



The Rotary Club of Saint Lucia

"The Spoke"

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[Rotary District 7030 PETS, Barbados April 20-23, 2016](#)

Weekly Duties				
The 4-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 friendships? Will it be beneficial to all concerned?		May 29	June 5	June 12
	Meeting	TRF presentation	Business	
	Greeters	David Doddy	Frank Joanna	Leathon Lorne
	Prize	Digby	Ian	Leevie
	If you can't make it as above, please tell Dir. Ginelle ASAP!			



Birthdays in May

Mary Anna Lewis
Joanna
David

May 27
May 27
May 29

Board 2014-2015

<i>President</i>	Chester Hinkson
<i>Vice President</i>	PP Leathon Khan PHF
<i>President Elect</i>	Timothy James
<i>Immediate PP</i>	Rudolph "Doddy" Francis PHF
<i>Secretary</i>	Timothy James
<i>Treasurer</i>	PP Robert "Bobby" Frederick
<i>Sergeant at Arms:</i>	PP Timothy Moffat PHF
<i>Public Relations:</i>	PP Carole Jn Marie PHF

Directors

Club Administration:	Ginelle Nelson
Service Projects:	PP Konrad Wagner PHF
Membership:	Joanna Charles
Rotary Foundation:	PP Digby Ambris, PHF
Youth Service:	Selma St.Prix

District responsibilities

Asst. District Governor	PP Timothy Moffat PHF
District Advisor (TRF) Major Gifts	PAG Malcolm Charles PHF
Vice Chair IFRM D7020 & D7030	PAG Malcolm Charles PHF



Club Meeting - May 22, 2015



This was a fellowship meeting



Meeting statistics

Attendance:

24 Rotarians 60%

7 guest

Pres. Chester chaired the business meeting

Serge Tim raised \$ 173.40

The raffle earned \$ 160.00. It was won by Rot. Mark



Save the date

- Pediatric Society Fun Walk, Sunday May 31, 2015 6.00 am
- Joint boards meeting Tuesday June 2, 2015 at Pres. Chester's Residence
- Dunnottar School lunch Friday June 12, 2015 at Windjammer Landing
- Rotary Fellowship Movie Night Saturday June 13, 2015 Rot. Mary's home



PE Tim gave a brief report on the water situation.

A serious drought is as result of the lack of rain and intense heat, affecting Saint Lucia. With the Government declared emergency the watering of lawns and washing of cars is no longer allowed. The John Compton Dam is currently 8' below the spillway and reserves saw a rapid decline in the last 14 days. The Water Resource Management agency is reporting extremely low stream flows. Apparently the lowest ever since records are being kept. The drought is expected to continue until August/September and should not be taken lightly. Hill 20 is between 40 and 60% below Capacity and at times there is no Water in the river to pump. WASCO has started installing tanks in various areas. If you have water don't take it for granted and conserve what you can. Because

not everybody will receive water due to challenges in pumping into certain areas.

On Pres. Chester's question, PE Tim stated that hospitals and tourism areas are considered priority clients. The hotels have already been advised of the water schedule.

Dir. Selma questioned the annual recurrence of water problems and wondered if there was a long term plan.

PE Tim confirmed that the current priority work is the planned desilting of the John Compton Dam. Once the dam has normal capacity drought effects are not so serious.



This was followed by a discussion on missed opportunities, led by PP Doddy

The presenter felt many of our economic and social challenges are a result of missed opportunities. Because of our size we all too often depend on larger nations like the USA, China the UK etc. One example shared was the boom and decline of the banana industry before alternative crops were discussed. None traditional crops and coconut oil are prime examples of a product being first discounted before becoming embraced by large nations.

Guests at the meeting



Julietta Josephine Mitchell-Stewart
guest of
Rot Ian



Karen Lawrence
guest of
PP Tim



Yvonne Agard
guest of
Rot. Joanna



"Shaggy" Isaac
guest of
Rot. Birgitta



Elwin Ishmael
guest of
Pres. Chester



Vincent Noyce
guest of
PP Tim



Peter Dixon
guest of
PP Tim



PP Keith made an appeal for support of an event to be held by the "Goodwill Charity Group. Namely piano concerts on Friday May 29th. and Saturday May 30th

PP Konrad advised the members of the health challenges of PP Cass and Marguerite and asked to keep them in our thoughts. All were reminded of the funeral arrangements for PP Claude Guillaume.

