



ROTA NEWS



June 2, 2022

Rotary Club of Barbados



District 7030 - Club # 6798

Chartered March 07, 1962

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SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

R.I. Theme 2021-22

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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?

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Immediate Past President
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Weekly meetings on **Thursdays** at
Hilton Barbados

(Meetings via Zoom from July 15, 2021 to present)

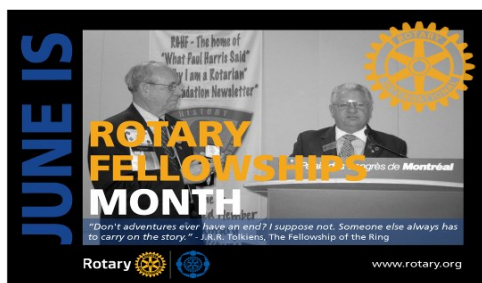
Needham's Point, Aquatic Gap,
St. Michael
at 12:30 p.m.

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: SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES



SUMMARY OF THE FELLOWSHIP MEETING HELD ON MAY 26TH, 2022

- The 44th meeting was called to order by President Robin at 12.30 pm.
- The national anthem was played.
- President Robin announced that this is “Youth Service Month”. He also informed the Club that our guest speaker today was Major David Clarke.
- Prayers were said by PP Tony Reece
- Sergeant-at-Arms Randy introduced our guests.
- All were welcomed.
- President Robin announced birthdays and anniversaries for today.
- PP Erskine read the Rotary Foundation Minute.
- Rtn. Adrian Skeete introduced the guest speaker.
- Guest speaker Major Clarke (*pictured right*) addressed the Club on the topic “Covid 19”.



- Here are some excerpts from his speech.
 - In January 2021 he was given very short notice by Prime Minister Mottley to roll out a Covid 19 vaccination program which was needed within 3 to 4 days. The request was made on a Friday and the roll out was in place by the following Wednesday.
 - The program was built on the infrastructure already in place for the 9 polyclinics. This means that the architects for the program piggybacked on the structure of the polyclinics, hence, it contained 9 catchment areas.
 - The polyclinic system in its current format was inadequate as it was not designed for a mass vaccination program. It was therefore converted to accommodate a mobile system.
 - The overall system was a national medical record system which captured data for all Barbadians and also produced certificates. The system specifically dedicated to the vaccination program was called “SHAPE”. In it was a testing component, vaccination component and a home quarantine component.
 - Laptops, tablets were required and were obtained and dongles were acquired to load, process and assimilate the mass information of the vaccinated.
 - In Major Clarke’s words, “the entire process pushed the island’s health care system miles ahead.”
 - Certain challenges were also encountered, for example, the health care workers were not accustomed working in a mobile environment. Additionally, some persons gave incorrect email addresses because they were apprehensive about volunteering personal information to the Government. It followed that such persons could not receive their certificates via email.
 - To date, there are: 140,000 persons with vaccination certificates, 162,000 persons with first doses, 152,000 with 2nd doses, 152,000 with the first booster, 2,000 with the 2nd booster and currently approximately 10 to 20 persons taking the first shot daily.
 - Initially it was difficult to obtain vaccines. The program was started with the donation of 100,000 doses of Astra-Zeneca from India and this donation was shared with CARICOM.
 - Over time, other types of vaccines were received – 270,000 doses from Pfizer (a donation from the USA), 5,000 doses of Sinopharm and 600 doses of Johnson and Johnson. Pfizer was the most popular.
 - 71% of the eligible population is vaccinated. This equates to 57% of the total population.

Today, Thursday, June 2nd, 2022 is a Business Meeting which commences at 12:30 p.m. will held be via Zoom (Members Only).

Our scheduled Attendance takers will be Rtn. Meryl Stoute and PP. Tony Williams.

Next week June 9th 2022, - Our scheduled Greeters will be Rtn. Winston Warren and Rtn. Adrian Skeete .



RCOB members, Face to Face meetings are back at the Hilton Hotel on select dates for the remainder of the Rotary year.

June 23rd, 2022 is The Last Lap! Mark you calendars and come out for In-person fellowship with your fellow Rotarians.

****Remember you will need to reserve you attendance in advance in order to attend the in-person meetings.**

Meeting Details — May 26, 2022

Guests:

- Ruben Brathwaite — Guest of Rtn. Winston
- Shane Thompson — Guest of Rtn. Nikita
- Nikita Holford — Guest of Rtn. Jamella
- Randy Bennett — Barbados Today
- Colville Mounsey — Nation News
- Tanya Lightbourne — Barbados Advocate
- Maj. David Clarke—Guest Speaker

Rotarians & Rotaractors

- None this week

Honorary Rotarians

- None

Housekeeping:

- Attendance - 58 %

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SUMMARY OF THE FELLOWSHIP MEETING HELD ON MAY 26TH, 2022 (Continued)

- Major Clarke said that the herd immunity factor is underreported because there are a number of Barbadians who received their first and second doses overseas, whereas the boosters were obtained locally. Such first and second doses were not captured in the local system.
 - Later this year, it is hoped that the vaccination program will be handed back to be operated under the polyclinic system. The only the facility which will be retained as a dedicated vaccination centre, is the one at the Harbour Road..
 - At the height of the program, it was staffed with 345 volunteers, these included - data entry persons, public health sisters, nurses, doctors, persons who cleaned and sprayed chairs etc.
 - Approximately 21,000 students ages 12-18 have already been vaccinated. There is currently a pause with this program because a number of students are sitting examinations. This program will resume after the exams.
 - The paperwork is currently in process in an effort to obtain vaccines for children ages 5-11.
 - The suggested time for boosters in some countries is 6 months, however, persons can obtain boosters after 4 months.
 - The program has been refined and is now running smoothly.
- The vote of thanks was moved by PP Ron Davis.

Other Business:

- Sergeant-at-arms Randy disciplined the Club by imposing a global fine.
- President Robin made the following announcements: he is looking forward to seeing those Rotarians who plan to attend the President's Party on Saturday night. He also said next week's meeting is a business meeting via zoom only
- After a toast to Rotary International, the meeting was adjourned at 1.20 pm.

RCOB PRESIDENT'S PARTY 2022 HELD AT PRESIDENT ROBIN & P.I.S DEANNE RESIDENCE — 28TH MAY 2022



ROTARY MINUTE



ROTARY'S COMMITMENT TO YOUTH

Today's Rotary Foundation Minute focuses on Rotary's Commitment to Youth and encourages support by purposeful donations. David C. Forward in his book "A Century of Service", dedicates a chapter to this aspect of the work of Rotary International. He cites this quotation from Henry J. Taylor, R.I. President 1954-55, and originator of The Four-Way Test.

"It is essential to our future preservation that the youth of nations become men and women of high moral character...Every great world movement concentrates on youth as the necessary foundation for success. Let us in Rotary carry on a crusade among our youth for justice, for truth and for liberty. I hope The Four-Way Test plan can help us do the job".

Forward summarizes: "Rotary's work with youth cuts across all Avenues of Service. When a club organizes a Boy Scout troop or takes disabled children on an outing, that is Community Service. When it mentors teenagers with job skills or teaches physically youth how to work with hands, that is Vocational Service. When Rotarians in one country provide assistance to children in another or host a Youth Exchange Student, they are performing International Service".

Rotary's programs are developing the next generation of leaders, providing funding to make the world a better place, and making peace a priority. I have elected to focus on the programs of our own club as a frame of reference for extending our appreciation of funding the concerns of youth across the world and encouraging support of Rotary's programs worldwide.

The record of the Rotary Club of Barbados in this area of focus is outstanding. The work with RYLA, Interact, Rotaract, Youth Exchange, in the past speaks for itself. The Initiatives of PP Fiona, Director Arlene, Secretary Ermine et al, the RCOB Youth Elevate Scheme team of Rotarians, Roger, Davina and others working with the Police Service, that drew a Nation Newspaper headline "Elevating Youth for the world of work" must be especially gratifying for us Rotarians "Serving to Change Lives".

This Rotary Foundation minute celebrates and offers congratulations for their outstanding work and commitment and making us all proud to be Rotarians. It serves as a motivation to our members to extend our support for the Rotary Foundation beyond our local needs to funding support to other needy communities across the world.

The Foundation offers a few examples:

For 60 cents a child can be protected from polio.

\$50.00 can provide clean water.

\$500 can fund providing healthy environments for children.

All Rotarians are encouraged to support the Rotary Foundation by their donations.

PP Erskine

Rotaract Club of Barbados

Save The Date

A Whole New World

Handing Over Ceremony

03 Jul 2022

6:30 PM

A formal invitation with further details to follow

FUN FACTS

Today's Member Fun Facts are compliments of the Fellowship Committee. Our hope is that you will enjoy learning more about your fellow club colleagues weekly.

Fun Facts about Rtn. Nikita Gibson



1. **I cannot live without:** My morning coffee
2. **My superpower is:** Sleeping!
3. **I am best at:** At analytical problem solving
4. **I love a:** Evening at the spa
5. **My alternate career would be:** Pediatrician
6. **Most people don't know that:** I hate lizards.
7. **Best vacation ever:** was a trip to Israel -> floating in the Dead Sea was one great highlight but visiting and walking the streets of Jerusalem to the Wailing Wall #unforgettable
8. **Favourite addiction:** Decadent chocolate
9. **Bucket list item #1:** Visiting the pyramids in Egypt because I am fascinated about how they were constructed with limited technology
10. **Best Rotary moment to date:** Seeing the enthusiastic response from the students at the Lodge School BTBCY presentation as it was the first project I assisted in conceptualizing and seeing through until execution

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **June 2nd — Business Meeting**
- **June 9th — Fellowship Meeting**
- **June 16th— Fellowship Meeting (Guest Speaker)**
- **June 23rd - The Last Lap! Fellowship Meeting (In-person) @ The Hilton Hotel.**
- **July 3rd—Installation of Officers Ceremony (RaCOB)**
- **July 9th—Installation of Officers Ceremony (RCOB)**

DISTRICT 7030 EVENTS:

- **RI Engaging Members and Delivering Value Webinar Series - 05 - Increasing Our Impact – 23rd June @ 1:00 p.m.**

****More Information on upcoming events will be published as soon as the details are available.**

Announcements

Wedding Anniversary

- Deidre Ishmael & PP. Jerry Ishmael—17 Yrs—**4 June**

Birthday – Rotarians

- Rtn. Kim Tudor — **4 June**

Birthday – Partners-in-Service

- None this week

Join Date Anniversary

- Rtn. Diana Douglin— 9 yrs— **6th June**
- P.E Tracey Knight-Lloyd — 9 yrs— **6th June**

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.

Rotary 
 Club of Barbados

SAVE THE DATE

Make Rotary Magic

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS CEREMONY

09 JUL 2022

TIME: 6:30 PM
 ATTIRE: ELEGANT

A formal invitation with further details to follow

DISTRICT 7030 ROTARACT PETS AND CONFERENCE BARBADOS 2022 • @district7030rotaract

**Rotarians,
 We Need Your Support!**

The D7030 Rotaract Conference Committee humbly requests your help in making D7030 Rotaract Conference 2022 a success!

Donations of \$100 are welcomed!

All donors will receive the NEW 2022-23 D7030 THEME PIN!

Rotaract 
 District 7030



Donations can be made to:

Account Name: The Rotaract Club of Barbados
 Address on Account: PO Box 148B, Brittons Hill, St. Michael
 Account Number: 456022
 Transit: 66555
 Name of Bank: Bank of Nova Scotia
 Branch: Haggatt Hall, St. Michael

Or contact Conference Secretary Shanée Holder at 845-5819 or shaneeholder@gmail.com or Conference Treasury Lead Shaunté Carter at 263-1638 or shaunte_dm_carter@hotmail.com

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.

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