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In Focus

Debate on the Four-Way Test Message – 26.1.22

The Club held its first Debate for the year at its 29th weekly meeting held at the Churchill Room, Tanglin Club on Wednesday 26th January 2022.

The two excellent teams debated on the motion - "The 4-Way Test Needs to be Updated for the 21st Century".

The proposition team was led by Rtn Uttam Kripalani with members PP Perlita Tiro, Rtns Imane Jamal Eddine and Ravi Machiraju.

While the opposition team leader was Rtn John Forster with PP Mark Wang, Rtns Deblina Chatterjee and Rob Damjanovic

Our sincere thanks to the Debate's Chair Mr Walter Yeo who explained the rules for the debate and ensured that the correct timing was followed by all participants.

The Debate was won by the Proposition Team with a one vote margin, and PP Mark Wang was voted the Debate's Best Speaker with his persuasive debating skills. To watch this exciting Debate – [click here](#).



At the start of the Debate

In Focus

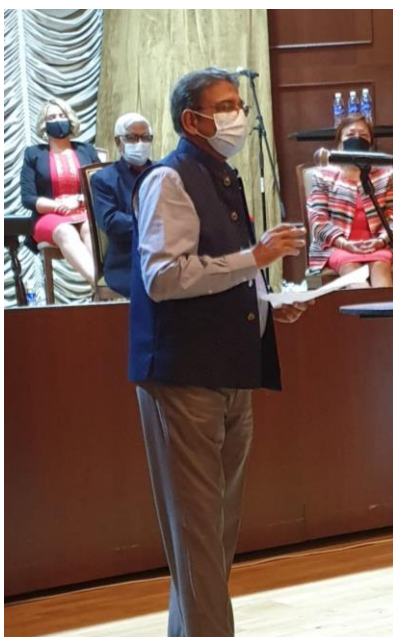
Debate on the Four-Way Test Message – 26.1.22... cont'd



Proposition Team comprised of Rtn Uttam Kripalani, PP Perlita Tiro, Rtms Imane Jamal Eddine & Ravi Machiraju (standing left to right)



Members of the Opposition Team were Rtn John Forster, PP Mark Wang, Rtms Deblina Chatterjee & Rob Damjanovic (standing left to right)



From the floor, PP Tapan Rao making his point



Sincere thanks to Mr Walter Yeo for moderating the Debate



Special thanks to VP/PN Dr Chan Siew Luen for his expertise and loan of AV equipment

Heartiest Congratulations

As announced by President Louis at the 26th January 2022 meeting, the Club extends heartiest congratulations to Past Presidents (PP) Philip Leong, Mansoor Hassanbhai and Dr Shahul Hameed on their re-appointments to the Panel of Advisors to the Youth Court, Family Justice Courts, Republic of Singapore.

Following is an article provided by PP Philip Leong:

As requested by PP Shahul, I pen below a short description of the role of The Panel of Advisers (POA) to the Youth Court, Family Justice Courts, Republic of Singapore.

The photos show the re-appointment ceremony for another two years by President Halimah Yacob at the Istana on 26th January 2022.

Caption of photos:-

PP Philip Leong (Past Chairman) served 33 years on the POA.

PP Mansoor Hassanbhai, not present at the ceremony, served 15 years on the POA.

PP Dr Shahul Hameed served closed to 10 years on the POA.

“ Under the Children and Young Persons Act, (CYP), the role of the POA is to advise the District Judge of the Youth Court on the most appropriate sentencing option(s) to ‘rehabilitate’ Not ‘punish’ the juvenile offender (note: ‘offender’ and Not ‘criminal’). There is no police record for juvenile offenders in Singapore.

The other role under the CYP Act is to advise the judge on the most appropriate option(s) to shelter and protect an abused child. In addition, the POA also advises the judge on the most appropriate option(s) to deal with a child that is beyond their parental control and is brought to the court by the parent(s).

At each open court session, on the top bench, there will be two advisors to flank the judge who sits in the middle.”



District Rotary Foundation Chair (DRFC) PP Dr Shahul Hameed (left) and PP Philip Leong (right) receiving their re-appointments from Republic of Singapore's President Mdm Halimah Yacob

Meeting Report

29th Club Meeting for Rotary Year 2021-2022 held on 26.1.2022

OPENING REMARKS

Sergeant-at-Arms Rtn Vineet Iyengar called the Club's second hybrid meeting to order and reminded members of the house-keeping rules including that of keeping their mobiles on silent and to follow the safe distancing measures for those members present at the Churchill Room at the Tanglin Club.

President Louis Lim took the Chair and invited Membership Director Rtn Subhash Pritmani to formally welcome guests, who were present at the meeting as well as those attending virtually.

TOAST

President Louis invited Toastmaster IPP Dinesh Sharma who called on members to join him in raising a toast to Rotary International.



IPP Dinesh Sharma

INDUCTION OF NEW MEMBER

President Louis called on Membership Chair Rtn Subhash Pritmani to introduce the new candidate prior to his induction to the Club:



Rtn Ho Kar Wah

Place of Work: Ho Motors Pte Ltd

Position: Managing Director/Founder

Classification: Automotive – Sales, Leasing and Repairs

Proposer: Rtn Subhash Pritmani

Mentor: PP J K Ong

Recommended Committee: Vocational Service

Rtn Kar Wah founded his company, Ho Motors Pte Ltd which deals in retail sales of motor vehicles apart from motorcycles and scooters. He has a wealth of experience in various corporate sectors and industries both locally and overseas.

Rtn Kar Wah is a volunteer of Caritas Singapore as well as with ACTS (a call to share) and in his church ministry. He has undertaken missionary work in Phnom Penh, Cambodia as well as sponsorship of overseas orphans.

Besides community work, Rtn Kar Wah's hobbies include photography, bowling, cycling and hiking.

Meeting Report

30th Club Meeting for Rotary Year 2021-2022 held on 9.2.2022

OPENING REMARKS

Honorary Secretary Jessica Lim welcomed members and called on Sergeant-at-Arms Rtn Vineet Iyengar who reminded members of the familiar housekeeping meeting rules. He then invited President Louis Lim to take the Chair.

TOAST

President Louis called on the Club's youngest member Rtn Rohan Vaswani who called on members to join him in a toast to Rotary Club of Central Damansara in District 3300 as well as to Rotary International. He invited PDG Siti Subaidah to address the Club.



Rtn Rohan Vaswani

MAJOR PROJECT ROTARY YEAR (RY) 2022-2023

PE James Lee thanked President Louis for the opportunity to present the Major Project for RY 2022-2023 with FootballPlus, an organization familiar with the Club having completed a major project with them during PP Keith Harrison's term. He added that in the coming year, the project would build two 7-side football pitches to benefit over 3,500 children/youth in the programmes to enhance mental well-being as well as a values-based programme called Champions United.

PE James invited Mr Loh Ngiap Tai, Managing Director of FootballPlus who gave a comprehensive presentation of project. PE James also welcomed incoming Vice President Rtn Tom Wolf, who together with incoming Director Rtn Andy Mankiewicz were assisting with the fund-raising for the Major Project. Rtn Tom noted that there was a great deal of interest in the project and this year was the year for soccer with the World Cup, which would bring positive feedback for the Club.

PE James noted that with no objections the Major Project for RY 2022-23 would proceed with the signing of the MOU with FootballPlus and looked forward to members' support.

GUEST SPEAKER: MAJOR PONNO KALASTREE

TOPIC: WHO ARE THE PERANAKAN INDIANS?

President Louis invited Rtn Anita Gannavarapu to introduce the guest speaker, Major Ponso Kalastree who started his security and investigation industry in Singapore after retiring as a Major from a distinguish military service in the Singapore Armed Forces. He formed his first Security company, Mainguard Security Services (S) Pte Ltd. in 1974.

He is well recognized amongst his counterparts in the Security & Investigation Community, both locally & globally. He was the President of the worldwide organization called Council of International Investigators in the year 2000 – 2001. Major Kalastree is passionate of his roots as a Peranakan Indian. He was among the founding members of the Peranakan Indian (Chitty Melaka) Association Singapore. He is currently the Association's President.



Major Ponso Kalastree

To start his presentation, Major Kalastree showed a short video which gave a glimpse of the rich culture of the Peranakan Indians. He further spoke of the history of Peranakan Indians (Chitty Melaka) with its origins of Indians who came to Southeast Asia almost 1,000 years ago. He described the cultural identity of the Chitty Melaka community as an integration of the multi-ethnic elements of religious practices, cuisine, language and attire.

Rtn Uttam Kripalani warmly thanked Major Kalastree for an eye-opener of a presentation which highlighted the origins and traits of the Peranakan Indians.

Mark Your Diary

Birthday Celebrants

RC sends best wishes to Birthday celebrants:

Gerard Vinluan
Marcelo Duarte Monteiro
PP Sajjad Akhtar
Jean-Philippe Lionnet

This Meeting

23 February 2022
From 7.00 to 10.00pm
World Understanding & Peace
Day Meeting
At Sands Expo & Convention Centre

Guest of Honour: Mr Hawazi Daipi,
Non-Resident Representative of
Singapore to Palestine, and High
Commissioner to Ghana

Next Meeting

2 March 2022
From 7.00 to 8.30pm

Speaker: Rotarian Manish Tibrewal

Topic: Why should we setup family
office & shared philanthropy?

Anniversary

RC sends best wishes to Wedding Anniversary celebrants:

Hassan & Amrita Moosa
Dr Omkar & Shanti Shrestha
T K & Mary Chew

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Committee Meetings

All Service Committee Meetings will be held on Thursdays from 7.00 to 8.00pm

COMMUNITY SERVICE:
Thursday, 3 February 2022

VOCATIONAL SERVICE:
Thursday, 10 February 2022

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE:
Thursday, 17 February 2022

YOUTH SERVICE:
Thursday, 24 February 2022

Coming Rotary Events

February
Peace & Conflict Prevention / Resolution Month

23 Feb – World Understanding & Peace Day

March
Water & Sanitation Month

16 Mar – 3rd Club Assembly

April
Maternal & Child Health Month

May
Youth Service Month

June
Rotary Fellowships Month

1 Jun – 4th Club Assembly for RY 2021-2022

4-8 Jun – Rotary International Convention in Houston, Texas, USA

The Four-Way Test

Of the things we think, say or do:

- Is it the truth?
- Is it fair to all concerned?
- Will it build goodwill and better friendship?
- Will it be beneficial to all concerned?



The Guide to Daily Living

Before doing the things we want to do, consider first, the Precepts of the guide. Ask ourselves these 4 questions and act upon them:

First: Have I spent some time in self-examination?

Second: Have I spent quality time with my family?

Third: Have I given my best to my work?

Fourth: Have I given some time to someone near and far?

The Guide, in fact, encompasses the 4 parts of the Object of Rotary.

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