



**NOTES OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF ROYAL HUA HIN (RCRHH): Rotary Updates PP Gianni Battistini.**

**Tuesday 08<sup>th</sup> October 2019 2019.**

Time: 12:00 to 14:00 hrs

Location: Mosaic Room

Attendance: 23

Members: 17

Guests: 6

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| • President Anne Bermingham | RC Hamilton Ontario Canada |
| • PP Darunee Rattanopao     | RC Hua Hin                 |
| • R Thip Pettit             | RC Hua Hin                 |
| • James Johnson             | RC Bellingham Bay USA      |
| • Carol Ward                | RC Aireborough Leeds UK    |
| • Roger Ward                | RC Aireborough Leeds UK    |

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

P Napa then spoke about the following club events that had recently occurred and briefly explained with pictures

- 1<sup>st</sup> Oct. Fellowship Evening Hua Hin Hills Bistro
- 8<sup>th</sup> Oct. Rotary Updates PP Gianni Battistini
- 15<sup>th</sup> Oct Board Meeting
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Oct Oil and Gas Industry in Qatar
- 29<sup>th</sup> Oct Ownership of Real Estate for Foreigners
- 6<sup>th</sup> Nov Visit by District Governor (Meeting changed to Wednesday)
- 11<sup>th</sup> Nov Thai Swiss delegation (Meeting changed to Monday night 18:00hrs)

19<sup>th</sup> Nov Board Meeting

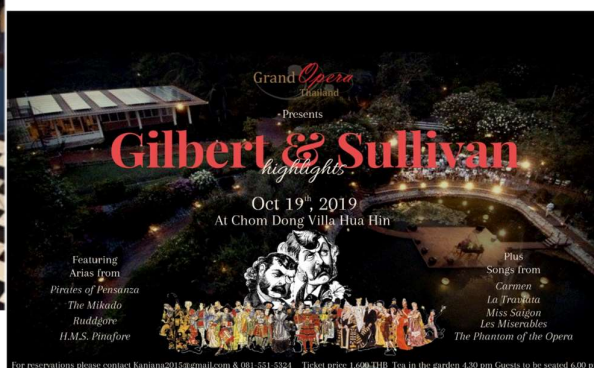
26<sup>th</sup> Nov Rotary Foundation PP Richard Jones

29<sup>th</sup> Nov 10<sup>th</sup> Amateur Golf Classic Banyan Golf Club

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



P Napa informed the meetings members and guests that during the the fellowship Evening at Hua Hin Hills Wine bar and Bistro President Peter Canziani of Rotary Club of Turnagi in New Zealand entertained the group playing his accordion. Peter was joined by his wife Monique and during the evening a banner for the two RC were exchanged.



P Napa then announced that on Saturday the 19<sup>th</sup> October the Grand Opera Thailand will present highlights of Gilbert and Sullivan at the Chon Dong Villa in Hua Hin Afternoon tea will be served from 16:30hrs and the performance will commence at 18:30hrs. Tickets are priced at 1,600 Thai Baht.



P Napa called upon President Anne Bermingham of the Rotary Club of Hamilton Ontario in Canada to exchange club banners.

P Napa then called upon PP Gianni to present the first of a number of training sessions aimed at developing the knowledge and skills of RCRHH member's.

PP Gianni informed the meeting that this was the first of a number of training events that would take place over the next Rotary year.

PP Gianni informed the meeting of Rotary District 3330 training team that consisted of PP Sam Fauna, PP Walter Wyler, PP David Arell and PP Gianni Battisitini. He then asked the attendees what the abbreviations PETS and DTA meant which was President Elect Training Seminar and District Training Assembly.

PP Gianni informed the meeting of the importance of presentation skills including timings which should be between 20 and 30 minutes depending on the subject.

PP Gianni then asked two questions 'What is Rotary' followed by 'Why Did I join Rotary' to which he expanded on these questions.

A very informative Rotary International video was then shown that clarified the above questions.

PP Gianni then asked the meeting members and guests regarding the four way test:

- Is it the Truth
- Is it fair to all concerned
- Will it build better goodwill and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS
- Will it be BENEFICIAL TO ALL CONCERNED.

PP Gianni then refreshed members and guests on the 6 areas of focus for Rotary clubs those being:

- Promoting Peace
- Fighting Disease
- Providing clean water
- Saving mothers and children
- Supporting Education
- Growing local economies.

PP Gianni then identified the avenues of service which was Service above self, Club service, Vocational service, Community service, International service and Youth Service and then expanded on these titles.

PP Gianni then spoke about the Rotary guiding principals and the RC new member kits.

PP Gianni then finished his presentation by identifying the other subjects he would talk about over the next months and asked members what they would like to know about.

P Napa thank PP Gianni and called upon James Johnson to talk about Rotarian Action Group against Slavery.

James introduced himself and spoke a little about his background and Rotary Club.

James informed the members and guests that one of the problems with slavery is that most people think it disappeared a long time ago. The reality is whilst the laws permitting slavery have been repealed, people around the world continue to be brutalised, broken, exploited and enslaved through violence and threat of violence, and in increasing numbers.



Making something illegal does not make it cease to exist. It simply causes it to vanish from view. According to International Labour Organisation and the Walk Free Foundation it is estimated that there at least 40 million slaves hidden from view in every country which is almost four times the total number of people taken out of Africa during the 400 years of the Atlantic slave trade.

James provided pamphlets to the members and guests who wanted them and informed them of the simple actions they can take and how to apply to join RAGAS.

James then provided the members and guests of some of the projects that were supported by RAGAS:

- Kalimpong Project phase 1 East Bengal India
- School 4 Freedom freeing a village from debt in India
- Maiti Nepal a trafficking shelter in Nepal.

P Napa thanked James there being no other business lunch was called.