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THE
WELLO HELLO



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A BIG WELLO HELLO TO YOU ALL!

I am sending lots of virtual hugs, handshakes and high fives your way as we continue to navigate our way through a topsy-turvy world. For many of us, if not everyone, our daily activities now look very different.



Perhaps you are currently working from home, baking up a storm, reading a new book, or spending some time furthering your hobby? However your day-to-day activities look like, may you continue to be reminded of the good things to be found and experienced in our wonderful world.

Let's continue to look out for one another, our families, our health, our safety, our finances, and our communities. Now is the time to reflect on the strength of the human spirit in times of adversity. We must remember that we are not alone, and that we can call upon one another in times of need.

BLUESFEST

A big thank you goes to everyone who was involved with Rotary Capalaba's community BluesFest event, which was a huge success. It was fantastic to see Rotary Clubs, community members and other volunteers come together to run this event. Good spirits and good music were clearly evident!



CONFERENCE

Recently, Matty, Martin, Lorraine and I attended the Rotary District 9630 Conference at Chinchilla. The Conference's theme of 'Connecting City to Country' was clearly exemplified throughout the program, which featured a range of engaging keynote presentations and speakers.

I was very encouraged to see the support and solidarity that the District showed for country towns such as Chinchilla. Guest speakers were presented with locally sourced gifts which provided a 'hand-up' to the local economy, and attendees were encouraged to support local cafes and businesses.



Congratulations to Matty and Martin for coming 2nd in the Conference Treasure Hunt on the way up to Chinchilla! The Treasure Hunt highlighted the history and culture of these surrounding communities.

In particular, I enjoyed the Rotary International President's Personal Representative (RIPPR), Tusu, present his outlook on life. He mentioned that what makes humanity so unique is our connection of service for one another. His presentation focussed on the value of us as individuals, and also as a collective. He summarised this very succinctly by the phrase, "I am because we are".

Overall, it was great to use this time to bond with other Rotarians and to learn more about the Rotary work being done throughout society, especially during these challenging times. I think Rotary gives us something to hope for, and the Conference was a platform that reminded us of what we are collectively working towards.

CONFERENCE CONTINUED

The Club was presented with a 'Highly Commended' Award for the Club Bulletin at the Conference. Our collective thanks and congratulations go to Sharon for the time and hard work that she puts into the Club's beautiful newsletters.



HIGHLY COMMENDED AWARD FOR CLUB BULLETIN



JAIPUR PALACE

Currently, we require volunteers to deliver meals from Jaipur Palace to the Community Centre on the 27 May, 10 June and 24 June 2020. The meals are collected from Jaipur Palace at 5.30pm and then dropped off at the Community Centre at Capalaba. If you can assist with this, please contact Secretary Sue.

ESSENTIAL ITEMS

There are current difficulties in sourcing essential items both in-store and online. Do you need help in picking up any essential items for you and your family? If so, please contact Catherine directly (via catherine.rotarian@outlook.com or 0477966002) so we can organise some arrangements together.

You are a valuable part of our Rotary family, and if there is something that I can do to assist, please let me know.

CLUB UPDATE

Face-to-face Club meetings will be halted indefinitely, until we receive further advice from the Government and other governing bodies in response to the COVID-19 situation. Club activities such as cleaning up Ormiston House, assisting Donations in Kind through RAWCS, cleaning up the Point etc. will be cancelled until further notice. Thank you for your ongoing enthusiasm and patience throughout this timeframe!

Over the coming weeks, we will explore membership engagement through digital updates, a buddy system and other creative means. For example, we will be using Zoom video conferencing for our Club meetings. Depending on the amount of content that we will be discussing, we may not need to meet every week via Zoom. Furthermore, email updates will be sent to all members to keep everyone in the loop. These points will continue to be covered in coming weeks - so stay tuned!

If you have any suggestions for Club initiatives that we can get involved with during the coming weeks, please let myself or Sue know.

We want to ensure that our members feel valued, supported and engaged during this timeframe, and to continue serving the community in any way we can. Whilst our standard way of providing community service may not be feasible at this point in time, we can still brainstorm other methods that can still be effective, safe and impactful.

Lastly, these are, and will continue to be, incredibly difficult times. Let's continue to do our part to keep ourselves and each other safe. Whatever makes you feel positive about the world and the future, please give yourself time to reflect on that every day.

Bright and beautiful days are ahead of us
- but we need to keep that hope alive.

Sending you and your families my love.
Take care and stay safe.

President Catherine





The Four-Way Test

of what we think, say or do

1. Is it the truth?
2. Is it fair to all concerned?
3. Will it build good will and better friendships?
4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?