

**DISTRICT 7030**  
**CLUB#6798**  
Chartered March 07, 1962



**Feb 13th, 2025**

# ROTANEWS

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**Sandra Mason, FB, GCMG, DA, SC.**  
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**International Service**  
David Antrobus

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Ermine Darroux-Francis

**Sergeant-at-Arms**  
Peter Arender

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**Club Weekly Meetings**  
**Thursdays at 12.30 pm**  
**Hilton Barbados**

Needham's Point, Aquatic Gap,  
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The Rotary Club of Barbados welcomes visiting Rotarians and Guests.



Today February 13<sup>th</sup> 2025, is a Fellowship Meeting and will commence at 12.30 pm at The Hilton Hotel.

### Meeting Details – February 6th, 2025

#### Guests

None

#### Rotarians, Rotaractors and Interactors

Rtn. Janelle Jordan – Satellite Club ‘Rise Up’  
Rtn. Ramon Grant – Satellite Club ‘Rise Up’  
Rtn. K. T. Gilkes - Satellite Club ‘Rise Up’  
Rtn. Shelley-Ann Sealy - Satellite Club ‘Rise Up’

#### Honorary Rotarians

None

Our next scheduled weekly meeting will on February 20th, 2025, which will be a Fellow Meeting, which will commence at 12.30pm., at The Hilton Hotel.



### Summary Minutes of the RCOB Meeting Held on February 6th, 2025

#### **This was a Zoom Business Meeting.**

President Arlene called the meeting to order. She reminded us that February is Peace Building and Conflict Prevention Month.

She asked for the National Anthem to be played. This was followed by a Toast to Dame Sandra, the President of Barbados and our Patron and the Rotary Grace was said. As this was a closed meeting there were no Visiting Rotarians and Guests.

#### **PRESENTATION OF BOARD REPORTS**

#### **Director Katrina Alkins presented for COMMUNITY SERVICE**

Highlights from January

Children’s Fun Day – January 21

Pride of Workmanship Award Ceremony – January 30.

Both of these events were successfully completed. Director Katrina thanked the sub-committees and the Club in general for the generous support given.

Investigations

Three cases have been submitted for review.

#### Upcoming Events-

- Environmental Project – Pollinators Habitat
- District Project - Peace Poles – Permission has been received from NCC to have the Poles planted at Golden Rock Play Park, Pine, St. Michael. A date for implementation is to be determined.
- May 03 CCB Beach Day – Volunteers required

#### **Director David Antrobus presented for INTERNATIONAL SERVICE**

Foundation Targets

Key Points to Note

- Annual Fund •Behind last year US\$7,290 versus \$7,572.
- Donations for the month US\$1,565. •At 66% of our target of US\$11,000. Last year we did US\$18,417.
- EREY no increase (now at 20 versus DG citation target of 108)
- Sustaining members no increase (now at 16 versus DG citation target of 54)
- Paul Harris Society Eligible - No increase(now at 3 - DG Citation target is last year’s number, which was 13)

**Polio** - No change, still US\$2,473 – 165% above target. One Case in Pakistan for 2025

**District Conference** — Trinidad April 23 – 26, 2025

REGISTRATION FEES

•EXTENDED Before 9 February 2025-PELS + Conference USD705.00 + 48.53.

-Conference only USD505.00 + 34.85

•Afterwards-PELS + Conference USD860.00 + 59.12  
-Conference only USD610.00 + 42.0  
**International Convention** - 21-25 June 2025, Calgary, Canada  
REGISTRATION FEES Before 31 March 2025 USD625.00  
Before 15 June 2025 USD695.00  
**Room Challenges - SHORTAGE AND RI NOW**  
RECOMMENDING ANOTHER BOOKING SITE

### **MUN – Model United Nations**

This year, they are debating “War and Peace” in view of all the present world conflicts.

- Started 25 January 2025 at UN House.
- Largest group of participants in its 12 years – 46.
- Held every Saturday at 9.00am for the next 6 Saturdays.
- Anyone wishing to attend a session should register before Friday morning with Director David or Rotarian Karen Cole including Car Registration number as the names, etc need to be given to security

### **ABSENT – THE FOLLOWING REPORTS WERE PRESENTED BY PRESIDENT ARLENE MEMBERSHIP & YOUTH SERVICE**

**The YES Program** is scheduled to commence on February 15, 2025.

**"Building the Brand Called You"** - Due to scheduling conflicts, we will not be able to host the program this year. We will revisit this initiative for the 2025 school year.

#### **Earlyact**

The EarlyAct clubs continue to meet as normal.

#### **Charles F. Broome Primary (CFB)**

They are currently requesting tires and soil to aid in the upkeep of their garden. We did not have our usual garden clean-up at the beginning of the school year, as it was not required at the time.

If anyone knows where we can source topsoil as a donation, please reach out to Director Tamara or Earlyact Chair Michael Jordan

#### **Interact**

This term is a busy one with sports, CXC SBA submissions, and exam preparations. Some groups are focused on these commitments.

#### **The Lodge School**

The Lodge School kicked off the term with an "Adopt-a-Junior" drive to encourage membership growth. Additionally, last term, they successfully raised \$881.00 through their Snow Cone Drive. In the coming weeks, the club will launch a fundraising campaign to support Rotary's fight against Polio. This initiative will begin with an assembly presentation, where they will encourage each student at The Lodge School to contribute \$1 towards the cause. Later this term, the club also plans to host a Juice Drive to support the school's Guidance Counselor in providing assistance to underprivileged students

#### **ROTARACT**

The Rotaractors continue to meet and plan for the remainder of the year.

#### **The Rotaract Club of Barbados**

They started February with a celebration of their 9th Charter Anniversary. Please show your support for the Rotaract Club, as they still have several upcoming events—details were posted by Director Tamara in the Whatsapp chats

#### **YES & BTBCY**

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However, due to scheduling conflicts, we will not be able to host "Building the Brand Called You" this year. We will revisit this initiative for the 2025 school year.

#### **MEMBERSHIP PROPOSALS**

We have had prospective members visit and express interest in joining the club. Once their application forms are received, the committee will begin the vetting process. Membership

#### **BO VIEW REPAIRS**

President Arlene reported that repairs are being done to the roof of Bo View.

She further indicated that the Team from California is keen to facilitate repairs of the home.

**A scope of works would be required to determine the full extent of the Project.**

#### **TREASURER – Nikita Gibson**

Generally, the Club Finances are in good order as at February 5th.

Of the 92 active club members, 58 have an account balance of less than or equal to the membership dues for Jan-Jun 2025.

Six members are being followed up with as their outstanding balances are over \$700.00

Of the 13 Satellite members, 7 have \$0 balances with 6 members owing dues for the 2024-2025 period

#### **Director Randy Marshall presented for CLUB ADMINISTRATION**

Attendance – January 71%

Pilot Program for January to March 2025

As discussed at the Club Forum in September 2024, it was agreed that this Pilot Program would be undertaken to observe the impact on attendance.

First Thursday – Zoom Business Meeting – Closed to outside persons.

Second and Third – Lunch time- Hilton

Fourth Thursday – Evening Meeting – 6:00 p.m. Hilton

There was much discussion of the lack of support by some members who had not attended any meeting or activity for January.

The Pilot Program was seen as a vehicle to provided more options for participation.

It was agreed that at the Orientation prospective members were made aware of the requited commitment for participation through Financial Obligations and Attendance at:

- Regular Meetings
- Fellowship Events
- Projects
- Visits to Other Clubs

It was concluded that the solutions are all within the purview of the Board.

Please review link below for the full board report.  
<https://drive.google.com/file/d/10yVqe6zISPIyO22YChZbOT6FrmDLAJt-/view?usp=sharing>

## HOUSEKEEPING

### SAA

SAA Peter declared that he found the meeting to be well disciplined therefore fines would be saved for next week. He informed that Red would be the Colour in keeping with the Eve of St. Valentine's Day.

### Announcements

Birthdays and Anniversaries – Listed in the Rota News Reminders

Project Amai continues tomorrow, Friday at Wesleyan Holiness Church on Tudor Bride

Model United Nations (MUN) continues on Saturday from 9 am at UN House.

YES will re-start next Saturday, February 15 at the Police Boys and Girls Club on Bay Street.

Founders Day Sunday February 23rd Church Service at the St Dominic Roman Catholic Church at 10:30am followed by an afternoon of Fellowship at PDG David and Partner in Service Donna's home in Bathsheba.

### President Arlene

#### Thought for the Week

"Perhaps dreaming is not so bad if one dreams good dreams and makes them come true."

Paul Harris

The Meeting was adjourned by President Arlene with a Toast to Rotary International

## Presidential Message 2025-2026



**#Rotary** President-elect Mário César Martins de Camargo revealed the 2025-2026 presidential message, Unite for Good, February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025:

"Rotary members are **#PeopleOfAction**. We don't wait for change to happen; we make it happen. And what do people of action do? We unite for good."

**UNITE  
FOR  
GOOD**

## Introducing Rotary 360



We've given our blog a new name and a fresh look.

Rotary Voices is now Rotary 360, capturing Rotary's story from every angle.

You'll find inspiring stories from Rotary members showing how we create

lasting change in our communities. You'll also find conversation-starting thought pieces from experts in various fields and organizations we partner with. [Explore our new blog](#) and share it with your club members and people in your community. If you have a story to tell, send it to us at [blog@rotary.org](mailto:blog@rotary.org).

## Model United Nations



MUN has now completed its 3<sup>rd</sup> Session.

## Project Amai

On Friday there was a yoga session with Yoga Instructor Natasha and they did more work on their vision board for goal setting. The Vocational Training term has started. We have five participants registered three in braiding and weaving and two in event planning. The other participants will start their courses in May as some classes were fully booked while others were cancelled. Thanks go out to Rotarian Shakeela for her donation of clothes towards the Amai Closet.



One of the vision boards

## The Lodge School Interact Club



The Lodge School Interact Club raised just over \$300 to donate to Rotary for the fight against polio. Details of the presentation will follow soon. Additionally, the club generated a net of over \$300 from their recent snow cone fundraising activity, bringing the total funds in the club to around \$1,200. The club plans to use these funds to support a community initiative in St. John.



### UPCOMING EVENTS

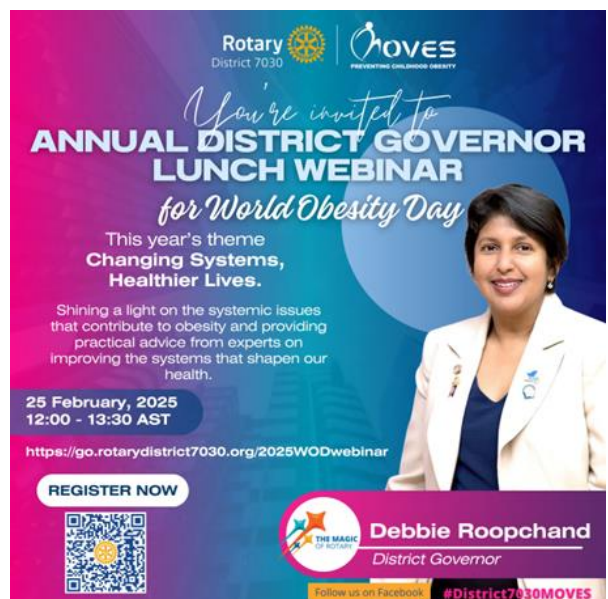
- February 15<sup>th</sup> MUN
- February 15<sup>th</sup> - YES
- February 20<sup>th</sup> – Fellowship Meeting
- February 22<sup>nd</sup> – MUN
- February 22<sup>nd</sup> – YES
- February 23<sup>rd</sup> – Founders Day
- February 23<sup>rd</sup> – Church Service at St. Dominic’s Church
- February 23<sup>rd</sup> – Fellowship Luncheon at The Bathsbeba Residence of PDG David & P.I.S Donna
- February 27<sup>th</sup> – Evening Fellowship Meeting
- March 7<sup>th</sup> – Charter Day

### RaCOB/Satellite Club/EarlyAct

March 1<sup>st</sup> – Charter Cocktail Celebration

### DISTRICT 7030 EVENTS

- February 25<sup>th</sup> – Annual DG Lunch Webinar
- April 23<sup>rd</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025 - District Conference, Trinidad



# MONTHLY VIRTUAL BUSINESS MEETINGS



**DATES:**  
JANUARY 9TH 2025  
FEBRUARY 6TH 2025  
MARCH 6TH 2025



**TIME**  
AT 12:30PM

**ZOOM LOGIN INFO**

**MEETING ID: 890 9064 9358**  
**PASSCODE: 673723**



## Rotaract Club of Barbados CHARTER ANNIVERSARY WEEK OF ACTIVITIES

**Sunday, February 2, 2025**  
Church Service | 08:00 AM  
*Ellerton Wesleyan Church*

**Monday, February 3, 2025**  
9th Charter Anniversary | All Day

**Tuesday, February 4, 2025**  
Club Meeting | 06:30 PM  
*The Mirror Effect: Reflecting Your Authentic Self in Personal Branding*

**Friday, February 7, 2025**  
Pin Friday | All Day

**Saturday, February 8, 2025**  
RaCoB Turns 9 Video Shoot | To Be Finalised  
*The National Botanical Gardens*

**Saturday, March 1, 2025**  
Charter Cocktail Celebration | STAY TUNED  
*The Copper Soiree*

Rotaract  
Club of Barbados



The motive power of Rotary is  
friendship

~ Paul Harris

Rotary  PEOPLE OF ACTION



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Birthdays Rotarians

Rtn. Adrian Sealy – February 17<sup>th</sup>

### Birthdays – Partners-in-Service

Joyce – PP Andrew Bynoe – February 14<sup>th</sup>  
Florine – PP Lionel Moe – February 16<sup>th</sup>

### Wedding Anniversaries

Rtn. Trevor & Shirley Fields – 65 yrs – Feb 13<sup>th</sup>, 1960

### Join Date Anniversary

Rtn. Jason Martin – 7 yrs – Feb 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018  
Rtn. Michael Jordan – 2 yrs – Feb 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018  
Rtn. Wayne Tasker – 2 yrs – Feb 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018  
Rtn. Tremaine K. Gilkes – 13 yrs – Feb 18<sup>th</sup>, 2012

## 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.

## 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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