



NOTES OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF ROYAL HUA HIN (RCRHH) MEETING -RC JOONDALOOP & NEDLANDS AUSTRALIA: Tuesday 12th February 2019

Time: 12:00 to 14:00 hrs

Location: Mosaic Room, Amari Spa & Resort

Attendance:
Members: 18
Guests: 18

President ElizaBourgault du Courdray RC Joondalup Australia Past President Jim Cross RC Joondalup Australia Past President Joe Hawkins RC Joondalup Australia Past President Sopin Hawkins RC Joondalup Australia Past President Darren Perara RC Joondalup Australia Boonchoo Kaewthong RC Joondalup Australia President Steve Wiltshire RC Nedlands Australia RC Nedlands Australia **Andrew Baird** RC Nedlands Australia Charles Bro Ewa Broms Sweden

LG Kjellin

Thip Pettit
 RC Hua Hin Thailand

Aissaraporn Meesuk

Michael Rutzen Germany

Frank Anderson - RC Kalamalka Lake Canada
 Olaf Berg Jacobsen RC Bekkestua Baerum Norway
 Carol Ward RC Airsborough West Yokshire
 Roger Ward RC Airsborough West Yokshire

President Brian Anderson opened the meeting with the Thai National Anthem and acting SAA Paul Grab introduced the guests as above.

President Brian exchanged a club banner and gifts of a map of Australia with indigenous animal life, boomerang and drinks coasters with President Eliza Bourgault du Courdray from RC Joondalup Perth Australia and club banner with President Steve Wiltshire RC Nedlands Perth Australia.





President Brian thanked Rtn. Alan Brown and PE Napa for entertaining the guests from both RC Nedlands and RC Joondalup to an evening meal on Monday 11th February and also their trip to one of RCRHH major projects at the Ban Nong Khon School in Hua Hin in the afternoon of the 11th February.

President Brian informed the members and guests of the RCRHH monthly theme for February is Vocational Service:

- Adhering to and promoting the highest ethical standards in all occupations,
- Recognizing the value of all useful occupations,
- Contributing one's vocational talents to meeting the needs of the community.
- Rotary's commitment to Service above Self is channeled through
- Five Avenues of Service:
- Club, Vocational, Community, International, and Youth.

President Brian Anderson updated the members and guests on the program of events from February and the immediate future and where necessary gave further explanation to the events.

- 11th Jan DG Lt. Gen. Kanit Jamjuntra 'Special Visit' RI District 3330
- 29th Jan Club Assembly
- 8th Feb RCRHH 8th Annual Multi Rotary Club Family and Friends Night with Rotaract Club Installations (Webster University and Stamford International University)
- 10th Feb RC Bangkapi Annual Children's Day Out, Regent Beach Cha-am
- 12th Feb RC Joondalup & RC Nedlands visit from Perth, Australia
- 19th Feb Mahka Bucha Day, no club meeting
- 20th Feb Board Meeting
- 25th Feb RC Chiang Mai International visit (Market Café 5:30 pm, THB 400)
- 26th Feb RCRHH Annual Children's Day at Panyanakul School
- 5th Mar Evening Fellowship Avani Resort 6:00 pm
- 29-31 Mar D3330 District Conference in Nakhon Pathom
- 2nd Apr RCRHH 10 Year Anniversary Celebration Movenpick
- 1st June 10th Annual Club Officer Installation Night

President Brian Anderson informed the members and guests of the current major project at the Ban Nong Khon School to Construct a New School Building that will be called the 'Rotary Education Centre which will include the following facilities:

- 14 classrooms
- 1 Multi-purpose conference room
- Built on higher level to avoid flooding
- Languages English and Thai
- Sciences Biology, Chemistry, Physics
- Art

The Cost of the project is as follows and the RCRHH are looking for partners to support the following costs and budget for this project:

Total Cost THB 10 million
Ban Nong Khon School THB 3.5 million
RC Royal Hua Hin THB 1.0 million

Remaining balance THB 5.5 million

President Brian then called upon Past President Gianni Battistini who is part of the Thai-Swiss Inter Country Committee to update the members and guests on his recent trip back to Switzerland to seek funding towards this project.

Past President Gianni informed the members and guests the Thai-Swiss Inter Country Committee are made up of very dedicated Swiss Nationals and during his visit to Switzerland he had a number of positive meetings to seek funding for the Baan Nong Khon School project. His Colleagues in Switzerland felt this was an opportunity to create a template for a centre of excellence here in Thailand for Rotary Education Centres here in Thailand and that there is support for this project and further information should be available from the middle of March 2019.

President Brian then called upon President Eliza Bourgault du Courdray of RC Joondalup in Perth, Australia to inform the members and guests of the above RC. President Brian informed the meeting that President Eliza at 23 years of age was as far as he was aware the youngest President of a Rotary Club.

President Eliza gave the members and guests and outline of the RC Joondalup that is sitated in Perth Western Australia and geographically is one of the largest Rotary Districts in the world by area. The RC Joondalup was formed in 1986 and is 32 years old.

President Eliza then informed the members and guests the areas of focus for Joondalup club which were:

- Youth
- International
- Community
- Environment
- Fundraisers

President Eliza further expanded on the groups above and defined the projects that focused on these areas.

President Brian thanked President Eliza for her presentation and asked the members and guests if there were any questions.

President Brian then called upon President Steve Wiltshire of RC Nedlands in Perth, Australia to address the members and guests.

President Steve informed the members and guests that the RC Nedland was established in 1960 and will be 59 years old this year.

President Steve informed the members and guests of the following projects that their RC is involved in:

- Lifeline cards
- All Abilities Play Space
- Australian Rotary Health in researching mental illness
- One of our continuing projects in Thailand together with Rotary Club of Joondalup is Boys
 Town where we sponsor the education of boys from rural families that cannot afford to
 provide for their education.
- One of our major projects is Nakuru Hope in Kenya. This is an orphanage and school in the city of Nakuru founded by our Member Sue Saleeba. This project is the recipient of a global grant and we also sponsor the education of six children
- One of our community project is to reward primary school children who give generously of their time and effort to other pupils, staff and families – providing service above self.
- Another community project is our annual Nurse of the Year award where we seek to acknowledge the excellent care, compassion and service that our wonderful nurses offer in our main hospital
- We support the John Fawcett Foundation which has mobile operating units that visit villages in Indonesia to treat people with cataracts and other sight problems. The foundation also supplies glasses and medication as necessary
- Another Community Project is caring for the homeless people of Perth and we provide blankets and sleeping bags, basic hygiene provisions and some food which are distributed by van

President Brian thanked President Steve and asked the members and guests if there were any questions.

President Brian then called upon Rotarian Alan Brown to give an update on his role as D3330 Thailand-Australia Inter Country Committee Chairperson and the coming links between Thailand and Australia.



There being no other business President Brian called for lunch.