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Dear Rotarians

There was a good turnout of about 54 Rotarians, family members and guests at RCJB's early Christmas Party on Saturday 26 November at Mutiara Hotel. The food was good and plentiful but due to miscommunication, the goat that I promised wasn't available.

PDG Mike, PDG Hock Teck and PDG Ben Cheng from Singapore were present. About 10 Rotarians from Singapore, led by CP Michael Quek from RC Sentosa attended the function. PP KN Chuah was in good control of the karaoke session and the latest stars are the spouses of PP Roland Choong and Rtn Dr. Lee Kim Tiong.

It was a fun-filled evening which prompted one of our guests, Professor Phil Bradley from the Newcastle University to comment that 'the Rotary club members are a very sociable bunch'.

Despite the late night, the next morning, members who volunteered to help at the medical camp were present at 8.30am. The first to register arrived at about 8.30 and we decided to start the camp at 9.30am. The turnout exceeded our expectations and by 3.00pm, we had to close the registration counter after serving 402 patients. We had 14 medical officers manning the front line and 6 specialists who took care of cases referred by the MO's. Most of the Specialists including Organizing Chairman, PP Dr. Shan served more than 30 patients each. The bone density counter served more than a hundred, while almost every one went for the BMI check. They were ably supported by more than 60 nurses and other supporting staff from the Kementerian

Kesihatan, Puteri Specialist Hospital, the Kulai Government Dental Clinic, our dialysis center and the Doctors themselves.

I wish to thank RCJB members who turned up to help and the others who dropped by to give us support. RC Changi had about 10 members to lend their support. Overall, it was a very successful project and I would like to take this opportunity to thank RC Kulai, RC Changi, Kementerian Kesihatan, Puteri Specialist Hospital and Pfizer for being such wonderful partners. I wish to thank the Organizing Chairman, PP Dr. Shan for all the connections and PP Dato Veloo for his (behind the scene) work in helping to get the Kementerian Kesihatan's involvement. I hope this project can become a yearly or bi-yearly event between our partner clubs.

A few of us will be away from the 10th to 17th December to visit the 20 children that we adopted at the Shobana Foundation in Cambodia. This 5 year project is coming to an end with the handing over of the last yearly sum of USD 3000.00 to support the education of these 20 girls. At the moment, we have no idea what will develop from here. We will have further discussions with the management there and/or after meeting the Princess.

The District Assembly will now be held from 22nd March to 25th March next year. As the host club, we look forward to seeing more participants attending the Assembly and one of the incentives provided is the '5 pay for 4' package. The whole idea is to make it affordable for more Rotarians to attend, bring their spouse along or bring a guest. Clubs may also use this incentive to 'sponsor' potential members to the assembly. Please help to promote' this event whenever you meet any Rotarians from other clubs.

"Reach within to embrace humanity."

NG SWEE POH
PRESIDENT 2011 / 2012
ROTARY CLUB OF JOHOR BAHRU



Last Week's Program:
Talk: Johor Flying Club
Speaker: Mr Shane Lim

Today's Program:
Talk: Diet & Anemia Management For Dialysis Patients

Speaker: Ms Joyce

Program on 13 December 2011

Talk: Future Vision
Speaker: PDG David Tong

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Johor Flying Club by Shane Lim



The speaker for the evening, Mr Shane Lim shared with exuberance, his journey and experiences with the Johor Flying Club (JFC).



General Aviation in Malaysia

Overview of The Johor Flying Club

The Johor Flying Club is based at the Sultan Ismail International Airport; more commonly known as Senai Airport. Members of the club are from all walks of life and hold various types of pilot's licenses and ratings. It is a club that strives to bring the joys of general aviation to the masses.

Although flying solo is a pre-requisite to becoming a pilot, yet it is quite fun flying with fellow pilots. With the Johor Flying Club, members not only enjoy each other's company in the air, but also on the ground. The club holds social events throughout the year and is even invited to participate in air carnivals in the region. Members of the club also enjoy their weekly "makan" sessions.

The club helps an individual to achieve his dream of becoming a pilot through its Private Pilot's License (PPL) course.

Said Shane, that flying an aircraft is not only a challenge but also fun. To fly an aircraft ably and safely is indeed a great achievement. It is the same whether one is flying a small aircraft or a big jetliner. One learns about the flying environment, the aircraft, the weather, the rules pilots use to keep their flying safe and also about oneself.

The club has a fleet of three aircrafts, a 9M-JFA - 2 seater Cessna 150, a 9M - JFX—4 seater Piper Archer II and a 9M - SGI - 4 seater Piper Warrior II.



The first step to becoming a pilot is to get a Class 2 medical examination with a Department of Civil Aviation Malaysia (DCA) authorized medical practitioner.

When one enrolls as a student with JFC, he will be issued a Student's Pilot License (SPL) by the DCA. The license allows him to fly instructional (dual) sortie with the instructor. Lessons on aircraft handling, radiotelephony and air navigation will be taught progressively. Along the way, one will be required to perform solo flights as well as sit for written examinations, before sitting for the flight test and qualifying for the Private Pilot's License (PPL).

Flying Activities

► Short Getaways.



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