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A warm welcome to all delegates to the PETS & DTA



District Trainer – IPP James Lee



PE Tom Wolf (right) with fellow President Elects



From left: DG Dr John Chan, IPP James & DGE Dr Yap Lip Kee



Panel discussion at PETS/DTA



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PETS/DTA Delegates



Rotary Club of Singapore's delegates



Fellowship at the Welcome Dinner



DGE Dr Yap Lip Kee (centre) & DG Dr John Chan modelling the R I Convention shirts



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DG Dr John Chan (left) hands over the chain of office to DGE Dr Yap Lip Kee



Heartiest congratulations to Dr Yap Lip Kee, District Governor for RY 2024/2025



Presentation of gifts to Mrs Huang by Dr Rachael Yap (photo on right) and to PRIP Gary Huang by DGE Dr Yap (left)



Photo Album of 2024 Presidents Elect Training Seminar (PETS) and District Training Assembly (DTA) - 7 to 9.3.24



Rotary Club of Singapore (RCS) delegation with PRIP Gary Huang (centre)



RCS delegation at the Governor's Banquet on 9.3.24



# **Meeting Report**

### 29<sup>th</sup> Weekly Meeting for Rotary Year 2023-20234 held on 13.3.2024.

#### **Club Meeting Attendance Enhancement Vote**

President Dr Chan Siew Luen called the Meeting to order and noted that information on this matter was circulated to members and invited PE Tom Wolf to address the Club.

PE Tom advised that discussions were held by the incoming Board and Past Presidents with the view of increasing members' attendance at Club meetings by 58%. In order to achieve this, enhancement of Club Meeting experience was looked into. It was decided that meetings would be held at a prime location of Raffles Hotel with a 3-course set dinner, complimentary parking, use of advanced visual and audio system, and waiver of corkage fees.

With this in mind, there will be an increase in the annual membership fee of S\$680.00 bringing the total annual membership fee to S\$2,430.00.

PE Tom called for a vote to this proposed increase in annual membership fee. The motion was carried by show of hands, with no objections or abstentions.

#### Welcome of Guests

To welcome guests of members and visiting Rotarians, President Siew Luen called again Rtn Mukundan A P. Guests:

Mr Jaikishin Aswani, Ms Linda Lin, Mr Yoshi Naganuma, Mr Francis Ng & Mr Shaun Roache Visiting Rotarians:

John Castella – RC Southold, New York, USA Peter White – Cambridge Sawston, UK



#### Toast & Exchange of Banner



Rtn Hitansh Vij

Toastmaster Rtn Hitansh Vij invited visiting Rtn John Castella to say a few words about his club, Rotary Club of Southold in District 7255. The club is located in eastern end of Long Island, New York. It was formed in 1948 and has 25 members.

Rtn Hitansh called on members to join him in a toast to Rotary Club of Southold

coupled with the toast to Rotary International.



Exchange of gifts and club banner between President Siew Luen and Rtn John Castella

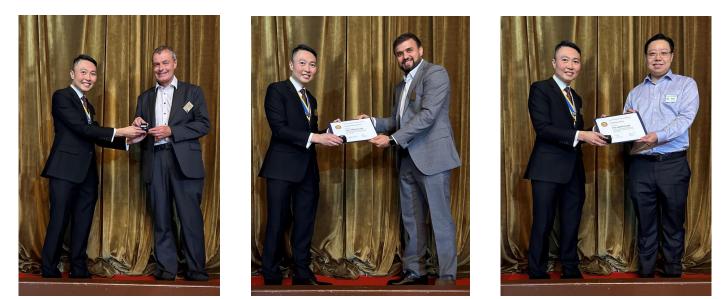


# **Meeting Report**

#### 29<sup>th</sup> Weekly Meeting for Rotary Year 2023-20234 held on 13.3.2024.

#### Paul Harris Fellow (PHF) Presentations

President Siew Luen invited the following members who were present at the meeting to receive their Paul Harris Fellow recognitions:



From left: President Siew Luen presented Rtn Dr Claus Dusemund with a PHF +8 pin and Rtns Ankit Khandelwal & Chng Weilong received their PHF certificates and pins

#### **Revised Entrance Fee Vote**

President Dr Siew Luen announced that in the excitement of the first vote taken at the start of the meeting, the other motion to adjust the Club's entrance fee with an increase of S\$500.00 was omitted.

He called for adoption by show of hands, and the motion was carried with no objections nor abstentions. Thus, starting from Rotary year 2024/2025, new members inducted to the Club will be charged an entrance fee of \$\$1,750.00.

#### **Guest Speaker Series**

#### Speaker: Rtn Sissi Goh, Trust and Estate Practitioner

#### Topic: Legacy Planning – because you can't get up from your grave

The honour of introducing the Speaker fell to Rtn Andy Mankiewicz who listed the many professional and personal accomplishments of the Speaker, our very own member, Rtn Sissi Goh.

In return, Rtn Sissi thanked Rtn Andy for his "super entertaining" introduction to the start of a serious topic.



Speaker, Rtn Sissi Goh



# **Meeting Report**

#### 29<sup>th</sup> Weekly Meeting for Rotary Year 2023-20234 held on 13.3.2024.

Guest Speaker Series ... contd.

Speaker: Rtn Sissi Goh, Trust and Estate Practitioner Topic: Legacy Planning – because you can't get up from your grave

In the brief time allocated, Rtn Sissi's presentation gave extensive information and clarity to the topic of legacy planning. She highlighted pertinent questions to be considered regarding wealth distribution and detailed explanations on the Interstate Succession Act.

Rtn Sissi explained what a Trust and the core benefits of a Living Trust as well as main reasons for setting up a Trust. She also shared case studies to further clarify her points of view.

On behalf of the club, PP Stan Low extended the vote of thanks to Rtn Sissi, noting that she was certified in many things – including belly-dancing! He added that members have learnt a great deal from Rtn Sissi's talk, particularly to get a trust and will done!



From left: President Siew Luen presents a memento to Rtn Sissi Goh, as PP Stan Low looks on

#### **Club Announcements**

- The Rotary Foundation (TRF) Online Learning Modules TRF Director Rtn Ankit Khandelwal informed members that TRF Education Series will be held starting with Session 2 on 18.3.24 on the topic "Rotary Foundation Donor Recognition System. Session 3 on the subject entitled "Rotary Foundation Endowment" will be presented by DGN Dr Shahul Hameed on 15.4.24 at 8.00pm.
- RCS Swimarathon 2024 Major Project Chair Rtn Pauline Teo reminded members of the coming Swimarathon which will be held on Good Friday, 29.3.24 at Sports Lifestyle Centre, 3500A Bukit Merah Central (S 159837) from 8.45am to 4.45pm.

Special Guests – Mr Joseph Schooling (Olympic gold medallist), Mr Mark Chay (President, Singapore Aquatics), Mr Low Kee Hong (Exec. Director, Chen Su Lan Methodist Children's Home), Mr Tan Wee Teck (Exec Director, Industrial and Services Cooperative Society Ltd) (ISCOS) and the National Swimming Team.

As the Major Project target was reached, the proceeds from Swimarathon would be channelled to ISCOS. Rtn Pauline encouraged members to attend and support this event, either as participants and/or donors.

Vocational Service Director Rtn Vineet Iyengar gave further information on ISCOS and the training project positive impacts on the ex-offender beneficiaries, which significantly reduces the chances of recidivism.

Host Hospitality Night – Director of Meetings & Conventions Rtn Raj Kumar advised that in conjunction with Rotary International Convention, the Club will be hosting about 300 overseas Rotarians on 27.5.24 at One<sup>o</sup> 15 Marina. Please register early.



# Mark Your Diary

#### **Birthday Celebrants**

### RCS sends Birthday greetings to celebrants this week:

Mamta Shahani for 20 March

Klaus Duss for 23 March



#### Wedding Anniversary Celebrants

#### RCS sends best wishes to Wedding Anniversary celebrants:

Sean & Ilse Leas for 19 March

Sunny Loh & Lay See for 21 March

PP Mark & Tracey Wang for 22 March

MM Patel & Lily for 22 March

PK & Sapna Walia for 23 March



#### **This Meeting**

#### 20 March 2024

**Speaker:** Dr Howard Bauchner, Vice Chairman of Paediatrics, Boston University School of Medicine

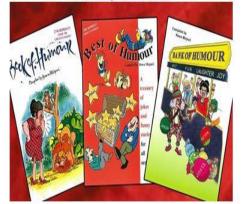
**Topic:** Evolving Issues in Medicine: A 50 Year Review and Looking into the Future

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#### **Next Meeting**

#### 27 March 2024

Speaker: Mr Ng Kok Song

**Topic:** Sovereign Wealth – What it means to the citizenry

#### **Coming Rotary Events**

<u>March</u> – Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene Month 29 Mar – Swimarathon @ Sports Lifestyle Centre from 8.45am -4.45pm

<u>April</u> – Environmental Month 6 Apr – Membership Learning Seminar

<u>May</u> – Youth Service Month 17-19 May – 33<sup>rd</sup> District Conference @ Kuching 25-29 May – Rotary International Convention, Singapore 27 May – Host Hospitality Night

<u>June</u> – Rotary Fellowships Month 22 Jun – Installation of the 90<sup>th</sup> President & Board of Directors



### **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:

- 1. Have I spent some time in self-examination?
- 2. Have I spent quality time with my family?
- 3. Have I given my best to my work?
- 4. Have I given some time to someone near and far?

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

# **BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2023/2024**

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