



Rotary
Club of Kowloon North



Rotary
District 3450



HONG KONG, MACAU, MONGOLIA,
THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA
-GUANGDONG PROVINCE



Dear Fellow Rotarians,

the new Rotary Year has already started and Friday 7th July we celebrated the handover to our new President Emba.

We welcomed Members and especially our

IPDG Eric Chin

DG H.W Hung

District Officers

Fellow Rotarians from Bangkok and distinguished Guests

In my last day as President I tried to review the past year before PE Emba took the helm in our great Club.

How was the year ? The second time serving the club as president ?

I think we all did well and lived the Theme of RI President John F Germ: Rotary – serving Humanity.

We achieved important RI goals, like an increase in our membership from 31 to 34 and since last Friday even 35.

And we were awarded with a special Recognition from the Rotary Foundation as The Highest all time contributing Rotary Club in District 3450

This has of course also to do with the generous donations from Past Presidents like Bill Benter. But it still counts and we can be proud.

Serving Humanity was the theme and that is what we did. I highlighted some of our signature Projects, helping and supporting needy people here in Hong Kong, in the asian region and globally.

- In our Community Service we go once a month and serve lunch at the FOOD ANGELS in Sham Shui Po to around 150 elderly .

- Vision Screening in October for the 12th year in a row in remote villages in China. Last time in Yunnan Province. With our Competence Team incl. Head Professors for Optometry, Post Graduate Students and Professional Optometrists and the ongoing support of our PP Maureen, the team went to 5 Schools and screened 841 Students. 384 of them needed Spectacles and received them a few weeks later. The generous support of HOYA lenses and Optometrists helped to get first class Spectacles to the Children, with a realistic market value of well over 400.000 HK\$



Vision Screening Trip October 2016 to remote Villages in Yunnan Province, China

We had a similar Vision Screening which PP Maureen coordinated for the elderly from the FOOD ANGELS. 102 Eldery from Sham Shui Po were screened, 35 received new spectacles and 28 needed treatment at Polyclinic.



In October we celebrated the HUB Charity Gala at Grand Hyatt Hotel. With over 450 guests an amount of 2.6 Million HK\$ was raised and will help to run and support the HUB and the Children in Sham Shui Po for the whole year. Now in the 4th year in Operation there are over 1450 Children and Teenagers registered and 735 of them participate in the various educational programs and activities throughout the week.

One fun example, where some of us joined was the Christmas Cookie Bakery with professional Chef Esther Roling.





Early December PP Bob coordinated 2
golf teams of our Club in support of the
China Coast Community Charity
Golf-Day at Shek-O Country Club.
Together with around 70 other Golfers we
helped to raise substantial funds for the
needy elderly and enjoyed a great day.

Our Christmas Party at Royal Hong Kong
Yacht Club was fun and entertaining as
always. PP Ian as Santa Claus and PP
Renee singing Intl. Christmas Songs
made this evening unforgettable.



Rotary Foundation Centennial Celebrations at Exchange Square in HK, January 2017

January started with the Centennial Celebrations of the Rotary Foundation at Exchange Square where we helped and informed the public about Rotary together with our District leaders and many Rotarians from various Clubs.



HUB Building with Assembly Hall



Afternoon lessons at the Assembly Hall



PE Emba
with our local guides and dog



PE Emba
in front of the Day Clinic
at the HUB Project

In March PE Emba and myself travelled to Yangon and met our friends of the Rotary Club. Together with our sister Clubs in Taiwan and Germany we are working on a Global Grant Project for a HUB Children's home in the outskirts of Yangon. This Project takes care of orphans from northern Shan States in Myanmar where ongoing conflicts undermine regular education and safety.

Area 7 Joint Club Meeting March 2016

Back in Hong Kong our Area 7 Joint Club meeting took place and was again a nice opportunity to meet our Rotarians from the neighbourhood. As Guests we had invited members of the Christina Noble Children's Foundation. A project that our Club supports in Mongolia for many years with meanwhile over 2,3 million HK\$.

A joint Area 7 Project „Rare Disease Symposium“ was also supported and coordinated by AG Roger Ng.



The Intercity Meeting with special Guest: Rotary International President John F. Germ was the highlight in May, followed by the District Conference., where our Club received these outstanding certificates from Rotary International.



Our Rotaractors from Poly U received support for their field –trip to Ipo in Malaysia and in return also joined several of our activities. Wonderful and ambitious young personalities !



On request for support of a social Hotspot project in Brussels we stepped in sponaneously to help our Rotary Friends of RC Brussel-Cantersteen. They initiated this Football project for the young ones in Molenbeek, the social Hotspot where Terrorists grew up who bombed the Brussels Airport last year. Together with the Cruyff Foundation (www.cruyff-foundation.org) a football Training Centre will be buildt and organized. PP Ian coordinated this meaningfull financial support project at our end.

PP Ian initiated our support for a Global Grant Clean Water Project in Myanmar during his visit there. I had the opportunity to join the handover celebrations on Monday 3rd July in a remote island village of the Irrawaddy Delta in Myanmar. 10 Clean Water Units have been installed and provide around 700 villagers with urgently needed drinking water. Very touching and with the impressions there we could really feel the theme of the last year: Rotary –serving Humanity.



Rotary Bowling Masters Series

Besides all these Activities and meaningful Projects we also looked after each other in our club and enjoyed some great Fellowship evenings.

Our Rotary Bowling Masters Series of 3 was fun and entertaining. With help of our dear friend and former professional Bowling World Champion Bill Hoffmann, we enjoyed Bowling on the highest level and could improve our skills a bit.

Hope that we can repeat this in Emba's year.





Annual Dinner in May 2017

And our Annual Dinner at OSTERIA Restaurant end May was a good opportunity to gather Members, Spouses & Friends. Again PP Renee surprised us with impressive songs of chinese and italian origin.

Last but not least I like to thank our members for all the support during my year. To mention a few:

PP Maureen who coordinates the Food Angels Activities and the Vision Screening Project

PP Ramesh, Mr. 100% in attendance. He was our Sergeant at Arms and Acting President when I was away.

Our Sectretary Gordon Chin and his Assistant Esther Leung who worked constantly at our Club Admin and kept everything in good order.

And our Treasurer Alice Lau together with Patrick Ming, who monitore our Club Financials.

I also like to thank the great team at Holiday Inn Golden Mile who help prepare our meetings and serve us all so well.

Best regards

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