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In Focus

Acceptance Speech by District Governor Nominee (DGN) Dr Shahul Hameed

Following is an extract from DGN Dr Shahul Hameed's speech delivered at the 33rd District Conference held in Kuching from 17 – 19 May 2024

Dear Esteemed Friends

It is with great honour and profound humility that I stand before you today to accept this prestigious role of District Governor for the Rotary Year 2025/2026.

In this moment of significance, I extend my deepest thanks to each and every one of you for bestowing upon me the privilege to lead our district. Your unwavering faith in my abilities fills me with both humility and determination.

If I stand tall today, it is because I am standing on the shoulders of Giants. These are the Giants of the Rotary Club of Singapore. Some of them are

here today as they always have been for the Club and for me. Some of you nurtured me when I was young and restless, others walked with me when I was brash and listless and still others lifted me high above when I needed to reach for the skies. I will forever be in debt to each and every one of you.

To all the clubs within our district, I extend my heartfelt gratitude and deepest appreciation.

Your tireless efforts and boundless enthusiasm are the lifeblood of Rotary. Together, we will continue to sow the seeds of positive change and cultivate communities of compassion and understanding. Your collaboration and generosity fuel our mission, enabling us to reach further, dream bigger, and make an even greater impact in the world.

In the years ahead, let us embrace Rotary with an abundance of zeal and fervour. Let us forge deeper connections, nurture friendships, and bridge divides. Together, we possess the power to ignite hope, inspire transformation, and illuminate the path to a brighter tomorrow.

As your nominated District Governor for Rotary Year 2025/2026, I pledge to lead with integrity, compassion, and unwavering dedication. I invite each of you to join me on this grand adventure as we embark on a journey of service, fellowship, and boundless possibility.

Thank you once again for this incredible honour. Together, let us continue to uphold the ideals of Rotary and leave a lasting legacy of goodwill and service.



DGN Dr Shahul Hameed with his wife, Michelle

Introduction of DGN Dr Shahul Hameed

Prior to DGN Shahul's Acceptance Speech, PP Stan Low introduced DGN Shahul. Following is an excerpt of the introduction for the benefit of newer members ...

Dr Shahul Hameed's journey with Rotary began 29 years ago when he embarked on a path of service by joining the Rotary Club of Singapore in 1995. Since then, his unwavering dedication has left an indelible mark on countless lives, both within our Rotary family and beyond.

A dentist by profession, Dr Shahul not only tends to the health of smiles but also nurtures the well-being of communities. His passion for service extends far beyond the confines of his dental practice, permeating every aspect of his life. As Club President during the Rotary Year 2013/2014, Dr Shahul exemplified the true spirit of Rotary, leading with compassion, integrity, and an unwavering commitment to making a difference.



PP Stan Low introducing DGN Dr Shahul Hameed

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Dr Shahul's impact extend far beyond his Rotary Club. He is also an Adjunct Senior Lecturer with the Faculty of Dentistry, National University of Singapore, Council Member with the Singapore Dental Council, and Member of the Panel of Advisers, for the Family Justice Courts, Republic of Singapore. Dr Shahul is passionate in shaping the future of his profession and dedicated to his commitment to justice and welfare for his community.

Dr Shahul was also an eminent grassroots leader in Singapore, serving as District Councillor as well as Member of the School Advisory Committees of both Victoria School and Victoria Junior College for 10 consecutive years.

Yet, Dr Shahul's influence transcends borders. He has etched his name in history as the first Asian to preside over the International Association of Dental Students and later, as the youngest President of the Asia Pacific Dental Federation. He later became the youngest inductee to be included the Dental Federation's List of Honour.

Within Rotary, Dr Shahul has taken on various leadership roles and made a substantial impact at both the district and international levels. Over the years, he has held several key positions within the district, including Chair for District Rotary Foundation (DRFC), Chair for Grants, Stewardship, Scholarship, International Service and Rotaract. In 2017, Dr Shahul became the first Rotarian from District 3310 to be appointed as Member of the Rotary Foundation's "Cadre of Technical Advisers".

Dr Shahul's primary interest is leveraging on Rotary's Global Grants for Community Projects and Missions. To date, he has assisted RC Singapore, District 3310 and Clubs in the region, in the application of more than 230 Global Grants. As of today, RC Singapore itself has had 165 Global Grants approved. This demonstrated his relentless commitment to serving humanity through our Rotary Foundation.

In recognition for his contributions to the Community, and for his work with Global Grants, Dr Shahul has been conferred Honorary Memberships to 13 Rotary Clubs around the world. Namely:

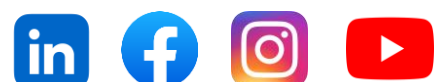
3 in Indonesia, 8 in India, 2 in Philippines.

Perhaps what truly sets Dr Shahul apart is his ability to inspire others to join him in the pursuit of Rotary's noble mission. His passion is infectious, his vision compelling, and his dedication unwavering. As an invited speaker at Rotary Foundation Seminars across multiple countries including Singapore, Malaysia, Indonesia, Taiwan, Philippines, Nigeria, Pakistan and India, and a Plenary Speaker at Rotary's International Assembly, Dr Shahul has

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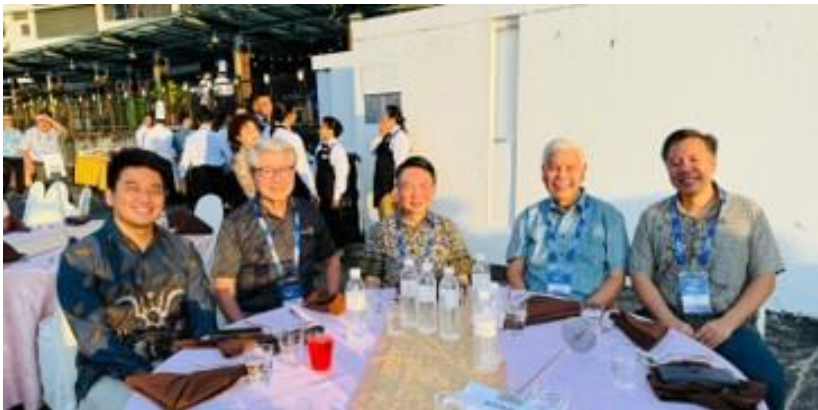
Introduction of DGN Dr Shahul Hameed ... *contd*

touched the hearts and minds of Rotarians around the globe, igniting a fire of service and compassion that knows no bounds.

Dr Shahul is the recipient of Rotary International's highest Award, the "Service Above Self" Award, the Rotary Foundation's highest Award, the "Distinguished Service Award", the Rotary Foundation's "Citation for Meritorious Service Award", the Rotary International's "Avenues of Service Award" as well as the Republic of Singapore's "Public Service Medal".

Dr Shahul is married to Michelle and is Father to 19-year-old son, Mirza Hameed. When availing himself as a candidate to the District Nominating Committee for the position of Governor for District 3310 for Rotary Year 2025-2026, Dr Shahul presented the following manifesto: That as Governor for District 3310, he will seek to further strengthen, support and motivate Clubs in the Ideals of Service by enhancing knowledge and encouraging the creation of lasting change, while espousing the spirit of giving to uplift our Rotary Foundation.

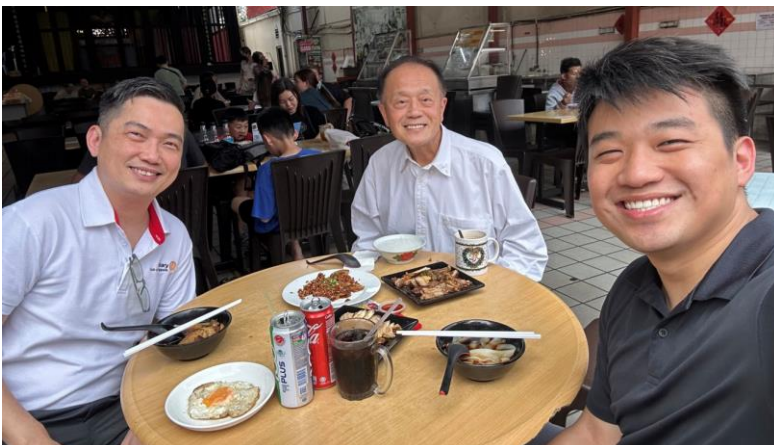
Photo Album of the District Conference – 17-19.5.2024



From left: Dir Ong Ting Yong, PP Stan Low, President Dr Chan Siew Luen, PP Peter Tan, Rtn Leonard Ong



From left: Rtn Kishin Aswani, HM Mohan Vaswani, DGN Dr Shahul Hameed



From left: IPP James Lee, PP Mark Wang & Dir Ting Yong



Dr Rachael Yap (centre) flanked by PP Mansoor & Maria Hassanbhai

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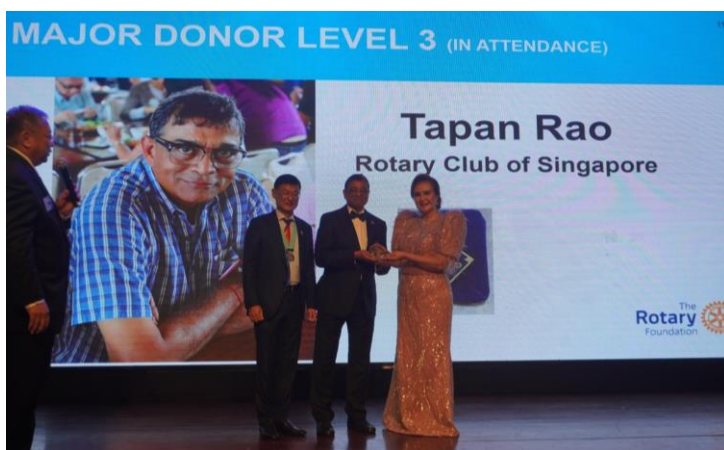
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Photo Album of the District Conference – 17-19.5.2024...contd



Members and spouses at the District Conference opening ceremony



Awards presented to PP Tapan Rao, DGN Dr Shahul Hameed, IPP James Lee & Rtn Mukundan A P (clockwise from left)

Photo Album of the District Conference – 17-19.5.2024... contd



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Best Environmental Project
Haze Mitigation in Riau

Best International Project
Surgical & medical equipment at Rotary Eye Hospital

In recognition of your excellent achievements.

John Chan

Dr. John Chan
2023 – 2024 Governor



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John Chan

Dr. John Chan
2023 – 2024 Governor

DG Dr John Chan presented the Legacy Club Award which President Dr Chan Siew received on behalf of the Rotary Club of Singapore



At the Governor's Banquet



Spouses enjoyed the special cooking programme arranged

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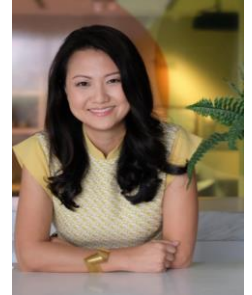
Meeting Report

36th Weekly Meeting for Rotary Year 2023/2024 held on 29.5.2024.

Opening remarks & Welcome

Prior to the start of the meeting, members and guests were entertained by Interactors from the Sembawang Interact Club with their musical renditions as well as a lively dragon dance performed by a troupe of dancers.

The meeting was called to order by Acting Sergeant-at-Arms Rtn Jeff Rajeck, who invited President Dr Chan Siew Luen to take the Chair. President Siew Luen recounted how he first met Rtn Louisa Lee and invited her to join the Club in 2020; and now in 2024, she was the RI Convention host emcee and the Club's celebrity emcee!



Rtn Louisa Lee

Rtn Louisa noted that it was a pleasure welcoming visiting Rotarians and guests, adding there were more than 200 persons in attendance at the meeting, with overseas Rotarians and guests from more than 20 countries present. The welcome was a roll call of the countries of visiting Rotarians.

Toast

To lead the Club in a toast, President Siew Luen called on Toastmaster Rtn Hitansh Vij who invited all present to join him in a toast to the Republic of South Africa coupled with the toast to Rotary International.



Rtn Hitansh Vij

Birthday & Wedding Anniversary Celebrations



Happy Birthday to celebrants – (from left) PP Stan Low, Rtns Jasbir Koh, Hulya Ucer & Sissi Goh



Wedding Anniversary celebrants present were PP Peter & Shirley Tan, Rtns Xavier Lee & Weilong Chng. Unfortunately, spouses Jeanette & Ming Choo were unable to attend.

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Distinguished Guest Speaker Series

**Speaker: Her Excellency (H E) Madiepetsane Charlotte Lobe,
High Commissioner of the Republic of South Africa in Singapore**

President Siew Luen invited PP Stan Low to introduce HE Madiepetsane Charlotte Lobe who was formerly Acting Chief Operations Officer of the Department of International Relations and Cooperation. She holds a Master's Degree in Politics, majoring in Governance and Political Transformation from the University of the Free State, South Africa, as well as Diploma in Public Relations and Communication from the Damelin Business School, South Africa.

HE Charlotte Lobe previously served as the National Spokesperson for the African National Congress' Women's League. She was also the President of the African Women Leaders Network, South Africa, the Convener of the Gertrude Shope Women Mediators Network, and the Co-Convener of the South African Women's Peace Table. At international fora, HE Charlotte Lobe served in the Global Network of National Focal Points on Women, Peace and Security, where she co-chaired the Network on behalf of South Africa. She also served on the Global Steering Committee of the Generation Equality Forum, a multi-generational initiative aimed at dismantling gender inequalities and achieving a gender-equal world by 2030.

HE Charlotte Lobe has served in several leadership positions in government, including as a Councillor from 1996 to 1999 at the local government level, as a Member of Parliament from 1999 to 2004, and as a Member of the Free State Provincial Legislature from 2004 to 2008.

HE Charlotte Lobe gave a succinct talk which highlighted the vibrancy of her country. She noted the presence of South African missions in many countries in order to develop better friendships as well as to strengthen bilateral trade particularly with ASEAN. She spoke of the country's investment opportunities and its wide-ranging industries including wine-producing, proximity to the animal kingdom and natural beauty.

To conclude, HE Charlotte Lobe answered questions from the floor, and then graciously sang a melodious native song to the delight of all present.

Rtn Jeyanthi Mala extended the vote of thanks to HE Charlotte Lobe on behalf of the Club.



*Speaker, H E Charlotte Lobe
High Commissioner of the Republic of
South Africa*



*President Siew Luen presenting the Club's mementos to H E
Charlotte Lobe*

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Photo Highlights of the Meeting...



Trustee Chun-Wook Hyun, from The Rotary Foundation Board of Trustees



Past R I President Gary Huang



Exchange of banners, one of many, at the Meeting



Introduction of Honorary Member, Ms Minh-Di Tang, Ambassador of Rance to Singapore



Our talented Interactors providing for evening's entertainment

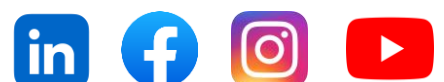


Pres. Siew Luen with the dragon dance performers

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Birthday Celebrants

RCS sends Birthday greetings to celebrants this week:

Jasbir Koh for 1 June
Tan Ching Khoo for 6 June
Hulya Ucer also for 6 June
PP Stan Low for 8 June



Wedding Anniversary Celebrants

RCS sends best wishes to Wedding Anniversary celebrants:

Weilong Chng & Ming Choo for 2 June
Xavier & Jeanette Lee for 3 June



This Meeting

5 June 2024
Lunch Meeting @ 1.00pm

Speaker: His Excellency (H E) Jean-Dominique Ieraci, High Commissioner for Canada in Singapore

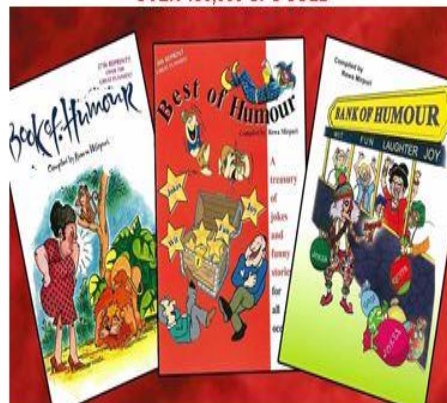
Topic: Pitch My Country

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Next Meeting

12 June 2024

President's Appreciation Night

Spouses are most welcome

Coming Rotary Events

June – Rotary Fellowships Month

12 Jun – President's Appreciation Night

22 Jun – Installation of the 90th 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.

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