all members to view.
- Nominees for District Governor 2018-2019 – AG. Patrick and PP. Anita had declined to stand and PP Sarita, who agreed to stand for the nomination, does not meet the qualifications as she has not been an AG in the past. However, the Club can still nominate another Rotarian from another club. The Board will meet this afternoon to finalize the nomination.
- The Valentine Rotary Special Fellowship Event on Saturday 13th February has been cancelled due to a conflict in dates with Rtn. Jerry Knecht's special event.
- On 13th January, there will be a Chinese food festival from 10:00 a.m in The Trans Resort with vendors selling food, fashion and other items. (Free entrance and some tables still available).
- On 3rd February 2016, there will be a joint lunch meeting between our Club and the Rotary Clubs of Bali Kuta, Bali Denpasar, Bali Nusa Dua and Bali Ubud Sunset. This lunch is normally run as a regular meeting, but this time we will have equal time sharing between the clubs. We will get to hear about their projects and have updates on their news and also enjoy their fellowship. We will also have a brief presentation by Dr. Sari as the guest speaker, so it should be a terrific meeting.
- Fire Victims in Legian market. Total money collected on 13th January was Rp.1,700,000. Pres. Barbara has been in contact with **Heather Boylan** of the **Rotary E-Club Bali** (which is about to be chartered) to find out the best way to distribute these funds.
- The R.O.L.E. FOUNDATION is celebrating 'International Women's Day' on 4th March 2016 – it will be a 'hat party' at the Fairmont Sanur hotel – Please contact Julie at Role Foundation for further details.

Guest Speaker: ELIZABETH HENZELL of Villa Kitty.

Elizabeth came to Bali in 2007 to work as a personal assistant, but as her work was very hospitality orientated she used to run away every weekend to work in the Bali Animal Welfare Association (BAWA) sanctuary. BAWA did not have any facilities for cats so in 2009 she was asked to set up a facility for them. With the help of two staff, she set up the cat/kitten facility in BAWA and by Oct 2010 they had 60 cats and 8 staff all financed by an Australian, Robert Elliott.

Unfortunately, the cat environment at BAWA was not very suitable and it became necessary to move the cat facility, so the idea of Kitty Villa came to life in March 2011. With the financial (and physical) help of others including the Australian Animal Welfare Society called 'Stars', Kitty Villa went from one building on three Ares of land (300 square metres) to a place of ten Ares of land (1000 square metres) having a full adoption centre, a quarantine building, a hospital and Elizabeth's own house.

They now have, in addition to the regular staff, nine young animal ambassadors, who are paid Rp 250,000 for 48 hours per month (two hours per day), to come into Kitty Villa and look after the cats. This system is particularly good because the young girls will pass their experience and learning onto their friends and spread the word.

Kitty Villa teaches responsible cat ownership, cat care and cat enclosure. Cat enclosure involves keeping cats inside between the hours of 6pm and 6am, in order to prevent them straying. For this same reason, Villa Kitty is surrounded by discreet netting. It also runs writing workshops each year during the Ubud Writers & Readers Festival with the focus, of course, on 'amazing cats'.

In addition, as Elizabeth is an environmentalist and cares about the environment, Villa Kitty also teaches eco waste disposal and composting (they are still trying to perfect the composting).

Kitty Villa also works in cooperation with the Bali Pet crusaders, who travel all over Bali sterilizing cats. It also takes in many cats and kittens itself that are left for the centre (often originating from hotels). It vaccinates all cats received (for free to those who cannot afford the cost) and it helps them get back to full fitness, if they are sick.

There is problem finding homes for these cats and kittens. One successful step has been the giving of ten kittens to the SOS Children's Village in Tabanan, where the children got on very well the kittens.

She said that animals do have a heart and mother cats do actually pine and get very upset if a kitten is taken from them.

She asked that if you do find an animal abandoned or needing help, please help it, and when you go on holiday try to find out where the animal welfare places are in your holiday location before you go, so that you will know what to do if you find an animal needing help.

Lastly, Elizabeth welcomed people join Villa Kitty for a lovely vegetarian lunch every Sunday, as it gives the staff a chance to educate them on cat care.

- President Barbara thanked Elizabeth for her very interesting talk and gave her a club T-shirt as a token of the Club's appreciation for her talk.
- The Raffle draw was won by Guest Speaker Elizabeth and she chose the hotel dinner Voucher. (The other prize will be kept for next week).

- Raffle/ Happy/Sad stories and Fines raised Rp. 1,426,000.
- President Barbara concluded the meeting at 2pm by thanking PN. Alex for the delicious lunch with the extra bonus of dessert. She also thanked Sec. John for doing the minutes, SaA Leith, Rtn. Helmut for arranging the Roster and Rtn. Pamela and Rtn. Maree of the Administration team and Rtn. David for operating the computer.

PP. John Glass,
Club Secretary,
2015-16.