



## NOTES OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF ROYAL HUA HIN (RCRHH): Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2019. Rotary Foundation PP Richard Jones

Time: 10:00 to 14:00 hrs

Location: Imagine Room

Attendance: 29 Members: 22 Guests: 7

Roger Ward RC Aireborough Yorkshire UK
Carol Ward RC Aireborough Yorkshire UK
Jean Paul Capbern RC De Bayonne Biarritz France

Boel Eklund RC Stockholm International Switzerland

Fredy Lienhard RC Zurich West Switzerland

Anton Schatz Austria
Revita Saisud Thailand.

President (P) Napa Keawtem opened the meeting with the Thai National Anthem and called upon Sergeant at Arms (SAA) President Elect (PE) Brian Anderson to introduce the guests as listed above.

Sergeant at Arms (SAA) President Elect (PE) Brian Anderson welcomed back Boel Eklund from Sweden and visiting Rotarian Jean Paul Capbern.

Sergeant at Arms (SAA) President Elect (PE) Brian Anderson gave a special welcome back for RCRHH Eric Poulsen and Hanne Haakansson on their return from Denmark.

P Napa then spoke about the following club events that had recently occurred.

6<sup>th</sup> Nov Visit by District Governor

11<sup>th</sup> Nov Thai Swiss delegation including visit to Nongkhon school during the day





19th Nov Board Meeting

26<sup>th</sup> Nov Rotary Foundation PP Richard Jones

29th Nov 10th Amateur Golf Classic Banyan Golf Club

3<sup>rd</sup> Dec Christmas Party Movenpick Hotel

10<sup>th</sup> Dec No meeting public Holiday

17th Dec Board Meeting

24th Dec No Meeting

31st Dec No Meeting

P Napa then informed the member and guests of Today's program especially the election of club officers which had been sent out to all members and stated the following RCRHH members had been nominated as shown below.

President-Elect: PP Brian Anderson

President-Elect Nominee: Torsten Voigt

Secretary: Phil Lawrence

Executive Secretary: Martin Harrison

Treasurer: Peter Wydler

Sergeant at Arms: Rick Reese

There were no objections to these nominations from the attending members.

PE Brian Anderson informed the members and guests that when asked by the previous DG after serving two terms as president would he stand again he answered yes but he did not expect this to happen as quickly as it did. Unfortunately a number of PE had been selected for the next few years but unfortunately circumstances had recently changed.



P Napa then asked Rotarian Jean Paul Capbern from the RC De Bayonne Biarritz France to come forward for a banner exchange.

P Napa then announced that certificates awarded to sponsors for their support for the 2019 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Golf Classic to be held at Banyan GC on the 29<sup>th</sup> November would be awarded to RCRHH members Daniel Burn and PP Rexed Birger and asked Vice President Michelle Zuber to join her in the presentation.



P Napa then stated that today we have two guest Speakers PP Richard Jones who would speak about Rotary Foundation and Vocational Training Team (VTT) by Miss Revita Saisud from Stamford International University.



P Napa informed the members and guests that the Vocational Training Team (VTT) is a District Training Team and that it is the evolution of the former group study exchange (GSE) program that offers participants the opportunity to use their skills to share best practice, help others and improve quality of life.

The VTT must be sponsored by Rotary Clubs or Districts from two countries in this case the countries are Canada and the United States of America and in certain cases, the foundation may grant permission to designate a non Rotarian as a team leader or participant as is the case with lecturer Revita Saisud who was chosen as one of 3 people from Rotary District 3330 to attend the VTT in 2020.





P Napa then introduced our first guest speaker PP Richard Jones.

Richard introduced his presentation as The Rotary foundation explained doing some good in the world.

Richard informed the meeting and guests that the CNBC has ranked The Rotary Foundation No.3 in it's annual list of Top 10 Charities Changing the World in 2016 with 1.2 million members from



200 geographic areas. The Foundation ranked No.5 on CNBC's list in 2015.

The mission of The Rotary Foundation is to enable Rotarians to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education, and the alleviation of poverty and outlined the six areas of focus for Rotary International.

Richard went onto explain that foundation fund had grown to \$1.2 billion and has two key elements:

- The Annual Programs Fund
- The Permanent Fund

And went on to explain what both these elements mean.

Richard explained that the RCRHH Since 2010 our club has achieved 100% EREY participation and that in 2020 we have 12 founder members who will become Paul Harris fellows, and in future years we will have more Paul Harris fellows once they have paid there dues for 10 years.

Richard went onto explain the global grant we had been involved in namely the Pimali project in Nong Khai Thailand which was to establish a hospitality training centre for underprivileged persons and was in conjunction with French and Swiss Rotary clubs.

The district grants involved was a joint project with the RCHH to provide a Bronchoscope for Hua Hin Hospital at a cost of THB 600,000 of which THB 430,320 was funded by the 2 Rotary clubs.

RCRHH share was THB 215,160 of which THB 130,317 came from DDF.

Richard thanked the members and guests and asked whether there were any questions.

P Napa thanked Richard and asked our second guest speaker Revita Saisud to address the meeting.

Revita introduced herself and informed the meeting she had studied at the Macquarie university in Sidney Australia where she achieved her Masters degree. Revita is a full time lecturer in the Faculty of Business and Technology at Stamford International University.

Revita stated that she was chosen as a team member of the VTT leaving for the USA and Canada in late April next year for three weeks following an interview in Bangkok on the 20<sup>th</sup> November.

During the interview she was questioned on her personality, attitude her experience and communication skills. That afternoon she was informed of her successful interview and was given the primary orientation of the VTT.

Revita stated she would like to thank Khun Benjamas and President Napa for giving her the opportunity to be put forward for this position



and advice they provided her with before the interview.

P Napa congratulated Revita and wished her luck for next year.

There being no other business lunch was called.