



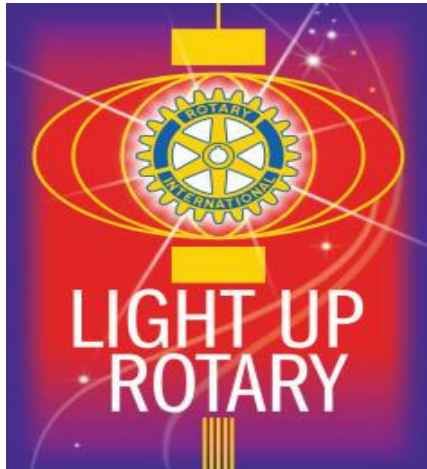
# ROTA NEWS

Oct 09, 2014

## Rotary Club of Barbados, Barbados

Chartered March 07, 1962

District 7030



R.I Theme 2014-2015

### R.I. OFFICERS

#### President

Gary C. K. Huang

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**Rotary Foundation Assistant Regional Rotary Foundation Coordinator-Zone 34**  
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?

### DISTRICT OFFICERS

#### District Governor

Elwin Atmodimedjo

#### District Governor Elect

Milton Inniss

#### District Governor Nominee

Roger Bose

#### Assistant Governor (Barbados)

Sonya Alleyne

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#### Council of Legislation

PDG Tony Watkins

### Club Officers & Directors

#### President

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Shawn Franklin

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Lisa Cummins

#### Youth Service Director

Neal Griffith

#### Immediate Past President

Ron Davis

#### Sergeant-At-Arms

Vic Fernandes

Weekly meetings on **Thursdays** at

**Hilton Barbados**

Needham's Point, Aquatic Gap, St. Michael

at 12 p.m.

P.O. Box 148B, Brittons Hill,

St. Michael, Barbados

[www.clubrunner.ca/barbados](http://www.clubrunner.ca/barbados)

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

### October is designated Vocational Service Month

*Especially during this month we highlight the Second Object of Rotary - High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition and the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignity of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society*

**Today is a Business Meeting when the Board of Directors will give an update on the State of the Club**

**Today, the Greeting Team is made up of former Directors Heather M. Tull and Dr. Carol Belgrave**

HM Tull joined the Rotary Club of Barbados on October 18, 2007 having joined the Rotary Club of Central Port of Spain Trinidad, where she served as Sergeant at Arms in 1999 to late PDG Astra Da Costa. She joined the club in 1996. Her Classification is Attorney – At- Law – Civil,

At RCoB HMTull served on various committees and we will remember her work with the Pride of Workmanship Awards Ceremony where audio visual presentations of the Awardees was introduced. HMTull produced and edited the magazine – Rotary in Barbados – 50 years of Service, and was honored as Rotarian of the Year 2011 – 2012 and awarded a PHF in 2012. She has attended RI Conventions in Montréal, New Orleans and Lisbon and District Conferences in Barbados (2011) and Martinique (2014).

In the Rotary Spirit of Service above Self; HMTull has willingly allowed her corporate space to be used for Board meetings in two consecutive years by both PP Tony Williams and PP Ron Davis



Dr Carol joined the RCoB on December 04, 2008. Her Classification is Dentistry. She was proposed by Dr. Ronald Ramsay.

Dr Carol is part of a small group of members who experienced the International work of Rotary before becoming a member of a club.

She was part of the Outgoing Group Study Exchange for April 2008 which was hosted by D 7530, West Virginia

Dr. Carol has served as the Director of International Service for 2010 -2013 and was responsible for the introduction of the Sea For all Project which was one of the highlights of our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations

She has served on the Interact/Rotraract Committee 2009-2010. She currently serves on the Bulletin and Guest Speaker Committees



### CELEBRATING THE WORK OF WOMEN IN ROTARY

[Rotary International](#) -

Congratulations to [#Rotary](#)'s Women of Action! They will be honored at [The White House](#), 7 October, during a [#RotaryDay](#).

The women are Marion Bunch, Deepa .Willingham, Bernadette Blackstock, Michelle Candland, Carolyn Jones, Ginger Vann, Jacqueline Parsons, Elizabeth Usovicz, Jane Winning, and Carol Butler.

### FOR THOSE WHO MISSED OCTOBER 02; HERE ARE THE HIGHLIGHTS.

A Moment of Silence was observed in memory of Mr. Frederick "Fred" Cozier, the father of Rotarian Steve. Mr. Cozier served as the first Secretary General of CARIFTA (CARICOM). He retired at 50 and when he died he was 94 years old.

There was the induction of Andrew Niven. He was introduced by PP Ron Davis. His Classification is Wholesale.

**A Promotion for the 2015 RI Convention was made by President Heitoru A. Kido of the [RC São Paulo Independência, Brazil](#)**

**The Guest Speaker HE Mrs. Victoria Dean, the British High Commission to Barbados and The Eastern Caribbean spoke on her *Impressions from a small island (or ten things I've learnt about Barbados in ten months)*. She was introduced by Past President Sir Trevor.**



Following is a summary of the presentation by BHC Dean.

**Everyone told me** when I was preparing to move here that Barbados was a **LITTLE ENGLAND**. And since then I've heard that phrase plenty of times, along with others like "when England sneezes, Barbados gets a cold", or "well, after all, you gave us these rules and laws in the first place".

And on the one hand it is true - the connections between your country and mine run deep and wide. A huge contribution was made by Barbadians who moved to Britain in the 40s and 50s and kept Britain running – sometimes quite literally when you think of their roles in transport and in the NHS.

The number of people who have relatives living in the UK or who have lived there themselves. Who grew up listening to the BBC and still enjoy the World Service now. And the number of British people who come here year upon year, many of whom stay and make it their home.

I arrived in November and a day later was participating in the Remembrance Day service, laying a wreath, hearing the last post, standing in front of the Barbados Parliament building – all the trappings of a ceremony and culture that felt deeply familiar to me.

**YET FOR ALL IT'S CONNECTEDNESS TO THE UK BARBADOS FEELS FIRMLY BAJAN**, proud of it, and rightly so. My family and I are enjoying immensely having the opportunity to discover Bajan culture. We made conkies last independence day (we think the secret is to soak the raisins in rum first),

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### Meeting Details

Thursday, October 02, 2014  
Sergeant-At-Arms: PP Vic Fernandes

- Attendance - 65%
- Raffle - \$245.00
- Winner – Our Guest Speaker, BHC HE Victoria Dean
- Fines - \$270.25

## PRESENTATION BY HE BHC MRS. VICTORIA DEAN, CONT'D

We eat fish cutters from Cuz's at the weekend, we've raced at Bushy Park, released turtle hatchlings on Drill Hall beach, watched the sun set on the west coast and rise on the east coast, danced to Red Plastic Bag and the Mighty Gabby, got lost somewhere between St Thomas, St Joseph and St George on more than one occasion, marvelled at the history on show at the Garrison and Harrison's cave, at the nature on show at Welchman Hall Gully and Animal Flower cave, had more rum than I should mention, and loved every moment of it.

I find it almost impossible to tell my friends and relatives what sums up Barbados because it is an amalgam of so many special things.

And I am also developing my knowledge of broader **CARIBBEAN DIVERSITY**. When I lived in London I knew very little about what made each island of the Caribbean distinct and special. I, like so many others, would have struggled to pinpoint what made Jamaica Jamaica or how it differed from Grenada or St Lucia or Barbados. And yet each of the islands **is** very different and distinct; with its own food, music, traditions and vocabulary. It's my privilege as High Commissioner to be invited to attend national independence days in each of these, and as a result to see the huge variety as their distinct cultures are celebrated.

So what has struck me about Barbados? There are some important themes here.

I want to start with **EDUCATION**, often described as the cornerstone of Barbados' growth after independence from my country. The value placed on education here is fantastic, and an impressive achievement. There is real pride amongst school children. My daughter takes her school uniform here very seriously, in a way she didn't in the UK, and I love to see smartly dressed children heading home from school, dressed as ambassadors for their institution. UWI too is a great asset. I very much enjoyed understanding its story better at the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations this year. And of course I'm delighted too about the many students who choose to go and study in Britain. Our Chevening and Commonwealth scholarships, which we have increased in number as of this round, offer a fantastic opportunity to bright young scholars – future leaders – to go and study in the UK and to bring those skills back to Barbados. (Just a little plug there!)

And a word on **WOMEN AND GENDER**. And on that theme I shall be rather egocentric and start with me. Unusual. I am often surprised that people are surprised. There are plenty of women in government and in politics but not yet enough in business. But there are issues under the surface too which need addressing around domestic violence, sexual violence and the role models we offer to our young women – and in some ways more importantly – to young men growing up in Barbados today. I'll be giving a speech later this year on this very theme where I plan to talk to young women about anything being possible.

Alongside that **CHARITY, FAMILY, CHURCH, GIVING**. There are some old-school values at play which I want to acknowledge and celebrate here. I am very much struck by the importance of family here in Barbados. Funerals. Celebrations. Adverts in newspapers. Church gatherings. Clubs and societies, like this one. I am sure there are those, perhaps amongst you in this audience, who will tell me that this is nothing like what it used to be in the good old days. But in comparison to my own experience of life in big countries, and in large metropolises, this is an impressive feature of Barbadian society. There are of course also values here that I as British High Commissioner would like to see **modernised**. The death penalty. Corporal punishment. LGBT rights. This is difficult territory. These are issues which the UK has shifted on only in living memory. There are cultural issues at stake. And there are plenty who will be quick to point out that it is not the place of the former colonial power to tell an independent country how to run itself. And they'd be right. But these are in UK eyes fundamental human rights values. And on the values agenda we share so much with Barbados. I hope that I can continue to have a free and open debate about those issues during my time here.

*This presentation will conclude next week by Looking at Sport and SIDS*

## PROFILES IN COMMUNITY SERVICE - #11 - SIR FRANK BLACKMAN, HONORARY ROTARIAN - BY RTN. DIANA



Sitting on the breezy patio of his Christ Church home, Sir Frank Blackman K.A., K.C.V.O., O. B. E. appears affable and content. He is Barbadian by birth and grew up in the city of Bridgetown relocating to Christ Church some 56 years ago.

Sir Frank's working life began in May 1944 when he entered the Civil Service as a "Long Grade Clerk" assigned to the Colonial Secretary's Office and after various promotions ended in July

1986 as Cabinet Secretary and Head of the Civil Service. His movement through such a journey found him being Clerk of the Legislative Council (before the existence of the Senate), Clerk of the Governor's Executive Committee and Permanent Secretary in the Prime Minister's Office, in the Ministry of Agriculture and in the Ministry of Social Services.

He has had some interesting experiences in the Public Service, including responsibility for the program for visits to Barbados by the Queen.

After his retirement from the Civil Service, Sir Frank became the first Ombudsman for Barbados. In this role, which he held from 1987-1993, he was responsible for dealing with complaints from members of the [public](#) who considered that they had been unfairly dealt with by the Government. It will be seen that he devoted almost all of his adult life to service to the people of the country.

He was invited, and accepted, to be an Honorary member of the Rotary Club of Barbados and was duly inducted as such in August 1990. He has had what he considers to be an honor and privilege of continuing in that role with the opportunity of further service to his Country.

Sir Frank has been a consistent Honorary member despite residing outside of Barbados between 1995 and 1996. The members approved the nomination for his continued membership during that time and he visited whenever he was in the Island. He is now fully back.

He is pleased to note that Rotary's members, from varied occupations, share with each other their experiences and a passion for giving. They "do" and "give" without undue publicity.

There have been two projects during his membership with which he was involved which still stand out in his mind. They are:

- A Club Sports Day at King George V Memorial Park, for young people.
- A mock Commonwealth Heads of Government meeting, also for young people.

The first good impression was made because of the unquestionable enjoyment of the participating children as well as of the Rotarians involved in the Sports Day. The second project provided an opportunity for children from some of our schools to communicate with children of schools in the expected participating countries for information about their countries.

Sir Frank has received the following Awards and Honors during his Civil Service Career:-

K. A. (Knight of St. Andrew) November 1985, K.C.V.O. (Knight Commander of the Royal Victorian Order) October 1985, O.B.E (Officer of the Order of the British Empire) January 1969, C.V.O. February 1975, M.B.E. 1964, The Queen's Jubilee Medal 1977, and The Queen's Coronation Medal 1953.

**OCTOBER**  
**Vocational Service Month**  
**NOVEMBER**  
**Rotary Foundation Month**  
**NOVEMBER 01**

1. Deadline to submit nominations for the Service Award for a Polio-Free World
2. Deadline to submit nominations for the Vocational Service Leadership Award

**UP-COMING EVENTS**

<p><b>Oct 12-16</b>  <b>Oct 15</b>  <b>Oct 17</b>  <b>Oct 23</b>  November  Nov 13</p>	<p><b>Official Visit by DG Elwin</b>  <b>JOINT DINNER MEETING</b>  <b>Wine Tasting - PP Vic</b>  <b>PoWA - Dinner Meeting</b>  RYLA  <b>Nominations - Board -2015-16 - PE 2016-17</b></p>
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**GREETERS**

Oct 15 - DINNER MEETING: PE Jedder & PD Horace  
Oct 16 - NO MEETING  
Oct 23 - PP Jerry and Rtn. Joel Brathwaite  
Oct 30 - Rtn. Joel McCarthy and VP John Cabral

**OUR VISITORS**

**Guests**

BHC HE Mrs. Victoria Dean, Guest Speaker  
Andrew Niven & Orlando Newton - PP Ron Iverton Newton - Miami—PP Tony Williams  
Mia Shaw - Past Treasurer Anthony Marli Kido—Brazil - President Heitoru A. Kido

**Rotarians**

President Heitoru A. Kido of the [RC São Paulo Independência, Brazil](#)  
Michael Hartman—RCob— West—SAP Consultant

**VISIT AN INTERACT OR ROTARACT CLUB!**

**UWI Rotaract**

Every Saturday at 12.30 p.m. during the Semester  
**St Michael Interact**  
2:30pm on Fridays, upstairs in Room 5.3.  
**Codrington Interact**  
2.10 p.m. Wednesday, Humanities Room, opposite the Library— twice monthly

**SCHEDULED VISITS TO OUR YOUTH**

**October 24 - SMS - Ron Williams**  
**October 31 - SMS - PVP David Walker**

**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.

**Announcements**

**Wedding Anniversary**

Joel and Margaret McCarthy Oct 17

**Birthday - Rotarians**

Past President Elvin Sealy	Oct 11
Past Secretary Jomo Hope	Oct 15
Past President Algje Leacock	Oct 20

**Birthday - Partners in Service**

Christian Babouder - Comm Chair	Annie Bertrand	Oct 17
Jennifer Williams - Past Director	Peter	Oct 19
Shawn Mottley - Past Director	Warren	Oct 23

**Join Date Anniversary**

Past President E. L. Thompson	October 12, 2000
Past Director Heather Tull	October 18, 2007

**WORLD POLIO DAY**

Be a part of Rotary's Livestream event celebrating World Polio Day on 24 October! Hear inspiring stories, musical performances, and more. Add the event to your calendar today! (<http://new.livestream.com/rotaryinternational/worldpolioday>)

**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:

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| <b>FIRST:</b>  | The development of acquaintance as an opportunity of service;  |
| <b>SECOND:</b> | 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; |
| <b>THIRD:</b>  | The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business and community life; and  |
| <b>FOURTH:</b> | 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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