



ROTA NEWS



7TH JANUARY 2021



Rotary Opens Opportunities

R.I. Theme 2020-21

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Rotary Club of Barbados



District 7030 - Club # 6798

Chartered March 07, 1962

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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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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



Club Meeting—31st December 2020

PE Fiona called the meeting to order at 12:30 pm and asked Rtn. Joe Johnson to lead the club in singing the National Anthem.

The club observed a minute’s silent in respecting the passing of former Rtn. Maurice Foster who was one of the co-chairs for the Chain Link Fence event in 1979.

Acting SAA Peter Arender introduced the visiting Rotarians, Rotaractors and Guests; their names may be found on Page 2a of this bulletin.

The following new Rotarians were pinned:

- Michael (Mikey) Mercer – sponsored by Rtn. Neal Griffith
- Nikita Gibson – sponsored by Rtn. Diana Douglin



Rtn. Neal (left), Rtn. Mikey & Pres. Fiona



Rtn. Diana (left), Rtn. Nikita & Pres. Fiona



Pres Fiona next made presentations for Project Elevate:

Rtn. Meryl’s team was mentioned and Rtn. Joe Johnson gave a bit of detail on Ward C4 at QEH – the beneficiary of this team whose theme was “Gift to the World” and their gift was a number of items including an exercise machine meant to benefit patients with mental challenges.

Rotaract Club UWI was presented with \$500.00 to execute their project. (Pres. Fiona presents to Pres. Akeeme of RaC UWI-CaveHill)



Today our club will be having a Business Meeting via Zoom Only.

Our Zoom meeting Moderator will be PDG David.

OUR GUESTS — Meeting Held On 31st December 2020

- Theodore Isaac — PIS of PP Brenda Pope
- Rotaractors Shaunte Carter, Scott Chandler, Danielle Donawa, Akeeme Sealy — PP Stanley Macdonald
- PIS Harriet with PP Stanley Macdonald
- Ché Greenidge — Rtn. Anton Nicholls
- Michael Mercer — Rtn. Neal Griffith
- Nikita Gibson — Rtn. Neal Griffith

Visiting Rotarians and Rotaractors

- Rtn. Brian Lashley – Rotary Club of Barbados (South)

Housekeeping:

- Attendance — 44%.
- Fines Collected — \$200.00
- Raffle proceeds — \$76.00

The raffle was won by Nikita Gibson.

“Everything we do opens another opportunity for someone, somewhere”

HOLGER KNAACK



Club Meeting—31st December 2020

Continued

RaCoB was also presented with \$500.00 to execute their project.



VP Danielle of RaCOB received the donation from Pres. Fiona. Also present are Rtr. Scott and Rtr. Shaunte

Both Rotaract clubs are to report back on details of their respective projects at the conclusion.

Acting SAA extracted fines in his usual imaginative manner. The usual statutory announcements were made. Details on Page 4a.

Pres Fiona wished everyone a Happy New Year along with her customary words of wisdom and encouragement in reflecting on 2020 and preparing for 2021



PIS Harriet [PP Stan] Macdonald drew the raffle ticket; this was won by the newest Rtn. Nikita Gibson.



The raffle prize was supplemented with some gift vouchers from a local restaurant compliments of Rtn. Karen Cole. This was presented to President Akeeme of RaC UWI-Cave Hill.

The Meeting was closed at 1:30 p.m.



Our Rotaract Team Members with PP. Stanley (third from the right) Director of Youth Service at the meeting's conclusion.



Walt Disney was a Rotarian.

Famous Rotarians



Walt Disney
Animated Film Maker
Rotary Club of Palm Springs, CA

Walt Disney was an American animator, film maker and business entrepreneur.

Disney cartoons and films have remained family favorites since the 1930's

He created a film and entertainment empire currently valued at over \$150 billion.



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#IFixThePlanet

Join our Video Challenge and make a difference



RI President Holger Knaack champions the Environmental Sustainability Rotary Action Group (ESRAG's) "I Fix The Planet" contest.

Rotary
Happy New Year



Bounce Back And Build Resilience In Your Club

Author: ARC PDG Brian Coffey

We all know that whole communities are doing it 'socially' tough right now, service Clubs and community groups are part of the crisis – yet may be the solution for many.

I am sure most clubs have had plenty of ups and downs and instability that they have had to ride out since their charter – setbacks can make us stronger, in various ways, it may well be that a strong service club will be the panacea for many, coming out of COVID as we adapt to the way we operate and the services we offer, to meet that 'new normal'.

We need to stay focused and bounce back with inbuilt resilience. Now is the time to focus on more than bouncing back to get you to where you were before COVID, we need to safeguard our clubs future; develop and implement strategies that will help make you viable to your members and your community.

Despite your current pain of not meeting, or at risk of becoming a 'Zoombi' we must start strategising around a 'new normal' grasping the communication and learning opportunities that have opened up. RI President Holger Knaack urges us to 'work together to explore flexible options' and to 'devote this time to strengthen your program'.

Clubs cannot afford to be slow in reaching out to the members and community, talking about how things are going to change with the future, taking advantage of the opportunities, learning and technology as it arises, analysing our weaknesses and planning. Unfortunately, a look at 'My Rotary' indicates that planning is not a strength of many clubs. A club analysis and goal setting, engaging all the members, may be a good starting point.

For More Goto: <https://rotarydistrict7030.org/Stories/bounce-back-and-build-resilience-in-your-club>



UPCOMING EVENTS

- ◆ Business Meeting—4th January, 2021
- ◆ District 7030 Day—14th January, 2021
- ◆ Children's Party on Errol Barrow Day—21st January, 2021—TBA
- ◆ Guest Speaker at meeting on 28th January, 2021—TBA

****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.**

Announcements

Wedding Anniversary

- Rtn. Neal & Wanda Griffith — 23 yrs — 7th Jan

Birthday - Rotarians

- PP Orville Durant — 4th Jan (*belated greetings*)
- PDG Tony Watkins — 5th Jan (*belated greetings*)
- Rtn Peter Arender — 6th Jan (*belated greetings*)
- PAG Lisa Cummins — 10th Jan
- PDG David Edwards — 12th Jan

Birthday - Partners-in-Service

- Beverley Morris — PP Bobby Morris — 3rd Jan (*belated greetings*)
- Cheryl Franklin — PP Shawn Franklyn — 6th Jan (*belated greetings*)
- Nellie Brathwaite — Rtn. Joel Brathwaite — 12th Jan
- Judy Hart — Rtn. Geoffrey "Freddie" Hart — 12th Jan

Join Date Anniversary

- PP Brenda Pope — 16 yrs — 13th Jan

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.

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.

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