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*Chartered March 21, 1961
Meeting:
Sandals Royal Caribbean,
Montego Bay
Tuesdays - 12:45p.m.*

ADMINISTRATION 2011-12

Rotary International

RI President: Kalyan Banerjee

RI President Elect: Sakuji Tanaka

District 7020

District Governor: Guy Theodore

DG Elect: Vance Lewis

Assistant DG: Govind Chulani

BOD - Rotary Club of Montego Bay

President: Vernella Fuller

Vice President: Denton Campbell

Secretary: Natasha Parchment Clarke

Treasurer: Karen Burgess

President Elect: Thamani Smith

Immediate Past President: Mexine Bisasor

Sergeant at Arms: Alfred Pierre

Directors

Club Administration: Kay Reuben

Foundation: Duncan Sharp

Membership: Michelle Daswani

New Generation: Natasha Parchment- Clarke

Public Relations: Maria Ho Sue

Service Projects: Erica De Silva

Committee Chairs

Literacy: Thamani Smith

Vocational: Conrad Grant

Christmas Hampers: Conrad Grant

Health, Water & Sanitation: Blondel Reid

Christmas Family Luncheon: Blondel Reid

International Project: Andrea Hamilton

Disaster Relief: Duncan Sharp

Family of Rotary: Alfred Pierre

Major Fund Raiser: Denton Campbell, Maria Ho Sue

Membership Training: Pishu Chandiram, George Palmer, Larklin Hall

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Monthly Theme November ~ Rotary Foundation!

Luncheon: 22 November 2011

Present: PDG Pishu, PP Robin, PP George, PP Duncan, PP Conrad, Pres. Vernella, Direct. Maria, PP Michelle, Rtn. Ben, PP Denton, Rtn. Blondel, IPP Mexine, Rtn. Phyllis, Rtn. Dudley, Rtn. Joliker, Rtn. Emmanuel, PP Bhagwan

Apologies: PP Alfred, PE Roxanne, PP Larklin, PPP Kay, Sec. Natasha, Treas. Karen, PP Erica.

Visiting Rotarians – Pres. Mubarek (Montego Bay Sunrise), Robert Drummond (St. Andrew)

Guests: Major Wilkinson, Don Wehby (CEO Grace Kennedy Limited), Mark Cummings (The Observer), Barrington Flemming (The Gleaner) Janki Chandiram, Alisha Fuller-Armah, Simon Roberts (Grace Kennedy), Dean McDonald (Grace Kennedy), Sabrina Buls.

Guest Speaker: Don Wehby, CEO Grace Kennedy Limited.

In his interesting and thought provoking speech, Don Wehby highlighted a number of issues relating to economic growth and business development.

He highlighted the issue of bureaucracy in Jamaica, and its adverse effect on business. He stated that undue bureaucracy is stifling business growth in Jamaica. There is objective evidence of this, he stated, as Jamaica ranks quite low in international ratings of country wide bureaucracy.

Another area of concern highlighted by Don Wehby is that of corruption. This is insidious and permeates all aspects of Jamaican society, he asserts. For the entrepreneurial spirit of Jamaicans to flourish, these areas, he said need to be addressed.

Mr. Wehby also addressed the issue of taxation. He said that there is credible evidence that there is greater tax compliance when tax rates are not deemed as excessive.

Mr. Wehby's speech stimulated much debate, many comments and questions.



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Induction of Rotary Club of Montego Bay's Newest Member –Ben Buls - Telecommunications

From left: PDG Pishu, Ben Buls, Pres. Vernella, PP Michelle (Proposer)

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PDG Pishu (pinning Rtn. Ben), Sabrina Buls (Ben's wife), Pres. Vernella, PP Michelle, PP George (seated)





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New Rotarian Ben Buls being welcomed by Club members and Guests.

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PDG Pishu, PP Michelle, Rtn. Ben, Pres. Vernella, Sabrina Buls.





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Don Webby, CEO Grace Kennedy Limited, Guest Speaker

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PDG Pishu with Visiting Rotarian Robert Drummond from St. Andrew





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Heart Warming Seasonal Rotary Projects

Life Saving Operation for Johaveny Brooks -Joint project, The Rotary Club of Spanish Town and The Rotary Club of Montego Bay

On a Family of Rotary visit to PP Sam Reid, in September 2011, Pres. Vernella, PP Kay & PP Alfred met Ms Arthurine Brown, PP Sam's housekeeper and mother of seriously ill Johaveny Brooks.

Johaveny had contracted rheumatic fever as a child. His mother said they did not know when, or that he had contracted this condition until he had his High School medical. The Rheumatic fever left him with a seriously damaged heart valve.

Ms. Brown appealed to the Rotary Club of Montego Bay for financial assistance, as she had to make a contribution to the sum that would be provided by the Government. Pres. Vernella was aware of the Gift of Life Project, which comes to Jamaica annually.

*Pres. Vernella contacted AG Govind, who introduced her via email to **PP Guy McCallum of RC of Spanish Town**. They met at the Interclub Assembly in Kingston and PP Guy started the process to obtain help for Johaveny.*

Johaveny was seventeen years old at the time of referral. Fortuitously, the Gift of Life Team was due in Jamaica in November. Time was therefore of the essence in two ways; the team only treats children under 18 years old, and Johaveny was seriously ill, and his prognosis was not good.

PDG Guy and the Gift of Life Team did the necessary work in Kingston and Johaveny had his successful valve replacement operation on 13 November 2011.

The RCMB has been asked to monitor his progress and support his post operation care. Pres. Vernella is in weekly contact with his mother. Johaveny is still in Kinston but will be in Montego Bay within the next few weeks to continue his recovery.

Many thanks to PP Guy and the Gift of Life Team for saving the life of Johaveny Brooks.



Rotary Heart Patient Johaveny Brooks

Picture courtesy of PP Guy, printed with the permission of Johaveny's mother, Ms. Brown.



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Shoes Distribution Project - Joint International Project with Rotary Club of Carrollton, Farmers' Branch Texas

PP Bhagwan has worked with The Rotary Club of Carrollton- Farmers' Branch that has kindly donated over 300 pairs of shoes to be distributed to: School children, children's home & the homeless of St. James. This distribution will take place over the Christmas period. Many thanks to International Director Steve Patrick who had the daunting task of locating and collecting the shoes from diverse areas. This is a magnificent effort for the needy. Many thanks also to PP Regina Edwards for all the work associated with obtaining these shoes and working with Director Steve to ship them to Jamaica. We are also most grateful to the kind individuals who donated these shoes. Likewise to 'American Airlines' who partnered in shipping the consignment to us in Jamaica 'Free of Cost'. Finally a big thank you to PP Bhagwan for working with Customs to clear them and for storing them.

From top: Dontated shoes for distribution, Pres. Vernella & PP Bhagwan





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Pres. Vernella, PP Bhagwan, PP Michelle and her son

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Early Act Club of Montego Bay Prep - winning Christmas card competition entries.



This week's Editor: Vernella

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Announcements RCMB:

1. **Christmas Hampers for the Needy** – We are now collecting non perishable food items or cash. Please give your contribution to Sec. Natasha or Treasurer Karen
2. **RCMB Promoting Reading Project – Volunteering Sessions:**

- Tuesdays 10:30-11:30 ~ Greenwood School
- Thursdays 10:00-11:00 ~ Irwin School (October to February)
- Fridays 9:30 -10:30 ~ Chetwood Memorial School
- Albion (March to June 2012)

Please inform Pres. Vernella or PP Erica if you wish to participate – weekly, fortnightly or monthly.

7. **Website devoted to Golf Tournament Sponsors -**

<http://www.hummingbirdhall.com/rotarymontegobaygolf/>

8. **Club's Website -** <http://www.rotarymontegobay.com> **advertising on Club Website-**
Please contact the Editorial Team for really competitive deals.

9. **Facebook Page. Please Click on this link and *like* -**
www.facebook.com/rotarymontegobay

Announcements - Other Clubs, District & International:

1. **Rotary Club of Montego Bay East Foundation Dinner** – 3 December, 7:00pm – 127 Chester Ave.
Ironshore – Donation \$1500
2. **District 7020 Conference** – Haiti, 17-21 April 2012
3. **Rotary International Convention** – Bangkok, Thailand, 6-9 May, 2012



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Rotary Grace

Option 1

Our Lord and giver of all good
We thank thee for our daily food
May Rotary friends and Rotary ways,
help us to serve Thee
All our days.

Option 2

O Lord who know our need
Help us to fulfil our rotary creed
We live to serve these every day
In all we think or do or say
Accept our prayers for this meal
Restore, forgive, inspire and heal

NATIONAL ANTHEM

Eternal Father bless our land,
Guard us with Thy Mighty Hand,
Keep us free from evil powers,
Be our light through countless hours.
To our Leaders, Great Defender,
Grant true wisdom from above.
Justice, Truth be ours forever,
Jamaica, land we love.
Jamaica, Jamaica, Jamaica land we
love.

Teach us true respect for all,
Stir response to duty's call,
strengthen us the weak to cherish,
Give us vision lest we perish.
Knowledge send us Heavenly Father,
Grant true wisdom from above.
Justice, Truth be ours forever,
Jamaica, land we love.
Jamaica, Jamaica, Jamaica land we
love.

Recognition Slate – September 2011

Rotarian of the Month of October –

Joint Winners:

- ❖ PP Kay
- ❖ PP Conrad (320 Points each)

Runners Up:

- ❖ PP Denton 245 Points
- ❖ Sec & Direc. Natasha
- ❖ Rtn. Blondel (230 Points each)

Extraordinary contribution to the Club included:

- Leading Careers' Day Project
- Careers Fair Planning meetings
- Careers' Fair attendance
- 50th Planning
- 50th Anniversary Attendance
- Planning Golf Tournament
- Donations to Careers' Fair
- Obtaining sponsorships for golf tournament
- Contributing to 50th Programme
- Bringing a Guest to 50th
- Attending Meeting with DG
- Attending meeting to write report for DG

This month we highlight other Rotarians achieving over 200 Points:

- **PP George ~ 205 points**
- **PP Larklin ~ 205**

PP Duncan – November 5 ~ Anniversary

PP Denton – November 12 ~ Birthday

Rtn. Ram– November 12 ~ Birthday

Pres. Vernella – November 16 – Birthday

PP Denton – November 16 ~ Anniversary

Rtn. Phyllis – November 22 ~ Birthday

PP Kay – November 27 ~ Birthday



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Meeting Opportunities in Jamaica:

Mondays:

St. Andrew North – Hilton Kingston Hotel (6:30p.m)
Kingston East & Port Royal- Morgan's Harbour Hotel (7:00 p.m)

Tuesdays:

St. Andrew – Jamaica Pegasus Hotel (12:30p.m)
Montego Bay – Sandals Royal Caribbean (12:45p.m)
Mandeville- Golf View Hotel (12:45p.m)
Falmouth - Glistening Waters (5:30p.m)
Port Antonio – Conf. Hall RADA, Folly Road (6:00p.m)
Savanna- la –Mar – Hotel Commingle (6:30p.m)
Spanish Town- Hilton Kingston Hotel (6:30p.m)
Rose Hall – The Atrium, Rose Hall (6:30p.m)
Santa Cruz -Beadle's Club (7:30p.m)

Wednesdays:

Montego Bay Sunrise - Wexford Hotel (7.30a.m)
Kingston Downtown – Hilton Kingston Hotel (12:30p.m)
Lucea- Grand Palladium (6:00p.m)
Negril – Negril Escape Resort (6:00p.m)
Ocho Rios-Sand Castles Hotel (6:00p.m)
Christiana- Spauldings Skills Trade centre (7:00p.m)
Portmore – Eden Gardens (7:30p.m)

Thursdays:

Kingston- Jamaica Pegasus Hotel (12:30p.m)
North St. Catherine- Windalco Sports Complex (6:00p.m)
Liguanea Plains- Eden Gardens (6:30p.m)
Trafalgar New Heights, Kingston -Liguanea Club (6.30pm)
May Pen – Hotel Versailles (7:00p.m)
Montego Bay East – Sunset Beach Resort (7:00p.m)
Black River- Luna Guest House (7:30 p.m)
Morant Bay – The Anglican Church Hall (6:00 p.m.)

Fridays:

New Kingston Pegasus Hotel (7:00a.m)

THE FOUR-WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say or do:

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

Avenues of Service

Club Service focuses on strengthening fellowship and ensuring the smooth functioning of Rotary clubs.

Vocational Service involves club members serving others through their professions and aspiring to high ethical standards. Rotarians, as business leaders, share skills and expertise through their vocations, and they inspire others in the process.

Community Service Community Service is the opportunity Rotary clubs have to implement club projects and activities that improve life in the local community.

International Service encompasses efforts to expand Rotary's humanitarian reach around the world and to promote world understanding and peace. It includes everything from contributing to PolioPlus to helping Rotary Youth Exchange students adjust to their host countries.

New Generations Service recognises the positive change implemented by youth and young adults through leadership development activities such as RYLA, Rotaract, Interact and Earlyact club service projects, and creating international understanding with Rotary Youth Exchange.