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11TH CLUB MEETING:

24 September 2025 – The Rotary Club of Singapore's recent meeting was a vibrant affair, marked by celebrations, updates, and an enlightening presentation on artificial intelligence. President Sonali opened the meeting by highlighting upcoming birthdays and anniversaries, recognizing Jash Mahipal and Ronald Wong's birthdays, and the wedding anniversary of Ambassadorial member Allard and Anne.

She updated the members about the club's monthly service project Food From The Heart, with Rotarians distributing food packages to 98-100 individuals living in rental blocks on North Bridge Road. This month the event saw participation from RC Jurong Town and RC Tanglin, demonstrating the collaborative spirit of Rotary. The club also celebrated its involvement in the Yellow Ribbon Care Network's gala dinner, attended by key club members.



Upcoming events include the youth service committee meeting, SG 60 commemorative dinner, Jolly Walker group walk, and the club's Deepavali party. Members were encouraged to sign up and participate in these exciting club activities.

PP Mark and Rtn Rajan Alwani presented a banner and a set of souvenirs from their visit to RC Shenyang.

PHM Uttam presented a banner from Rotary Club of Istanbul-Suadiye from his visit to Turkey. He also shared about his visit to a Global Grant Project jointly funded by RC Singapore that was coordinated by Rtn Hulya.



A significant moment of the evening was the induction of Bharoti Pandey as a new member. With a rich background in teaching, journalism, and communication, Bharoti brings valuable expertise to the club. Her introduction emphasized her commitment to community service and eagerness to contribute through Rotary.



Rtn Sylvia Chung welcomed the guests and visiting Rotatians and Rtn Kishin Aswani raised a toast to Rotary International.

Empowering a Better Future: HOW AI AND INNOVATION DRIVE GLOBAL IMPACT

Ralph Haupter President SME Channel, Microsoft

The meeting's keynote speaker, Ralph Haupter, President of Microsoft's Worldwide Small, Medium, Enterprise Channel, delivered a compelling presentation on the transformative power of artificial intelligence. Ralph provided a comprehensive overview of AI's potential across various sectors, from employment and customer experience to business processes and innovation.

Ralph highlighted the concept of "frontier firms" - organizations integrating AI to revolutionize organizational structures. He shared fascinating examples of AI applications, including how financial industries are leveraging technology for customer service and contract analysis. The speaker emphasized the importance of human oversight and ethical considerations in AI development.



The presentation explored the potential of AI agents that can handle complex tasks like travel planning, customer interactions, and even support services. Ralph stressed the importance of skill development, encouraging professionals to understand and master AI technologies rather than fear them.

During the Q&A session, Ralph addressed critical questions about AI's impact on job skills, privacy, and technological innovation. He maintained an optimistic view, seeing AI as a tool to augment human capabilities and potentially reset social imbalances.

IPP Tom concluded the evening with a formal vote of thanks, acknowledging Ralph's insightful and inspiring presentation. The meeting exemplified the Rotary Club of Singapore's commitment to staying at the forefront of technological and social innovations.



Guest List:

1. Ralph Haupter, Guest Speaker
2. Wang Min, Chief of Staff, Microsoft
3. Bharoti Pande, Prospect (to be inducted)

Visiting Rotarians:

1. Pres. Philip Tolath, RC Raffles City

3RD YSC MEETING

25th September 2025

The third YSC meeting of RY 2025–26, chaired by Dir. Mukund was held at the Foundation of Rotary Clubs (Singapore). Members reviewed key youth initiatives, funding updates, and ongoing collaborations with Interact and Rotaract clubs.

Key Projects & Initiatives

- Youth Bake Sale – Built teamwork and entrepreneurship while raising funds for service causes.
- Teacher Advisor Seminar – Planned to strengthen advisor engagement and Interactor motivation.
- ICC Interact Meet – An upcoming tree-planting and networking event connecting schools.
- Rotaract Collaborations (Bethelax & Pinay) – Promoted joint community outreach.
- Mentorship & Education Programs – HCI x Indian School and NeuGen Enrichment continued supporting youth learning and inclusion.



Youth Development & Exchange

- Potential exchange programs with Interact clubs in India were discussed.
- A Virtual Debates Competition is being explored to develop leadership and communication skills.
- Advisors were reminded to meet regularly with schools and provide structured reports.

Funding & Other Updates

- The committee reviewed a revised funding request for the RAC Singapore City Career Talk Project and agreed to confirm support after verifying available grant funds.
- Members discussed improving coordination and awareness of existing funds among Rotaract clubs.
- 26 members have completed their Youth Protection Certificates, reinforcing youth safety standards.
- Planning continues for upcoming BGIC and Danya Night events.

The meeting concluded at 9:30 p.m. with fellowship, and the next meeting's venue will be confirmed later.



FLY TO SINGAPORE 9.0 – A JOURNEY OF SERVICE AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Coordinated by **Director Mukund, Chair of the Youth Service Committee (YSC)**, the *FLY to Singapore 9.0* program brought together ten young leaders from Rotary International District 3212 (India) for a transformative week of cross-border learning with Rotary District 3310 (Singapore & Johor). Designed as a *Short-Term Exchange (STE)* initiative, the program immersed participants in real-world examples of social entrepreneurship and sustainable service, showcasing how Rotary ideals translate into lasting community impact.

A highlight of the trip was the visit to the **Rotary Hemodialysis Centre in Kulai**, a hallmark of Rotary's commitment to long-term, values-driven leadership. Hosted by the **Rotary Club of Kulai**, the delegates learned how a local healthcare challenge sparked the creation of a life-saving community project that continues to thrive decades later.

Through inspiring talks by leaders including IPP Elise Teoh, Past President Gopal Nair, and Club President Ho Jee Yuan, participants discovered that true leadership is defined not by recognition, but by the legacies we leave behind.



For the young delegates, the experience became more than a cultural exchange — it was a leadership laboratory. They returned home inspired to build with purpose, lead with compassion, and carry forward Rotary’s enduring philosophy of **“Service Above Self”** as a model for sustainable, entrepreneurial leadership across generations.



OUR GUIDING PRINCIPLES

THE FOUR WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say or do:

1. Is it the truth?
2. Is it fair to all concerned?
3. Will it build goodwill and better friendship?
4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

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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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