



Rotary



**NOTES OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF ROYAL HUA HIN (RCRHH): Tuesday 29th September  
2020 Club Training PP Gianni Battistini**

Time: 12:00 to 14:00 hrs.

Location: Amari Hotel and Spa Imagine Room.

Attendance: 14

Members: 11

Guests: 3

Albert Labermeiser

Roman Friedhein

Dr Thomas Hirsch

Republic of Bavaria

Switzerland

Germany.

President (P) Brian Anderson opened the meeting by welcoming the members and guests to the TELK Classroom and called upon acting Sergeant at Arms (SAA) Benjamas Uamsa-Ard to introduce the guests as listed above.

Following the introduction P Brain stated that Benjamas was the best SAA.

P Brian then spoke about the following club events that are coming up.

Today – Club Training Lunch – The History of Rotary with PP Gianni

2 Oct – Rtn Rick Rees presenting at RC Bangkok South, 12:00 pm

6 Oct – Fellowship Evening at Ian's Restaurant

13 Oct – No Meeting: Anniversary of the Passing of HM King Bhumibol

24 Oct (Saturday morning) – Tree planting with RCHH, RCPB, RCPK at Rajamangala University in Khao Tao

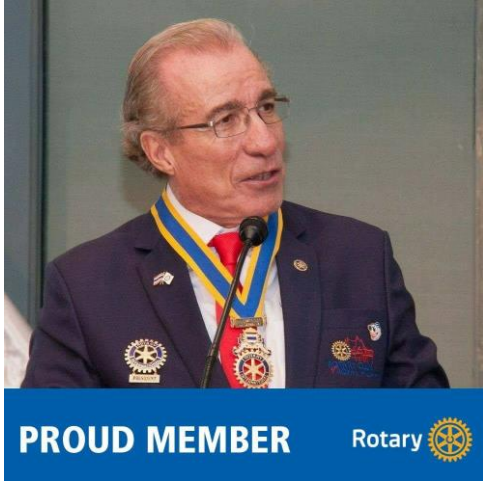
24 Oct (Saturday) – District Governor Chalermchat 17:00-19:00

3 Nov – Fellowship Evening at El Toro Loco

10 Nov – Identity Theft with Rick Lundstrum

Lizzy then introduced Roman who is the manager of the new Foxes sky bar and restaurant at the Sunshine Hills (Sunshine International) retirement residence at Hin Lek Fai. Roman informed the meeting that the Foxes sky bar and restaurant would be doing brunches on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays 10:00am until 14:00hrs.

P Brian then introduced PP Gianni Battistini who was the RCRHH 7<sup>th</sup> President. Gianni also heads up the Thai/Swiss inter club committee and is a Rotary District 3330 District Trainer.



PP Gianni started his presentation with how Rotary was started, PP Gianni informed the members and guests that the first Rotary Club was formed when attorney Paul P. Harris called together a meeting of three business acquaintances in downtown Chicago, United States, at Harris's friend Gustave Loehr's office in the Unity Building on Dearborn Street on February 23, 1905. In addition to Harris and Loehr (a mining engineer and freemason, Silvester Schiele (a coal merchant), and Hiram

E. Shorey (a tailor) were the other two who attended this first meeting. The members chose the name Rotary because initially they rotated subsequent weekly club meetings to each other's offices, although within a year, the Chicago club became so large it became necessary to adopt the now-common practice of a regular meeting place.

The National Association of Rotary Clubs in America was formed in 1910. On November 3, 1910, a Rotary club began meeting in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, the beginning of the organisation's

In August 1912, the Rotary Club of London received its charter from the Association, marking the first acknowledged Rotary club outside North America. It later became known that the Dublin club in Ireland was organized before the London club, but the Dublin club did not receive its charter until after the London club was chartered.

In 1922, the name was changed to Rotary International.

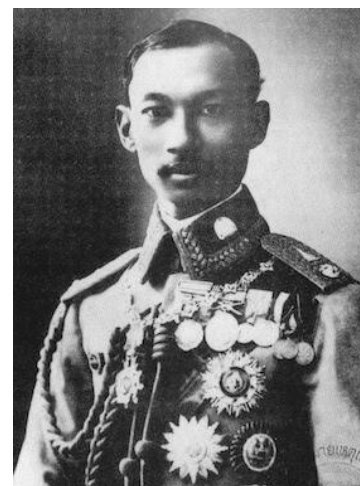


The six areas of Focus depicted in the picture above were founded 1917 at the Convention in Atlanta, Georgia (USA) by RI President Arch Klumph. His historical statement:

*«It seems eminently proper that we should accept endowments for the purpose of doing good in the world.»*

PP Gianni briefly spoke about Rotary Foundation Grants and explained in 2018 86,677,399 US Dollars was allocated to 1,306 projects globally.

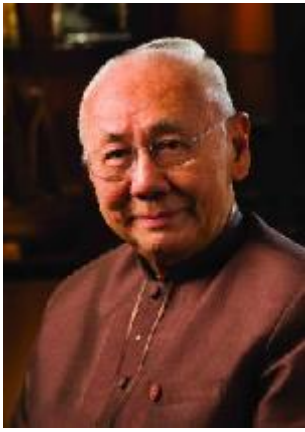
PP Gianni went on to talk about Rotary in Thailand, where the first club Rotary Club of Bangkok was chartered on the 28<sup>th</sup> November 1930.



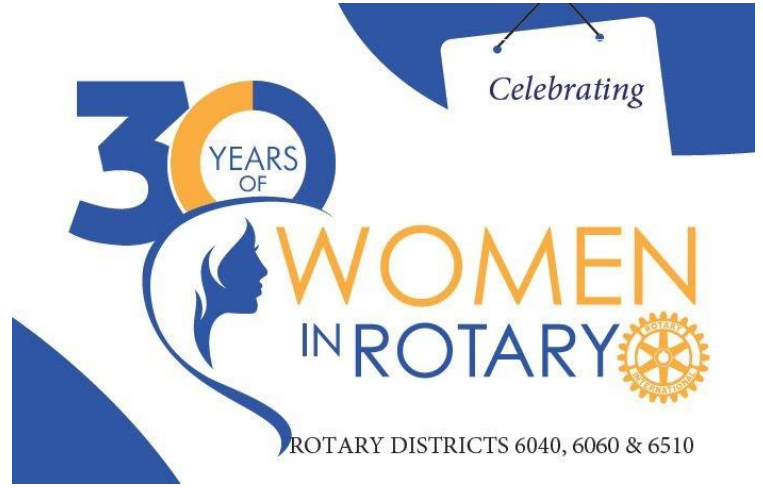
Charter President: H.R.H. Prince Purachatra Krom Phra Kampaengbejra  
H.M. King Bhumibol Adulyadej:

On 15.9.1955 became the Royal Patron of Rotary in Thailand  
PP Summarised that there are 4 Districts in Thailand with 340 clubs and around 9000 members.

Thailand has had one International President Bhichai Rattakul between 2002-2003 who is a Senior Thai Politician who served as the Deputy Prime Minister between 1983-1990 and 1997-2000, the speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the National Assembly, and the leader



of the Democrat Party between 1982-1991.



PP Gianni went onto speak about women in Rotary and that Rotary only officially allowed women into Rotary in 1989, since 1989 there has never been a female President, however that is about to change with the inauguration of Jennifer Jones in Rotary Year 2022-23 and who is from the Rotary Club of Windsor-Roseland, Ontario, Canada.

PP Gianni then mentioned More Topics as Part of the History of RI:

- History of the Wheel Emblem
- Achievements of Rotary International
- History of Rotary Foundation
- Structures within Rotary International through the time

P Brain thanked PP Gianni for an informative presentation.



The winning ticket drawn by Benjamas was held by Rotarian Arnold Ruijs.





Acting Sergeant at Arms Benjamas informed the meeting that the Rotaractors of Stamford International University won the best fund-raising activity to free Poliomyelitis in 2019-2020 (Picture right) the fund-raising activity was at the 'All for One and One for All 2' project to the Baan Nong Pao Pea School in the Sam Roi Yot District Prachuap Khiri Khan. The trophy is shown on the previous page

Benjamas went onto say that the two students currently sponsored by the Lizzy

Education Fund would be invited to one of the weekly lunch meetings in the near future.

For the first time since I have been with the RCRHH a fine was issued for the ringing of a mobile phone owned by Rotarian Lizzy.

At the end of the meeting she gracefully paid the two hundred Thai Baht Fine.

