



# NEWSLETTER

## RCL wishes everyone a Happy 2015



We started the new year with attendance from potential new members and two teenagers whom RCL sponsored to attend RYLA - otherwise known as Rotary Youth Leadership Awards. This is an annual event hosted by Rotary club of Bandar Sungai Petani for two consecutive years now. The three day event took place in late December 2014 at Aimst University about ten kilometres from Sungai Petani. This year our club sponsored Mr James Kwa and Miss Dharkshen Selva both 17 years of age. We invited Dharkshen and James to our meeting to share with us their experiences at their first RYLA event. Dharkshen pictured third from right stated that participating in RYLA inspired her to be a better student, the experience is totally new to her and “ opened “ her eyes to new possibilities. The diverse programme tested her shyness especially when she had to step out of her comfort zone a few times. James loved the fact that he made some new friends and was made made to do things that he would not thought of trying. The activities taught him how to work in a team but at the same time how to be an individual. Both felt positive about the event and the club’s sponsorship.

### HEALTH TALK ON DENGUE FEVER BY PRESIDENT ELECT DR G LAWRENCE



President Elect Dr Gerard delivered an informative and interesting talk on dengue fever, its symptoms and prevention of breeding the mosquito that was responsible for the illness. We were also given the latest stats in the country.

The talk was well attended and there were lots of questions and answers at the end. All the participants came away with pamphlets and a sachet of insecticide.

RCL NOMINATED OUR NEXT PRESIDENT FOR 2015-2016



*Dr. Capt. Gerard Lawrence*

After much persuasion Dr Gerard who was unanimously nominated to be the club's next president has graciously agreed to take on the post for the next Rotary which begins from July 2015 to June 2016.

Although he missed the pre PETS training at the District Assembly in KL last December, Dr Gerard is keen to attend the next one which will be held from March 6th to 8th in Putrajaya. Although he is not new to Rotary it is highly recommended that he attends the training session if only to meet and bond with other presidents from Group 1 and exchange ideas.

Dr Captain Gerard Lawrence is a medical officer with the military who is seconded to the Navy in Langkawi. He did his training in medicine at The Russian State University in Moscow and worked in a hospital on the mainland before being posted to Langkawi about three years ago.

Dr Gerard who is originally from KL is a charter member of the club and is Chairman of Membership and New Generation this Rotary year.

His next project is forming an Interact Club in one of the local secondary schools this year.

Congratulations Doc!

PLEASE NOTE: DUE TO UNFORSEEN CIRCUMSTANCES THERE WAS NO NEWSLETTER ISSUED IN DECEMBER 2014.

**Rotary**  
Club Of Langkawi

Do you want to play at  
One of the most stunning  
award-winning golf courses  
in SE Asia  
Saturday April 18, 2015

**HAPPY CHINESE NEW YEAR  
WELCOME TO THE YEAR OF THE SHEEP**



Rotarian Ken, chairman of Rotary Foundation represent President Hery at the District Assembly held in KL in December 2014. President Hery had to be called away to UK suddenly due to some family issues.



Rotarians Julie and Marcel hosted a Christmas “drinks and nibbles” at their home. It was well attended by friends and Rotarian. The gathering was in lieu of our usual Monday meeting.



Honorary member Anthony Wong has assisted our club in many ways. When RCL contributed to polio plus to the tune of US\$1000 it entitles the club a recognition in the form of a Paul Harris Fellow. ( PHF) which was bestowed on Mr Wong.

**Calendar of Events**

**February 2nd**

Meeting board of directors  
Frangipani Hotel

**February 9th**

Meeting  
Frangipani Hotel

**February 16th**

Meeting

**February 23rd**

Marcel's birthday party at Mangos

**February 28th**

Geopark Cruise and Eco Walk for students of SMK Langkawi Tuba

**Notice**

**FUND RAISING EVENT**

**RCL ANNOUNCES IT'S GOLF TOURNAMENT**

ON SATURDAY 18TH APRIL 2015 AT THE ELS GOLF COURSE AT TELUK DATAI.

IT IS 1PM SHOT GUN START FOLLOWED BY A SCRUMPTIOUS BBQ DINNER AT 7PM.

THERE IS A GOLF CLINIC FOR NON GOLFERS AND THE CHANCE FOR A PRACTICE RUN ON FRIDAY 17TH APRIL.

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