

Rotary



**WEEKLY MEETING OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF ROYAL HUA HIN – AMARI HOTEL
TUESDAY MARCH 22, 2022
GUEST SPEAKER – JANE CALDER - SAVE THE CHILDREN**

ATTENDEES: 24
MEMBERS: 19
GUESTS: 5

Meeting opened with the National Anthem. Sergeant-at-Arms Rick Rees introduced the following guests:

- Roger Ward & Carole Ward - United Kingdom
- Manuela Pizzaia - Italy
- Hana Gamrot - Past President Rotary Club of Prague International Czech Republic
- Jane Calder – Guest Speaker

Phil welcomed all attendees. Roger Ward then spoke regarding how Covid effects Rotary projects in other Rotary Clubs. In regards to Rotary projects occurring in New Zealand and elsewhere, Rotarians encountered some difficulty with project involvement due to Covid. Roger was interested in hearing from the members on any successful project work-arounds when Covid became an issue.

Phil then introduced Hana Gamrot who was a Past President Rotary Club of Prague International Czech Republic and presented her with a RCRHH Banner and sustainable shopping bag.



ROTARY AROUND THE WORLD

Phil honored and paid tribute to former RCRHH member Edith Kolp who sadly passed away recently. After leaving Hua Hin, Edith was a very active member of the Rotary Club of Nyon –La Cote in Switzerland. She will be greatly missed. Past President Eric Boissard also agreed to purchase a wreath for her funeral that was held on Monday 21st March on behalf of our club.



We welcomed our first RCRHH Honorary Member Dr. Gubser. Dr Gubser one of four Directors of the Help4People foundation has donated over 1.5 million Thai Bhat to our Education Projects since 2019. We look forward to his continued support of the club.



FELLOW ROTARIAN GIVES BLOOD

Following a plea locally to help Theo Zwahlen, a Swiss national who after running a trail in Koh Chang collapsed with heat stroke, followed by kidney failure and muscle breakdown, Rotarian Reetika Saha responded with the call for urgent donation of blood.

Theo was admitted to Bangkok Hospital in Chanthaburi and needed platelets, however, his blood type was the slightly rarer O Rhesus negative (approximately 1 person in 15), but even rarer in Thailand with only 1 person in every 1000 having this blood type. The latest word is that the patient is doing well.



Phil recently attended President Elect Training for Rotary Year 118 which was a very good program and well attended.



ROTARY POLO SHIRTS: New Polo Shirts were displayed for the next year 118. Availability and price will be available in the near future.



UPCOMING EVENTS:

29 th	March	No Meeting	
5 th	April	Fellowship Evening	Surf and Sand
8 th	April	60 th Birthday RC Bangkok South	Brian Anderson
9 th	April	Sang Foundation growing greener communities Amara resort Soi 94 4pm TO 9pm	
12 th	April	No Meeting	Songkhram
19 th	April	Board Meeting	
26 th	April	Club Training	Gianni
13 TH – 15 TH	May	District Training	Cha Am Methavalai Hotel
24 th – 26 th	June	District Assembly	Phuket

THE CRISIS IN UKRAINE

Phil mentioned the crisis in Ukraine and the devastating effect on civilians. According to the United Nations, [more than 3 million people](#), most of them women and children, have sought refuge in neighboring countries and across Europe, while about 1 million more people have been displaced within Ukraine. Rotary and Rotaract clubs in Europe and around the world have taken swift action and are working with members nearby to provide food, water, medical equipment, and shelter for refugees. The Rotary Foundation created a funding channel for relief efforts in Ukraine using the following link:

<https://my.rotary.org/en/disaster-response-fund>

Phil introduced Jane Calder Senior Technical Advisor for Child Protection in the Asia, Pacific region for Save the Children

SAVE THE CHILDREN - Jane Calder

For more information you can visit: <https://thailand.savethechildren.net>



For 11 years, Jane has been the Senior Technical Advisor for Child Protection in Asia and the Pacific region. Prior to her work in Thailand, she spent time in Tanzania, Vietnam, and Scotland.

Save the Children:

- Est. 1919
- Worldwide presence. Works in 117 countries
- 25,000 dedicated personnel
- Emergency Response and Development programs
- Campaign and advocacy for Children's Rights

Vision/Mission/Values:

- Every child deserves a future
- Right for survival, protection, and development
- Accountability, creativity, and integrity

2020 Accomplishments – Worldwide

- Supported 197 million children in over 100 countries
- Contributed to 136 emergency responses in 77 countries
- Enabled 12 million children to access quality education
- Assisted 3.1 million children to live free from violence
- Helped 3 million mothers and 11.7 million children to improve their nutrition

Ambitions for the next 8 years:

- No child dies from preventable causes before their fifth birthday
- All children learn from a quality basic education
- Violence against children is no longer tolerated

Save the Children – Thailand

Save the Children Thailand was established in 1979 with a group of nurses providing relief during the Khmer refugee crisis in Thailand. Since then, they have worked closely with the Office of Education, Immigration, Major Universities in overseeing 12 projects with 25 partners across 15 provinces. During 2021, Save the Children Thailand have provided support to over 88,000 children in need of emergency response, protection, and education. In 2022, Save the Children Thailand became a local foundation. Jane believes that the best way to support the child is to support the family.

Jane will be retiring this year and returning to Scotland. She will be missed. Following questions, Phil presented Jane with a Rotary sustainable shopping bag.

