



20 March 2004

Issue No. 36/03-04

# THE WATERFRONT

Club website: [www.kuchingcentralrotary.org](http://www.kuchingcentralrotary.org)

THIS IS THE WEEKLY NEWS BULLETIN OF THE *ROTARY CLUB OF KUCHING CENTRAL*,  
KUCHING, SARAWAK, MALAYSIA;  
ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 3310; CHARTERED ON 23<sup>RD</sup> DECEMBER 1986.

WEEKLY LUNCHEON MEETING AT 1PM EVERY SATURDAY (EXCEPT PUBLIC HOLIDAYS) AT  
THE RIVERSIDE MAJESTIC HOTEL, KUCHING, SARAWAK, MALAYSIA

## 17<sup>TH</sup> PAN BORNEO MEET IN KOTA KINABALU CONCLUDED

**S**even members from the R.C. of Kuching Central attended the 17<sup>th</sup> Pan Borneo today, 20 March 2004, led by President Sylvester Fong and First Lady Agnes. Amongst the delegations were PP Abel Chieng, PP Andre Suharto, Rtn. Thomas Ngu, Rtn. Lim Keng Yaw, Rtn. Chai Ko Jee and Rtn. Louise Yong, the rookie (reasons being it has barely been 1 month since he was inducted into the club and this is his first attendance to a major Rotary event outside of Kuching).

The event was held at the Shangrila Tanjung Aru today. It started with singing of Rotary songs led by Rtn. Vincent Pung of R.C. of KK and then followed by the presentations of the national flags of Singapore, Brunei, Malaysia and Rotary International. Roll call of the clubs was conducted (our club & R.C. of Bandar Seri Begawan have the biggest registered contingents outside of KK).

The official opening commenced with a welcoming address by organizing chairman Frankie Fu, followed by a speech by President George Ng (being president of the host club). DG David Tong then delivered his address and declared the 17<sup>th</sup> Pan Borneo Meet opened.

The 1<sup>st</sup> plenary session was led by DG David Tong who touched on 3 areas of Rotary matters namely: Problems and suggestions on Student Exchange program; District Governor candidates from East Malaysia, Brunei & Labuan; Passing on Rotary values to the young.

In general the Meet had better attendance than the previous one held at Lahad Datu. There were 80 or so attendees for the Meet.

The event was concluded with a Banquet held in the evening. Congrats to the host club for a job well done!

### INSIDE

- 1 A visit to University Malaysia Sabah
- 2 Golf Fellowship & Reef Rejuvenation Proj.
- 3 What's on in the Rotary Calendar
- 4 Board of Directors

## GOLF FELLOWSHIP AT SUTERA HARBOUR GOLF CLUB, KK

A golf fellowship was held in the afternoon of 19 March 2004 preceding the 17<sup>th</sup> Pan Borneo Meet. It was held at the 27-hole beautiful Sutera Harbour Golf Club. Representing R.C. Kuching Central was PP Andre and spouse Norzan teaming up with President Jimmy Liew (of R.C. of Likas Bay) and spouse. Representing R.C. Kuching were Dr. John Chan and President David Chan. Apparently no one from Kuching played well (or rather while we thought we played well, there were other players who played better!).



President Jimmy & wife with Norzan on the Garden course.

## A visit to University Malaysia Sabah

**The 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Plenary Sessions of the 17<sup>th</sup> Pan Borneo Meet was held at the campus of the UNIVERSITY Malaysia Sabah (UMS).**



Pres. Frankie presenting a token of appreciation to the Vice Chancellor.

**We had the honour to listen to the Vice-Chancellor, Ybng Tan Sri Datuk Panglima Abu Hassan Othman on his vision to set UMS as the center of excellence in higher learning. He is also an honorary member of the R.C. of Kota Kinabalu. He presented UMS vision, mission, the various research partners established and the insights on education development in UMS.**

**UMS was the first university in the country which obtained a ISO9000 certification for its teaching processes. Apparently UMS also was given MSC Status a few days prior to our arrival. The UMS campus is breathtaking and reminds us of a holiday resort.**

## REEF REJUVENATION PROJECT – A PAN BORNEO PROJECT

As has been the practice, each Rotary club in East Malaysia, Borneo and Labuan is to pay RM1,000 towards a Pan Borneo project every year. This year, the project involves the reef rejuvenation and is jointly undertaken with UMS (University Malaysia Sabah).

Prof. Dr. Ridzwan Abd Rahman, Director of Institute of Marine, Borneo presented us with the 'insights' of our marine heritage, its importance and the need to help preserve them. He informed us during his presentation that the marine reef is slowly destroyed. In Sabah waters alone, it is learnt that 10% of its reef has been damaged. This project involves the building of cement structures, molded with the use of a fiberglass mould and inflatable rubber balls to create the holes in the structure once the balls are removed when the cement has dried. The dried structure will then be submersed in the sea and over time, it will attract corals to grow on it while the fish and other living organism will take shelter in these holes.



DGE Ivor pouring the cement into the fiberglass mould while DG David Tong & President Sylvester observed with keen interest.



DG David Tong and Presidents of the Pan Borneo clubs with DGE Ivor after the launching of the Reef Rejuvenation project.

## DISTRICT TEAM TRAINING SEMINAR

From 27 to 28 March 2004, selected District officers have been invited to attend this event in order to help them prepare for their active participation at the PETS & SETS as well as the District Assembly to be held in Melaka next month (April). Representing the R.C. of Kuching Central will be PP Andre Suharto (District Trainer) and PP Hj. Odita Ibrahim who will be the Assistant Governor effective 1 July 2004.

### **WHAT'S ON-** IN THE ROTARY CALENDAR?

	<b>WHAT</b>	<b>WHERE</b>	<b>WHEN</b>	<b>CONTACT</b>
1	District Team Training Seminar (DTTS) (organized by R.C. of Skudai)	<i>Hyatt Hotel Johor Bahru</i>	<i>26-27 Mar'04</i>	PP. Andre Suharto
2	Membership Development Seminar (organized by R.C. of Bugis Junction)	Singapore	20 Mar'04	Rtn Thomas Ngu
3	Intercity Meeting (organized by R.C. of Spore West)	Singapore	8 Apr'04	Rtn Thomas Ngu
4	Submission of District Award (category B-membership & attendance)	Must be received by District Award Committee	10 April'04	Rtn. Thomas Ngu
5	14 <sup>th</sup> District Assembly (Hosted by R.C. of Kota Melaka & Singapore)	Renaissance Melaka Hotel	22-25 April'04	Rtn. Thomas Ngu
6	International Avoidable Blindness Conference (Hosted by R.C. Singapore East)	Suntec City, Convention Hall, Singapore	1-2 May'04	PP. Polycarp Teo Sebom
7	Sales of Nasi Lemak	School of the Mentally Retarded	2 May'04	PP. Patrick Yu
8	2004 Rotary International Convention	Osaka, Japan	23-26 May 2004	PP. Polycarp Teo Sebom
9	<i>18<sup>th</sup> Pan Borneo</i>	<i>Imperial Hotel, Bandar Seri Begawan, Brunei</i>	<i>March 2005</i>	
10	<i>Joint District 3310 &amp; 3400 Conference</i>	<i>Nusa Dua, Bali, Indonesia</i>	<i>March 2005</i>	
11	2005 Rotary International Convention	Chicago, Illinois, USA	18-22 June 2005	TBA
12	2006 Rotary International Convention	Copenhagen, Denmark & Malmo, Sweden	11-14 June 2006	TBA

**Notes: Events printed in italic bold are new events which have just been included in this issue. TBA= To Be Announced.**

# 2003-2004 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President	<b>Sylvester Fong</b> Tel: 016-8889001, 369001; Fax:369002; E-mail: fidelity@tm.net.my	
Immediate Past President	<b>Kho Ping</b> Tel:016-8866866, 411561; Fax:427178; E-mail: khoping@pc.jaring.my	
President Elect	<b>Aw Tai Hui</b> Tel:016-8626111, 423866 ; Fax:427867; E-mail: awth@tm.net.my	
Vice President	<b>Patrick Luk</b> Tel:019-8861797; 230115; Fax:331004; E-mail: patluk@pc.jaring.my	
	<b>Directors</b>	<b>Assistants</b>
Hon. Secretary	<b>Frankie Ong</b> Tel: 019-8865498; 483648; Fax: 334998 E-mail: borneobiscuit@khongguan.com.my	<b>PP. Dr. Samuel Kiyui</b> Tel:019-8876677; 243993; Fax:421396 E-mail:jlhl@pc.jarring.my
Hon. Treasurer	<b>Wilford Teo</b> Tel:019-8861939; 486123; Fax:333282 E-mail: wscteo@tm.net.my	<b>Sim Choo Phong</b> Tel: 016-8863942, 863942; Fax:864478 E-mail: <a href="mailto:simchop@pd.jaring.my">simchop@pd.jaring.my</a>
Community Service	<b>Patrick Yu</b> Tel:019-8863741; 248300; Fax:428148 E-mail:tlhymh@tm.net.my	<b>PP. Frankie Yang</b> Tel:017-2220017; Fax:416478 E-mail: <a href="mailto:vuibin@pl.jaring.my">vuibin@pl.jaring.my</a>
Service for New Generations	<b>PP. Bobby Chai</b> Tel:012-8838331, 238633 ; Fax:238644 E-mail: <a href="mailto:bobby@pd.jaring.my">bobby@pd.jaring.my</a>	<b>Dr. Leonard Ng</b> Tel:013-8206888; 349407; Fax:247506 E-mail:lspong888@hotmail.com
Vocational Service	<b>Cecil Yong</b> Tel:016-8875224, 413332; Fax:413522 E-mail: ycfah@pd.jaring.my	<b>K.C. Wong</b> Tel:019-8866150, 412386; Fax:413719 <b>E-mail: <a href="mailto:kcwongg@pd.jaring.my">kcwongg@pd.jaring.my</a></b>
International Service	<b>PP. Polycarp Teo Sebom</b> Tel:019-8871017; 257330; Fax:414802 E-mail:polseb@pc.jarring.my	<b>Augustine Wong</b> Tel:012-8888989, 433333; Fax:422222 E-mail:gus@sinarmekar.com
Club Service	<b>Thomas Ngu</b> Tel:016-8630516, 337999; Fax:339969 E-mail: tngu@tm.net.my	<b>Leslie Phuan</b> Tel: 019-8861826, 682866; Fax:683866 E-mail: pconcre@pd.jaring.my <b>Andrew Chong</b> Tel: 019-8598236, 204273; Fax: E-mail: accm00@pd.jaring.my
Sergeant-at Arms	<b>Chai Ko Jee</b> Tel:016-8622322; 241366; Fax:429872 E-mail: jk@jeekwong.com	
Public Relations & Bulletin Editor	<b>PP. Andre Suharto</b> Tel:016-8648889, 411775 ext 30; Fax:425776 E-mail: andre@comserv.po.my	
Special Advisor to President	<b>PP. Chieng Lee Ching</b> Tel:019-8866875; 427032; Fax:244706 E-mail:njc@tm.net.my	