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### **CNY** Celebration

#### **WELCOME OF GUEST**

By Eva Lee



#### **ROTARY TOASTS** By PP Mark Wang



#### **Rotary Club of Salmanya** TO & **Rotary International**

The Rotary Club of Singapore ushered in the Lunar New Year in style with a lavish dinner party at the Palm Ballroom in the iconic Raffles Hotel. Emceed by our ever-energetic Secretary Pauline, the evening was filled with camaraderie, cultural performances, and delectable cuisine.

President Tom opened the meeting, setting the tone for a night of celebration and tradition. Rotarian Eva Lee welcomed all the guests, from Rotarian spouses, to prospects, to visiting Rotarians from the Rotary Club of Switzerland and the Rotary Club of Salmany, Bahrain.











With formalities complete, the festivities began. Guests indulged in an exquisite eight-course meal curated by renowned Raffles Hotel chef Jereme Leung, kicking off with the traditional Yusheng salad toss for prosperity. The atmosphere quickly became electric with a vibrant dragon dance, featuring a stunning paper dragon sponsored by Rotarian Frank Pao.

Adding to the evening's charm was an elegant Chinese fan dance, with an unexpected twist—Rotarian Sissy surprised us all by joining in midway before captivating the audience with a graceful solo performance. The entertainment continued with a Chinese horn recital, followed by an encore performance of a popular Chinese song at the audience's request.

Rotarian Jacqueline and her husband Clifford then took us through the 12 Chinese zodiac signs, sharing predictions of our fortunes and what the new year holds for each of us. The night concluded with a final dance performance, bringing the celebration to a spirited close.

With hearts full and spirits high, President Tom Wolf wrapped up the evening, marking yet another memorable Lunar New Year gathering for the Rotary Club of Singapore. Here's to a prosperous and joyful year ahead!



#### **THANK YOU**



**PP James** for his singing performance

Rtn Sissi for her dance performance

Rtn Jacqueline for the Zodiac Outlook 2025

Rtn Pauline for emceeing

Rtn Frank for spearheading the CNY Dinner Party & designing the CNY menu

Rtn Ting Yong for leading the 2025 CNY Party

#### **BIG THANK YOU TO SPONSORS**



President Tom - Dance Performance

HM Joseph - Chinese Instrument Performance

PP Mark & Rtn Frank - Kinmen Gaoliang tasting from RC Taipei

Rtn Frank - Luminous Dragon Dance, Paper-Cutting Booth & CNY room decoration

Rtn CT - Alcohol



## CSC Meeting

The first CSC meeting in 2025 was held in the quaint and lovely confines of the Monday Coffee Bar. Chair PN Raj Kumar and Vice Chair VJ Africa started the two-hour packed meeting with highlights of the CSC in the past months.







The first speaker was Ms. Huda Aljunied of the TAA (Tabung Amal Aidilfitri) Trust Fund. She was able to share how their charity benefits more than 3000 households yearly. The second speaker was Liew Linhai who introduced his drone food delivery startup. This fascinating endeavour would revolutionise how food can be delivered to residents living in HDBs.

Jeffinson, President of the Indonesian Students Association (PPI Singapore), and Dan En, VP of the Rotaract Club of Singapore City, showcased a number of their impactful projects and how Rotarians can participate and contribute in various ways and means.

The next CSC meeting is on 6 March. See you then!



### VSC visit to RSAF

On February 15<sup>th</sup>, Singapore's Defence Operations Day, the Rotary Club of Singapore commenced its first vocational visit of 2025 headed by Rtn Deepa Navaneeth with an exclusive and insightful tour of the Paya Lebar Air Base. This rare and privileged visit provided members with a deeper appreciation of Singapore's defence operations and the intricate efforts behind maintaining national security.

The visit featured several highlights:

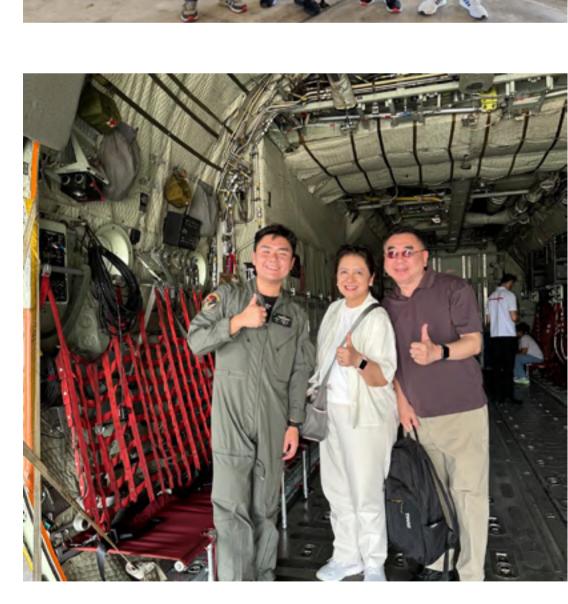
 A guided tour of the hangar, where members witnessed an impressive showcase of advanced fighter and transport aircraft.



- A close-up look at the formidable F-15SG and F-16, two of Singapore's most advanced fighter jets.
- An exclusive visit to the cockpit of a travel cargo aircraft, offering a rare perspective on aviation operations.
- A captivating demonstration of a deployable and movable control tower, showcasing the base's operational versatility.
- A detailed briefing on airbase operations by an Air Commando, providing valuable insights into the complex coordination required for national security.
- A thrilling military dog demonstration, showcasing the impressive skills and discipline of these highly trained service dogs.

The visit was more than just a vocational outing—it was an educational and inspiring experience that highlighted the dedication, precision, and excellence of the Singapore Armed Forces.

As the organizers, we extend our heartfelt thanks to the Paya Lebar Air Base team for their warm hospitality and meticulous presentations, as well as to all members who participated. This visit set the tone for an engaging and educational year ahead for the Rotary Club of Singapore.



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### Chess Event

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On February 8<sup>th</sup>, we successfully hosted the 5<sup>th</sup> Chess Event aboard Seawolf, bringing together a vibrant community of chess enthusiasts. The event saw an enthusiastic turnout, with over 35 members participating in friendly yet competitive matches.

Overall, it was a fantastic gathering, and we look forward to organizing more chess events in the future to continue building our community of passionate players!









# Upcoming Event

#### WUPD 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb 2025

Date: 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 2025

Time: 5:30 PM - 9:00 PM

Venue: Fullerton Hotel

#### Interested Parties can sign up through this link below:

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Guest of Honour Professor Kishore Mahbubani

### 23rd Feb 2025 Sunday

Lower Lobby Ballroom, The Fullerton Hotel

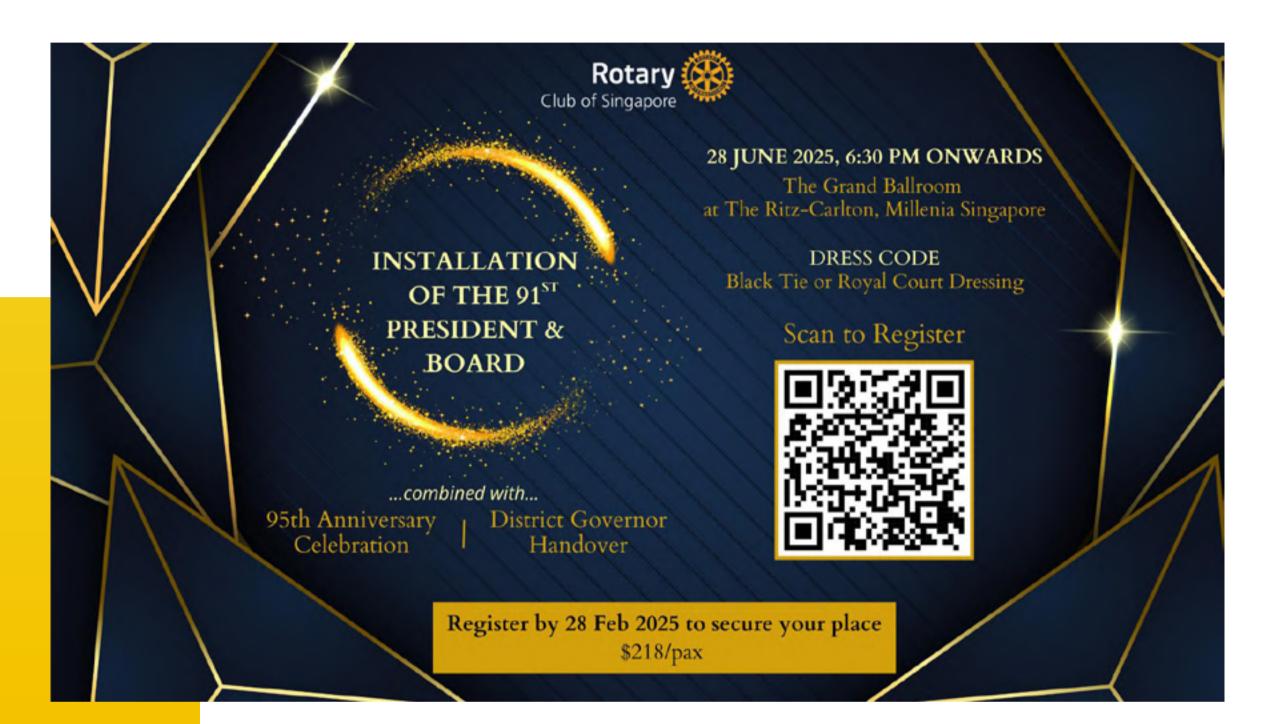
5:30 pm ~ 9:00 pm Dresscode: Formal (Doors open at 6:00pm)

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### **INSTALLATION OF THE 91<sup>st</sup> PRESIDENT & BOARD**

**Date:** 28<sup>th</sup> June, 2025 **Time:** 6:30 PM

Venue: The Grand Ballroom at The Ritz-Carlton, Millenia Singapore



#### **The Four-Way Test**

Of the things we think, say or do:

01. Is it the **TRUTH**?

02. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?

03. Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?

04. 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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