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## In Focus

## **2019 Rotary District Awards**

Held on Wednesday, 19 June 2019 at the Singapore Island Country Club



President Mark with the Club's District Award Recognitions

#### The Club received a slew of District Award recognitions for the Rotary Year 2018-2019 as follows:

- 1. Best Community Service Project (Merit) Relay for Life 2019
- 2. Best Community Service Project (Bronze) Vision For All Project
- 3. Best Family of Rotary Project (Merit) Conversations
- 4. Best Promotion of "Guide to Daily Living" (Merit)
- 5. Best International Service Project (Gold) (Joint Winner) Rotary Vivekananda School and Skill Centre
- 6. Best Rotaract Club Project to Rotaract Club of Bukit Gombak (Merit) "Caregiver Workshop" project
- 7. Best Rotaract Club Project to Rotaract Club of Bukit Gombak (Bronze) Project Empathy
- 8. Interact Club Project to Hwa Chong Institution (Silver) "Project Bisrama"
- 9. Interact Club Project to Raffles Institution (Silver) "Youth Got Heart" project
- 10. Interact Club Project to Victoria Junior College Interact Club (Silver) "CNY Food Drive" project
- 11. Interact Club Project to Victoria Junior College Interact Club (Silver) "Community Day" project
- 12. Interact Club Project to Victoria Junior College Interact Club (Silver) "Spright Academy School's Out"
- 13. Interact Club Project to Victoria Junior College Interact Club (Silver) "Interact Challenge 2018" project
- 14. Interact Club Project to Anderson Serangoon Junior College Interact Club (Gold) "Cambodia OCIP"
- 15. Interact Club Project to Anglo-Chinese School (Independent) Interact Club (Gold) "Overseas Values-In-Action Trip"
- 16. Interact Club Project to Bukit Gombak Eagles Interact Club (Gold) "Books of Hope 2.0"
- 17. Interact Club Project to Bukit Gombak Eagles Interact Club (Gold) "Project Dust and Shine"
- 18. Interact Club Project to Hwa Chong Institution Interact Club (Gold) "Hunger Trials" project
- 19. Interact Club Project to Victoria Junior College Interact Club (Gold) "OHANA" Project
- 20. Best Interact Club Project in Singapore Region (Gold Award) to Catholic Junior College Interact Club "Overseas Service Learning Project"



## Report - Interact leadership training camp - 6 to 9 June 2019

By: Incoming Youth Service Director, Rtn Ronald Wong

45 interactors from 15 clubs (9 from RCS sponsored clubs and 6 from other SG RCs sponsored) in Singapore bonded over 4 days 3 nights in the Interact Leadership Training Camp (ILTC) Outward Bound East Coast campus.



Day 1 started with e-Learning Amazing Race

where our Interactors travelled to different Nursing Homes to complete Service-Learning tasks. In the evening during dinner, they were joined by Rotarians and ate blind folded as part of empathy simulation of the blind.







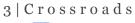
Day 2 was an intense day of learning about volunteer management, conducted by Positive Intentions and Youth

Corps Singapore.



Day 3 morning was led by Rotarian James who infused Rotary into our interactors through facilitated inducted learning. The session was well received with wise injections by PDG Philbert Chin who spoke about what Rotary is, PP Mohan on the objectives of Rotary and PP Jimmy on guide to daily living.







After lunch, the interactors headed out to the Society of the Aged Sick to practice the senior engagement skills that they learnt during Day 2. It was a successful engagement with residents singing and playing purposeful built instruments along with the interactors.



Last day of the camp started with past ICC Chairs Alden and Aaron sharing their Interact and ICC journey, to inspire the current batch.







After a nail biting election, the new Interact Coordinating Committee (ICC) board was formed, led by ICC President Kai Ming from HCI, Alynna (ACJC), Glenda (CJC), Manish (NPS) and Britney (Evergreen). The ICC will be making efforts to continue the networking and bonding of all 27 Interact Clubs in Singapore, and will plan for the execution of a major project involving all clubs in Singapore in March 2020.



It was a successful ILTC held at the beautiful OBS camp!











ILTC is a camp curated in collaboration between Rotary Club of Singapore, Rotary District 3310, Youth Corps Singapore and National Youth Council and is in its 3rd run this year.







## HAVE MANY LAUGHS & HELP THE CHILDREN GIFT OF LIFE

Children with cardiac problem to get help From Rotary's Dist 3300 & 3310

#### WILL YOU HELP TOO?

With the appeal from our DG Henry Tan JP, a team of volunteers from Gift of Life and volunteers from Rotary Club of Singapore are going into action to raise funds for the children with cardiac problem, using Books of Humour.

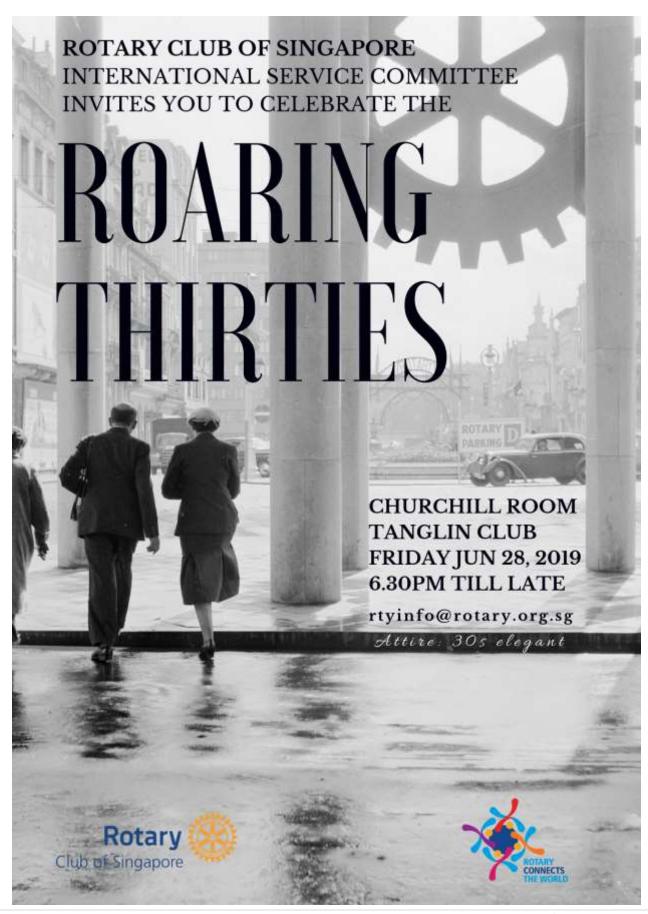
All the clubs in our District 3300 and 3310 will participate in promoting this project and help raise funds for these children. Let us encourage and inspire these hard working great volunteers with our support and help.

A full set of 3 editions, **Book of Humour, Best of Humour and Bank of Humour**, come in a beautifully designed box housing this set for only \$25.00.

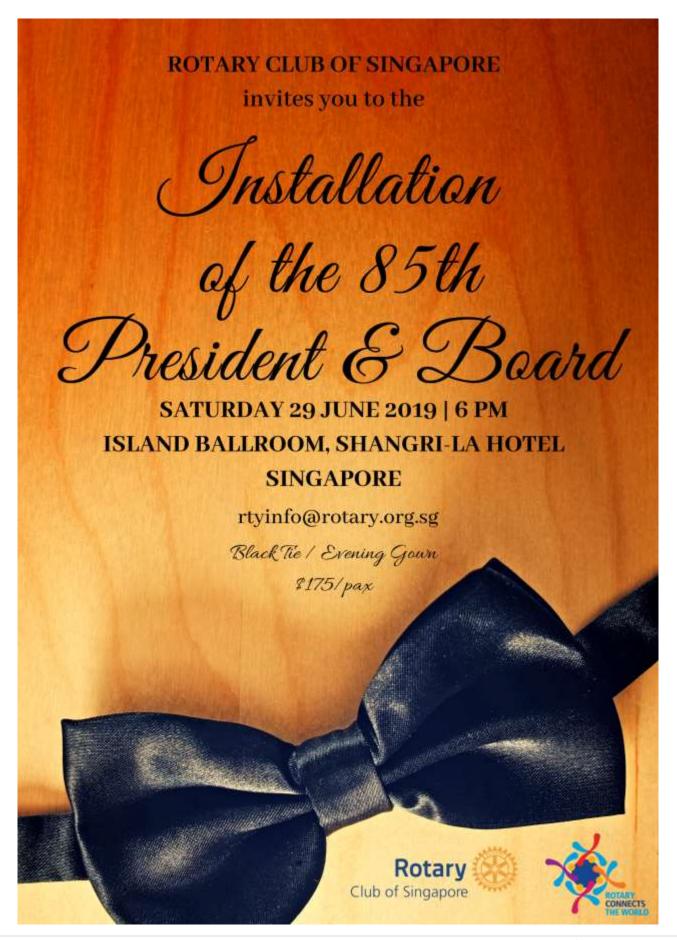
PLEASE ORDER A FEW SETS TO SUPPORT AND HELP TO BRING NEW LEASE OF LIFE TO HELPLESS CHILDREN. Outright donations are also most welcome.

PLEASE CALL REWA @ Tel: 6241 9157 or email: rewamirpuri@gmai.com











## **Last Week**

#### Last Week – Report on the Weekly Meeting – Wednesday 19 June 2019 (Last meeting for RY 2019-20)

#### OPENING REMARKS

The meeting was called to order by acting Sergeant-at-Arms, IPP Keith Harrison and invited President Mark to take the Chair. In doing so, President Mark noted that it was the last weekly meeting to be held in The Tanglin Club and he acknowledged and thanked the staff for all their assistance.

President Mark acknowledge the presence of PDG Dr Philbert Chin and Honorary Member PP Raymon Huang.

#### **WELCOME**

The welcome of guests of members fell to YSC Director Dr Hoh Sek Tien:

#### Guests

Ms Aanchal Khaneja (daughter of Rtn Asheesh)
Ms Elizabeth Chee
Ms Suk Wei Cheong
Rotaractors Tan Yam Chyi & Sim Yin Wei (Rotaract Club of Singapore)



YSC Dir Dr Hoh Sek Tien

#### **TOAST**

As there were no visiting Rotarians, Toastmaster Rtn Robert Craiu called on members to join him in raising a toast to Rotary International.



Rtn Robert Craiu

#### **ROTARY FLAG DAY**



President Mark was pleased to advise that the Rotary Flag Day collected more than \$46,000.00 and he thanked members who participated. He added that the funds raised would go to the Foundation of Rotary Clubs Singapore which is chaired by PDG Dr Philbert Chin. President Mark advised that further fund raising events would be organised such as the Charity Golf Tournament.



## **Last Week**

#### WINGS TO FLY PROJECT

President Mark showed the following photos taken at welcome dinner hosted by Rtn Asheesh Khaneja for the deserving students who won the opportunity to visit Singapore based on their performance at a highly competitive science competition sponsored by the Rotary Club of Madras East. He acknowledged with thanks the efforts made by Rtn Asheesh as well as the generous donations received from Hon. Member Rtn Mohan Vaswani and Rtn Jasbir Koh towards their transportation and incidental expenses in Singapore.







#### REMEMBERING PP CHARLES RUDD



Charles G.V. Rudd

President Mark called on members to recognize a significant Club member, the last Past President Charles G V Rudd, who was our Club's president during Rotary year 1974-75.

Upon the demise of PP Charles, his wife, Phyllis, bequeathed over S\$1.2 million to the Club.

President Mark noted that PP Charles's birthday would have been on 21<sup>st</sup> June, and he called on members to remember him for his magnanimous gift to the Club.



## **Last Week**

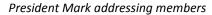
## Following are some photos taken at President Mark's last address at the weekly meeting, giving his round-up of the various activities undertaken ...







President Mark with HM PP Raymon Huang





President Mark with his Board members (from left PE Deepak Nagrani, VSC Dir Ronil Sujan, Dr Hoh Sek Tien & IPP Keith Harrison



A standing ovation for President Mark

#### **VOTE OF THANKS**

HM PP Raymon Huang extended the following vote of thanks on behalf of the Club:

At this, the last meeting of our Club for this Rotary year, I have been given the privilege, the honour, of conveying our thanks to President Mark Wang. No! We are not bidding him farewell. He has plenty of Rotary work ahead of him next year as IPP!

When I was in Primary School, I read in my history books about this Italian guy called "Marc". Okay, he was an Italiano – so he was called "Marco". He was a great traveller, trudging all the way from Venice to Peking (as it was then called). Today, at this old age, I read about another "Mark" – an even greater traveller. Of course, you know I am referring to our very own President Mark. President Mark, to my knowledge, is the most travelled of all our Presidents!

Under his Presidency, our Club can proudly claim we achieved much; that we have had a very active year of Rotary service; that we have had a successful year. The impressive array of programmes and projects we have successfully implemented are there for all to see. And the many accolades and awards we have received are ample testimony. President Mark himself received the Governor's Special Award at the recent 28<sup>th</sup> DISCON in Penang. In all this, he had the backing of a wonderful Board of Directors. And of course, First Lady, Tracey.

The Presidential path is never a bed of roses. It is strewn with rocks, even some potholes. I am sure President Mark has had encounters of the Fourth Kind! But he has more than well negotiated all of them – more than just well. Well done, President Mark. You have done us all proud!



## Mark Your Diary

#### **Birthday Celebrants**

RC sends Birthday greetings to celebrants:

Dr Hoon Sing Keow Edward Loy Kimio Somemiya Deepti Lalchandani PP Dr Yap Lip Kee PP Philip Leong Steven Nichols

Rudi Ackermann

## Wedding Anniversary Celebrants

RC sends best wishes to the following Wedding Anniversary celebrants:

Kaustubh & Wrushalli Bodhankar

Hon Member PP Dr Patrick & Lillian Chin

Hon Member PP Alfred & Joyce Wong

Dr Irina & Nico Francken

#### This Meeting

26 June 2019

Meeting Cancelled in view of Sister Club Fellowship on 28 June & Installation Dinner on 29 June

#### Youth Service Meeting

Youth Service Committee Meeting scheduled for 27 June is cancelled.



#### **Next Meeting**

3 July 2019 Meeting Venue @ Grand Hyatt Singapore

Reception Desk duty: ISC Dir Mamta Shahani, Andreas Duerst Sunshine Box: CSC Dir Dr Chan Siew Luen, YSC Dir Ronald Wong

#### Programme:

First Club Assembly for RY 2019-20 to be chaired by President Deepak Nagrani

#### Coming Rotary Events

#### June

**28 June** – Sister Club Fellowship at Churchill Room, The Tanglin Club at 7.00pm

**29 June –** Installation Dinner at Shangri-la Hotel Singapore

#### Indy

3 July – 1<sup>st</sup> Weekly Meeting / Club Assembly for Rotary year 2019-2020 to be chaired in incoming President Deepak Nagrani at Grand Hyatt Singapore

5 July – Sister Club, RC Makati's Installation Dinner

**5 July –** Sister Club, RC Muar's Installation Dinner

6 July – Sister Club, Bandar Seri Begawan's Installation Dinner 10 - 14 July – Trip to India

14 July – Installation of Sister Club, RC Belur





### 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:

First: Have I spent some time in self-examination?

Second: Have I spent quality time with my family?

Third: Have I given my best to my work?

Fourth: Have I given some time to someone near and far?

The Guide, in fact, encompasses the 4 parts of the Object of Rotary.

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2018/2019**

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