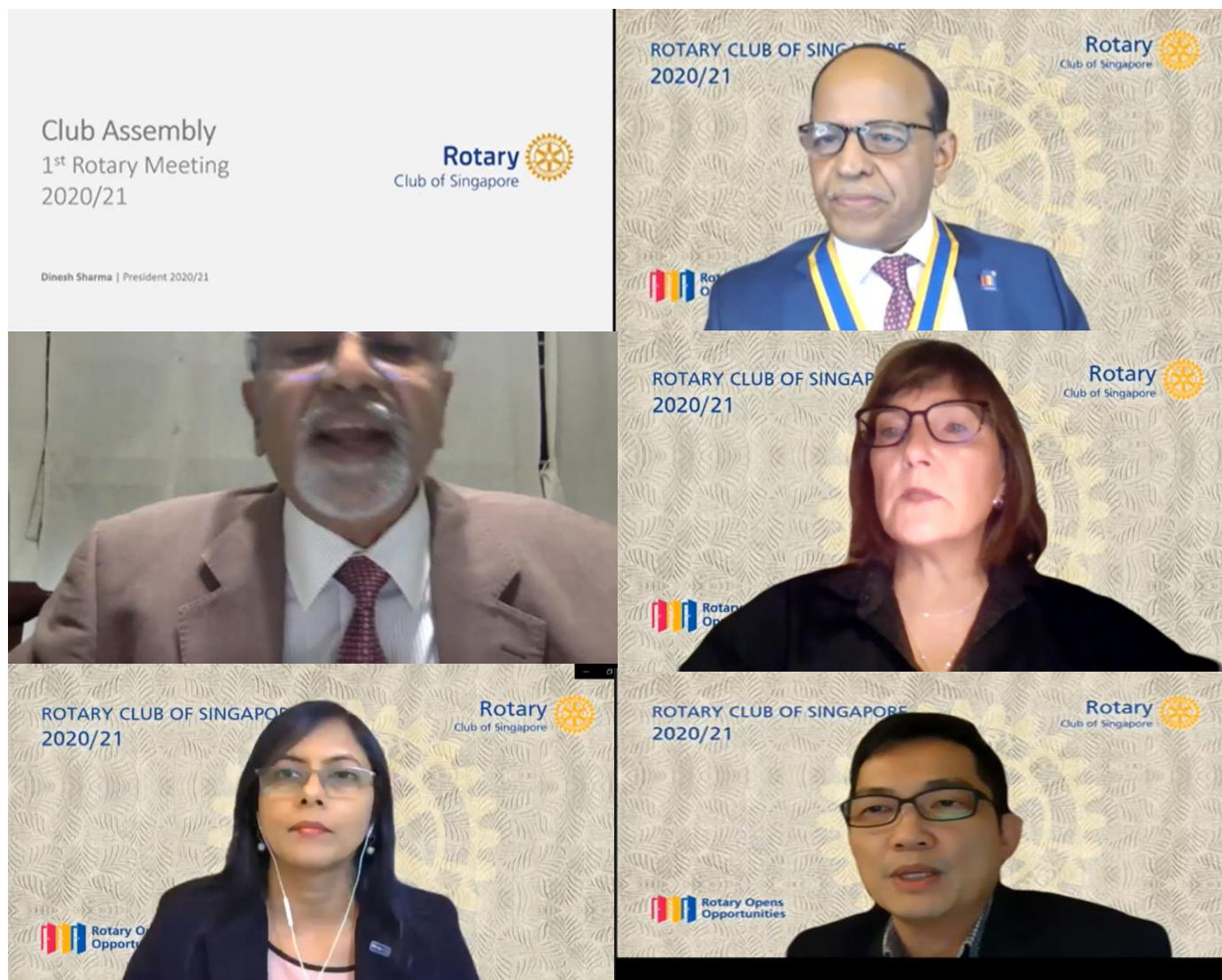


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In Focus

First Meeting/Club Assembly for Rotary Year 2020-2021 held on 1.7.20

The Meeting of the 86th Board commenced with a warm welcome from Honorary Secretary Rtn Brigitte Holtschneider who was pleased to see so many members (approximately 58 members at the start, which peaked at 65 in attendance) virtually at the Zoom online meeting.

Prior to handing the Chair to President Dinesh Sharma, Rtn Brigitte highlighted a few housekeeping rules for online meetings.

Upon taking the Chair, President Dinesh thanked members for giving him the opportunity to serve the Club and the people who need our service. He noted that the first meeting was traditionally the Club Assembly. He also thanked IPP Deepak Nagrani and his Board for the outstanding work done for the Club and called on members to join him in extending a round of applause.

President Dinesh noted that the Installation of the 86th Board was held on 27 June 2020 and more than 300 people attended the virtual installation. He added that it was a challenging event to undertake and maintain the Club's protocol and traditions, which was streamed live to everyone. He thanked everyone who worked so hard for the success of the event, especially Rtn James Lee with the event management company, who planned every detail. He further thanked Director Sonali Sinha and Rtn Chong Zhi Cheng for their efforts with the souvenir magazine as well as to PP Tapan Rao who arranged to have Rotary International President Elect Shekhar Mehta as the Club's Guest of Honour. President Dinesh also thanked the Installation's Toastmasters - PDG Dr Philbert Chin, PP Stan Low and PP Tapan Rao. Not forgetting the Club's guests from Sister and Partner clubs who attended the installation thanks to the efforts of PPs Dr Shahul Hameed, PP Tapan Rao, PP Perlita Tiro and ISC Director Varun Gulati.



In his opening remarks, President Dinesh informed members of his formulation of planning and strategy through team brainstorming sessions, meetings with Senior Rotarians at attendance at PETS, DISTAS, Rotary Experience. He noted that the COVID-19 has brought unprecedented circumstances to kick-off new Rotary year, and the Board's planning assumes restrictions on mobility until end of the year. However, President Dinesh noted that opportunities were also present with Flexibility, Improved Relationships, Better Engagement, Rotary Knowledge, getting speakers from anywhere in the world as well.

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President Dinesh spoke about Rotary International's Vision: *Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change - across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves.* He continued with the Club's Mission: *Strengthen our club to generate lasting impact from our work while creating an inspiring experience for our members, engaging them with sense of purpose and fulfilment.*

President Dinesh shared the Focus for 2020/2021:

- I. **Strengthen our Club with priority on:**
 - Membership
 - Administration & Finance
 - Reforms
- II. **Impactful community projects**
- III. **Inspiring experience for members**
- IV. **Engagement with sense of purpose and fulfilment**

President Dinesh introduced the Club's Leadership and noted that in order to implement the plan and strategies, several club committees and sub-committees were in place and other were being formed. He added that a formal approval from the Board would take place on 6th July, where required.



First Meeting/Club Assembly for Rotary Year 2020-2021 held on 1.7.20... contd.



Honorary Secretary Brigitte Holtschneider's report focused on Club meetings and its vital aspects of getting members informed and engaged.

She shared the Meeting Purpose and Objectives for member engagement and to address current and relevant topics, as well as engage and exchange with fellow members from overseas and to get to know our fellow members as a means to get together, fellowship and bonding.

Rtn Brigitte gave a summary of the structure of the meetings for the time being would continue on Wednesday evenings, every week Wednesday, via Zoom Meet.

Rtn Brigitte introduced the Speaker Coordination Team which she would lead with President Dinesh Sharma, PP Tapan Rao, VP Suresh Keerthi, Club Image Chair Sonali Sinha, and Rtn Joseph Chia. She further informed members that Speakers have already been invited for the coming months which would include imminent speakers like Dr Parag Khanna, MD of Futuremap, Ms Melanie Cook, MD APAC Hyperisland, SV P VenkaT President/Global Head Olam Group.



In his report, Vice President (VP) Suresh Keerthi noted that the main challenge for all clubs and Rotary International was to retain members. He presented a trend analysis of the Club's membership including age and gender. He was pleased to introduce his Committee members comprising PP Jimmy Ooi, Rtns Jessica Lim, Rtn Vinit Sarangdhar, Mahesh Bolimbala, Miha Hribernik, Uttam Kripalani & PP Philip Leong as Mentor and Advisor.

VP Suresh addressed the following Strategies:

- Acquisition Strategy
- Retention Strategy
- Diversity and Classification Strategy

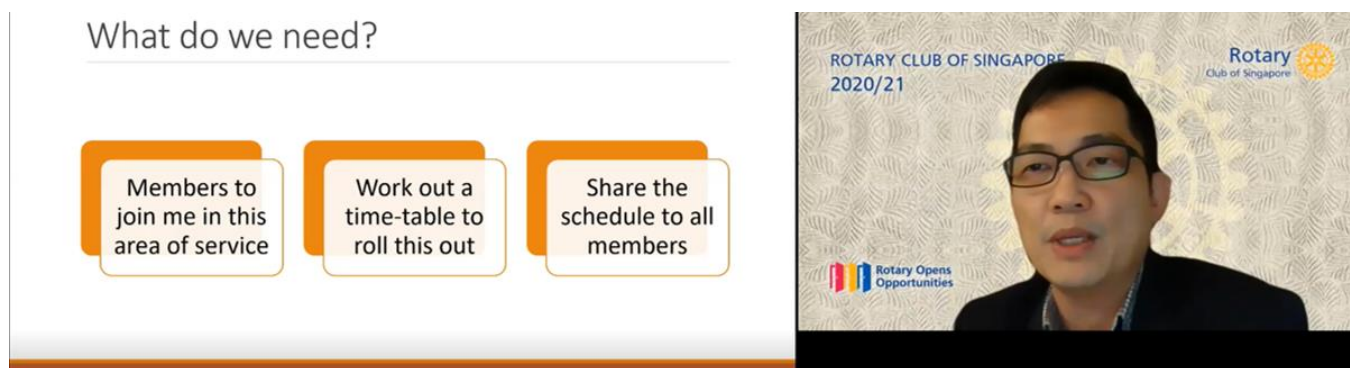
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In her report, Public Image Public Relations (PR) Director Sonali Sinha cited why the Public Image & PR strategy was needed for the Club. She added that the Club would need to share the work done; our commitment to the community; to obtain more members; funding from external sources and many other reasons why this was important. She added that there are members who do not know the history of the Club and what has been done for the community.

Rtn Sonali introduced the Public Image Committee members – President Dinesh Sharma, PP Perlita Tiro, VP Suresh Keerthi, Rtns Uttam Kripalani, Chong Zhi Cheng, Pia Bruce and Brigida Ranieri.

She advised what the Committee wanted to work towards achieving both internal and external objectives and highlighted plans how to execute these objectives. Lastly, Rtn Sonali called on members support, adding that their contributions would mean a lot!



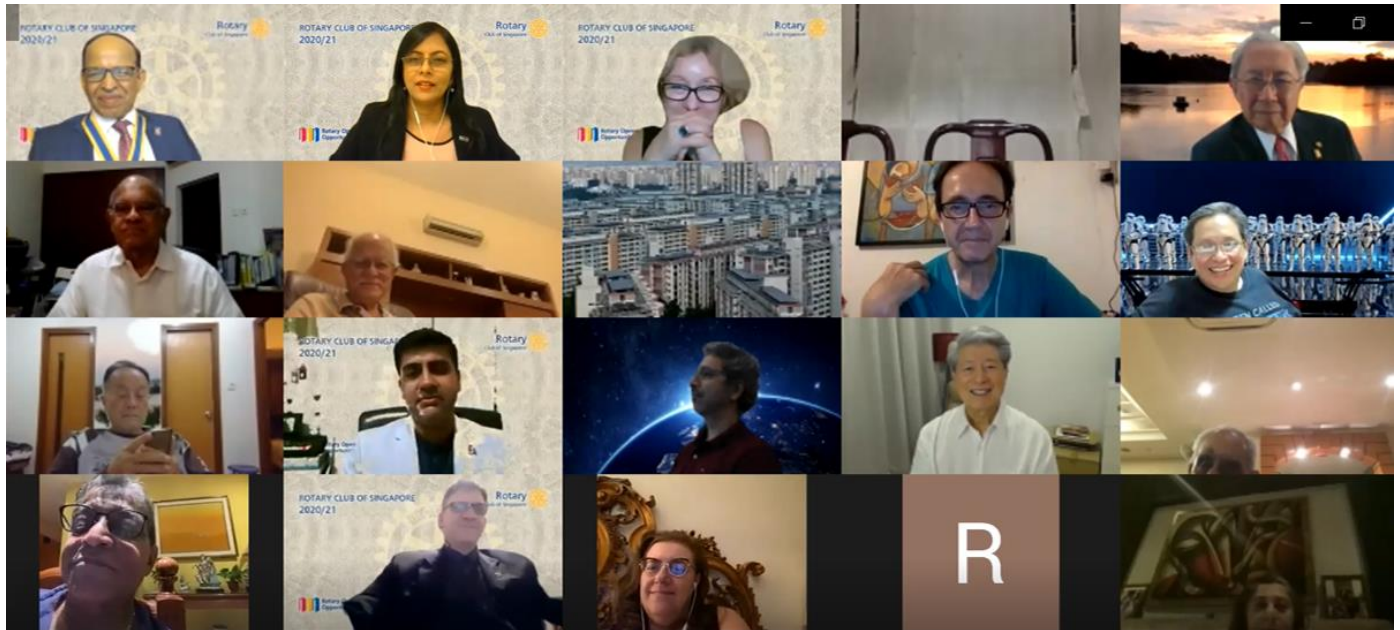
Whilst not on the Board, Rtn James Lee as District Training Leader, will be leading the Rotary Education for the Club. Rtn James highlighted what the Committee hoped to achieve from the training and gave a summary of the various types of training available, including the courses available from the Rotary Learning Centre.

He also added that RI's My Rotary was a huge resource and hoped to have more members to sign up and utilise this facility. Rtn James encouraged members to join him in this area of service, and even volunteered his time to make house calls to have members start with My Rotary. He advised that a time-table would be worked out and schedule would be shared among all members.

Prior to closing the Meeting/Club Assembly, President Dinesh warmly thanked the Board Members and Rtn James for the presentations and information which gave a glimpse of the efforts being made to further strengthen the Club.

President Dinesh advised that the Club Assembly would be continued next week, when members will hear the reports from the Service Directors.

Photo Album of First Meeting/Club Assembly on 1.7.20



Mark Your Diary

Birthday Celebrants

RC sends best wishes to Birthday celebrants next week:

PP Philip Leong
Steven Nichols
Dr Rudi Ackermann
Yong Poh Shin
Willi Hess

This Meeting

8 July 2020
From 7.00 to 8.30pm

Continuation of the 1st Club
Assembly for RY 2020-2021

Next Meeting

15 July 2020
From 7.00 to 8.30pm

Speaker: Dr Parag Khanna,
Managing Partner of FutureMap

Topic: The Future of Asia in a Post
COVID World

Anniversary

RC sends best wishes to Wedding Anniversary celebrants this week:

Dir Sonali Sinha & Vineet Iyengar
Hon Member PP Alfred & Joyce Wong
Dir Dr Irina & Nico Francken
Uttam & Laxmi Kripalani
Raj & Melanie Vaswani



Coming Rotary

July

Rotary Fellowships Month

8 July – Continuation of 1st Club Assembly
17-19 July – Interact Leadership Training
Online Camp

August

Membership and New Club Development Month

September

Basic Education and Literacy Month

October

Economic and Community Development Month

Committee Meetings

All Service Committee Meetings
will be held on Thursdays from
7.00 to 8.00pm

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE:
Thursday, 16 July

YOUTH SERVICE:
Thursday, 23 July

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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?



Rotary Opens Opportunities

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.

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