



# ROTA NEWS



Rotary Opens Opportunities

**R.I. Theme 2020-21**

## R.I. OFFICERS

### President

Holger Knaack

### President Elect

Shekhar Mehta

### RI Membership Committee Chair

PDG David Edwards



## 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?

## Rotary Club of Barbados



District 7030 - Club # 6798

**Chartered March 07, 1962**

### PATRON

HE Dame Sandra Mason, GCMG, DA.

Governor General

### DISTRICT OFFICERS

District Governor  
Lisle Chase

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Sonya Alleyne

**1ST APRIL 2021**

### Club Officers & Directors

#### President

Fiona Hinds

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Robin Ford

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#### Secretary

Ermine Darroux

#### Treasurer

Meryl Stoute

#### Club Administration

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Stanley MacDonald

#### Public Relations

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#### Community Service

Adrian Skeete

#### International/Rotary Foundation

Makonem Hurley

#### Immediate Past President

Peter Williams

#### Sergeant-at-Arms

Randy Marshall

Weekly meetings on **Thursdays** at

**Hilton Barbados**

(Hybrid Meetings via Zoom from Aug 6, 2020 to present)

Needham's Point, Aquatic Gap,

St. Michael

at 12:30 p.m.

P.O. Box 148B, Brittons Hill,  
St. Michael, Barbados

**THE ROTARY CLUB OF BARBADOS WELCOMES ALL VISITING  
ROTARIANS AND GUESTS**

**Mar 07 - Club Charter Date - 1962 - Club # 6798**

**RI THEME: ROTARY OPENS OPPORTUNITIES**



**Today is a Fellowship Meeting which is being held via Zoom Only.**

**We will be having a Life In Rotary presentation by PP. Lionel Moe.**

**We will also be having a Classification Talk by Rtn. Nikita Gibson.**

**Our Zoom meeting Moderator will be PDG David.**

**Club Forum was Held On 24th March 2021**

**Guests**

- None (Members Only)

**Housekeeping:**

- Attendance - 79%



**Rotary International President Holger Knaack recently received his first vaccination for Covid-19.**

**He encourages everyone to go and get vaccinated in the fight against this virus and help bring this pandemic to an end one-day.**

**Rotary**  
Club of Barbados



**Club Forum – 24th  
March 2021**

The RCOB Club Forum was held last Wednesday via Zoom.

Considering the length of the meeting of approximately 2.5 hours and it was for members only, no summary of the Forum will be published via RotaNews.

The minutes arising from the meeting will be published to the club membership in the coming weeks via ClubRunner.

**Rotary ramps up COVID-19 vaccination efforts—By  
Ryan Hyland**

Rotary clubs around the world are mobilizing in their communities to support the introduction and delivery of COVID-19 vaccinations. Rotary leaders are urging members to connect with their local health agencies to determine how Rotary can support COVID-19 vaccine efforts.

Rotary has decades of experience in supporting the distribution of polio vaccines as well as highlighting their power and efficacy, which is a critical reason why polio is on the brink of eradication. It's this expertise, along with strategic partnerships and innovation, that Rotary members can tap into to protect communities from COVID-19.

Rotary International President Holger Knaack and Foundation Trustee Chair K.R. "Ravi" Ravindran have called on Rotary members to take action on a number of levels.

Rotary members in North Carolina, USA, quickly organized to offer assistance to health officials. "Rotarians are leaders who are looked upon for guidance, and the more information and opportunity to share ideas with health officials, the better," said Dawn Rochelle, governor of Rotary district 7730 (North Carolina). "The polio eradication initiative gives a blueprint that provides strategy that is effective in any community," says Rochelle, who took part in two polio immunization drives in India. "Governments take the lead on immunizations there and here in the U.S., but what's critical to the success is the additional layer of support Rotarians bring. We are here to back-up the frontline workers with anything they need. It's amazing to see the response of North Carolina Rotarians."

New joint COVID-19 taskforce gives direction to clubs.

At a meeting in December, the Rotary International Board of Directors and Rotary Foundation Trustees created a joint taskforce that will help guide upcoming efforts to distribute the COVID-19 vaccines and advocate for people to get vaccinated. The newly formed group will also share information promoting vaccine acceptance, and encourage service projects to stop the spread of the disease, such as social distancing, wearing masks, and washing hands frequently.

The two Rotary leaders (Knaack and Ravindran) called particular attention to the importance of one specific call to action: combatting vaccine hesitancy. "Help us combat the powerful, growing force of vaccine resistance and misinformation. Our advocacy in our communities will be critical – we need to spread the message about the power of vaccines to save lives," they urged.

**Source: <https://www.rotary.org/en/rotary-ramps-up-covid-19-vaccination-efforts>**





## ROTARACT CLUB OF BARBADOS

Sponsored by the Rotary Club of Barbados  
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### PRESS RELEASE- MARCH 30, 2021

The Rotaract Club of Barbados, a partner of the Rotary Club of Barbados, is a service organisation whose stated purpose is to bring together business and professional leaders to provide humanitarian services, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations and to advance goodwill and peace around the world.

The month of March is designated as *Water and Sanitation Month* by Rotary International. In celebration of this and in light of World Water Day being acknowledged on March 22, 2021, our club sought to donate a community water tank to the constituency of St. Joseph. Our International Service Committee led by Director Kavita Singh embarked on a needs assessment in 2020 which informed that the parish of St. Joseph was among those hardest hit by the unavailability of potable water.

Through hard work and dedication to the cause this Committee was able to secure sponsorship of a 1,000 gallon tank from R Singh Building and Maintenance to be donated to the constituency. We were also able to obtain sponsorship from corporate Barbados for labour and materials for the eventual installation of the tank through partnerships with Kristyl Beauty, Smart Store Inc., SigniaGlobe Financial Group, Movements Plus and Little Bits. We are grateful to the Barbados Water Authority and their Community Tank Programme team for partnering with us to assist with the installation of the tank in the final phase of this project.

On the morning of March 30, 2021, President Danielle Donawa, International Service Director Kavita Singh and Assistant Director - International Service, Shakeila Marshall announced the donation of the community tank to Attorney General the Hon. Dale Marshall Q.C. at Surinam, St. Joseph at which Mr. Gregory Thompson, Coordinator of the Community Tank Programme for the Barbados Water Authority was also present.

The Rotaract Club of Barbados wishes to thank each and every one of our sponsors and partners as well as the Hon. Dale Marshall Q.C., Attorney General of Barbados and constituency representative of the parish of St. Joseph for making this project possible as we strive to continue to showcase our Passion in Action.

Danielle Donawa (Ms.)  
President 2020-2021  
Rotaract Club of Barbados



From Left to Right, Mr. Gregory Thompson, Dir. Kavita Singh, Asst. Dir Shakeila Marshall, President Danielle Donawa and Attorney General of Barbados The Hon. Dale Marshall Q.C.



### **“ WHAT IS ROTARY? ”:**

In 1976 the Rotary International Board of Directors was interested in creating a concise definition of the fundamental aspects of Rotary. They turned to the three men who were then serving on Rotary's Public Relations Committee and requested that a one-sentence definition of Rotary be prepared. After numerous drafts, the committee presented this definition, which has been used ever since in various Rotary publications:

**"Rotary is an organization of business and professional persons united worldwide who provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations and help build goodwill and peace in the world." Those 31 words are worth remembering.**

### Upcoming International Events for 2021



The Rotary Virtual Convention will be open to all Rotary members and participants. Event registration will open in mid-April.

Find out more at: <https://on.rotary.org/3f85TJH>



**08<sup>th</sup> February to 08<sup>th</sup> April**

For more information:  
**RotaryDistrict7030.org**





## Club Dues

Club Dues can still be paid via the use of an internet bank transfer. Here are the instructions in order to facilitate this transaction.

The Bank Of Nova Scotia

Account Name: Rotary Club of Barbados

Transit # 40055

Account # 9008684

Remember when you are making a payment to contact Treasurer Meryl Stoute or PP Ron Davis via email to notify of the payment you have submitted. Required will be the name of sender, amount of transfer, date of transfer. This information is vital to allow tracking and matching of the transfer to the deposit on the bank statement. If you are paying via Cheque, these payments can be also be facilitated.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- April 1st — Fellowship Meeting
- April 8th — Fellowship Meeting & Classification Talk
- April 15th — Business Meeting
- April 22nd — Meeting with Guest Speaker (TBA)

### Pre PETS

- 01-April — Working with Youth
- 06-April — Rotary Foundation/District Grant Applications
- 08-April — Enhancing Public Image & Awareness

**\*\*All In-Person Meetings at the Hilton have been temporary suspended as we adhere to the Covid-19 protocols outlined by the Government of Barbados.**

**Also please look out for more information concerning any other pending events which will have to rescheduled next month.**

## Announcements

### Wedding Anniversary

- Beverly Morris — PP Bobby Morris — 52 yrs — April 05
- Leslie St. John — Rtn. Savitri St. John — 24 yrs — April 05

### Birthday - Rotarians

- Rtn. Anton Nicholls — 8 April 2021

### Birthday - Partners-in-Service

- Gillian Applewhaite — PP Paul Ashby — 2 April
- Deidre Ishmael — PP Jerry Ishmael — 4 April
- Lorna Browne — PAG Ivan Browne — 6 April

### Join Date Anniversary

- Rtn. Russell Wilson — 2nd April — 1 year
- Rtn. Savitri St. John — 2nd April — 1 year

### ROTARY GRACE

O Lord and giver of all things good  
We thank Thee for our daily food  
May Rotary friends and Rotary ways  
Help us to serve Thee all our days.



## New Rotary Foundation grant supports scaling proven malaria program in Zambia

The Rotary Foundation is giving a significant boost to the fight against malaria in Zambia with a new \$2 million Programs of Scale grant that will scale an already successful program model. Partners for a Malaria-Free Zambia is a Rotarian-led effort that will use a community health worker model proven to effectively respond to cases of malaria and prevent transmission. The program aims to help reduce malaria cases over time by 90% in 10 target districts in two of the country's provinces.

Malaria, a preventable disease caused by a parasite spread through the bites of infected mosquitoes, continues to be one of Zambia's leading causes of illness and death, especially infant and maternal deaths.



The grant will allow Partners for a Malaria-Free Zambia to strengthen the country's health system by working with Zambian health officials at all levels and training 380 health facility staff members, as well as training and equipping more than 2,500 new community health workers. This will increase access to malaria diagnosis and treatment for the more than 1.3 million people in heavily affected areas in the Central and Muchinga provinces and greatly contribute to the national effort to eliminate the deadly disease.

*For the Full Article Goto:*

<https://www.rotary.org/en/new-rotary-foundation-grant-supports-scaling-proven-malaria-program-in-zambia>

### **OBJECT OF ROTARY**

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and in particular to encourage and foster:

**FIRST:** The development of acquaintance as an opportunity of service;

**SECOND:** High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition and the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;

**THIRD:** The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business and community life; and

**FOURTH:** The advancement of the international understanding, goodwill and peace through a world of fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

**Bulletin Editor: Rtn. Carlos Depeiza**