



# NEWSLETTER

## Welcome Madam President

*Rotary Club of Langkawi ushers in first woman president.*



It was a modest affair. RCL combined the talk on Data Protection with the handing over of the presidency to President Elect Hery. President Hery then accepted an award on behalf of the members of the club. RCL was awarded by District for being Runner's Up under the category of Best Initiatives for their Mangrove Clean Up Project spearheaded by David . It is now their Signature Project.

Top Row: Sachie, Raksha, Preethi, Julie ( hidden ) , Gerard  
Bottom Row: Sunil, Kiran, Hery , Ken

Above: Assistant Governor BH Lee was at hand to place the president's collar on President Elect Hery. Thank You BH coming and making the presentation.

### ABOUT PRESIDENT HERY

Born in Singapore and attended Raffles Girls' School, Hery left the shores of Singapore at 19 to spend her rebellious years in London and Amsterdam. She then worked and lived in Abu Dhabi, Jordan and USA. In 1992 , She planted roots in UK and raised her 2 sons. She did her diploma in Psychiatric Nursing at Surrey University in 1994 and later her degree at Portsmouth University . Hery has worked in both government and private sectors. In 2006 she became a life coach and

branched into training. In 2012 Hery and her husband Ken moved to Langkawi under the MM2H programme. Here she instructs Zumba to maintain and promote a healthy lifestyle among the islanders and became involved in Rotary. She is a chartered member of RCL, the Organising Chairman of their charter night and Director of Public Image ( 2013-2014). Hery is now president for the Rotary year 2014-2015.

AN AWARD FOR OUR CLEAN UP PROJECT



It has been a tradition for the District to recognise individual clubs for their outstanding performances in different areas of service. This year our new club came in second place under the category of Best New Initiatives in the Rotary year 2013-2014. The initiative we took was to clean up the Kilim Karst River in March of this year. The project was sponsored by many local businesses, LADA and assisted by FLAGG. We had over 1500 volunteers who went on 77 boats to clear up rubbish along the river, mangrove swamps and surrounding beaches. There was also a short educational session to participating school children on how important it is to preserve our Geopark which the river is a part of . The project was spearheaded by Director of Service Projects, Rotarian David Bradley who had a wealth of experience cleaning the Klang River a couple of years ago. The event was documented in an article in the April issue of The Expat magazine. The recommendation for the award was made to the District on the suggestion of DGSR Dr Baskaran. Immediate Past President Arvind from RC Sg Petani submitted it on our behalf. Assistant Governor BH Lee presented the plaque to President Hery who accepted it on behalf of the club members 23.6.2014.

A TALK ON DATA PROTECTION

It was intriguing, frightening and confusing at times but Mr Noris made it clear for us with his talk touching on issues like privacy settings on Facebook, CCTV , the right to be forgotten, what banks do with our data. He even read Rotary International’s policy on data protection. Apparently, we got top marks with protecting others especially children who are involved in Rotary. The speaker who has a law degree and a string of other qualifications is based in KL and London. He flew in from the capital specially to give his presentation , free of charge. He was hosted by President Hery.

The talk was well attended by Rotarians from the mainland and also non Rotarians. It was an hour long talk which ended with a lengthy question and answer session. Look out for more interesting talks hosted by the Rotary Club of Langkawi. Contact Preethi for incoming talks: 012 4033958





ROTARY SHOWCASED ACTIVITIES IN TUBA SCHOOL

Langkawi District Education Office officially launched “WAVES OF ENGLISH 2014” at the LADA Auditorium on 22 May 2014. The launch was officiated by Dato’ Ir. Haji Nawawi Bin Haji Ahmad-a Langkawi member of parliament.

Due to our commitment with Tuba School since April of this year we were invited to set up a booth to illustrate our activities in Tuba School which we adopted last year.

The objectives of WAVES are to create an awareness on the importance of English, to improve students’ English Language proficiency with back to basics programmes; to promote the environment for fun learning of English; to provide support for teachers and promote sharing of best practices and materials. Rtns Ken and Hery set up the

booth. Rtns Julie , Gerard and Preethi attended the event.

Rotarian Jalal Udin and Ann from the Rotary Club of Bangladesh accepting our banner from PE Preethi.



Rotarian Julie who visits Tuba School monthly explains RCI’s involvement and future plans for the school to the delegates and the dignitaries.



Others schools displayed how they make English fun to learn and others “ checked” out our booth too. We are the only non school and the only NGO who has a booth in the official launch.

Calendar

**July 7th**

Meeting  
Frangipani Hotel VP chairs

**July 14th**

Meeting  
Frangipani Hotel VP chairs

**July 21st**

Assembly: our year ahead  
Frangipani Hotel

**July 28th**

No meeting - Selamat Hari Raya

To make a presentation please contact our Preethi

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Notice



OUR CLUB INSTALLATION WILL BE ON A CRUISE SHIP IN PENANG ON 6TH SEPT. THIS IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO MEET OTHER ROTARIANS, NETWORK AND EXCHANGE IDEAS. PLEASE MAKE YOUR RESERVATION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE . FOR FURTHER ENQUIRIES CONTACT BH LEE 0124855637